

notwithstanding the decline of 6d. in the public cable, there is considerable confidence in the market—not that there is any anxiety to buy but that the impression prevails that prices will go no lower.

FRUIT.—The demand for green fruit has been slow, and the market has ruled quiet with only a small volume of business at steady prices. The market is almost bare of old Valencia raisins, and the small quantities remaining in first hands are firmly held. In consequence of the scarcity of these, a good demand has set in for Sultana and Elmo raisins.

TEA.—The tea market has continued active under a good demand, and a large volume of business has been accomplished. The tone of the market has been strong, owing to the continued strong advices which have been received from abroad and New York, where prices have been steadily advancing. In consequence, values here have been firm, and holders in some cases have made sales at higher figures. The enquiry for cheap Japan has been very fair. These grades are, however, scarce, and buyers have some difficulty in filling wants. Messrs. Smith, Baker & Co., of Yokohama, cable as follows:—"All low grade Japan teas of any good leaf are not to be had except at an advance of \$1 to \$2 per picul."

SUGAR.—The tone of the refined sugar market is weak, and granulated has declined at the factory ½c. This decline was due to the break in New York and weak cables from abroad, which noted a decline of 6d. on prompt beet and 3d. on cane. In yellows an easier feeling prevails and prices have fallen off ½c. The demand has been slow and the market has ruled quiet with only a small volume of business. Latest advices from a leading English house say:—"Our market has been in a quite unprecedented state of stagnation, and buyers have adopted a policy of masterly inactivity. Sugar for prompt delivery is practically unsaleable, and the question of price does not enter into the situation at the moment. Importers however see no reason for this excessive disgust, and have abstained from pressing sales. Stocks in second hands are light, and it seems improbable that the present deadlock can long endure, as we have still three months of active consumption to pass through before full supplies of new crop become available." With the visible supply 360,000 tons less than at this time last year, it may yet be found that between now and the marketing of the new crop the replenishment of supplies may not be so easy a matter as some anticipate.

MOLASSES.—Business in molasses has been dull, there being little enquiry and no transactions have taken place. It is rumored that cargo lots to arrive have been offered, but that buyers have refused to name anywhere near the figure that holders would accept. The *Montreal Trade Bulletin* says of the market there:—"The market for molasses has developed further weakness, with sales of round lots at 44c. and of smaller lots at 47½c. The sale was said to have been made on Saturday last of 1,000 puncheons of Barbadoes, but the terms were private. The recent decline in values is said to be due not so much to a certain party cutting prices, as to the fact that more molasses have turned up in Quebec than were expected, and consequently holders here who have been getting 50c. for Barbadoes are now selling at 44c. to 47½c. as to quantity. It is asserted, however, that there are no more stocks in Montreal than will be required for the trade of Canada during the coming season, and the great bulk of supplies for the Dominion being held in Montreal, they appear large at the moment. It is reported that Barbadoes molasses are being offered at below the inside figure quoted above, one lot being offered at 42½c. The depreciation is in keeping with the easier market for sugar."

FISH OILS.—Our Montreal advices read:—"The market for steam refined seal oil is firm at 45c. In cod oil the firm feeling is increasing in Newfoundland. Here we quote Newfoundland cod oil steady at 38c. to 40c., and other kinds 35c. to 37c. Cod liver oil 60c. to 65c. for Newfoundland, and 90c. to 95c. for Norway."

FISH.—The small receipts of fish make it impossible to give reliable quotations, because enough does not come forward to establish prices, and therefore our figures must be regarded as purely nominal. If a fair average catch should be secured henceforward present prices cannot help declining. The only hope of such a catch is that fair weather will prevail between now and the end of September. Very few codfish are arriving. Those coming in are in very fair order. Among the receipts have been several small lots from the western coast of Newfoundland, whence it is reported that the catch has been exceptionally small. In mackerel nothing above large three's have come to hand to date. A few barrels of this grade are arriving and are taken freely at \$13 and over. During the latter part of July and early in the current month along our eastern shore, including Cape Breton, herring were taken in certain localities quite freely. About Isaac's Harbor an average catch is reported to have been made. There is no reliable advice from the Labrador. It is, however expected that the *Harlow*, now due, will bring fuller information than is at hand at the present writing. Our outside advices are as follows:—Montreal, August 20th.—"Sales of shore herring at \$4 to \$4.50 as to size of lot and quality. Cape Breton \$5.50 to \$5.75. New cod \$4.50 to \$4.75." Gloucester, Mass. August 20.—"We quote now Georges codfish at \$4.62 to \$4.75 per qtl. for large, and small at \$3.50 to \$3.62. Bank \$3.75 for large and \$2.87 for small. Shore \$4.37 and \$3.25 for large and small. Old Bank \$3.25 to \$3.50. Cured cusk at \$2.50 per qtl.; hake \$2; haddock \$2.25; heavy salted pollock \$2.12, and English-cured do. \$2.75 per qtl. Labrador herring \$6 bbl.; medium split \$6; Newfoundland do. \$5; Nova Scotia do. \$6, Eastport \$3; split Shore \$4.75; pickled codfish \$8; haddock \$5; halibut heads \$3.50; sounds \$10; tongues and sounds \$9; tongues \$7; alowives \$5.00; trout \$15." Havana, August 19 (per cable via New York).—"Codfish \$5.75; haddock \$5.25; hake \$5." Barbadoes, August 7.—"The fish market has remained steady, and sales of Newfoundland have been made in lots at \$16 for medium and \$18 for large. Several small shipments from Gaspe, chiefly in tubs, have been placed at \$16 to \$17 as to quality. Prime mackerel sold at \$9.75; 267 bbls. herrings (soft and nearly dry) sold at \$1 to \$1.25."

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.

BREADSTUFFS.

SUGARS.		Stocks comparatively light. Markets firm. No changes in quotations.	
Cut Leaf.....	9 1/2	Flour	
Granulated.....	9 1/2	High Grade Patents.....	5.45 to 5.75
Circle A.....	8 1/2	Good 90 per cent Patents.....	5.25 to 5.40
White Extra C.....	7 1/2 to 8	Straight Grade.....	5.10 to 5.20
Extra Yellow C.....	7 1/2 to 7 3/4	Superior Extras.....	4.90 to 5.00
Yellow C.....	7 1/2 to 7 3/4	Good Seconds.....	4.22 to 4.40
TEA.		Graham Flour.....	5.40
Congou, Common.....	17 to 19	American Supr. Extras, in bond.	4.15 to 4.25
" Fair.....	20 to 23	American 90 per cent, in bond.	4.65 to 4.85
" Good.....	25 to 29	American Patents.....	5.15
" Choice.....	31 to 33	Oatmeal.....	4.20 to 4.30
" Extra Choice.....	35 to 36	" Rolled.....	4.25 to 4.35
Oolong, Choice.....	37 to 39	Cornmeal, duty paid.....	2.70 to 2.80
MOLASSES.		Cornmeal, in bond, Boston.....	2.15 to 2.25
Barbadoes.....	46	Roll'd Wheat.....	6.25
Demerara.....	12 to 14	Wheat Bran, per ton.....	16.00 to 16.25
Diamond N.....	48 to 50	Shorts.....	17.00 to 17.25
Porto Rico.....	43 to 45	Middlings.....	18.00 to 18.50
Cienfuegos.....	41	Cracked Corn " including bags	25.00
Trinidad.....	42 to 43	Ground Oil Cake, per ton, "	35.00
Antigua.....	12 to 13	Molasses.....	25.00
Tobacco, Black.....	38 to 44	Split Peas.....	3.75 to 4.00
" Bright.....	42 to 58	White Beans, per bushel.....	1.95 to 2.00
BISCUITS.		Pot Barley, per barrel.....	4.85
Pilot Bread.....	3.25	P. E. I. Oats.....	4.15
Boston and Thin Family.....	7	Hay per ton.....	12.00 to 12.50
Soda.....	7		
do. in lib. boxes, 50 to case.....	7 1/2		
Fancy.....	8 to 15		

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

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

LOBSTERS.

Per case 4 doz. 1 lb cans.

Nova Scotia (Atlantic Coast Packing) 6 25 to 6 50	
Flat Cans.....	4.80 to 5.00
Flat.....	6.20 to 6.40
Newfoundland Flat Cans.....	6.35 to 6.50

HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

Apples, American, per bbl.....	3.50 to 4.00
Oranges, Jamaica, per bbl.....	9.00
Lemons, per case.....	6.00
Cocoanuts, per 100.....	3.50 to 4.00
Onions, New American.....	2 1/2 c. per lb
Dates, boxes, new.....	6 1/2 to 6
Raisins, Valencia, new.....	7 to 7 1/2
Figs, Elmer, 6 lb boxes per lb.....	11
" small boxes.....	13
Prunes, Stewing, boxes and bags, new.....	5 1/2 to 6
Bananas, per bunch.....	1.75 to 2.50

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.....	18 to 20
" Good, in large tubs.....	16 to 18
Store Packed & oversalted.....	14
Canadian Township.....	18
" Western.....	17
Cheese, Canadian.....	10 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.....	6
Ox Hides, over 60 lbs., No 1.....	5 1/2
" under 60 lbs., No 1.....	5
" over 60 lbs., No 2.....	4 1/2
" under 60 lbs., No 2.....	4
Cow Hides, No 1.....	6
No 3 Hides, each.....	3
Calf Skins.....	25
" Deacons, each.....	10 to 15
Lambskins.....	15 to 20
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.....	25.00 to 28.00
" Merchantable, do do.....	14.00 to 17.00
" No 2, do.....	10.00 to 12.00
" Small, per m.....	8.00 to 14.00
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 3.50
" No 2, do do.....	1.00 to 1.20
" spruce, No 1.....	1.10 to 1.35
Laths, per m.....	2.00
Hard wood, per cord.....	4.00 to 4.25
Soft wood.....	2.25 to 2.50

PROVISIONS.

Beef, Am. Ex. Mess, duty paid.....	10.50 to 11.00
" Am. Plate.....	11.25 to 11.75
" Ex. Plate.....	12.00 to 12.50
Pork, Mess, American.....	15.50 to 15.75
" American, clear.....	16.50 to 17.00
" P. E. I. Mess.....	16.00 to 16.50
" P. E. I. Thin Mess.....	14.50 to 15.00
" Prime Mess.....	13.00 to 13.50
Lard, Tubs and Pails, P. E. Island.....	11 to 12
" American.....	12 to 13
" Cases.....	13.00 to 14.00
Hams, P. E. I. green.....	8 to 9
Duty on Am. Pork and Beef \$2.30 per bbl.	
Prices are for wholesale lots only, and available to change daily.	

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FISH FROM VESSELS.

MACKEREL—	
Extra.....	20.00
No. 1.....	19.00
" 2 large.....	16.00
" 2.....	none
" 3 large.....	11.00
" 3.....	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 51.....	4.00 to 4.50
Bay of Islands, Split.....	2.00
" Round.....	1.75
Alowives, per bbl.....	5.00
CONPISH.	
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
HAVE SOUNDS, per lb.....	30
COD OIL A.....	28 to 30

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

POULTRY.

Turkeys, per pound.....	15 to 16
Geese, each.....	none
Ducks, per pair.....	70 to 80
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, 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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