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Calves sold well at slightly firmer prices, the best veal calves realizing up to \$15, while the majority of the grass calves sold at \$7. One load of grass calves was received from Winnipeg during the week. Receipts of sheep and lambs were lighter than those of last week. The market for lambs was weak and draggy. Neither American nor Canadian buyers appeared to be anxious to purchase and the closing prices at last week barely held. Sheep, however, were in demand and sold well at strong prices. The market closed in an unsettled condition.

The market for hogs opened weak and from 25 to 50 cents per hundred lower on all grades, selects selling from \$16.50 to \$16.75 per hundred, fed and watered. Further weakness was in evidence during the latter part of the week but no further price changes were made. The market closed in a weak condition.

PT. ST. CHARLES.—Of the disposition from the Yards for the week ending October 25th, Canadian packinghouses and local butchers bought 436 calves, 976 canners and cutters, 1,092 bulls, 890 butcher cattle, 1,333 hogs, 509 sheep and 3,473 lambs. Canadian shipments were made up of 15 milch cows, 35 butcher cattle, and 6 hogs. Shipments to the United States were made up of 568 calves, 43 butcher cattle and 1,655 lambs.

The total receipts from the Yards from January 1st to October 25th, inclusive, were: 42,607 cattle, 50,704 calves, 55,471 sheep and 65,421 hogs; compared to 39,942 cattle, 40,414 calves, 47,733 sheep, and 74,315 hogs, received during the corresponding period of 1916.

EAST END.—Of the disposition from the Yards for the week ending October 25th, Canadian packing houses and local butchers bought 110 calves, 3,267 butcher cattle, 1,332 hogs, and 16 lambs. Canadian shipments were made up of 112 butcher cattle. Shipments to United States' points consisted of 530 calves, 52 butcher cattle, and 1,917 lambs.

The total receipts at the Yards from January 1st to October 25th, inclusive, were: 42,472 cattle, 38,183 calves, 33,368 sheep and 37,953 hogs; compared to 40,671 cattle, 40,206 calves, 39,419 sheep, and 51,712 hogs, received during the corresponding period of 1916.

Winnipeg.

Fifteen thousand four hundred cattle were sold on the Yards during the week and, in addition, seven hundred were billed through to the east, making total receipts of sixteen thousand one hundred head. This number constitutes an increase of six thousand head over the previous week, and is a record for the year so far. The market was active and steady at last week's closing prices. The quality of the bulk of the cattle was plain. A few loads of heavy steers from Alberta sold around \$10 per hundred. Five head averaging thirteen hundred pounds sold at \$11 per hundred, seventeen head weighing thirteen hundred and twelve pounds, at \$10.75, and the bulk of the heavy steers from \$9.50 to \$10.40. Six steers of eleven hundred pounds realized \$11 per hundred; twenty of eleven hundred and fifty pounds brought \$10, while a considerable number of loads sold around \$9.50. The bulk of the best sold from \$8.75 to \$10, and the bulk of the medium from \$7.70 to \$8.70. Twenty-five head of stockers weighing seven hundred and fifty pounds sold at \$8.60 per hundred, while the bulk of

the best stockers sold from \$7 to \$8.20 and those of medium quality from \$5.75 to \$6.75. Eighteen feeders averaging eleven hundred pounds sold at \$10.25 and eighteen weighing eleven hundred and eighty pounds at \$10.30; a number of the cattle were shipped south.

The market for lambs was 25 cents higher and trading was active, sales being made freely from \$15 to \$15.50 for those of choice quality. Ewes were in good demand and sold from \$15 to \$25 each.

The market for hogs opened 50 cents per hundred lower but recovered from 25 to 35 cents late in the week, the market closing on Thursday at \$15 per hundred fed and watered, for selects and one dollar less for heavies; light hogs met with a poor sale and sold at a flat rate of \$13.50. Smooth sows sold from \$9.50 to \$10.50. Eastern and local buyers were operating. The quality of the run was only fair.

Of the disposition from the Yards for the week ending October 25th, Canadian packing houses bought 176 calves, 5,357 butcher cattle, 2,872 hogs, and 846 sheep. Local butchers purchased 288 calves, 1,250 butcher cattle, 121 hogs and 221 sheep. Canadian shipments were made up of 2 calves, 2 bulls, 2,264 stockers, 965 feeders, 217 hogs and 231 sheep. Shipments to United States' points were made up of 309 butcher cattle, 380 stockers and 654 feeders.

Toronto Produce.

Receipts of live stock at Union Stock Yards, West Toronto, Monday, Nov. 5, were 361 cars, 4,890 cattle, 199 calves, 1,435 hogs, 3,593 sheep and lambs. Strong market; all classes cattle steady to 25 cents per cwt. higher. Lambs, strong, ten to fifteen cents higher; sheep, strong. Choice calves, steady, balance 25 cents lower. Hogs, fed and watered, \$16.75 to \$17.

Breadstuffs.

Wheat.—Ontario, No. 2, winter, per car lot, \$2.22, basis; (basis in store Montreal.) Manitoba wheat, in store, Fort William—including 2½¢ tax—No. 1 northern, \$2.23½; No. 2 northern, \$2.20½; No. 3 northern, \$2.17½; No. 4 wheat, \$2.09½.

Oats.—(According to freights outside) Ontario, No. 2 white, 65¢; to 66¢; No. 3 white, 64¢; to 65¢; nominal. Manitoba oats, No. 2 C. W., 66½¢; No. 3 C. W., 64½¢; (in store, Fort William). Extra No. 1 feed, 63½¢; No. 1 feed, 62½¢.

Barley.—Malting, \$1.20 to \$1.21. Peas.—According to freights outside; No. 2, \$3.40 to \$3.50.

Corn.—American (track, Toronto), No. 3, nominal.

Rye.—No. 2, \$1.75.

Flour.—Manitoba first patents, in jute bags, \$11.50; second patents, in jute bags, \$11; strong bakers', in jute bags, \$10.60. Ontario winter, according to sample, \$9.80, Montreal; \$9.60, Toronto; \$9.55 bulk, seaboard.

Hay and Millfeed.

Hay.—Track, Toronto, No. 1, \$14.50 to \$15.50 per ton; mixed, per ton, \$11 to \$13.

Straw.—Car lots, per ton, \$7 to \$7.50, track, Toronto.

Bran.—Per ton, \$35.

Shorts.—Per ton, \$42; middlings, per ton, \$45 to \$46.

Good feed flour, per bag, \$3.25.

Hides and Wool.

Prices delivered, Toronto: City hides.—City butcher hides, green, flat, 20¢; calf skins, green, flat, 23¢; veal kip, 20¢; horse hides, city take-off, \$5 to \$6; city lamb skins, shearings and pelts, \$1.50 to \$2.25; sheep skins, \$2.50 to \$4.

Country markets.—Beef hides, flat, cured, 18¢ to 19¢; deacons or bob calf, \$1.50 to \$1.75 each; horse hides, country take-off No. 1, \$5.50 to \$6; No. 2, \$5 to \$6; No. 1 sheep skins, \$2.50 to \$3.50; horse hair, farmers' stock, \$25.

Tallow.—City rendered, solids, in barrels, 13¢ to 14¢; country solids, in barrels, No. 1, 12¢; cakes, No. 1, 14¢ to 16¢.

Wool.—Unwashed fleece wool, as to quality, fine, 60¢; coarse, 58¢; washed wool, 40¢; coarse, 65¢.

Country Produce.

Butter.—Prices kept practically stationary on the wholesales during the past week selling as follows: Creamery, fresh-made pound squares, 46¢ to 48¢ per lb.

creamery solids, 43¢ to 44¢ per lb.; dairy, 37¢ to 38¢ per lb; separator dairy, 44¢ to 45¢ per lb.

Eggs.—Freshly gathered eggs kept stationary; selling as follows, wholesale, No. 1, 45¢ to 46¢ per dozen; selects, 49¢ per dozen; in cartons, 53¢ per dozen; new laid selling at 55¢ per dozen.

Poultry.—Chickens and heavy fowl were slightly easier on the wholesales, selling as follows: (live weight) spring chickens, 17¢ to 18¢ per lb.; spring ducks, 16¢ per lb.; fowl 4 lbs. and under, 13¢ per lb.; fowl over 4 lbs., 16¢ per lb. Geese, 12¢ per lb.; turkeys, 25¢ per lb.

Cheese.—Cheese remained unchanged in price: Old cheese selling at 30¢ per lb.; new at 24¢ per lb., and new twins at 24½¢ per lb.

Honey.—Honey is still quite scarce, and therefore, high priced selling as follows, wholesale: Extracted 5-lb. and 10-lb. pails, 19¢ per lb.; 60-lb. pails, 18½¢ per lb. The comb selling at \$3 to \$3.25 per dozen.

Beans.—The bean market is very firm. Hand-picked Canadians selling at \$8 per bushel wholesale; the Indias going at \$6.60 per bushel.

Wholesale Fruits and Vegetables.

Apples continued to come in freely. The British Columbia boxed and Nova Scotia barreled predominating; B. C. McIntosh Reds sold at \$2.60 to \$2.75 per box; Jonathans, \$2.40 to \$2.50 per box; Nova Scotia Kings, \$5 to \$6 per barrel; Blenheim, Ribston Pippins, Gravensteins at \$4 to \$5.50 per barrel.

Cranberries kept up in price; the Early Blacks at \$15 per barrel and late Reds at \$16 per barrel.

Grapes.—The California grapes came in freely and as they are excellent quality this year they sold well at \$5 to \$5.50 per keg for Emperors.—The Spanish Almerias came in in larger quantities and sold at \$6 to \$10 per keg. The home-grown, Blues, Greens and Red Rogers have been rather scarce and sold at \$25 to \$40¢ per 6-qt. flats, and 35¢ to 45¢ per 6-qt. leno basket.

Beets and carrots were slow at 75¢ per bag.

Cauliflower.—Some choice cauliflowers sold at \$2 to \$2.25 per bushel hamper.

Celery was rather slow at 40¢ to 75¢ per dozen, and also at \$4.25 to \$4.50 per case.

Onions kept stationary in price—well-dried Ontario stock selling at \$2.75 per 75-lb. bag.

Potatoes advanced and were quite firm at \$1.85 per bag; some bringing \$1.90 to \$2 per bag.

Turnips were almost unsalable at 65¢ per bag.

Buffalo.

As a consequence of more moderate runs of cattle the past week, prices advanced generally from a quarter to half a dollar, with some sales on shipping steers ruling as much as seventy-five cents above the preceding week. Canadian steers topped the market at \$13, general range on best steers running from \$12.50 to \$13. Two loads of state grass steers of good weight sold at \$12.80. In handy butchering steers there were very few good enough to sell above \$11.25. In the butchering heifer line a few fancy ones reached \$10.50, but about the best generally in the handy line sold from \$8.50 to \$9.25. There were fully 75 loads of canners and these sold a shade lower, general market being \$4.75 with some strong kinds with cutters in up to \$5. Bull market was strong, stockers and feeders sold firm to higher, while general milk cow and springer market was about steady. Offerings for the week totaled 5,875, as against 8,875 head for the previous week and as against 8,475 for the corresponding week last year. Quotations:

Shipping Steers—Natives—Choice to prime, \$13 to \$14; fair to good, \$11.50 to \$12.25; plain, \$10 to \$10.75; very coarse and common, \$9 to \$9.75.

Shipping Steers—Canadians—Choice to prime, \$12.00 to \$13.00; fair to good, \$11 to \$11.50; common and plain, \$9.50 to \$10.25.

Butchering Steers—Choice heavy, \$11 to \$11.50; fair to good, \$10.50 to \$10.75; best handy, \$11 to \$11.50; fair to good, \$10 to \$10.50; light and common, \$8 to \$9; yearlings, choice to prime, \$12 to \$12.50; fair to good, \$11.75 to \$12.

Cows and Heifers.—Best heavy heifers, \$10 to \$10.50; best butchering heifers, \$9 to \$9.50; fair butchering heifers, \$7.75

to \$8.25; light and common, \$6.75 to \$7.25; very fancy fat cows, \$9.25 to \$9.50; best heavy fat cows, \$8.25 to \$9; good butchering cows, \$7.50 to \$8; medium to fair, \$6.75 to \$7.25; cutters, \$6 to \$6.50; canners, \$4 to \$5.

Bulls.—Best heavy, \$9 to \$9.50; good butchering, \$7.50 to \$8.25.

Stockers and Feeders.—Best feeders, \$8.50 to \$9.25; common to fair, \$7 to \$8; best stockers, \$7.50 to \$8; common to good, \$6.50 to \$7.25.

Milchers and Springers.—Good to best, in small lots, \$100.00 to \$140.00; in carloads, \$85 to \$100.00.

Hogs.—Prices showed a sharp advance every day last week. Monday the range on hogs weighing from 160 to 190 pounds was from \$16.50 to \$16.85, with a few that were a little heavier selling up to \$17 and before the week was over on Friday, hogs weighing from 160 to 190 pounds brought from \$17.75 to \$18.10. Pigs also showed a big advance. Monday these weights sold at \$14.75 and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday they reached up to \$16. Roughs during the high time brought up to \$16.50 and stags \$15.50 down. Last week receipts were 24,200 head, as against 28,566 head for the week before and 48,000 head for the same week a year ago.

Sheep and Lambs.—Last week started with top lambs selling generally at \$16.50, few made \$16.60 and culls went from \$15.50 down. Tuesday and Wednesday prices were steady but trading was slow. Thursday the market was a little better, tops reaching up to \$16.75 and Friday the range on good to choice lots was from \$16.50 to \$16.65. Sheep were held steady all week. Wethers were quoted up to \$12 and while a few very desirable ewes made \$11.50, most of the good ewe offerings sold on a basis of \$11. Last week receipts were 13,300 head, as compared with 11,598 head for the week before and 27,000 head for the same week a year ago.

Calves.—On the opening day of the week buyers got top veals down to \$14.50. Tuesday the trade was steady, Wednesday and Thursday best lots brought \$15 and Friday the bulk made \$15.50. Cull grades were very hard sellers all week and at no time could the best desirable ones be quoted above \$12 and in fact it took a pretty decent kind of throwouts to sell from \$10 to \$11. Heavy calves ranged from \$6.50 to \$9.50, as to flesh and quality, and grassers from \$6 down. Receipts last week were 2,325 head, being against 2,487 head for the week before and 2,450 head for the same week a year ago.

Montreal Produce.

Horses.—Enquiry from lumbermen continues to improve, but is at best light. A slight demand was experienced for cart horses. Prices were steady, heavy draft horses, weighing 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$225 to \$275 each; light draft, weighing 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$175 to \$225 each; small horses, \$150 to \$200 each; culls, \$75 to \$125 each; choice saddle and carriage horses, \$200 to \$250 each.

Poultry.—Dealers asked 18¢ to 22¢ for live fowl, and 22¢ to 23¢ for chickens, and 25¢ for ducks.

Dressed Hogs.—Demand from packers continued steady, and fresh-killed, abattoir-dressed stock changed hands at 24½¢ to 25¢ per lb.

Potatoes.—Supplies came along more freely, but as the quantity is known to be light, the price was very little changed. Green Mountains, in car lots, were quoted at \$2.20 to \$2.25 per 90 lbs., ex-track, while Ontario white potatoes were selling at \$1.80 to \$2. For smaller quantities, the price was about 15¢ higher.

Honey and Maple Syrup.—Honey gradually advanced in price because of the limited supplies offering. White clover comb was quoted as high as 19¢ to 22¢ per lb., covering all qualities, while brown comb was 17¢ to 19¢. White extracted was about the same range as brown comb. Maple syrup showed almost no change, and was in good demand at \$1.45 to \$1.80 per gallon of 13 lbs. Sugar sold at 15¢.

Eggs.—New-laid eggs are becoming constantly scarcer, but the price held about steady, at 53¢ to 55¢. The tendency of cold storage eggs was said to be rather easy but prices were not generally changed, although No. 1 candled were quoted at 42¢ to 43¢, and No. 2, at 39¢ to 40¢. Selected stock were 46¢ to 47¢ per doz.

Butter.—The price of butter came down last week, owing to the feeling that

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