

Toronto, Montreal, Buffalo, and Other Leading Markets

Comment on week ending September 9.
Quotations on last Monday's Markets.

Receipts and Market Tops.

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CATTLE							CALVES						
Receipts			Top Price Good Steers				Receipts			Top Price Good Calves			
Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending	Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending		Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending	Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending	
Sept. 9	1919	Sept. 2	Sept. 9	1919	Sept. 2		Sept. 9	1919	Sept. 2	Sept. 9	1919	Sept. 2	
Toronto (U. S. Y.)	5,804	7,830	5,460	\$14.50	\$13.75	\$14.50	1,140	1,109	1,214	\$19.50	\$23.50	\$19.50	
Montreal (Pt. St. Chas.)	1,113	1,300	949	\$12.00	\$13.00		1,100	5,111	758	18.00	18.00	15.00	
Montreal (East End)	1,424	1,765	949	\$12.00	\$13.00		699	659	405	18.00	18.00	15.00	
Winnipeg	11,221	6,956	7,891	12.75	11.65	12.00	831	586	619	12.00	11.50	12.00	
Calgary	2,519	3,504	1,954	10.75	10.50	10.25	567	883	151	11.00	10.25	10.85	
Edmonton	888	1,137	805	9.50	9.75	9.50	106	90	173	10.00	9.00	10.00	

HOGS							SHEEP						
Receipts			Top Price Selects				Receipts			Top Price Good Lambs			
Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending	Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending		Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending	Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending	
Sept. 9	1919	Sept. 2	Sept. 9	1919	Sept. 2		Sept. 9	1919	Sept. 2	Sept. 9	1919	Sept. 2	
Toronto (U. S. Y.)	2,839	7,767	2,820	\$21.00	\$20.25	\$21.00	9,096	10,034	10,161	\$14.25	\$15.65	\$16.50	
Montreal (Pt. St. Chas.)	1,386	1,043	1,564	21.00	19.25	20.75	6,784	2,379	4,497	13.00	13.50	14.50	
Montreal (East End)	1,831	1,312	1,564	21.00	19.25	20.75	4,911	2,547	2,588	13.00	13.50	14.50	
Winnipeg	1,102	1,067	1,198	21.00	19.25	20.75	1,650	1,567	2,070	12.50	15.00	12.50	
Calgary	427	261	260	21.00	19.00	20.00	1,417	649	901	11.50		11.15	
Edmonton	203	151	166	20.50	17.75	19.85	235	294	164	10.50	12.50	9.50	

Market Comments.

Toronto (Union Stock Yards.)

With sixty-one hundred and sixty cattle, twelve hundred and fifty-two calves, ninety-eight hundred and thirty-five sheep and thirty-one hundred and fifty-nine hogs, the market inclined to lower levels although prices held fairly steady for choice grades. With about thirty-three hundred cattle on sale on Monday, trading was slow and prices slightly easier. The top of the market for the week was paid on eighteen head of cattle, two of which averaged sixteen hundred and sixty pounds and brought \$15 per hundred; the other sixteen averaged twelve hundred and sixty pounds and sold at \$14.50 per hundred; these were fed by Neil Campbell, of Kirkfield. Choice cattle were quoted at steady prices, but the commoner kinds were hard to dispose of at a dollar off. Choice light handy weight butcher cattle seem to be wanted, but they must be finished. The demand has been fairly steady for good fat cows. Choice cows sold as high as \$11.75 per hundred. The demand for springers and milkers is not great unless they are of choice quality. Bulls of good quality are steady. The stocker and feeder trade was brisk early in the week, but very slow towards the close; prices held steady for really choice feeders, prices ranging from \$9 to \$10 per hundred. The common feeders were very hard to sell at almost any price. Choice feeders sold as high as \$11.85 per hundred and choice stockers from \$8 to \$10.50 per hundred. The calf market was fairly steady throughout the week. The market was easy on Monday, but higher again on Tuesday and firm during the rest of the week. The top price for the week was \$19.50, and the general price \$18. The market closed steady.

Sheep and lambs sold a little lower on Monday and did not recover a great deal throughout the week. However, on Thursday trade was brisk with top lambs selling at \$14.25 and choice yearlings as high as \$11. Heavy fat sheep and bucks were slow. Choice handy weight sheep met with ready sale.

Hogs sold as high as \$21 fed and watered. On Wednesday's market the price was \$20.25 fed and watered. The prospects are for steady prices if the runs do not get too heavy.

The total receipts from January 1 to September 2, inclusive, were 192,334 cattle, 62,026 calves, 211,183 hogs and 82,100 sheep, compared with 216,658 cattle, 49,305 calves, 248,809 hogs and 72,522 sheep, received during the corresponding period of 1919.

Montreal.

There were twenty-five hundred and thirty-seven cattle on sale and out of this number there was not one load of finished cattle. During the early part of August there were some very heavy cuts in prices and since then, although prices have increased considerably, the runs of butcher cattle have been very light and there have been no good cattle offered. A car lot of steers averaging ten hundred and ten pounds, but only of medium good quality, brought \$12. A dozen steers averaging eleven hundred and ten pounds but of much rougher quality brought the same figure. A few

TORONTO					MONTREAL				
CLASSIFICATION	No	Avg. Price	Price Range	Top Price	No	Avg. Price	Price Range	Top Price	
heavy finished	23								
STEERS good	423	\$13.00	\$12.00-\$13.50	\$14.50	34	\$12.00	\$12.00	\$12.00	
1,000-1,200 common	11	10.50	9.00-11.00	12.00	6				
STEERS good	756	10.50	10.00-12.00	13.50	84	11.50	11.00-12.00	12.00	
700-1,000 common	410	9.50	9.00-10.00	10.50	130	9.50	9.00-10.50	10.50	
HEIFERS good	627	12.50	12.00-13.00	13.25	11	11.00	10.50-12.00	12.00	
fair	469	10.50	9.00-11.50	12.00	32	9.25	8.50-10.25	10.25	
common	332	8.50	7.00-9.00	9.00	154	7.25	6.00-8.00	8.00	
COWS good	333	10.00	9.00-11.00	11.50	63	9.50	9.00-10.10	10.50	
common	653	8.00	7.00-9.00	9.50	149	7.50	6.00-8.50	8.50	
BULLS good	450	9.00	8.50-9.50	10.00	1				
common	172	7.00	6.00-8.00	9.00	354	5.40	5.00-5.50	6.00	
CANNERS & CUTTERS	134	4.25	3.25-5.25	5.25	79	4.00	3.50-4.50	5.00	
OXEN					6	11.50	11.50	11.50	
CALVES veal	1,128	18.00	17.00-19.50	19.50	439	13.50	12.00-15.00	18.00	
grass					722	7.00	6.50-7.50	8.00	
STOCKERS good	1,356	9.00	8.50-9.50	10.00					
fair	45	8.00	7.50-8.50	8.50					
FEEDERS good	12	11.50	11.00-12.00	12.00					
fair	3			10.25					
HOGS selects	2,701	21.00	20.25-21.00	21.00	959	20.75	20.75	21.00	
heavies	18	20.00	19.25-20.00	20.00	9				
(Fed and watered) lights	27	19.00	18.25-19.00	19.00	320				
sows	92	17.00	15.25-18.00	18.00	98	16.50	16.75	16.75	
stags									
LAMBS good	7,172	13.60	13.00-14.25	14.25	2,678	12.75	12.50-13.00	13.00	
common	981	9.00	8.00-10.00	10.00	3,368	11.75	11.75	12.00	
SHEEP heavy									
light	643	7.11	6.00-8.00	8.00	262	7.25	7.00-7.50	7.50	
common	300	5.50	5.00-7.00	7.00	476	6.50	6.50	7.00	

(Montreal hog quotations on basis of off-car weights.)

fat oxen averaging fourteen hundred and seventy pounds were sold for \$11.50. Fat young cows, medium good light steers, and a few fair heifers were weighed up together at \$11.25 on Monday and the same price was paid for a load of slightly lower quality on Thursday. All grades of butcher cattle sold readily at prices about 50 cents higher than on the previous week. There is no fixed price on bulls yet for the fall runs. Packers are not willing to pay prices being asked and so far they have not been lowered much below \$5 and \$5.50. Canners run generally around \$3.50 to \$4. Good veal calves were a bit firmer, and common grass calves slightly lower. A few selected veal calves were sold at \$18, good lots of milk-fed calves from \$6.50 for thin light calves from the East, to \$7.50 and \$8 for heavier calves that had had some feed.

There were eleven thousand six hundred and ninety-five lambs on sale, and of this amount sixty-eight hundred and fifty-five were purchased by buyers from Boston and New York. Good lambs were sold from \$12.50 to \$13 and the majority of common lambs around \$11.75. Sheep sold from \$6.50 to \$7.50. There was a weaker feeling at the close of the week, when \$12.50 was the highest price offered. A few small lots of lambs were being held for \$13.

Hog receipts amounted to thirty-two

hundred and seventeen. The market was strong. A few sales reached \$21, common prices were \$20.50 to \$20.75. The hogs offered are too light for packer trade, but prove about right for shop trade, and until receipts become heavier the lighter weight hogs are likely to command prices on a par with select hogs.

PT. ST. CHARLES.—The total receipts from January 1 to September 2, inclusive, were: 24,028 cattle, 51,717 calves, 47,822 hogs and 32,527 sheep; compared with 28,759 cattle, 58,565 calves, 57,960 hogs and 31,874 sheep, received during the corresponding period of 1919.

EAST END.—The total receipts from January 1 to September 2, inclusive, were: 25,634 cattle, 40,915 calves, 35,782 hogs and 23,050 sheep; compared with 31,813 cattle, 41,696 calves, 39,344 hogs and 24,526 sheep, received during the corresponding period of 1919.

Winnipeg.

Most of the good stocker steers were sold within a range of \$6 to \$7, fair from \$4.75 to \$5.50, choice feeders from \$8.50 to \$9.75 and fair to good feeders from \$6 to \$8. Five hundred and sixty-eight stockers were shipped East, and twelve hundred and seventy-four feeders, eight hundred and twenty-nine stockers, and fifteen hundred and sixteen feeders went to United States points, while one hundred and sixty-seven stockers and one hundred

and seventeen feeders were returned to Western points.

Wool Market Report.

The wool trade generally is still dull. No large movement in grease wools has been noted during the past week. The Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers, Ltd., report sales of black, Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick low medium combing, Ontario and Quebec coarse combing and some Western range 1/4 blood staple and choice 1/2 blood staple.

The United States market reports are not very encouraging, being largely statements of the large stocks of wool held by various countries. There is one encouraging feature however: the American Woolens have announced that they will commence operations in a large number of their 54 mills by September 13.

Practically all of the United States 1920 clip is still held by the growers. A great number of pools have been formed, and there is now some talk of federation of these pools into a national association.

Montreal.

Dressed Hogs.—Prices of dressed hogs are being firmly maintained, abattoir-dressed, fresh-killed stock being quoted at 30c. per lb.

Poultry.—Prices for poultry continued steady with turkeys quoted at 60c. to 65c. per lb.; large capons 50c.; ducks

Progress.

week the Western Fair exhibition and, with favor, the history of London the large and all the live accommodated. As we favorable and everything is of the Fair will appear