

been very large and is still quite full, but this is the result of old business. New business with exporters is very slow; the foreign markets show very little stability and the cable information indicates that the foreigners are awaiting for some definite action by Congress on the silver question and believe that the still uncertain surroundings as to money matters will make it hard to move the new crop of wheat, thus making the exporter the dictator as to the price he must pay. The policy has resolved itself into one of masterly inactivity on all ideas. The decrease in the interior movement of wheat in the United States is believed to be primarily the result of poor bank accommodations at country points. At the same time letters now coming from the interior indicate that farmers realize the significance of the situation to such an extent that they are refusing to part with their wheat at famine prices, except when compelled to do so.

**PROVISIONS.**—The local demand for pork and smoked meats is slow and confined to actual requirements. Holders are firm on values, but sales are merely of a small jobbing nature for current wants. In Boston the pork market is dull and the position is not firm. Quotations are nominally unchanged. Beef is actually very short and the market is firmer with quotations higher. Choice fancy steers 9c. to 9½c.; prime 8c. to 8½c.; good 7c. to 7½c.; light 6½c. to 7c.; extra heavy hinds 12c. to 12½c.; good 9c. to 11c.; light 8c. to 8½c. Muttons and lambs are very steady with the supply not heavy. Veals are coming in bad order. At Chicago pork has again declined and lard still drops. Light hogs have been steady there, but heavy hogs fell 10c. The cattle market has been slow, but prices rule steady. The market for best sheep was unchanged, but others were 10c. lower.

**BUTTER.**—The local butter market is unchanged. Receipts are ample for the demand, which is only to supply actual consumptive demands. Provincial creameries are reserving their make for an anticipated outside demand, which is slow this season. A Toronto report says that prices have further appreciated and that there is a brisk local demand, but, as far as export business is concerned there is nothing particular doing. This is the weak point in the market and, if it does not improve in this particular, prices will naturally depreciate for the local demand cannot absorb all the offerings. Shippers are holding off. The idea as to price is: Fine dairy tubs, pails and crocks 17c. to 18c.; store packed 14c. to 16c.; pound rolls 19c. to 20c. Creamery butter is in good demand at 20½c. to 21c. for tubs and 22c. to 23c. for pound prints.

**CHEESE.**—There is no notable change in the local cheese market, most of what is being made is going into storage awaiting an expected demand from abroad.

**GREEN FRUIT.**—The briskness in green fruit, noted for some weeks past, continues. The small domestic fruits are, of course, occupying the most attention, but considerable trade is doing in bananas and melons. Lemons are lower and oranges are quiet.

**DRIED FRUIT.**—The market continues much as before. Valencia raisins continue to move slowly for both selected and off-stalk. Currants are very dull and prices are practically nominal. Advices regarding new crop do not denote any actual transactions, but prices for Valencia raisins are nominally quoted, cost and freight to Halifax about 16s. 2d. to 17s. 10d. First shipments of new fruit are expected to be made about the end of this month, but there will not come direct but via Liverpool.

**SUGAR.**—Nothing new has developed in this market during the past week. The movement continues to be of a hand-to-mouth character. In fact the trade is waiting quietly to see the outcome of the recent move of the new combine in incorporating itself outside Provincial or Dominion authority before stocking up. A possibility of a "slump" is evidently scouted and the watchword is, consequently, "make haste leisurely." In New York raws have declined ¼c. The statistical position is strong as the stock in Havana and Matanzas is 113,000 tons against 135,000 tons at the same time last year. The six principal ports of Cuba give:—Receipts 3,000 tons, exports 5,000 tons. The total stock reported in all countries is 722,000 tons, against 976,905 at the same time last year. Financial affairs have gone, however, from bad to worse during the week and counteracted all the good effects that might have resulted from the statistical position of sugar. Buyers simply waited the pleasure of holders, and over the close of last week a few sellers gave up the hope of an advance and disposed of some sugar on the previous week's basis. Other holders now seem disposed to follow, and Europe also barely maintained its firmness till the end of last week when it showed signs of weakness again. The most that can now be expected is a steady market at quotations and there is some change for the better in the financial situation.

**TEAS.**—The demand has slackened off somewhat, as is usual at this season, although there is a fair business doing in Ceylons. Very little is doing in China teas. Samples of new Japan teas have been received in Montreal, and the goods are generally considered first-class, and far better value at the money than the new goods purchased last fall. How the arrival of these new-crop samples will influence holders of old stock it is difficult to say, and opinions differ with regard to it. Holders of some of the higher-priced stock of last year, however, who have held on with the idea of making a better figure in their stock, will find it more difficult to make with this good quality of new crop offering.

**COFFEES.**—Business is still confined to a few odd bags, although there seems to be a little demand. Coffees generally are scarce on the market, and buyers have in some instances been compelled to take better grades than

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they really wanted. The Kio market continues firm and the New York weak. Prices are unchanged here.

**FISH.**—The weather during the week has been unfavorable for fishing operations, and, consequently, the take has not been large. Codfish, hake, and other deep sea fish are reported plentiful on all the banks, and bait is in ample supply at most points along the shore, so that whenever the weather permits the fisherman receives the reward for his toil. Mackerel are taken in very small lots from time to time along the shore, but not in sufficient quantities to make it pay to salt them down. The market is in a good state and ready to take all kinds of fish that are offered at fair prices. In Toronto the fish trade is weak, and no change is expected before the middle of next month. Present quotations are:—Fresh sea salmon 16c. to 18c.; Labrador herring \$3 per half bbl.; shore herrings \$2.75 per bbl.; Digby herring 12c. to 12½c. In Boston the supply of mackerel is yet small, but the market is not quite so firm by reason of a desire to sell on a dull market. The fleet are not getting mackerel in sufficient quantities to depress the market, but the few offered do not find very ready purchasers, by reason of the lack of confidence in trade. The last sales of P. E. Island mackerel were at \$11 to \$12.25. The last sales of shore mackerel at Gloucester were at \$12, \$14 and \$16. The jobbers are quoting mackerel at:—large 3's \$11.50 to \$13; new 2's \$14 to \$15; autumn caught \$18 to \$20; 1's and extra 1's \$18 to \$22; bloaters \$30. The supply of codfish is larger, so far as pickled fish in the butts are concerned, but the curers are being careful not to cure enough to depress the market. Still dry bank fish are really easier.

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#### MARKET QUOTATIONS.—WHOLESALE SELLING RATES.

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

##### GROCERIES.

SUGARS.	
Cut Leaf.....	6½
Granulated.....	5½ to 6½
Circle A.....	5
White Extra C.....	4½
Standard.....	4½
Extra Yellow C.....	4½ to 4¾
Yellow C.....	4½
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 39
MOLASSES.	
Barbadoes.....	31
Damascus.....	35 to 36
Diamond N.....	none
Porto Rico.....	33 to 34
Cienfuegos.....	none
Trinidad.....	29
Antigua.....	29
Tobacco, Black.....	45 to 47
Bright.....	47 to 48
BISCUITS.	
Pilot Bread.....	3.00
Boston and Thin Family.....	6½
Soda.....	6½
do in lb. boxes, 50 to case.....	7½
Fancy.....	8 to 15

##### HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

Apples per barrel, new.....	2 00 to 3 00
Oranges, Jamaica, bris., New.....	3.00
Oranges, per box.....	5.50
Lemons, per case.....	4.50 to 5.50
Cocoanuts new per 100.....	5.00
Onions, Malta.....	3
per lb., Egyptian.....	3½
Dates boxes, new.....	5½
Raisins, Valencia, new.....	5 to 5½
Figs, Klama, 5 lb boxes per lb.....	10
small boxes.....	10
Prunes Stewing, boxes.....	8
Bananas.....	2.00 to 2.50

C. H. Harvey, 12 & 10 Sackville St.

##### FISH.

MACKEREL.		Ex Vesse.	Ex Store
Extras.....			
No. 1.....			
2 large.....			
3 large, Reamed.....		9.00	
3 Reamed.....		9.00	
3 large, Plain.....		8.50	
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HERRING.			
No. 1 July.....	4.25	5.00	
1 Fall Split.....		2.50	
1 Fall Round.....		3.00	
1 Labrador.....			
1 Georges Bay.....	1.50		
1 Bay of Islands.....			
ALSWATER, No. 1.....	3.75		
SALMON.			
No. 1, ½ brl.....		10.00	
No. 2, ½ brl.....		14.00	
2.....		12.00	
Small.....		10.00	
CODFISH.			
Hard C. B.....	4.25	4.10	
Western Shore.....			
Bank.....	4.00	4.75	
Bay.....			
Newfoundland.....	4.75		
HADDOCK.	3.00		
Bank & Western.....			
Bank.....	2.50		
P.L.O.C.K.....	1.75		
Hawa Sounds, per lb.....			
Coa Ois per gal.....	30		

##### BREADSTUFFS.

Breadstuffs markets are steady. There is a general feeling amongst the millers everywhere that markets should be higher, and there is a spasmodic effort to put prices up; in fact some mills have done so. 5 or 10c. is almost universally asked over the prices of three weeks ago, and it is a fight between the buyers and the sellers.

We make no changes in our quotations.

FLOUR.	
Manitoba Highest Grade Patents.....	475 to 4.85
High Grade Patents.....	3.90 to 3.95
Good 90 per cent. Patents.....	3.45 to 3.55
Straight Grade.....	3.55 to 3.60
Good Seconds.....	2.95 to 3.10
Graham Flour.....	2.50
Oatmeal.....	4.70 to 4.75
Rolled.....	4.75 to 4.76
Kila Dried Cornmeal.....	2.50 to 2.75
In Bond.....	2.55 to 2.60
Rolled Wheat.....	5.00 to 5.25
Wheat Bran, per ton including bags.....	19.50 to 20.00
Middlings.....	22.00 to 23.00
Shorts.....	
Cracked Corn.....	28.00 to 28.50
Ground Oat Cake per ton.....	30.00 to 31.10
Moules.....	22.00 to 23.00
Split Peas.....	3.75
White Beans, per bushel.....	1.55 to 1.60
Pot Barley, per barrel.....	3.55 to 3.60
Canadian Oats, choice quality.....	48 to 49
P. E. Island Oats.....	48 to 49
Hay.....	14.75 to 15.25

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

##### PROVISIONS.

Beef, Am. Ex. Mess, duty paid.....	13.00 to 14.00
Am. Plate.....	13.50 to 14.00
Ex. Plate.....	11.00 to 15.01
Pork, Mess, American.....	21.00
American, clear.....	23.00
P. E. I. Mess.....	21.00 to 22.00
P. E. I. Thin Mess.....	19.00 to 20.00
Prime Mess.....	16.00 to 17.00
Lard, Tub 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.....	18
Store Packed & overalted.....	15
Canadian Township.....	26
Western.....	18
Cheese, Canadian.....	18
Antigonish.....	10

##### SALT.

Factory Filled.....	\$1.70
Fine Liverpool, bag, from store.....	67½
Liverpool, ½ hhd., do.....	1.15
Cadiz.....	3.75
Turks Island.....	3.00
Libon.....	2.25
Coarse W. I.....	1.25
Tropen.....	2.25