

In London, G. B., "Cheese is waiting for another boom, which I do not expect will be long in coming. Stocks are fairly large here; but buyers are not so much ahead as has been thought, and there has not been much backwardness among them, as it is to respond to advances on your side. Ready sales have been made at 50s. to 51s. for Canadian and forward 1s. to 2s. more, the quality of the arrivals being splendid. English is in short compass, Dutch in bad odor. Everything points to higher prices in the near future, with a regular burst at the finish. Canadian exporters might do worse than hold for a bit."

**EGGS.**—Though the quantity of eggs that come in has somewhat slackened off it remains quite sufficient for the requirements of this market. Prices are steady, though the tendency is towards higher figures. It is not probable that any real advance will occur for several weeks. In Montreal the market remains firm at 11c. to 14c. for choice fresh gathered stock, held fresh selling at 12c. to 13c. Latest advices from England are encouraging for shipments from this side, and both pickled and fresh stock it is expected will soon move in good quantities. A writer in London reports:—"Cholera, and other causes, have kept us denuded of eggs from many sources of supply for some time now, and prices have been juggling along. Few Canadians are coming here, and from no basis for quotations. Arrivals this week are all Belgian—230 cases. Shippers from the Dominion should send some forward to this port. The market is in a very receptive condition. In Liverpool small arrivals don't help prices much, which keep in the same groove. Canadians are, however, greatly in evidence, supplies doubling those of last year up to now. In Glasgow, Canadians sell as slowly as the rest, quotations being 6s. to 6s. 4d., 6s. 6d. paid some times. Buyers don't lose much at this."

**APPLES.**—Apples are now coming forward quite freely to this market, but the bulk of the best keeping are reserved for the British markets where high prices are anticipated. The Montreal Gazette says: "The winter apple situation has had a new and interesting development for those who are busy on prices. This is the active buying that is being done in Ontario by representatives of firms in the Western States, where the crop is said to be very short. Anyhow country advices say that \$1.60 to \$1.75 has been freely paid for the fruit alone. This has naturally stiffened growers' views and they are not likely to listen to lower bids. As to exporters here they decline to pay such full figures, and \$1.50 is their outside idea."

**DRIED FRUIT.**—The dried fruit market is unsettled owing to the fact that neither importers nor jobbers know how they stand till the last direct steamer has sailed. Meanwhile brokers and others are quoting all sorts of prices. With this state of affairs it is hard to foretell what future trade will be. Currants are firm and in good demand.

**SUGAR.**—The local sugar market is still the same with nothing new to note. The feeling here is firm both at the refineries and among wholesalers. The refiners report a good output in both yellow and granulated. Raw stock here is reported to be light. The wholesale trade report good sales at steady prices and, on the whole, the market is firm and good. The Montreal Trade Bulletin, under the caption "Canadian sugar for the States" says:—"The Sugar Trust in the States, although a complete monopoly as far as that country is concerned, is not sufficiently strong enough to control the sugar market as a whole. As pointed out last week, the cholera scare with its accompanying quarantine has been a factor in the situation which the Trust could not remove or control. Although beet continues quiet and unchanged in London, the Trust are unable to obtain the quantity necessary for their output of granulated, and consequently this tremendously powerful monopoly is in straits to fill their orders. At the present time they are sold far ahead and are unable to deliver orders; in fact, they are said to be doling out in small lots in order to keep immediate wants supplied. They have purchased largely from Cuba and have been waiting eagerly for the crops of Brazil and Louisiana, but unfortunately for them, these crops will be unusually late this year. As a consequence, this mighty Trust is in a little predicament, and even McKinley is powerless to aid it, meantime, other countries are reaping the advantage. English sugar has been already exported in some quantity, and more is likely to follow. The price is said to be \$4.85 on the wharf in New York. Even Canada has been allowed to contribute her mite to keep her neighbors supplied with sweet things. Both refineries in Montreal have exported some sugar to U. S. points, while the Halifax refinery has been sending some lots both to Boston and Chicago. As the freight by boat from Halifax to Boston is only 10c. a barrel, that forms only a trifling obstacle, and a correspondingly low rate has been obtained to Chicago. But it is only fair to the guardians of the McKinley boundaries to add that every possible objection to the entrance of Canadian sugar into the States is raised. One lot was held for ten days at the frontier, because the brand of the firm did not have 'Canada' on it as well as 'Montreal.'"

**TEAS.**—The scarcity of low grade teas is a growing condition, as not only are shipments on the way to Canadian markets diverted by superior offers from New York, but stock held in Canada has been moved to New York in considerable quantities. Some 7,000 packages were shipped out of the country last week, most of it making its way to Chicago. There are probably no low grade Japan teas now held in first hands. The hardening of low grade Ceylons and Assams has further narrowed buyers' chances of getting cheap teas and has imparted strength to the market for Monings. New black teas are all firmer in the lower grades in consequence of the general scarcity of the low-priced descriptions. The demand for teas is now quite active among retailers.

**COFFEE.** is firm and quite a few lots have changed hands lately. Advices from primary markets are firm, and dealers here are feeling the same.

**FISH.**—There is nothing of special interest to note in this connection. The weather during much of the past week has been too rough to permit much to be done in the way of bank or deep-sea fishing. A small

school of herring struck along coasts to the westward of this harbor on Friday last, and perhaps 100 barrels were taken. The fish were, however, small and of poor quality. A few straggling mackerel have also been taken, and it is possible that they may be the forerunners of a good body of these much-desired fish. Our outside advices are as follows:—Montreal, Oct. 5.—"Labrador herring promise to be very scarce during the coming season, only one small vessel having so far reported as heading to this port. Shore herring are quoted at \$1.00 and Cape Breton \$5.00 to \$5.50, the latter figure for July catch. Green cod is nominal at \$5.00, and dry cod \$4.75 to \$5.00. Cod and haddock have sold at 3c. to 4c. The first lots of New Yarmouth bloaters have been received, sales of which were made at \$2.00 per box of 100. Kipperd herring sold at \$3.00 per 100, and salmon at 20c. per lb. Tinned haddies have been placed at 7c. to 8c. per lb, the supply being fair." Gloucester, Mass., Oct. 5.—"Cusk and hake for curing have been in liberal supply the past week on account of the overstocking of the Boston market. Halibut have been scarce and high. Mackerel are coming in slowly, with no large stock afloat, and prices are well sustained. Trade fair. We quote latest late prices as follows: Mackerel in fisherman's order at \$16 per bbl. Last sales Bank halibut 12½ and 8½ cts. per lb. for white and gray. Georges cod from vessel \$4.12½ and \$4.37½ for large, \$2.62½ and \$2.75 for small. Bank \$4 and \$2. We quote New Georges codfish at \$7.50 per qtl. for large, and small at \$5.00, Bank \$5.50 to \$6.50 for large and \$3.50 for small; Shore \$6.50 and \$4.50 for large and small; Rips \$6.25 and \$4.25. Dry Bank \$6; medium \$3.50. We quote cured cusk at \$5.00 per qtl; hake, \$2.50; haddock, \$3.00, heavy salted pollock, \$3. Newfoundland herring, \$1 per bb'. Pickled codfish \$4.00; haddock \$3.75; halibut heads \$3.50; sounds \$13; tongues and sounds \$12; tongues \$11; alovives \$3.50, trout \$11, Halifax salmon \$23; Newfoundland do. \$16. Smoked Newfoundland and bloaters \$1.20 per 100."

## MARKET QUOTATIONS.—WHOLESALE SELLING RATES.

Our Price Lists are corrected for us each week by reliable merchants.

GROCERIES.		BREADSTUFFS	
<b>SUGARS.</b>		Wheat is a little stronger, and the probability is that a slightly better tone will be found in the markets within the very near future. All we can say is that there are some new wheat floura being delivered here as cheap as \$3.90. Oatmeal is costing \$4.00 to \$4.10 and oats 38c. to 39c. Don't let us be misunderstood—first-class floura are worth here to-day from \$4.15 to \$4.20 made from a large percentage of old wheat. We sold a car of "Chilman's Patent" at \$4.20. We offer choice floura, two-thirds old wheat and one-third new wheat, at \$4.10 to \$4.15 by the carload, whilst new wheat flour to arrive can sell as close as \$3.90 to \$4.00.	
Cut Loaf ..... 5½		<b>Flour</b>	
Granulated ..... 4½ to 4¾		Manitoba Highest Grade Patent 5 15 to 5 25	
Circle A ..... 4		High Grade Patent ..... 4 35 to 4 45	
White Extra C ..... 3½		Good 90 per cent. Patent ..... 4 10 to 4 20	
Standard ..... 3		Straight Grade ..... 4 00 to 4 05	
Extra Yellow C ..... 2½		Good Seconds ..... 3 40 to 3 55	
Yellow C ..... 2½		Graham Flour ..... 4 00 to 4 10	
<b>TEA.</b>		Oatmeal ..... 4 10 to 4 25	
Congou Common ..... 17 to 19		" Rolled ..... 4 10 to 4 25	
" Fair ..... 20 to 23		Kiln Dried Cornmeal ..... 2 90 to 3 00	
" Good ..... 25 to 29		" In Bond ..... 2 80 to 2 90	
" Choice ..... 31 to 33		Rolled Wheat ..... 5 00	
" Extra Choice ..... 35 to 39		Wheat Bran per ton ..... 18 75 to 19 00	
Oolong Choice ..... 37 to 39		Middlings ..... 18 75 to 20 10	
<b>MOLASSES.</b>		Shorts ..... 20 50 to 21 00	
Paraboles ..... 32		Cracked Corn " including bags ..... 30 00	
Demerara ..... 35 to 38		Ground Oil Cake per ton ..... 35 00	
Diamond N ..... 47		Moulce ..... 22 00 to 24 00	
Porto Rico ..... 33 to 35		Split Peas ..... 4 10	
Cienfuegos ..... none		White Beans, per bushel ..... 1 35 to 1 45	
Trinidad ..... 28		Pot Barley, per barrel ..... 3 90 to 4 50	
Antigua ..... 28		Canadian Oats, choice quality ..... 40 to 41	
Tobacco, 2 pack ..... 45 to 47		P. E. Island Oats ..... 41 to 43	
" Bright ..... 47 to 55		Hay ..... 13 00 to 13 75	
<b>BISCUITS.</b>		<b>J. A. CHIPMAN &amp; Co., Head of</b>	
Pilot Bread ..... 8 00		Central Wharf, Halifax, N. S.	
Boston and Thin Family ..... 6½			
Soda ..... 6½			
Do in lb. boxes, 50 to case ..... 7½			
Fancy ..... 8 to 15			

## HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

Apples, per bbl., Gravensteins ..... 2.50 to 3.00	
" No. 1 Fall ..... 2.00	
Oranges, Jamaica, brils., New ..... 8.00	
Lemons, per case ..... 9.00	
Coconuts, new per 100 ..... 6.00	
Onions per lb. .... 2 to 2½	
" per lb., Canadian ..... 5 to 5½	
Dates boxes, new ..... 7 to 7½	
Raisins, Valencia, new ..... 10 to 11	
Figs, Eleme, 5 lb boxes per lb., new ..... 9 to 10	
" small boxes ..... 8	
Prunes Stewing, boxes ..... 2.00 to 2.50	
Bananas ..... 2.00 to 2.50	
C. H. Har. sy, 12 & 10 Sackville St.	

## FISH.

	Ex Vesse.	Ex Store
<b>MACKEREL.</b>		
Exas ..... 00.00		
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Beef, Am. Ex. Mess, duty paid ..... 12.50 to 13.50	
" Am. Plate ..... 13.00 to 13.50	
" Ex. Plate ..... 13.50 to 14.00	
Pork, Mess, American ..... 16.00 to 16.50	
" American, clear ..... 18.00 to 18.50	
" P. E. I. Mess ..... 16.00 to 16.50	
" P. E. I. Thin Mess ..... 14.00 to 14.50	
" Prime Mess ..... 11.50 to 12.50	
Lard, Tubs and Pails, P. E. Island ..... 12	
" American ..... 10 to 11	
Hams, P. E. I., green ..... 9	
Prices are for wholesale lots only, and are liable to change daily.	

## PROVISIONS.

Beef, Am. Ex. Mess, duty paid ..... 12.50 to 13.50	
" Am. Plate ..... 13.00 to 13.50	
" Ex. Plate ..... 13.50 to 14.00	
Pork, Mess, American ..... 16.00 to 16.50	
" American, clear ..... 18.00 to 18.50	
" P. E. I. Mess ..... 16.00 to 16.50	
" P. E. I. Thin Mess ..... 14.00 to 14.50	
" Prime Mess ..... 11.50 to 12.50	
Lard, Tubs and Pails, P. E. Island ..... 12	
" American ..... 10 to 11	
Hams, P. E. I., green ..... 9	
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## BUTTER AND CHEESE

Nova Scotia Choice Fresh Prints ..... 25	
" " in Small Tubs ..... 22 to 24	
" " in large tubs, new ..... 18 to 20	
" Store Packed & oversalted ..... 14	
Canadian Township, new ..... 30	
" Western ..... 18	
Cheese, Canadian ..... 19	
" Antigonish ..... 11	

## SALT.

Factory Filled ..... \$1.70	
Fine Liverpool, bag, from store ..... 60	
Liverpool, ½ hhd., ..... 1.00	
Capiz ..... none	
Turks Island ..... none	
Lisbon ..... none	
Coarse W. I. ..... none	
Trapan ..... none	
" Adol ..... none	