

MARKETS.

Toronto.
LIVE STOCK.

The receipts of live stock at the City and Union Stock-yards, Toronto Junction, during the past week have, unexpectedly, been large. Trade was good at the beginning of the week, but dull at the close, too many cattle coming forward of the half-finished or warmed-up class. Prices generally were 25c. to 30c. per cwt. lower at the close of the week than at the beginning.

Exporters.—English markets being reported stronger, prices were firmer here, ranging from \$4.40 to \$5 per cwt., the bulk going at \$4.50 to \$4.70. Export bulls sold at \$3.50 to \$4.50.

Butchers'.—Christmas cattle sold at fair prices from \$4.50 up to \$5 for good useful cattle, plenty good enough for the best people in the land. Loads of good cattle sold at \$4 to \$4.50; medium at \$3.60 to \$3.90; common at \$3.25 to \$3.50; cows at \$2.50 to \$3.50; canners at \$1 to \$1.50 per cwt.

Feeders.—Few offered, and not many wanted. Steers, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., sold at \$3.25 up to \$3.80 per cwt.; stockers, 500 to 800 lbs. each, \$2.25 up to \$3.

Milkers and Springers.—Trade good; supply not too large, and prices firm at \$30 to \$60 each, the bulk selling at \$40 to \$55.

Veal Calves.—Deliveries moderate; market strong for good veal calves, with prices firm at \$3.50 to \$7 per cwt.

Sheep and Lambs.—Fairly large receipts met brisk markets, at firmer prices. Export ewes sold at \$4.50 to \$4.90; lambs, \$5.75 to \$6.25, with a few picked lots at \$6.50 for export purposes.

Hogs.—The run of hogs has not been heavy, but prices declined 25c. per cwt. Selects are quoted at \$6.15; lights and fats, \$5.90 per cwt., fed and watered.

Horses.—The special sale of lumber-camp horses, over 100 of which were disposed of at the Repository was the feature this week. There were buyers from all the principal towns of Ontario, the result being that the sale was a good one at fair prices for this class of horses. Burns & Sheppard report the following prices: Single roadsters, \$125 to \$165; single cobs and carriage, \$130 to \$165; matched pairs, carriage horses, \$200 to \$300; delivery horses, \$150 to \$175; general-purpose horses, \$160 to \$190; heavy-draft, \$165 to \$200 each.

BREADSTUFFS.

Grain.—Wheat, No. 2 white-winter, 69c. to 70c.; No. 2, red, 70c. Manitoba, No. 1 Hard, 80c.; No. 3, 77c.

Corn.—No. 3 yellow, 51c., at Toronto.

Oats.—No. 2 white 36c.; No. 2, mixed, 35c.

Rye.—72c. bid, at Toronto.

Barley.—No. 2, 51c.; No. 3X, 50c.; No. 3, 50c.

Peas.—No. 2, 79c. bid, sellers asking 82c.

Buckwheat.—53c. bid.

Bran.—\$18 to \$18.50.

Shorts.—\$20 to \$21.

Flour.—Manitoba patent, \$3.75, on track, Toronto; Ontario, 90 per cent. patents, \$2.70 bid for export; Manitoba patents, special brands, \$4.50; strong bakers', \$4.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Receipts fair; market steady. Creamery prints, 28c. to 29c.; creamery boxes, 25c. to 26c.; dairy lb. rolls, 25c. to 26c.; tubs, 23c. to 24c.; bakers' tub, 17c. to 18c.

Eggs.—Strictly new-laid, 35c. to 40c., with few offering; cold-storage, 22c. to 23c.; pickled, 20c. to 21c.

Cheese.—Market steady. Large, 14c. to 14c.; twins, 14c. to 14c.

Honey.—Strained, 12c. per lb.; combs, \$1.50 to \$2.65 per dozen.

Evaporated Apples.—8c. to 9c. per lb.

Potatoes.—New Brunswick Delawares easier at 75c. to 80c. per bag, by the car lot, on track, at Toronto. Ontario potatoes, 65c. to 70c. per bag, per car lot.

Poultry.—Deliveries large; prices easy, as follows: Turkeys, 11c. to 13c.; geese, 10c.; ducks, 9c. to 10c.; chickens, 10c. to 11c.; old fowl, 7c. to 8c. per lb. Hay.—Prices firm. Baled, \$11 to \$12 for No. 1 timothy; No. 2, \$8 to \$9, car lots, at Toronto.

Straw.—Baled, \$6 to \$7.

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SEEDS.

Market steady, with little doing. Prices are unchanged as follows: Alsike, fancy, \$6.30 to \$6.60; alsike, No. 1, \$6 to \$6.20; alsike, No. 2, \$5.25 to \$5.40; alsike, No. 3, \$4.50 to \$4.80; red clover, No. 1, \$7.20 to \$7.50; red, No. 2, \$6.50 to \$6.90; timothy, No. 1, \$1.50 to \$1.80; timothy, No. 2, \$1.20 to \$1.40.

HIDES.

E. T. Carter & Co., 85 Front St., have been paying the following prices: Inspected hides, No. 1 steers and cows, 11c.; No. 2 steers and cows, 10c.; country hides, cured, 10c. to 10c.; country hides, green, 9c. to 9c.; calf skins, No. 1, city, 12c.; calf skins, No. 1, country, 11c.; lamb skins, each, \$1 to \$1.10; horse hides, \$3.50 to \$3.75; horse hair, No. 1, per lb., 30c.; tallow, per lb., 5c.

Montreal.

Live Stock.—Christmas beef was offering here last week, and, as some of the stock was extra choice, prices were very high. The offerings were large, and a big trade was done. A few choice animals were taken at 6c. per lb., and several fine animals changed hands at 5c. to 5c. The great bulk of the choice butchers' stock, however, ranged from 4c. to 4c.; good, 3c. to 4c.; medium, 2c. to 3c., and common, 1c. to 2c. It is stated that one large heifer was sold at upwards of 7c. per lb. Sheep and lambs were in very light supply, and lambs were in active demand and strong in tone; 6c. for fine, and from that down to 5c. for good. Sheep mostly 3c. Receipts of calves becoming very light, quality generally better than it has been. A few calves were sold at 5c. and 5c., but the bulk of the good stock ranged from 3c. to 4c. There were very few hogs offered, the greater portion of the receipts being on contract. The general tone was easy, and, while 6c. was paid for contract stuff, it was thought that purchases would be made at lower prices before the end of the week. Some good hogs were taken at 6c.

Horses.—The market for horses shows an improvement. Quite a little buying demand has appeared, a number of lumbermen and carters being in need of horses. Buyers who have been out through the country declare they never found it so hard to make purchases before. Heavy-draft horses, 1,500 to 1,700 lbs. each, \$250 to \$300 each; light-draft, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$200 to \$250; express, 1,100 to 1,300 lbs., \$150 to \$200; common drivers, \$100 to \$150; old, broken-down horses, \$50 to \$100, and choice saddle or carriage, \$350 to \$500 each.

Dressed Hogs.—Abattoir, fresh-killed hogs are in fair demand, and prices are steady at 9c. to 9c. per lb., and less in large lots; country-dressed, 8c. to 8c., according to quality and quantity. Lard, 12c. to 13c. per lb.

Poultry.—There has been a good demand, and prices are quite moderate for this time of year, being less than a year ago, although it would seem that supplies have been lighter. Of course, turkeys have been the great feature of the trade. The quality of the stock was

never better, and the weather was favorable, so that there was no trouble in putting through sales. Choicest turkeys were quoted at 15c., in a large way. Good stock, 14c. Ducks were scarce and ranged from 11c. to 12c., while geese were also pretty much neglected, at 10c. to 11c. There were some special chickens, these selling at 12c., others bringing 10c. to 11c. Quite a demand existed for them. There was a moderate demand for fowl, but the quality showed a wide range, so that prices ran all the way from 7c. to 9c. per lb. In fact, a few specials were reported at 10c.

Butter.—Demand has been very active, of late, owing to the holiday trade. The make throughout the country is very light, and stocks here are likewise, and becoming lighter every day. Some creamery has been brought back to Canada from England, which was shipped across some time since, but did not meet with a ready sale there. Considerable butter has been shipped out of the city to country points, and more is asked for. Some dealers claim to be getting 26c. for their fancy creamery, but others say they would like to sell at 25c., and are glad enough sometimes to get 25c. From this, prices range down to 25c. for good butter. Dairies are still scarce, and selling at 20c. to 23c. per lb., according to quality.

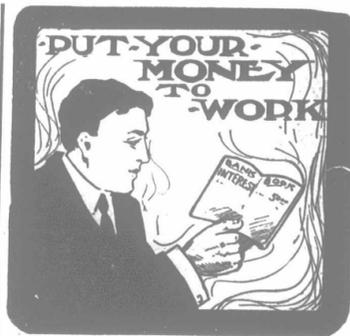
Cheese.—Market showed little or no change last week. There is a fair demand, and prices are steady, at about 11c. to 12c. for November makes, and 4c. more for Octobers. Dealers are looking for a renewal of demand shortly after the New Year.

Eggs.—There has lately been a demand from England for cold-store eggs, and it would appear that there is need of eggs there, as seconds will be accepted, which is unusual. There is also a demand from outside places, showing that there is a shortage somewhere. Many think, however, that there is a surplus supply somewhere, and that it will be coming out one of these days. Meantime, prices are firm and unchanged at 21c. to 23c. for cold-storage, and 24c. to 28c. for selects, and 20c. to 22c. for pickled.

Grain.—Congestion along the lines of railways, and more particularly in the terminals here, is causing a great scarcity of available grain, oats, etc., and prices are accordingly firm. Oats are steady at 42c. for No. 2 oats, store, 41c. to 42c. for No. 3, and 40c. to 41c. for No. 4. There is but a dull demand for wheat, and prices are steady, at 87c. for No. 1 Manitoba Northern, store, and 78c. for Ontario white winter. Peas are steady at about 90c.

Hay.—The car situation is responsible in large part for the scarcity of stock, on spot. The G. T. R. will not haul hay into the city, it is claimed, and teams have to drive across the bridge and bring it in by the sleigh load. However, there is sufficient for a moderate demand, here, and while prices are very strong on spot, they are not so much so to arrive. No. 1 timothy is obtainable in large lots at \$14 to \$14.50 per ton, \$13 to \$13.50 for No. 2, and \$12 to \$12.50 for clover.

Millfeed.—The market has been fairly steady since the recent advance in the price of bran. There is a very active demand from all points, and millers can hardly get sufficient to supply this demand. Bran, \$21 per ton, in bags, and



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shorts, \$22 for Manitobas. Ontario bran and shorts are about the same.

Flour.—Trade has been fair, and prices very steady at \$4.10 per bbl., in bags, for Manitoba strong bakers, and \$4.60 for patents.

Seeds.—Dealers offering \$5 to \$6.50 per bushel, at shipping points, for alsike, and \$6.75 to \$7.75 per bushel for red clover.

Potatoes.—The market for potatoes showed much firmness, and prices advanced 3c. to 5c. per 90 lbs., owing to the activity of demand. White stock is the favorite, and prices for this are about 72c., on track, some asking that figure for half white and half red, per 90 lbs. Dealers are re-selling, on track, at 74c. to 76c., and in a jobbing way, bagged and delivered into store, at 85c. to 90c. Choicest Green Mountain stock is quoted at 90c., in a jobbing way.

Chicago.

Cattle.—Common to prime steers, \$4 to \$7.40; cows, \$2.75 to \$4.75; heifers, \$2.60 to \$5; bulls, \$2.40 to \$4.50; calves, \$2.75 to \$8.50; stockers and feeders, \$2.40 to \$4.50.

Hogs.—Choice to prime heavy, \$6.27½ to \$6.32½; medium to good heavy, \$6.20 to \$6.27½; butchers' weights, \$6.27½ to \$6.32½; good to prime, mixed, \$6.20 to \$6.27½; packing, \$6.20 to \$6.25; pigs, \$6 to \$6.30.

Sheep and Lambs.—Sheep, \$3.75 to \$5.75; yearlings, \$4.60 to \$6.25; good to choice lambs, \$7 to \$7.75.

Buffalo.

Cattle.—Prime steers, \$5.65 to \$6.15; shipping, \$4.75 to \$5.50; butchers', \$4.25 to \$5.35.

Veals.—\$4.50 to \$9.25.

Hogs.—Heavy, mixed Yorkers and pigs, \$6.50 to \$6.55; roughs, \$5.75 to \$5.90.

Sheep and Lambs.—Lambs, \$5 to \$7.40; wethers, \$5.25 to \$5.50; ewes, \$4.75 to \$5; sheep, mixed, \$3 to \$5; Canada lambs, \$7 to \$7.25.

British Cattle Market.

Canadian cattle in the British markets are quoted at 10c. to 12c. per lb.; refrigerator beef, 8c. to 8c. per lb.

The Shorthorns advertised by L. K. Weber, of Hawkesville, Waterloo Co., Ont., in this issue, are of the best of Scotch breeding, rich in Cruickshank blood, full of size and quality. The females of breeding age are all in calf to Good-morning (imp.), by Dawn of Morning, and tracing to the Miss Ramsdens on the dam's side. He is a rich red, low-down, and of great thickness and depth of body. If interested, write for prices and particulars.

Mr. R. H. Harding, of Thorndale, Ont., like other Canadian breeders, was remarkably successful at the Chicago International with his exhibit of Dorset Horned sheep, winning three firsts and five seconds, as well as several seconds where no money prizes were given.