

Markets.

Toronto.

Receipts at the Union Stock Yards on Wednesday, September 8th, numbered 118 cars, comprising 2,386 cattle, 465 hogs, 449 sheep, 205 calves and 22 horses. No sales. At the City Yards, receipts were 4 cars, 50 cattle, 36 hogs, 159 sheep, 12 calves. Trade was slow. Butcher cattle, \$5 to \$6.25; packers, \$3.50 to \$4; calves, \$6 to \$8.50; sheep, \$3.50 to \$5; lambs, \$6.50 to \$6.60; hogs, ten, fed and watered.

TOTAL LIVE STOCK.

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

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	24	421	445
Cattle	414	7,134	7,548
Hogs	42	4,280	4,322
Sheep	1,115	6,161	7,276
Calves	48	1,181	1,229
Horses		9	9

The total receipts of live stock at the two markets for the corresponding week of 1912 were:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	46	248	294
Cattle	393	8,288	8,681
Hogs	1,158	4,286	5,444
Sheep	1,190	5,205	6,395
Calves	313	614	927
Horses		35	35

The combined receipts of live stock at the two markets for the week, show an increase of 151 cars, 3,922 cattle, 881 sheep, and lambs, 302 calves; but a decrease of 1,072 hogs, and 26 horses in comparison with the same week of 1912.

REVIEW OF LAST WEEK'S MARKETS.

Receipts of live stock the past week were larger than for the corresponding week of 1912. The feature of the week was the buying of a very large number of stockers and feeders for the American markets. Over fifty loads were reported to have been bought for the Buffalo market alone. A very few of these classes have yet been taken by the Ontario farmers, and the probability is that they will have to pay much higher prices later on. Cattle values for the past week have ruled about steady, with our last report. Sheep and lambs are lower, especially the latter; hogs also have been a little lower, but calves have remained very firm.

Exporters.—Swift & Co., of Chicago, bought 100 export steers for the London market, weighing 1,365 lbs., at \$6.50 to \$6.80.

Butchers.—Choice butchers' sold at \$6.40 to \$6.80, and one load brought \$6.90, and an extra choice, well-finished load was bought by the Harris Abattoir Co. at \$7.20; loads of good, \$6 to \$6.30; medium, \$5.50 to \$5.80; common, \$5 to \$5.40; light steers and heifers, \$4.50 to \$4.90; choice cows, \$5.25 to \$5.60; good cows, \$4.75 to \$5; medium cows, \$4 to \$4.75; common cows, \$3.50 to \$3.75; canners, \$2 to \$3; export bulls, \$5.25 to \$5.60; butcher bulls, \$4.25 to \$5; bologna bulls, \$3.50 to \$4.

Feeders and stockers.—Feeders, 908 to 1,050 lbs., sold at \$5.25 to \$5.60; steers 800 to 900 lbs., \$4.75 to \$5.25; stockers, 450 to 700 lbs., at \$3.50 to \$4.75, and inferior Eastern stockers, \$2.50 to \$3.50.

Milkers and Springers.—There was a good demand for milkers and springers all week at steady prices, which have ruled for several weeks. Good to choice cows sold from \$50 to \$70 each, while something extra brought \$75 and \$80; common and medium cows sold from \$35 to \$45.

Veal Calves.—Prices for veal calves were very firm. Choice calves, sold at \$8.50 to \$9.50; good calves, \$7.50 to \$8; medium calves, \$3.50 to \$5.25.

Sheep and Lambs.—Prices for sheep and lambs were easier, especially the latter, which sold at lower values than for many months. Sheep, light ewes, 100 to 130 lbs., \$4.75 to \$5; ewes, 140 to 160 lbs., at \$4 to \$4.50; culls and rams, \$2.50 to \$3.75. Lambs sold from \$5 to \$6.75 at the close of the week, the bulk going at \$6.50.

Hogs.—Prices for selects, fed and watered, ranged from \$9.90 to \$10, fed

and watered, and \$9.60 to \$9.65 f. o. b. cars, and \$10.25 weighed off cars.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.—Ontario. No. 2 red, white or mixed, 84c. to 85c., outside 90c. track, Toronto; No. 1 Manitoba, northern, 99c.; No. 2 northern, 98c.; No. 3 northern, 93c., track, lake ports. Oats.—Ontario. New white, 33c. to 34c., outside, 35c. to 36c., track, Toronto; Manitoba, No. 2, 39c.; No. 3, 38c., lake ports. Rye.—No. 2, 61c. to 62c., outside. Peas.—No. 2, 83c. to 85c., outside. Buckwheat.—No. 2, 52c. to 53c., outside. Corn.—American, No. 2, yellow, 78c., midland; 83c., track, Toronto. Barley.—For malting, 50c. to 53c., outside. Flour.—Ontario, 90 per cent winter-wheat flour, new, \$3.60 to \$3.65, in bulk. Manitoba flour prices at Toronto.—First patents, \$5.50; second patents, \$5; in cotton, 10c. more; strong bakers, \$4.80, in bulk.

HAY AND MILLFEED.

Manitoba bran, \$20 in bags, track, Toronto; shorts, \$21; Ontario bran, \$20, in bags; shorts, \$21; middlings, \$23.

Hay.—Baled, car lots, track, Toronto, new, \$18 to \$18.50; No. 2, \$11 to \$12. Straw.—Baled, car lots, track, Toronto, \$11 to \$12 per ton.

HIDES AND SKINS.

No. 1 inspected steers and cows, 18c.; No. 2 inspected steers and cows, 12c.; city hides, 18c. to 18c.; country hides, cured, 18c.; calf skins, per lb., 16c.; lamb skins and pelts, 20c. to 50c.; sheep skins, \$1.50 to \$1.85; horse hair, 35c. to 37c.; horse hides, No. 1, \$3.50; tallow, No. 1, per lb., 5c. to 7c.

WOOL.

Coarse, unwashed, 15c.; coarse, washed, 24c.; fine, unwashed, 17c.; fine, washed, 26c. per lb.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Market steady to strong at 27c. to 28c. for creamery rolls; creamery solids, 25c. to 27c.; separator dairy, 25c. to 27c.; store lots, 20c. to 21c.

Cheese.—Market steady, old per lb., 15c. for large, and 15c. for twins; cheese, new, 14c. for large, and 14c. twins.

Eggs.—Market firm, new laid, 25c. to 26c., case lots.

Honey.—Extracted, 12c. to 18c.; combs, per dozen, \$2.50 to \$3.00.

Beans.—Hand-picked, imported, \$2.80 to \$2.40 per bushel; Canadian, hand-picked, \$2.25; primes, \$1.75 to \$1.85.

Potatoes.—Car lots of Ontario's, 75c. to 85c., track, Toronto; New Brunswick potatoes, car lots, 85c. to 95c., track, Toronto.

Poultry.—Receipts of live poultry liberal. Prices quoted as follows: chickens, 18c. to 19c.; dressed, 22c. to 23c.; ducks, 12c., alive, and 16c. to 18c., dressed; hens, 12c. to 14c., alive, and 16c. to 17c., dressed.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES.

Receipts of Canadian fruits during the past week have been the largest of the season this far, and prices have been accordingly easier as follows: Apples, per basket, 30c. to 40c.; apples, per bbl., \$2 to \$2.50; blackberries, 7c. to 9c. per quart by case; blueberries, 1.05 to \$1.75 per basket; cantaloupes, per basket, 40c. to 90c.; corn, per dozen, 8c. to 12c.; cucumbers, 20c. to 30c., per basket; peaches, 50c. to \$1.00 per basket; plums, basket, 30c. to 75c.; pears, basket, 35c. to 60c.; beans, per basket, 25c. to 35c.; tomatoes, sold at 25c. to 40c. per basket; grapes, 25c. to 30c. per basket; onions, per basket of half bushel, \$1.65.

Buffalo.

Cattle.—Prime steers, \$8.85 to \$9.10; shipping, \$8.25 to \$8.75; butchers, \$7 to \$8.75; cows, \$2.75 to \$7.50; bulls, \$5.25 to \$7.50; heifers, \$6.50 to \$8.25; stock heifers, \$5.50 to \$6; stockers and leeders, \$6 to \$7.60; fresh cows and springers, \$35 to \$90.

Veals.—\$6 to \$12.50.

Hogs.—Heavy, \$9.40 to \$9.50; mixed, \$9.50 to \$9.70; yorkers, \$9.25 to \$9.75; pigs, \$8.75 to \$9; roughs, \$8 to \$8.25; stags, \$6.50 to \$7.50; dairies, \$9.25 to \$9.65.

Sheep and Lambs.—Lambs, \$5.50 to \$7.75; yearlings, \$4.50 to \$6.25; wethers, \$5.25 to \$5.50; ewes, \$2.50 to \$4.75; sheep, mixed, \$4.75 to \$5.25.

Montreal.

The market for cattle showed considerable activity this week, and prices held firm. Choicest steers sold at 6c. to 6c. per lb., while fine brought 6c. and good 5c. to 6c. and medium from 5c. to 5c., while common ranged down to 4c. per lb. Some common cows sold as low as 3c. per lb., and the best as high as 5c. Lambs sold at 6c. to 6c., and sheep at 4c., while calves ranged from \$3 to \$10 each. Hogs were in good demand, but offerings were fairly large and prices were slightly lower, ranging from 10c. to 10c. per lb. for choice, with rough stock at 10c. per lb., weighed off cars.

Horses.—There has been an improvement in the demand for horses, but prices were steady, as follows: Heavy draft horses, weighing from 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$300 to \$350 each; light draft, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$225 to \$300 each; light horses, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., \$125 to \$200 each; broken down old animals, \$75 to \$125, and choicest saddle and carriage animals, \$350 to \$500 each.

Dressed Hogs.—The market for dressed hogs showed no alteration this week, prices being steady in spite of an easier tone in live stock. Fresh-killed, abattoir-dressed hogs sold at 14c. to 14c. per lb.

Honey and Syrup.—The market for honey and syrup remained unchanged. White clover comb was 16c. to 17c. per lb.; extracted, 11c. to 12c.; dark comb, 14c. to 15c., and strained, 8c. to 9c. Tins of maple sugar sold at 9c. to 10c. per lb., and syrup in wood at 7c. to 8c., while maple sugar was 11c. to 12c. per lb.

Eggs.—Owing to cooler weather and the grain in the fields, eggs were of better quality. Prices, however, were steady. Strictly fresh eggs were quoted at 32c. per dozen. Selected eggs were 29c., and No. 1 candled 26c., while No. 2 were 20c. per dozen.

Butter.—There was a marked advance in the price of butter, both here and in the country, this week, and prices were nearly a cent up. Choice creamery was quoted here at 24c. to 25c. per lb. in a wholesale way. Fine creamery was 24c. to 24c. and second grades were as low as 23c. Dairy butter was unchanged at 21c. to 22c. per lb.

Cheese.—The market for cheese showed a slightly firmer tone. Prices were 18c. per lb. for Western colored, and 18c. for Eastern. White cheese sold at a discount of 1c. to 1c. under colored all the way round.

Grain.—Oats were steady in price. No. 2 Western Canada were quoted at 40c. to 41c. per bushel, ex store. No. 1 extra feed 40c. to 40c.

Flour.—The market showed no change last week. Manitoba first patents were \$5.60 per barrel, in bags; seconds, \$5.10, and strong bakers', \$4.90. Ontario winter wheat patent flour was easier at \$5.25 to \$5.50, while straight rollers were \$5 to \$5.10.

Millfeed.—The market has steadied down again and showed no change. Bran was \$21 per ton and shorts \$23, in bags, while middlings were \$26.00, including bags. Moullie was \$30 to \$32 per ton for pure and \$27 to \$29 for mixed.

Hay.—Prices were rather higher again. No. 1 pressed hay, car lots, Montreal, on track, was \$14 to \$14.50 per ton, while No. 2 was \$13 to \$13.50 and No. 3 \$12 to \$12.50.

Hides.—Prices were steady, save for an increase in lamb skins. Beef hides were 11c., 12c. and 13c. per lb., respectively, for Nos. 3, 2 and 1. Calf skins were 15c. to 17c. per lb., for Nos. 2 and 1, and lamb skins 50c. each, with horse hides ranging from \$1.75 for No. 2 and \$2.50 each for No. 1. Tallow sold at 1c. to 3c. per lb. for rough and 6c. to 6c. for rendered.

Chicago.

Cattle.—Beeves, \$6.90 to \$9.15; Texas steers, \$6.70 to \$7.75; stockers and feeders, \$5.00 to \$7.90; cows and heifers, \$3.70 to \$8.60; calves, \$8.75 to \$11.75.

Hogs.—Light, \$8.50 to \$9.32; mixed, \$7.65 to \$9.25; heavy, \$7.50 to \$8.80; rough, \$7.50 to \$7.80; pigs, \$4 to \$8.75.

Sheep.—Native, \$3.50 to \$4.75; yearlings, \$5 to \$5.75; lambs, native, \$5.50 to \$7.65.

Cheese Markets.

Utica, N. Y., 14c.; butter 30c.; Cowansville, Que., butter, 25c.; Belleville, Ont., 13c., 18 3-16c., 18c.; Stirling, Ont., 18 1-16c., 18c., 18 3-16c.; Peterboro, Ont., 13 5-16c.; Madoc, Ont., 18 3-16c. to 18c.; Kingston, Ont., 18 3-16; Brockville, Ont., 18c.; to 18 7-16c.; Napanee, Ont., 18c.; Iroquois, Ont., 18c.; Picton, Ont., 18 7-16c.; Cornwall, Ont., 13c.; Watertown, N. Y., 15c.

Gossip.

Geo. A. Brodie, of Newmarket, has lately sailed for Scotland and France to make selections for his 1913 importation. Mr. Brodie is well known as one of the most extensive importers in Canada, and the high-class quality of his selections finds for them a ready sale. In this year's lot the same care and critical selection will be exercised. Look out for particulars in these columns on their arrival.

OPPORTUNITY.

They do me wrong who say I come no more,
When once I knock and fail to find you in;
For every day I stand outside your door,
And bid you wake and rise to fight and win.

Wait not for precious chances passed away;
Weep not for golden ages on the wane;
Each night I burn the records of the day;
At sunrise every soul is born again.

Laugh like a boy at splendors that have sped,
To vanished joys be blind and deaf and dumb;
My judgments seal the dead past with the dead,
But never bind a moment yet to come.

Though deep in mire, writing not your hands and weep;
I lend my arms to all who say, "I can!"
No shamefaced outcast ever sank so deep
But yet might rise again and be a man!

Dost thou behold thy lost youth all aghast?
Dost reel from righteous retribution's blow?
Then turn from blotted archives of the past
And find the future's pages white as snow.

Art thou a mourner? Rouse thee from thy spell;
Art thou a sinner? Sins may be forgiven;
Each morning gives thee wings to flee from hell—
Each night a star to guide thy feet to heaven.

Walter Malone.

DANDELION.

There's a dandy little fellow,
Who dresses all in yellow,
In yellow with an overcoat of green;
With his hair all crisp and curly,
In the springtime bright and early,
A-tripping o'er the meadow he is seen.
Through all the bright June weather,
Like a jolly little tramp,
He wanders o'er the hillside, down the road;
Around his yellow feather
The gypsy fireflies camp;
His companions are the woodlark and the toad.

But at last this little fellow
Doffs his dainty coat of yellow,
And very feebly totters o'er the green;
For he very old is growing
And with hair all white and flowing,
Anodding in the sunlight he is seen.
Oh, poor dandy, once so spandy,
Golden dancer on the lea!
Older growing, white hair flowing,
Poor little baldhead dandy
Now is he!

Nellie M. Garabrant.
Nature in Verses.