

tell whether Parole would win. When the night before a race they would muzzle him, the horse would always know what was in store for him, and begin pawing up his bedding and throwing it in a heap. Then he would saunter about and critically examine a mouse-hole in the corner of his box, and after that make a thorough investigation of the knot holes in the sides of the stall. If he confined his attention to them it was all right, and he would run well. But if he would keep blinking meditatively at the mouse-hole, then it was all wrong, and in his race you could either not get him away from the post or he would not make an effort. Rica is another one of those animals that are worse even than prima donnas, and they certainly are difficult to beat for perversity, peculiarities, and persistence in eccentricities. Rica is nervous and fretful, and so self-willed that she is bound to have her way, no matter at what cost. If the manner in which she is rubbed does not suit her she grows vicious, will bite, lie down and kick, and in fact do anything that she has a mind to do. When muzzled before a race she begins to sweat and works herself up to such a point that when she goes to the post she is all in a tremor.—(Chicago) Breeders' Gazette.

## Live Stock & Kindred Markets.

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A further improvement has taken place in the British cattle trade, which can be measured as amounting to about half a cent per pound from Monday of last week, accompanied with a continued steady demand from buyers, who have operated to a more satisfactory extent in view of the rather light offerings when contrasted with recent liberal supplies. Receipts of cattle from Canada and the United States during the past week have been light, while the supplies from Ireland and the Continent have continued fair, making the total supplies at all the principal markets in shape to make a little more money. A cable from Liverpool Monday reports trade in a more satisfactory condition under a steady enquiry which effected a good clearance at higher prices. London and Glasgow have made a similar improvement. The sheep trade has not improved, although supplies are not so excessive and are more under control.

Quotations at Liverpool on Monday, being calculated at \$4.80 in the £, were:—

Cattle—	\$ c.	\$ c.	
Prime Canadian steers.....	0 14	to 0 00	per lb.
Fair to choice grades.....	0 13½	to 0 00	"
Poor to medium.....	0 12½	to 0 00	"
Inferior and bulls.....	0 09½	to 0 11	"
Sheep—			
Best.....	0 12	to 0 00	"
Secondary qualities.....	0 10	to 0 12	"
Merinoes.....	0 09½	to 0 10½	"
Inferior and rams.....	0 07	to 0 08½	"

### TORONTO.

A large business has been done in live stock since this time last week. The offerings yesterday were 38 loads against 28 loads the week before. The only change of importance to note is an easier market for butchers' cattle and a slight improvement in lambs. Prices generally show no quotable change.

CATTLE.—Shipping cattle are in better supply and the demand is pretty fair; yesterday 10 or 12 loads were offered, 4 of these sold at an average of 5c. per lb.; 18 head averaging 1,250 lbs. at \$60 each; 19

mixed 1,150 lbs. at \$48 each; 13 do. 1,290 lbs. at 4¾c. per lb.; quotations are unchanged. Butchers' cattle continue to arrive in large numbers and this week are in excess of the demand; the greatest number of them are common cattle; values have declined about ¼ to ½c. per lb.; best loads do not bring anything more than 4c., and there are very few worth that figure; good cattle are wanted but holders ask higher prices than buyers like to pay, and these cattle have not sold as quickly as they otherwise would; a good many loads would have been unsold yesterday were it not that they were shipped to Montreal. Among yesterday's sales were: 21 head averaging 1,100 lbs. each, at \$34 each; 24 do. 1,050 lbs., at \$34; 23 do. 1,050 lbs., at \$38; 20 do. 1,015 lbs., at \$34 each and \$5 over; 10 picked do 900 lbs., at \$34; 20 do. 1,100 lbs., at \$43; 21 do. 950 lbs., at \$31; 24 do. 1,075 lbs. at \$35.50.

SHEEP.—Demand good but not active, there being only one buyer on the market this week; prices unchanged; receipts so far about 300 head; 64 of these averaging 155 lbs. sold at 3¾c. per lb., weighed off the car; 50 do. 140 lbs., at \$5 each; 37 do. 155 lbs. at 3¾c. per lb.

LAMBS.—In fair supply; the demand is good and prices are somewhat firmer; receipts yesterday were about 500 head; nearly all were choice lambs, selling chiefly at \$3 to \$3.35 each. Among the sales were 100 averaging 75 lbs., at \$3.20 each; 94 do. 72 lbs., at \$3.05 each; 48 do. 75 lbs., at \$3.10; 70 do. 80 lbs., at \$3.55; 107 do. 74 lbs., at \$3.20 each.

CALVES.—Unchanged; sales are reported of 6 averaging 120 lbs. each at \$6, and 1 do. 140 lbs. at \$6.

HOGS.—In fair supply and unchanged. Heavy fat are selling fairly well, but light fat and stores are in good demand.

Quotations are:—

Cattle, export, choice.....	5	to 5½	per lb.
" " mixed.....	4½	to 4¾	"
" bulls.....	3½	to 4	"
" butchers', choice.....	4	to 4½	"
" good.....	3½	to 3¾	"
" inferior to common.....	3	to 3½	"
" Milch cows.....		\$30 to \$50	
" Springers, per head.....		35 to 45	
" stockers.....	3	to 3½	per lb.
Sheep, export, per lb.....	3½	to 3¾	"
" inferior and rams.....	3	to 3½	"
" butchers', per head.....		3 00 to 3 50	
Lambs, choice.....		3 00 to 3 35	
" secondary qualities.....		2 50 to 2 75	
Hogs, heavy fat, off the car.....	4½	to 5	per lb.
" light fat.....	5	to 5½	"
" store.....	4½	to 5½	"
Calves, choice, per head.....		\$6 00 to \$7 00	
" common.....		2 upwards.	

The receipts of live stock at the Western market here for the week ending last Saturday, with comparisons, were as follows:—

	Cattle.	Sheep and Lambs.	Hogs.
Week ending Aug. 29.....	1,354	2,367	261
Week ending Aug. 22.....	1,181	3,807	462
Cor. week, 1884.....	846	4,194	232
Cor. week, 1883.....	712	2,871	23
Total to date.....	32,295	31,625	5,326
To same date 1884.....	21,899	34,621	4,197
To same date 1883.....	20,281	26,206	2,487

### MONTREAL.

The following were the receipts of live stock at Point St. Charles by the Grand Trunk railway:—

	Cattle.	Sheep.	Calves.	Hogs.
Week ending August 29.....	2,806	2,133	22	662
Previous week.....	2,979	2,629	28	356
Since May 1.....	42,602	33,649	4,344	5,966

The receipts by the Canadian Pacific Railway for the week ended August 29 were 500 head cattle, 394 sheep, and 120 hogs. The exports of live stock showed a material falling off last week. The total exports of cattle this season to date were 43,012 head—an increase of 8,185 head compared with 1884, an increase of 6,925 compared with 1883, an increase of 12,954 compared with 1882, an increase of 10,144 compared with 1881, and an increase of 14,701 compared with 1880. The total exports of sheep this season to date were 30,454 head—a decrease of 5,496 head compared with 1884, a decrease of 29,270 compared with 1883, a decrease of 29,541 compared with 1882, a decrease of 11,956 compared with 1881, and a decrease of 30,369 compared with 1880. Cattle freights have maintained the improvement, with latest engagements at 40s. to

Glasgow and 50s. to Liverpool. There was a lively trade in export cattle at Point St. Charles Monday. Exporters were free buyers and furnished sufficient demand to absorb all the offerings at firm prices. The quality of the receipts was satisfactory, and sales were made at from 4 to 5½c. per lb. live weight as to quality. Last year at this date export cattle were at 4½ to 5½c. There was some enquiry for sheep, but not much business was done as the offerings were moderate and the quality no more than fair. Prices were quoted unchanged at 3½ to 3¾c. per lb. live weight. At this date last year sheep were at 3½ to 3¾c. The demand for butchers' cattle was less active, in fact trade was rather slow, but as offerings were light prices remained steady at 3 to 4c. per lb. live weight. There was a fair enquiry for hogs at lower prices, sales being made at 5 to 5½c. per lb. Calves sold at \$4 to \$6 each.

### THE HORSE MARKET.

#### TORONTO.

The demand this week is somewhat better than last, but there are no foreign buyers in the city. Useful, general purpose horses are wanted, and there is a call for a few first-class drivers and roadsters.

About 30 horses were sold at Grand's repository Tuesday. Amongst them were 18 workers from the city water carts. They were principally aged, fat horses, and were purchased by local buyers. The following is a summary of the sale:—

Color.	Age.	Height. Hands.	Weight. Lbs.	Value.
Bay gelding.....	aged	16	1,100	\$ 90
Bay mare.....	aged	15.3	1,200	101
Pair bay geldings..	aged	16	2,500	244
Pair brown mares...	8-9	15.3	2,400	230
Pair grey geldings...	7-8	16	2,600	370
Pair roan geldings...	aged	15.2	1,050	70
Chestnut gelding...	aged	15.3	1,200	87
Brown gelding.....	5	15.3	1,250	144
Chestnut gelding...	7	15.3	1,150	138
Grey mare.....	aged	15.3	1,000	67
Grey gelding.....	aged	15.2	900	50
Brown gelding.....	8	16	1,250	147
Chestnut gelding...	9	15.3	1,100	111
Bay gelding.....	7	15.3	1,050	118
Pair bay geldings...	aged	16	2,400	202

A few light drivers were also sold, prices ranging from \$75 to \$140 each. Mr. Grand reports the following private sales:—One Canadian draught stallion, 6 yrs. 1,750 lbs., \$700; and a general-purpose brood mare, 5 yrs. 1,250 lbs., \$165; sold to Mr. Jacob Munich, Cool Springs. Pat, one Canadian general-purpose stallion, 4 yrs. 1,500 lbs., \$876; sold to Mr. Jacob Halben-Pierce, Pa., one brown driver, 7 yrs. 15.2 hands, \$125; one carriage mare, 5 yrs. 16.1 hands, \$180; one general-purpose gelding, 7 yrs. 1,100 lbs., \$135; pair of ponies, 14.3 hands, \$190; one chestnut roadster, \$200.

#### BOSTON.

A fair demand was noticed during the week, with horses of every description, the range in prices being largely at \$125 to \$350 per head, as to quality. Many of the arrivals are Western and Canada stock. A. Yeoman, of Ohio, had in this week 16 head, a nice smooth car load, and good stock. He sold one horse at \$350 for coach work, and a pair of draught horses at \$500. The balance were of about the same style and value. Hodges & Morse had at market 20 head of Michigan horses, all for street car work, ranging from eight to ten years of age, sold at \$150 to \$160 each. L. L. Kennet had five Canada horses on sale, one very fine pair of well-matched creams; six and seven years old, 15 hands high. These were not sold, but held at \$500, and would answer nicely for family or any other driving purposes. Also one big bay draught horse, 16½ hands high, weighing 1,100 lbs., trot better than three minutes, a fine walker and a good saddle horse; price \$400.

### PRODUCE.

Trade continues very quiet, as is usually the case at this season of the year. There has, however, been some new grain moving during the past day or two. The prospects are that things will brighten up shortly. Stocks varied but little and stood on Monday morning as follows:—Flour, 2,500 barrels; fall wheat, 81,803 bushels; spring wheat, 54,275; oats, 6,542; barley, 10,730; peas, nil; rye, nil. Wheat in transit for England shows a further decrease on the week, standing on the 27th ult. at 1,750,000 quarters, against 1,800,000 on the 20th ult. In the States the visible supply of wheat stood at 41,670,459 bushels, against 40,383,000 in the preceding week.