

the week, secondary sorts at 40s. to 44s. being readily saleable, and causing holders no trouble in the disposition."

EGGS.—The supply of eggs coming into this market still fully equals the demand, and prices are, consequently, comparatively weak at 11c. to 12c. for primo, fresh. Large quantities of Cape Breton and P. E. Island eggs are now finding their way to this market, and we shall not be surprised to note a drop in figures before long. In London eggs have been rather slow. Supplies, considering the time of year, have been anything but large. Nevertheless, the bad condition of some of the offerings has choked off buyers whose attention has been directed into other quarters. Prices keep about as before. In Liverpool, eggs have been selling a little more quietly but still freely, and old rates rule, though a lower tone is on the top. In London, eggs from Canada are beginning to move more freely, and Messrs Wheeler, Bennett & Co. inform us that the prices realised this week, 7s. for small and 8s. for large per 120, are satisfactory in comparison with other imports, and should be such as to induce shippers to send forward their consignments immediately. We have a large capacity. We can take all you send providing they are clean, well selected and shipped eggs. Experience has shown it to be unprofitable to ship out of condition or undersized eggs.

GREEN FRUIT.—The market for green fruit shows no particular change except that importations from the States are falling off as the season advances and natives come in. The popular demand, however, is well maintained, and the abnormally large yield now assured will, doubtless, be all absorbed. A Liverpool circular, dated Sept. 15th, has the following on the apple crop of the United Kingdom:—"It is later than usual for us to place before shippers a summary of reports as to the probable crop of apples in the United Kingdom, but this season we have found it more difficult than usual to obtain authentic information, and therefore have waited until we could give such a report as we believe may be relied upon. We have before us the estimate as to crops from 140 different parts of the United Kingdom, which may be summarized as follows:—

Very thin, poor, or almost a failure.....	16
Half crop, or under the average..	42
Fair, good, or average.....	74
Above average, heavy	8
	140

From this it appears that the crop is undoubtedly 'under average,' but our opinion is it will be decidedly smaller than even these figures would lead us to suppose, for the reason that many of the estimates were arrived at two or three weeks since, and within the past ten days the United Kingdom has been visited with two or three severe gales, which have blown a very large quantity of apples off the trees, thus materially reducing the crop, but to what actual extent it is impossible to say. Regarding prices, our opinion is they will not rule quite so high as last season, but a good demand at fair rates may reasonably be looked forward to."

DRIED FRUIT.—There has been no change in this market since our last and, with prospects of very light arrivals, holders show a firm tendency. The annual consumptive demand of Canada is increasing annually, and we now require, at a very low estimate, 300,000 boxes of raisins to supply this country. When, therefore, it is stated that the receipts of the new crop and the lots on the way so far amount to only 80,000 boxes, it is easy to understand that holders are firm, even allowing for the very large stocks of old material that are in the country already.

TEAS.—A very good trade is reported to be in progress here in teas. Mail advices from Japan say that the exports will probably show an increase of over 2,000,000 pounds, reaching fifty millions of pounds. The grades now being shipped are common to good medium, the higher grades being practically finished. The feeling is firm.

COFFEE.—The weaker and unsettled state of outside markets has not affected the local coffee market to any appreciable extent, and prices hold fairly steady for the reason that really desirable grades are hard to get.

SUGAR.—A good, fair trade is reported in sugar. The price of granulated is unchanged, but yellows have a downward tendency; some sales being reported on p. t. but understood to be ½c. to ¾c. below standard quotations. There is nothing new to note in connection with the market except, perhaps, a slight tendency on the part of refiners to cut prices in order to secure business.

FISH.—Our previous remarks as to the state of the local fish market continue to apply. Dullness overspreads the trade, which seems to be gradually sinking into a lethargic state. The season is about over and the catch has been very meagre. Our outside advices are as follows:—Montreal, Oct. 7.—"The fish market does not show any marked activity, for the reason that arrivals are, so far, inconsiderable, and most dealers expect a light supply this fall, arguing thus from the light catch in several sections, some being practically a failure. As a consequence values have a firm tendency. Labrador herring are a small stock at present, offering at \$4.75 to \$5.25 per barrel, and half-barrels \$2.75 to \$3. There is little or no Cape Breton stock here, and what there is is held at \$5 to \$5.50. Cod of all kinds is scarce and firm. There is no green cod offering to speak of. No. 1 rules at \$5 to \$5.50, other grades in proportion. Labrador salmon are firm at \$16 for No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3 at a reduction of \$1 and \$2 respectively." Gloucester, Mass., Oct. 7.—"Trade continues good, with excellent weather for curing and large shipments. Receipts cover considerable variety but are light for the season. The mackerel season is rapidly drawing to a close, with a moderate catch, very little afloat, and a rising market. We quote last sales as follows:—Mackerel in fishermen's order, \$13.75 per bbl. for large, and \$8 for medium shores. Jobbing prices of cured mackerel,

extra bloomers \$30 to \$32; large 2s, \$17.50 to \$18; medium 2s, \$16; 3s, \$7.75 to \$8. New Georges codfish at \$6.50 a qtl. for large, and small at \$5; bank \$5.50 for large and \$4 for small; shore \$6.25 and \$4.87½ for large and small. Dry bank \$6, medium \$4.50. Cured cusk at \$4 per qtl.; hake \$2; haddock \$3.25, heavy salted pollock \$2.37½, and English cured do. \$3 per qtl. Labrador herring \$6.50 and \$6.75 per bbl., Nfld do \$6.75, Nova Scotia do \$5.25; Eastport \$4; split shore \$4.25, round do. \$4.75; round Eastport \$4; pickled codfish \$5.50; haddock \$4, halibut heads \$3.50; sounder \$12; tongues and sounds \$11, tongues \$10, alovives \$3.50, trout \$14; California salmon \$14; Halifax do \$23; Newfoundland do \$16."

PULLETS SHOULD BE LAYING.

Young pullets hatched in March and April ought all to be laying this month. Later hatched ones if not laying by November, will probably if left to themselves not lay before spring when eggs are down to fifteen cents per dozen. A well known poultry farmer showed us recently his account for last Dec with 125 pullets. The net profit for that month from eggs alone was \$19.39; from the same pullets in April following, the profit was \$14.97, and he got 50 dozen more eggs in April than in December. Now this is a striking lesson to all who keep hens for profit. Get all the eggs you can this dull year when other crops are short, as eggs always bring cash. Probably 45 cents per dozen by Christmas. Therefore get the pullets to laying early when prices are highest. Rev. S. W. Squires of Franklin, Mass., says, "For the purpose of seeing how many eggs I could obtain last winter from twelve hens, I used four large cans of Sheridan's Condition Powder. I believe it is the best preparation known to increase egg production. I saved part of the eggs for hatching after forcing the hens four months for all they were worth with the Sheridan's Powder, and I never had a greater per cent of fertile eggs or more vigorous chickens. In brief, I do not believe I can afford to be without the Powder to give health and vigour to young hens." Six cans of Sheridan's powder will pay a good dividend in eggs if you commence early. If you cannot get it near home, I. S. Johnson and Co., 22 Custom House St., Boston, Mass (the only makers of Sheridan's Condition Powder), will send for 50 cts. two 25-cent packs of Powder; for \$1, five packs; \$1.20, a large 2½ pound can, all post paid; six cans for \$3, express prepaid; one large can of Powder, also one year's subscription to the Farm Poultry monthly both sent post paid for \$1.50. Sample copy of paper 5 cts. Send stamps or cash. Testimonials sent free.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.—WHOLESALE SELLING RATES.

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

GROCERIES.

SUGARS.	
Cut Loaf.....	6 ½
Granulated.....	4 ½ to 4 ¾
Circle A.....	4 ½
White Extra C.....	4 ½
Standard.....	3 ¾ to 3 ½
Extra Yellow C.....	3 ½
Yellow C.....	3 ¾ to 3 ½
TEAS.	
Congou, Common.....	17 to 19
" Fair.....	20 to 23
" Good.....	25 to 29
" Choice.....	31 to 33
" Extra Choice.....	35 to 38
Oolong, Choice.....	37 to 39
MOLASSES.	
Barbadoes.....	40
Demerara.....	35 to 38
Diamond N.....	48
Porto Rico.....	37 to 38
Cienfuegos.....	none
Trinidad.....	34 to 35
Antigua.....	34 to 35
Tobacco, Black.....	45 to 47
" Bright.....	47 to 65
BISCUITS.	
Pilot Bread.....	3.00
Boston and Thin Family.....	6 ½
Soda.....	6 ½
do in 1 lb. boxes, 50 to case.....	7 ½
Fancy.....	8 to 15

HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

Apples, per bbl., N. S.....	2.00 to 3.00
Oranges, Jamaica, brls.....	8.50
Lemons, per case.....	6.00 to 9.00
Cocoanuts, new, pe 100.....	4.50
Onions Am. per lb.....	8c.
" Egyptian, new.....	2 ½
Dates boxes, new.....	6
Raisins, Valencia.....	new.
Figs, Eleme, 5 lb boxes per lb., new.....	11
" small boxes.....	9 to 10
Prunes Stewing, boxes.....	7
Bananas.....	1.50 to 2.00
Tomatoes, new, per crate.....	1.25

C. H. Harvey, 12 & 10 Sackville St.

FISH.

	Ex Vessel.	Ex Store
MACKEREL.		
Extras.....		
No. 1.....	11.00	
" 2 large.....	9.50	
" 2.....	8.50	
" 3 large, Reamed.....	8.50	
" 3, Reamed.....	7.50	
" 3 large, Plain.....	7.50	
" 3 Plain.....	7.00	
Small.....	4.75	
HERRING.		
No. 1 C. B. July.....	4.75	5.25
" 1 Fall Split.....	3.50	
" 1 Fall Round.....	3.00	
" 1 Labrador.....		
" 1 Georges Bay.....	2.10	2.25
" 1 Bay of Islands.....	3.00	3.00
ALWIVES, No. 1.....	4.00	
SALMON.		
No. 1, P. E. I.....	14.00	15.50
No. 2, P. E. I.....	12.00	13.50
" 3.....	10.00	12.00
Small.....		
CODFISH.		
Hard C. B.....	4.80	5.50
Western Shore.....	4.50	5.00
Bank.....	none	5.00
Bay.....	none	4.75
Newfoundland.....	none	none
Haddock.....	3.50	
Bank & Western.....	3.25	3.75
Hake.....	2.75	3.00 to 3.25
Pollock.....		2.00
Hake Sounds, per lb.....	12 ½	
Cod Oil P. gal.....	7	20c.

BREADSTUFFS.

There is no change still to note in the markets on breadstuffs, which continue very quiet. In some few instances Millers have made slight concessions in prices to effect sales, but the trade is in a most unsatisfactory state, as there are no profits, rather loss on sales. Oatmeal and cornmeal lower and quiet. Oats dull.

FLOUR.	
Manitoba Highest Grade Patents.....	6.00 to 6.25
High Grade Patents.....	5.80 to 5.50
Good 90 per cent. Patents.....	5.20 to 5.20
Straight Grade.....	5.00 to 5.10
Superior Extras.....	4.70 to 4.80
Good Seconds.....	4.40 to 4.55
Graham Flour.....	4.90 to 5.15
Oatmeal.....	4.90 to 5.00
" Rolled.....	5.00 to 5.10
K'n's Dried Cornmeal.....	3.50 to 3.60
" " In Bond.....	3.10
Roll'd Wheat.....	5.55
Wheat Bran, per ton.....	18.50 to 19.50
Middlings.....	25.00 to 25.50
Shorts.....	23.00 to 23.50
Cracked Corn " including bags.....	39.00
Ground Oil Cake, per ton.....	31.00 to 35.00
Moulse.....	26.00
Split Peas.....	4.40 to 4.50
White Beans, per bushel.....	1.80 to 1.90
Pot Barley, per barrel.....	3.90 to 4.10
Canadian Oats, choice quality new.....	43 to 40
P. E. Island Oats.....	40 to 45

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

PROVISIONS.

Beef, Am. Ex. Mess, duty paid.....	14.50 to 15.00
" Am. Plate.....	15.00 to 15.50
" Ex. Plate.....	16.00 to 16.50
Pork, Mess, American.....	16.50 to 17.00
" American, clear.....	18.50 to 19.00
" P. E. I. Mess.....	15.00 to 15.50
" P. E. I. Thin Mess.....	14.00 to 14.50
" Prime Mess.....	11.50 to 12.00
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.....	25
" " In Small Tubs.....	22
" Good, in large tubs, new.....	to 18
" " old.....	7 to 10
" Store Packed & oversalted.....	10
Canadian Township, new.....	19 to 20
" Western.....	17
" " old.....	17
Cheese, Canadian.....	10
" Antigonish.....	10 ½

SALT.

Factory Filled.....	\$1.00
Fine Liverpool, bag, from store.....	65
Liverpool, P. E. I.....	1.50
" Afloat.....	
Cadiz.....	none
Turkey Island.....	1.50
Lisbon.....	1.50
Coarse W. I.....	none
Trapani.....	\$1.50
" Afloat.....	none