

porters to be careful not to flood us, as the third week in January will see Irish fresh coming in, and buyers will turn to them. It is also to be remembered that Ireland is Canada's greatest rival in Liverpool, where heavy supplies are soon landed from the Emerald Isle. In the north with slower sales, holders have been rather inclined to press, becoming anxious about their stock, and easier prices are the natural consequence, though rates hold up in consequence of limited supplies. The fresh egg business being about over, I have been making inquiries as to what the trade here think about pickled stuff from the Dominion, and the general reply is that all good stuff from the Dominion, whether pickled or fresh, has a good chance, and that the trade is now on such a basis that it lies only with exporters to make it an ever-expanding and profitable business. Messrs. Lawrie & Co., Glasgow, inform me that the Canadian egg business is going splendidly there. These eggs, both pickled and fresh, are coming freely into the market, where they have been firmly established during the past two months, meeting a ready sale where condition is good. They say they look for an expansion of this trade 'with satisfactory results for both shipper and consumer.'

APPLES.—The shipments of apples from this province to England continue to be in good volume, and returns so far are reported to have been quite satisfactory. The goods sent have been carefully picked and packed and arrived out in good order with very few exceptions. A report from London is as follows:—"Owing to the exceptional purchases of fruit incident to the Xmas season, apples have been in active request, and large sales have been effected, Canadians having undergone a change for the better of considerable value. For 1390 barrels Canadians ex Durham City sold by Koeing & Hunt on Tuesday there was an active competition, and good prices resulted. Nine barrels of J. P. G. Russetts fetched the splendid price of 32s. per barrel, while some Baldwins fetched 20s., Spitz, Spies and Wagners being disposed of at excellent rates. The lowest for recognized brands was in the region of 12s. 731 barrels Nova Scotian went barely so well, but still at remunerative prices, Ribston pippins topping 17s. 6d. and Kings 14s. 6d., Golden Russetts 13s. 6d. and Bowden Baldwins 12s. 6d. In Liverpool, trade has been active and an advance established. Arrivals there to 19th inst. 572,827 barrels against about 195,000 last year, of which the vast majority are Canadians, many parcels ex steamers from Boston and New York being Canadians.

DRIED FRUIT.—The market is dull even to slowness, but the general feeling is firm. Raisins, though low offers are spoken of, are not appreciably changed on spot. Currants have an easier tendency.

SUGAR.—Last Saturday our local refineries advanced prices $\frac{1}{2}$ c to $\frac{1}{4}$ c, and still further advances are spoken of as a necessity owing to the very firm attitude of the raw article. A cable from London says that—"The market for beet root is advancing steadily beyond reach owing to revival in speculation," and beet firsts are cabled at 14s 9d per cwt., spot, which is an advance of 6d, while futures are still dearer; beet firsts, for April, were cabled at 15s on Tuesday. Refined has also advanced in London. A telegram from New York says that large sales of Demarara afloat to Philadelphia, have been made at $\frac{3}{4}$ c, an advance of $\frac{1}{4}$ c from the price in the last few days. Granulated in New York has advanced $\frac{1}{4}$ c. The Montreal *Trade Bulletin* says:—"Our local market is still very dull, and merchants are only buying from hand to mouth; so far values here have not responded to the advance outside, partly owing to the dullness of business generally, but more largely to the amount of competition between the different refineries. It is, however, certain that prices here must advance as with present values of raws, refiners are selling below cost price, and if they had not all had large stocks of raw on hand they would have been driven to put prices up before now. The outlook just now is very strong, more especially as Licht has again reduced his estimate of the beet sugar crop by another 100,000 tons. Yellows of low grade here have been put up a sixteenth, but bright yellows and granulated are unchanged. We quote: Granulated $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; yellows, low grades, 3 7-16 c to $\frac{3}{4}$ c.; bright yellow, $\frac{1}{4}$ c.; at the refineries."

TEA.—Opinions differ as to the tea market, some saying that a good deal more enquiry is evident, while others declare that the quiet feeling continues. For ourselves we incline to the latter view. The New York market for futures has advanced a little and the spot market there is a trifle firmer.

COFFEE.—The market is strong and advices from foreign markets are very firm with quite an apparent upward tendency. Local prices can hardly be said to have advanced, but are decidedly firm.

FISH.—We have nothing new to report regarding the local fish situation, which remains as dull as it is possible for it to be. There is absolutely no life at all manifested in this line. Some good catches of herring are reported from Newfoundland, but inasmuch as Canadians are not permitted to buy or to catch fish on those inhospitable shores, the fact does not interest us here, beyond the natural pleasure that is felt in knowing that others are doing well in their hazardous calling. Our outside advices are as follows:—Montreal, Jan. 13—"The market for pickled fish has been very quiet during the past week, only a few casual sales of No. 1 green cod being reported at \$5.37 $\frac{1}{2}$ to \$5.50 per bbl., small lots being quoted at \$5.75. Large is scarce and quoted at \$6 to \$6.50. Dry cod quiet at \$5.25 to \$5.50. Newfoundland salmon is unchanged at \$19 to \$21 per tierce as to quality, and in bbls. at \$13.50 to \$14. Labrador herring have sold at \$5.75 for choice, and at \$5 to \$5.50 for shore herring. There has been a good demand for fresh cod and haddock, with business reported at 3c. to 4c. per lb. wholesale; lake trout is quiet at $\frac{1}{4}$ c. to $\frac{7}{8}$ c. The market for smoked fish remains about as last quoted. Yarmouth bloaters \$1.25 to \$2 per 100; St. John bloaters \$1.25; boneless cod, large boxes, 6c.; do. small boxes 7c. A few lots of frozen herring have been received from the Lower Provinces and sold at \$1.75 to \$2 per hundred." Gloucester, Mass., Jan. 13—"The new year opens with a fair supply of frozen herring bait, and with improved weather active operations may be looked for. A good business is being done by the herring-

smokers, but business is slack in the skinning lots and movements are only moderate. The commercial travellers are getting away, and with low stocks and a prosperous country a good spring trade is anticipated. Receipts very light the past week. We quote as follows: Frozen herring \$3.50 per cwt.; herring bait from cold storage \$3.50 per cwt.; fare sales of Georges cod \$5 and \$3.75; fare sale of fresh mixed fish at \$1.60 for cusk, \$1.20 for hake, \$1 for pollock, and \$2.75 for cod; boat cod and haddock \$4; last fare sale of Bank halibut 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. per lb. for white and gray; salt spurling bait for haddock fishermen \$2.50 per bbl.; salt herring \$3 per bbl. in bulk. Mackerel, j. bbing: Small 3's \$8.50 and \$9; medium 3's \$10.50 and \$11; large 3's \$14; medium 2's \$13 and \$14; large 2's \$17 and \$18; bay 1's \$21; shore 1's \$24; extra shore 1's \$26; extra bloaters \$30. We quote New Georges codfish at \$7.50 per qtl. for large, and small at \$5.50; Bank \$6.75 to \$7.25 for large, and \$4.50 to \$5 for small; Shore \$7.25 and \$5.25 for large and small; dry Bank \$7.25, medium \$5.50. We quote cured cusk at \$5.50 per qtl; hake \$3; haddock \$4.13 to \$4.50; heavy salted pollock \$3, and English-cured do. \$3.75 per qtl. Labrador herring \$6 per bbl.; Newfoundland do. \$7; Nova Scotia do. \$7; Eastport \$3.50; split Shore \$4, round do. \$4.50; round Eastport \$4; pickled codfish \$5; haddock \$3.50; halibut heads \$3.50; sounds \$13; tongues and sounds \$12, tongues \$11; alewives \$3.50; trout \$14; Halifax salmon \$23; Newfoundland do. \$16."

TESTIMONY OF WM. CUMMINGS, Esq., senior partner of the firm of Wm. Cummings & Sons, Wholesale dry goods merchants, Truro, Nova Scotia. It is with pleasure that I give you the following testimony of the wonderful cure that has been effected in me by the use of K. D. C. Three months ago my life was a burden to me. My food would not digest. I had a sour stomach and heavy headache. I was prevailed upon by my wife to try K. D. C. After taking it a short time I found myself growing much better. To day dyspepsia is all gone and I cannot describe the change any better than by saying that there has been a new creation in my digestive organs. Four packages made an efficient cure.

MARKET QUOTATIONS.—WHOLESALE SELLING RATES.

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

GROCERIES.

SUGARS.	
Cut Leaf.....	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
Granulated.....	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 $\frac{3}{4}$
Circle A.....	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
White Extra C.....	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
Standard.....	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 $\frac{3}{4}$
Extra Yellow C.....	3 $\frac{1}{2}$
Yellow C.....	3 $\frac{1}{2}$
TEA.	
Congou, Common.....	17 to 18
" Fair.....	20 to 22
" Good.....	25 to 27
" Choice.....	31 to 33
" Extra Choice.....	35 to 36
Oolong, Choice.....	37 to 39
MOLASSES.	
Barbadoes.....	35
Demerara.....	35 to 38
Diamond N.....	48
Porto Rico.....	34 to 35
Cienfuegos.....	none
Trinidad.....	32 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 33
Antigua.....	33 to 34
Tobacco, Black.....	45 to 47
" Bright.....	47 to 48
BISCUITS.	
Pilot Bread.....	3.00
Boston and Thin Family.....	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
Soda.....	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
do in lb. boxes, 50 to case.....	7 $\frac{1}{2}$
Fancy.....	8 to 15

HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

Apples, per bbl., N. S.....	2.00 to 3.00
Oranges, Jamaica, brls.....	7.00 to 7.50
Lemons, per case.....	5.00
Cocoanuts, new per 100.....	5.00
Onions Am. per lb.....	2 to 2.50
" Canadian.....	2 to 2.50
Dates boxes, new.....	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 6
Raisins, Valencia..... new.....	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 7
Figs, Elme, 5 lb boxes per lb., new.....	10 to 11
" small boxes.....	9 to 10
Prunes, Stewing, boxes.....	7
Bananas.....	1.50 to 2.00
Cranberries, per bbl.....	8.00

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

FISH.

	Ex Vessel.	Ex Store
MACKEREL—		
Extras.....	19.00	
No. 1.....	16.50	
" 2 large.....	14.50	
" 2.....	10.00	
" 3 large, Reamed.....	7.50	
" 3, Reamed.....	6.25	
" 3 large, Plain.....	5.00	
" 3 Plain.....	5.00	
Small.....	4.75	
HERRING.		
No. 1 C. B. July.....	5.00	5.50
" 1 Fall Split.....	3.50	
" 1 Fall Round.....	3.00	
" 1 Labrador.....	4.75	6.25
" 1 Georges Bay.....	2.25	2.25
" 1 Bay of Islands.....	3.00	3.00
ALEWIVES, No. 1.....		
Small.....	4.25	
SALMON.		
No. 1, P. brl.....	14.00	16.00
No. 2, P. brl.....	12.00	11.00
" 3.....	10.00	13.00
Small.....		
COFFISH.		
Hard C. B.....	4.25	4.75
Western Shore.....	3.75	5.00
Bank.....	4.50	5.00
Bay.....	4.00	4.50
Newfoundland.....	3.75	none
Haddock.....	3.25	3.75
Banks & Western.....	3.25	3.75
Hake.....	2.50	3.00 to 3.25
Pollock.....	4.00	4.00
Hake Soup, per lb.....	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	
Cod Oil per gal.....	29	32c.

BREADSTUFFS.

The present is essentially a dull season. We think in the whole course of our business experience, we have scarcely seen anything to match it; the weather has been so soft that winter operations could not be carried on in the usual way, consequently trade has been very dull.

We may look for improvement in prices and a steady gain all through the spring months.

We make no changes in our quotations.

FLOUR.	
Manitoba Highest Grade Patents.....	5.75 to 6.00
High Grade Patents.....	5.10 to 5.25
Good 90 per cent. Patents.....	4.90 to 5.00
Straight Grade.....	4.80
Good Seconds.....	4.40
Graham Flour.....	5.50
Oatmeal.....	4.15
" Rolled.....	4.45
Kila Dried Cornmeal.....	3.40
" In Bond.....	3.00
Rolls Wheat.....	5.35
Wheat Bran, per ton.....	20.00 to 21.00
Middlings.....	23.50
Shorts.....	22.50
Cracked Corn..... including bags.....	25.00
Ground Oil Cake, per ton.....	36.00 to 38.00
Meal.....	24.00 to 25.00
" Peas.....	4.10
White Beans, per bushel.....	1.50 to 1.55
Red Beans, per barrel.....	3.90 to 4.50
Canadian Oats, choice.....	43 to 45
P. E. Island Oats, choice.....	41 to 45

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

PROVISIONS.

ceef, Am. Ex. Mess, duty paid.....	14.50 to 15.00
" Am. Plate.....	15.00 to 16.00
" Ex. Plate.....	15.00 to 16.50
Pork, Mess, American.....	17.50 to 18.50
" American, clear.....	17.50 to 18.00
" P. E. I. Mess.....	15.00 to 16.50
" P. E. I. Thin Mess.....	14.00 to 14.50
" Prime Mess.....	11.50 to 12.50
Lard, Tubs and Pails, P. E. Island.....	12
" American.....	10 to 11
Hams, P. E. I., green.....	9

Prices are for wholesale lots only, and are liable to change daily.

BUTTER AND CHEESE.

Nova Scotia Choice Fresh Prints.....	2
" " in Small Tubs.....	23
" Good, in large tubs, new.....	17 to 18
Store Packed & oversalted.....	18
Canadian Township, new.....	20 to 22
" Western.....	18
" old.....	15
Cheese, Canadian.....	11
" Antigonish.....	11 $\frac{1}{2}$

SALT.

Factory Filled.....	\$1.50
Fine Liverpool, bag, from store.....	60
Liverpool, P. H. d.....	1.25
" Afloat.....	1.25
Capiz.....	none
Turks Island.....	none
Lisbon.....	none
Coarse W. I.....	none
Trapan.....	4.40
" Afloat.....	none