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FRUIT.—There is but little change in the market for dried fruit, and very little is doing in a strictly wholesale way; but jobbers report that customers are enquiring rather more than they formerly were. Valencia raising remain dull and about as quiet as they can be. Currents are a firm reature of the market and, in consequence of continued strength at primary centres and on other outside markets, holders have enhanced views as to the value of their stock. Recent advices from Patras quote prices higher, 20s. 6d. c. and f. being the most recent figure. Other lines show no change. A good jobbing business is doing in staple lines of green fruit. Large supplies of oranges, lemons, pine-apples and bananas are now arriving by each weekly boat from Boston.

TEA.—Since our last report the local demand for tea, especially for low and medium grades, has shown more life, and a good, steady business has been accomplished. Ceylon and India toos are very firm and English markets are reported ld. higher. It is now very difficult to get good leaf teas there,

none of anything like good quality being obtainable under 1s.

Coffee —The coffee market is working firmer and all descriptions are firmly held. The Montreal Trade Bulletin says:—"In cosee there has been quite a movement in Rio with large sales at 20c to 201c. There has also been more doing in Maracsibo, the sale of a round lot being reported at 21½c, with transactions in jobbing lots at 22½c. Jamaicas and Javas are quiet but steady." And the New York Commercial Bulletin reports:

"Buyers can now find a very good supply of Brizil grades available both as to quantity and quality, but to a considerable extent manifest an indifferent feeling toward the offering. The withholding of demand, however, it is assumed among holders, is the result of efforts to influence cost, and the belief exists that the invisible supply is rapidly passing into consumption and making a place for a liberal amount of stock at no distant day. Carrying in consequence shows considerable steamness, and there was an attempt to-day to talk up quotations, but hardly substantiated by actual business. Indeed, buyers were not plenty, and the market as a whole had a quiet appearance on the street. Sales are reported of 1,000 bags No 7 Rio at 18c and 2,000 bags fancy Santos on private terms. Contracts were somewhat more active, and the outcome of the day's deal leaves the market in stronger form on an advance of 5 to 15 points. The demand was mainly to cover, and the shorts appeared to take alarm without any really new danger apparent. Europe was up and down without any final important change, and Rio was wired as firm, with receipts still light and sterling exchange a fraction up.

SUGAR -A fair trade in sugars is in progress, but as noted last week, merchants are buying only enough for immediate wants, owing to the uncertainty which exists concerning the duty question. Prices here are unchanged. The Montreal Trade Bulletin says:—"No more incontrovertible proof need be adduced to corroborate the truthfulness of the Trade Bulletin's assertions list week, to the effect that smuggling in sugar has being carried on along the frontier towns and villages of this Province and Ontario to a large extent, than the fact that orders for refined sugar have materially decreased at the refineries during the past week or ten days. Not only this, but a large wholesale grocer who returned from the West a few days ago stated to the writer that he could not book a single order, owing to the fact that certain retailers were selling granulated sugar at 5½c. per 1b., and they were of course hoping by some means or other to bay at figures that would enable them to sell as cheaply as their neighbors. Advices from the Eastern Townships from points bordering on Vermont, state that farmers are getting all their sugar from across the line, and that storokeepers are selling scarcely any Canadian sugar. This, however, is only the commencement of the trouble; just wait until schooners from New York and Boston land their cargoes of refined sugar along the coast of the Maritime Provinces, as they are sure to do, and then see where the Canadian refiners will be. Do the Government expect to collect a revenue of \$3,000,000 from Canadian manufacturors, while Americans will be furnishing the stock of supplies by the underground railway?" It adds in another article the following:—" Unless the Government of the Dominion are prepare. to modify the present triff, in order to conform it to the change that has recountly gone into effect in the United States, the occupation of Canadian refiners will be hopelessly and irrovecably gone. The Ottawa Citizen, however, hints that there will be no change in the present tariff before January 1st, 1892, and if this represents the Government's views our refiners may as well close down at once, and the Government abandon all thought of collecting a revenue of \$3,000,000 from the sugar industry. There is of course a fleet of sugar vessels now heading for Canada, carrying between 25,000,000 and 30,000,000 pounds of raw sugar, but unless the duty on this be removed or considerably reduced, it will not be refined in Canada, as it will pay the refiners to dispose of it by shipping it out in bond, rather than manufacture and sell it at a big loss. Some people are foolish enough to advance the argument that as there is a large amount of raw sugar on the way to Canada, the Government are sure of the duty on it; but this is altogether an illusion, as it is not likely that Canadian refiners will submit to a heavy loss by manufacturing it here, when they can export it in bond at a profit-

With such a rest difference in the price of American and Canadian refined sugar, namely, \$6.00 to \$7.00 per bbl. in favor of the former product, it would be madness for Canadians to attempt to compete with the foreign article which would soon flood the country in spite of the Customs. Why, already, American granulated sugar is being sold in the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario at 51c. per lb., whereas the refiners' price in Montreal

boons the Government could confer upon them, and they have a right to expect it. We can ecarcely imagine that the Government of Canada is composed of such ignoramuses, as to imagine that finest white sugar can be sold in the States at 41c. per lb. for any length of time, without finding is way into Canada in sufficient quantities to oust the 63c. Canadian product out of the market; customs or no customs. Our neighbours are enjoying the advantages of free sugar, and we must have the same privilege, and if the Government is wise it will not tempt and encourage its people to become a nation of emugglers."

Figur -There is nothing now to note respecting the local fish situation. No receipts, no catch and no outside demand combine to keep the market dull and unprofitable to contemplate. Our outside advices are as follows :-Montreal, April 22-" The fish market shows no change. In fact there is not sufficient business doing to cause any. The movement is of a small, jobbing kind, and prices are firmly held, all staple lines such as cod, herring, salmon and mackerel being in small supply. The demand for smoked fish is quiet but steady, and is readily supplied at about range of our quotations. Boneless fish 4½c. to 6c. Yarmouth bloaters \$1.2) per hundred, finnan haddies 7½c. to 8c. per lb." Gloucester, Mass., April 22.—" New Georges codfish at \$6.25 a qtl. for large, and small at \$5.50; bank \$6 for large, and \$5.25 for large and small; dry bank \$6; medium \$5.25; Fronch codfish \$6 per qtl.; Phillips Beach codfish \$7 per qtl.; cured cusk at \$5 per qtl.; hake \$3; haddock \$4; heavy salted pollock \$2.50; Er tlish-cured do. \$3 per qtl.; Librador herring \$6 bbl.; medium split \$6; Nova Scotia do. \$6.50; Eistport \$4; split shore \$4.25; round do. \$4.50; round Listport \$4; pickled codfish \$7.25; haddock \$6; halibut heads \$3.50; sounds \$13; tongues and sounds \$12; tongues \$11; alewives \$350; trout \$14; California salmon \$14; Halifax do. \$23; Newfoundland do. \$16."

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