

limited to jobbing lots. The local demand, however, was fair, and fancy goods realize full prices.

CHEESE.—The market for cheese has remained dull and inactive, with an easy tone current. The New York Commercial Bulletin says:—"The tendency of the market continues in buyers' favor, and there is more pronounced evidence of weakness all along the line. The very limited number of orders received keep shippers very largely at a standstill, and absence of demand is, of course, the main cause of the ruling condition of affairs, but the loss of tone is contributed to by the decline in country markets, amounting to about 1c. as against last week, and unpleasant reports from the Liverpool auction sales, which, without any price mentioned, are advised as going quite low, with more to follow."

FRUIT.—The apple market is rather firmer in tone, and an advance in prices is anticipated by holders. The market for Valencia raisins remains firm, with an advancing tendency as to prices. Fine, sound Malaga fruit remains unchanged in Spain, and a late cable quotes 21s. and 22s. free on board. Last week it was reported that several Spanish houses were cabling for bids, but it turned out that it was for damaged fruit, and buyers are cautious. The shipments of Malaga fruit are, so far, short of last year. Currants are firmer, the market being practically bare. An advance in prices has been accomplished in Greece. Dates are lower. The crop of Turkish filberts is about a failure, and prices are firm, with an upward tendency.

SUGAR AND MOLASSES.—The refined sugar market is steady, with a fair volume of business for granulated. In New York, the price of granulated and of yellows has advanced. Raw sugars of all kinds may be reported stronger. The reported deficiency of the European beet crop is causing an advance there, and a speculative feeling is beginning to display itself. The Montreal Trade Bulletin says:—"Last week we reported sales of raw beet root sugar amounting to about 6,700,000 lbs., and also stated that other large sales of raw on spot were impending. These latter which consisted of Brazilian have since been put through, aggregating about 8,700,000 lbs. on p. t.; making a total of 15,400,000 lbs. of raw sugar, which have changed hands within the past ten days. The sales of Brazilian sugar consisted of four cargoes, amounting to between 40,000 and 50,000 bags, and the prices, although p. t., are said to be in the neighborhood of 11s. per cwt. here. These last sales were made by the St. Lawrence Sugar Refinery to the Canada Sugar Refinery, which seems to indicate that the former company does not expect to be in running order as early as expected by some of our dealers." According to M. Licht, a well known authority, the total sugar production of the world for 1886-87 was 4,948,000 tons against 4,325,000 tons for the corresponding period in 1885-86, showing an increase of 623,000 tons. The above figures are for metric tons of 2,204 6 lbs. each. Molasses has been more active, and Barbadoes is quoted in Montreal at 37c. A lot of 600 puns of Trinidad has been sold there at 27c.

TEA AND COFFEE.—A feature of the tea market on this side of the Atlantic is the shipment of about 3,000 packages recently from New York to Great Britain. Advices from London report an advance of 1d. to 3d. per lb. on finest first crop blacks. Agents in the Montreal market have received instructions to withdraw their offerings of black teas held on London account, owing to the strength of the English market. The coffee markets are steady, but quotations are not changed.

FISH.—The fish arrivals have been very small, and there appears to be no promise of improvement. Predicating on this basis, the supplies that come to hand are bought by shippers here and put into store, in the hope that a demand for them will arise as time passes. However, outside markets remain dull and inactive, and the fact is, that nowhere in the West Indies does fish command prices within 10 per cent. of the figures that are now being paid here for them. Mackerel have not put in an appearance on our coasts in the usual and anticipated quantities. A few hundred caught by hand that were brought to this port were purchased at 65 cents per dozen, to be packed in ice for the American consumptive market. We cannot change our quotations for barrelled mackerel this week. Codfish hold the same position that they did at our last report. The dry fish market, upon the whole, remains unchanged. Hard fish command outside quotations, and when offered, are readily purchased. Herring continue scarce on our coasts, and all coming forward find ready sale. Dealers are looking forward to the Newfoundland fall fishery to supply their absolute requirements. Our outside reports are as follows:—Montreal, October 24.—"The fish market has been fairly active, and about steady all round. Labrador harrings have been in good demand, but the market has been weaker, and sales of round lots have been made at \$4.50, but we quote \$4.50 to \$4.75 with single barrels changing hands at \$5 to \$5.25. The receipts of green cod have been larger, and sales have been freely made at \$4.50. Finnan haddies have been coming in freely, and sell at 7c." Gloucester, Mass., October 25th.—"Last cargo sales of shoro mackerel \$14, \$16.50 and \$24 per bbl., for 2's, 1's and extra 1's. Last sales of Bank halibut 7½c. per lb. through cargo lot. George's codfish are selling from the vessel at \$3, and Bank at \$2.65 and \$1.45 per cwt. We quote best George's codfish at \$4.75 and \$3.75 per qtl. for large and small; Bank \$3.50 for large, and \$3.25 for small; Flomish Cip \$4; Shores \$4 and \$3.50 for large and small. Dry Bank \$4.12 to \$4.25. Cusk \$3; pollock \$2, slack-salted do. \$2.75; haddock \$2.50, and hake \$2, Boneless and prepared fish 3½c. to 5c. per lb. for hake, haddock and cusk. and 5c. to 6½c. for codfish, as to style and quality. Smoked halibut 6c. to 9c. per lb.; smoked salmon 15c. per lb.; haddock 6c. per lb. Medium herring 16c. per box; tucks 15c.; longwise 13c.; No. 1's 12c. Smoked mackerel 11c. 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. Newfoundland herring \$4 per bbl. Nova Scotia large split \$5; medium \$4; Labrador \$5.50; trout \$14.50 per bbl.; pickled codfish \$5; haddock \$4; halibut heads \$3.25; tongues \$6; sounds \$11.50; tongues and sounds \$8; alewives \$3.25; California salmon \$15; Halifax do. \$17."

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	8½	
Granulated	7½ to 7¾	
Circle A	7	
White Extra C	6½ to 7	
Extra Yellow C	5½ to 6	
Yellow C	5½ to 5¾	
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	30	
Demerara	30 to 31	
Diamond N	38 to 40	
Porto Rico	30 to 31	
Cienfuegos	28	
Trinidad	28	
Antigua	28	
Tobacco—Black	37 to 44	
" Bright	42 to 55	
BISCUITS.		
Pilot Bread	2.60 to 2.90	
Hoston and Thin Family	5½ to 6	
Soda	5½ to 5¾	
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	10.50 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	19.00 to 20.00
" P. E. 1 Mess	17.50 to 18.00
" P. E. 1 Thin Mess	none
" Prime Mess	13.50 to 14.00
Lard, Tubs and Pails	11 to 12
" Cases	12.50 to 13.00
Hams, P. E. 1	none
Duty on Am. Pork and Beef \$2 20 per bbl.	

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FISH FROM VESSELS.

MACKEREL—		
Extra	15.00	
No. 1	12.00	
" 2 large	9.00	
" 3 large	8.00	
" 3	8.00	
HERRING.		
No. 1 Shore, July	4.25 to 5.50	
No. 1, August	3.75	
" September	3.75	
Round Shore	3.50	
Labrador, in cargo lots, per bl	3.75 to 4.00	
Bay of Islands, from store	2.75	
ALEWIVES, per bbl.	4.75 to 5.00	
CODFISH.		
Hard Shore	4.00	
New Bank	3.50	
Bay	3.40	
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	4.00 to 5.00
Flat "	6.25 to 6.75
Per case 4 doz. 11b cans	

The above quotations are corrected by a reliable dealer.

LUMBER.

Pine, clear, No. 1, per m.	25.00 to 26.00
" Merchantable, do do	4.00 to 17.00
" No 2 do	10.00 to 12.00
" Small, per m.	8.00 to 14.00
Spruce, dimension good, per m.	9.50 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.

BREADSTUFFS.

PROVISIONS AND PRODUCE.

Quotations below are our to day's wholesale prices for car lots net cash. Jobbers' and Retailers' prices about 5 to 10 cents per bbl. higher than car lots. Markets quiet and weak. Breadstuffs are selling at current cost.

Flour.		
Graham	5.80	
Patent high grades	4.00 to 5.00	
" mediums	4.40 to 4.80	
Superior Extra	4.20 to 4.25	
Lower grades	3.15 to 3.80	
Oatmeal, Standard	4.75	
" Granulated	5.00 to 5.10	
Corn Meal—Halifax ground	2.90 to 3.00	
" —Imported	2.90	
Bran per ton—Wheat	10.00	
" —Corn	17.00	
Shorts	22.00 to 23.00	
Middlings	24.00 to 25.00	
Cracked Corn	28.00 to 30.00	
" Oats	25.00 to 26.00	
" Barley	nominal	
Feed Flour	2.90 to 3.00	
Oats per bushel of 34 lbs.	37 to 39	
Barley " of 48 "	55 to 60	
" of 60 "	1.00 to 1.10	
White Beans, per bushel	1.85 to 1.95	
Pot Barley, per barrel	4.85 to 4.90	
Corn " of 56 lbs.	65 to 70	
Hay per ton	14.00 to 15.00	
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	23 to 24
" Good, in large tubs	20 to 22
" Store Packed & oversalted new	12 to 15
Canadian, Creamery, new	24 to 26
" Townsh	22 to 23
" Western	17 to 19
Cheese, Canadian	12

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	7
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	6
Cow Hides, No 1	6½
No 3 Hides, each	5
Calf Skins	25
" Deacons, each	25
Lambskins	23 to 30

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

HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

Apples.		
Gravensteins, per bbl.	3.25 to 3.50	
No 1 Varieties, new, per bbl.	1.75 to 2.50	
Oranges, per bbl, Jamaica (new) ..	6.50	
Lemons, per case	4.00	
Bananas, per bunch	3.00 to 4.00	
Cocoanuts, per 100	5.00	
Onions, Canadian, per lb.	2½ to 3	
Dates, boxes, new	9½	
Raisins, Val	8	
Figs, Elme, 5 lb boxes per lb.	13	
" small boxes	11	
Prunes, Stewing, boxes	none	
Grapes, Almeria, kegs	5.00 to 5.75	

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 ..	4.50
Oxen	3.50
Fat Steers, Heifers light weights	2.50 to 3.00
Wethers, best quality, per 100 lbs.	5.00 to 6.00
Lambs	2.00 to 2.75

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