

cheese, and are more or less inclined to stand up to them. The conditions are the same and it is unlikely that they will undergo any material change in the immediate future. With country holders as a rule above what buyers claim a fair business basis, and the English market as yet unresponsive, there is little to induce any considerable movement. On spot business is practically nil.

FRUIT.—Quite an active business has been transacted in the green fruit market. The arrivals of winter apples have been fair and they have met a good demand both on local and export account. A cable from London says:—"The market continues to improve and prices range from 15s. to 29s. for good colored varieties." The feeling in the dried fruit market has been firmer owing to the strong and higher cables received from abroad. The demand for Valencia raisins has been good. Currants have also been well enquired for and some sales have been effected at quotations. The feeling among holders of good fruit is firmer and they refuse to consider offers below present figures, as they say that later arrivals will cost more money.

SUGAR.—The tone of the local sugar market has been weaker, and granulated is $\frac{1}{2}$ c. lower, while yellows have dropped $\frac{1}{2}$ c. to $\frac{1}{2}$ c. as to quality at the factory. The demand has been limited and the volume of business transacted small. As buyers are only taking sufficient for actual wants, the market has been quiet on the whole. Cable advices from London have been weaker, and prompt beet is quoted at 11s. 3d. with the market quiet. Latest private cables are firmer and the general impression here among refiners is that the market has touched bottom this time for raw sugar—but this is left to be seen. The New York market for refined sugar has been weaker and granulated is $\frac{1}{2}$ c. lower; yellows have dropped $\frac{1}{2}$ c. to $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

MOLASSES.—There has been considerable enquiry for round lots of Barbadoes molasses, but, as holders are not anxious sellers, few sales are put through. This is no doubt due to the fact that the bulk of the stock held cost more money than the prices at present ruling and, as most of the arrivals for this season have already come to hand, the indications are that better prices will rule later.

TEA.—The tone of the tea market continues to be strong owing to the scarcity of low grade Japans for which there is an active enquiry. Low grade blacks are scarce and are wanted. They have advanced in price in London. The demand for other grades has been fair and the market has ruled moderately active with a good business. The prospects are that prices will be maintained as stocks generally are not large.

COFFEE.—The demand for coffee continues to be good and the market has ruled fairly active and steady with a good amount of business being accomplished.

FISH OILS.—Our reports from Montreal state that the market there for cod oil is dull, a lot of Nova Scotian in large casks selling at 32 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Newfoundland cod oil is quoted at 34c. to 35c. Steam refined seal oil there is steady with last sales at 47 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Cod liver oil is steady and sales have been made of Newfoundland at 60c. to 65c.

FISH.—The fish market here has been very dull. The weather continuing to be bad has made the taking of fish practically impossible, even if bait were obtainable, which it is not. Receipts are small. Outside demand, especially from Havana, has somewhat improved for the present, owing to the absence of heavy shipments, but we cannot encourage the belief that this improvement is of a permanent character. The herring and mackerel markets are very quiet with only occasional orders from Montreal. As to the latter fish we cannot do better than to refer our readers to our Boston circular, which we copy below. Our outside advices are as follows:—Montreal, Oct. 29.—"The fish market continues fairly active with supplies free, and the demand good in most lines. The arrivals of Labrador herrings have been about 5,000 bbls., and the prices are about steady. There have been sales of round lots during the week at \$4.75. Inferior stock is offering around at \$4.35 to \$4.50, and is meeting with very slow sale. Offerings of Newfoundland and Cape Breton herrings are on the market, and prices are steady as a rule. The former are selling in the vicinity of \$4.25 to \$4.40, and the latter at \$5.50 to \$5.75, with some of August and September catch going at \$5 for round lots. There is a fair demand for green cod, and prices are steady, with sales of round lots reported at \$4 50. No. 1 large is changing hands around \$4.75." Gloucester, Mass., October 29.—"We quote new Georges codfish \$5 per qtl. for large and small \$3.87; Bank \$3.87 for large and \$3.50 for small; large hand line do. \$4.50. Shore \$4.75 and \$3.50 for large and small. Old Bank \$3.50. New dry Bank \$4.87 for large and \$4.37 for medium; Nova Scotia do. \$4.50. Cured cusk \$2.75 to \$3 per qtl.; hake \$2.25; haddock \$2.62; heavy salted pollock \$2.25, and English-cured do. \$3 per qtl. Labrador herring \$7 bbl.; medium split \$6; Newfoundland do. \$5; Nova Scotia do. \$7; Eastport \$4; split Shore \$3.75; pickled codfish \$6; haddock \$5; alewives \$5; trout \$15; Halifax salmon \$23; Newfoundland do. \$22." Boston, October 29.—"The mackerel market has been very dull this week. Buyers are frightened, and it is difficult to force sales. It takes a good deal of money to carry mackerel at present prices, and there is so much risk and uncertainty attending it that most dealers prefer to put their money into something else. The decline has been from \$1 to \$2 per bbl. on No. 1's, and on extras fully \$2. A few quotations on Islands to-day would be—No 2's \$21; No. 1's \$23; extras \$25 to \$26. The receipts from Ireland are now increasing. The fish are of good quality and are selling at \$21 for the best lots. Some fine mackerel have been received from Norway—sales \$23 to \$24. As the Island mackerel have now about all come forward we shall discontinue these circulars until another season." Havana, October 28 (per cable via New York).—"Codfish \$7.50; haddock \$5.50; hake \$4; all firm." Barbadoes, October 8.—"There is a better feeling in the market. Medium Newfoundland ox steamer is offered \$15. Sales of Lilla have been made at \$16 for medium and \$17 to \$18 for large."

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 $\frac{1}{2}$
Granulated.....	7 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 8
Circle A.....	7 $\frac{1}{4}$
White Extra C.....	6 to 6 $\frac{1}{4}$
Extra Yellow C.....	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 6
Yellow C.....	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 6
TEA.	
Congou, Common.....	17 to 19
Fair.....	20 to 22
Good.....	25 to 29
Choice.....	31 to 33
Extra Choice.....	35 to 38
Oolong, Choice.....	37 to 39
MOLASSES.	
Barbadoes.....	45
Demerara.....	40 to 44
Diamond N.....	none
Porto Rico.....	43
Cienfuegos.....	40
Trinidad.....	40 to 42
Antigua.....	40 to 41
Tobacco, Black.....	38 to 44
Bright.....	42 to 55
BISCUITS.	
Pilot Bread.....	3.15
Boston and Thin Family.....	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
Soda.....	6 $\frac{1}{4}$
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
Er. Plate.....	11.50 to 11.75
Pork, Mess, American.....	15.10 to 15.50
American, clear.....	15.50 to 16.00
P. E. 1 Mess.....	15.50 to 16.00
P. E. 1 Thin Mess.....	14.50 to 15.00
Prime Mess.....	12.75 to 13.00
Lard, Tubs and Pails, P. E. Island.....	11 to 12
American.....	12 to 13
Cases.....	15.50 to 16.00
Hams, P. E. 1, green.....	8 to 9
Duty on Am. Pork and Beef \$2.20 per bbl.	
Prices are for wholesale lots only, and are liable 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.....	14.00
3.....	14.00
HERRING.	
No. 1 Shore, July.....	4.50 to 5.00
No. 1 August, Round.....	3.50 to 3.75
September.....	3.50 to 3.75
Labrador, in cargo, per bbl.....	4.00 to 4.50
Bay of Islands, Split.....	2.00
Round.....	1.75
ALEWIVES, per bbl.....	2.50 to 3.00
CODFISH.	
Hard Shore.....	3.50 to 3.75
Bank.....	3.25 to 3.50
Bay.....	3.50 to 3.75
SALMON, No. 1.....	18.00 to 19.00
HADDOCK, per qtl.....	2.25
HAKE.....	2.00
CUSK.....	1.50
POLLOCK.....	1.50
HAKE SOUNDS, per lb.....	12 $\frac{1}{2}$
COD OIL A.....	25 to 30

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 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..... 2.50 to 3.00

These quotations are prepared by a reliable victualer.

LOBSTERS.

Per case 4 doz. 11 cans.

Nova Scotia (Atlantic Coast Packing).....	5.25 to 6.00
Tall Cans.....	4.50 to 5.00
Flat.....	4.50 to 5.00
Newfoundland Flat Cans.....	4.50 to 5.00

BREADSTUFFS.

Markets are slightly easier all round. The present stocks of flour at Halifax are being sold below cost. As our people are demanding each year better quality of flour, the range of prices will be wider and more distinct than formerly. Some of the highest grades made in Ontario are still worth \$5.25, and Pillsbury best patent, which we have in stock, cannot be imported and sold under \$6.35. Good 90 per cent. patents which have cost from \$4.90 to \$5.00 laid down may be bought on this market from \$4.75 to \$4.85. Other flours in proportion. Oats and oatmeal remain firm at the small advance noted; cornmeal and mill feeds steady. We make slight changes in our quotations.

Flour.	
High Grade Patents.....	5.25 to 5.40
Good 90 per cent. Patents.....	4.75 to 4.85
Straight Grade.....	4.50 to 4.65
Superior Extras.....	4.60 to 4.70
Good Seconds.....	4.22 to 4.40
Graham Flour.....	4.50
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 4.20
Cornmeal, duty paid.....	2.70 to 2.80
Cornmeal, in bond, Boston.....	2.10 to 2.15
Rolled Wheat.....	5.20
Wheat Bran, per ton.....	15.00 to 15.25
Shorts.....	18.50 to 19.00
Middlings.....	20.00 to 22.00
Cracked Corn.....	28.50
Ground Oat Cake, per ton.....	35.00
Moules.....	26.50
Split Peas.....	3.75 to 4.00
White Beans, per bushel.....	1.75 to 1.85
Pot Barley, per barrel.....	4.00
Canadian Oats, choice quality.....	40 to 41
P. E. 1 Oats.....	40 to 41
Hay per ton.....	12.00 to 12.50

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

HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

Apples, Gravensteins.....	4.00
Apples, No. 1, per bbl.....	2.00 to 3.00
Oranges, Jamaica, per bbl., repacked.....	6.50 to 7.00
Lemons, per case.....	8.00
Cocoanuts, per 100.....	3.50 to 4.00
Onions, New American, per lb.....	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ c.
Dates, boxes, new.....	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 6
Raisins, Valencia, new.....	7
Figs, Elms, 5 lb boxes per lb.....	11
small boxes.....	13
Prunes, Stewling, boxes and bags, new.....	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ 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.....	22 to 25
Good, in large tubs.....	20
Store, packed & overhauled.....	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 2 Hides, each.....	3
Calf Skins.....	25
Deacons, each.....	10 to 15
Lambskins.....	15 to 45
Tallow.....	8

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 26.00
Merchantable, do. do.....	16.00 to 17.00
No 2, do.....	10.00 to 12.00
Small, per m.....	8.00 to 11.00
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.....	3.25 to 3.50