

MARKETS.

Toronto.

REVIEW OF LAST WEEK'S MARKETS

At West Toronto, on Monday, August 5th, receipts of live stock numbered 120 cars, comprising 2,381 cattle, 404 hogs, 721 sheep, 119 calves, and 45 horses; quality of cattle generally good; prices about 10c. lower. Exporters, \$7.25 to \$7.60; prime, heavy butchers', \$7 to \$7.35; good, \$6.75 to \$7; medium, \$6 to \$6.50; common, \$5.25 to \$6; cows, \$3 to \$3.65; milkers, \$45 to \$75; calves, \$4 to \$8.50. Sheep, \$3 to \$5; lambs, \$6 to \$7.25. Hogs, \$8.50 fed and watered, \$8.15 f. o. b. cars.

The total receipts of live stock at the City and Union Stock-yards last week were as follows:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	100	282	382
Cattle	1,154	4,088	5,242
Hogs	2,249	4,729	6,978
Sheep	1,621	2,871	4,492
Calves	461	469	930
Horses	1	97	98

The total receipts of live stock at the two markets for the corresponding week of 1911 were as follows:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	229	321	550
Cattle	2,559	4,797	7,356
Hogs	4,676	5,082	9,758
Sheep	4,282	2,435	6,717
Calves	792	162	954
Horses	45	89	134

The combined receipts of live stock at the two markets for the past week show a decrease of 168 cars, 2,114 cattle, 2,780 hogs, 2,225 sheep and lambs, 24 calves, and 36 horses, compared with the corresponding week of last year.

As will be seen by the above table, the receipts of all classes of live stock were liberal, in fact, the cattle supply was greater than the demand, especially in the common and medium classes. The result has been that all classes of fat cattle were lower in price. In the beginning of the week there was a drop of 10c. to 15c. per cwt.; but at the close, common cattle had declined fully 40c. per cwt.

Exporters.—Steers, 1,241 lbs. each, sold at an average of \$7.45, or a range of \$7.25 to \$7.60; bulls, \$6 to \$6.40; but it must be remembered that these prices, which were paid on Monday, could not be realized at the close of the week, as they were fully 20c. to 40c. per cwt. lower, on Thursday.

Butchers'.—Choice cattle at the close of the week were selling around \$7 to \$7.25, but \$7.50 was paid on Monday; good, \$6.50 to \$6.75; medium, \$6 to \$6.25; common, light cattle, \$4.75 to \$5.60; cows, \$2.75 to \$5.50; bulls, \$4.75 to \$5.75.

Stockers and Feeders.—Steers, 1,000 lbs., for short-keep purposes, sold at \$5.50 to \$5.75; steers, 800 to 900 lbs., \$5 to \$5.25; stockers, 500 to 700 lbs., sold at \$4 to \$4.75.

Milkers and Springers.—Milkers and springers sold from \$40 to \$65 each, with a few extra quality cows at \$70 to \$75 each.

Veal Calves.—Prices ranged from \$4 to \$8 per cwt. for the bulk, with a few new-milk-fed veals at \$8.25 to \$8.75.

Sheep and Lambs.—Receipts were liberal, and prices easier. Ewes, light, sold at \$4.50 to \$5; heavy ewes and rams, \$3 to \$3.50; lambs, \$6.50 to \$7.50, a drop of 50c. to 75c. per cwt. since the beginning of the week.

Hogs.—Prices for hogs were 20c. to 25c. per cwt. easier. Selects, fed and watered, sold on Thursday at \$8.60, and \$8.15 f. o. b. cars, which on Wednesday sold at \$8.70, and \$8.35.

Horses.—There has been a fairly steady trade reported at the various markets, and about the usual number changed hands, at the following prices: Drafters, \$225 to \$275; general-purpose, \$175 to \$225; expressers, \$200 to \$250; drivers, \$100 to \$200; serviceably sound, \$30 to \$90 each.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.—No. 2 red, white or mixed, 98c. to \$1. outside points; Manitoba No. 1 northern, \$1.12½; No. 2 northern, \$1.09½; No. 3 northern, \$1.06½, track,

lake ports. Oats—Canadian Western extra No. 1 feed, 44½c.; No. 1 feed, 43½c., track, lake ports; Ontario No. 2, 43c.; No. 3, 42c., outside points; No. 2, 45½c. to 46c., track, Toronto. Rye—No. 2, 90c. per bushel, outside. Peas—No. 2, 90c. to \$1, outside. Buckwheat—70c. per bushel, outside. Barley—For malting, 87c. to 88c. (47-lb. test); for feed, 60c. to 65c. Corn—No. 3 American yellow, 75c., track, bay ports. Flour—Ontario ninety-per-cent. winter-wheat flour, \$4.20, seaboard; Manitoba flour—Prices at Toronto are: First patents, \$5.70; second patents, \$5.20; strong bakers', \$5 in jute; in cotton, \$5.10.

HAY AND MILLFEED.

Hay.—Baled, in car lots, track, Toronto, No. 1, \$12 per ton.

Straw.—Baled, in car lots, track, Toronto, \$10 per ton.

Bran.—Manitoba bran, \$23 per ton; shorts, \$26; Ontario bran, \$24 in bags; shorts, \$27 in car lots, track, Toronto.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Market firm. Creamery pound rolls, 28c. to 29c.; creamery solids, 28c.; separator dairy, 26c. to 27c.; store lots, 22c. to 23c.

Eggs.—Market firm. New-laid, in case lots, 26c.

Cheese.—Large, 14½c.; twins, 15c. Poultry.—Receipts moderate; dressed turkeys, 24c.; spring chickens dressed, 28c. to 29c.; spring chickens alive, 20c. per lb.; old fowl, 13c.

Potatoes.—New Ontario potatoes, \$1.50 per bushel; new American potatoes, per barrel, \$3.50.

HIDES AND SKINS.

No. 1 inspected steers and cows, 13c.; No. 2 inspected steers and cows, 12c.; No. 3 inspected steers, cows and bulls, 11c.; country hides, cured, 11½c. to 12c.; country hides, green, 10½c. to 11c.; calf skins, per lb., 13c. to 16c.; lamb skins and pelts, 35c. to 40c.; horse hides, No. 1, \$3.25; horse hair, per lb., 35c.; tallow, No. 1, per lb., 5½c. to 6½c.

WOOL.

Unwashed, coarse, 12c.; unwashed, fine, 14c.; washed, coarse, 18c.; washed, fine, 21c.; rejects, 16c.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Receipts of fruit and vegetables are daily becoming larger as the season advances. Prices ruled as follows: Raspberries, 12c. to 14c. per box; gooseberries, \$1.25 to \$1.35 per basket; black currants, \$1.50 to \$1.75 per basket; Canadian peaches, \$1.25 per basket; Canadian plums, 75c. to \$1 per basket; pears, American, \$2.75 per crate; cucumbers, 25c. per basket; tomatoes, Canadian, \$1.25 to \$1.50 per basket; beans, 40c. to 50c. per basket; carrots, 40c. per basket; marrows, 35c. per basket; eggplants, \$1.50 per basket; blueberries, \$1 to \$1.25 per basket.

Montreal.

Live Stock.—Exports of cattle from the port of Montreal for the week ending July 27th amounted to 705 head, being small for this time of year. Offers of cattle on the local market were fairly large last week, and as a result the tone of the market was rather easier, and a decline of about ¼c. per lb. took place. Canners have begun operating once more, and there was a very fair trade in the class of stock required by them. The highest price paid for choice stock last week was 7½c. per lb., the great bulk of the trade being in the vicinity of 7c. per lb., this being for fine stock. Good butchers' cattle ranged from 6½c. to 7c. per lb., while medium sold at 5½c. to 6½c., and common at 4c. to 5c., with canners ranging down to 3½c. The tone of the market for sheep was a little firmer. Prices were: Ewes, 4c. to 4½c. per lb.; bucks and culls, 3½c. to 3¾c.; lambs, 7c. to 8c. per lb., while calves sold at about the previous range, from \$3 to \$8 per head. The tone in the hog market was rather firmer, and prices were a small fraction higher, selling at 9½c., and mixed lots at 8½c. to 9c., according to quality, weighed off cars.

Horses.—The market has now entered upon one of the quietest periods of the

year, both from the standpoint of buyers and sellers. Lumbermen will probably begin buying about the end of next month. As sellers were not offering many horses, prices were accordingly firm, at the following quotations: Heavy draft horses, weighing from 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$300 to \$375 each; light draft horses, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$225 to \$300 each; light horses, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs. each, \$125 to \$200 each; and inferior, old, or broken-down stock, \$75 to \$100 each. Choice driving and saddle horses, \$350 to \$500 each.

Dressed Hogs.—The market for dressed hogs was fairly active, and prices firm, in sympathy with the condition of the live-stock market. Sales were made at 12½c. to 13c. per lb. for choice, abattoir-dressed, fresh-killed stock.

Honey and Syrup.—The market showed very little change, and the demand was not very active. White clover comb honey was 10½c. to 11c. per lb.; extracted, 8c. to 8½c.; dark comb, 7c. to 8c., and extracted, 7½c. to 8c.

Eggs.—The quality of the stock was none too good, and selects were consequently firmly held, the price being 25½c. to 26½c., according to quantity. Straight receipts showed very little change in price, at 22c. to 22½c., while second grades were still around 15c. and 16c.

Butter.—The price of butter continued to advance, and provided the make keeps up, farmers undoubtedly will have every reason to regard this as the best season they ever experienced. Prices have advanced, and buyers were compelled to pay 26½c., which was ¼c. more than a week ago. This stock cannot be sold here at less than 26½c., and quotations were around that figure to 27c. for jobbing lots. It is claimed that the prices paid in the country were unnecessarily high, and that they are not being fully sustained by dealers in the local market. Fine creamery could be obtained at 26c., while seconds were 25½c. to 26c. Dairy butter was quoted at 22½c. to 23c. There were no exports.

Cheese.—Exports of cheese during the week were 84,000 packages, as against 69,000 the corresponding week of last year. The total shipments to date are 700,000 boxes, or 60,000 less than a year ago. Prices held fairly steady here, at 13½c. for finest Western colored, and fully ¼c. less for white. Townships were quoted at 12½c. and Quebecs at 12½c., while seconds were 12c.

Grain.—No. 2 Canadian Western oats, car lots, ex store, 45½c. per bushel; No. 1 extra feed around the same figure; No. 3 Canadian Western, 45c.

Flour.—Since the last report, Ontario winter-wheat flour has shown a decline, and patents were quoted at \$5.25 per barrel in wood, while straight rollers were \$4.85 to \$4.90. Bags, 30c. less. Manitoba spring patents steady, at \$6.10 for firsts; \$5.60 for seconds, and \$5.40 for strong bakers'.

Millfeed.—Bran was slightly firmer, at \$22 per ton in bags; shorts, \$26; middlings, \$27 to \$28; pure grain mouille, \$32 to \$34, and mixed mouille, \$30 to \$31.

Hay.—Hay continued on the easy side. No. 1 pressed hay, carloads, Montreal, \$18 to \$18.50 per ton; No. 2 extra, \$16 to \$17; No. 2 good, \$15 to \$15.50; No. 3 hay, \$13 to \$13.50, and clover mixed, \$12 to \$12.50.

Hides.—The market for lamb skins advanced to 30c. each. Calf skins were still selling at 17c. and 19c. per lb. for Nos. 2 and 1, respectively. Beef hides, 11c., 12c. and 13c. per lb. for Nos. 3, 2 and 1, respectively. Horse hides continued to sell at \$1.75 and \$2.50 each. Tallow, 1½c. to 3c. per lb. for rough, and 6c. to 6½c. for rendered.

Cheese Markets.

Stirling, Ont., 12½c. to 12 15-16c.; Madoc, Ont., 12½c.; Peterboro, Ont., 13c. to 13 1-16c.; Brockville, Ont., 13c., 13 1-16c., 13½c.; Kingston, Ont., 13½c.; Alexandria, Ont., 12 15-16c.; Campbellford, Ont., 12 11-16c.; Vankleek Hill, Ont., 12½c. to 12 15-16c.; Frontenac, Que., 12 13-16c.; Cornwall, Ont., 13½c.; Ottawa, Ont., 13 3-16c.; Iroquois, Ont., 13½c.; Kemptonville, Ont., 13 1-16c. to 13½c.; Picton, Ont., 13½c. to 13½c.; Napanee, Ont., 13 1-16c.

Chicago.

Cattle.—Beeves, \$5.75 to \$9.85; Texas steers, \$5 to \$7.10; Western steers, \$5.85 to \$7.90; stockers and feeders, \$4 to \$6.90; cows and heifers, \$2.75 to \$8.40; calves, \$6.75 to \$10.25.

Hogs.—Light, \$7.80 to \$8.40; mixed, \$7.30 to \$8.35; heavy, \$7.15 to \$8.15; rough, \$7.15 to \$7.35; pigs, \$6.70 to \$8; bulk of sales, \$7.55 to \$8.15.

Sheep and Lambs.—Native, \$3.30 to \$4.75; Western, \$3.50 to \$4.65; yearlings, \$4.50 to \$5.65. Lambs, native, \$4.50 to \$7.70; Western, \$4.50 to \$7.85.

Buffalo.

Cattle.—Prime steers, \$8.50 to \$9.25; butcher grades, \$4 to \$8.

Calves.—Cull to choice, \$6 to \$11.25.

Sheep and Lambs.—Choice lambs, \$7.50 to \$7.75; cull to fair, \$5 to \$7; yearlings, \$3 to \$6.50; sheep, \$2 to \$5.50.

Hogs.—Yorkers, \$8.70 to \$8.80; pigs, \$8.50 to \$8.60; mixed, \$8.75 to \$8.80; heavy, \$8.70 to \$8.75; roughs, \$7 to \$7.50; stags, \$6 to \$6.50.

GOSSIP.

Attention is called to the advertisement of Large English Berkshires, the property of C. J. Lang, Hampton, Ont., which appears elsewhere in this issue. Sows bred, and of breeding age, yearling boars, and choice young stock of both sexes are offered. See the advertisement and make inquiry.

At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of the American Shorthorn-breeders' Association, Abram Renick, of Kentucky, resigned as president, and F. W. Harding, of Wisconsin, was elected in his stead. Roy G. Groves, who has long been an assistant secretary, was elected secretary, succeeding his father, the late John W. Groves. Mr. Renick was elected general manager, and will remove from his Kentucky home to Chicago.

Attention is called to the advertisement of Cooper's sheep sale, which appears in another column of this issue. The Wm. Cooper & Nephews Pedigree Stock Co. purpose holding an auction sale on August 20th, at Sugar Grove, Ill., when a large number of show and breeding stock of four different breeds, viz., Shropshires, Oxfords, Hampshires and Cotswolds, will be offered. Breeders should plan to attend this sale. Good breeding stock is none too plentiful. Look up the advertisement and write the owners for full particulars.

The Menie District Ayrshire-breeders' Club will hold their second annual judging course on Ayrshires at the farm of Alex. Hume, Menie, Wednesday, August 21st. Lectures on subjects of special interest to Ayrshire-breeders and dairymen by experts from both Dominion and Provincial Departments of Agriculture will be given from 10 a. m. to 12.30 p. m. Judging course from 1.30 p. m. The show herds of Messrs. Stewart and Hume will be used in competition. Tent furnished by the Department of Agriculture, Stirling. All trains met at Hoard's, G. T. R. A splendid opportunity to purchase Ayrshires from the breeders of Menie District. The local branch of the Women's Institute will furnish meals. All will be entertained and made welcome. Everybody come; ladies and all!

TRADE TOPIC.

Three handsome, profusely-illustrated, instructive pamphlets, have recently been issued by the Vancouver Island Development League Co., setting forth the possibilities of the island country. A fifty-page booklet is devoted to Victoria City, the Liverpool of the Pacific. The opportunity for sport forms the topic of a second volume, and fruit-growing, dairying, poultry-raising, horses, cattle, sheep, and hogs, and the openings for advanced agriculture constitute a third. See the advertisement in another column, and write the company for these pamphlets.