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MARKETS.

Toronto.

LIVE STOCK.

At West Toronto, on Monday, Feb. 7th, receipts numbered 61 cars, comprising 1,247 cattle, 53 sheep, 19 calves; quality of cattle better than for some weeks, especially exporters, of which there were about 40 carloads; trade good; prices firmer. Prime picked butchers', \$5.75 to \$6; loads of good, \$5.40 to \$5.75; medium, \$5 to \$5.25; common, \$4.50 to \$4.80; milkers, \$4 to \$6.25 each; calves, \$4 to \$4.50 per cwt. Sheep and lambs, unchanged; ewes, \$4.50 to \$5; lambs, \$6 to \$7 per cwt. Hogs, easier; \$8.25, fed and watered, and \$8, f. o. b. cars.

REVIEW OF LAST WEEK'S MARKET.

Trade was good for finished cattle, of which there were few coming forward in comparison with those of medium and common quality. Prices for the good, or, rather, the finished cattle, were firm, but all other classes were easier, at slightly lower quotations.

The total receipts of live stock at the City and Union Yards last week were:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cattle	169	170	339
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Hogs	3,553	1,612	5,165
Sheep	906	205	1,211
Calves	161	58	219
Horses	22	223	245

Exporters.—Export steers sold from \$5.25 to \$6.05, and one load at \$6.25; export heifers, \$5.25 to \$5.75; bulls, \$4.75 to \$5.25, but few brought the latter price.

Butchers'.—Prime picked ripe or finished cattle sold from \$5.75 to \$6, and one extra load sold at \$6.25; loads of good, \$5.25 to \$5.60, the bulk going at \$5.40 to \$5.50; medium, \$4.80 to \$5.15; common, \$4.50 to \$4.75; cows, \$3 to \$4.25; canners, \$1.75 to \$2.25; bulls, \$2.50 to \$4.50.

Stockers and Feeders.—Dealers in stockers and feeders reported little doing, but what few were on sale sold at unchanged quotations.

Milkers and Springers.—Trade in milkers and springers was much better, owing to renewed demand from Montreal and Quebec dealers. Prices ranged from \$35 to \$60 each, with a few at a little more money.

Veal Calves.—Receipts were light, and prices firm, at \$3 to \$7.50 per cwt.

Sheep and Lambs.—Receipts of sheep and lambs are gradually falling off, but the demand was not greater than the supply, as prices have been so high as to be almost prohibitory to many people. Ewes sold at \$4.50 to \$5 per cwt. Ewes and rams, \$3.50 to \$4; lambs, of best quality, ranged from \$6.50 to \$7; picked lots of ewes and wethers sold at \$7.50 per cwt.

Hogs.—Prices were lower, although still good. Selects, fed and watered at the market, \$8.40, and \$8.15, f. o. b. cars at country points, which means that the farmers were still getting \$8 per cwt., delivered at their nearest station for their hogs.

Horses.—On account of the special cattle sales by auction at the Union Horse Exchange, the sale of horses was somewhat hindered, but Manager Smith informed us that he had sold a large number of horses by private sale. Mr. Smith further stated that trade in horses had not been as brisk in years as it is at present. Last week he sold a selected lot of 16 drafters, weighing from 1,500 to 1,800 lbs., at an average price of \$263 each. Prices this week ranged as follows: Drafters, \$180 to \$225; general-purpose, \$160 to \$200; expressers and wagon horses, \$175 to \$215; drivers, \$125 to \$200; serviceably sound, from \$85 to \$90 each.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.—No. 2 white, \$1.08 to \$1.09, outside; No. 2 mixed, \$1.07 to \$1.08. Manitoba—No. 1 northern, \$1.13; No. 2 northern, \$1.11. Rye—68c., outside points. Peas—No. 2, 85c., outside. Barley—No. 2, 57c.; No. 3X, 55c. to 56c.; No. 3, 50c., outside. Oats—No. 2 white, 41c. to 42c., and 38c. to 39c., outside. Buckwheat—No. 2, 52c. to 53c., outside. Corn—American No. 2 yellow, 75c.; new No. 3 yellow, 71c., at Toronto. Flour—Ninety per cent. patents, for export, \$4.20 to \$4.25, in buyers' sacks, at outside points. Manitoba flour, at Toronto, first patents, \$5.70; second patents, \$5.20; strong bakers', \$5.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Receipts large, especially of the second quality. Demand fairly good, but the lower grades are easier. Prices ranged as follows: Creamery pound rolls, 28c. to 29c.; creamery solids, 26c. to 27c.; separator dairy, 23c. to 24c.; store lots, 20c. to 21c.

Eggs.—Receipts of new-laid are increasing. Prices firm, at 30c. to 32c. by the case; cold storage, 27c.

Honey.—Prices unchanged; extracted, 10½c.; combs, per dozen sections, \$2.25 to \$3.

Beans.—Market firm. Primes, \$2 to \$2.10; hand-picked, \$2.10 to \$2.20, to retailers.

Potatoes.—Prices easy; receipts large, at 47c. to 50c. per bag, for car lots, on track, Toronto.

Cheese.—Market for cheese is still unchanged, at 13c. for large, and 13½c. for twins.

Poultry.—Receipts light, but equal to demand on account of high prices. Turkeys, 18c. to 20c.; geese, 14c. to 16c.; ducks, 16c. to 18c.; chickens, 15c. to 17c.; fowl, 11c. to 13c.

HIDES AND WOOL.

E. T. Carter & Co., 85 East Front street, Toronto, report paying following prices: No. 1 inspected steers and cows, 12c.; No. 2 inspected steers and cows, 11c.; No. 3 inspected steers, cows and bulls, 10c.; country hides, 9c. to 9½c.; calf skins, 11c. to 13c.; horse hides, No. 1, \$2.75; horse hair, per lb., 32c.; tallow, 5½c. to 6½c.; sheep skins, 90c. to \$1.10; wool and raw-fur prices on request.

HAY AND MILLFEED.

Hay.—Baled, car lots, on track, Toronto, \$14 to \$15 for No. 1; and \$13 to \$13.50 for No. 2.

Straw.—Baled, car lots, on track, Toronto, \$7 to \$7.50.

Bran.—Car lots, on track, Toronto, \$22.50 to \$23.

Shorts.—Car lots, on track, Toronto, \$21.00.

SEED MARKET.

There was no quotable change. Alsike, No. 1, per bushel, \$6 to \$6.25; No. 2, \$5.25 to \$5.75; red clover, No. 1, per bushel, \$7.50 to \$8.25; red clover (containing buckhorn), \$5.50 to \$6; timothy, bushel, \$1.40 to \$1.60.

Montreal.

The local cattle market was rather on the easy side last week, and there is a feeling that prices have seen the top, for the time being, at any rate. The offerings were rather lighter, but quite sufficient, and prices held about the same as previously. The strength of the English market, and the low freight rates from Portland, Me., and St. John, N. B., may have a tendency to tempt exporters to ship more freely, and this may be a firming influence, locally. Some choice steers were sold at 6½c. per lb., but the range for choice stock was from 5½c. to 6c. per lb. Fine stock was about 5½c. to 5½c., good was 5c. to 5½c., medium was 4½c. to 5c., and common was as low as 3½c.

The supply of sheep and lambs was light, and demand for them was good. Lambs sold at 6½c. to 7c. per lb., and sheep at 4½c. Calves were in light supply, but no alteration took place in prices, the range being still 3½c. to 4½c. according to quality. The market for hogs showed little alteration, being, if anything, easier, at 9c. for selects.

Horses.—The market for horses contains some points of interest. The demand from local users is already commencing, the class of animals wanted being heavy draft. These are exceedingly scarce, and buyers are fearing that if they left off making their purchases till a little later on in the spring, they might have to pay more for them. There is a very active demand in the West for heavy drafts, Vancouver and the Northwest being in need of them. Prices continue steady, however, as follows: Heavy draft, weighing from 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$225 to \$300 each; light draft, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$180 to \$240; small horses, weighing from 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., \$100 to \$150 each; old, broken-down animals, \$75 to \$100 each; and choice saddle or carriage animals, \$350 to \$500 each.

Dressed Hogs and Provisions.—Owing to the somewhat lower prices for live hogs, dressed hogs have declined somewhat in price, also. Sales of abattoir-dressed, fresh-killed stock are being made at 12½c. per lb., country-dressed being 12c. to 12½c. per lb. Provisions continue fairly steady. Extra-large hams, weighing from 25 lbs. upwards, sell at 15c. per lb.; large hams, 18 to 25 lbs., are 16c., and smaller ones, 16½c. Hams with the bone out, rolled, are 17c. to 17½c.; picnic hams, 14½c.; English boneless breakfast bacon is 17½c. to 18c.; Windsor backs, 18c.; Wiltshire, 17c.; other grades, 14½c. to 15c. Lard is unchanged, extra pure being 16½c. to 17½c., and compound being 12c. to 13½c. Barrelled pork ranges from \$23.50 to \$32 per barrel, beef being \$15.

Poultry.—Very little interest is being shown in the poultry market. Turkeys still range from 18c. to 19c. per pound for choicest, and from 14c. to 15c. for secondary grades; geese are 12c., ducks 17c. to 18c., finest chickens 15c. to 16c., and fowl 10c. to 12c. per lb. Demand is fair.

Apples.—Supplies continue liberal for this time of year, receipts being mostly from warehouses in this vicinity. Almost no No. 1 stock is being offered, and other stock is gradually strengthening in price; No. 2 apples are selling at auction at about \$2 to \$2.50 per barrel, No. 3 being \$1.25 to \$1.85.

Potatoes.—The situation continues very steady, some asking 60c. per 90 lbs. for choicest Green Mountains, in smaller quantities than carloads. As a general thing, however, carloads of best potatoes are quoted at 55c. to 57½c. per 90 lbs., track, Montreal.

Eggs.—The milder weather had a weakening tendency on the egg market, and new-laid stock might be had last week at 38c. to 40c. per dozen, deliveries being larger than previously. Held eggs were steady, at 28c. for No. 1 stock, and 32c. for selects. On Monday, 7th, fresh-laid were quoted at 32c. to 34c. No. 1 held 25c., and selects 28c., but the cold snap was considered likely to send prices up again.

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Butter.—Fresh makes of creamery have been selling at 24c. to 24½c. per lb., and choicest held stock had a range of 25c. to 26c. per lb., lower grades being, if anything, cheaper than formerly. Dairy butter was fully as cheap as previously, being 21c. to 22c.

Cheese.—Market very strong. Prices are constantly advancing on account of the demand from England. Quebec cheese cannot be had at less than 11½c. to 12c., or Ontarios at less than 12½c. to 13½c. per lb.

Grain.—The market for oats experienced a further advance. No. 2 Canadian Western oats selling in car lots, store, at 46c. to 46½c. per bushel; No. 2 oats at 45c. to 45½c.; No. 2 white Ontario, 44c. to 44½c.; No. 3, 43c. to 43½c.; No. 4, 42c. to 42½c.; No. 2 barley, 59½c. to 60c.; No. 3 barley, 58½c.; No. 4, 56½c. and feed barley, 54½c.

Flour.—The market for flour is practically unaltered, being fairly active, at \$5.80 per barrel, in bags, for Manitoba first patents; \$5.30 for seconds, and \$5.10 for strong bakers'. Ontario flour is \$5.50 to \$5.60 for patents, and \$5.10 to \$5.20 for straight rollers.

Feed.—Manitoba bran is still selling at \$22, and shorts at \$23 per ton. Ontario bran is \$22.50 to \$23, and middlings at \$23.50 to \$24 per ton, pure grain mouille being \$31 to \$33, and mixed mouille, \$27 to \$29. Gluten meal is quoted at \$31 to \$32, and oil cake at \$35.50 to \$36.

Hay.—The market is unchanged.

Hayseed.—Dealers are now commencing to ship seed back into farmers' hands, demand for it being fairly good. They are now quoting timothy seed at \$4.75 to \$7 per 100 lbs., f. o. b., Montreal; red clover is quoted at \$18 to \$20 per 100 lbs., and alsike at \$14 to \$17. There is a certain amount of red clover and alsike still coming in from farmers, but no timothy.

Hides.—Tallow has advanced slightly, being now 1½c. to 4½c. per lb. for rough, and 5c. to 6c. for refined. Beef hides are steady, at 10c., 11c., and 12c. per lb. calf skins 12c. and 14c., sheep skins \$1 each, and horse hides \$1.75 to \$2.25 each.

Chicago.

Cattle.—Steers, \$4.75 to \$8; cows, \$3.50 to \$5.25; heifers, \$3.40 to \$6; bulls, \$4 to \$5.25; calves, \$3 to \$9; stockers and feeders, \$3.75 to \$5.40.

Hogs.—Choice heavy, \$8.50 to \$8.60; butchers', \$8.50 to \$8.55; light mixed, \$8.30 to \$8.35; choice light, \$8.35 to \$8.45; packing, \$8.45 to \$8.50; pigs, \$7.60 to \$8; bulk of sales, \$8.35 to \$8.50.

Sheep and Lambs.—Sheep, \$5 to \$6.50; lambs, \$7.25 to \$8.75; yearlings, \$6.75 to \$8.40.

Buffalo.

Cattle.—Prime steers, \$6.25 to \$7.50; veals, \$6 to \$11.

Hogs.—Heavy, mixed and Yorkers, \$8.85 to \$8.90; pigs, \$8.80 to \$8.90; roughs, \$8 to \$8.25; dairies, \$8.80 to \$8.90.

Sheep and Lambs.—Lambs, \$5.25 to \$9; yearlings, \$7.50 to \$8; wethers, \$6.75 to \$6.85; ewes, \$5.75 to \$6.25; sheep, mixed, \$3.50 to \$6.50.

British Cattle Markets.

London and Liverpool cables quote live cattle (American) at 13½c. to 14½c. dressed weight; refrigerator beef, 11c. per pound.