

every effort to make way for the large supplies of new butter, by disposing of the old in some shape or other. In this city, the supplies of Eastern Townships are beginning to be supplemented by freer receipts of new Western, which have sold at 21c. to 21½c. within the past few days. Eastern Townships have sold at 22c. to 23c., an occasional odd packing of fancy bringing 23½c. to 24c. Buyers in the Eastern Townships are paying 21c. for finest. New grass butter is expected in a few days, as the pastures are making splendid progress.

CHEESE.—The cheese market has been inactive and featureless, there being no business aside from the jobbing trade, and not enough now is offering as yet to establish prices. From the country districts throughout Canada come most encouraging reports of fine, early pastures, and it is safe to predict that there will be an unusually small make of the fodder product, as the cows will soon be in the grass all through the West. A few grass cheese are expected to be produced at factories within a week. It is not needed to add that they will require ten or twelve days in curing, but there can be no doubt that it will reach the market by the end of the current month. The present prospects favor a heavy output and low prices during the season. It is calculated, however, that Canada will take this year about seven or eight million dollars out of John Bull's pocket for the pleasure of grazing upon the rich product of our cheese pastures. This is something worth looking forward to.

SUGAR.—The excitement in the sugar market appeared to abate for a few days, owing to cables being easier in tone and some indicating quite a decline in beet. This, however, has not affected the market here to any extent as stocks in refiners' hands are very light and prices have been firmly held. The demand has been slow, owing to the fact that buyers are well stocked up for the present, and the market has ruled quiet. A New York despatch quotes granulated 3c. higher. Cable advices just received from London are to the effect that the band of the sugar "boomers" has begun to play again to the tune of an advance of 1s. 6d. per cwt. in the price of the beet product. Towards the close of last month, when margin settlements were disturbing legitimate business, the price of beet in London receded from 23s. 9d. to 21s.; but this sudden rise has almost recovered at a bound the highest price reached in the late excitement, first beet being now cabled at 23s. 3½d. Our private advices from New York state that the requirements of raw sugar in the United States from May 1st to December 31st are 1,000,000 tons, and all there is in sight is 400,000 tons, with no new stocks to be calculated on before September or October. The great sugar trust will require 30,000 tons by the tenth of May, and in the present lack of supplies the situation is beginning to be regarded by some as simply alarming, much higher values being anticipated by many in the trade.

MOLASSES.—The demand for molasses has been good, and considerable business has been transacted.

FISH OILS.—Our Montreal advices report:—"New refined seal oil at 43½c. to arrive. On spot, 45c. to 46c. In cod oil; Newfoundland, 40c.; Gaspe, 38c. to 39c., and Halifax, 36c. to 37c. Newfoundland cod liver oil, 70c.; Norway, \$1.10 to \$1.15." Another report says:—"Late spot sales have been made at 44c. To arrive is offered at 41c. without buyers, who bid 37c. to 38c. on the strength of the large catch. A sale of 300 bbls. is reported to have been made ten days ago at 41c., which, no doubt, will show buyers a heavy loss. There is no pale nor straw seal oil here. Cod oil is quiet at 39c. to 40c., 36c. to 39c. for Gaspe and Nova Scotia. Cod liver oil is steady. Norway is selling at \$1 10, and Newfoundland was sold yesterday at 70c. to 75. Stocks are light."

FISH.—While the unusually early season has favored some industries, the boisterous weather has retarded the operations of our fishermen. Bait has continued to be very scarce, and even if the weather had been more favorable to fishing, this would have prevented work in the direction of taking fish. Quotations just now are purely nominal, and will remain so till new fish begin to come to hand. Old fish are firmly held to meet current demands for shipment, and if any happen to change hands, it is on strictly private terms. Our outside advices are as follows:—Montreal, May 6.—"Dry cod in good supply, and we quote \$4 to \$4.50 per qtl. In sea trout, sales have transpired at \$10. British Columbia salmon \$6.50 in half bbls. and bbls. \$12.50 to \$13." Gloucester, Mass., May 6.—"We quote new Georges codfish at \$4 per qtl. for large, and small at \$3.50. Bank \$3 to \$3.25 for large, and \$2.75 for small. Shore \$3.87, and \$3 for large and small. Newfoundland codfish \$6 to \$6.25. Flemish Cap \$3.50. Nova Scotia dry cured \$5; do. pickle cured \$4. New kench cured Bank cod \$4.12. We quote cured cusk at \$2.62 per qtl.; hake \$2.25; haddock \$2; heavy salted pollock \$2.25, and English cured do. \$3 per qtl. Labrador herring \$6 bbl.; medium split \$6; Newfoundland do. \$5; Nova Scotia do. \$6; Eastport \$3; split Shore \$4.75; pickled codfish \$6; haddock \$5. Extra shore mackerel are quoted at \$30 to \$35 per bbl. in jobbing lots; No. 1's \$26 and \$28; No. 2's \$22 and \$23; No. 3's \$19 to \$21; Bay 1's \$24 to \$25; Block Island 1's \$28 to \$29; Mess do. \$32; best Irish \$22 to \$23; poor do. \$14 to \$16." Jamaica, April 26.—"The cargo of the brig *Sceptre*, the last arrival from Nova Scotia, was sold at 26 shillings for tierces and boxes of codfish, and 21 shillings for herrings. The market continued bare until yesterday, when the *Deur* arrived, bringing a large assortment for the trade, but as no actual sales have been effected, it is difficult to give any quotations. We doubt, however, if anything will be done until the arrival of two cargoes now close at hand, when prices will be established." Havana, May 6 (by cable via New York)—"Market firm and tending steadily upward. The stock of codfish is small. We quote codfish \$5.50; haddock \$4 75; hake \$4.50." Barbadoes, April 26.—"The cargo of the *Scotia* was placed outright at \$16 for large, and \$14 for medium. Since then prices have stiffened, and we sold the *Miriam's* cargo outright at \$20 07½ for large; \$17.87½ for medium; \$16.57½ for Labrador, and \$18.37½ for Shore. Herrings are quoted at \$3.87½."

MARKET QUOTATIONS.

WHOLESALE RATES.

Our Price Lists are corrected for us each week by reliable merchants, and can therefore be depended upon as accurate up to the time of going to press.

GROCERIES.

SUGARS.	
Cut Leaf	10
Granulated	9 to 9½
Circle A	8½
White Extra C	8½
Extra Yellow C	7½ to 7¾
Yellow C	7 to 7¼
TEA.	
Congou, Common	17 to 19
" Fair	20 to 23
" Good	25 to 29
" Choice	31 to 33
" Extra Choice	35 to 36
Oolong, Choice	37 to 40
MOLASSES.	
Barbadoes	40
Demerara	38 to 40
Diamond N	47
Porto Rico	39
Cienfuegos	36 to 38
Trinidad	35
Antigua	38 to 40
Tobacco, Black	38 to 44
" Bright	42 to 58
BISCUITS.	
Pilot Bread	3.25
Boston and Thin Family	7
Soda	7
do. in 1lb. boxes, 50 to case	7½
Fancy	8 to 15

The above quotations are carefully prepared by a reliable Wholesale House, and can be depended upon as correct.

PROVISIONS.

Beef, Am. Ex. Mess, duty paid	11.50 to 12.00
" Am. Plate	12.00 to 12.25
" Ex. Plate	13.00 to 13.50
Pork, Mess, American	17.00
" American, clear	19.00
" P. E. I. Mess	17.00 to 17.50
" P. E. I. Thin Mess	15.50 to 16.00
" Prime Mess	14.00 to 14.50
Lard, Tubs and Pails, P. E. Island	13 to 14
" American	12 to 13
" Cases	13.50 to 14.00
Hams, P. E. I. green	8 to 9
Duty on Am. Pork and Beef \$2.20 per bbl.	
Prices are for wholesale lots only, and are liable to change daily.	

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FISH FROM VESSELS.

MACKEREL.	
Extra	20.00
No. 1	19.00
" 2 large	16.00
" 2 medium	15.00
" 3 large	11.00
" 3 medium	11.00
HERRING.	
No. 1 Shore, July	4.00 to 4.50
No. 1, August, Round	3.50 to 3.75
" September	3.50 to 3.75
Labrador, in cargo lots, per bl.	4.00 to 4.50
Bay of Islands, Split	2.00
" Round	2.00 to 2.25
Albacore, per bbl.	5.00
CODFISH.	
Hard Shore	3.25 to 3.50
Bank	2.50 to 2.75
Bay	2.50 to 2.75
SALMON.	
No. 1	15.50 to 16.00
Haddock, per qtl.	2.00
Hake	2.00
Cusk	1.50
Pollock	1.50
Hake Sounds, per lb.	30
Cod Oil A	26 to 30

The above are prepared by a reliable firm of West India Merchants.

WOOL, WOOL SKINS & HIDES.

Wool—clean washed, per pound	15 to 22
" unwashed	12 to 15
Salted Hides, No 1	5
Ox Hides, over 60 lbs., No 1	5½
" under 60 lbs., No 1	5
" over 60 lbs., No 2	4½
" under 60 lbs., No 2	4
Cow Hides, No 1	5
No 3 Hides, each	3
Calf Skins	25
Deacons, each	10 to 15
Lambskins	10 to 15.00
Tallow	3

The above quotations are furnished by WM. F. FOSTER, dealer in Wool and Hides, Connors' Wharf.

BUTTER AND CHEESE.

Nova Scotia Choice Fresh Prints	30
" in Small Tubs	25
" Good, in large tubs	22 to 24
Store Packed & oversalted	14
Canadian Township	22 to 27
" Western	17 to 20
Cheese, Canadian	10½

The above quotations are corrected by a reliable dealer in Butter and Cheese.

BREADSTUFFS.

The decline in the price of breadstuffs and provisions seems to have called a halt, and it is not unlikely that from this till the new harvest we shall see steadier prices.

We make some corrections in our quotations as you will note.

For goods delivered in Boston we reduce our quotations from 10 to 15cts. a bbl. on flour and \$1.00 per ton on mill feeds. Bags in all cases extra 10cts each when mill feed is shipped via Boston.

FLOUR.	
High Grade Patents	5.65 to 5.90
Good 90 per cent. Patents	5.25 to 5.40
Straight Grade	5.15 to 5.30
Superior Extras	5.00 to 5.20
Good Seconds	4.05 to 4.50
Low grades	3.10 to 3.40
Graham Flour	5.65
American Supr. Extras, in bond	4.00 to 4.10
American 90 per cent. in bond	4.75 to 4.90
Oatmeal	4.20 to 4.30
" Rolled	4.25 to 4.35
Cornmeal, duty paid	2.70 to 2.80
Cornmeal, in bond, Boston	2.15 to 2.20
Roller Wheat	5.50
Wheat Br. n, per ton	17.50
Shorts	18.50
Midlings	20.00
Cracked Corn including bags	26.50
Ground Oil Cake, per ton	35.00
Moulse	26.50
Split Peas	3.75 to 4.00
White Beans, per bushel	1.65 to 1.75
Pot Barley, per barrel	5.10 to 5.20
P. E. I. Oats	40 to 41
Canadian White Oats	41 to 42
Hay per ton	12.00 to 12.50

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

LOBSTERS.

Per case 4 doz. 1 lb cans.	
Nova Scotia (Atlantic Coast Packing)	5.25 to 5.60
Tall Cans	4.80 to 5.00
Flat "	6.20 to 6.40
Newfoundland Flat Cans	6.35 to 6.50

The above quotations are corrected by a reliable dealer.

HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

Apples, No. 1, per bbl.	1.50 to 2.00
Oranges, per bbl, Jamaica (new)	2.00 to 2.50
Valencia Oranges, per case	3.00 to 3.75
Lemons, per case	4.00 to 4.50
Cocoanuts, per 100	3.50 to 4.00
Onions, New Egyptian	4c. per lb.
" New Bermuda	3 to 3½
Dates, boxes, new	5½ to 6
Raisins, Valencia, new	6½ to 7
Figs, Elms, 5 lb boxes per lb.	12
" small boxes	13
Prunes, Stewing, boxes and bags, new	5½ to 6
Bananas, per bunch	1.75 to 2.50
Foxberries	3.00 to 3.50

The above quotations are furnished by C. H. Harvey, 10 & 12 Sackville St

POULTRY.

Turkeys, per pound	15 to 16
Geese, each	50 to 75
Ducks, per pair	70 to 80
Chickens	40 to 55

The above are corrected by a reliable victualer.

LIVE STOCK—at Richmond Depot.

Steers best quality, per 100 lbs. alive	4.25 to 4.50
Oxen	3.50 to 4.00
Fat Steers, Heifers, light weights	3.00 to 3.50
Wethers, best quality, per 100 lbs	4.00 to 4.50
Lambs	4.00 to 5.00

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LUMBER.

Pine, clear, No 1, perm.	25 00 to 28.00
" Merchantable, do do.	14.00 to 17.00
" No 2, do do.	10.00 to 12.00
" Small, per m.	8.00 to 10.00
Spruce, dimension, good, per m.	9.50 to 14.00
" Merchantable, do do.	8.00 to 9.00
" Small, do do.	6.50 to 7.00
Hemlock, merchantable	7.00
Shingles, No 1, sawed, pine	3.00 to 3.50
" No 2, do do	1.00 to 1.25
" spruce, No 1	1.10 to 1.30
Laths, per m	2.00
Hard wood, per cord	4.00 to 4.25
Soft wood	2.25 to 2.50

The above quotations are prepared by a reliable firm in this line.