

5c. Lard was also weaker and fell off 2½c. to 5c. The hog market was strong and advanced 10c. to 25c. The cattle market was fairly active at unaltered prices.

BUTTER.—Very little business has been transacted in butter during the week and the market has continued quiet. There is a decidedly easier feeling in creamery which has fallen off quite 1c. Owing to the continued drought there is a firmer feeling in regard to dairy butter, but as there is no demand prices do not advance and very little business is done.

CHEESE.—Hardly anything is doing in the cheese markets, but the position remains practically unchanged. The market is purely a waiting one, as holders are not offering, and buyers do not appear to want goods. Therefore affairs are at a standstill so far as spot trading is concerned.

FRUIT.—Since our last report the demand for green fruit has considerably improved, and the market has been more active with a larger volume of business accomplished. As the fact becomes appreciated by consumers that the crop—especially of apples—is very short this year the enquiry for them and for other winter-keeping fruits increases.

SUGAR.—There has been rather more activity in the market for refined sugar under a good demand from the West, which indicates that the markets there are almost bare of stock. Some large lines are reported to have changed hands in consequence. There has also been more inquiry by local buyers. Refiners have not been selling much sugar to the trade, owing to the fact that there are some outside lots still offering on the market. The prospects for trade in the future look more encouraging as stocks have been reduced considerably at all points, and refiners are anticipating a more active business. The tone of this market is steady on granulated, but yellows are lower at the factory. Private cable advices from London were weak and noted a further decline of 1s. on prompt beet to 14s., which is the lowest for some time. Despatches from New York quote refined sugar stronger, and note an advance of ½c. with the market active.

MOLASSES.—Business in molasses has been dull, and holders do not look for much change for some little time yet. In the absence of any transactions prices are unchanged.

TEA.—There continues to be a good demand for low grade Japan teas, which are very scarce, and buyers find some difficulty in filling their wants. Owing to the great scarcity of this class of teas there has been considerable demand for low grade young Hyson, which is also in light supply. The tone of the market is strong, owing to the continued strong advices from abroad and the light stock held in Canada. In consequence holders seem to be confident of a further advance in prices in the near future. The market on the whole has been fairly active with a respectable volume of business doing.

FISH OILS.—Our Montreal advices say that the market for cod oil is steady with last sales of round lots reported at 38c., and we quote 38c. to 40c., as to quantity. Halifax is steady at 36c. to 37c. In steam-refined seal oil there is a very firm feeling with prices quoted at 47½c. to 50c. Cod liver oil quiet at 65c. to 70c. for Newfoundland, and 92½c. to 95c. for Norway.

FISH.—Receipts of dry and pickled fish continue to be unusually slack, which is in concord with the experience of the preceding portion of this season. The reports to date give no encouragement to hope for an immediate improvement. The weather is exceptionally fine. Reports from some localities show that codfish are plentiful, but, owing to the absence of bait, which has been the feature of this season, few are taken. A few lots of Cape Breton and Eastern Shore herring are arriving, but, though they command good figures for immediate consumption, there is no desire evinced by dealers to speculate on the future. Mackerel continue to be in very small receipt, but it is difficult to say whether the reported numerous small catches along the shore were not made, or whether the fishermen are holding back what they have secured in hopes of getting a better market later on. At any rate this fish is very scarce, and our advices show that prices have advanced to the utmost limit that the consuming public will stand, and higher figures are all "moonshine." While receipts here of scale fish are very small, it is known that considerable quantities (chiefly of hake) are being held in first hands along the shore. An improvement on present figures will bring these reserves to market. Our outside advices are as follows:—Montreal, September 10.—"Labrador herring of splendid quality are offered at \$5.25 per bbl. Cape Breton herring are quoted at \$5.75 to \$6. Dry cod is scarce, and prices are steady at \$4.50 to \$5." Gloucester, Mass., September 9.—"We quote New Georges codfish at \$4.87½ 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 \$2.12½; haddock, \$2.50; heavy salted pollock, \$2 to \$2.12½, and English-cured do., \$2.62½ to \$2.75 per qtl.; Labrador herring, \$6 per 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; alewives, \$5; trout, \$15; California salmon, \$15; Halifax do., \$25; Newfoundland do., \$25." Barbadoes, August 24.—"The market is demoralized by the heavy arrivals and the sale of about 500 casks, etc., ex *Victoric* from Lunenburg (soft) at \$8.31. Sales ex *Fruit Girl* from Harbor Grace at \$9.27 to \$10.27 for casks, and \$12.27 for drums. The *Scotia*, from St. John's, with some 600 casks, and the *Silvia*, with 445 casks, have also arrived. The *Scotia* has a large proportion of Labrador, for which \$11 is asked. The *Silvia's* cargo, of which two thirds is large, has also been stored. Quotations for export, \$15 for medium and \$17 for large. Pickled fish are in over-supply and dull. Last sales of herrings were at \$1.47 to \$1.53." Georgetown, Demorara, August 16.—"The market continues in a state of demoralization, the consumption being of the most limited character. Halifax cod, best quality, \$18 to \$19; Newfoundland and soft cures, \$13 to \$16; boxes, \$3.50 to \$5, as to quality; haddock dull at \$16; hake unsaleable at \$13 to \$14; herrings, \$2 to \$3.25, according to quality."

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.....	8½ to 9½
Granulated.....	8½ to 9½
Circle A.....	8½ to 9½
White Extra C.....	7½ to 8½
Extra Yellow C.....	7½ to 8½
Yellow C.....	7½ to 8½
TEA.	
Congou, Common.....	17 to 19
" Fair.....	20 to 23
" Good.....	25 to 29
" Choice.....	31 to 33
" Extra Choice.....	35 to 38
Oolong, Choice.....	37 to 39
MOLASSES.	
Barbadoes.....	45
Demerara.....	42 to 45
Diamond N.....	45 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 lb. boxes, 50 to case.....	7½
Fancy.....	8 to 10

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 Extra.....	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
Wheat Bran, per ton.....	16.00 to 16.25
Shorts.....	19.00 to 20.00
Middlings.....	20.00 to 22.00
Cracked Corn " including bags.....	26.50
Ground Oil Cake, per ton.....	35.00
Moulce.....	26.50
Split Peas.....	3.75 to 4.00
White Beans, per bushel.....	1.05 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.

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.....	15.00 to 15.50
" American, clear.....	16.50 to 17.00
" P. E. I. Mess.....	16.00 to 16.50
" P. E. I. Thin Mess.....	11.50 to 12.00
" 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.	

Prices are for wholesale lots only, and are liable to change daily.

These quotations are prepared by a reliable wholesale house.

FISH FROM VESSELS.

MACKEREL.	
Extra.....	20.00
No. 1.....	19.00
" 2 large.....	16.00
" 2 medium.....	15.00
" 3 large.....	11.00
" 3 medium.....	11.00
HERKING.	
No. 1 Shore, July.....	4.50 to 5.00
No. 1 August, Round.....	3.50 to 3.75
" September.....	3.30 to 3.75
Labrador, in cargo lots, per bl.....	4.00 to 4.50
Bay of Islands, Split.....	2.00
" Round.....	1.75
ALEWIVES, 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
Con Oil A.....	26 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, ".....	60 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
Wetters, best quality, per 100 lbs.....	4.00 to 4.50
Lambs.....	3.50 to 4.00

These quotations are prepared by a reliable victualer

LOBSTERS.

Per case 4 doz. 1 lb cans.

Nova Scotia (Atlantic Coast Packing).....	5.25 to 6.00
Tall Cans.....	4.80 to 5.00
Flat.....	0.20 to 0.40
Newfoundland Flat Cans.....	0.35 to 0.50

HOME AND FOREIGN FRUITS.

Apples, Gravensteins.....	3.00
Apples, No. 1, per bbl.....	1.75 to 2.50
Oranges, Jamaica, per bbl, repacked.....	7.50
Lemons, per case.....	7.00
Cocoanuts, per 100.....	3.50 to 4.00
Onions, New American, per lb.....	2½ to 3½
Dates, boxes, new.....	5½ to 6
Raisins, Valencia.....	6½ to 7
Figs, Elmer, 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.....	23
" " in Small Tubs.....	18 to 20
" Good, in large tubs.....	16 to 18
" Store Packed & oversalted.....	14
Canadian Township.....	18
" 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. FOSTER, dealer in Wool and Hides, Connors' Wharf.

LUMBER.

Pine, clear, No. 1, per m.....	25.00 to 28.00
" Merchantable, do do.....	14.00 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 7.00
Hemlock, merchantable.....	7.00
Shingles, No. 1, sawed, pine.....	3.00 to 3.50
" No. 2, do do.....	1.70 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