

to 56s. Newly arrived New Zealand is in request, and purchases run in a firm groove as to price and demand. English cheese is quiet, but a steady trade is in progress and a firm market is maintained. Kearley & Tonge report: "The market remains firm for Autumn made Canadian cheese, but transactions to only a small extent have taken place, buyers confining their purchase solely to immediate requirements."

POTATOES are in good supply here, and in view of the fact that figures in the United States have broken badly, they are very weak in this market. In fact is probable that 20c. to 35c. as to condition would buy any cargo here. The Montreal Trade Bulletin says:—"Some heavy losses have been sustained of late by Montreal and Western shippers to the American markets, owing to the collapse in prices, especially in Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit and other Western States centres. A Montreal firm lost \$100 per car upon his shipments to Chicago, and another shipper dropped over \$100 per car. Shippers from Ontario also complain of being badly handled on their late consignments to Chicago, Buffalo and Cincinnati; one firm West of Toronto claims that it has been wiped out of all its former profits, and will have to charge up a considerable sum to profit and loss."

FRUIT—There is little that is new or interesting to note in regard to the market for dried fruit since our last report, except that some activity has been noted in currants. They are in fact almost the only line of groceries that has shown up in this respect though stocks are quoted low. Other dried fruits are dull and nothing has been done in raising except in a very small way and prices would be readily shaded to induce trade. With the warmer weather that has prevailed during the past two weeks, green stock has displayed a considerable degree of activity in the regular jobbing way that has become customary at this season. Oranges, lemons, bananas, pine apples, strawberries, are in full supply and meet with an excellent demand.

SUGAR.—This market continues to be in about the same position as when last reported. Grocers are only buying enough to carry them along in expectation of a change in the tariff in the near future. Dealers who used to take 100 to 500 bbls. now take 5, 10, to 50 bbls. at a time, giving business at the refineries more the appearance of a retail character. Prices remain the same as last week. Advices from England report a firmer market in raw sugar, beet having advanced 6d. during the week to 13s. 4½d. Centrifugals have advanced in New York ½c. to ¾c. per lb.

MOLASSES.—The market for molasses is very firm, and higher prices than our quotations are expected soon by holders. The Montreal Trade Bulletin remarks of that market:—"Owing to the short supply of Barbadoes molasses at the islands, buyers there have manifested more anxiety to secure spot supplies, one firm having secured 866 puncheons on private terms, but said to be in the vicinity of 37c., and values are now quoted at 38c. to 40c. as to quality. The Helene's cargo of 1000 puncheons of Barbadoes for Montreal has also been sold on private terms, but presumed to be at about 22c. f. o. b. at the Islands, which is equal to a shade under asking prices here. The market has a very firm tone, and higher prices are looked for, owing to the reported small supply to come forward. Those parties who were expecting to buy their new season's Barbadoes molasses as low as 25c. on this market have discovered by this time the illusory nature of their hopes."

TEA.—There is a good, active demand for tea, anything worth 16c. to 20c., being hard to get, especially those at the latter price. The first new teas of the season were offered on the Montreal market last week at 37½c. to 40c., but they were in very small lots, there being only about 25 packages in each lot. Further consignments are expected there daily, and that market is reported to be in first-class condition to receive them. The London market is reported ½d. to 1d. better for black teas. Pingsuey gunpowders, perials and young hysons are said to be very scarce both in London and New York, and prices have, in consequence, advanced 1½c. to 2c. per lb.

COFFEE.—A steady market has been ruled for coffee during the past week. Although the trend of outside business has been in the direction of ease, our market has remained firm. Of the coming crop in Brazil we quote: The Rio News says:—"Some 'sporadic'—if the expression be permitted—samples of new coffee are reported to have already appeared here, but they are not generally considered to be a symptom of a very early crop, although it cannot be overlooked that prices ruling may entice planters to forward their new coffees before they are properly cured, and a quantity of mottled beans are not unlikely to result." The Diario Popular is informed by a person who has recently visited some of the coffee districts of St. Paulo, that the next coffee crop in that State will reach 3,500,000 bags, and that within five years the annual production of coffee in the State will amount to 8,000,000 bags. Evidently referring to the above, a Sao Paulo planter writes to the same journal, that, in view of the anticipated crop of 3,509,000 bags of coffee in the State, the planters should not hurry to send their product to market. Should a large quantity be offered for sale lower prices will surely result, consequently it should be held back and shipped only to meet current demands. Every effort should be made to prevent an increase of stocks in consuming markets. The Sao Paulo Mercantile publishes a letter, in which it is stated that the coffee crop of 1891-92 in the State of St. Paulo will be smaller than that of 1890-91 in the following municipal districts:—St. Jose do Rio Pardo, Mocoo, Guaxupis, Santa Barbara, Monte Santo, Santa Cruz das Palmeiras, St. Simao, Quibeirao Preto, Batatas, Limoeira, Rio Claro, Campinas, Amparo, Catibano St. Carlos. In Jahu and St. Manoel the crop is larger than in 1890-91.

FISH OILS.—Montreal, June, 3rd—"In all it is said about 400 bbls. of cod oil have been shipped from Montreal recently for the English trade, which has proved quite a relief to the market. A lot of new cod oil consisting of 50 bbls has been offered at 36c and we quote 36c to 38c. as to quality. In seal oil there is no change, steam refined being quoted at 45c. to 47c. as to quantity; cod liver oil is nominal at the moment." Gloucester, Mass. June, 3—"cod oil 30 cts. per gal.; medicine oil 65c.; blackfish oil 80 to 83 cts.; menhaden oil 25 cts.; livera 25 cts. per bucket."

FISH.—Little or nothing has been doing in dried and cured fish since our last report, and that department continues to be extremely dull and lifeless. However, salmon are becoming numerous, and considerable quantities are being packed in ice and shipped by each steamer to Boston and by rail to Montreal and other U. S. and Canadian points. Mackerel have arrived in large shoals off our coast from Yarmouth to Canso, but they keep generally well away from the shore, being bound northward to their spawning grounds. Still some of them stray into the coves, and a few barrels have been taken. Those caught so far are all extras, and will average from 2½ to 3½ lbs. each. They are in excellent condition, and some have been packed off to U. S. markets. Our outside advices are as follows:—Montreal, June 3—"A pretty good trade in fresh fish is passing at steady prices. The first arrivals of fresh Gaspe salmon have sold at the fancy figure of 35c. per lb. wholesale. British Columbia salmon sells at 17c. to 18c. per lb. A car load of fresh haddock has also been disposed of at 14c. to 14½c. per lb. A few shad from St. John, N. B., have fetched 11c. to 14½c. each. Business is quiet, and we quote: Bon less codfish 5c. to 6c., and boneless fish 3½ to 4½c., Yarmouth bloater \$1.25 per hundred; finnan haddies 7½c. per lb." Gloucester, Mass., June 3—"New Georges codfish at \$6 a q'l. for large, and small at \$5 25, Bank \$5 75 for large and \$5 for small; shoro \$5.75 and \$5 for large and small; dry hank \$6; medium \$5.25; French codfish \$6 per quintal, Phillips Beach codfish \$7 per q'l.; cured cusk at \$4.50 per q'l., hake \$2.50, haddock \$3.50; heavy salted pollock \$2.50, and English cured do. \$3.25 per q'l., Labrador herring 86 bbl.; med. split \$6, Nfld do. \$5.50, Nova Scotia do. \$5; Eastport \$4; split shoro \$4.25, round \$4.50, round Eastport \$4; pickled codfish \$7.25, haddock \$6, halibut heads \$3.50, sounds \$12, tongues and sounds \$11; tongues \$10; alewives \$3.50, trout \$14, California salmon \$14; Halifax do. \$23; Newfoundland do. \$16."

## MARKET QUOTATIONS.—WHOLESALE SELLING RATES.

Our Price Lists are corrected for us each week by reliable merchants.

### GROCERIES.

SUGARS.	
Cut Leaf.....	7 to 7½
Granulated.....	6½ to 6¾
Circle A.....	6½
White Extra C.....	6½
Standard.....	5½ to 5¾
Extra Yellow C.....	5½ to 5¾
Yellow C.....	5½
TEA.	
Congou, Common.....	17 to 19
" Fair.....	20 to 23
" Good.....	25 to 29
" Choice.....	31 to 33
" Extra Choice.....	35 to 36
Oolong, Choice.....	37 to 39
MOLASSES.	
Barbadoes.....	35 to 36
Demerara.....	35 to 36
Diamond N.....	48
Porto Rico.....	35 to 37
Cienfuegos.....	none
Trinidad.....	34 to 35
Antigua.....	34 to 35
Tobacco, Black.....	38 to 44
" Bright.....	42 to 55
BISCUITS.	
Pilot Bread.....	3.15
Boston and Thin Family.....	6½
Soda.....	6½
do in 1lb. boxes, 50 to case.....	7½
Fancy.....	8 to 15

### HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

Apples, per bbl., N.S.....	3.00 to 4.50
Oranges, Valencia, per case.....	5.00
Lemons, per case.....	5.50
Cocoanuts, new, per 100.....	4.50
Onions New Berm. per crate.....	2.00
" Egyptian, new.....	3.00
Dates boxes, new.....	6
Raisins, Valencia.....	new.
Figs, Elce, 5 lb boxes per lb., new.....	12
" small boxes.....	11 to 13
Prunes, Stewing, boxes.....	13
Bananas.....	2.50 to 3.00
Tomatoes, new, per box.....	75

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### FISH.

	Ex Vessel.	Ex Store
MACKEREL—		
Extras.....		\$18.00
No. 1.....		17.00
" 2 large.....		16.00
" 2 small.....		15.00
" 3 large, Reamed.....		11.00
" 3, Reamed.....		11.00
" 3 large, Plain.....		11.00
" 3 1/2 large.....		9.00
Small.....		7.50
HEERING.		
No. 1 C. H. July.....		8.50
" 1 Fall Split.....	3.50	4.20
" 1 Fall Round.....	3.25	4.25
" 1 Labrador.....		5.25
" 1 Georges Bay.....		none
" 1 Bay of Islands.....	3.00	3.25
ALASKA, No. 1.....		none
SALMON.		
No. 1, F. B. L.....		18.00
No. 2, F. B. L.....		16.00
" 2.....		14.00
Small.....		12.00
CORFISH.		
Hard C. H.....	4.75	5.25 to 5.50
Western Shore.....	4.50	4.75 to 5.00
Bank.....	none	5.00 to 5.25
Bay.....	none	none
Newfoundland.....	none	none
Haddock.....	3.50	4.00
Hard C. H.....	3.50	3.75
Bank & Western.....	3.75	3.25 to 3.50
Hake.....	2.50	3.10
Pollock.....	none	none
Hake Sounds, per lb.....	12½	30c.
Cod Oil, 7 gal.....	25c.	

### BREADSTUFFS.

Are still depressed, without any special changes in the market: Our quotations for car lots can be shaded. Oat and cornmeal are considered easier. We quote cat meal at \$5 90, and rolled at \$6. Kilm dried cornmeal at \$3 50 to \$3 60, \$3 15 to \$3 25 in bond. Wheat bran is also lowered, quote \$19 to \$20 per ton. Cracked flour is \$30 per ton.

MANITOBA Highest Grade Patents.....	6.25 to 6.35
High Grade Patents.....	6.10 to 6.15
Good 90 per cent. Patents.....	5.60 to 5.75
Straight Grade.....	5.40 to 5.50
Superior Extras.....	4.30 to 4.50
Good Seconds.....	5.15 to 5.20
Graham Flour.....	4.25 to 5.10
Oatmeal.....	5.00
" Rolled.....	6.00
Kilm Dried Cornmeal.....	3.10 to 3.60
" In Bond.....	3.15 to 3.25
Roller Wheat.....	12.00 to 12.50
Wheat Bran, per ton.....	26 (into 27.00)
Shorts.....	26 (into 27.00)
Middlings.....	27.50 to 28.50
Cracked Corn " including bags.....	32.00
Ground Oat Cake, per ton.....	31.00 to 35.00
Meal.....	30.00
Split Peas.....	4.00
White Beans, per bushel.....	1.80 to 2.10
Pot Barley, per barrel.....	3.90 to 4.10
Canadian Oats, choice quality.....	13 to 15
Hay per ton.....	11.75 to 13.10

J. A. CHIPMAN & Co., Head of Central Wharf, Halifax, N. S.

### PROVISIONS.

Beef, Am. Ex. Mess, duty paid.....	11.50 to 13.00
" Am. Plate.....	13.50 to 16.00
" Ex. Plate.....	16.00 to 16.50
Pork, Mess, American.....	17.00 to 17.10
" American, clear.....	18.50 to 19.00
" P. E. I. Mess.....	16.50 to 17.00
" P. E. I. Thin Mess.....	15.50 to 16.00
" Prime Mess.....	12.50 to 13.00
Lard, Tubs and Pails, P. E. Island.....	12
" American.....	11 to 12
Hams, P. E. I., green.....	10 to 11
Prices are for wholesale lots only, and are liable to change daily.	

### BUTTER AND CHEESE.

Nova Scotia Choice Fresh Prints.....	30
" in Small Tubs.....	25
" Good, in large tubs, new.....	20 to 22
" old.....	7 to 11
" Store Packed & overhauled.....	10
Canadian Township, new.....	22
" Western.....	20
" old.....	7 to 10
Cheese, Canadian.....	12
" Antigonish.....	12

### SALT.

Factory Filled.....	\$1.20
Fine Liverpool, bag, from store.....	15
Liverpool, 7 bbl.....	1.10
Afloat.....	1.05
Caliz.....	none
Turks Island.....	1.50
Lisbon.....	none
Coarse W. I.....	none
Trapani.....	\$1.35
" afloat.....	\$1.20