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THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE.

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Capital Authorized - \$ 25,000,000
Capital Paid Up - 11,560,000
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.

Greenings, \$2.50 to \$3; Canadian onions,
\$1.85 to \$2; turnips, 50c. per bag; Cana-
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Buffalo.

Cattle.—Trade good all of last week, prices being mostly 10 to 15 cents above the preceding week, as a result of which several loads of Canadian cattle were offered, and made money for the shippers. Some shipping Canadian steers that were bought some months ago and taken to feed lots and finished up, sold up among the toppy cattle, being quite fat and desirable. Top steers the past week were out of Ohio, bringing \$9.25, with other sales of good weight steers up to \$9.05 to \$9.10. Most shipping steers ranged from \$8.40 to \$8.85, and the demand for them was strong; Swift, Armour, Stern, Sulzberger and quite a few of Boston and near-by killers of better kinds of steers being in the competition. Practically everything in the shipping steer line was cleaned up before noon. Market after Monday ruled steady, local killers needing quite a few cattle. Notwithstanding higher prices prevailed the past week, complaint is still heard from the killers on the unfavorable beef trade. Western beef is coming in in large quantities, and Argentine stuff is still being placed in competition with native beef. Very few of the handy butchering cattle that are real good in finish are coming. A few loads of light Canadian steers brought \$7.90 to \$8.10, considered a good price. Sellers think that with the unfavorable beef trade of late at Ontario markets, that the right kinds of tidy steers and heifers would make money on the Buffalo market. Some Canadian heifers sold at \$7.75, and fancy, gobby fat cows up to \$8.05, the highest price paid for cows for some time past. Time is arriving for a good trade on stock and feeding cattle. Order buyers have had requests for good kinds of both stockers and feeders for some weeks past, and no doubt some Canadians in this line would be bought readily, as they have proved quite satisfactory in the past, but they must be of good quality and preferably dehorned. Bulls remain high, and Canadian fresh cows and springers are bringing high prices here, two consignments of late selling to excellent advantage. Runs for the past week totaled 3,500 head, as against 4,350 head for the week before, and 3,400 head for the corresponding week a year ago. Quotations:

Heavy steers, good to choice, \$8.40 to \$9.25; heavy steers, medium to good, \$8.10 to \$8.50; butcher steers, good to choice, \$7.75 to \$8.35; butcher steers, medium to good, \$7.25 to \$7.75; butcher steers, common, \$6.75 to \$7.00; best cows, \$6.25 to \$6.75; fair to good cows, \$5.75 to \$6.00; cutter cows, \$4.50 to \$5.00; canner cows, \$3.50 to \$4.25; good to choice heifers, \$7.40 to \$7.60; fair to good heifers, \$6.50 to \$7.00; light and common, \$5.00 to \$5.50; best stockers and feeders, \$6.50 to \$7.25; fair to good, \$6.00 to \$6.50; common, \$5.25 to \$5.75; stock bulls, \$5.25 to \$5.75; bologna bulls, \$6.50 to \$6.90; fat bulls, \$6.90 to \$7.40; best milkers and springers, \$50. to \$80; common, \$30 to \$50.

Hogs.—Market was good first four days of last week, and Friday a break was suffered. Week started with a \$9.30

market for all grades, and Wednesday packers paid up to \$9.40, while Friday, all grades dropped down to \$9 to \$9.05. Thursday's receipts included a deck of Canadian hogs, and these sold at \$9.20 Roughs, \$8.25 to \$8.50; stags, \$7 to \$7.50. Past week's run 27,680, the previous week 24,600, same week a year ago, 18,080.

Sheep and Lambs.—Lamb trade opened higher the past week and Wednesday values went off badly, with a reaction for the following two days. On the middle day of the week buyers got top lambs down to \$8.10 to \$8.15, and Thursday's and Friday's advance brought the tops up to \$8.50, with culls \$8.00 down. Sheep were considerably stronger for the latter part of the week, Monday's top for wethers being \$6.40, while on Friday a load made \$6.85. Ewes, \$5.75 to \$6.25, and top yearling wethers, \$7.25 to \$7.50; few \$7.65. Monday, with wool lambs selling at \$8.25 to \$8.35, clipped lambs brought up to \$7.00. No shorn stock offered after the opening day. Receipts: Past week, 24,400; previous week, 25,200; year ago, 20,600.

Calves.—First day of last week was the high time for calves, tops bringing up to \$11.00, balance of the week tops selling mostly at \$10.50, with some reaching \$10.75. Cull grades \$8.50 down, and fed calves \$4.50 to \$6.00. Runs: Past week, 2,125 head; previous week, 1,850; year ago, 1,450 head.

Butter.—Creamery, Prints, 29c.; creamery, do., firsts, 27c.; creamery, do., choice, 25 to 26c.; dairy, choice to fancy, 26 to 27c.; dairy, fair to good, 24 to 25c.

Cheese.—Cheese, fancy, new, 18 to 19½c.; good to choice, 17½ to 18c.

Eggs.—White, fancy, 22c.; fancy, mixed, 20½ to 21c.

Dressed Poultry.—Demand good, firm. Chickens, fancy, 19 to 20c.; chickens, fair to good, 17 to 18c.; fowls, fancy, 20c.

Montreal.

The market for live stock of all kinds continued firm, considering that it was still Lent. Offerings of all kinds of stock on the local market have been light recently. This is more especially the case with cattle, the quality of the offerings of which is poor. No doubt the cattle have been held back in order to get them into condition for the Easter market, which will begin in about another week. Prices continued firm. Sales of best steers were made at about 8½c. per lb., while fine were quoted at 8c.; good stock sold from 7½c. to 8c., and medium from 6c. to 7c., while common ranged down to 5c. This latter price was mainly for cows and bulls. Sheep and lambs were fairly steady, and demand was not at all active. Prices continued exceptionally high. Sheep sold at 6c. to 6½c. per lb., and lambs at 8c. to 9c. per lb. New calves were beginning to come along, but were still scarce. Prices ranged from \$3 to \$6 for common, and up to \$12 and \$15 each for the best. Hogs showed an easier tone, apparently as a result of larger offerings of several cars from Manitoba. These sold at 9½c. to 9½c. per lb., while Ontario stock ranged from 9½c. to about 9½c. Some common stock came in from Manitoba, and sold as low, it is said, as 7c., weighed off cars.

Horses.—Quite a few horses have changed hands lately. Horses weighing from 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., sold at \$275 to \$300 each; light draft, weighing from 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$225 to \$275 each; and broken-down animals, \$75 to \$125, and choicest saddle and carriage animals, \$350 to \$400 each.

Poultry.—The market was about steady, and demand was moderately active. Turkeys were 22c. to 24c. per lb.; ducks, 16c. to 18c.; chickens, 19c. to 21c.; fowl, 16c. to 18c., and geese, 14c. to 16c.

Dressed Hogs.—The market for dressed hogs was steady, prices being 13½c. to 13½c. per lb. for fresh-killed, abattoir-dressed stock.

Potatoes.—The market was on the easy side. Green Mountains were about 82½c. per bag, ex track, in car lots, while Quebec varieties were 75c. In a jobbing way, prices were 20c. to 25c. higher, ex store. Bags weigh 90 lbs.

Honey and Syrup.—New syrup should be offering in another week, and prices should be about 7½c. to 8½c. per lb. in wood, and 80c. to 90c. in tins. White-

clover comb was 15c. to 16c. per lb.; extracted, 10½c. to 11½c.; dark comb, 13c. to 14c., and strained, 7½c. to 8½c. per lb.

Eggs.—Prices of eggs fell rapidly, owing to the increased offerings. The stock was practically all Canadian, and the price was 25c. to 27c. per dozen.

Butter.—The market for butter is likely to hold firm for a week or two to come. Choice creamery was 29c. to 30c. per lb., wholesale; fine, 28c. to 29c., while second grades were 26½c. to 27½c. Dairy butter was firm, at 28c. to 24c. per lb. for Ontarios, and 22c. to 28c. for Manitobas.

Grain.—Oats were steady in price. No. 2 Western Canada oats were quoted at 44c. to 44½c. per bushel, ex store, in car lots; No. 3 were 43½c. to 43½c., and No. 2 feed at 42½c. to 43c. No. 3 American yellow corn has advanced to 78½c. to 79c.

Flour.—The market held firm. Manitoba first-patent flour was quoted 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.—The market for millfeed was steady. Bran sold at \$23 per ton, and shorts at \$25, in bags, while middlings were \$28, including bags. Mouille was \$30 to \$32 per ton for pure, and \$29 to \$29 for mixed.

Hay.—Prices of hay were a shade on the easy side. No. 1 pressed hay, car lots, Montreal, track, was \$15 to \$15.50 per ton, while No. 2 extra good was \$14 to \$14.50, and No. 2, \$13 to \$13.50.

Seeds.—Merchants bought grass and clover seed, pretty freely, but farmers still held back. Prices were: Timothy, \$10 to \$11.50 per 100 lbs., Montreal; red clover, \$22 to \$24 per 100 lbs., and alsike, \$20 to \$24 per 100 lbs.

Hides.—The market for hides was unchanged. Quality improved slightly. Beef hides were 18c., 14c. and 15c. for Nos. 3, 2 and 1, respectively. Calf skins were 17c. and 19c. for Nos. 2 and 1, and lamb skins were \$1.20 to \$1.25 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.

Chicago.

Cattle.—Beef, \$7 to \$9.60; Texas steers, \$7.25 to \$8.80; stockers and feeders, \$5.60 to \$8.10; cows and heifers, \$3.70 to \$8.50; calves, \$6 to \$9.

Hogs.—Light, \$8.45 to \$8.70; mixed, \$8.40 to \$8.70; heavy, \$8.25 to \$8.70; rough, \$8.25 to \$8.80; pigs, \$7.25 to \$8.65; bulk of sales, \$8.35 to \$8.65.

Sheep and Lambs.—Sheep, native, \$5.25 to \$6.75; yearlings, \$6.25 to \$7.50; lambs, native, \$7.25 to \$8.25.

Gossip.

Robt. McEwen, of Byron, Ont., states that he has had a very keen demand for Angus cattle this winter, both in bulls and females. Mr. McEwen has never made a practice of fitting and showing his breeding herd up to the present time, but every cow in it has been selected from one or other of the best herds on the American side, and the fact that every bull calf has been ordered the year before being weaned, is a proof of the fact that the stock-raisers here want breeding as well as conformation and quality. A selection from the herd has been made recently by Geo. A. Walker, Metcalf, Ont., of six choice females; two cows in calf to Blackbird Beverly, Orleans Queen 5th, and Marguerite D. 2nd, two heifers about a year old and two calves, both Queen Mothers. To complete his herd in September, Mr. Walker gets a bull calf of the Westerton Rose family, and a right start in breeding is assured by the use of this typical, well-bred young bull on the cows he has selected. W. H. Littlefield, of Brantford, has purchased Blackbird Beverly, the Chicago-winning bull that has headed the Alloway Lodge herd for two years, and this bull's past record as a breeder relieves Mr. Littlefield of any uncertainty as to his value as a sire. Glen Eyrie Rose 3rd, and a strong bull calf, were

sold to Mr. R. E. Golden, McGregor, Ont. This young cow has already produced two choice calves, and is again safely in calf to the same bull, and should sustain her reputation in the third.

Wm. Meharey, Russell, Ont., is offering three choice imported Clydesdale stallions this spring.

STOCK SALE DATES CLAIMED.

April 3rd.—J. Lloyd Jones, Burford, Ont.; Shropshire sheep, Shorthorns, and dairy cattle.

April 8th.—Camby Charlton & Sons, Springfield, Ont.; Shorthorns.

April 9th.—P. J. Salley, Lachine Rapids, Que.; Holsteins.

At a sale of Percherons at Grand Island, Nebraska, March 19 and 20, the highest price reached was \$1,750, for the four-year-old gray stallion, Kaneton, whose weight was reported as 2,200 lbs. The black three-year-old stallion, Colossus, made \$1,500, and the gray four-year-old, Kabaleur, brought \$1,000. The highest price for a mare was \$675.

R. Honey & Sons, Brickley, Ont., write that their young bull, born May 8th, which they are offering for sale, is sired by Sir Korndyke Hengerveld, a brother of the Canadian champion four-year-old heifer, which will give over 20,000 lbs. milk in the year. They are booking orders now for young bulls from R. O. P. cows, and sired by Our Villa Sir Abbe-kerk.

THE LLOYD-JONES SALE.

In the sale to be conducted by J. Lloyd-Jones, Burford, Ont., on April 3rd, 1914, are some choice Shorthorn heifers in nice breeding condition, and out of typy and good-milking cows. The Shropshire ewes and ewe lambs are a good lot, and include the second-prize ewe lamb at Toronto last November. The dairy cattle are the producing kind, and in right condition for the buyer. There are some brood sows offered which will be a snap for the buyer at this season. All will be sold, without reserve. Look up the advertisement in another column and get full particulars.

S. J. Pearson, of Meadowdale, Peel Co., Ont., well known by readers of "The Farmer's Advocate," as for many years owner of the high-class Valley Home herd of Shorthorn cattle, died suddenly at his home, March 25th, in his 76th year, after two years of failing health, which caused him to retire from farming to the adjoining village. He was a highly respected man, an ardent prohibitionist, raised in the Quaker faith, and was for forty years a faithful member of the Methodist Church. He is survived by one son and four daughters.

SHORTHORNS AND HOLSTEINS BY AUCTION.

What will be the crowning event of the season in the matter of dispersion sales of pure-bred cattle, will take place at the Meadowbrook Farm, 2½ miles west of the town of Whitby, on Tuesday, April 14th, 1914. On that date there will be a complete dispersion of these noted herds of 31 Shorthorns and 22 Holsteins. At this sale an opportunity will be presented to the Shorthorn and Holstein breeders of Canada to purchase at prices set by themselves two of the choicest herds in the country. Herds that represent a most careful selection, extending over several years, parent stock purchased at high prices with the object in view of building up herds of both the breeds second to none in Canada. All the cattle will be in the nicest kind of condition, and all the Holsteins are tuberculin-tested. Two of the richest-bred stock bulls in the country are included in the offering, fuller particulars of which will appear in next week's issue. For a full description of the cattle, their breeding, etc., write for a catalogue to Thos. Cussion, Meadowbrook Farm, Whitby, Ont. By special arrangement the train leaving Toronto at 9 a. m. will stop at Whitby Station. The Holstein sale will start at 12 noon, and the Shorthorns at 2 p. m.