

LETIN.

Campaign.

In this paper to the composed of Federal Agriculture officials the elimination of the s held two meetings at Guelph, the second day, January 10. In there were present the the Counties of Lamb- rin, Prince Edward ties are the ones which strong efforts in the or of the Live-Stock plan which has been Ontario Department of direct the campaign. in the hands of a rep- artorio Cattle Breeders' be composed of from ng each of the dairy tments of Agriculture. eed associations have s expected that about in each breed will be on Thursday during at which the central provincial Government ade to take immediate. provincial Government Dominion Govern- an to co-operate with matters affecting the ment will also pay the ed to assist farmers to n assistance is desired, such men as are fully e Breeders' committee. e Agricultural Repre- s chief organizer in his campaign being left fully acquainted with Branch will co-operate meetings that may be cultural representative, tentative considers it an ent of Agriculture will bull exchanges will be int within the county transportation. They ored bulls, depending county, and these bulls rers already referred Federal Department of hey are purchased by at the lowest possible tained by the Federal d time, which will be urchasers. After this still remain unsold will of the country. The nges will be purchased if this is not possible will be tapped. blished and already ll should assist in its been chosen in which ay carry on a similar the central committee ulture. Some of the nes because of the large Edward County, for ub bulls, as shown by gures compiled by the a reports sent in by

Toronto, Montreal, Buffalo, and Other Leading Markets  
Week Ending January 8.

Dominion Department of Agriculture, Live Stock Branch, Markets Intelligence Division

CATTLE						CALVES						
Receipts			Top Price Good Steers (1,000-1,200)			Receipts			Top Price Good Calves			
Week Ending Jan. 8	Same Week 1920	Week Ending Jan. 1	Week Ending Jan. 8	Same Week 1919	Week Ending Jan. 1	Week Ending Jan. 8	Same Week 1919	Week Ending Jan. 1	Week Ending Jan. 8	Same Week 1919	Week Ending Jan. 1	
Toronto (U. S. Y.)	4,003	5,851	1,272	\$13.75	\$14.00	\$13.50	552	540	336	\$22.50	\$19.00	\$21.00
Montreal (Pt. St. Chas.)	475	1,015	490	12.50	13.50	12.00	220	252	210	17.00	14.00	16.75
Montreal (East End)	840	1,018	792	12.50	13.50	12.00	196	96	119	17.00	14.00	16.75
Winnipeg	2,619	2,695	948	12.00	14.00	12.50	78	46	124	11.00	10.50	7.50
Calgary	1,313	2,580	1,039	11.25	14.00	10.85	69	84	120	8.50		9.00
Edmonton	498	757	449	10.25	13.00	9.25	12	9	161	9.00		

  

HOGS						SHEEP						
Receipts			Top Price Selects			Receipts			Top Price Good Lambs			
Week Ending Jan. 8	Same Week 1919	Week Ending Jan. 1	Week Ending Jan. 8	Same Week 1919	Week Ending Jan. 1	Week Ending Jan. 8	Same Week 1919	Week Ending Jan. 1	Week Ending Jan. 8	Same Week 1919	Week Ending Jan. 1	
Toronto (U. S. Y.)	7,476	9,699	3,399	\$18.50	\$19.00	\$18.25	2,234	5,095	987	\$19.00	\$16.75	\$19.00
Montreal (Pt. St. Chas.)	1,320	1,697	939	19.75	19.15	18.75	1,120	766	1,972	16.50	14.00	16.50
Montreal (East End)	717	700	431	19.75	19.15	18.75	763	312	1,312	16.50	14.00	16.50
Winnipeg	6,139	12,588	880	17.00	18.00	17.00	336	199	249	15.00	18.00	
Calgary	638	5,799	140	16.95	17.75	16.25	1,088	1,417	1,125		13.00	12.00
Edmonton	678	1,364	147	16.50	17.00	15.75	727	305	160	11.50	13.50	9.00

Market Comments.

Toronto Union Stock Yards.

Cattle receipts were comparatively light on the Monday market and prices on all grades advanced sharply, nearly all classes selling 50c. to 75c. above the previous week's close. The trade was steady on Tuesday but was less brisk on Wednesday and Thursday, and values eased off a shade on the latter days. During the week fifty-three hundred and thirty-two cattle were received and as heavy receipts are expected immediately, it is scarcely probable that present prices will hold. A few heavy cattle were on sale and for extra good finish as high as \$16.50 per hundred was paid, one extra choice steer selling at that figure. Six head which averaged thirteen hundred and ninety pounds sold at \$14.90, while numerous small lots changed hands from \$14 to \$15 per hundred. Of steers between the weights of ten hundred and twelve hundred pounds, the best loads sold at \$13.75 per hundred, several transactions being made at that figure, while other loads of slightly lower quality changed hands from \$13 to \$13.50 per hundred. Handyweight butcher steers and heifers under ten hundred pounds were in strong demand and \$13.25 per hundred was paid for top quality. A number of sales were made at \$13, and quite a large percentage in this grade moved from \$12.50 to \$12.75. Common to medium quality sold from \$8 to \$11 per hundred. Cows and bulls advanced in sympathy with other grades. One extra choice cow sold at \$13 per hundred, several choice cows from \$12 to \$12.25, good cows from \$10.50 to \$11.50, and good bulls from \$10.50 to \$12. Common and medium quality in both grades sold from \$7 to \$9. The stocker and feeder trade was very quiet and few shipments were made to country points. The calf market advanced during the week and on the closing market a few choice veal calves sold at \$22.50 per hundred. Choice calves were quoted from \$19 to \$22.50, good calves from \$17 to \$19, and common rough calves from \$8 to \$11. With but twenty-seven hundred lambs and sheep on sale the market was strong, a few choice lambs selling at \$19, good lambs from \$17.50 to \$18.50, the majority at the latter figure, and common lambs from \$15 to \$17. Ewes were in good demand and choice light ewes are in request at \$10 to \$12 per hundred, with a few at \$13. One carload of breeding ewes was shipped to Dundalk, Ontario. The hog market was weaker and closed with prices 75 cents lower on Monday, selects sold at \$18.50 per hundred. For the balance of the week packers' buyers were determined to lower initial cost, and were successful in buying hogs at \$17.75. A few hogs were sold to outside packers and local butchers at \$18 and \$18.25 per hundred. Of the disposition from the Yards for the week ending January 1st, Canadian packing houses purchased 102 calves, 906 butcher cattle, 3,218 hogs and 1,018 lambs. Local butchers purchased 70 calves, 186 butcher cattle, 181 hogs and 400 lambs. Canadian shipments were made up of 12 calves, 52 heavy steers and 30 stockers. Shipments to United States points consisted of 82 calves, 157 stockers, 155 feeders and 284 lambs.

TORONTO					MONTREAL (Pt. St. Charles)				
CLASSIFICATION	No.	Avg. Price	Price Range Bulk Sales	Top Price	No.	Avg. Price	Price Range Bulk Sales	Top Price	
STEERS heavy finished									
STEERS good	33	\$12.96	\$12.50-\$13.25	\$13.75	10	\$12.25	\$12.00-\$12.50	\$12.50	
1,000-1,200 common	14	11.25	11.00-12.00	12.00					
STEERS good	708	12.44	11.75-13.00	13.25	55	11.75	11.00-12.50	12.50	
700-1,000 common	257	10.31	9.75-11.00	11.00	18	9.75	8.00-10.50	10.75	
HEIFERS good	759	12.51	12.00-13.00	13.50	13	11.00	10.00-12.50	12.50	
fair	200	10.28	9.75-11.00	11.00	11	9.50	9.00-10.00	10.00	
common	198	8.29	7.50-9.75	10.00	61	7.50	6.50-6.75	8.75	
COWS good	155	10.28	9.75-11.00	12.00	8	10.00	9.00-11.00	11.00	
common	886	8.26	7.75-9.00	9.50	98	7.75	7.00-8.50	9.00	
BULLS good	30	10.47	10.00-11.00	12.00	1			11.00	
common	44	8.93	7.50-9.50	10.50	61	7.00	6.50-8.00	9.00	
CANNERS & CUTTERS	623	6.00	5.50-6.50	6.50	127	5.75	5.25-6.50	6.50	
OXEN									
CALVES veal	460	16.09	14.00-18.00	22.50	112	15.00	14.00-17.00	17.00	
grass	72	8.06	7.00-10.00	10.00	108	7.50	7.50		
STOCKERS good	63	9.25	9.00-9.50	9.50					
fair	19	7.95	7.00-8.50	9.00					
FEEDERS good	5	10.50	10.00-11.00	11.00					
fair	9	9.75	9.00-10.00	10.00					
HOGS selects	6,816	18.36	17.75-18.50	18.50	917	19.75	19.75	19.75	
heavies	1	17.50	17.50	17.50	3				
(fed and lights	454	15.35	15.75-16.50	16.50	367	19.00		19.75	
watered) sows	191	15.41	12.75-16.25	16.50	26	15.75	15.75	16.75	
stags	14	12.31	10.75-12.50	12.50	7				
LAMBS good	1,422	18.15	17.50-19.00	19.00	364	16.25	16.00-16.50	16.50	
common	179	15.99	14.00-17.00	17.00	442	15.25	15.00-15.50	15.50	
SHEEP heavy									
light	478	9.78	8.75-12.00	12.00	199	9.10	9.00	10.00	
common	155	6.00	5.00-8.00	8.00	115	8.50	8.50-9.00	9.00	

Montreal.

The market for cattle remained strong throughout the week at prices nearly 75 cents per hundred higher than the markets of the previous two weeks. There were no choice cattle on sale. The best steers averaged nine hundred and sixty pounds, and were in a load not very even in quality which included a few good heifers, and sold at \$12.50 per hundred. Fat heifers and fat cows were frequently weighed up together or with good medium weights steers at prices ranging from \$11 to \$12. One good young bull was sold for \$11. Canners were firm at \$5.25. There were fewer bulls at \$6 than usual, many of the common bulls selling around \$7 to \$7.50, and medium bulls not fat, from \$8 to \$9. There was a larger percentage of veal calves than usual. Most young veal calves were sold from \$16 to \$17 per hundred and grass calves principally at \$7.50.

There was an easier tone to the market for sheep and lambs at the close of the week. Lambs sold up to \$16.50 on Monday, and a few sheep up to \$10. The general price for sheep was \$9 and on Wednesday there were no lambs sold above \$16.25.

Light runs of hogs and the demand

from the local shop trade were responsible for an advance in the price of hogs to \$20 per hundred for mixed lots of selects and lights, weighed off cars. On Wednesday a local packing house sold two loads of live hogs at the stock yards and two loads were received from Winnipeg; these loads added to the slightly increased receipts from other sources, checked any further advance. The price in the near future will depend on the numbers of hogs offered. The trade claim that at \$20 hogs are about \$3 too high for them to handle for export bacon. Sows were sold \$4 lower than the lot they were shipped with and stags were sold according to age and quality.

PT. ST. CHARLES.—Of the disposition from the Yards for the week ending January 1st, Canadian packing houses and local butchers purchased 210 calves, 53 bulls, 332 butcher cattle, 939 hogs and 1,972 lambs. Canadian shipments were made up of 14 milch cows. There were no shipments to United States points during the week.

EAST END.—Of the disposition from the Yards for the week ending January 1st, Canadian packing houses and local butchers purchased 119 calves, 734 butcher cattle, 431 hogs and 345 sheep. Shipments to United States points consisted of 27 butcher cattle and 967 sheep.

Winnipeg.

A fairly liberal increase in receipts over those of the previous week brought the total offering up to twenty-six hundred and eighty cattle, seventy-eight calves, three hundred and thirty-six sheep and sixty-one hundred and thirty-nine hogs. One hundred and ninety-eight cattle, and two hundred and thirty-nine hogs were received on through-billing. Local packers were active buyers, but buyers for Eastern firms did not operate very freely. Shipments South were extremely light consisting of one hundred and seventy-eight feeder steers and sixty-three stockers. Shipments to country points included one hundred and forty-seven stockers, twenty-eight feeders, one hundred and eight sheep. The market was slow and receipts light until mid-week when liberal shipments were received and weighed up at strong prices. A fair number of choice animals were offered for sale, and quotations on butcher cattle showed a considerable advance over those ruling during the previous week. A shortage of calves, and a fairly keen demand brought about an appreciation in prices ranging from \$1 to \$1.50 per hundred. Butcher steers weighing from ten hundred to twelve hundred pounds and female butcher stock met with the most liberal inquiry. Heavy steers weighing over

No. Bulls	Grade	Per cent. Grades
6	43	73
4	29	67
5	13	46
5	42	39
3	23	63
5	73	83
8	21	54
66	244	60

Designs.

Commissioner for Ontario that Assistant Deputy February, 1912, has ment of Agriculture er of the new Royal organized. Mr. Bailey ers of the Department e work of agricultural al as the other outside y connected with the e missed from the e carry with him to his y wide acquaintance anada and the United dge of the live-stock