

offerings for oats are small, and little is doing. Barley is quiet, nothing being done. In peas, rye and bran, the market is very dull.

**FRUIT.**—The season for cherries, raspberries, and currants, is about over, and pears and apples are coming in. The crops of the latter look splendidly, and farmers who have given attention to growing them, will be well remunerated this year, as prices promise to be good. The supply of dried fruits is as yet doubtful, though the probabilities are in favor of its being smaller than the average. A leading house in Malaga, writing under date of the 15th ult., says of muscatel raisins—"On no account may we expect a larger return than last year, as the phylloxera has extended itself, there being now only a few districts which have been spared its ravages. Of the finer descriptions only just sufficient yield will be secured to cover the expected demand." Of other raisins, the same firm writes—"The crop is expected to turn out one-third less than last year." Figs, Almoriza grapes, lemons and oranges, show well so far; and if nothing untoward occurs before harvesting, they will be in ample supply.

**PROVISIONS.**—Business has been dull and heavy, and there is no expectation of improvement in the immediate future. Holders of pork are looking for an advance, which seems very slow in coming. Of course, if the corn crop proves to be below the average, as they pretend to believe, that fact will cause their expectations to be realized; but all our reports concur in predicting that a fully average quantity of corn will be harvested.

**LIVE STOCK.**—Beaves and lambs have been in large receipt, and much improved in weight and firmness. No change is noted in relative prices.

**WOOL.**—The market for wool is still buoyant, and large orders have been booked in advance at quotations. Lamb skins are rising in price as the wool increases in length. The reports of a large shortage in all the large productive wool centres have been confirmed by the latest advices. This will probably convince many of our farmers who have hitherto given so lamentably little attention to sheep raising, that there is money in sheep if business is properly attended to. The Shelburne sheep farm, for instance, should be revived.

**COAL.** is firm at quoted prices. Mines are fully occupied in filling orders in hand and expected. Foreign importations of bituminous coal is being practically barred out by the tariff from all points east of Toronto. Our mines are gradually acquiring and firmly holding the markets of the Dominion as far as that point.

**FISH.**—The past week has been a very dull one in all branches of business, but we think a duller week than the past in the fish-market has not been seen for many years. Very few fish are coming to market. Codfish in small quantities are selling at about \$2.10 to \$2.20 for shore, according to quality. Haddock \$1.50 to \$1.75.

**MACKEREL.**—Since our last issue some mackerel, about 500 barrels, have been received in this harbor and vicinity, a lot of which have been shipped to Boston fresh.

**HERRING.**—No arrivals of fat July herring.

**SALMON.**—A parcel of about 250 barrels arrived since our last issue from the Labrador, and are now being inspected.

There has been next to nothing doing in the fish market the past three days. The fishermen's tournament seems to have taken precedence of almost everything else. We hope after this is over that there will be something doing. There seems to be little or no enquiry from abroad for fish of any kind. All of the West India markets still remain as last advised. We do not see very bright prospects ahead for much higher prices in the West India markets this season.

Advices from the Boston fish market to 6th inst. are about as follows:

"The receipts of fish during the past week show an increase over any previous week for some time, and trade is a shade better. Bay mackerel have advanced slightly during the past week, but the advance is considered due to the improved quality of late arrivals, and not to any increased demand. Sales of inspected Bay 2's have been made during the past few days at from \$5.50 to \$6.75, as to quality; very few 1's have yet been packed, and but few 3's are being sold, as holders think that in this year's catch there will be but few. Some small lots are arriving at this market from P. E. I., which have been sold at \$5.00 per bbl. for 3's, \$5.50 to \$6.00 for unculled, the unculled being for fish running from 12 to 13 inches in length and fat. A few barrels of Block Island mackerel of superior quality have been sold to go to New York at \$23.00 per bbl.

Codfish are moving pretty freely at low prices. We note sales of Georges' at \$3.00 per qtl., Dry Bank, \$2.75 and \$2.50 for large and medium. Pickled Bank, \$2.50 and \$2.25 for large and medium, Pickled Shore \$3.12 for Provincetown, and \$3.00 for Eastern. Nothing doing in fat herring.

Arrivals from the North Bay since our last have been the schr. *Richard S. Newcombe*, 350 barrels, *Fanny H. Nye* from Eastern Shore with 25 barrels.

*Gloucester*, Aug. 6.—Two arrivals with 1025 bbls. mackerel from North Bay, one from Block Island with 25 bbls. mackerel, four from Georges' with 85,000 pounds codfish.

*Provincetown*, Aug. 6.—Arrived schr. *Nellie Swift* from Quoro with 2300 qtls. codfish, schr. *S. B. Crocker* from Block Island, 49 bbls. mackerel, schr. *Wallace Sherman* from Eastern Shore, 15 bbls. mackerel.

*Portland*, Aug. 6.—Arrivals from North Bay schr. *Lucy W. Dyer*, 350 bbls mackerel, *Emma W. Dyer*, 375 bbls. mackerel, *Roulette*, 325 bbls. mackerel.

*Dennisport*.—Schr. *Hattie* and *Lottie* from Block Island with 70 bbls. mackerel, 28 of which are very large, balance tinkers.

*Wolfeboro*.—One arrival from Block Island with 17 bbls. mackerel.

Below will be found New England catch of mackerel for corresponding date for past four years, Aug. 6:—

1886	1885	1884	1883
25,928 bbls.	152,955 bbls.	133,138 bbls.	55,556 bbls.

## 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.

We intend devoting special attention to our Commercial and Financial Articles, and to our Market Quotations, and to this end have secured the co-operation of several persons thoroughly conversant with questions of finance and commerce.

## GROCERIES.

<b>SUGAR.</b>	
Cut Leaf	8 to 8 1/2
Granulated	6 1/2 to 6 3/4
Circle A	6 1/2 to 6 3/4
Extra C	5 1/2 to 5 3/4
Yellow C	5 1/2 to 5 3/4
<b>TEA.</b>	
Longon Common	17 to 19
" Fair	20 to 23
" Good	23 to 25
" Choice	31 to 33
" Extra choice	35 to 37
Oolong—Choice	37 to 39
<b>MOI ASSERS.</b>	
Barbadoes	30 to 32
Demerara	30 to 35
Diamond B	42
Porto Rico	31
Tobacco—Black	37 to 46
" Bright	42 to 58
<b>DISCURTS.</b>	
Pilot Bread	2.60 to 2.90
Boston and Thin Family	5 1/2 to 6
Soda	5 1/2 to 5 3/4
do in 1 lb boxes, 50 to case	7 1/2
Fancy	8 to 15

The above quotations are carefully prepared by a reliable Wholesale House, and can be depended upon as correct.

## BUTTER.

Nova Scotia Choice Fresh Prints	20 to 25
" " In Small Tubs	20 to 24
" " Good, in large tubs	18 to 18
" " Store Packaged & oversalted	10 to 12
Canadian Creamery	22 to 24
" On Creamery the tone is firm.	
" Township, finest	18 to 20
" " fine	17 to 18
" Morrisburg and Brockville	15 to 17
" Western	13 to 16

The above quotations are corrected by a reliable dealer in butter.

## FISH FROM VESSELS.

<b>MACKEREL.</b>	
No. 1 large.....Catch 1885	2.00
" " " " " 1886	2.90 to 3.00
No. 3 " " " 1885	2.00
" " " " " 1886	2.50 to 2.75
Small " " " 1885	1.00
<b>HERRING.</b>	
No. 1 Shore, July..... 1886	3.50 to 3.75
(reported almost a total failure on our shores.)	
ALSAWIVES.....Catch, 1886, per bbl	2.25
<b>CONPISH.</b>	
Hard Shore toqual, catch, 1885, per qtl.	
Price as to quality.....	
1886 per qtl.....	2.10 to 2.20
Bank..... 1886	no late sales
Bay.....	none
<b>SALMON, No. 1.....</b>	12 1/2 to 13
<b>HADDOCK, 1886, per qtl.....</b>	1.50 to 1.75
<b>HARK.....</b>	1.25 to 1.50
<b>CUSK.....</b>	none
<b>POLLOCK.....</b>	none
<b>HARK SOUNDS.....</b>	45 to 50c per lb.
<b>COD OIL A.....</b>	30 to 32

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

## LOBSTERS.

Nova Scotia (Atlantic Coast Packing).	
Tall Cans.....	4.75 to 5.25
Flat ".....	6.00 to 6.50
Per case 4 doz. 1 lb cans,	

The above quotations are corrected by a reliable dealer.

## HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

APPLES, New American, per bbl	3.00 to 3.50
Oranges, per bbl, Jamaica (new)	11.00 to 12.00
Lemons, per case, best quality	11.00 to 12.00
Cocoanuts, per 100	5.00 to 5.50
Onions, Bermuda, per lb.	none
" Mediterranean, per lb.	2 1/2 to 2 3/4
Foxberries, per bbl.	3.30 to 3.50
Figs, 1 lb box (fresh)	16 to 18c
Dates, Jayer (new)	7 to 8c
Plantains, per 100	3.00 to 3.50
Tomatoes, per crate	1.30 to 2.00

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

## BREADSTUFFS.

## PROVISIONS AND PRODUCE.

Our quotations below are our today's wholesale selling prices for cash within ten days after shipment.

<b>FLOUR.</b>	
Graham	5.25 to 5.50
Patent high grades	5.00 to 5.50
" medium	4.75 to 4.90
Superior Extra	4.60 to 4.80
Lower grades	3.50 to 4.00
Oatmeal, Standard	4.50 to 4.75
" Granulated	5.00 to 5.70
Corn Meal—Halifax ground	3.00 to 3.15
" —Imported	2.80 to 2.90
Bran per ton—Wheat	18.00 to 20.00
" —Corn	16.00 to 17.00
Shoria	20.00 to 22.00
Middlings	21.00 to 25.00
Cracked Corn	20.00 to 30.00
" Oats	25.00 to 30.00
" Harley	34 to 40
Feed Flour	3.25 to 3.50
" From Frozen Wheat	2.75
Oats per bushel of 34 lbs	42 to 45
Harley " of 48 "	75 to 80
Peas " of 60 "	1.10
Corn " of 50 "	88 to 95
Hay per ton	13.00 to 14.00
Straw	10.00 to 12.00

A. GUNN & Co., 253 Barrington Street, Halifax, N. S.

## PROVISIONS.

Beef, Am. Ex. Mess, duty paid	11.50 to 12.00
" Am. Plate	12.00 to 12.50
" Ex. Plate	13.00 to 13.50
Pork, Mess, American	12.50 to 13.00
" " old	11.50 to 12.00
" American, clear	15.00 to 15.50
" P. E. I. Mess	12.50 to 13.00
" " old	11.50 to 12.00
" P. E. I. Thin Mess	10.50 to 11.00
" Prime Mess	9.50 to 10.00
Lard, Tubs and Pails	10 to 11
" Cases	12 to 12 1/2
Hams, P. E. I.	12 to 13c
Duty on Am. Pork and Beef \$2.20 per bbl.	
Prices are for wholesale lots only, and are liable to change daily.	

These quotations are prepared by a reliable wholesale house.

## WOOL, WOOL SKINS &amp; HIDES.

Wool—clean washed, per pound	15 to 18
unwashed	12 to 15
Salted Hides, No 1	7 1/2
Ox Hides, over 60 lbs, No 1	7 1/2
" under 60 lbs, No 1	7
" over 60 lbs, No 2	6 1/2
" under 60 lbs, No 2	6
Cow Hides, No 1	6 1/2
No 3 Hides	5
Calf Skins	8 to 10
" Deacons, each	25 to 35
Woolskins	25 to 1.00
Lambskins	15 to 25

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 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, dimension good, per m	50 to 10.00
" Merchantable, do do	8.00 to 9.00
" Small, do do	6.50 to 7.05
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.

## POULTRY.

Fowls, per pair	50 to 75
Turkeys, per pound	14 to 16
Geese, each	none
Ducks, per pair	60 to 90

The above are corrected by a reliable victualer.

## LIVE STOCK—at Richmond Depot.

Steers, best quality, per 100 lbs. alive	4.50
Oxen	4.00
Fat Steers, Heifers, light weights	3.50
Wethers, best quality, per 100 lbs.	4.00
Lambs	3 1/2 to 4 1/2

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