### FRUIT AND VEGETABLES.

The fruit and vegetable market shows several changes since our last report, as the Canadian garden produce is now coming in and taking the place of imported stock in many lines. Bonsecours Market is now entering on its summer activity, for on market days dealers and farmers alike are offering quantities of lettuce, onions and radishes grown on the farms in the vicinity of Montreal.

Referring to imported fruits, grape fruit is about finished, and shows an advance, now selling at \$4.75 to \$5.50. Excellent strawberries are coming from Delaware and Maryland, and are offered at moderate prices. Apples have advanced about a dollar a barrel during the past ten days. Ben Davis and a few fancy varieties from the State of Washington are the only kinds on the market, as all Canadian stocks are now finished. Receipts of bananas have been small and high prices are being realized. Lemons are strong, the market ruling from \$4.50 to \$5.00 with expectations of still higher prices. California oranges have advanced 50c per box. Pineapples are not so plentiful, and are selling at \$2.75 to \$3.25.

Florida tomatoes are off the market, and Mississippis have arrived and are selling in lots at \$2.00 per crate. Mississippi cabbages are over, and supplies are now coming from Norfolk, Va., in large quantities. California celery is finished, and Bermuda is supplying the small demand at the present time of the year. Egyptian onions are arriving in fair quantities, prices are keeping high, being about 5c per pound. Boston lettuce is practically off the market, as the Canadian produce is meeting the demand. Asparagus is arriving in fair quantities, receipts being somewhat less than last week. Prices are holding firm.

Current quotations follow:-		
Ben Davis apples		5.50
Bananas, bunches	2.00	2.25
Cranberries, Cape Cod, bbl	12.00	14.00
Grapefruit, 46-54-64-80-96	4.75	5.50
Lemons:—		
California		2.75
Messina, 300 size, box	4.50	5.00
Limes		1.50
Oranges: -		
Late Valencias, Californias, 176-20	0-216	4.75
126	1	4.50
80-96		4.25
Pineapples, 18-24 and 30-36	2.75	3.25
Strawberries, qt., Delaware	0.15	0.18
Vegetables:—		
Asparagus, Canadian, per 11-qt. bkt.	1.25	1.75
Artichokes, bag		1.50
Roots bag		1.50
Beans, wax, N.Y., per basket		3.75
Beans, green, N.Y., per basket		3.75
Cabbage, red, dozen		0.40
Do., New American, Norfolk,	2.00	2.75
Cauliflower, hampers		4.00
Do New American		3.50
Cauliflower, crate, singles		3.50
Celery, Bermuda, large box		8.00
Do., small		4.25
Cucumbers, fancy, Boston, doz		1.75
Do., Florida, per basket, 6 doz		4.00
Egg plant, N. Y., doz		2.25
Garlie, per lb		0.30
Horse radish, per lb		0.16
Lettuce, Boston, box		3.00
Do., Montreal, 4 doz		1.50
Do., Curly, 4 doz. box		0.50
Mint, dozen		0.60
Mushrooms, 4-lb basket	2.50	2.75
Onions:-		
Reds, 100.1b. bags		4.50
Do., crates	1111	2.75
Bermudas, crates	2.75	3.00
Montreal, 100 lbs		5.00
Parsnips,		2.25
Potatoes:—		0 00
New Brunswick, 80 lb. bags		2.00
Sweet, hamper	1.75	2.00
Radishes, doz		0.10
Rhubarb, per doz		0.15
Turnips, bag		1.00
Tomatoes, Mississippi	1.25	2.00
Tomatoes, hothouse, 1b		0.22
Watercress, Boston, hothouse, doz		0.75

### FINANCIAL NOTES.

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The City of Ottawa has sold \$1,300,000 worth of bonds to the Dominion Securities Corporation at 100 101

Securities of the Wayagamack Pulp and Paper Company were called on the Montreal Stock Exchange for the first time on Monday. The shares have had a good demand in the unlisted department selling up to 54 recently, at which price they opened on Monday morning. There are outstanding \$5,000,000 of common stock, and \$3,500,000 of 6 per cent 40-year bonds.

#### GROCERIES.

There is very little change in the grocery market since our last report. Dealers are meeting with a general scarcity of macaroni as the French Government has prohibited exportation, and the Italian article is only available in very limited quantities and at such high prices that it is practically off the market. The Canadian trade is relying entirely on local manufacture and a very little imported from the United States. There is an excellent demand for all cereals and breakfast foods which will increase as the weather grows warmer. Soap is getting very scarce. Manufacturers are complaining bitterly of high prices not only of caustic and other raw products but of the increased cost of boxes and packing and all overhead expenses. The market for canned goods keeps very strong. It is impossible to forecast the trend of the market as yet, but the general opinion is that the new crop will command higher prices. The embargo placed by the British Government on imports of canned fruits and vegetables has been raised for Imperial trade which will affect the Canadian industry to a considerable

The tea market is quiet as dealers both in New York and Canada are awaiting further advices from the Far East. The Calcutta tea market opened on the sixth of the month. Steady prices in spite of irregular quality were expected. In Hankow the Russians are buying freely, which is maintaining prices at high levels. Acording to recent advices the Formosa crop is not bearing out the early sanguine predictions as it is reported poorer than last year. It is suggested that the present reactionary tendency on freight rates may contribute towards an easier market.

St. John, N. B., reports a considerably easier molasses market at drop of 7c a gallon, which indicates the arrival of a very large supply.

### TRADE AGREEMENT PUZZLE.

A somewhat puzzling development is indicated with regard to the reciprocal trade agreement entered into between Canada and certain of the British West Indies in 1912, when the representatives of Barbadoes, British Guiana, Trinidad, St. Lucia, Antigua, St. Kitts, Dominica and Montserrat were made by Canada were to be enjoyed by six other British colonies which did not give reciprocal advantages, for three years, the idea being that these six colonies would become full partners in the pact by reason of the preference thus extended. These other six were Bahamas, Bermuda, British Honduras, Grenada, Jamaica and Newfoundland. They took advantage of this preferential treatment and Grenada became a party to it. The agreement expired on June 2 last. None of the other five colonies has signified an intention of joining this reciprocal trade agreement with Canada, and unless this is done, the preference in the Canadian market will automatically be withdrawn.

### WINNIPEG GRAIN RECEIPTS.

The receipts of grain at Winnipeg for the week ended June 10, 1916, compared with the previous week and the corresponding week a year ago were as follows:—

June 10,	June 3,	June 12,
1916.	1916.	1915.
No. 1 hard 2	2	
No. 2 Northern 1,737	2,409	
No. 2 Northern 599	678	
No. 3 Northern 497	524	
No. 4 Northern 241	296	
No. 5 Northern 76	94	***
No. 6 Northern 20	$^{26}$	***
Other grades 193	218	
Winter grades 1	11	
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Total 3,426	3,948	816
Barley 933	1,055	145
Barley 93	96	23
Flax 93	72	33

### LONDON WOOL SALES.

The fourth series of Colonial wool sales closed in London on June 8 with offerings of 8,000 bales. Merinos finished 10 to 15 per cent and Cape Good Hope and Natal and good cross-breds 5 to 10 per cent dearer than the previous auctions. Inferior cross-breds were unchanged. Durinug the series the home trade bought 57,000 bales and France and Russia 5,000, while 8,000 were held over. The market is talking of higher prices for merinos in the near future in view of the short supplies.

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### THE WEEK'S CHEESE SALES.

Campbellford, Ont., June 6.—700 boxes at 16%c. St. Paschal, Que., June 6.—264 boxes at 15 17-32c. Stirling, Ont., June 6.—970 boxes at 16 7-16 to 1614c.

Brockville, Ont., June 8. — 5,000 boxes at 16% c to 16% c.

Madoc, Ont., June 8.—550 boxes at 16 9-16c.

Alexandria, Ont., June 8.—1,621 boxes at 16 13-16c. Kingston, Ont., June 8.—904 boxes white and 335 colored at 16%c to 16 15-16c.

Cornwall, Qnt., June 9.—384 boxes white, 2,157 boxes colored, at 171/8c.

Vankleek Hill, Ont., June 9.—1,149 boxes at 171/4 c. Napanee, Ont., June 9.—2,200 boxes at 17c. Perth, Ont., June 9.—500 boxes colored, 806 boxes

white, at 17%c. Iroquois, Ont., June 9.—496 boxes colored, 555 boxes white, at 16%c.

Picton, Ont., June 9.—1,895 colored at 17c. St. Hyacinthe, June 10.—700 boxes at 16½c.

St. Hyacinthe, June 10.—700 boxes at  $16\frac{1}{2}$ c. Belleville, Ont., June 10.—2,175 boxes at  $17\frac{1}{8}$ c to 17 3-16c.

### BRITISH WOOL TAKEN OVER.

The British Government, by an order dated June 8, has prohibited the purchase or sale of British or Irish wool of the 1916 season.