

Commercial.

THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE OFFICE,
London, Ont., Sept. 1st, 1883.

August has been in marked contrast to July—fine, bright, sunny weather with cool nights. Just the weather for harvest work, and no doubt it has been made good use of by farmers.

WHEAT

The past month has found the foreign wheat market somewhat fickle. The weather in England has been pretty fine, and fine harvest weather in England means dull markets and indifferent traders. Still, the stocks in England and in sight are heavy, with pretty free movements of wheat in the Western States, together with good crop reports from nearly all parts of the globe, may give the English millers and merchants a feeling of confidence as to future prices ruling steady or possibly lower. The yield of fall wheat in Ontario will vary very much. We hear of some who have threshed 23 to 28 bushels to the acre, and others not more than 10 bushels. There is a cause for the poor yield, and if farmers will look well into the matter we think they will find the reason to be either bad drainage, poor tillage, or, possibly, poor seed. Change of seed is a very important thing, and a few dollars spent in new or a change of seed cannot be better invested.

OATS

Are an enormous crop, and the yield will be good with a fine sample.

POTATOES

Have suffered a good deal in some sections from the excessive wet through June and July, many farmers not having enough for their own use. In other sections we understand that the crop is good.

APPLES

Are a poor crop, generally speaking, and many large orchards are almost without an apple. The crop in England is much better than for several years past.

PORK AND HOGS.

The wholesale slaughter in prices in hog products the past three months has been very rarely seen before. In less than three months the price of pork in Chicago declined about \$3 per barrel. The market must be pretty near bottom; still, with heavy crops of hogs and corn in the west the prospects of any advance are not very promising.

CHEESE

Has ruled very dull for the past three weeks, but the market is a little better the past two days. The make is heavy, but fine. We do not look for any further decline.

BUTTER.

There is very little change in prices, and buyers are very cautious. The Montreal papers report large stocks in first hands all through the townships, as well as Brockville and Morrisburg districts.

FARMERS' MARKET.

LONDON, ONT., Aug. 30, 1883.

Per 100 lbs

Red wheat..	\$1 75 to \$1 90	Eggs, small lots	15 to 16
Deihl	1 65 to 1 70	Potatoes, bag	1 00 to 1 50
Treadwell..	1 80 to 1 85	Apples.....	1 00 to 1 50
Clawson....	1 60 to 1 80	Roll butter....	18 to 20
Corn.....	1 15 to 1 30	Tub ".....	18 to 14
Oats.....	1 15 to 1 30	Crock ".....	10 to 18
Barley.....	1 00 to 1 15	Cheese, lb.....	10 to 11
Peas.....	1 20 to 1 25	Onions, bush..	60 to 0 80
Poultry (Dressed).....	0 70	Tallow, clear..	7 to 8
Chickens, pair 0 60 to 0 70		" rough.....	5 to 5
Ducks, pair..	0 60 to 0 80	Lard, per lb....	14 to 15
Turkeys, each 0 75 to 2 00		Wool.....	17 to 20
Poultry (Undressed).....	0 75	Clover seed....	0 00 to 0 00
Live Stock.....	0 50 to 0 75	Timothy seed..	0 00 to 0 00
Milk cows... 40 00 to 60 00		Hay, per ton..	11 00 to 12 00
		Beans per bush	1 25 to 1 50

TORONTO, Ont., Aug. 30, 1883.

Wheat, fall No. 1	\$1 10 to \$0 00	Chickens, pair..	0 50 to 0 55
Wheat, spring	1 08 to 1 16	Fowls, pair....	0 60 to 0 00
Barley.....	0 65 to 0 75	Ducks, brace..	0 80 to 0 80
Oats.....	0 41 to 0 42	Geese.....	0 00 to 0 00
Peas.....	0 78 to 0 80	Turkeys.....	1 00 to 2 00
Flour.....	5 00 to 5 00	Butter, roll....	0 20 to 0 20
Rye.....	0 00 to 0 00	Butter, dairy..	0 17 to 0 18
Potatoes, bag..	1 10 to 0 20	Eggs, fresh....	0 19 to 0 20
Apples, bri....	0 00 to 0 00	Wool, per lb....	0 17 to 0 20
Tomatoes, bu..	0 00 to 0 00	Hay.....	13 00 to 14 50
Beans, bu.....	1 25 to 1 50	Straw.....	8 00 to 10 00
Onions, bag....	0 00 to 0 00	Eggs.....	\$ 50 to \$ 75

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

MONTREAL, Aug. 30.

Wheat—		Ont Oatmeal..	5 25 to 5 50
Can spring, \$1 17 to \$1 18		Cornmeal....	8 50 to 4 00
Red winter 1 18 to 1 22		Butter—	
White..... 1 17 to 1 18		East'n Tp's..	15 to 17
Corn..... 62 to 62		Morrisburg..	17 to 18
Oats..... 35 to 36		Brockville..	17 to 18
Peas..... 97 to 98		Western.....	13 to 14
Flour—		Mess pork....	18 50 to 19 00
Superior ex 5 35 to 5 40		Lard.....	12 to 13
Superfine... 4 30 to 4 50		Hams.....	13 to 14
Strong bak 5 50 to 5 56		Bacon.....	18 to 14
Pollards.... 8 40 to 8 50		Cheese.....	9 to 10

LIVE-STOCK MARKETS

BRITISH MARKETS, PER CABLE.

Liverpool, Aug. 27th, 1883.

CATTLE.

Trading in the cattle market was slow and the demand was weak, but prices show no change as compared with last week.

Choice steers.....	14 1/2
Good steers.....	14
Medium steers.....	13
Inferior and bulls.....	10 to 11 1/2

[These prices are for estimated dead weight; offal is not reckoned.]

SHEEP.

Business in the sheep market has been slow at the decline noted last week. The prices were generally steady.

Best long woolled.....	14 1/2
Second.....	14 @ 15
Merinos.....	13 1/2 @ 14 1/2
Inferior and rams.....	11 @ 12 1/2

[These prices are for estimated dead weight; offal is not reckoned.]

East Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 31.

Receipts—Cattle, 799; hogs, 7,453; sheep, 1,400. Shipments Cattle, 761; hogs, 4,805; sheep, 1,200. Cattle—Offerings light, and the run of through stock small, with all offered readily taken at about former prices. No good stock for sale. A few butchers' lots brought \$3.75 to \$4.15. Sheep and lambs—Receipts light and market strong—and firm at full former prices of yesterday. Sales, including fair to good sheep, \$4.25 to \$5.25. Western lambs, common to extra, \$4.05 to \$6.75; few Canada lambs at \$6.25 to \$6.35. Hogs—demand moderate.

Montreal, Aug. 27.—The market for shipping cattle has picked up a little from the dullness experienced last week, and at Acer & Kennedy's yards, Point St. Charles, a rather better demand prevailed. The spot offerings were light, and a clearance was effected. Prices were more firmly held at 5 1/2c. to 6 1/2c. per pound live weight, within which range all were taken. Freighters are firm at \$4. Shipping sheep had a dull, almost demoralized market, with prices nominal at 5c. to 5 1/2c. per pound.

CHEESE MARKET.

Liverpool, 30th Aug. (per cable)—Cheese 52s. 6d.

LONDON, ONT., CHEESE MARKET—Sept. 1st.

At the market on Saturday, fifteen factories offered 4,195 boxes, 190 being July make, balance August. Sales were made of 775 boxes at 10c., 3,405 boxes at 10 1/2c. Total sales, 4,180 boxes.

Ingersoll, Aug. 28, 1883.

At the market thirteen factories offered 4,425 boxes cheese, of which 1,700 boxes were August make, balance last half July. 4,160 boxes sold, namely, 80 boxes at 9 1/2c., 205 at 9 1/2c., 600 at 9 1/2c., 2,750 at 10c., and 525 at 10 1/2c. Several sold Aug. make that was not registered. 24 factories and 11 buyers present.

Utica, N. Y., Aug. 27, 1883.

The sales comprised 375 pkgs at 9c., 375 do. at 9 1/2c., 365 do. at 9 1/2c., 200 do. at 9 1/2c., 5,100 do. at 9 1/2c., 325 do. at 9 1/2c., 375 do. at 9 1/2c., 425 do. small at 7 1/2c., 650 do. at private terms and 1,800 do. were commissioned. Market firmer with increased demand.

Little Falls, Aug. 27, 1883.

There were sales to-day of 700 bxs. factory cheese at 9c. to 9 1/2c., 400 do. at 9 1/2c., 4,400 do. at 9 1/2c., 5,000 do. at 9 1/2c., 300 do. at 10c., 1,170 do. at private terms. 10 do. on commission and 775 do. farm dairy at 9 to 9 1/2c.—bulk at 9 1/2c.; also 70 pkgs butter at 20 to 21c.—bulk at 21c. Market lively.

Dairy Notes.

Oleomargarine is a wolf in sheep's clothing.

Bad butter needs no brand, as it speaks for itself.

Messrs. Garnett & Galbraith, of the Ontario Butter Tub Factory at Bethany, Ont., are now introducing to the dairymen of Canada, as a specialty, their new tin-lined Tubs. These Tubs are worthy of an inspection and trial by all interested.

A writer in an exchange says that he was troubled with the smell of garlic or wild onion in his milk. To obviate this he put the cows in the stable at about three o'clock each afternoon, and fed on hay and gave their grain as usual. The result was all he anticipated; a rest of three hours allowed this scent to pass off in the other secretions, though previously it very strongly flavored both milk and butter. The same course would probably be an advantage when the milk tastes of other foul weeds in the pasture.

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