

dearer several shillings per cwt. First Corks being now quoted 130s. per cwt.; Seconds, 115s.; Thirds, 87s.; Fourths, 69s.; Finest Kiel, 125s. per cwt."

CHEESE.—The market continues very firm, though little is actually doing. Holders are very confident, and appear to be sustained in their views by the reports of stock held in outside markets, which is notably less than it was a year ago. The latest report from Liverpool says:—"The demand has been rather better this week for choice September goods, and as some holders have been disposed to sell a few, rather more business is reported at about 56s. to 57s. for September, October, though there are holders who do not offer their best goods under 58s. to 59s., preferring to await further developments. There is only a small demand for best-condition summer goods at 50s. to 54s., but rather more enquiry for ripe goods at 40s. to 45s. (to cut at 6d. per pound retail), which holders are disposed to sell freely. There is less enquiry for medium and low grades at 15s. to 30s. per cwt."

FRUIT.—The supply of dried fruit being very moderate, trade has been chiefly confined to small lots, at steady prices. Currants are scarce, and are firmly held. Valencia raisins are steady. In apples little is doing here, though some shipments have been made of choice long-keepers to the English market.

SUGAR AND MOLASSES.—The only noteworthy feature in this line has been the increasing strength of sugar, which, owing to the strong position of raw, and the light stocks held in Canada, has made a further advance. A report from Havana, dated the 23rd ult., says:—"Much competition for the acquisition of cane is now prevailing amongst sugar factory owners, and extravagant prices have been granted at several places; the same has happened regarding first-class molasses. Our Trinidad exchanges complain of the considerable exodus of field laborers, who, induced by the hope of obtaining higher wages, have passed in large numbers from that locality to that of Cienfuegos and other neighboring ones. The slowness with which the level of water decreases at El Rocio and surrounding localities that were inundated on account of excessive rains in November, imparts the belief that the prolonged permanency of the cane under the water will render it utterly unfit to be ground. The past crop at Manzanilla amounted to 82,590 bags, and 622 hogsheads, weighing in full 12,125,373 kilograms." The sugar trade of Mexico is gradually being developed. The U. S. consul at Tampico gives the following data respecting the value of sugar raised in the republic:

States.	Valuation.	States.	Valuation.
Morelos.....	\$1,607,000	Sonora.....	\$ 250,000
Vera Cruz.....	1,500,000	Colima.....	240,000
Michoacan.....	950,000	San Luis Potosi.....	180,000
Puebla.....	650,000	Tobasco.....	150,000
Nuevo Leon.....	640,000	Campeche & Isladel Carmen	130,000
Jalisco & Tepic Territory.	460,000	Mexico.....	130,000
Yucatan.....	450,000	Guerro.....	100,000
Oaxaca.....	413,000	Cahuila.....	55,000
Simlaia.....	350,000	Chiapas.....	50,000
Tamaulipas.....	270,000		
Queretaro.....	250,000	Total.....	\$8,875,000

Estimating this as worth 3c. per pound, the product would be 295,833,333 pounds, or a little more than the product of the Hawaiian group. Of the total above given, the export equals \$208,775 in value, or 6,959,100 pounds. There is little doubt that at no distant day sugar production in the west coast of Mexico will be a very important feature of its industry, and San Francisco will be its principal market.

FISH OILS.—There is nothing new to report in this market, sales being restricted principally to small jobbing lots, and we quote as follows: 32c. to 34c. for Newfoundland, and 28c. to 30c. for Halifax. Steam refined seal oil, 47c. to 48c., with little business doing. Cod liver oil, 70c. to 75c. for new, and at 55c. to 60c. for old.—*Trade Bulletin*, Montreal.

FISH.—The only feature of the week has been the hurried loading and sailing of three or four vessels for Porto Rico, the market there having taken a favorable turn, codfish being reported as selling there for \$7.50. Of course the first vessel arriving there will place her cargo at an advantage, but it is to be feared that when they all reach there they will glut the market. Our outside advices are as follows:—Montreal, January 9.—"Green codfish a quiet, but prices are steady at \$4.25 to 4.50 per bbl. for No. 1 and large. Dry cod is steady at \$3.90 to 4.00 per quintal. Salmon continues a slow sale with prices quoted at \$13 to 14 per bbl. Labrador herring, \$4 to 4.25." Gloucester, Mass., January 9.—"Mackerel in light stock. We quote floaters at \$27 to 28, 1s at \$18, 2s at \$15.50, and 3s at \$13.25 to 13.50. Last sales at halibut, 11 and 7 cts. per lb. for white and gray, cargo lots. A small lot of fresh codfish sold yesterday at \$3.90 per cwt. Prime Georges codfish are selling at \$5 per qtl. for large, and \$3.63½ for small; Trawl Bank \$4.25 for large, and \$3.62½ for small; Hand line Western Bank, \$4.62½ and 3.75; Shores, \$4.50; Large Dry Bank, \$4.12½ to 4.25; medium, \$3.75. Quak, \$3; pollock, \$2, slack-salted do. \$3; haddock, \$2.50, and hake, \$2.25. 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 1 cts. per lb.; smoked salmon, 15 cts. per lb.; haddock, 6 cts. per lb. Medium herring, 14 cts. per box; tucks, 11 cts.; lengthwise, 12 cts.; No. 12 cts. Bloaters, 6½ cts.; smoked mackerel, 11 cts. per lb. Canned do., each, \$1.50 per doz.; canned trout, \$1.50; fresh halibut, \$1.25; salmon, \$1.35; lobsters, \$1.75; clams, \$1.75. Labrador herring, \$5 to 5.25 per bbl.; medium split, \$3 50 to 3.75; medium gibbed, \$3.37½ to 3.75; Shore, \$2.25 to 3.50; Eastport, \$2.75; pickled codfish, \$5; haddock, \$4; halibut heads, \$3.25; tongues, \$6; sounds \$11.50; tongues and sounds, \$8; blowfish, \$3.25; trout, \$14.50."

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 Leaf.....	5½ to 5¾
Granulated.....	7½ to 7¾
White A.....	7
White Extra.....	6¾ to 6½
Extra Yellow C.....	6½ to 6¼
Yellow C.....	6½ to 6¼
TRA.	
Congou, Common.....	17½ to 18
" Fair.....	20 to 23
" Good.....	25 to 28
" Choice.....	31 to 33
" Extra Choice.....	35 to 38
COLORED—Choice.....	37 to 39
MOLASSES.	
Barbadoes.....	32 to 33
Demerara.....	30 to 31
Diamond N.....	40
Porto Rico.....	31 to 32
Cienfuegos.....	28
Trinidad.....	30
Antigua.....	29
Tobacco—Black.....	37 to 44
" Bright.....	42 to 55
BISCUITS.	
Pilot Bread.....	2.90 to 2.90
Boxer and Thin Family.....	5½ to 6
Soda.....	5½ to 5¾
do. in lib. boxes, 60 to case.....	7½
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.....	10.50 to 11.00
" Am. Plate.....	11.50 to 12.00
" Ex. Plate.....	12.50 to 13.00
Pork, Mess, American.....	17.50 to 18.00
" American, clear.....	18.00 to 18.50
" P. E. I. Mess.....	17.00 to 17.50
" P. E. I. Thin Mess.....	15.00 to 15.50
" Prime Mess.....	14.00 to 14.50
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.....	9.00
" 2.....	8.00
" 3 large.....	8.00
" 3.....	8.00
HERRING.	
No. 1 Shore, July.....	4.25 to 4.50
No. 1, August.....	3.25 to 3.50
" September.....	3.25 to 3.50
Round Shore.....	3.50
Labrador, in cargo lots, per bl	3.75 to 4.00
Bay of Islands, from store.....	none
ALBACORE, per bbl.....	4.75 to 5.00
CONSTITUTION.	
Hard Shore.....	4.00 to 4.15
New Bank.....	3.50
Bay.....	3.50
SALMON, No. 1.....	14.00
HADDOCK, per qtl.....	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 25

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

LOBSTERS.

Nova Scotia (Atlantic Coast Packing), 4.70 to 5.25	
Tail Cans.....	4.80 to 5.00
Flat.....	6.25 to 6.50
P. R. case 4 doz. lib cans,	

The above quotations are corrected by a reliable dealer.

LUMBER.

Pine, clear, No 1, perm.....	23.00 to 25.00
" Merchantable, do do.....	4.00 to 17.00
" No 2 do.....	10.00 to 12.00
" Small, perm.....	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 1.50
" spruce, No 1.....	1.10 to 1.50
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.

BRADSTUFFS.

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. Broadstuffs are sold fine. Cornmeal scarce, 10c. to 15c. dearer.

Flour,	
Graham.....	4.60 to 4.70
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 3.50
Oatmeal, Standard.....	5.00
" Granulated.....	4.15
Corn Meal—Halifax ground.....	3.75
" Imported.....	3.25
Bran per ton—Wheat.....	21.00
" —Corn.....	19.00
Shorts.....	21.00 to 21.00
Middlings.....	25.00 to 26.00
Cracked Corn.....	
" Oats.....	25.00 to 26.00
" Barley.....	nominal
Feed Flour.....	3.25
Oats per bushel of 31 lbs.....	38 to 40
Barley " of 48 ".....	60
" of 60 ".....	1.00 to 1.10
White Beans, per bushel.....	2.50
Potatoes, per bushel.....	4.50
Corn " of 56 lbs.....	75 to 85
Hay per ton.....	14.00 to 15.50
Straw.....	9.50 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.....	22 to 25
" Township.....	22 to 21
" Western.....	17 to 19
Cheese, Canadian.....	12½

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

WOOL, WOOL SKINS & HIDES.

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

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

HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

APPLES.	
Gravenstein, per bbl.....	none
" No. 1 Varieties, new per bbl.....	3.50 to 4.00
Oranges, per bbl, Jamaica (new).....	6.00
Lemons, per box.....	5.00
Cocoanuts, per 100.....	5.50
Onions, American, per lb.....	3½
Dates, boxes, new.....	6½
Raisins, Val.....	6½ to 7½
Figs, Eleme, 5 lb boxes per lb.....	13
" small boxes.....	11 to 14
Prunes, Stewing, boxes.....	7
Grapes, Almeria, keg.....	4.50 to 5.00

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

POULTRY.

Turkeys, per pound.....	12 to 15
Geese, each.....	40 to 60
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.....	4.25
Oxen.....	3.50
Fat Steers, Heifers light weights.....	2.50 to 3.00
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.