

MARKETS.

Toronto.

LIVE STOCK.

Horses—The usual holiday lull in trade has been the chief feature of the local horse market during the past week, and dealers complain that the reaction is intensified by the large percentage of poor-grade animals which are coming on the market, and which, under present conditions, are practically unsalable. The volume of sales during the week was exceedingly light, but prices maintained a fairly steady tone, except for the lower grades, which are exceedingly weak. The local demand for workers was broad enough to absorb all the choice animals offered, but the outside demand was not up to the mark, and shipments were much below the average. There have been no sales of special importance.

Following is the range of prices as furnished by the Repository, and the Canadian Horse Exchange:

Single roadsters, 15 to 16 hands	125 to 180
Single cobs and carriage horses, 15 to 16.1 hands	125 to 160
Matched pairs, 15 to 16.1 hands	300 to 500
Delivery horses, 1,100 to 1,200 lbs.	125 to 160
General-purpose and expressers, 1,200 to 1,350 lbs.	125 to 160
Drafters, 1,350 to 1,750 lbs.	125 to 180
Serviceable second-hand workers	40 to 80
Serviceable second-hand drivers	40 to 80

Export Cattle—Prices quoted, nominally, at \$4.25 to \$4.60; good to medium, \$3.60 to \$4.10; others, \$3.75 to \$3.85; bulls, \$3.50 to \$4.

Butchers' Cattle—Best offering, \$4 to \$4.50; medium, butchers', \$3.60 to \$3.90; common, \$3.25 to \$3.50; cows, \$2.70 to \$3.65; canners, \$1.25 to \$2.25. Stockers and Feeders—Short-keep feeders, \$3.60 to \$4; medium, \$2.50 to \$3.80; bulls, \$2 to \$2.75; good stockers, \$2.80 to \$3.50; rough to common, \$2 to \$2.70; bulls, \$1.75 to \$2.50.

Milch Cows—\$30 to \$60.

Calves—Steady, 8c. to 6c. a lb.; \$2 to \$10 each.

Sheep and Lambs—Export ewes, \$4 to \$4.25 per cwt.; bucks and culls, \$3 to \$3.50; lambs, \$5.25 to \$5.75.

Hogs—Have been very high and are again higher, \$6.37½ for selects, and \$6.12½ for lights and fats.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat—Ontario—The market is quiet and steady. No. 2 white, 79c. to 79½c.; outside; red and mixed, 78c. to 79c.; goose and spring, 74c. to 76c.

Millfeed—Ontario—Bran still scarce and firm at \$14.50 to \$15, at outside points; shorts, \$16 to \$17. Manitoba—Bran, \$16.50 to \$17.50; shorts, \$18.50 to \$19.50, at Toronto and equal points, in car lots.

Oats—Quiet and steady, 35c. to 36c., outside.

Barley—Dull, 50c. for No. 2, 48c. for No. 3 extra, and 45c. to 46c. for No. 3, at outside points.

Peas—Firm and scarce, wanted both for export and millers, at 77c. to 78c.

Buckwheat—Nominal, 51c. to 52c., outside.

Corn—New Canadian, 44c. asked; Chat-ham freights, 42c. bid. New American—No. 3 yellow, 51½c. to 52½c., at Toronto.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter—Market firm. Creamery, 28c. to 25c.; solids, 23c. to 21c. Dairy lb. rolls, good to choice, 21c. to 22c.; medium, 20c. to 21c.; tubs, good to choice, 19c. to 20c.; inferior, 17c. to 18c.

Cheese—Higher and firm, in sympathy with the advances at Liverpool. Large are quoted at 13c., and twins, 13½c.

Eggs—Firm, 23c. for fresh, and 21c. for hmed.

Poultry—Good, dry-plucked are quoted as follows: Fat chickens, 8c. to 10c.; thin, 7c. to 8c. Fat hens, 7c. to 8c.; thin, 6c. to 8c. Ducks, 10c. to 11c.; thin, 6c. to 8c. Turkeys, 12c. to 13c. Geese, 9c. to 10c.

Hogs—Dressed hogs, very firm. Car lots, here, are quoted at \$7.75 to \$7.90 per cwt.

Potatoes—Good demand for choice stock. Ontario, 65c. to 75c. per bag,



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on track, here, and 75c. to 85c., out of store. Eastern stock, 75c. to 80c., on track, and 90c. to 95c., out of store.

Honey—Demand good, and market steady to firm at \$1.50 to \$2 for combs per dozen, and 7c. to 8c. per lb. for strained.

Beans—Firm at \$1.75 for hand-picked; \$1.65 for prime, and \$1.25 to \$1.50 for undergrades.

Baled Hay—\$8 to \$8.50 for No. 1 timothy in car lots, on track, here; No. 2, \$6 to \$6.50.

HIDES AND TALLOW.

E. T. Carter & Co., wholesale dealers in wool, hides, calf skins and sheep skins, tallow, etc., quote: Inspected hides, No. 1 steers, 11½c.; inspected hides, No. 2 steers, 10½c.; inspected hides, No. 1 cows, 11c.; inspected hides, No. 2 cows, 10c.; country hides, flat, 9½c. to 10c.; calf skins, No. 1 selected, 13c.; sheep skins, \$1.20 to \$1.25; horse hides, \$3 to \$3.25; tallow, rendered, 4c. to 4½c.

FARMERS' MARKET.

(Retail Prices.)

Butter, 25c. to 27c.; eggs as high as 45c. to 50c.; spring chickens, dressed, 8c.; live, 6c. Turkeys, dressed, 12c.; live, 11c. Geese, live, 6c.; dressed, 8c. Potatoes, bag, 80c. to 95c.; apples, barrel, \$1.50 to \$3; carrots, bag, 60c. to 75c.; cabbages, per dozen, 40c.; beef, hind quarters, 6c. to 7c.; fore quarters, 4c. to 5c.; carcasses, 6½c. to 7c.; calves, 7½c. to 9c.; lambs, 9c. to 10c.

Montreal.

Live Stock—Shipments of live stock from the port of Montreal during the season of navigation just closed were very satisfactory, being 118,296 cattle, 21,036 sheep, and 626 horses, as compared with 112,611 cattle, 48,075 sheep and 815 horses for the season 1904.

Shipments of cattle were only exceeded in 1903, those of horses not having been exceeded since 1901. The feeling throughout the export market is rather improved, owing to approach of holiday season. There has been a fairly active forward movement in export cattle from Montreal to the winter ports for the week ending December 2nd. The feature of the local market continues to be the scarcity and high price of hogs. The scarcity of hogs in Canada is even being made a matter for Government investigation.

Many packing-houses are either closed or running half-time. The price, accordingly, advanced here to 6½c. for selects, a few even selling at 6½c., it is said. Mixed were taken at 6½c., and common at 6½c. The outlook is for even higher prices in the near future. Other lines remain about the same, best cattle selling at 4c. to 4½c., under a somewhat better demand; good at 3c. to 4c.; common at 3c. Sheep and lambs were scarce and rather firmer, at 3½c. to 4½c. for sheep, and 5½c. to 6c. for lambs. Calves brought 2c. to 3c. for common, and 3c. to 4c. for best, offerings being light.

Dressed Hogs—Market higher, in sympathy with that for live. Fresh, fine abattoir-killed, 8½c. to 9c.; country-dressed in good demand at 8c. to 8½c.

Poultry—Choice chickens, dead; good, fat stock, fresh-killed, dry-plucked, being from 13c. to 14c. Other stock ranges down to 11c. Fowl sells at 8½c. to 11c., the range being wide. Turkeys are 15c. to 16c. for finest; ducks having a range of 11c. to 13c., according to quality. Geese are still from 10c. to 12c. The high prices mentioned are for fancy, unfrozen stock, other qualities being much cheaper.

Eggs—Fresh-laid eggs 26c. and selects from cold-store, 26c. to 27c. No. 1 cold-storage and Montreal mixed quoted at about 20c. to 21c., occasional sales being

made at 21c. Western limed are 19c. to 20c. It is likely that the demand will soon begin for the Christmas trade, and this should have a strengthening effect.

Butter—A little Manitoba dairy was quoted here lately at 19c. to 20c., a fairly high figure when it is considered that Ontarios are offered at 20c. to 20½c. in tubs, and 21c. for fresh rolls.

Creamery, after declining, is again firmer, good to fine being still 22½c. to 23c., and fine 23½c. to 24c., some asking higher.

Cheese—There has been quite a flurry in cheese, and prices are firmer. Some are asking 12½c. for finest Ontarios. Quebecs may be quoted at 12½c. and Townships at 12½c.

Potatoes—Dealers trying to buy at 55c. per 90-lb. bag, on track, and sell at 65c. to 70c.

Turnips—\$12 per ton.

Onions—Canadian reds, \$1 per 80-lb. bag.

Grain—Save for an occasional car of American corn, at 60c. per bushel, there is practically nothing going on in the local grain market, outside of oats. No. 2 oats, 39c. to 39½c., store; No. 3 being 38c. to 38½c., and No. 4, 37c. to 37½c. Manitoba barley is still quoted at 48c. for No. 3, and 46½c. for No. 4.

Hay—Clover, \$5.50 to \$6 per ton, track; clover-mixed, \$6.25 to \$6.50; No. 3 timothy, \$7.50 to \$8, and No. 1, \$8.50 to \$9.

Beans—Deliveries continue light, but they are commencing to come forward more freely, and dealers say there are now sufficient for requirements. Prices are firm at \$1.65 to \$1.70 for primes.

Flour—\$4.40 to \$4.90 for Manitobas, per barrel, in bags. Ontario patents, \$4.55 to \$4.70, and \$4.10 to \$4.20 for straight rollers, in barrels.

Buffalo.

Cattle—Veals, \$5.50 to \$9.50. Hogs—Heavy, \$5.25; mixed Yorkers and pigs, \$5.20 to \$5.25; roughs, \$4.25 to \$4.50; stags, \$3 to \$3.75.

Sheep and Lambs—Lambs, \$5.75 to \$7.75; yearlings, \$6.50 to \$6.75; wethers, \$5.50 to \$6; ewes, \$5.50 to \$5.75; sheep, mixed, \$2.50 to \$5.75; Canada lambs, \$6.90 to \$7.40.

Chicago.

Cattle—Common to prime steers, \$3 to \$7; cows, \$2.80 to \$4.60; heifers, \$2 to \$5; bulls, \$2 to \$4.15; stockers and feeders, \$2.15 to \$4.25; calves, \$2 to \$7.75.

Hogs—Choice to prime, heavy, \$4.95 to \$5.05; medium to good, heavy, \$4.85 to \$4.95; butchers', \$4.90 to \$5.05; good to choice, heavy, mixed, \$4.95 to \$5; packing, \$4.80 to \$4.95.

Sheep and Lambs—Sheep, \$4 to \$5.75; yearlings, \$4 to \$6.85; lambs, \$7 to \$7.85.

British Cattle Market.

London.—Cattle are quoted at 9c. to 12c. per lb.; refrigerator, 8½c. to 9½c. per pound.

Mr. R. Wilkin, Harriston, Ont., advertises for a housekeeper to take charge of his farmhouse and four children, recently bereft of their mother. Persons interested will please look up the advertisement, and write for particulars.

Jam's Yule, manager of Sir Wm. Van Horne's farm in East Selkirk, says a Winnipeg despatch, was nearly trampled to death recently by a vicious bull. The only thing that saved his life was the fact that the animal had been deborned recently. Yule was rescued by a man who beat the bull off with a pitchfork.

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