

off coast—wheat quiet, corn steady; do on passage and for prompt shipment—wheat quiet but steady, corn firm. In Liverpool spot wheat has a downward tendency; corn is neglected. The Chicago market was active and strong with considerable trading and prices advanced to 98½c. February, \$1.01½ May, 90½c. July. On the other hand corn was weaker and declined to 34½c. February and March, 35½c. May. Oats, also, were weaker and eased off to 26½c. May, 27c. June. The New York market was stronger and moved up, standing at 95c. February, 96½c. March, 97½c. April, 98½c. May, 98½c. June. Corn was weak at 43½c. February, 44c. March and April, 43½c. May and June. At Toledo, Milwaukee and St. Louis wheat was stronger and is held for higher prices.

PROVISIONS.—No change has occurred in the local provision market. The demand for pork has been slow and for only small quantities. Consequently what trade was accomplished has been merely of a jobbing character. Lard has been quiet and steady. Prices for green hams and flanks have been steady under a fair demand. Offerings of dressed hogs were larger than the demand and sales have been very slow. Scarcely anything was done in this line. The Liverpool provision market was steady, except for bacon, which was weaker and 6d. lower at 32s. 6d. to 33s. 6d. Pork was unchanged at 70s.; lard at 36s. 9d. The Chicago provision market is still weak. Pork declined 10c. to 12½c. and stood at \$11.25 March, \$11.47½c. May. Lard has also been weak and dropped to \$6.80 February, \$6.82½ March, \$6.95 May. There was a decided weakness in the hog market and prices declined 10c. to 20c.

BUTTER AND CHEESE.—The local demand for butter has been of average volume, and prices have ruled steady. Stocks of finest grades are light and whenever these are offered they find ready purchasers. The trade done has, however, been confined to supplying local demands. The cheese market has continued quiet and easier in sympathy with the further drop of 1s. in the Liverpool cable to 58s., making a decline of 2s. from top prices. Though some holders talk of the certainty of an early recovery of prices, we see nothing to warrant such an anticipation. While visible stocks seem to be small the demand is light. Small stocks are not necessarily a criterion of a firm market, for, if a falling off in the demand is experienced, supplies may be very light and still prices may be weak.

TEA.—Blacks and greens are both very quiet and quotations are virtually unchanged. In Montreal the sale of some 1,100 packages of Japans is reported at prices varying from 13c. to 20c.—the bulk at 13c. to 15c.—embracing medium to good medium.

SUGAR AND MOLASSES.—No improvement has occurred in the sugar market. The demand continues to be slow, and business has been mainly of a jobbing character. Still the feeling in the market appears to be steady, and prices are unchanged. In molasses a fair volume of business has been transacted, but only in small lots, and we hear of no considerable sales.

FISH OILS.—The Montreal market is steady for Newfoundland cod oil at 39c. to 40c. Halifax oil, 36c. Steam refined seal steady at 48c. to 50c. and pale seal 42½c. to 54c. Cod liver oil, 65c. to 70c. for Newfoundland, and 90c. to 95c. for Norway.

FISH.—Under the influence of discouraging reports from markets abroad fish has been anything but a lively article here. The tumble of prices in outside markets has rendered it impossible for holders in Nova Scotia to make any movement in fish. An impression prevails that bottom has been reached in fish prices outside and that a reaction to better figures must soon follow. We do not, however, regard it as possible that prices will so far improve as to enable holders to recover cost, storage and insurance on fish held over from last fall. We make no changes in our quotations, but it must be understood that prices are merely nominal and could not be commanded at the present moment. Several American and Provincial vessels with cargoes of frozen herrings have arrived from Newfoundland since our last report. Of these one or two cargoes have been sent to Montreal. The others went on to United States markets. Prices of these herrings are unremunerative. Herrings are reported to be plentiful in Fortune and Placentia Bays, N. F., but vessels that have so far gone there were not fitted for salting them. It is therefore questionable whether any quantity of salt herring will be received from that coast this season. Our outside advices are as follows:—

Montreal, February 11.—“There has been no improvement in the market for fish. The offerings have been large for which the demand has continued slow, and little business has been done except a small jobbing trade. Labrador harrings have been slow at \$5.50 to \$5.65. Green cod has ruled quiet and steady. There has been little enquiry for No. 1. N.S. salmon at \$13 to \$14. The arrivals of fresh fish have been large and the market has been active and steady. The demand has continued good and some large lines have sold. Fresh haddock and cod have sold freely at 3½c and 4c. Fresh herrings are plentiful and in good demand at \$1 per hundred. Smelts are scarce and firm at 5½c to 6c.” Another report says:—“Green codfish is firmer and in better demand, and is quoted at \$5 for No. 1 ordinary, \$5.12½ to \$5.25 for No. 1 large, and \$5.50 to \$5.75 for large draft. Dry cod, \$4.50 to \$4.75. Labrador herring, \$5.25 to \$5.50. Sea trout, \$10 to \$11. Newfoundland salmon \$13.50 to \$14.” Gloucester, Mass., Feb. 11.—“We quote Georges codfish at \$5.00 per qtl. for large, and small at \$4.25. Bank at \$3.75 to \$4 for large and \$3.50 for small. Shore \$4.50 and \$4.25. Dry Bank at \$4.25 and \$4.50. Newfoundland codfish \$6 to \$6.25. Flemish Cap \$4.50. Nova Scotia dry cured \$5.50. Western Bank hand-line \$5; cured cusk \$3.50 per qtl; hake \$2.50 to \$2.62½. haddock \$3.25; heavy salted pollock \$2.50; and English-cured do. \$3.25 per qtl. Labrador herring \$7 bbl; medium split \$6; Newfoundland do. \$4; Nova Scotia do \$6.50; Eastport \$5; round Shore \$4; pickled codfish \$5.50; haddock \$4.50; halibut heads \$3; sounds \$12; tongues and sounds \$10; tongues \$8; alewives \$5; trout \$15; Halifax do. \$20; Newfoundland do. \$18. Extra shore mackerel are quoted at \$35 and \$36; No. 1 \$26 and \$27; No. 2 \$22 and \$23.”

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
Granulated	7½
Circle A	6½ to 6¾
White Extra C	7½ to 8½
Extra Yellow C	8, 1 to 8½
Yellow C	8, 1 to 8½
TEA.	
Congou, Common	17 to 19
Fair	20 to 23
Good	25 to 29
Choice	31 to 33
Extra Choice	35 to 36
Oolong, Choice	37 to 39
MOLASSES.	
Barbadoes	35
Demerara	30 to 40
Diamond N.	45 to 48
Porto Rico	36 to 39
Cienfuegos	32
Trinidad	85
Antigua	35
Tobacco, Black	38 to 44
Bright	42 to 58
BISCUITS.	
Pilot Bread	3.25
Boston and Thin Family	7
Soda	7
do. in lb. boxes, 50 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	12.50 to 13.00
Am. Plate	13.00 to 13.50
Ex. Plate	14.00 to 14.50
Pork, Mess, American	18.50
American, clear	20.00
P. E. I. Mess	18.00
P. E. I. Thin Mess	16.00 to 16.50
Prime Mess	14.50 to 15.50
Lard, Tubs and Pails, P. E. Island	13 to 14
American	12 to 13
Cases	13.50 to 14.00
Hams, P. E. I., 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	11.00
3	11.00
HERRING.	
No. 1 Shore, July	4.50 to 4.75
No. 1 August, Round	3.75 to 4.00
September	3.75 to 4.00
Labrador, in cargo lots, per bl.	4.00 to 4.50
Bay of Islands, Split	3.25 to 3.50
Round	2.75 to 3.00
ALEWIVES, per bbl.	5.00
CODFISH.	
Hard Shore, new	5 to 4.50
New Bank	4.25
Bay	4.12 to 4.20
SALMON, No. 1	15.50 to 16.00
HADDOCK, per qtl.	3.00 to 3.25
HAKE	2.50 to 2.75
CUSK	3.00
POLLOCK	2.25
HAWK SOUNDS, per lb.	30
COD OIL A	28 to 27

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

WOOL, WOOL SKINS & HIDES.

Wool—clean washed, per pound	15 to 22
unwashed	12 to 15
Salted Hides, No 1	5 to 6
Ox Hides, over 60 lbs., No 1	5
under 60 lbs., No 1	5
over 60 lbs., No 2	5
under 60 lbs., No 2	5
Cow Hides, No 1	5
No 3 Hides, each	4
Calf Skins	25
Deacons, each	25
Lambskins	25 to 75
Tallow	3

The above quotations are furnished by W.M. 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, demension, 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 1.25
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.

As we suggested in our last, the indications of a stronger and more active market in breadstuffs are already apparent. The Ontario millers generally have advanced their prices 30 cts. a bbl. during the past four days, and we look for a stronger and better market at this advance, which will no doubt shortly be followed by a further advance.

Our sales have been quite free the last few days, amounting to some 4000 bbls. Trade this winter is, on the whole, considerably better than last winter, though collections are scarcely as satisfactory, people everywhere through the country complain of scarcity of money.

We advise everyone who wants flour in the near future to secure it without delay.

We make no change in quotations.

Flour	
Graham Flour	5.75 to 6.10
Patent high grades	6.10 to 6.20
90 per cent. Patents	5.75 to 5.90
Superior Extra	5.60 to 5.75
Extras from Patents	5.25 to 5.50
Low grades in sacks	3.30 to 3.40
" barrels	3.55 to 3.60
Oatmeal, Standard	4.65 to 4.75
" Granulated	5.00 to 5.15
" Rolled	5.00 to 5.10
Corn Meal—kiln dried	3.00 to 3.10
Brans, per ton	21.00 to 22.00
Shorts	23.00 to 23.50
Middlings	21.50 to 22.00
Mill or Mixed Feed, per ton	22.00
Oats per bushel of 34 lbs.	43 to 45
Barley	nominal
Peas	1.40 to 1.10
White Beans, per bushel	1.80 to 2.00
Pot Barley, per barrel	5.55
Hay per ton	14.00 to 16.00
Straw	11.00 to 12.00

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

BUTTER AND CHEESE.

Nova Scotia Choice Fresh Prints	30
" in Small Tubs	25
" Good, in large tubs	21
Store Packed & oversalted ..	14
Canadian Township	22 to 24
Western	17 to 19
Cheese, Canadian	11 to 12

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

LOBSTERS.

Per case 4 doz. 1 lb cans.	
Nova Scotia (Atlantic Coast Packing) 5.00 to 5.40	
Tall Cans	4.80 to 5.00
Flat	6.20 to 6.40
Newfoundland Flat Cans	6.35 to 6.50

The above quotations are corrected by a reliable dealer.

HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

Apples, No. 1, new per bbl.	1.50 to 2.75
Oranges, per bbl, Jamaica (new) ..	5.50 to 6.00
Lemons, per case	3.50 to 4.50
Cocoanuts, per 100	3.20 to 4.00
Onions	2 to 2½
" American Silver Skin	6½ to 7
Dates, boxes, new	6½ to 7
Raisins, Valencia, new	6½ to 7
Figs, Eleme, 5 lb boxes per lb ..	12
" small boxes	13
Prunes, Stewing, boxes and bags, new ..	6
Cranberries	7.00
Foxberries	4.00 to 4.50
Grapes, Almeria, kegs	6.50 to 7.00

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

POULTRY.

Turkeys, per pound	13 to 14
Geese, each	50 to 12
Ducks, per pair	70 to 80
Chickens	40 to 5

The above are corrected by a reliable victualer.

LIVE STOCK—at Richmond Depot.

Steers best quality, per 100 lbs. alive ..	4.00 to 4.25
Oxen	3.50 to
Fat Steers, Hefers, light weights	3.00 to
Wethers, best quality, per 100 lbs ..	4.00 to 4.50
Lambs	4.00 to 5.00

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