

but steady. Short ribs were weak and dropped 5c. to 10c. The cattle market was fairly active.

BUTTER.—The market remains quiet for creamery and early makes are difficult to sell, although offered at low prices. On the other hand late makes are held at much too high figures, and business is, in consequence, very limited. The demand from local buyers has been fair, and some medium-sized lots are reported to have changed hands.

CHEESE.—The local market has increased in firmness and stands about ½c. higher than last week. Private advices report a firmer feeling on the other side, with sales of finest at 46s. 6d.

SUGAR.—The condition of the sugar markets just now is peculiar. While Canadian refineries are unloading as rapidly as they can and actively shading prices, and while in the West Indies figures for raw are drooping, on the other side raw sugar is advancing despite the fact that the beet product this year is reported to be about 180,000 tons more than that of 1888. The demand for raw sugar from all points has been good, and private advices state that all the cargoes that have been offering have been picked up. Consequently the situation of the market at present is healthy, and refiners are looking forward to a steady improvement from now out.

MOLASSES.—The market for molasses has shown no sign of improvement during the past two weeks, and business has been dull with prices nominally unchanged.

FRUIT.—Late cable advices from Valencia on raisins have been strong and note an advance of 1s. 6d. from the lowest point, while currants have ruled weak and have lost a portion of the advance recently recorded. French prunes have opened very low at 9s. 6d. free on board. The market for green fruit has been active under a good demand, and a large volume of business has been transacted in most lines.

TEA.—The situation of the tea market has continued strong, especially on low grade Japans, which are scarce and in large demand. Low grade blacks have also been in good demand. All the low grade young Hysons offering in England have been bought up to take the place of low grade Japans, which are very scarce. Importers complain that Japan houses are mixing old leaf tea with new, owing to the scarcity of the new leaf, and the result is that houses in the country are picking up all the old teas with good style that can be found. The market on the whole has been active under a brisk demand, and a considerable volume of business has been transacted. The prospects are bright, and dealers are looking forward to an active trade for some time to come, as stocks both here and in the country are small. A late Yokohama cable says:—"Teas with any leaf are very hard to obtain from \$13 to \$16 per picul."

FISH OILS.—A Montreal advice says:—"The market is strong for steam refined seal oil, and sales of small lots have been made at 47½c. to 50c. Newfoundland cod oil is quiet at 38c. to 40c., and Halifax at 36c. Cod liver oil quiet at 65c. to 70c. for Newfoundland and 92½c. to 95c. for Norway."

FISH.—There is very little to note as to fish in this market. The catch continues very small, especially in mackerel and herring, and the season is now so far advanced that it is practically hopeless to look for many more. The aggregate take is very far below that of any recent year. Codfish have been a little better during the week, and those engaged in taking them are likely from present indications to pay expenses, though the margin for profit will be extremely narrow. Receipts of all kinds of fish from the outlying districts are very slack, but on the other hand, the foreign demand is practically nil, so that there seems to be no immediate prospect of any advance in values. The few fish that come to hand generally go into warehouse to await a better tone abroad. Our outside advices are as follows:—Montreal, September 17.—"Sales of new Labrador herrings have been made at \$5, to arrive in a few days, against \$6 as the opening price last year. Cape Breton herrings are quoted at \$5 50 to \$6. Newfoundland salmon, \$14 for No. 1 and \$13 for No. 2. Dry codfish steady at \$4.75 to \$5 per qtl., and in fair request." Gloucester, Mass., September 17.—"We quote new Georges codfish at \$4.62 per qtl. for large, and small at \$4; Bank \$4 for large, and \$3.25 for small; large hand-line do. \$4.25. Shore \$4.50 and 3.25 for large and small. Old Bank \$3.50. New Dry Bank \$4.50. Cured cusk at \$2.75 to \$3 per qtl.; hake \$2 to \$2.12; haddock \$2.50; heavy salted pollock \$2 to \$2.12, and English-cured do. \$2.62 to \$2.75 per qtl. Labrador herring \$6 bbl; medium split \$6; Newfoundland do. \$5; Nova Scotia do. \$7; Eastport \$3; split Shore \$4.75; pickled codfish \$6; haddock \$5; halibut heads \$3.50; sounds \$12; tongues and sounds \$10; tongues \$8; allowives \$5; trout \$15; California salmon \$15; Halifax do. \$17; Newfoundland \$17." Says the Boston Herald of Saturday:—"Mackerel are in good demand, with the supply short, the prices firmer and higher. The outlook is poorer than ever. The catch landed by the fleet for the week has been about 800 bbls., mostly from the vicinity of Block Island. These mackerel have sold to the trade at \$16 for small and \$26 for large. There have also been a few from Massachusetts Bay, and they sell at \$18 for small and \$26 for large. A few North Bay mackerel have been in the market of late, and they sold at \$23. The jobbers are asking higher prices, and getting these prices. On codfish the market is very strong indeed. The trade has had to pay as high as 45c. per qtl. for fish of late above what they were sold for a few days ago. The weather has been bad for curing fish, and the market is short. The jobbers are quoting firmer prices. The outlook for the catch is still very poor. There is some demand for the West Indies, but prices are almost too firm for that class of trade. Barrel herring are firm. The new Nova Scotia large split that have been received are firmly held by the owners. Some new round shore herring are now in the market. Box herring are steady, with choice medium scaled quoted by the jobber at 18c.; good 16c.; tucks 14c.; No. 1, 13c. The supply of fresh fish is light, by reason of the several days of storm, and under a good request the market is firmer and higher."

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.....	9½
Granulated.....	8½ to 9
Circle A.....	8½
White Extra C.....	8
Extra Yellow C.....	7¾ to 7½
Yellow C.....	7¾ to 7½
TEA.	
Congou, Common.....	17 to 19
" Fair.....	20 to 23
" Good.....	25 to 29
" Choice.....	31 to 33
" Extra Choice.....	35 to 38
Colong, Choice.....	37 to 39
MOLASSES.	
Barbadoes.....	45
Demerara.....	42 to 45
Diamond N.....	48 to 50
Porto Rico.....	43 to 45
Cienfuegos.....	41
Trinidad.....	42 to 43
Antigua.....	42 to 43
Tobacco, Black.....	38 to 44
" Bright.....	42 to 58
BISCUITS.	
Pilot Bread.....	3.25
Boston and Thin Family.....	7
Soda.....	7
do. in 1lb. 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.....	10.50 to 11.00
" Am. Plate.....	11.00 to 11.50
" Ex. Plate.....	12.00 to 12.50
Pork, Mess, American.....	15.10 to 15.50
" American, clear.....	16.50 to 17.00
" P. E. I. Mess.....	16.50 to 16.50
" P. E. I. Thin Mess.....	14.50 to 15.00
" Prime Mess.....	13.00 to 13.50
Lard, Tubs and Pails, P. E. Island.....	11 to 12
" 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.	

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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 5.00
No. 1 August, Round.....	3.50 to 3.75
" September.....	3.50 to 3.75
Labrador, in cargo lots, per bbl.....	4.00 to 4.50
Bay of Islands, Split.....	2.00
" Round.....	1.75
ALLOWIVES, per bbl.....	2.50 to 3.00
CODFISH.	
Hard Shore.....	3.50 to 3.75
Bank.....	3.25 to 3.50
Bay.....	3.50 to 3.75
SALMON, No. 1.....	18.00 to 19.00
HADDOCK, per qtl.....	2.25
HAKE.....	2.00
CUSK.....	1.50
POLLOCK.....	1.50
HAKE SOUNDS, per lb.....	12½
COD OIL A.....	25 to 30

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

POULTRY.

Turkeys, per pound.....	15 to 16
Geese, each.....	none
Ducks, per pair.....	70 to 80
Chickens.....	50 to 70

The above are corrected by a reliable victualer.

LIVE STOCK.—at Richmond Depot.
Steers best quality, per 100 lbs. alive..... 4.25 to 4.50
Oxen..... 3.50 to 4.00
Fat Steers, Heifers, light weights..... 3.00 to 3.50
Weathers, best quality, per 100 lbs..... 4.00 to 4.50
Lambs..... 3.50 to 4.00

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LOBSTERS.

Per case 4 doz. 1 lb cans.

Nova Scotia (Atlantic Coast Packing) 5.25 to 6.00	
Tail Cans.....	4.50 to 5.00
Flat.....	6.50 to 7.00
Newfoundland Flat Cans.....	6.50 to 7.00

BREADSTUFFS.

Stocks still continue light and farmers deliveries fair. New stocks are still very slack in Ontario. The returns of the crop throughout the Dominion are on the whole satisfactory. Wheat is a larger crop in Ontario than last year, while in Manitoba, from advices received to-day the crop is above the average and the quality excellent, barley and oats are also above the average. Hay is the largest crop for many years. Prices of flour are steady with a slightly falling tendency, supplies not in excess of demand. Some American flours coming into the market at 5cts. a barrel less than Canadian, so the American market must improve and the Canadian decline.

FLOUR.	
High Grade Patents.....	5.30 to 5.50
Good 90 per cent Patents.....	5.10 to 5.25
Straight Grade.....	5.00 to 5.10
Superior Extras.....	4.90 to 5.00
Good Seconds.....	4.22 to 4.40
Graham Flour.....	5.40
American Supr. Extras, in bond.....	4.15 to 4.25
American 90 per cent, in bond.....	4.65 to 4.85
American Patents.....	5.15
Oatmeal.....	4.20 to 4.30
" Rolled.....	4.25 to 4.35
Cornmeal, duty paid.....	2.70 to 2.80
Cornmeal, in bond, Boston.....	2.15 to 2.20
Rolls Wheat.....	5.20
Wheat Bran, per ton.....	16.00 to 16.25
Shorts.....	19.00 to 20.00
Middlings.....	20.00 to 22.00
Cracked Corn.....	25.50
Ground Oil Cake, per ton.....	35.00
Moulce.....	25.50
Split Peas.....	3.75 to 4.00
White Beans, per bushel.....	1.95 to 2.00
Pot Barley, per barrel.....	4.85
Canadian Oats, choice quality.....	43 to 45
P. E. I. Oats.....	40 to 41
Hay per ton.....	12.00 to 12.50

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

HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

Apples, Gravensteins.....	3.00
Apples, No. 1, per bbl.....	1.75 to 2.40
Oranges, Jamaica, per bbl, repacked.....	7.50
Lemons, per case.....	7.10
Cocoanuts, per 100.....	3.50 to 4.00
Onions, New American, per lb.....	2½ to 2¾c.
Dates, boxes, new.....	6½ to 6
Raisins, Valencia.....	6½ to 7
Figs, Elme, 5 lb boxes per lb.....	11
" small boxes.....	13
Prunes, Stewing, boxes and bags, new.....	5½ to 6
Bananas, per bunch.....	1.75 to 2.50
Pine Apples, per doz.....	2.50 to 3.00

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

BUTTER AND CHEESE.

Nova Scotia Choice Fresh Prints.....	25
" " in Small Tubs.....	22 to 25
" Good, in large tubs.....	20
" Store Packed & oversalted.....	14
Canadian Township.....	19 to 20
" Western.....	17
Cheese, Canadian.....	10
Antigonish.....	10½

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

WOOL, WOOL SKINS & HIDES.

Wool—clean washed, per pound.....	15 to 22
" unwashed.....	12 to 15
Salted Hides, No 1.....	5
Ox Hides, over 60 lbs., No 1.....	5½
" under 60 lbs., No 1.....	5
" over 60 lbs., No 2.....	4½
" under 60 lbs., No 2.....	4
Cow Hides, No 1.....	5
No 3 Hides, each.....	3
Calf Skins.....	25
" Deacons, each.....	10 to 15
Lambskins.....	15 to 20
Tallow.....	3

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

LUMBER.

Pine, clear, No. 1, per m.....	25.00 to 28.00
" Merchantable, 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.....	8.00 to 9.00
" Small, do.....	6.50 to 7.00
Hemlock, merchantable.....	7.00
Shingles, No 1, sawed, pine.....	3.00 to 3.50
" No 2, do.....	1.00 to 1.20
" spruce, No 1.....	1.10 to 1.35
Laths, per m.....	2.00
Hard wood, per cord.....	4.00 to 4.25
Soft wood.....	2.25 to 2.50