

THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA

Capital Authorized - \$ 25,000,000
Capital Paid up - 11,500,000
Reserve Funds - 13,000,000
Total Assets - 180,000,000

HEAD OFFICE: MONTREAL

Branches throughout every Province of the Dominion of Canada.

Accounts of Farmers
Invited

Sale Notes Collected

Savings Department at All Branches

wheat patents, \$3.85 to \$3.90, bulk, seaboard. Manitoba flour—Prices at Toronto are: First patents, \$5.70; second patents, \$5.20; in cotton, 10c. more; strong bakers', \$4.90, in jute.

HAY AND MILLFEED.

Hay.—Baled, car lots, track, Toronto, No. 1, \$14.50 to \$15.50; No. 2, \$12.50 to \$13.50 per ton.

Straw.—Baled, car lots, track, Toronto, \$8.50 to \$9.

Bran.—Manitoba, \$25, in bags, track, Toronto; shorts, \$26; Ontario bran, \$24, in bags; shorts, \$25; middlings, \$28.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Receipts have been liberal, causing prices to be easy. Creamery pound rolls, 24c. to 26c.; creamery solids, 24c.; separator dairy, 23c. to 24c.; store lots, 20c.

Eggs.—The market for new-laid eggs was easy, at 23c. to 24c., by the case.

Beans.—Imported, hand-picked, \$2.40; Canadians, hand-picked, \$2.40; primes, \$2.25 per bushel.

Potatoes.—Car lots of Ontarios, per bag, track, Toronto, \$1.10. New Brunswick Delawares, \$1.10 to \$1.15 per bag, track, Toronto.

Poultry.—Cold storage is now being used, and prices were quoted as follows: Turkeys, 21c. to 25c. per lb.; geese, per lb., 14c. to 15c.; ducks, per lb., 14c. to 20c.; chickens, per lb., 17c. to 23c.; hens, per lb., 14c. to 17c. Spring chickens are coming forward in small lots, and are selling at 45c. to 47c. per lb. dressed.

HIDES AND SKINS.

City hides, No. 1 inspected steers and cows, 14c.; No. 2, 13c.; city butcher hides, flat 14c.; country hides, cured, 15c. to 16c.; green, 12c. to 12½c.; lamb skins and pelts, 35c. to 50c.; calf skins, 17c.; horse hair, per lb., 37c. to 39c.; horse hides, No. 1, \$2.50 to \$4.50; tallow, No. 1, per lb., 5½c. to 7c. Wool, unwashed, coarse, 17½c.; wool, unwashed, fine, 19c.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES.

Receipts of Canadian fruits and vegetables are so steadily increasing that the wholesale market at the foot of Yonge Street opened this past week. Prices were quoted as follows: Apples, American, \$2.50 per box; apricots, \$3.25 per box; blueberries, 17½c. per box; cantaloupes, standards, \$4.75 per case; ponies, \$4.50 per case; cherries, Canadian, 75c. per small basket, and \$1.50 to \$1.75 per large basket; gooseberries Canadian, \$1.25 per basket; grape fruit, 64's., 68's., \$4.75 per box; lemons, \$4.50 to \$4.75 per box; oranges, Valencia, \$3.75 per box; navel, \$3 per box; pineapples, 24's., and 30's., \$3 per box; peaches, \$2 per box; plums, \$3 per box; strawberries, Canadian, 10c. to 14c. per box; watermelons, 60c. to 75c. each. Vegetables—Asparagus, \$1.00 to \$1.25 per basket; beets, \$1.50 per hamper; beans, wax, \$2.50 per hamper; green, \$2.25 per hamper; cabbage, Canadian, \$2.25 to \$2.50 per crate; onions, Egyptian, 112 lbs., sack, \$5 to \$5.25; green peas, 60c. per small basket.

TORONTO HORSE MARKET.

Receipts of horses at the Union Horse Exchange, Union Stockyards for the past week were moderate. Trade was again very quiet, about 75 horses being sold at steady prices, the bulk of which were taken by eastern buyers from

Ottawa, Montreal and Quebec, with a few going to the local city trade.

Prices ranged as follows: Drafters, \$175 to \$250; general-purpose horses, \$150 to \$225; expressers, \$160 to \$200; drivers, \$100 to \$200; serviceably sound, \$35 to \$80 each.

Montreal.

Live Stock.—Weather during the past week was cool, and this, to some extent, favored the consumption of meat and the demand for cattle. Prices continued firm, partly on this account, and partly on account of light supplies. Prices of choicest steers were as high as 9c. to 9½c. per lb. for small lots, this being an exceptional figure. Otherwise, the price ranged from 8½c. to 8¾c. per lb. for fine stock, and from 8c. to 8½c. for good, while medium ranged from 7c. to 8c., and common down to 6c. per lb. These are very high prices for cattle. Prices of sheep declined slightly, yearlings selling at 5½c. to 6c. for ewes, and 4½c. to 5c. for bucks. The price of spring lambs, however, continued steady, and sales took place at \$3 to \$8 each. Calves were quoted at the usual price of \$3 to \$6 for ordinary, and up to \$10 for the best. The easier tone in the hog market continued, and prices dropped off to 8½c. for selected stock, while heaviest sold at 7½c. to 8½c.

Horses.—Prices of horses show little alteration from week to week. Demand was not very active. Horses weighing from 1,300 to 1,700 lbs., sold at \$275 to \$300 each; light draft, weighing from 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$225 to \$275 each; broken-down, old animals, \$75 to \$127 each, and choicest saddle and carriage animals, \$350 to \$400 each.

Dressed Hogs.—Prices of dressed hogs were generally easier last week, and 4c. was knocked off the quotation. Abattoir-dressed, fresh-killed hogs, 12½c. to 12¾c. per lb.

Potatoes.—The stock of potatoes was light, and good stock quite scarce, so that prices were higher last week. Green Mountains, in car lots, were quoted at \$1.10 to \$1.15 in bags of 90 lbs., while Quebec stock was 90c. to 95c., and reds were 85c. to 90c. In a smaller way, prices ranged from 15c. to 20c. above these figures.

Honey and Syrup.—Maple syrup in tins was 60c. to 65c. in small tins, and up to 35c. in 11-lb. tins. Sugar was 8½c. to 10c. per lb. White-clover comb honey was 13c. to 14c. per lb.; extracted, 10c. to 11c.; dark comb, 12c. to 13c., and strained, 6c. to 8c. per lb.

Eggs.—The market for eggs was very high for the time of year, but the absence of very hot weather helps greatly. Prices were 22½c. to 23c. for wholesale lots of straight-gathered eggs, and 26c. for single cases of selected stock, with No. 1 at 23c., and No. 2 at 21c. to 21½c.

Butter.—Creamery stocks were said to be light, and in any case prices were high and firm. Choice quality creamery sold at 24½c. to 25c.; fine at 24c. to 24½c., while seconds were 23½c. to 23¾c., and Ontario dairy was 21c. to 22c., and Manitoba 19c. to 20c.

Cheese.—There was practically no change in the price of cheese. Western colored was 13c. to 13½c. per lb., and white, 12½c. to 13c. Eastern cheese was 12½c. to 12¾c. for colored, and 12½c. to 12¾c. for white.

Grain.—The market for oats was higher. No. 2 Western Canada oats were quoted at 44c. per bushel, ex store, in car lots, and No. 3 at 43½c., with No. 2 feed at 42½c. to 43c. per bushel.

Flour.—Manitoba first-patent flour was unchanged, at \$5.60 per barrel, in bags; seconds being \$5.10, and strong bakers' \$4.90. Ontario winter-wheat flour was firmer, at \$5.25 to \$5.50 for patents, and \$4.70 to \$4.90 per barrel for straight rollers, in wood.

Millfeed.—Millfeed showed no change. Bran sold at \$23 per ton, and shorts at \$25 in bags, while middlings were \$22 including bags. Mouille was \$30 to \$32 per ton for pure, and \$28 to \$29 for mixed.

Hay.—The weather continued favorable for the new crop, though more moisture would be welcomed. No. 1 pressed hay, car lots, Montreal, track, was \$16.50 to \$17 per ton, while extra good was \$15.50 to \$16, and No. 2, \$14.50 to \$15.

Hides.—Lamb skins were up 5c. each. Prices were: Beef hides 14c., 15c. and

16c. for Nos. 3, 2 and 1, respectively. Calf skins were 16c. and 18c. for Nos. 2 and 1, and sheep skins were \$1.35 to \$1.40 each. Lamb skins were higher, at 30c. each, with horse hides ranging from \$1.75 for No. 2, to \$2.50 each for No. 1. Tallow sold at 1½c. to 3c. for rough, and 5c. to 6½c. for rendered.

Buffalo.

Cattle sold mostly lower at Buffalo the past week. Some few loads of top, heavy weighty steers, brought steady prices, extreme top, kinds ranging from \$9.25 to \$9.30, but the quality and finish was better, and compared with the previous week, sold possibly a nickel to a dime higher. Shipping steers ranging from \$8.75 down, and especially where coarse, plain and light, running around twelve hundred, were notably a dime to fifteen cents lower. There were thirty-five cars of steers suitable for shipping demand, and they were placed early, demand being strong from the east. Butchering cattle generally ranged from a dime to a quarter lower, the inside take-off being on yearlings and choice, handy, butchering steers. Several loads of baby beefs, the best seen here this year, sold from \$8.80 to \$8.90, and went to local packers during the first hours. Supply ran freely of grassy cattle, and these, in most cases, were a full quarter lower.

Bulls sold a shade lower, the grassy grades running from a quarter to half a dollar under the strictly dry-feds. The stocker and feeder market was weak, supply being, in the main, little, common stuff, and it sold slow. Eight cents took about the best in the feeding line; they were of good quality, but not heavy. Milker and springer market was slow and draggy, trade in this division being from \$2.50 to \$5 under two weeks ago. Authorities generally are of the opinion that strictly dry-fed cattle will continue to bring good, strong values, and the general impression is that there will be none too many of these. At the present time, quite a few twelve-hundred-pound steers are coming to market not quite heavy enough, and while they are taken by the east, nevertheless they would bring more money if they carried fifty pounds more weight. Yearlings that are strictly choice are being bought readily, both by the packers and smaller killers. Large consignments of Argentine beef for the big packers arrived in New York the past week, and but for this, sellers think that prices would be even higher than at present on the prime cattle. The past week, quite a few other market cattle were marketed here. Most of these were grassers, light, and of ordinary quality. They come in competition with common natives, making this class of stuff more plentiful than the better kinds, and in consequence are not selling as satisfactorily. Only a few loads of Canadians the past week, and they were mostly shipping steers, best of which ranged from \$8.75 to \$8.85. Some distillers brought \$8.90. Receipts the past week figured 5,065 head, as against 4,375 for the previous week, and 4,265 for the corresponding week a year ago. About 30 cars of Canadians the past week.

Quotations: Choice to prime shipping steers, 1,250 to 1,500 lbs., \$9 to \$9.80; fair to good shipping steers, \$8.50 to \$8.85; plain and coarse, \$8.25 to \$8.40; choice to prime handy steers, \$8.40 to \$8.65; fair to good, \$8.15 to \$8.25; light, common, \$7.50 to \$7.75; yearlings, \$8.25 to \$9; prime, fat heifers, \$8.25 to \$8.40; good butchering heifers, \$8 to \$8.15; light butchering heifers, \$7 to \$7.75; best, heavy, fat cows, \$7.25 to \$7.50; good butchering cows, \$6 to \$7; canners and cutters, \$3.90 to \$5.25; best feeders, \$7.75 to \$8; good feeders, \$7.35 to \$7.65; best stockers, \$7.50 to \$7.75; common to good, \$6.25 to \$7; best bulls, \$7.25 to \$7.75; good killing bulls, \$6.50 to \$7; stock and medium bulls, \$5.50 to \$6.50; best milkers and springers, \$75 to \$90; good milkers and springers, \$55 to \$65; common milkers and springers, \$35 to \$50.

Hogs.—Liberal run the past week, 40,000; previous week, 33,120; year ago, 32,320. Week started with an \$8.40 market for packers' kinds, and there was a reaction the next few days, bulk selling Thursday and Friday at \$8.60. Pigs brought Thursday and Friday at \$8.60. The sold down to \$8.10 the fore part of the week, and Wednesday these weights brought the same price as the better weight grades, \$8.55 to \$8.60. About

twenty decks of Canadians the past week. Monday they sold at \$8.35, Tuesday \$8.40, Wednesday none here, Thursday they brought \$8.40 to \$8.45, and Friday, general price was \$8.40. Roughs, \$7.15 to \$7.35; stags, \$6 to \$7.

Sheep.—Lamb market was steady, best springers bringing from \$9.50 to \$10, while top for yearling lambs on the dry-fed order, was \$8.75, those showing grass going from \$8 down. Sheep active. Deck of choice, handy wethers, sold Friday at \$6.75, and ewes went from \$5.50 down, heavy ones underselling handy ones by \$1 to \$1.25 per cwt., extreme heavy ewes being hard to place the latter part of the week above \$4.25. Receipts the past week were even lighter than the week before, and considerably under that of a year ago, runs respectively, being 5,400, 5,600 and 12,400.

Calves.—Mostly a \$10.50 market for top veals for the entire week, a few selected ones selling Monday and Wednesday at \$10.75. Culls, \$9.50 down, and feds, \$5 to \$6.50. No Canadians to speak of. Receipts the past week, 3,150; previous week, 3,000; year ago, 2,750.

Chicago.

Cattle.—Beeves, \$7.35 to \$9.35; Texas steers, \$6.80 to \$8.15; stockers and feeders, \$6.10 to \$8.10; cows and heifers, \$3.60 to \$8.80; calves, \$7 to \$10.

Hogs.—Light, \$8.10 to \$8.42½; mixed, \$8.10 to \$8.45; heavy, \$8 to \$8.45; rough, \$8 to \$8.15; pigs, \$7.25 to \$8; bulk of sales, \$8.35 to \$8.42½.

Sheep and Lambs.—Sheep, native, \$5.80 to \$6.40; yearlings, \$6.80 to \$7.50. Lambs, native, \$6.50 to \$8.40; spring lambs, \$7 to \$9.50.

Cheese Markets.

St. Paschal, Que., 12½c.; butter, 23½c.; Peterboro, 12 18-16c.; Madoc, 12 18-16c.; Vankleek Hill, white, 12 18-16c.; colored, 12½c.; Alexandria, white, 12 18-16c.; Kingston, 12½c.; Brockville, colored, 12 18-16c.; 12½c. refused for white; Picton, colored, 12½c. and 12 11-16c.; St. Flavie, Que., butter, 23 5-16c.; cheese, 12½c.; Cornwall, colored, 13½c.

Gossip.

Attention is directed to the advertisement elsewhere in this issue of one of the best farms in Oxford County. Look it up, and write Chas. V. Canfield, Oxford Centre, Ont., for all particulars.

Look up Rock Bailey's advertisement of a sale of Jersey cattle at Union, Ont., June 30th. Twenty-five head will be sold, including seven heifers, two year-olds, which will freshen early in July. Write to R. R. No. 4, Union, Ont., for further information.

Volume 20 of the Kent or Romney Marsh Flock Book, published by the Kent or Romney Marsh Sheep-breeders' Association, Incorporated, has been issued from the press, and a copy received at this office, by courtesy of the Secretary and Editor, W. W. Chapman, Mowbray House, Norfolk street, Strand, London, W. C. Flocks registered in this volume number from 2 to 182; rams number from 33700 to 35978; ewes from 3780 to 6440, and the membership list of the society numbers 146. The volume contains 359 pages, is exceptionally well bound, creditably edited, and indicates a decidedly rapid increase of popularity of this strong, healthy and heavy-shearing breed of sheep, as shown by the record of export certificates in recent years.

Trade Topic.

A NEW ROYAL MAIL SHIP.

A very fine ship for the passenger trade between England, Brazil, and the River Plate, was recently launched at Belfast from the yards of Harland & Wolff, Limited. She was built for the Royal Mail Steam Packet Co., who operate a passenger and freight service both to the east and west coasts of South America. This is the Company now operating the Canadian-West India service. The new ship is 600 feet long, and is 15,800 tons gross. Her name is the "Alcantara," and from reports in the English press, she is the very last or latest work in high-class ship construction.