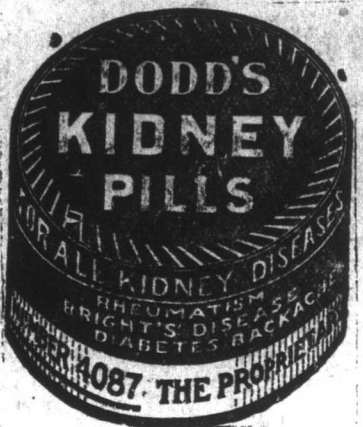


Produce and Provisions

(From Saturday's Trade Review.)
Codfish—The exports of dried codfish amounted to 28,409 quintals this week as follows:—

From Outports—By schr Rita M. Cluett from W. Webb & Sons, Rencontre, 2,740 quintals to Oporto; by schr General Allenby from the Marystown Trading Co., 4,566 quintals to Oporto; by schr General Ironsides from Elliot & Co., Change Islands, 4,630 quintals to Oporto and by schr Gay Gordon, from Harvey & Co., Belleoram, 3,614 quintals to Oporto.

From St. John's—By Schr. Cape Race from Juan Laro 8,000 quintals to Seville; by schr. J. H. Sinclair, 1,491 quintals from Goodridge Export Co., A. H. Murray, and A. E. Hickman to Barbados. By schr. Douglas E. Parks 2,891 quintals to Macao for orders and by S.S. Beverton 150 qts. to Boston from T. S. Devine and A. E. Hickman and Co.



Cod Oil—The demand for cod oil in the foreign markets continues good. The exports this week were again heavy and totalled 65,322 gallons as follows: by S.S. Harmony to London, 23,676 gallons from Joe Bros. Ltd., and C. F. Bennett & Co. By S.S. Belverna to Boston 41,646 gallons from Tessier & Co., Jas. Baird, Ltd., A. S. Rendell, and Co.

W. A. Munn, T. H. Carter, A. E. Hickman Co., F. Hallett and J. E. Orr. About 4,000 tons have been shipped of this season's oil. The figures for each month beginning with July are as follows:—

July	18,265 galls.
August	105,546 galls.
Sept.	262,075 galls.
Oct.	148,840 galls.
Nov.	264,137 galls.
To Dec. 15th	112,845 galls.

Total 912,308 galls.

Cod Liver Oil—There is no improvement whatever in the C.L.O. situation. The Norwegians have been and are still offering their oil at very low prices and this makes it impossible for us to get buyers for our oil at an increase over their offers. The bulk of the Norwegian oil should soon be marketed and as their new catch starts a few weeks after the New Year they are certain to be forced to higher levels as the value of all kinds of oil have materially advanced so that

the livers of the codfish will be worth much more than they were last year.

Flour—The market is steady at last weeks prices. Imports for the week are slack—only 200 barrels by S.S. Manoa from Montreal and by S.S. Silvia from New York. The total imports to St. John's to date are now levelled up to the record of last year viz: 20,700 barrels. The present local quotations are \$28.50 for Pat Back, and S. Clear, \$33 for Man Back, \$24.50 for Spare Ribs and 498 Grocers Family-Mess per barrel. The heavy trade is over for the fall and desultory orders chiefly for lumber camps are now the only ones to be filled.

Beef—A market scarcity has again developed in Boneless Beef. Packers will have none to offer till January. The low price prevailing for this quality the past six months, resulted in abnormal consumption which about cleared up available supplies. St. John's has imported 10,000 barrels to date for 1922 more than in 1921. The figures are 36,600 as compared with 26,208 barrels. The local quotations are \$21.50 for Family, \$21 Ex. Family, \$19 Family Special and Boneless.

Flour—The wheat market is strong this week. The quotation reached the high point of 124 and Winnipeg 105. The Australian and Argentine crop reports indicate a shortage which is said to be the cause of the advance. The imports this week were 12,975 barrels by S.S. Manoa and 4,597 barrels by the Mapledawn from Montreal; total 17,572 barrels. The total imports to St. John's are now ahead of 1921 viz: 290,950 barrels as against 290,000 last year. The local price is still \$9.00 per barrel, wholesale.

Molasses—There is a firm feeling in the molasses market on scarcity of stocks and the price is likely to advance about five cents a gallon in the New Year. The drain on stocks held in St. John's was heavy the past month in response to outport orders for the winter supply. The holdings are now quite low, especially of Choice molasses. The quotations are this week 80 cents per gallon for Fancy wholesale in puncheons and 80 cents for Choice in barrels.

Sugar—Further advances were made in American granulated this week. In the New York market the price is now 4 cents a pound for "Raws" and \$8.00 per 100 pounds for refined. These prices are the highest for the year. The stocks of raws in Cuba are said to be one million tons less than last year at this date, which is no doubt the chief cause of the recent advance. The St. John's wholesale quotation is now \$11.75. It looks now very likely that the market will hold this high level through the winter. The imports to St. John's to date are 77,117 cwt., as against 68,337 last year. Present stocks in the local market are light.

Tea—A sensational advance has taken place in the price of tea in the foreign markets, which no doubt will soon be reflected in this market. The total increase amounts to about 14 cents per pound, and is said to be caused by shortage in Chinese crops. Dealers predict that the advance will go to twenty cents from the low point during the winter. Local prices are likely to advance soon, as they are now below the cost of importation.

Potatoes—The first big 1922 importation of Canadian potatoes occurred this week, when the Canadian Sapper brought 3,107 barrels from Charlottetown, P.E.I., to various importers. They are an excellent quality and find a ready sale. They are all "Reds" as the "Blues" did not thrive to any extent this season at P.E.I. The local wholesale price is \$3.50 to \$3.60 per sack of 180 pounds, and \$1.80 per half sack of 90 pounds. Home-grown potatoes are offering on mill ddays for \$3.00 per barrel. Farmers are unwilling to move their stocks until confident of mild weather.

Hay—The local quotation for hay to arrive in \$40 per ton this week. Sales of stocks in hand are being made at \$39 to \$39.50 wholesale. For No. 2 Timothy received by the St. Lawrence route; but as this navigation is over for this year, hay imported by rail and steamer will be subjected to a higher freight and local prices will advance accordingly. The imports were heavy this week, viz., 5,230 bales by S.S. Manoa from Montreal; 1,747 by S.S. Canadian Sapper from Charlottetown, and 784 by S.S. Mapledawn from Montreal; total 7,761 bales.

Oats—The local market is now well supplied. This week the S.S. Mapledawn brought in 10,352 sacks from Montreal, the Canadian Sapper 9,362 sacks from P.E.I., and S.S. Manoa 2,000 sacks from Montreal; total 12,352 sacks or 49,408 bushels. The oats from P.E.I. are of a superior quality. The Black are quoted at \$3.90 per sack of 4 bushels and White at \$3.70 wholesale. The markets in Canada continue easy on big supply and are expected to hold so for some months.

Patient Sues Surgeon.

A remarkable medical case has just been decided by the Supreme Court at Cape Town. An eminent surgeon was sued by a patient at a public hospital for £10,000 damages for a serious operation to which plaintiff's consent had been previously obtained. The surgeon had been previously obtained an amputation of a vital organ as the only means of preventing a horrible death. The jury, by 6 to 3, gave a verdict for the defendant, and judgment was entered accordingly, with costs.

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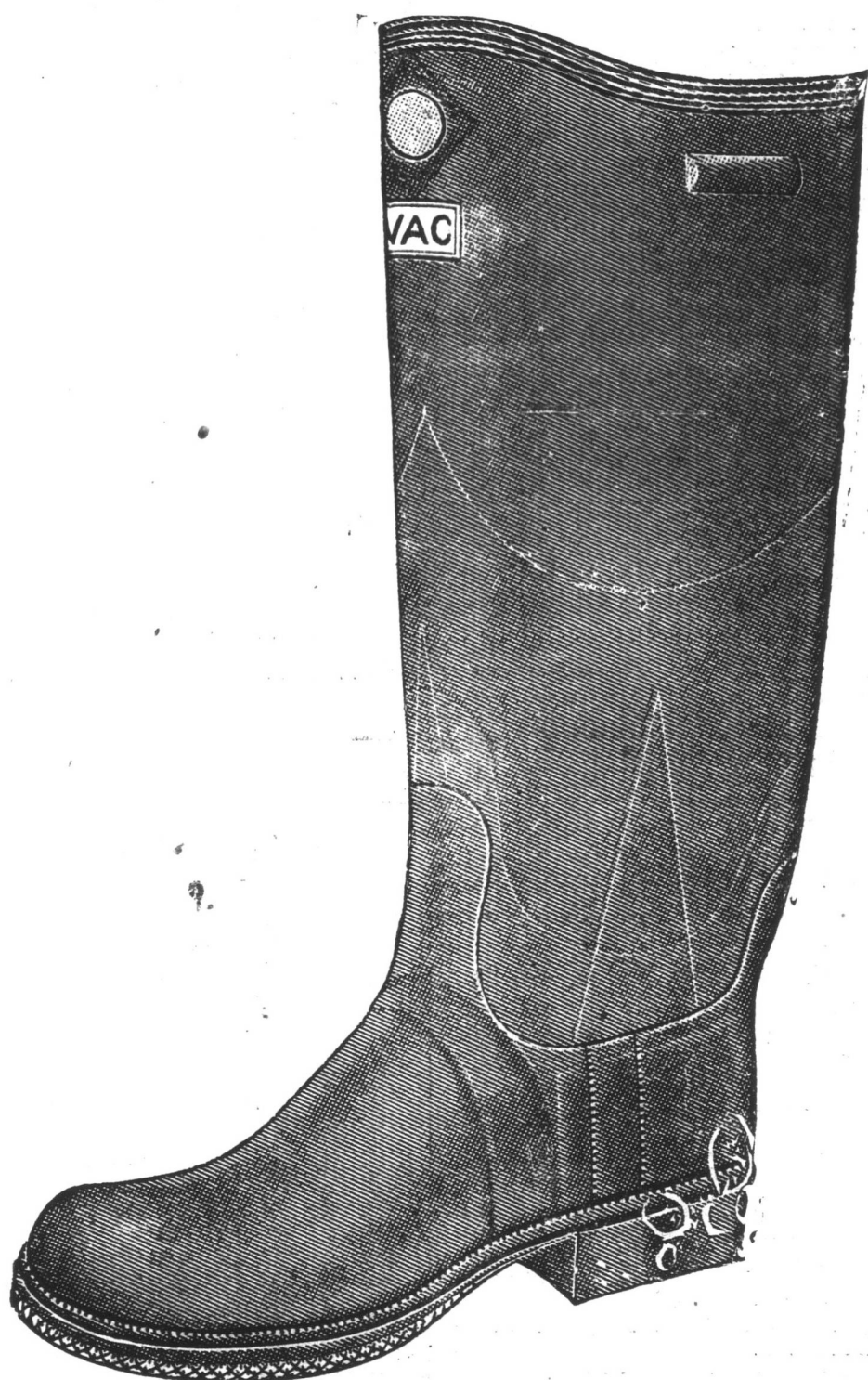
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