

Produce and Provisions.

(From Saturday's Trade Review.)

Codfish.—Exports of codfish for the week were again low. Only one cargo by vessel cleared from St. John's, and none from the Outports. The Czarina sailing for Pernambuco took 5,714 quintals from Monroe Export Co., while 2,328 qts. went forward by the Sachem in small lots from various shippers, making a total export for the week of 8,102 quintals. The Novity is now loading at A. H. Murray's for Brazil and the Ronald M. Douglas at Gaultois for Oporto. Emanuel Pike of Channel shipped 2,134 qts., salt bulk to Bucksport, Me., by the schr. Guide sailing Wednesday. The Oporto market is even better than the previous week so far as consumption is concerned but stocks are higher as a result of several new arrivals with cargoes. Consumption for the past week was 8,343 quintals; the stocks being 32,000 quintals, with three vessels, the Port Union, Armistice and Ethel Bartlett entered and the Rita M. Cluett outside. The Norwegian fish-

ery to date is 8,700,000 ahead of last year's catch. With the sailing of the vessels now loading in St. John's and Outports, very little old fish will be left in the stores and it is estimated that by the time the first new fish is available all old stocks will have been completely cleaned out.

Cod Oil.—The demand for cod oil in the United States still continues good and during the past week 14,553 gallons were shipped in addition to which 625 gallons of cod liver oil were sent forward. The outlook for new oil is extremely bright as practically all the old has now been disposed of and the American demand is likely to hold throughout the season. It is thought that prices will show an upward tendency as the time for the new oil approaches.

Flour.—Since the close of the May Options the wheat markets have been quiet and steady and the price has declined about twenty-five cents. Large purchases, it is said, have been made for July shipment. Chicago wheat for July and September delivery held pretty steady during the week around 113¢, Winnipeg being also firm at

127½. Local quotations show a drop of 25 cents on leading brands which are now selling wholesale at \$10.00. Lower grades are quoted at from \$9.50 to \$9.80. No further decline is forecasted in the price of this commodity and four orders for July delivery will not show any noticeable change. The importations for the week are 9,200 barrels and 4,700 packages, bringing the imports to date up to the equivalent of 107,000 barrels. The crop outlook both in the United States and Canadian North West continues to be very encouraging.

Pork.—The pork market continues firm and although prices for July Mess have not yet been quoted, the indications are that cost to arrive will be greatly above the present local price. The local selling price, Ham Butt is now considered the most profitable buy in comparison with other cuts. This is now selling in the local market at \$28.50, the same figure at which Mess is quoted. Grocers' Family Mess Rib is selling at \$42.00 and Boston Butt at \$28.00. Transactions during the week have been brisk owing to the continued supplying activities but purchases have given away more than even in favor of beef.

Beef.—As is usual at this season, and in decided contrast to the pork market, the beef market is very weak. Flank in selling in New York to-day at \$15.00 a barrel. This slump, however is only temporary and prices will stiffen during July. Local transactions have been particularly active of late, due to the fact that fishermen are taking beef to the almost entire exclusion of pork, because of the disparity in prices. Box Flank has been reduced \$2.00 a barrel and is now quoted at \$23.00 a barrel, while Family Special is selling at \$20.50 and Boneless at \$19.50. Beef to arrive will not sell at a greatly reduced figure.

Molasses.—This market is very strong and the future tendency of prices will be upward. Following an advance in sugar, there has been an advance of five cents on Fancy molasses in Barbados. All choice molasses has now been sold and only a small stock of Fancy remains. One cargo arrived during the week, the Isobel Moore brought 325 puncheons, 51 tierces, and 64 barrels to A. E. Hickman & Co., Ltd., while two others, the Sunset Glow and Jean Dundonald Duff are to arrive shortly. Fancy is being quoted at 72 cents by the puncheon and New Choice at 62 cents.

Sugar.—The market continues very strong and prices to arrive are about those quoted in the local market, viz: granulated barrels \$10.70, granulated 100 lb. sacks \$10.75, and granulated cases \$11.10. Cane sugar is quoted at \$14.50 in barrels and \$15.00 in 100 lb. cases. All old stocks are now almost completely cleaned up, but so far there have been no worth while importations. A few small lots came in by steamers arriving the end of last week but buying is not been done on a large scale owing to the uncertainty of the sugar market. The present is, however the season of best demand and the majority of buyers look for higher prices.

Tea.—The tea markets are particularly firm with a rising tendency. Lower prices are not looked for this year. Large shipments came in during the week, but up to the present there is no advance in the local market.

Potatoes.—There is very little change in the potato market and as seeding has now been attended to importations are now falling off. The latest arrivals of Island potatoes are selling at 90 cents per 90 lb. sacks. A few hundred bags came in by the last M.L. and Sapper, and large quantities have continued to arrive during the week from Northern ports. The price is steady at \$2.50 a barrel.

Hay.—The demand for hay which has continued good up to this week, is now about over for the season and in consequence the market is much weaker. The imports since last report did not exceed 1,000 bales which will be augmented greatly during the next few months. Imported hay is still holding up to \$53.00 to \$54.00 per ton from store and \$1.00 to \$1.50 cheaper from the wharf.

There is a good deal of local hay now offering at \$45.00 a ton but the

demand for this is even less than for the imported article.

Oats.—Oats are even stronger than last week and the price still maintains an upward tendency, though quotations in the local markets are stationary, viz: \$2.50 per sack for white. Demand during the week has not been so great as during previous weeks as there were little or no purchases for seeding purposes and consumption has again fallen back to normal. This will continue good throughout the summer. The depleted stocks were somewhat augmented by comparatively small imports since last report. Oats to arrive cannot be sold at the figure now prevailing.

Notes on a Journey to the Cannibal Islands

By ANNA NIAS.

(Inspired by the diary of a well known Newfoundland who has just returned from a trip to the West Indies.)

Jan. 3rd.—I sailed to-day on the Touchstone for New York, from where I propose to leave on the trip to the Cannibal Islands which I have been planning for a considerable time. There was a large number of friends at the pier to say good-bye, and I cannot express the grief I felt at leaving them and dear old Newfoundland. One friend consoled me by saying that I would fill the place in the cannibals' stomachs which I had left vacant in hers. I presume she meant heart, but said stomach in her excitement. I have seen the Captain. He seems a nice man. I think I shall like him. I am not feeling very well just now, so I am going to bed.

Jan. 4th.—Very Sick.

Jan. 5th.—Sicker.

Jan. 7th.—I got out of my bunk to-day for the first time since leaving St. John's. I have been very ill. I think the food I had the first day did not agree with me. I stopped to speak to the captain this afternoon. He is a nice man than even I had thought. I asked him what would happen if the engines stopped, and he told me all the male passengers would have to put on life belts and get out and push. The stewards all wear white coats. I asked one why, and he said it was the insignia of the Band of Hope. I think it is very nice to have a Band of Hope on a steamer. The captain tells me we will arrive in New York tomorrow.

Jan. 8th.—To-day we arrived in New York. I asked the first officer what would happen if the Statue of Liberty fell on us while we were entering the harbour. He told me that he was sure it would not hurt me. I was so excited when we landed. There was a very rude Customs Officer. He asked me my name and age. I told him I was 25. He said my name suited me. I don't know what he meant but he said it very rudely. I think Anna Nias is a very nice name. I told him so. I want to consult a specialist in New York. He told me that I looked pretty tough but there was a slight crack in my cerebellum. I wonder what a cerebellum is. My steamer leaves for the Cannibal Islands tomorrow. I am staying at the Ritz-Bilt Hotel for the night. It is a very big place and the elevator always makes me feel dizzy.

Jan. 9th.—Left New York to-day on the S.S. Ha-ha. She is a big ship and has been chartered for a special tour of the Cannibal Islands. I think I shall like the captain. He has such a sweet smile. All my fellow passengers are very cheerful. One nice old man asked me to-day if there were many more like me at home. I said

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I was the only one of the family. He said he thought there could not be many like me. Wasn't that nice of him? There is one perfectly horrid woman on board. She sat next to me at dinner. I am sure she wears a wig.

Jan. 11th.—To-day we passed through the Panama Canal. I asked the captain if that was where the hats come from. He said it all depended on whether the people had to work to make them. I think that was very clever of him. We are now in the Pacific. We shall soon reach Hawaii. That is where the dances and kielele come from. It was very windy to-day and the woman who sits to me at dinner had to hold on to her hair for fear she would lose it.

Jan. 18th.—It is now a week since I have written anything in my journal. The trip has been very pleasant and I have not had time to do any writing. I am very popular with all the passengers. They often ask me what Newfoundland is like. One man paid me a great compliment to-day. He asked me how my parents could let me leave home without a guardian. We arrived at Honolulu to-day. I went ashore. It is a lovely place. I called on the British Consul. He said he was delighted to see me. He had never seen anyone who looked like me before. That was sweet of him. We leave Honolulu tomorrow for Kalabash, the chief island of the Cannibal group. I am so excited.

Jan. 22nd.—We landed at Kalabash this morning. It is a very big island. There are palm trees everywhere. All the men and women were down to the beach to see us land. They wear very little clothes. I thought they would find it very chilly in winter, but the captain said they don't have any cold weather. The island is governed by Chief Eastemalveo. I went to see him. He was a very strange man. He is very black and has a razor in his nose. He wore an empty bean can on his head and very little else. He asked me if I had any chewing gum. He is very fond of it. What a strange habit. I asked him what his favorite food was. He said "man very nice, woman very tough." I was very frightened and left him very quickly. The island produces nothing but coconuts. The captain said they produced these only because they could not help themselves. They only export the ones that fall down. The Kalabashites must be a very lazy people. I met the chief later. He asked me if I knew the Minister of Marine and Fisheries. He said he heard he was "one big chif in my country." He gave me a coconut as a present.

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