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Markets

Agriculture Live
Intelligence Division

Good Calves

Name	Week
Ending	Ending
1918	Jan. 2
6.00	\$17.75
6.50	14.00
6.50	14.00
0.00	9.00
0.00	9.00

Good Lambs

Name	Week
Ending	Ending
1918	Jan. 2
19.25	\$16.00
16.50	14.00
16.50	14.00
17.75	15.25
15.75	13.50
16.00	13.50

Range
Sales

Top
Price
13.50
12.00
10.25

11.00
10.00
7.50

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to \$10.25 per
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week ending Jan.
d local butchers

277 canners and
butcher cattle,

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s were, made up

the yards for the
OS cattle, 66,346

d 70,460 sheep;
cattle, 63,127

d 73,603 sheep,
of 1917.

disposition from
ending January

d local butchers
8 butcher cattle,

s. Shipments to
consisted of 796

during the year
e, 48,874 calves,

sheep; compared
73 calves, 48,816

received during
ts During 1918:

al receipts, ex-

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clusive of through shipments, at the Winnipeg Yards during 1918 were: 273,442 cattle, 12,169 calves, 313,232 hogs and 36,141 sheep; compared with 256,523 cattle, 12,196 calves, 278,943 hogs and 20,665 sheep, received during the year of 1917.

CALGARY.—The total receipts during the year of 1918 were 133,793 cattle, 45,813 calves, 138,549 hogs and 51,729 sheep; compared with 81,210 cattle (including calves), 118,010 hogs and 19,826 sheep, received during the year of 1917.

EDMONTON.—The total receipts during the year of 1918 were: 45,099 cattle, 5,417 calves, 44,284 hogs and 5,137 sheep; compared with 30,980 cattle, 5,272 calves, 24,273 hogs and 3,416 sheep, received during the year of 1917.

Toronto Produce.

Live-stock receipts at the Union Stock Yards, West Toronto, on Monday, January 13, consisted of 207 cars, 3,521 cattle, 240 calves, 2,568 hogs, 2,075 sheep and lambs. Cattle market uneven; prices average about steady. Top for loads, \$14.65 for 13 head, average weight 1,220 pounds. Stockers and feeders steady; calves steady to 25 cents lower. Sheep, 25 to 50 cents lower; lambs steady. Contract hogs steady, but packers were bidding one dollar lower.

Breadstuffs.

Wheat.—Ontario f.o.b. shipping points, (according to freights). No. 1 winter, per car lot, \$2.14 to \$2.22; No. 2 winter, per car lot, \$2.11 to \$2.19; No. 3 winter, per car lot, \$2.07 to \$2.15; No. 1 spring, per car lot, \$2.09 to \$2.17; No. 2 spring, per car lot, \$2.06 to \$2.14; No. 3 spring, per car lot, \$2.02 to \$2.10. Manitoba wheat, (in store, Fort William, not including war tax)—No. 1 northern, \$2.24½; No. 2 northern, \$2.21½; No. 3 northern, \$2.17½; No. 4 wheat, \$2.11½. Oats.—Manitoba (in store, Fort William), No. 2 C. W., 78¼c.; No. 3 C. W., 74¼c.; extra No. 1 feed, 75¼c.; No. 1 feed, 74¼c.

Oats.—Ontario, (new crop), according to freights outside; No. 2 white, 71c. to 74c.; No. 3 white, 70c. to 73c.

Corn.—American, (track, Toronto, Jan. shipment) No. 3, yellow, \$1.75; No. 4 yellow, \$1.70.

Barley (according to freights outside)—malting, 92c. to 97c.

Buckwheat (according to freights outside)—No. 2, \$1.30.

Flour.—Ontario (prompt shipment). War quality, (old crop), \$10.25, Montreal and Toronto. Manitoba flour, Toronto, war quality, \$11.35.

Rye (according to freights outside)—No. 2, \$1.54, nominal.

Peas (according to freights outside)—No. 2, \$2.

Hay and Millfeed.

Hay.—No. 1, per ton, car lots, \$21 to \$22; mixed, per ton, \$19 to \$20.

Straw.—Car lots, per ton, \$9.50 to \$10.50.

Bran.—Per ton, \$37.25; shorts, per ton, \$42.25.

Hides and Wool.

Prices delivered, Toronto:

City Hides.—City butcher hides, green, flat, 18c.; calf skins, green, flat, 30c.; veal kip, 20c.; horse hides, city take off, \$6 to \$7; sheep, \$3 to \$4.

Country Markets.—Beef hides flat, cured, 18c. to 20c.; green, 16c. to 17c.; deacon or bob calf, \$2.00 to \$2.75; horse

hides, country take off, No. 1, \$6 to \$7; No. 2, \$5 to \$6; No. 1 sheep skins, \$2.50 to \$4. Horse hair, farmer's stock, \$28.

Tallow.—City rendered, solids, in barrels, 14c. to 16c.; country solids in barrels, No. 1, 14c. to 16c.; cakes, No. 1, 18c. to 19c.

Wool.—Unwashed fleece wool, as to quality, fine, 50c. to 55c.; washed wool, fine, 75c. to 80c.

Country Produce.

Butter.—Butter prices remained stationary on the wholesales, selling as follows. Creamery, fresh-made lb, squares, 56c. to 57c. per lb.; creamery cut solids, 54c. to 55c. per lb.; dairy, 45c. to 50c. per pound.

Oleomargarine kept stationary in price, selling at 33c. to 34c. per lb.

Eggs.—New laid eggs were slightly easier on the wholesales during the past week but the cold-storage variety firmed somewhat. Selling as follows:—New laid, 70c. per doz.; cold-storage 56c. per doz.; selects at 60c. per dozen

Cheese.—New, 28c. per lb.; twins, 28½c. per lb.

Honey.—Honey prices kept firm on the wholesales, being quoted as follows: 5, 10 and 60-lb. pails, 28c. per lb.; comb sections, 30c. to 40c. each.

Wholesale Fruits and Vegetables.

Apples kept quite firm, Ontarios ranging from \$3.50 to \$7.50 per bbl. and \$1.50 to \$3.25 per box. Westerns at \$2.50 to \$4 per box.

Bananas were a little easier at 6c. to 7c. per lb.

Cranberries are so scarce they are practically off the market.

Grapes continued to sell at high prices namely \$13 to \$16 per keg: (Spanish Almerias)

Grapefruit prices showed a firming tendency: Floridas selling at \$5 to \$6 per case; Cuban at \$5 to \$5.50 and Jamaica at \$4.50 per case.

Lemons sold at unchanged prices. \$4.50 to \$5 per case.

Oranges again firmed slightly; California Navels selling at \$4 to \$7.50 per case.

Tomatoes.—Hot-house tomatoes continued to be shipped in in very limited quantities, No. 1's selling at 35c. to 40c. per lb. and No. 2's at 25c. per lb.

Vegetables.—Old vegetables were not very active, selling at practically unchanged prices. Beets at 75c. to \$1 per bag; Cabbage at \$1 to \$1.50 per bbl.; Carrots at 65c. to 75c. per bag; Onions at 75c. to \$1 per 75 lb. sack and \$1.75 to \$2 per 100 lb. sack; Turnips at 60c. to 75c. per bag.

Potatoes again declined. Ontario's selling at \$1.35 to \$1.40 per bag and N.B. Delawares at \$1.75 per bag.

Buffalo.

Cattle.—Cattle market was again very high at Buffalo last week—prices remaining strong and the demand was sufficiently strong to take everything in sight each day. There were some Canadians, not many, but mostly steers and good kind of butchering, and heavy heifers and fat cows. Canadian steers sold up to \$15.75, averaging a little better than twelve hundred, while best natives reached \$16.50 to \$17, averaging less than twelve hundred, but showing a harder finish than the Canadians. Canadian heavy heifers ranged up to \$13.50, with best heavy fat cows landing around \$11.50 to \$12. Bulls of all kinds ruled higher and were taken readily. Stocker and feeder stuff brought higher prices for slaughter than the feeders would pay. Fresh cow and springer market ruled firm. Best week generally in the trade for some time. Offerings for the week totaled 5,150 head, as against 3,225 for the previous week, and as compared with 3,825 head for the corresponding week last year.

Quotations: Shipping Steers, Natives.—Choice to prime, \$17 to \$17.50; fair to good, \$15.25 to \$16; plain and medium, \$11.25 to \$12; coarse and common, \$10 to \$11.

Shipping Steers, Canadians.—Best heavy, \$15.25 to \$15.75; fair to good, \$13 to \$14.75; medium weight, \$12 to \$12.75; common and plain, \$10.50 to \$10.75.

Butchering Steers.—Choice heavy, \$15.50 to \$16; fair to good, \$13.75 to \$14.50; best handy, \$11.75 to \$12.25; fair to good, \$11 to \$11.50; light and common, \$9 to \$10; yearlings, choice to prime, \$16 to \$18; medium to good, \$12 to \$15.50.

Cows and Heifers.—Very fancy fat cows, \$10 to \$11; best heavy heifers,

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Montreal.

\$11.25 to \$12; fair to good, \$10.50 to \$11; good butchering heifers, \$10 to \$10.50; fair butchering heifers, \$8 to \$9; light common, \$5 to \$7; best heavy fat cows, \$9 to \$10; good butchering cows, \$8.25 to \$8.50; medium to fair, \$7.50 to \$8; cutters, \$6.75 to \$7; canners, \$6.25 to \$6.80.

Bulls.—Best heavy, \$10 to \$11; good butchering, \$10 to \$10.50; sausage, \$7.50 to \$8; light bulls, \$6.50 to \$7.50.

Stockers and Feeders.—Best feeders, \$10.50 to \$11; common to fair, \$8 to \$9.50; best stockers, \$8.75 to \$9.25; fair to good, \$8.25 to \$8.75; common, \$5 to \$7.

Milchers and Springers.—Good to best, small lots, \$100 to \$135; in carloads, \$90 to \$100; medium to fair, small lots, \$80 to \$85; in carloads, \$70 to \$75; common, \$50 to \$55.

Hogs.—Prices at Buffalo showed a good margin over all other marketing points last week. Monday it was generally a one-price deal of \$18.15 for all grades; Tuesday the best hogs brought \$18.40, with underweights ranging from \$18.25 to \$18.40, the next two days the best grades landed mostly at \$18.50, with pigs selling down to \$18, and Friday prices were a quarter lower, bulk of the good hogs going at \$18.25, with pigs \$17.75.

Good throwouts roughs landed mostly at \$15.50, and stags ranged from \$13 down. For the past-week receipts were 32,300 head, as against 13,997 head for the week previous, and 28,400 head for the same week a year ago.

Sheep and Lambs.—Market was active all of last week, and a good clearance was had from day to day. Monday the best lambs sold mostly at \$17.50; Tuesday the bulk brought \$18; Wednesday the trade was steady with Tuesday; Thursday the trade was uneven, tops ranging from \$17.75 to \$18; and Friday some reached \$18.15. Cull lambs sold up to \$17, yearlings brought as high as \$15.50 and \$16, two-year-old wethers made \$14, and ewes ranged from \$11 down. The past week's receipts were 23,500 head, being against 13,355 head for the week previous and 11,500 head for the corresponding week a year ago.

Calves.—Prices held to a very high level again last week. Monday, Wednesday and Thursday choice veals sold at \$21.50, and Tuesday and Friday the bulk went at \$22. Desirable culls brought up to \$18.50. Thursday two decks of light Canadian calves sold with only a few of the real mean ones at \$18.50. The past week's receipts totaled 3,100 head, for the week before there were 1,847 head, and for the same week a year ago the run totaled 1,950 head.

Chicago

Hogs.—Butchers', \$17.55 to \$17.60; light, \$17 to \$17.50; packing, \$16.75 to \$17.40; throwouts, \$16 to \$16.50; pigs, \$15.75 to \$16.50.

Cattle.—Cattle compared with a week ago, good to best beef steers and butcher cattle, strong to 25c. higher; low-grade stock, 25c. to 30c. lower; bulls and stockers and feeders, strong to 25c. higher; veal calves, \$1 higher.

Sheep.—Sheep compared with a week ago, fat lambs and mature sheep, mostly 15c. to 25c. higher; yearlings, 25c. to 50c. higher; feeding lambs, 50c. higher.

Cheese Markets

New York, special, 37¼c.; average run, 36½c. to 37¼c.; Montreal, Finest Easters, 24c. to 25c.

Horses.—Very little business is taking place in horses, although it is said that there was some inquiry during the week, and greater activity is looked for very shortly. Prices showed no change, being as follows: Heavy draft horses, weighing 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$250 to \$300 each; light draft, weighing 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$200 to \$250 each; light horses, \$125 to \$175 each; culls, \$50 to \$75 each; and fine saddle and carriage horses, \$175 to \$250 each.

Dressed Hogs.—The market for dressed hogs continued firm, and country dressed have been changing hands at 23c. to 24c. for choice quality. Abattoir fresh-killed hogs were bringing 25½c. to 26c.

Poultry.—Although the season for poultry is now, to a considerable extent, past, prices showed no indication of declining, and, in fact, were rather higher. Choice turkeys sold at 42c., and even more, while lower grades were to be obtained all the way down to around 32c. Milk-fed chickens were steady at 32c. to 33c.; and ordinary grades from 25c. up.

Fowl sold at 24c. to 28c.; geese at 25c. to 26c.; and ducks, 32c. to 34c.

Potatoes.—Although merchants have been looking for a strong market, potatoes were obtainable at rather lower prices in some instances. Green Mountains were quoted at \$1.75 to \$1.80 per 90 lbs., carlots, ex-track, while Quebec Whites were \$1.35 to \$1.45. Twenty cents is added to these prices for smaller lots. Quebec turnips were still \$1.25 per 70-lb. bag, and red onion, \$1.50 to \$1.75, ex-store.

Eggs.—Eggs have reached such a price that consumption has fallen off considerably. Fancy, new-laid eggs were quoted at 73c. to 75c. wholesale, and some retailers were charging consumers \$1 per dozen. Strictly new-laid were quoted at 70c.; selected fresh, 55c.; cold storage selects, 54c.; and cold store No. 1, 50c.

Butter.—The demand for butter keeps up well in spite of high prices. Quality was, in many instances, not quite up to the standard. Prices were steady, with finest creamery at 52½c. to 53½c., and fine at 1c. under, while dairies ranged from 40c. to 45c. per lb.

Cheese.—The commission still has the purchase of cheese in hand and prices were unchanged, at 25c. for No. 1 cheese; 24¼c. for No. 2, and 24c. for No. 3.

Grain.—The local market for oats was strong, and No. 2 Canadian Western were quoted at 93c. per bushel, ex-store.

No. 3 are 89¼c.; extra No. 1 feed, 90c.; No. 2 feed were quoted at 82c.; No. 2 Ontario white being 86c.; and No. 3 white 85c.

Carlots of No. 3 yellow corn were quoted at \$1.62½ to \$1.65; No. 4 yellow, \$1.61½; No. 5 yellow, \$1.60, ex-store.

Barley was not in good demand, and Ontario extra No. 3 was \$1.16; No. 3 being \$1.15; and Manitoba sample grades, \$1.05.

Flour.—The price of flour held steady, no new developments having occurred to cause any alterations. Government standard Manitoba spring wheat flour was \$11.25 per barrel, in bags, Montreal freights; and to city bakers, with 10c. off for spot cash. Ontario winter wheat flour was steady at \$11.10 per barrel, in new cotton bags. Substitute flours were neglected, but white corn flour was still quoted at \$9.60 to \$9.80 per barrel, in bags.

Millfeed.—Shorts were in good demand

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