

COMPARATIVE PRICES, per lb.

Date.	1870		1871		1872	
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April .....	7 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	@ 8	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	@ 7	6	@ 6 $\frac{1}{2}$
May .....	12 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	@ 8	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	@ 6 $\frac{3}{4}$	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	@ 6 $\frac{1}{2}$
June .....	2 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	@ 7	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	@ 7	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	@ 6 $\frac{3}{4}$
July .....	7 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	@	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	@ 6 $\frac{3}{4}$	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	@ 6 $\frac{3}{4}$
August .....	18 8	@	6	@ 6 $\frac{3}{4}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	@ 8
September ..	22 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	@	5	@ 6	7	@ 7 $\frac{1}{2}$
October .....	5 9 $\frac{1}{2}$	@	7	@ 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	7	@ 8 $\frac{1}{2}$
November ..	17 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	@	6	@ 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	@ 7 $\frac{3}{4}$
December ..	15 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	@	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	@ 6 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	@ 7 $\frac{3}{4}$

*Seedless.*—The range for this description of fruit was steady at 8c to 9c, as to sample and lot, the bulk of the transactions being made at 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ c to 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ c until November, when the market dropped to 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ c and 8c, some old selling at 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. In December the closing prices were 8c to 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

*Currants.*—There has been very little speculative movement in Currants during the year, the range of prices being pretty steady throughout although for really good fruit a shade lower than in 1871. In January the market was steady at 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ c to 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ c for old and new, as to sample, those prices being maintained until May, when the bulk of the sales for new were made at 5c to 6c for new fruit. These prices ruled until September, when some new fruit was offered, which brought 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ c to 7c in small lots, selling down to 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ c and 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ c. In October a considerable business was done in old at 4c to 5c, and new at 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ c to 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ c, an occasional round quantity being taken at a fraction less. The market in October and November was steady at 6c to 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, but eased off in December. New sold down to 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ c and 6c, and choice lots of old sold at 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c and 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

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*Figs.*—The business done during the year was at prices ranging from 11c to 15c per pound for Turkey, and at 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c to 9c for Malaga, the outside rate being paid at the season of the year when this description was scarce.

*Almonds.*—There is hardly any change to notice in the price of Almonds.

*Languedoc.*—Sold early in the year at 11c to 13c, and in the fall at 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c to 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Were firmer in December at the close, and quoted 13c to 14c.

*Provence.*—Opened at 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ c to 11c, and were pretty steady at 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, advanced slightly about mid-summer, and sold up to 12c and 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c; declined and continued steady throughout the remainder of the year at 11c to 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

*Tarragona.*—Have varied very little in price, the range being throughout the year 11c, 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ c and 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

*Filberts.*—Opened steady in June at 7c to 8c, advanced to 8c and 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ c in the spring, and were maintained until August, when 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ c to 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ c were the ruling prices. In September 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ c to 9c, and October, when they were very scarce, 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ c to 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ c. Sales in November were made as high as 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, and for small parcels at 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, December closing at 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ c to 10c, with a very small stock in first hands.

*Walnuts.*—Were scarce in January, and readily brought 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ c to 8c. In June the range was wide, the quotations being 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ c to 9c, selling down to 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ c and 7c in October for old, and 10c for new. During the remainder of the year the range for old and new was 7c to 9c.

*Sardines.*—The supply of Sardines in 1872 was very much lighter than in most previous years, and prices in consequence ruled high. Half boxes brought 25c to 28c, and quarters 15c to 17c, the business generally being done at 16c; to arrive, by first vessel, there were sales of quarters at 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c to 13c, and halves at 21c to 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, but these were not repeated, our first quotations ruling pretty steady throughout the year.

## FISH.

There will, as we have frequently stated, be little satisfaction in purchasing Fish in this or any of our Canadian markets until we have an inspector, though we are pleased to note that some of our packers in the Lower Pro-

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