

other day took another upward turn and prices were advanced, the tone being excited.

BREADSTUFFS.—The local flour market is without change, and business, what there is of it, is only of a jobbing nature. The tone continues steady and prices are pretty firmly held all round. Beerbohm's cable says:—"Wheat and corn quiet but steady. French country markets firm." In Chicago wheat has been firmer advancing an $\frac{1}{8}$ ¢. On the whole the grain markets of the world have a firm but quiet tone.

PROVISIONS.—The local market has remained without material change, but with a better feeling owing to the colder turn of the weather. Dressed hogs have been in better demand and moved more freely. Receipts are moderate. Lard in Liverpool was steady at 32s., tallow at 25s., pork at 54s. 6d., and bacon at 29s. 6d. to 30s. Pork in Chicago was very strong, and jumped up 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢. to 25¢. Lard there was also active and very firmly held, though quotations were nominally unchanged. The Chicago market gained another 5¢. The cattle market was fairly active and firm.

BUTTER.—The butter market continues quiet, and there are no visible symptoms of any immediate alteration. Outside of the brisk enquiry for really choice butter as already noted—which is very hard to get and on which prices are firmly held—the market presents very little of interest. The stock in first hands must be pretty considerable, but holders evince no anxiety as to the future. Of course the scarcity of choices forces a small business in lower grades in a local way for actual consumption but that is all.

CHEESE.—The local cheese market has continued quiet and we hear of nothing worthy of note. The public cable continues unchanged at 52s. Private advices are few and do not show any alteration from the tone that they have exhibited for some time. They speak of a continued quiet market in England, with retailers supplying only their actual wants which, of course, results in a moderate movement. As to prices they are purely nominal and subject to immediate change in the inception of any pronounced conditions. As the market is at present there has been some hunting round in an odd way to see what can be gathered up, but we have not heard of any business resulting.

FRUIT.—There is nothing special to mention in fruit, business being quiet. Apples continue very firm with good ones scarce. Nothing is doing in dried fruits of any kind.

SUGAR.—There has been a fair demand for sugars lately, and of a legitimate kind, as speculators do not appear to be taking hold at present. The general opinion seems to be that the country districts are bare of sugar and that a demand will shortly set in from them. Jobbers also are buying more freely, though in only a hand-to-mouth way. The general tone of the market is steady, and, if anything, a little easier.

TEA.—The local trade in tea has been generally quiet, but the demand for Japan and other low grades continues good. The London tea market has been easy, with holders endeavouring to reduce their stocks, and therefore more disposed to meet buyers.

FISH OIL.—In Montreal steam refined seal oil keeps firm at 50c. to 52c. Cod oil is firm. Newfoundland being quoted there at 34c. to 35c., Halifax and Gaspe oil 32 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢. Newfoundland cod liver oil is quoted at 45c. to 55c.

FISH.—It is usual for arrivals of fish at this season to be almost nil, and the present is no exception to the general rule. Practical prices are, therefore, ex-store, and are naturally higher than they would be if ex-vessel. We do not change our quotations, as they give the figures that vessels would receive if any came. Business is very quiet, as markets abroad, with one or two exceptions, are not in a satisfactory position such as to invite shipments. All the frozen herring so far received have been placed at 72c. to 75c. per 100 count. These prices were, doubtless, satisfactory to buyers, as the colder weather of the past few days has permitted their delivery at destination in perfect order. Our outside advices are as follows:—Montreal, January 14th—"The fish market does not show much activity. The first car of frozen fresh herring from Newfoundland is now on the way, and sold to arrive at \$1 25, and is jobbing out at \$1.35 to \$1.50. The recent weather has been against any great movement of fresh fish, and tommy cods which have been selling at \$1.25, were firmer to-day, owing to the change, at \$1.40 to \$1.50. Smelts are selling at 3c. to 5c., and cod and haddock at 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢. Salt fish is quiet with not much doing. The stocks of both herring and codfish are very light; hence holders look for higher prices. We have no change to note in other lines." Gloucester, Mass., January 14—"There is no change to note the past week. Receipts have been very light and movements small. We quote New George's codfish firm at \$6 a qtl. for large with some lots held at \$6 25; small at \$4 75; Bank \$4.50 to \$5 for large and \$4 for small; cured cusk \$3 25 to \$3.50 per qtl.; hake \$2 25; haddock \$3.25; heavy salted pollock \$2 25; and English cured do. \$3 per qtl.; Labrador herring \$5.75 bbl.; medium split \$5; extra No. 1 do. \$7.50; Newfoundland do. \$5; Nova Scotia do. \$5; pickled codfish \$7; haddock \$6; alewives \$4; trout \$15; Halifax Salmon \$23. Port of Spain, Trinidad, 20th December—"We have placed the cargo of the *Viola* from Lunenburg at \$21 drums and tierces, \$6 boxes, and \$16 haddock. For 100 casks Newfoundland cure since arrived from Demerara \$18 for large and \$16 for medium was accepted. Consumption at present is much restricted, owing to an unusually large supply of fresh fish, and all that dealers offered for the Yarmouth cargo per *Harry Lewis*, cabled to arrive from Barbados, was \$16 for tierces and \$5.50 for boxes. The *Viola* landed 100 barrels of herring which we sold at \$3.50, and there is still some enquiry for them and for mackerel." Demerara, December 20th—"The market continues firm, but sales are slow, as dealers are disinclined to pay fuller rates. Sales of codfish vary as to quality, there being still large stocks of old in the market. Halifax \$18 to \$23; Lunenburg \$24; Lockport \$22 to \$24; Newfoundland \$16 to \$23; haddock \$17, and hake \$16; herrings \$4.50." Havana, January 13 (per cable via New York)—"Prices are firmer all around. We quote codfish \$6; haddock \$5.50; hake \$4; potatoes \$8.50."

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.....	8
Granulated.....	7 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 7 $\frac{1}{2}$
Circle A.....	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
White Extra C.....	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
Extra Yellow C.....	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 $\frac{3}{4}$
Yellow C.....	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 $\frac{3}{4}$
TEA.	
Congou, Common.....	17 to 19
" Fair.....	20 to 23
" Good.....	25 to 29
" Choice.....	31 to 35
" Extra Choice.....	35 to 37
Oolong, Choice.....	37 to 39
MOLASSES.	
Barbados.....	48
Demerara.....	40 to 44
Diamond N.....	48
Porto Rico.....	40 to 42
Cienfuegos.....	38
Trinidad.....	39 to 40
Antigua.....	38 to 39
Tobacco, Black.....	38 to 44
" Bright.....	42 to 51
BISCUITS.	
Pilot Bread.....	3.15
Boston and Thin Family.....	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
Soda.....	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
do. in lib. boxes, 50 to case.....	7 $\frac{1}{2}$
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.....	10.25 to 10.50
" Am. Plate.....	10.75 to 11.25
" Ex. Plate.....	11.50 to 11.75
Pork, Mess. American.....	14.5 to 15.00
" American, clear.....	15.00 to 15.50
" P. E. I. Mess.....	14.00 to 14.50
" P. E. I. Thin Mess.....	13.50 to 14.00
" Prime Mess.....	11.00 to 11.50
Lard, Tubs and Pails, P. E. Island.....	11 to 12
" American.....	12 to 13
" Cases.....	13.50 to 14.00
Hams, P. E. I., green.....	8 to 9
Duty on Am. Pork and Beef \$2.50 per bbl.	
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FISH FROM VESSELS.

MACKEREL.	
Extra.....	15.00
No. 1.....	14.00
" 2 large.....	13.00
" 2.....	11.75
" 3 large.....	12.00
" 3.....	12.00
HERRING.	
No. 1 Shore, July.....	4.50 to 5.00
No. 1, August, Round.....	2.50
" September.....	2.50
Labrador, in cargo lots, per bbl.....	4.00 to 4.50
Bay of Islands, Split.....	none
" Round.....	none
Alewives, per bbl.....	2.50 to 3.00
CODFISH.	
Hard Shore.....	4.25 to 4.40
Bank.....	3.25 to 3.5
Bay.....	3.50 to 3.75
SALMON, No. 1.....	18.00 to 19.00
Haddock, per qu.....	2.25
Hake.....	2.00
Cusk.....	1.50
Pollock.....	1.50
Hake Sounds, per lb.....	12 $\frac{1}{2}$
Cod Oil A.....	25 to 25

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

POULTRY.

Turkeys, per pound.....	15 to 16
Geese, each.....	60 to 75
Ducks, per pair.....	70 to 85
Chickens.....	50 to 70

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, Hifers, light weights..... 3.00 to 3.50
Wethers, best quality, per 100 lbs..... 4.00 to 4.50
Lambs..... 2.50 to 3.50

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LOBSTERS.

Per case 4 doz. 1 lb cans.

Nova Scotia (Atlantic Coast Packing).....	4.25 to 5.00
Tall Cans.....	4.50 to 5.00
Flat.....	6.50 to 7.00
Newfoundland Flat Cans.....	5.50 to 7.00

BREADSTUFFS.

Nothing doing. No change. Millers West talk about short wheat and higher prices, but in the face of very little demand, we do not see how it is possible.

Flour	
High Grade Patents.....	5.00 to 5.15
Good 90 per cent. Patents.....	4.65 to 4.70
Straight Grade.....	4.40 to 4.45
Superior Extras.....	4.40 to 4.45
Good Seconds.....	4.00 to 4.15
Graham Flour.....	4.00 to 4.35
American Supr. Extras, in bond.....	4.15 to 4.25
American 90 per cent. in bond.....	4.50 to 4.60
American Patents, Pillsbury's Best.....	6.40
Oatmeal.....	4.00 to 4.10
" Rolled.....	4.10 to 4.25
Cornmeal, duty paid.....	2.70 to 2.80
Cornmeal, in bond, Boston.....	2.10 to 2.15
Roll'd Wheat.....	5.20
Wheat Bran, per ton.....	15.00 to 15.35
shorts.....	16.50 to 19.00
Middlings.....	20.10 to 22.00
Cracked Corn " including bags.....	27.00 to 27.50
Ground Oil Cake, per ton.....	35.00
Moules.....	25.50
Split Peas.....	3.75 to 4.00
White Beans, per bushel.....	1.75 to 1.85
" or Barley, per barrel.....	4.30 to 4.50
Canadian Oats, choice quality.....	38 to 40
P. E. I. Oats.....	38 to 40
Hay per ton.....	11.50

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

HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS

Apples, Gravensteins.....	4.70
Apples, No. 1, per bbl.....	3.50 to 4.00
Oranges, Jamaica, per bbl., repacked.....	7.00
Lemons, per case.....	5.50
Cocoanuts, new, per 100.....	5.00
Onions, New American, per lb.....	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢
Dates, boxes, new.....	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 6
Raisins, Valencia, new.....	7
Figs, Elms, 8 lb boxes per lb.....	11
" small boxes.....	13
Prunes, Stewing, boxes and bags, new.....	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 6
Bananas, per bunch.....	none
Cranberries, per bbl.....	8.50

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

BUTTER AND CHEESE.

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

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

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.....	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
" under 60 lbs., No 1.....	5
" over 60 lbs., No 2.....	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
" under 60 lbs., No 2.....	4
Cow Hides, No 1.....	4
No 3 Hides, each.....	28
Calf Skins.....	10
" Deacons, each.....	15
Lambskins.....	15 to 15
Tallow.....	3

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

LUMBER.

Pine, clear, No. 1, per m.....	55.00 to 56.00
" Merchantable, do, do.....	14.00 to 17.00
" No 2, do.....	16.00 to 18.00
" Small, per m.....	8.00 to 16.00
Spruce, dimension, good, per m.....	9.50 to 10.00
" 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 3.25
" No 2, do.....	1.00 to 1.25
" spruce, No 1.....	1.10 to 1.25
Laths, per m.....	2.00
Hard wood, per cord.....	4.00 to 4.25
Softwood.....	2.25