

MARKET REVIEW AND FORECAST.

Office of FARMING,

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The wet weather interfered a little with trade this week, but on the whole general business has been good.

Wheat.

The wheat market is considerably easier than it was last week. The cables from Europe show lower prices, and unless there is considerable buying for export, prices are bound to decline this week.

At Toronto wheat is now about two cents lower than it was last week. It fell away early in the week, and will likely go lower still.

Barley and Oats.

There is no change in the barley market: it remains dull and unchanged at 32c. to 33c. for No. 2, and 25c. to 27c. for feed.

For the first time the oat crop of Ontario has exceeded the hay crop. This year there were several thousand more acres of oats than of hay.

Peas and Corn.

The market for peas is a little excited in the west in sympathy with better cables from Europe, and there has been some advance since last report.

Rye and Buckwheat.

Rye is steady at 45c. east and 44c. at points west of Toronto.

Backwheat continues steady. Six cars sold recently on the Midland at 32c., but about 31c. is the average price.

Millfeed.

The demand is only fair, shorts according to quality bring \$10 to \$12, and bran \$7.50 to \$8 for cars west.

At Montreal bran keeps in good demand, and Ontario bran is steady at \$10.75 to \$11 in bulk; shorts, however, are quiet at \$12 to \$12.50 according to grade.

Potatoes.

There is no change in the market. They are dull at 60c. on the track here, and at Montreal 55c. seems to be the best price for car lots.

Cheese.

There has been a fair demand for export during the week and sales are reported from 8,000 to 10,000 boxes at prices ranging from 8 1/2c. to 8 3/4c.

Butter.

The market at Montreal for fresh creamery

is not quite so firm as it was last week. It is about 4c. lower. Sales are reported of several lots at the factories at 18 1/2c. to 18 3/4c., while 19c. seems to be the top price.

Poultry.

The large amount of poultry sent to the English market from Canada, along with that sent from the continent, made the supply more than enough to meet demands, consequently there was a serious drop in prices.

There is room there for all the dressed poultry we can send, but send it judiciously. The market continues good for poultry during February, March, April, May, and even into June.

At Montreal the market for dressed poultry is quiet, and prices are fairly steady. Fresh killed turkeys bring from 9c. to 9 1/2c., while frozen birds bring from 8c. to 8 1/2c.

Eggs.

The market continues steady though the offerings are large. New laid eggs are firm at 18c. to 20c., late gathered sell at 15c. to 16c.

Cattle.

On account of good markets in Montreal prices have been a little better at the Western Cattle Yards at Toronto. Good export steers are scarce, but a few are picked up at from 3 1/2c. to 4 1/4c. a pound.

Sheep.

Export sheep continue quiet at 2c. to 3 1/4c. per lb. Lambs are firm and sell for \$4.50 to \$4.80 per cwt. At Montreal they are worth \$4.50 to \$5 per cwt.

Hogs.

Tuesday's receipts of hogs at the Western Cattle Market was 4843, and the demand for them very sharp; they were all taken up quickly at an advance of 4c. per pound.

hogs brought \$4.50 to \$4.60 per cwt., stores \$4.40 to \$4.50. At Friday's market about 1,000 hogs were offered and sold readily at Tuesday's prices.

Dressed Hogs.

The market is a little easier owing to heavy shipments from the west. Choice weights, 90 to 150 lbs., bring \$6.10 to \$6.25 at Toronto; heavy weights, 150 to 250 lbs., bring \$5.85 to \$6.

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