

MARKETS.

Toronto.

LIVE STOCK.

Cattle—Export—Choice, \$4.25 to \$4.60; good, \$3.60 to \$4.10; others, \$3.75 to \$3.85; bulls, \$3.50 to \$4; cows, \$2.75 to \$3.50.

Butchers'—Picked lots, \$4 to \$4.50; good, \$3.75 to \$3.90; fair, \$3.20 to \$3.60; common, \$2.50 to \$3; cows, \$2 to \$2.75; bulls, \$1.75 to \$2.25.

Feeders—Short-keep, \$3.60 to \$4; good, \$3.40 to \$3.65; medium, \$2.50 to \$3.30; bulls, \$2 to \$2.75.

Stockers—Good, \$2.80 to \$3.30; common, \$2 to \$2.70; bulls, \$1.75 to \$2.50.

Milch Cows—\$30 to \$60 each.

Calves—3½c. to 5½c. per pound, and \$2 to \$10 each.

Sheep—Export ewes, \$4 to \$4.25; culls and bucks, \$3 to \$3.50. Lambs, \$5 to \$5.60.

Hogs—Selects, \$5.50 per cwt.; lights and fats, \$5.25.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat—Ontario—No. 2 white, 80c.; mixed red and white, 79c.; goose and spring, each, 75c. to 76c.

Milfeed—Manitoba—Bran, \$16 to \$17.50; shorts, \$18.50 to \$19.50, at Toronto and equal points.

Oats—35½c. to 36½c., at outside points.

Barley—No. 2, 51c. to 52c.; No. 3 extra, 49c. to 50c.; No. 3, 47c., at outside points.

Pens—75c. to 76c., outside.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter—Creamery, 22c. to 24c.; solids, 21c. to 22c.; dairy, rolls, 20c. to 22c.; tubs, 17c. to 20c.

Cheese—Job lots, 12½c. to 13c.

Eggs—Fresh, 22c.; limed, 19c. to 20c.

Poultry—Dressed—Fat chickens, 8c. to 10c.; thin, 7c. to 8c.; fat hens, 7c. to 8c.; thin, 6c. to 8c.; ducks, 10c. to 11c.; thin, 6c. to 8c.; turkeys, 12c. to 13c.; geese, 9c. to 10c.

Potatoes—Ontario—On track, 60c. to 75c.; out of store, 75c. to 80c.; out of store, 90c. to 95c.

Honey—Combs, \$1.50 to \$2 per dozen; strained, 7c. to 8c. per pound.

Baled Hay—No. 1 timothy, \$8 to \$8.50 per ton, on track; No. 2, \$6 to \$6.50.

FARMERS' MARKET.

Dressed Hogs—Choice, light, \$8 per cwt.; heavy, \$7.75. Hay—No. 1 timothy, \$9 to \$10; mixed or clover, \$6 to \$8.

Straw—\$12 to \$14; loose, \$8. Butter—24c. to 26c. Eggs—30c. to 35c. Spring chickens, dressed, 8c.; live, 6c.; old, dressed, 5c.; live, 3c. Turkeys, dressed, 12c.; live, 11c. Geese, dressed, 8c.; live, 6c. Potatoes, bag, 80c. to 95c.; apples, bbl., \$1.50 to \$2.50. Beef, hind quarters, 6c. to 7c.; fore quarters, 4c. to 5c.; carcasses, 6½c. to 7c. Calves, 7½c. to 9c. Lambs, 9c. to 10c.

HORSES.

The local horse market reflected marked improvement last week, both in the volume of trading and in values, which are well above the level prevailing a week ago. Apparently the large surplus supply, which dealers have been complaining about for some time past, has been disposed of, and the market is no longer menaced by excessive offerings. The demand has been very broad, embracing nearly every class of animal; but perhaps the greatest improvement was shown in drafters and drivers, which met an exceptionally brisk enquiry. The quality of the offerings throughout the week has been much better than for some time past, and this, perhaps, has been a factor in the trading, though, aside from this, there is undoubtedly a firmer feeling in the market.

Following is the range of values:

Single roadsters, 15 to 16 hands	\$125 to \$175
Single cobs and carriage horses, 15 to 16.1 hands	120 to 175
Matched pairs and carriage horses, 15 to 16.1 hands	250 to 500
Delivery horses, 1,100 to 1,200 pounds	125 to 160
General-purpose and expressers, 1,200 to 1,350 lbs.	125 to 175
Draft horses, 1,350 to 1,750 lbs.	125 to 175
Servicable second-hand workers	50 to 90
Servicable second-hand drafters	50 to 95

THE CROWN BANK OF CANADA

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TORONTO, ONT.

EDWARD GURNEY, President

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G. de C. O'GRADY, General Manager.

Montreal.

Live Stock.—Exporters pleased to find that prices for cattle on the other side have not only been maintained at the advance of a week ago, but have actually gone a little higher. Tone of the local market healthy, and demand fair. Deliveries, however, fully equal to requirements, and as a general thing, no change in prices. A few fine steers brought from 4c. to 4½c.; good butchers' range from 3c. to 4c., and common from 2c. to 3c.; inferior, thin animals, 1½c. to 2c. A carload of fine milch cattle was reported sold at \$50 per animal. Market for sheep a shade firmer, and demand good, prices ranging from 3½c. to 4½c.; lambs the same as a week ago, at 5c. to 5½c., demand being still reported from American buyers. Calves showed no change. The poor stock sold at 2c. to 3c. per lb., superior bringing 3c. to 4c., and a fraction more. Hogs steady, and in fair supply and demand. Selects ranging from 6c. to 6½c., and mixed from 5½c. to 6c.

Horses—A sale of horses took place here lately, ordinary working farm stock were all taken at \$100 to \$150. A somewhat better type of horse may be had at about \$125 to \$175—the express horse. The coal-cart horse, weighing 1,350 to 1,450 lbs., strong and sound, is in some demand at present, and \$150 to \$200 is being paid for desirable animals. Heavy draft horses, 1,500 to 1,600 lbs., sell as high as \$225 to \$250 each, those ranging about 100 lbs. lighter selling about \$50 less. A few driving horses are selling, mostly at \$100 to \$200 each, an occasional animal bringing up to \$300 and \$400.

Butter—A very active demand, and high prices for first-class creamery. Choice stock, 23½c. to 24c.; fine, 23½c. Little dairy butter offering; tubs of it, 20c. to 21c.; Ontario rolls, 21½c. Manitoba dealers have offered a few cars at the equivalent of 21½c., laid down, but as Manitoba butter is ordinarily not worth nearly so much as Ontario dairy, the offer was not accepted.

Cheese—Little doing, local prices being rather stiff for English importers. Export shipments are almost over for the season. To date, they have crossed the 2,000,000-box mark. October makes, 12½c. for Quebecs; 12½c. to 12½c. for Townships, and 12½c. to 12½c. for Ontarios. November makes, ¼c. less, all round.

Poultry—There is a good demand for all sorts of fine poultry. According to reports, stocks throughout the country do not appear to be very large. There is a general impression among the trade, here, that about the beginning of December, should the weather continue cold, dealers will commence to buy actively, and there will be an advance in price as a result. At present, geese range from 8c. to 10c. per lb., wholesale; turkeys, 14c. to 15c.; ducks, 12c. to 13c., and even 13½c.; chickens, 10c. to 12c., and fowl, 8c. to 9c. At the higher prices mentioned in the range, the stock will be finest, dry-picked, fresh-killed, unfrozen stock, nice and fat, and up to a good average of what is known as finest. Already, 10c. was refused by one dealer for 1,000 lbs. of geese, and 14½c. for 1,000 lbs. turkeys. Prices in the country would be about ½c. to ¾c. less than those mentioned.

Eggs—Receipts of fresh-laid eggs have fallen to almost nothing. The quality of the straight-gathered stock is not good, limed being preferred by many. Fresh-laid, selected and candied, sell as high as 26c. to 27c. They cost at least 22c. in the country. Cold-storage are of all qualities, and range from 21c. to 23c., limed bringing 20c. to 22c., according to quality. Many dealers look for advances shortly.

Grain—Oats, firm. Sales of No. 2 are being made at 39½c., store, No. 3 being 38½c., and No. 4, 38c. to 38½c., and 39½c. Manitoba barley is 48c. for No. 3, track, and 46½c. for No. 4. Peas are quoted at 79c. afloat, and buckwheat at 58c. to 58½c., store. Trade is almost over for the season.

Hay—Good demand, and firm market for best hay, prices ranging from \$8.50 to \$9 per ton, on track, for No. 1 timothy. No. 2 is \$7.50 to \$8; clover-mixed, \$6.25 to \$6.50, and clover, \$5.50 to \$6. It is difficult to obtain ocean freight at present, and this has a weakening influence on the market. Later on this should be remedied.

Feed—Manitoba millers are not able to supply the demand for bran and shorts. Prices steady at \$17 per ton for bran, in bags, and \$20 for shorts. Ontarios, in bulk, are about \$1 less.

Vegetables—Potatoes have advanced to 57c. per 90 lbs., on track here, and dealers are charging 65c. to 70c., bagged, and delivered in store, in a jobbing way. Turnips are mostly poor stock, but fine may be had at about \$9.50 per ton, curs, on track, or in store at \$10.50 to \$11.50 per ton. Canadian red onions are quoted at \$1.10 per bag of 75 lbs.

Chicago.

Cattle—Common to prime steers, \$2.90 to \$6.60; stockers and feeders, \$2.15 to \$4.15; calves, \$2 to \$7.

Hogs—Good to prime heavy, \$4.85 to \$4.95; medium to good heavy, \$4.75 to \$4.85; strong weight butchers', \$4.85 to \$4.95; good to choice mixed heavy, \$4.70 to \$4.80; packing, \$4.30 to \$4.80. Sheep—Sheep, \$3.75 to \$5.50; yearlings, \$5.50 to \$6; spring lambs, \$6.75 to \$7.50.

Buffalo.

Hogs—Heavy, mixed, \$5.10 to \$5.15; Yorkers, \$4.95 to \$5.10; pigs, \$5.05 to \$5.15; roughs, \$4.25 to \$4.50; stags, \$3 to \$3.75.

Sheep and Lambs—Lambs, \$5.75 to \$7.60; yearlings, \$6 to \$6.25; wethers, \$5.50 to \$5.75; ewes, \$5 to \$5.25; mixed, \$2.50 to \$5.50; Canada lambs, \$7 to \$7.25.

British Cattle Market.

London.—Cattle are quoted at 9c. to 12c. per lb.; refrigerator beef, 8½c. to 8½c. per lb.; sheep, 11c. to 12c. per lb.

Will Mr. Allan Black, Ontario Co., Ont., whose house plan appeared in the "Farmer's Advocate" for Jan. 5th, 1905, please send his P. O. address to this office?

An old lady and her two daughters went into a millinery store. The young women wore morning hats. The elder woman said to the clerk: "I want a mourning hat, for I am in mourning. But my darter here," pointing to one of her companions, "is a wader of two years' standing, and she is in light distress. Give her a hat with blue feathers on it."

Mutton Broth.—Remove the skin and fat from one and one-half pounds of mutton (the neck portion is the best), and cut it into small pieces. Put in a saucepan with the bones, and cover with one quart of cold water. Let it boil very slowly. When it boils add half a teaspoon of salt and one and one-half tablespoons of pepper. Cook till quite tender, then strain, cool and remove the fat before using a soup for baby's dinner.

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