

maintained with quotations unchanged. The Boston mutton market has been quiet and easy while veals are higher than the trade is willing to pay.

BUTTER—Increasing weakness still characterizes the butter market. Receipts during the week have been liberal—particularly of tubs—the warm weather having caused arrivals of large rolls to fall off perceptibly. The enquiry is good both for tubs and pails. Receipts of creamery butter—chiefly from Ontario—have been pretty heavy. The demand for creamery is fairly good and may be expected to improve as the weather grows warmer. The idea at present seems to be about 21c. to 22c. for tubs and 23c. for pound prints. There is just now little or no enquiry from England for Canadian butter. A few small experimental lots have recently been exported from Montreal, but it is as yet too early to receive advice as to how the ventures resulted.

CHEESE—The tone of the cheese market is slightly easier in sympathy with the markets at interior points. The supplies of new make are accumulating at the factories in the absence of any particular demand either at home or abroad. But this fact apparently causes the factory men no uneasiness, as they express full confidence that a good call for all that they can make will come in due time, and predict that a very large and profitable trade will be done in this article this season. We hope their hopes will be fulfilled. There is still a little old on the market for which 11c. to 12c. is the idea. The British markets continue dull and weak, the cable quoting white and colored cheese at 48s.

GREEN FRUIT—Importations of all kinds of fresh fruit continue to be very large and to meet an appreciative market. A large consignment of bananas was received here last week to be sold at auction. Most of them were in a very bad state, and if they had been permitted to go into retailers' hands they would not only have been a menace to the public health but would have broken down the market for sound fruit brought in by the regular dealers. The wholesalers, therefore, clubbed together, had them put up in hundred bunch lots,—which put them beyond the reach of the small fry—and had them destroyed. The *CRITIC* approves the public spirit and business sense that dictated and carried out this action of the wholesale men.

DRIED FRUIT—The only thing really new in the dried fruit market is a firm feeling in currants, consequent upon an advance of 1s. in the English market. The demand for Valencia raisins is only ordinary and prices are unchanged. The demand for currants is small—in fact probably more so than usual, in spite of the anticipation of higher prices. The usual sorting-up trade is doing in prunes.

SUGAR—There has been no material change in the local situation as to sugar. The market continues firm and the tenor of advices on raws indicate a further upward tendency if anything. Granulated has advanced another 1c. in New York, and the trade here and in Montreal are expecting that our markets will follow suit, only more so if anything, as the supply of raw material here and in the sister city is not excessive, and the refiners will, no doubt, take full advantage of their opportunities. At present the actual movement is not very brisk, but consumption is certain to increase very shortly, owing to the fruit season coming on, and this is very likely to have a stiffening effect on prices. Our quotations for spot business are nominally unchanged. Willett & Gray, New York, say:—"Latest notable facts affecting sugar—appearance of cholera in Hamburg, the principal shipping port of beet sugar. Rapid and unusual decrease of raw sugars in the United States early in the season. Possibilities of reduced moltings from inadequate raw supplies. Unfavorable financial conditions holding back a probable advance in prices."

MOLASSES—Reports concerning the molasses market are conflicting, especially in regard to first cost at the Islands. Some dealers say that they can sell at 12c., first cost, while others scout the idea and insist that 13c. is the very best figure possible.

TEAS—There has been very little movement in teas. Ceylons and Indians, from medium to high grades, continue to show exceptionally good value. Low grades are scarce and dear. A little more is being done in young hysons, chiefly in low grades. A few new season's are offering with buyers showing an inclination to secure nothing under high grades.

FISH—Now catch are now coming in, and, as the market is nearly bare of old, they are readily placed as they arrive at quite fair prices. It is, of course, too early as yet to predict how the market will rule this season, but present appearances, so far as they go, seem to indicate a good, fair market this year. A few barrels of mackerel of very good size have been taken about St. Margaret's Bay and some of the coves along our western shore, but not enough to effect the market. A few thousand were brought to town fresh and sold to dealers in fresh fish at 45c. per dozen, but most of those taken were at once gibbed and salted down. They will probably be held in first hands for a time as the demand and, consequently, the price will doubtless improve in the next few weeks. In Toronto there has been a fair business at unchanged prices. Labrador herring is quoted at \$3 per hbl. and shore herring at \$2.75 per hbl.; halibut 15c. per lb., fresh salmon 20c. per lb. A letter from Boston records that the first really good news that is looked upon as reliable from the mackerel fleet has just been received there. The fleet is all off the Nova Scotia Shore, there being about 100 vessels in that section. The news received is that the vessels up to about ten days ago had taken from 30 to 50 barrels each. Rumor says that one vessel had taken 126 and another 300 barrels of mackerel. Dealers in Boston are much pleased, and reckon that some of the vessels will return with cargoes in a few days. A ship from Ireland with mackerel arrived at Boston a few days ago and sold her cargo for \$15 for 3's. Codfish and herring are firmer in that market, and dealers have advanced their prices slightly. In Gloucester, Mass., the principal feature of the local market was the receipt of several fairs of mack. el from the Cape shore. The first fare was sold on Boston account at \$13.50 per hbl. in fisherman's order. The next

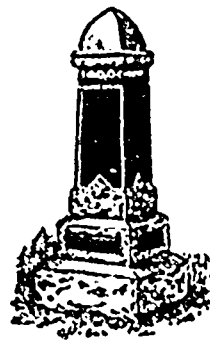
fare was sold at \$13.63, but subsequent free arrivals drove the price down to \$12. No material change has transpired in prices of other kinds of fish, but the general tone of the market is very firm, and no falling off in figures is anticipated for some time at least.

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MARKET QUOTATIONS.—WHOLESALE SELLING RATES.

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

GROCERIES.

SUGARS.	
Cut Leaf.....	6 1/2 to 6 3/4
Granulated.....	6 1/2 to 6 3/4
Circle A.....	6 1/2 to 6 3/4
White Extra C.....	6 1/2 to 6 3/4
Standard.....	6 1/2 to 6 3/4
Extra Yellow C.....	6 1/2 to 6 3/4
Yellow C.....	6 1/2 to 6 3/4
TEAS.	
Congou Common.....	17 to 19
Fair.....	20 to 23
Good.....	25 to 29
Choice.....	31 to 33
Extra Choice.....	35 to 38
Oolong Choice.....	37 to 39
MOLASSES.	
Barbadoes.....	31
Demerara.....	35 to 38
Diamond N.....	47
Porto Rico.....	35
Cienfuegos.....	none
Trinidad.....	30
Antigua.....	30
Tobacco, Black.....	45 to 47
Bright.....	47 to 55
DISCOUNTS.	
Pilot Bread.....	3.00
Boston and Thin Family.....	6 1/2
Soda.....	6 1/2
do in 1 lb. boxes, 50 to case.....	7 1/2
Fancy.....	8 to 15

HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

Apples per bbl., No 1.....	3.00 to 4.00
Oranges, Jamaica, brls., New.....	8.00
Valencia Oranges, per case.....	9.00
Lemons, per case.....	3.50 to 4.00
Cocoanuts new per 100.....	5.00
Onions, New Bermuda, per crate.....	1.25
per lb., Egyptian.....	2 1/2 to 3 1/2
Dates boxes, new.....	5 1/2
Raisins, Valencia.....	5 1/2 to 6
Figs, Elise, 5 lb boxes per lb., new.....	10 to 11
small boxes.....	9 to 10
Prunes Stewing, boxes.....	8
Bananas.....	2.00 to 2.50

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FISH.

MACKEREL—	
Ex Vesse.....	
Ex Store.....	
EXTRAS.	
No. 1.....	
2 large.....	
2 medium.....	
3 large, Reamed.....	7.50
3 Reamed.....	
3 large, Plain.....	
3 Plain.....	
HERRING.	
No. 1 C. B. July.....	4.25
1 Fall Split.....	3.20
1 Fall Round.....	3.25
1 Labrador.....	
1 Georges Bay.....	
1 Bay of Islands.....	
ALBANY, No 1.....	4.00
SALMON.	
No. 1, 7 lbs.....	5.00
No. 2, 7 lbs.....	
2.....	none
SMALL.	
CODFISH.	
Hard C. B.....	4.75
Western Shore.....	5.25
Bank.....	
Bay.....	
Newfoundland.....	
Haddock.....	3.00
Bank & Western.....	2.50
Hake.....	2.00
Pollock.....	2.50
Hake Sounds, per lb.....	33c
Gas Oil per gal.....	

BREADSTUFFS

Markets seem to have touched bottom, and a better tone prevails. We think values will improve from now forward. We make no change in prices this week; but prefer quoting direct.

Flour.	
Manitoba Highest Grade Patents.....	4.75 to 4.85
High Grade Patents.....	3.95 to 4.00
Good 90 per cent. Patents.....	3.70 to 3.85
Straight Grade.....	3.55 to 3.60
Good Seconds.....	3.25 to 3.35
Graham Flour.....	3.75
Oatmeal.....	4.60
Rolled.....	4.60
Kila Dried Cornmeal.....	2.75 to 2.80
in Bond.....	2.75 to 2.80
Rolled Wheat.....	4.00 to 4.25
Wheat Bran, per ton including bags.....	10.50 to 11.00
Middlings.....	22.00 to 23.00
Shorts.....	
Cracked Corn.....	28.00 to 28.50
Ground Oat Cake per ton.....	30.00 to 31.00
Moulée.....	22.00 to 23.00
Split Peas.....	3.75
White Beans, per bushel.....	1.75 to 1.90
Pot Barley, per barrel.....	5.80 to 6.05
Canadian Oats, choice quality.....	4.75 to 4.85
P. E. Island Oats.....	4.60 to 4.75
Hay.....	18.00 to 19.00

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PROVISIONS.

Beef, Am. Ex. Mess, duty paid.....	13.00 to 14.00
Am. Plate.....	16.00 to 18.00
Ex. Plate.....	15.00 to 16.00
Pork, Mess, American.....	23.00
American, clear.....	23.00
P. E. I. Mess.....	21.00 to 21.50
P. E. I. Thin Mess.....	19.00 to 20.00
Prime Mess.....	16.00 to 17.00
Lard, Tubs and Pails, P. E. Island.....	14 to 15
American.....	13 to 14
Hams, P. E. I., green.....	11
Prices are for wholesale lots only, and are liable to change daily.	

BUTTER AND CHEESE

Nova Scotia Choice Fresh Prints.....	24
in Small Tubs.....	18 to 20
Good, in large tubs, new.....	19
Store Packed & overalred.....	17
Canadian Township.....	25
Western.....	18
Cheese, Canadian.....	11
Antigish.....	none
SALT.	
Factory Filled.....	\$3.01
Fine Liverpool, bag, from store.....	1.75
Liverpool, 7 hhd.,.....	1.75
Cadiz.....	
Turks Island.....	1.20
Lisbon.....	
Coarse W. I.....	1.15
Trapan.....	1.15