SAINT JOHN PRICES CURRENT.

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FROM

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Importer of every description of

DRY GOODS—Staple and Fancy.

READY-MADE CLOTHING,

HATS AND CAPS.

We have the pleasure of handing you herewith our Weekly Prices Current, showing the condition of our market for the past week. Our quotations, it should be understood, represent the *wholesale prices* generally. In the making up of small orders, higher prices have to be charged. All quotations are duty paid, unless otherwise stated.

Commercial Report.

BREADSTUFFS.—Receipts of flour have been more liberal the past week, and prices are a shade easier. We hear of sales of No. 1 superfine, at $8.50—choice brands being $8.60. The demand for flour is large, and as navigation opens we look for an increased enquiry, as the country is very bare of stock.

Corn meal is a little lower. We quote $5.25 to $5.40. Oatmeal $7.75 to $8.00.

SALT.—Owing to continued arrivals of salt, with more coming, the market is much depressed; indeed, it is scarcely possible to make sales from ship in quantities. We quote from store at about 75c. per sack.

FREIGHTS.—Our freight market for the past week has exhibited more animation than for some time previously. As the season approaches for the mills to commence working, shippers are more desirous of operating, and tonnage being in very limited supply, rates have slightly advanced. There being no immediate prospect of vessels offering to any increased extent, it is fair to presume that freights will be firm for some time to come, and a still further advance in rates not unlikely. The following deal charters are reported: *Mexican*, 520, Warren Point, 69s. 3d; *Madeira*, for Dublin, 72s. 6d.; *Corra Linn*, 397, Port Rush, 75s.; *Juno*, 230, Dundalk, 70s.; *Harrisburg*, 541, Newport or Cardiff, at 70s., or Bristol, at 71s. 3d.; *Wabena*, 599, Liverpool, 72s. 6d.; *C. O. Wetmore*, 900 Liverpool, 72s.; two new ships, to be launched first week in May, viz., *Abyssinia*, about 860 tons, and *Prince Leopold*, about 1200 tons—both for Liverpool, at 71s. 3d.

West India freights are very dull. The season for the shipment of sugar box shooks is nearly over, and after the engagements of this week are provided for, there will not be much of that description of cargo to ship, except at very low rates of freight. The charters reported are as follows: Bark *Merrimack*, at 24c.; *Ormus*, 486, at 23c. and $7.25; *H. P. Russell*, 427, at same rates; *S. V. Nichols*, 167, at $7.50—all for north side Cuba; *Enterprise*, 109, Remedios and back, for $1250, lump sum.

There is more demand for vessels coastwise, and rates slightly better. The following transactions are reported: *Duke of Newcastle*, 86; *Violet*, 56; *Cindora Day*, 68—all for Boston, at $3.75; *Romp*, for New York, at $5.50 for lumber, $1.10 for laths; *Lydia May*, for Philadelphia, $5.00 and $1.00. Some small vessels have been chartered to carry salt to Campobello, at 9½ to 10c. per sack.

LIST OF LEADING ARTICLES IMPORTED IN THE WEEK.

Ex *Enterprise*, from Remedios: 165 hhds., 20 tcs., 2 brls. molasses, 2 brls. sugar, 44 pcs. lignumvitæ, 7 pkgs. sundries.

Ex *William*, from New York: 8,228 bshls. corn, 100 brls. corn meal.

Ex *Duke of Newcastle*, from Boston: 710 brls., 14 bags corn meal, 10 brls. pork, 6 bales manilla, 2 bales jute, 25 bdls. hides, 97 pkgs. sundries.

Ex *Lizzie Tupper*, from Barbados: 55 hhds., 8 tcs., 45 brls. sugar, 15 puns. molasses.

Ex *Village Belle*, from New York: 702 brls. flour, 808 brls. corn meal.

Ex *Rough Diamond*, from Philadelphia: 266 tons coal.

Ex *J. R. E.*, from Philadelphia: 261 tons coal.

Ex *Hannah D.*, from Amboy, N. Y.: 148 tons coal.

Ex *Carrie*, from Portland: 850 brls. flour, 200 brls. corn meal, 50 brls. oatmeal.

Ex *Willie Mowe*, from Portland: 1,798 brls. flour, 100 brls. oatmeal, 2 brls. wheat.

Ex *S. V. Nichols*, from Portland: 550 brls. flour, 550 brls. corn meal, 75 boxes oranges, 14 pkgs. sundries.

Ex *Atlantic*, from Savannah: 1,095 sacks salt.

Ex *Maud Potter*, from Portland: 1,800 brls. flour, 100 brls. oatmeal.

Ex *Olive L. Rourke*, from Philadelphia: 244 tons coal.

Ex *Marino*, from New York: 500 bags corn meal.

Ex *Timandra*, from Barbados: 7 puns. molasses, 49 hhds., 104 brls., 20 tcs. sugar, 200 hides.

Ex steamer *New England*, from Boston: 100 brls. flour, 280 pkgs. sundries.

Ex steamer *New Brunswick*, from Boston: 55 brls. pork, 10 hf. chests tea, 14 brls. sugar, 13 hhds. tobacco, 8 coils rope, 25 bolts duck, 25 bales manilla, 50 bales broom corn, 244 pkgs. sundries.

Ex steamer *Chase* from Portland: 1,541 brls. flour, 39 brls. rye flour, 20 brls. oatmeal, 90 brls. pease, 219 bags oats, 197 bags meal, 32 pkgs. cheese, 2 boxes bacon, 84 puns. spirits, 262 pkgs. iron manufactures, 249 bars r. r. iron, 73 pkgs. merchandize.

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

CANVAS.—DUTY: Free, when used for ships or vessels only; otherwise 15 ₩ cent.

Gourock, extra, No. 1, per yard	0 46
" bleached,	0 40
Gourock, boiled,	0 35
" grass bleached,	0 30
" duck,	0 25
Cotton " No. 1,	0 45

CORDAGE.—DUTY: Free, when used for ships or vessels only; otherwise, 15 per cent.

Gourock hemp, per lb.	0 11
" Manilla,	0 16
" wire-rope,	0 08 @ 0 12
" bolt rope, spun-yarn, &c.	0 13
Gourock sail twine, extra,	0 45
Domestic hemp,	0 10
" Manilla,	0 16

CANDLES.—DUTY: 15 per cent.

Moulds, per lb.	0 14 @ 0 15

COALS.—DUTY Free.

English, per chald., retail,	0 00 @ 7 50
Scotch,	0 00 " 7 00
Sydney	0 00 " 0 00
Grand Lake,	0 00 @ 0 00
Joggins,	5 75 @ 6 00
Anthracite, ₩ ton,	0 00 " 5 25

COFFEE.—DUTY: green 3c. per lb., roasted or ground, 4c. per lb.

Java, per lb.	0 24 @ 0 25
Ceylon,	0 22 " 0 24
Cape,	0 16 " 0 18
Porto Rico,	0 00 " 0 20
St. Domingo,	0 14 " 0 16
Jamaica,	0 18 " 0 19
Java, toasted,	0 28 " 0 30
Jamaica "	0 25 " 0 26

COTTONS.—DUTY: 15 per cent.

NEW BRUNSWICK COTTON MILLS.

Grey Cottons, ₩ yard,	0 6 @ 0 10
Cotton Warp, 5 lb bundle, warped and sized,	1 75
Do. do., unwarped,	1 40
Do. do., Blue,	2 00

DRUGS and DYES.—DUTY: senna, liquorice and arrow root, 15 per cent.; others free.

Borax, refined, per lb.	0 20 @ 0 25
Cream Tartar,	0 32½ " 0 35
Senna, East India,	0 20 " 0 30
Liquorice, stick,	0 20 " 0 40
Alum,	0 03 " 0 04
Blue Vitriol,	0 10 " 0 11
Carb. Soda,	0 04½ " 0 05
Crystals "	0 02½ " 0 03
Sulphur,	0 05 " 0 06
Epsom Salts,	0 03½ " 0 04
Saltpetre,	0 10 " 0 12
Arrow Root,	0 25 " 0 60
Cochineal, black,	1 30 " 1 50
Cudbear,	0 20 " 0 30
Logwood,	0 00 " 0 01½
" Extract,	0 10 " 0 12
Redwood,	0 04 " 0 05
Fustic,	0 03 " 0 04
Indigo,	0 80 " 1 20
Castor Oil, ₩ gallon,	1 75 " 2 25

FISH.—DUTY: salted or smoked, 1c. per lb. fresh, free.

Codfish, ₩ quintal,	3 50 @ 4 00
Pollock, "	1 80 " 2 00
Haddock, "	1 40 " 1 60
Ling, "	4 00
Shad, No. 1, ₩ hf. brl.	4 50 " 5 00
Herrings, Bay, ₩ brl.	3 25 " 3 50
" Split, "	0 00 " 3 50
" Shelburne,	3 75 " 4 00
" Labrador,	5 00 " 5 50
Oysters,	2 50 " 4 00

SMOKED HERRINGS:

No. 1 Digby, per box,	0 00 @ 0 75
No. 2 " "	0 00 " 0 45
Grand Manan, scaled, "	0 20 " 0 25
" No. 1, "	0 10 " 0 15

FLOUR and MEAL.—DUTY: 25c. per brl.

Extra State, per brl.	8 50 @ 8 60
Canada Superfine,	8 60 " 8 65
" Choice,	8 65 " 8 75
Family and Pastry,	8 75 " 9 00
Rye Flour,	0 00 " 0 00
Oatmeal,	7 75 " 8 00
Corn Meal,	5 25 " 5 40
" per bag, coarse,	2 50 " 2 60
" ditto bolted,	2 87½ " 3 00

FRUITS.—DUTY: 15 per cent.

Raisins, bunch, per box,	2 40 @ 2 60
" layers, new, "	2 50 " 2 75

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