

**FRUIT.**—There has been a moderate movement in dried fruits. Prices are generally steady, though Valencia raisins are offered in round lots at figures which are shaded somewhat. Currants and figs are firm, and a good demand exists for them.

**SUGAR AND MOLASSES.**—The market for refined sugar has remained very firm in sympathy with the strong feeling which exists regarding the raw article. Molasses is very firm. In Montreal less than 37c. would not be accepted for Barbadoes.

**TEA AND COFFEE.**—A fair trade in tea has been done under the circumstances, and, though not really active, is in a satisfactory condition. The *Fraser's Gazette*, London, says:—"Buyers have grown so used to cheap tea now, that they seem to expect the present dead level prices to last for ever; otherwise, we would surely have some speculators in the field. Tea is as cheap as it ever has been—probably as cheap as it ever will be—and yet nobody wants it, and any parcel a shade dearer than another is unplaceable. Advices from China report late shipments from there as being of very low quality, and, as it is improbable that prices here will go below 12d. per lb., those who are buying now what is really fairly close to it at this quotation, are probably on the right side. The weakness in prices is not confined to commonest kinds for Panyoung and Chingwo, and, in fact, all teas with style are easier on the week."

**FISH OILS.**—The local market is quiet, and holders are by no means confident of the future. Still our Montreal advices betoken a better feeling than is here displayed, as the following excerpts will show:—"The market generally is quiet and steady. Halifax being quoted at 29c. to 30c., and Newfoundland at 34c. to 35c. Steamer refined seal oil is quoted at 47c. to 48c., sales of small lots having been made at the outside figure. Cod liver oil is quiet at 55c. for old, and 70 to 75c. for new." The chief feature in fish oils has been the sale of a round lot of steam refined seal oil, belonging to the bankrupt estate of W. E. Elliott & Co., at 42½c. per gallon. This, however, is no criterion of the market, the sale being forced. Other lots have since been sold at 47c., and one small lot brought 48c. In cod oil a round quantity of 2 year old Newfoundland has been placed at 32½c., but sales of this season's oil have transpired at 34c. in 100 bbl. lots, and quotations range from 34c. to 35c. Halifax cod oil has changed hands at 29c. There has been an improved enquiry for cod oil of late, but not as large as was expected, considering the low range of values."

**FISH.**—The fish market here continues without life or change. Nothing whatever is doing. Reports from Newfoundland are that herring on those coasts are in very limited supply, so that there is little to encourage the hope that our vessels that have gone there in quest of these fish, will be successful in their present trips. A question has been raised in the United States that possesses considerable interest here. It is known that fresh fish are admitted at Boston and New York free of duty. Lately some owners of American trading vessels have represented that they can go down to Newfoundland, buy herring fresh, pickle them on the passage homewards, and then enter them free of duty. The Treasury Department has just now decided that such fish shall be so admitted. This will open a new and valuable market for our catch of such fish if the Dominion Government does not interfere. An American vessel can come down here empty and buy from us all the fish, barrels and salt that she can carry. It strikes us that it may open a door for cheating the U. S. treasury by the skippers surreptitiously buying pickled fish in barrels instead of fresh ones in bulk, but that is not our funeral, so that we certainly shall not object on that score. Our advices from outside markets are as follows:—Montreal, December 5.—"A fair business has transpired in green cod, but owing to free arrivals, and more on the way, prices are quoted rather easier at \$1 25 to 1 37½ for No. 1. Dry cod has been placed at \$3 90 per quintal, several lots being sold at that figure. In Labrador herring we learn of further sales, but at low prices. A lot having changed hands at \$3.50, which at the beginning of the season sold at \$4.50, showing a loss of \$1 per bbl., letting alone carrying charges. The large quantity of Straits herring that have been sent on here from Quebec lately has demoralized the market." Gloucester, Mass., December 5.—"The stock of mackerel in first hands is light, twos and threes being very scarce. We quote bloaters at \$27 to 28, 1s at \$18, 2s and \$15 50, and 3s at \$13.25 to 13 50. Last sales of Halibut, 11 and 7 cts. per lb. for white and gray, cargo lots. Georges codfish selling from vessel at \$3 per cwt. cargo lots: Bank do. \$2 50 and \$1.40 for large and small. We quote best Georges codfish at \$4.75 per quintal for large, and \$3.50 for small; Bank, \$3 50 for large, and \$3.25 for small; Hand line do. \$4.25 and 3.50; Flemish Cap, \$4: Shores, \$4 and \$3.50 for large and small. Dry Bank, \$4.12½ to 4 25; medium, \$3.25. Cusk, \$3; pollock, \$2, slack-salted do. \$3; haddock, \$2.50, and hake, \$2. Boneless and prepared fish, 3½ to 5 cts. per lb. for hake, haddock and cusk, and 5 to 6½ cts. for codfish, as to style and quality. Smoked halibut, 6 to 9 cts. per lb.; smoked salmon, 15 cts. per lb.; haddock, 6 cts. per lb. Medium herring, 16 cts. per box.; tucks, 15 cts.; lengthwise, 13 cts.; No. 1s. 12 cts. Smoked mackerel, 11 cts. per lb. Canned do., fresh, \$1.50 per doz.; canned trout, \$1.50; fresh halibut, \$1 25; salmon, \$1.75; lobsters, \$1 75; clams, \$1.75. Good fat herring, \$5 to 6.25 per bbl.; medium split, \$3 50 to 3.75; medium gibbed, \$3.37½ to 3.75; round Shore, \$3.50 to 3.75; Eastport, \$3; pickled codfish, \$5; haddock, \$4; halibut heads, \$3 25; tongues, \$6; sounds, \$11.50; tongues and sounds, \$8; alewives, \$3 25; trout, \$14.50." Havana, November 26.—"Under the pressure of heavier receipts, the price of codfish has weakened, the market opening with sales at \$6 37½ to 6.50, and closing dull at \$6 25 to 6.37½. Sales have been light, and demand only for local consumption for the moment. The St. Jago market seems to be well supplied. Haddock and hake have also fallen off in prices for the same cause to \$5.50 and \$5 respectively, and the consumption, particularly of hake, still seems to be very small, and sales are light. Consequently the stock remaining for sale is about 300 drums."

## 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.

SUGAR.	
Cut Loaf.	84 to 85
Granulated.	7 1 to 7 1½
Circle A.	7 1 to 7 1½
White Extra.	7 1 to 7 1½
Extra Yellow.	6 1 to 6 1½
Yellow C.	6 1 to 6 1½
TEA.	
Congou Common.	17 to 19
" Fair.	20 to 23
" Good.	23 to 25
" Choice.	31 to 33
" Extra Choice.	35 to 36
OLONGA—Choice.	37 to 39
MOLASSES.	
Barbadoes.	31 to 32
Demerara.	30 to 31
Diamond N.	39 to 40
Porto Rico.	31 to 32
Cienfuegos.	27
Trinidad.	30
Antigua.	29 to 30
Tobacco—Black.	37 to 41
Bright.	43 to 55
BREAD.	
Pilot Bread.	2.60 to 2.90
Hoston and Thin Family.	5½ to 6
Soda.	5½ to 6
do in 1 lb boxes, 50 to case.	7½
Fancy.	8 to 16

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 00 to 11 00
" Am. Plate.	11 00 to 11 50
" Ex. Plate.	12 00 to 12 50
Pork, Mess. American.	17 50 to 18 00
" American, clear.	18 00 to 18 50
" P. E. I. Mess.	18 50 to 19 00
" P. E. I. Thin Mess.	16 00 to 16 50
" Prime Mess.	11 00 to 11 50
Lard, Tubs and Pails.	11 to 12
" Cases.	12 50 to 13 00
Hams, P. E. I.	none
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.	11.00 to 11.50
No. 1.	10.00 to 10.50
" 2 large.	9.50
" 2 small.	9.00
" 3 large.	8.00
" 3 small.	8.00
HERRING.	
No. 1 Shore, July.	1.25 to 1.50
No. 1, August.	3.25 to 3.50
No. 1, September.	3.25 to 3.50
Round Shore.	3.50
Labrador, in cargo lots, per 50 lb.	1.75 to 4.00
Bay of Islands, from store.	none
ALBACORE, per bbl.	1.75 to 3.00
CODFISH.	
Hard Shore.	1.00 to 1.15
New Bank.	3 50
Bay.	3 50
SALMON, No. 1.	14 00
HADDOCK, per 50 lb.	2.00 to 2.25
HAKE.	2.25
CUSK.	1.75
POLLOCK.	1.75
HAKE SOUNDS, per lb.	30 to 35c
COD OIL A.	22 to 23

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

## LOBSTERS.

No. 1 Scotia (Atlantic Coast Packing).	1.70 to 2.25
Tail Cans.	1.60 to 5.00
Flat.	8 25 to 6.00
Per case 4 doz. 1 lb cans.	

The above quotations are corrected by a reliable dealer.

## LUMBER.

Pine, clear, No. 1, per m.	2 00 to 28.00
" Merchantable, do do.	1.00 to 17.00
" No 2 do.	10.00 to 12.00
" Small, per m.	8.00 to 14.00
Spice, dimension good, per m.	9.50 to 10.00
" Merchantable, do do.	8.00 to 9.00
" Small, do do.	6.00 to 7.00
Hemlock, merchantable.	7.00
Shingles, No 1, sawed, pine.	3.00 to 3.50
" No 2, do do.	1.00 to 1.25
" spruce, No 1.	1.10 to 1.30
Laths, per m.	2.00
Hard wood, per cord.	4.00 to 4.25
Soft wood.	2.25 to 2.50

The above quotations are prepared by a reliable firm in this line.

## BREADSTUFFS.

## PROVISIONS AND PRODUCE.

Quotations below are our to day's wholesale prices for car lots not cash. Jobbers' and Retailers' prices about 5 to 10 cents per bbl. higher than car lots. Markets quiet and steady. Broriatulls are sold fine. Cornmeal scarce, 10c. to 15c. dearer.

FLOUR.	
Graham.	1 00 to 1 10
Patent high grades.	5 00 to 5 10
" Mediums.	4 50 to 4 60
Superior Extra.	4 30 to 4 45
Lower grades.	3 25 to 3 35
Oatmeal, Standard.	3 50
" Granulated.	3 25
Corn Meal—Halifax ground.	3 25
" —Imported.	3 25
Bran per ton—Wheat.	20.00
" —Corn.	18.00
Shorts.	22.00 to 23.00
Middlings.	21.00 to 23.00
Cracked Corn.	
" Oats.	23.00 to 26.00
" Barley.	nominal
Feld Flour.	3 25
Oats per bushel of 31 lbs.	3 to 37
Barley " of 48 ".	60
Peas " of 60 ".	1.00 to 1.10
White Beans, per bushel.	2.20 to 2.30
Pot Barley, per barrel.	4.85 to 4.90
Corn " of 55 lbs.	70 to 75
Hay per ton.	14.00 to 15.50
Straw.	10.00 to 12.00

J. A. CHIPMAN & Co., Liverpool Wharf, Halifax, N. S.

## BUTTER AND CHEESE.

Nova Scotia Choice Fresh Prints.	22 to 25
" " in Small Tubs.	22 to 24
" Good, in large tubs.	18 to 20
" Store Packed & oversalted new.	12 to 15
Canadian, Creamery, new.	21 to 26
" Township.	20 to 22
" Western.	17 to 19
Cheese, Canadian.	12

The above quotations are corrected by a reliable dealer in Butter and Cheese.

## WOOL, WOOL SKINS &amp; HIDES.

Wool—clean washed, per pound.	15 to 20
" unwashed.	12 to 15
Salted Hides, No 1.	8
Ox Hides, over 60 lbs., No 1.	7
" under 60 lbs., No 1.	6
" over 60 lbs., No 2.	5
" under 60 lbs., No 2.	4
Cow Hides, No 1.	6
No 3 Hides, each.	3
Calf Skins.	25
" Deacons, each.	25
Lambskins.	23 to 25

The above quotations are furnished by W. F. FOSTER, dealer in Wool and Hides Connors' Wharf.

## HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

APPLES.	
Gravenstein, per bbl.	3.00 to 3.50
No. 1 Varieties, new, per bbl.	2.00 to 3.50
Oranges, per bbl. Jamaica (new).	6.50 to 7.50
Lemons, per box.	5.00
Bananas, per bunch.	none
Cocoanuts, per 100.	5.00
Onions Canadian, per lb.	3½ to 3½
Dates, boxes, new.	7½ to 7½
Raisins, Val.	7½ to 7½
Figs, Elmer, 5 lb boxes per lb.	13
" small boxes.	11 to 14
Prunes, Stewing, boxes.	7½
Grapes, Almeria, kegs.	1.50 to 2.50

The above quotations are furnished by C. H. Harvey, 10 & 12 Sackville St.

## POULTRY.

Turkeys, per pound.	12 to 15
Geese, each.	10 to 16
Ducks, per pair.	60 to 75
Chickens.	30 to 60

The above are corrected by a reliable victualer.

## LIVE STOCK—at Richmond Depot.

Steers, best quality, per 100 lbs. alive.	1.20
Oxen.	1.50
Fat Steers, Heifers light weights.	2.50 to 3.00
Wethers, best quality, per 100 lbs.	6.00 to 6.00
Lambs.	3.00 to 2.75

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