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and the supply of seconds is being called on now to take the place of the best, owing to the limited supply. Prices are, therefore, firmly held. Grades under finest continue slow of sale, and unsettled as regards values. In London there has been a general falling off in prices, and all brands are down. Normandy baskets have dropped 4s. There is no Canadian or American on the market, the late consignments having been disposed of before arrival at 87s. to 100s. Buyers there are holding aloof, and a further drop is not improbable. In Liverpool a better business has been done, and free transactions are recorded at steady prices, good to fine Canadian having gone up from 80s. to 102s.

CHEESE.—There is little to say of the local market, as business is small in view of the limited supply, while holders are not urging sales at all. English advices are as follows:—Bristol, Jan. 29—"The demand continues good for all grades, there being more enquiry for sound useful lots at 42s. to 45s. Spot prices are: finest autumn makes 52s. to 54s., Augusts 47s. to 50s., July 42s. to 45s., others 35s. to 40s." Manchester, Jan. 29—"Trade for home-made cheese is still quiet, but there is an improvement each week, and this week on the whole prices are firmer. American is in very strong demand, especially for the higher grades, and prices are fully 1s. higher. Quotations: finest white and colored 52s. to 55s.; fine do. 46s. to 50s." Liverpool, Jan. 29—"The demand has been more active for all descriptions, and although the official quotations have only advanced 6d., really fancy parcels command our extreme prices. Medium sorts have moved freely into consumption, and stock appears to be considerably reduced. Quotations are: extra fine fall makes 51s. to 52s. 6d. Some pet factories are held for 55s. to 56s.; summer makes 38s. to 40s.; ripe old do. 20s. to 25s.; half meats, white and colored, 32s. to 38s." London, Jan. 31—"Reports from Canada still indicate firmness on the part of holders, but this feeling is not reciprocated here, as the stocks in London are very large and demand is sagging. English, American and Canadian are pretty much on the same basis now, buyers holding off the higher priced varieties and selecting cheaper sorts, so that the general quotations for both English and Canadian is about 50s. to 54s.; transactions in Canadian being recorded at 52s. to 54s.; with here and there a buyer in fancy lots at 54s. for colored, white ruling a trifle lower."

APPLES IN ENGLAND.—A correspondent writing from London, under date of January 31st say:—"There have been no fresh arrivals of Canadian apples this week, and those last arrived have not yet gone under the hammer; but for those held over and for whatever has been on the market capital prices have been realized, and the appearances have never before been so favorable for a first class trade at the fig end of the season as seem likely to result during the next three months. It surprises me that more have not come forward from the Dominion, for nowhere could apples do better now than here, and unless stocks are very low, I should advise holders to hurry forward their consignments without delay in order to get all the Canadian fruit placed before the Antipodean fruit arrives, for all arrivals are sure to do well."

FRUIT.—Business in fruit during the week under review has not been of sufficient importance to develop any change of a material nature. The movement has been only of a jobbing kind both in dried and green fruit and, consequently, no alteration in prices has occurred. In dried fruit the tone continues firm and values on raisins and currants are maintained as before. Recent advices from primary centres show some change and appear to be more in buyers' favor than formerly. Recent cables quote provincials lower, some giving 17s. 3d., c. and f., while others name 17s. 9d.

TEA.—The tea market continues very strong. There are no low priced Japans now to be had and low grade blacks are stronger than ever. Teas are being shipped to London from New York which is a pretty sure sign that the former market is bare.

MOLASSES.—The easiness that has been apparent in molasses for the past two or three weeks has almost entirely disappeared, as the demand has been picking up.

FISH.—The local dry fish market is very quiet. A few arrivals, mostly of bank fish, are noted, but they were chiefly sold before arrival, and have been delivered. The bankers working from the coves in this immediate vicinity have made some fair catches of cod, haddock, etc., of late, and their takes have been packed and sent to Montreal and other points in Canada proper to supply the demand there. Two cents per pound is the average price paid to the fishermen for them. There are no mackerel offering here, but American prices are easier, with little demand. Receipts of salt herring continue light. Both the price and demand are improving. Two cargoes of frozen herring have arrived. One was intended for the United States market, but the owners evidently deemed Montreal the safest market, and accordingly shipped them there. Our outside advices are as follows:—Montreal, Feb. 18—"The better demand that we noted last week in connection with fish has been continued. Green cod has been specially active, and although no large lots were turned over it was simply owing to the fact that stocks were so light that holders were not urging matters at all. Sufficient business has been done, however, to establish an advance on green cod of from 50c. to 75c., on which basis business has been done for some time. The same scarcity in various descriptions of fresh fish prevails that we noted, and the supply at present on spot is of very limited dimensions. On the whole the market is in a very firm position, and prices are likely to go higher if anything. Herring is the only easy line. The market for pickled fish is fairly steady. Labrador herrings are selling at \$1.25 to \$1.50, and Shore herring at \$4. Cape Breton \$5 and scarce. Newfoundland salmon \$17 to \$18 per tierce, and \$12 to \$13 per bbl. Green cod are scarce at \$6 for No. 1 and \$7 for large. Dry cod \$5.25; sea trout \$7 per bbl. The dried fish market is steady and firm. Boneless cod is in good demand at 7c. to 8c., and other boneless fish at 4½c. to 6c. Yarmouth bloaters \$1.25 per 100;

finnan haddies 7½c. to 8½c. Owing to continued cold weather and brisk demand prices for frozen fish have ruled very steady, and holders have been enabled to work off a considerable quantity of stock. We hear of sales of several car lots of herrings at \$1.40. Car lots of tommy cods have changed hands at \$1.55, with broken lots at \$1.60 to \$1.70 per barrel. Haddock and cod are quoted at 4c." Gloucester, Mass., Feb. 18—"Quotations here are as follows:—New Georges codfish \$6.25 per qtl. for large and \$5 for small; Bank \$5.37½ for large and \$4.62½ for small; Shore \$6 and \$4.75 for large and small; dry Bank \$6; medium \$5.25; French codfish \$6; Phillips Beach do. \$7; cured cusk \$4.50; hake \$3; haddock \$3.50; heavy salted pollock \$2.25; English cured do \$2.75; Labrador herring \$6 50 per bbl.; medium split \$6; Newfoundland do. \$5.50; Nova Scotia do. \$5.50; Eastport do. \$4; Shore split \$4.25; round do. \$4 50; round Eastport \$4; Halifax salmon \$23; Nfld. do. \$16." Havana, Feb. 19 (per cable via New York).—"Codfish \$7 50 per 100 lbs; haddock \$7 per do; hake \$6.25 per do." Georgetown, Demerara, Jan. 14—"Stock large, but being in one hand, prices are maintained. Outright sales are reported of the cargo ex *Faith* from Newfoundland, and of some similar cargo by schooner from Barbadoes on the basis of \$25 to \$26 per cask for large cod. Retail prices are:—Luenburg at \$25; medium and small Newfoundland \$22 to \$25, large \$27. Considerable stock of old fish at prices from \$20 to \$24; haddock \$16 to \$17; hake \$15 to \$16—both dull of sale; herring, sales of split at \$3 to \$4.25, according to quality; round at \$3; salmon, tcrs., at \$16; blbs. at \$12." Port of Spain, Jan. 28—"The arrivals consist of the cargoes per *Buly Brown* from Lockeport and *Maida* from Newfoundland. The former sold outright at \$21 50 tcrs, \$21 drums, \$6 bxs, and in the absence of an outright offer for the *Maida's* assortment we are selling it in lots at about foregoing prices. The SS *Louisa* brought some Halifax fish which was sold at \$21 medium, and \$24 large fish in tierces. Our market is not heavily supplied, and with the approach of the Lenten season we look for a good demand. We sold 65 blbs. split and round herring ex *Buly Brown* at \$2.75, but the improved demand expected to set in shortly for pickled fish of all kinds is likely to advance values."

MARKET QUOTATIONS.—WHOLESALE RATES.

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

GROCERIES.

SUGARS.	
Cut Loaf.....	7½
Granulated.....	6½ to 6¾
Circle A.....	6½
White Extra C.....	5½
Standard.....	5½
Extra Yellow C.....	5½
Yellow C.....	5½
TEA.	
Congou, Common.....	17 to 19
Fair.....	20 to 23
Good.....	25 to 28
Choice.....	31 to 33
Extra Choice.....	35 to 36
Oolong, Choice.....	37 to 39
MOLASSES.	
Barbadoes.....	35 to 36
Demerara.....	35 to 38
Diamond N.....	48
Porto Rico.....	34 to 35
Cienfuegos.....	31
Trinidad.....	32 to 33
Antigua.....	32 to 33
Tobacco, Black.....	38 to 44
Bright.....	42 to 58
BISCUITS.	
Pilot Bread.....	3 15
Boston and Thin Family.....	6½
Soda.....	6½
do in lib. boxes, 50 to case.....	7½
Fancy.....	8 to 15

HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

Apples, per bbl., N.S.....	2.00 to 4.50
Oranges, Valencia, per case.....	4.50
Lemons, per case.....	5.00
Cocoanuts, new, per 100.....	5.00
Onions, American, per lb.....	4
Canadian.....	3½
Dates, boxes, new.....	6
Raisins, Valencia, per new.....	7 to 7½
Figs, Elise, 5 lb boxes per lb, new.....	12
small boxes.....	11 to 15
Prunes, Stewing, boxes.....	10
Bananas, per bunch.....	none
C. H. Harvey, 12 & 10 Sackville St.	

FISH FROM VESSELS.

MACKEREL.	
Extra.....	15.00 to 16.50
No. 1.....	14.00 to 15.50
2 large.....	13.00 to 15.50
2 medium.....	12.00 to 15.50
3 large.....	12.00 to 15.50
3 medium.....	12.00 to 15.50
Small.....	7.00 to 7.50
HERRING.	
No 1 Shore July.....	4 50 to 4.75
No. 1, August, Round.....	2.75 to 3.00
September.....	2.75 to 3.00
Labrador, in cargo lots, per bl.....	none
Bay of Islands, Split.....	2.25 to 2.50
Round.....	none
ALSKWIS, per bbl.....	3.00 to 3.25
CODFISH.	
Hard Shore.....	4.00 to 4.25
Bank.....	4.00 to 4.25
Bay.....	4.00 to 4.25
SALMON, No. 1.....	18.00 to 19.00
Haddock, per qtl.....	2.75 to 3.00
Hake.....	2.00 to 2.25
Pink.....	2.00 to 2.50
COLLOCK.....	1.50
Hake Sounds, per lb.....	12½
Cod Oil A.....	25

BREADSTUFFS.

Markets firmer, Kent costing \$5.15 to \$5.20, Halifax. Other brands up in proportion. We put all grades up fifteen to twenty cents.

Please note that we have made some changes in our quotations.

Quotations on hay are reduced.

Quotations on oats advanced two cents.

Look out for a sharp advance in oatmeal when the present stock is exhausted.

WLOUR.	
Manitoba Highest Grade Patents.....	6.10 to 6.25
High Grade Patents.....	5.20 to 5.25
Good 90 per cent. Patents.....	5.00 to 5.20
Straight Grade.....	5.00
Superior Extras.....	4.80 to 4.90
Good Seconds.....	4.25 to 4.45
Graham Flour.....	4.40 to 4.75
Oatmeal.....	5.20 to 5.25
Rolled.....	5.30 to 5.40
Kin Dried Cornmeal.....	3.20 to 3.30
In Bond.....	2.90 to 3.00
Rolled Wheat.....	5.00
Wheat Bran, per ton.....	21.50 to 22.50
Shorts.....	23.00 to 24.00
Middlings.....	25.00 to 27.00
Cracked Corn.....	34.00 to 35.00
Ground Oil Cake, per ton.....	35.00
Moulce.....	31.00 to 32.00
Split Peas.....	3.75 to 4.00
White Beans, per bushel.....	1.80 to 2.00
Pot Harley, per barrel.....	3.90 to 4.10
Canadian Oats, choice quality.....	55 to 60
Hay per ton.....	10.50 to 12.00

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

BUTTER AND CHEESE

Nova Scotia Choice Fresh Prints.....	25
in Small Tubs.....	20 to 24
Good, in large tubs, new.....	19 to 20
old.....	7 to 12
Store Packed & oversalted.....	10
Canadian Township, new.....	18 to 20
Western.....	16 to 20
old.....	7 to 10
Cheese, Canadian.....	10
Antigonish.....	11

PROVISIONS.

Beef, Am. Ex. Mess, duty paid.....	12.50 to 13.00
Am. Plate.....	12.50 to 13.00
Ex. Plate.....	13.50 to 14.00
Pork, Mess, American.....	16.00 to 16.50
American, clear.....	18.00 to 19.00
P. E. I. Mess.....	15.50 to 16.00
P. E. I. Thin Mess.....	14.50 to 15.00
Prime Mess.....	11.50 to 12.00
Lard, Tubs and Pails, P. E. Island.....	12
American.....	11 to 12
Hams, P. E. I., green.....	none
Prices are for wholesale lots only, and are liable to change daily.	