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is held firm. On the other hand coke is in ample supply, and the prices at which it is offered would be readily shaded for round lots. In shelf goods a fair business is reported and values are steady. Remittances are reported to be improving.

BREADSTUFFS.—The local flour market continues firm with a fair amount of business doing. In England, according to Bearbohm's cables, cargoes of wheat and corn off coast nil, while as to cargoes on passage and for shipment wheat is rather easier and corn steady. The French Country markets are firm. Flour in Paris is quieter. The Chicago wheat market opened weak, May and June being $\frac{1}{2}$ c. lower and July $\frac{1}{2}$ c., but it afterwards rallied $\frac{1}{2}$ c. on May, $\frac{1}{2}$ c. on June and $\frac{1}{2}$ c. on July options. Corn in that market has been steady. At New York it showed a general advance, being 1c. higher. At St. Louis wheat advanced $\frac{1}{2}$ c. to $\frac{3}{4}$ c. In Toledo wheat was active and advanced 1c., but corn and oats were unchanged.

PROVISIONS.—In the local market provisions continue unchanged. There is a fairly good jobbing trade doing, but business generally is slow. The only change in the Liverpool provision markets is a decline of 3d in lard. In Chicago hog products took another rise. Pork shows an advance of 35c. to 52 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Lard was 10c. higher. Hogs were 5c. to 10c. lower. Cattle were slow under ample receipts.

BUTTER.—The butter market continues to rule quiet. Although some dealers profess to be more confident than others do, the consensus of opinion is that the market is pretty sick, and there is no doubt that in every instance concessions would be allowed to effect sales. In fact prices are virtually purely nominal. The markets of the Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland are admitted to be empty supplied at present, so that anything sent this way from the Upper Provinces is purely on speculation. A small quantity of new butter is arriving in a quiet way and is generally being worked off with a fair degree of promptitude. Of course extra choice and fancy, as usual, meet ready sale at good figures. A Liverpool advice says:—"In sympathy with Continental advices and large arrivals values show a decline of fully 6s. per cwt. on the week, at which a fair amount of business is reported. Holders of choice American creamery have had some difficulty in moving stocks and, to effect sales, have been obliged to concede fully 4s. to 5s. per cwt."

CHEESE.—The local cheese market is without change, and there is nothing to note outside of a small jobbing business at steady prices. In Liverpool holders were more reserved in the early part of the week, and values of fine goods advanced fully 1s. per cwt., but the amount of work actually accomplished has been in a very small compass and transactions, as reported, were of a retail character. Goods between 44s. and 50s are now very scarce—white especially so. Medium grades below these figures have ruled dull and the enquiry has been very limited.

FRUIT.—Practically nothing is doing here in fruit. Dried are about out of season while fresh only come in small quantities from the Southern States as yet. It will be but a few weeks, however, before green fruit will be received in larger lots from New York and Boston and business in that line will then brighten up.

SUGAR AND MOLASSES.—Business in these commodities has been quite quiet and prices have remained firm, though with perhaps an upward tendency.

FISH OILS.—At St. John's, N. F., seal fat is selling at \$1.60 per cwt., which we believe is 40c. higher than last year. The English market is also better, so that prices will rule higher than last spring. Our Montreal correspondent writes:—"Newfoundland cod oil cannot be imported under 37 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. per gallon. A few hhds. were sold at 35c., at which figure I quote Cod liver oil is quoted at 45c. to 50c. for Newfoundland. Seal oil 50c. to 52c."

FISH.—Locally the fish market is extremely quiet. Outfitting is barely commencing, merchants who supply the fishermen evince generally a desire or rather a determination to curtail indiscriminate outfitting. Hitherto merchants have readily advanced to fishing vessels anything for which their owners or skippers asked, and thus the latter often called for much more than was really needed for the trip, so that, even if that proved a failure, they could devote the surplus to the maintenance of their families. All this at the expense of the supplier. In this way most of the losses sustained were brought about. The system has also worked against the honest fisherman, for he had to pay enhanced prices for what he bought in order to help to pay for the possible loss that the outfitter might sustain through the dishonesty of the men who were competing against him. The more is a good one, and if adhered to will work well for all concerned. Our outside advices are as follows:—Montreal, April 21—"Green cod is in very slow demand, and dealers are doing their very best to work it off—one carload consisting of No. 1 and 2 being shipped back to the lower ports at \$2 per bbl.; quotations range from \$2 to \$3 per barrel. Large fish in drums are offered at \$4. Labrador herring are steady at \$3 to \$3.50 per bbl. In dry cod sales have been made at \$4 per qtl. The amount of business at this season is, of course, very limited." Gloucester, Mass., April 21—"We quote New Georges' codfish at \$5 a qtl. for large, \$4.12 $\frac{1}{2}$ for small; bank \$4.25 to \$4.50 for large, and \$4 for small; shore \$5 and \$4 for large and small respectively; cured cusk \$3.25; hako \$2.50; haddock \$3; heavy salted pollock \$2; English cured do. \$2.75; Labrador herring \$4 per bbl.; medium split \$4.50; Newfoundland do. \$4; Nova Scotia do. \$5." Havana, March 23—"Cod \$7; haddock \$6 to \$5." Port of Spain, Trinidad, March 23—"The S. S. Portia landed a small assortment of Yarmouth cure, 26 drums and 50 boxes, of which we sold at \$25.50 and \$6.00 respectively. The W. P. Hall from Halifax and Helen Churchill from Lockport have also appeared simultaneously, and this morning the Laura A. Smith arrived from Lunenburg via Barbados. We succeeded in disposing of the bulk of the Lockport assortment at \$22 tierces, \$24 drums, \$5.50 boxes, and \$15

haddock, but thus far little has been done with the Halifax fish, which is being offered by retail at \$21 tierces, \$22 drums, and \$5 boxes. The Lunenburg cargo we will put on the market early next week, but with such ample supplies a material decline is imminent. Mackerel are wanted but free receipts of salmon and herring have supplied all present requirements."

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MARKET QUOTATIONS.—WHOLESALE RATES.

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

GROCERIES.

SUGARS.	
Cut Leaf.....	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 7 $\frac{3}{4}$
Granulated.....	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 7
Circle A.....	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
White Extra C.....	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
Standard.....	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 $\frac{3}{4}$
Extra Yellow C.....	5 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 5 $\frac{1}{2}$
Yellow C.....	5 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 5 $\frac{1}{2}$
TEA.	
Congou, Common.....	17 to 19
Fair.....	20 to 23
Good.....	25 to 27
Choice.....	31 to 33
Extra Choice.....	33 to 36
Oolong, Choice.....	37 to 39
MOLASSES.	
Barbadoes.....	37 to 38
Demerara.....	40 to 44
Diamond N.....	41
Porto Rico.....	36 to 39
Cienfuegos.....	35
Trinidad.....	34
Antigua.....	33 to 35
Tobacco, Black.....	38 to 44
Bright.....	42 to 58
BISCUITS.	
Pilot Bread.....	2.15
Boston and Thin Family.....	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
Soda.....	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
do in 1lb. boxes, 50 to case.....	7 $\frac{1}{2}$
Fancy.....	8 to 15

PROVISIONS.

No change in value, but the proposed duty is not yet established.

Beef, Am. Ex. Mess, duty paid.....	14.00 to 14.25
Am. Plate.....	14.50 to 15.00
Ex. Plate.....	15.50 to 16.00
Pork, Mess, American.....	16.50 to 17.00
American, clear.....	18.00 to 19.00
P. E. I. Mess.....	16.00
P. E. I. Thin Mess.....	14.00
Prime Mess.....	12.50 to 13.00
Lard, Tubs and Pails, P. E. Island.....	12
American.....	11 to 12
Hams, P. E. I., green.....	8 to 9

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

HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

Apples, No. 1, per bbl.....	3.50 to 4.00
Oranges, Jamaica, per bbl., repacked.....	5.00
Lemons, per case.....	5.50 to 6.50
Cocoanuts, new, per 100.....	4c.
Onions, American, per lb.....	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 6
Dates, boxes, new.....	7
Raisins, Valencia, new.....	11
Figs, Elme, 5 lb boxes per lb.....	10 to 13
small boxes.....	8 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 6
Prunes, Stewling, boxes and bags, new.....	6.00
Foxberries.....	13.00
Cranberries, per bbl.....	13.00

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BUTTER AND CHEESE.

Nova Scotia Choice Fresh Prints.....	25
" In Small Tubs.....	22 to 25
Good, in large tubs.....	20
Store Packed & oversalted.....	14
Canadian Township.....	19 to 20
Western.....	17
Cheese, Canadian.....	10
Antigonish.....	10 $\frac{1}{2}$

BREADSTUFFS.

The chief excitement is over, leaving the wheat and flour markets considerably higher all over this continent, in fact the English and continental markets are higher. So far as Canada is concerned we shall not see any lower prices. There may be a slight fluctuation with a seeming decline, but it will only be for the purpose of gathering strength to make another advance. It is not at all unlikely that we shall see flour \$6.00 a bbl. by the middle of June. We do not change our quotations this week on flour. Oatmeal is a little higher again, and oats are one or two cents up.

WHEAT.	
High Grade Patents.....	5.25 to 5.50
Good 90 per cent. Patents.....	5.05 to 5.10
Straight Grade.....	4.75 to 4.90
Superior Extras.....	4.60 to 4.65
Good Seconds.....	4.25 to 4.35
Graham Flour.....	4.25 to 4.50
American Supr. Extras, in bond.....	4.35 to 4.40
American 90 per cent. in bond.....	4.65 to 4.75
Pillsbury's Best, in half bbls.....	3.50
Oatmeal.....	4.10 to 4.25
Rolled.....	4.20 to 4.30
Kiln Dried Cornmeal.....	2.50 to 2.60
Rolls Wheat.....	5.50
Wheat Bran, per ton.....	18.00
Shorts.....	20.00
Middlings.....	22.00
Cracked Corn.....	24.00
Ground Oil Cake, per ton.....	35.00
Moulce.....	21.00
Split Peas.....	3.75 to 4.00
White Beans, per bushel.....	1.55 to 2.00
Pot Barley, per barrel.....	4.00 to 4.50
Canadian Oats, choice quality.....	40 to 42
P. E. I. Oats.....	42 to 44
Hay per ton.....	10.25

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FISH FROM VESSELS.

MACKEREL.	
Extra.....	14.00
No. 1.....	13.00
2 large.....	12.00
2 medium.....	11.50
3 large.....	11.50
3 medium.....	11.50
HERRING.	
No. 1 Shore July.....	3.25 to 3.50
No. 1, August, Round.....	2.50
September.....	2.50
Labrador, in cargo lots, per bl.....	3.00 to 3.25
Bay of Islands, Split.....	none
Round.....	none
Alwyns, per bbl.....	3.00 to 3.25
CODFISH.	
Hard Shore.....	4.25 to 4.40
Bank.....	3.25 to 3.50
Ray.....	3.25 to 3.75
SALMON, No. 1.....	18.00 to 19.00
Haddock, per qtl.....	2.25
HARK.....	9.00
Cusk.....	1.50
POLLOCK.....	1.50
HARE SOUNDS, per lb.....	12 $\frac{1}{2}$
COD OIL A.....	4 $\frac{1}{2}$