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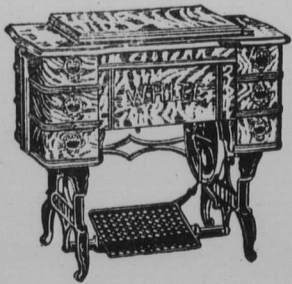
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LIVE STOCK MARKETS
TORONTO.

Matters are becoming normal again at the Union Stock Yards, and yesterday saw a good deal of the old-time bustle, with a good strong, active demand for practically all classes of cattle, which carried the market up from 25c to 40c, good butcher steers and heifers being in especially strong demand. There were some who affected to see only a strong, steady market, but the prices clearly reflected with the increased values.

There was a light run and a good demand for almost all classes. Cows and bulls held about steady. Prospects favorable for balance of the week.

The general quality of the cattle offered was about that of half-finished cattle. There were a few loads of real choice cattle, and these sold at strong prices.

Calves are firm and 25c higher; calf market strong to a quarter higher, and sheep steady.

There was a fair run of hogs—2284 head altogether, with the market steady at last week's close, 19c lb., fed and watered, and 18c lb., f. o. b., one firm quoting 200 at this figure. The outlook is for lower prices, packers quoting, it is said, 50c lower than yesterday's figures.

It has been suggested that in the interests of economy legislature should be brought in to limit the height of women's boots. There will be much stamping of lofty heels at this ukase.

Fifty thousand bushels of wheat have been purchased by the Ontario Government to help increased production this year. This wheat is No. 1 Marquis wheat, and will be sold to the farmers at cost price, \$2.75 a bushel, in bags.

About two thousand returned Canadian soldiers arrived at Halifax on Wednesday last by transports from England, via an American Atlantic port. Two hundred of them are on furlough and will leave by special train for their respective homes.

From present indications Parliament will not meet before the middle and probably not until the end of March, as the result of the soldiers' vote will not be known for tens days yet. It is not expected that the session will be long or that any measures other than war measures will be introduced. There may be additional war taxation, most likely an increase in the income tax, but it is practically certain that there will not be much change in the tariff.

No Hard Feelings.

An old Baptist deacon in the South, where negro Baptists abound, had a mule whose temper was rather uncertain. One day the good man was driving the animal along the street on which there was a slight incline. His muleship balked. The deacon descended from the wagon and reasoned with that mule. It was of no avail. Then he thrashed him, but the mule was obdurate. He even prayed over him, but still the mule did not stir. A white man who had been watching the performance said: Deacon, they tell me that if you tie some stones to his tail he will soon move on." The deacon had very definite views concerning the future of the wicked, but he had a kindly heart. Perhaps that was why he replied as he did "White folks, let de man dat has no sin tie de fust stone."

Died at Formosa.

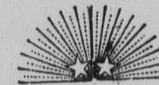
On Wednesday, Feb. 6, one of Formosa's oldest citizens in the person of Francisca Fedy, widow of Jos. Fedy, died at the advanced age of 92. The deceased and her husband were both born in Germany in the historical province of Alsace. They came to this country at the same time when they were about twenty years of age. They first settled in Hespeler, Ont., where they were married, about ten years later they moved to Bruce Co., which was then all forest, and cleared a little plot of ground in the Township of Carrick. Of the hardships and labors they endured, most of us who are familiar with the history of the pioneer, are acquainted. With praiseworthy perseverance they succeeded in amassing a modest fortune. It must have been a bitter parting when they bade farewell to all that were near and dear to them in the old land, fully aware at the time that they would never meet again. This couple had the distinction of living together in the married state for 62 years. They leave a progeny of 161, as far as can be at present ascertained, there being 11 children, 74 grand-children and 76 great-grand children. After the death of her husband, who died six years ago at the age of 84, the aged lady gradually lost her strength her death being due to senility. She is survived by two sons, Joseph and Ambrose of Formosa, and four daughters, Mrs. A. Rich, and Mrs. A. Becker of Walkerton, Mrs. P. Schumacher of Saskatoon, Sask., and Mrs. G. Weiler of Mildmay. Mrs. Fedy was widely known and respected, which was emphasized by the large number of people who were present at the funeral to pay their last respects to the deceased and to extend their sympathy to the bereaved family. The pastor, Rev. Brohm, preached a very touching sermon, which was rated by all as one of the best ever delivered on an occasion of this kind.

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