

Toronto, Montreal, Buffalo, and Other Leading Markets

Week Ending June 26.

Receipts and Market Tops.

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	Same Week	Week Ending	Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending		Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending	Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending	
June 26	1918	June 19	June 26	1918	June 19		June 26	1918	June 19	June 26	1918	June 19	
Toronto (Union Stock Yards)	4,793	5,133	3,809	\$14.25	\$16.00	\$14.50	1,754	1,451	1,681	\$19.50	\$17.00	\$19.50	
Montreal (Pt. St. Charles)	467	1,155	361	13.50	15.25	15.75	1,638	2,388	2,475	14.00	15.00	13.00	
Montreal (East End)	267	1,101	434	13.50	15.25	15.75	807	1,241	2,204	14.00	15.00	13.00	
Winnipeg	513	2,728	644	13.50	15.50	14.50	146	256	65	16.00	16.00	16.00	
Calgary	2,778	991	1,528	12.50	13.00	12.90							
Edmonton	653	441	558	11.75		12.50	140	31	39	12.50	14.00	13.00	

HOGS							SHEEP						
Receipts			Top Price Selects				Receipts			Top Price Good Lambs			
Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending	Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending		Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending	Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending	
June 26	1918	June 19	June 26	1918	June 19		June 26	1918	June 19	June 26	1918	June 19	
Toronto (Union Stock Yards)	9,843	6,244	7,674	\$23.50	\$18.00	\$23.50	1,115	1,236	830	\$22.00	\$20.00	\$16.00	
Montreal (Pt. St. Charles)	2,510	987	2,296	22.25	19.25	22.25	450	746	616	20.00	22.00	20.00	
Montreal (East End)	1,115	927	1,103	22.25	19.25	22.25	318	605	859	20.00	22.00	20.00	
Winnipeg	3,943	6,286	4,341	21.50	18.50	21.25	204	137	153	15.00	18.00	21.25	
Calgary	1,623	2,990	1,276	21.75	17.35	20.50	547	552	278	15.00		15.00	
Edmonton	563	658	552	21.25	17.00	19.60	2	50					

Market Comments.

Toronto (Union Stock Yards).

A decline of 50 cents per hundred was sustained on cattle on the Monday market, but was regained later in the week when sales were made at higher levels than at any time during the previous three weeks; the market closed on Thursday with a strong undertone, keen demand prevailing for all classes of good butcher cattle. Receipts, which amounted to forty-seven hundred head, were sufficient to meet the requirements of the trade for the week. A number of heavy cattle were offered, and of these one hundred and ninety-five head were shipped to France via New York on Thursday; they were purchased at prices ranging from \$13.75 to \$15, one load commanding \$14.75, while a few head sold at \$15. On Monday steers weighing from ten hundred to twelve hundred pounds moved within a range of \$13 to \$13.75 per hundred, but on the later markets of the week a number of loads sold at \$14 and \$14.25 per hundred, and a few select head at \$15 per hundred; these prices apply only to cattle finished in the stable; grass steers met with a demand at about \$1 per hundred below the preceding quotations. Butcher steers and heifers were in good demand, a few extra choice animals weighing around nine hundred pounds, realized \$14.50 per hundred, a number of choice ones sold at \$14; the top price for a straight load was \$13.50 per hundred, while other sales were down to \$12.50. Medium butchers sold from \$11 to \$12, and common quality from \$9 to \$11. Cows and bulls were in good demand; a few extra choice cows sold from \$11 to \$11.50 per hundred, good, useful butcher cows met with an active inquiry at prices ranging from \$10 to \$10.75 per hundred, medium quality stock from \$8 to \$9, while good bulls sold from \$10 to \$11 per hundred, and Bologna bulls from \$8 to \$9. A limited demand prevailed for stockers and feeders, and few shipments were made to country points. Good feeders were in demand within a range of \$12 to \$13, and good stockers from \$10.50 to \$11.50 per hundred. The calf market was a trifle easier, \$19.50 being the top quotation; most of the choice calves sold from \$17 to \$19, and good calves from \$14 to \$16.50. Several hundred calves were shipped to Buffalo, New York, during the week.

The lamb and sheep market was about steady, although spring lambs were a trifle lower in price, selling mostly from \$19.50 to \$21 per hundred. Heavy sheep were in poor demand, but light sheep moved freely from \$9 to \$11 per hundred.

Hog quotations dropped to lower levels, the market closing with fed and watered hogs changing hands at \$22.25 per hundred. On Monday all hogs on the open market sold at \$23 per hundred, the decline of 75 cents occurring on the Thursday market.

Of the disposition from the Yards for the week ending June 19, Canadian packing houses purchased 831 calves, 3,200 butcher cattle, 10,616 hogs and 459 lambs. Local butchers purchased 428 calves, 114 butcher cattle, 139 hogs and 543 lambs. Canadian shipments were made up of 9 calves, 47 milch cows, 329 stockers, 101 feeders, 231 hogs and 40 sheep. Shipments to United States points

TORONTO (Union Stock Yards)					MONTREAL (Pt. St. Charles)				
CLASSIFICATION	No.	Avg. Price	Price Range	Top Price	No.	Avg. Price	Price Range	Top Price	
STEERS									
heavy finished	317	\$13.99	\$13.50-\$14.50	\$15.00					
STEERS good	651	13.42	12.75-13.75	14.25	56	13.00	12.00-13.50	13.50	
1,000-1,200 common	109	11.72	10.75-12.50	12.50					
STEERS good	766	12.75	12.00-13.25	13.75	63	12.50	11.50-13.50	13.50	
700-1,000 common	257	10.71	10.00-11.50	12.00	11	11.00	10.50-11.50	11.50	
HEIFERS good	707	12.75	12.00-13.25	13.50	25	12.00	11.00-13.00	13.00	
fair	248	10.67	10.00-11.50	11.50	7	10.50	10.00-11.00	11.00	
common	44	9.00	8.50-9.50	9.50	28	8.50	7.00-9.50	9.50	
COWS good	457	10.21	9.75-10.75	11.00	42	11.00	10.00-11.50	12.00	
common	763	8.62	7.75-9.25	9.50	76	8.25	7.50-9.00	9.50	
BULLS good	81	10.25	9.75-10.50	11.00	10	11.00	10.50-11.50	11.50	
common	98	9.06	8.00-9.50	10.00	25	8.75	8.00-10.00	10.00	
CANNERS & CUTTERS	62	5.50	5.00-6.00	6.00	28	6.00	5.50-7.00	7.00	
OXEN									
CALVES veal	1,754	15.07	14.00-18.00	19.50	1,607	12.50	8.00-13.50	14.00	
grass					31	6.50	5.50-7.00	7.00	
STOCKERS good	57	11.36	11.00-12.00	12.00					
fair	47	10.02	9.00-11.00	11.50					
FEEDERS good	90	12.55	12.25-13.00	13.00					
800-1,100 fair	39	11.75	11.50-12.50	12.50					
Hogs (fed and watered)									
selects	9,046	22.93	22.25-23.50	23.50	1,753	22.25	22.25-	22.25	
heavy	26		22.25-23.50	23.50	174	20.75	20.25-21.25	21.25	
lights	376	21.22	20.25-21.50	21.50	80	20.25	20.25-	20.25	
sows	383	20.03	19.25-21.50	21.50	415	17.25	17.25-	17.25	
stags	12	17.93	17.25-18.50	18.50	28	15.25	15.25-	15.25	
LAMBS good	425	20.64	19.50-22.00	22.00	160	20.00	20.00-	20.00	
common	12	18.16	17.00-20.00	20.00	70	19.00	18.00-20.00	20.00	
SHEEP heavy	250	8.76	8.00-9.50	9.50					
light	259	9.84	9.00-11.00	11.00	67	10.00	10.00-	12.00	
common	169	6.00	5.00-7.00	7.50	153	9.00	9.00-	9.00	

consisted of 673 calves and 18 butcher cattle.

The total receipts from January 1 to June 19, inclusive, were 139,852 cattle, 32,596 calves, 172,481 hogs and 31,016 sheep; compared with 120,399 cattle, 33,032 calves, 181,388 hogs and 15,423 sheep, received during the corresponding period of 1918.

Montreal.

There was only a small number of cattle for sale on the market on Monday, and of these the greater part consisted of thin heifers and cows. On Tuesday there were only three cars of stock received, but on the following day the receipts amounted to about thirty cars, containing two hundred and five cattle, forty-two head not for sale, seventy-one sheep, eight hundred and twenty-four hogs, and six hundred and ten calves. Prices of cattle, quality considered, were about 25 cents higher than during the previous week; the quality was much poorer in most cases. Good steers weighing from ten hundred to eleven hundred pounds were sold from \$13 to \$13.50, while one lot of thirty steers averaging ten hundred and ninety pounds and in very fair flesh were weighed up at \$12. The best steers were received on Wednesday, and were not sold before the close

on Thursday. A few good heifers changed hands at \$13 per hundred, common heifers around \$9, while the best cows were worth from \$11 to \$11.50. Lean, grass-fed cows sold at \$8, cutters at from \$6 to \$7, and top bulls from \$11 to \$11.50. Fair bulls sold from \$9 to \$10, common bulls from \$8 to \$8.50, and a few very common at \$7. The receipts of calves continued quite handy, but prices paid for good stock were higher than during the previous week. A number of loads were shipped to New York at prices ranging from \$13 to \$13.50 on the Montreal market. Thin, skim-milk or whey calves sold from \$7 to \$9.

Sheep were a little easier in price, selling in most cases at \$10 for the best, and \$9 for the common. Good spring lambs of fair weights sold up to \$20 per hundred.

There were on the two markets during the week nearly thirty-six hundred hogs. About fifteen per cent. of the offerings consisted of sows. Prices remained steady throughout the week at \$22.50, off cars, for select hogs, \$2 off for lights, from \$1 to \$2 for heavies and extra heavies, and \$5 off for sows. A number of the sows were young and well-finished, and in some cases passed as heavies or selects.

PT. ST. CHARLES.—Of the disposition from the Yards for the week ending June

19, Canadian packing houses and local butchers purchased 1,623 calves, 8 canners and cutters, 30 bulls, 240 butcher cattle, 1,911 hogs and 546 lambs. Canadian shipments were made up of 45 milch cows and 10 hogs. Shipments to United States points consisted of 852 calves.

The total receipts from January 1 to June 19, inclusive, were 14,500 cattle, 38,117 calves, 32,993 hogs and 7,503 sheep; compared with 15,650 cattle, 36,682 calves, 29,382 hogs and 6,386 sheep, received during the corresponding period of 1918.

EAST END.—Of the disposition from the Yards for the week ending June 19, Canadian packing houses and local butchers purchased 1,308 calves, 385 butcher cattle, 665 hogs and 831 lambs. Canadian shipments were made up of 192 calves, 24 butcher cattle, 438 hogs and 28 lambs. Shipments to United States points consisted of 704 calves.

The total receipts from January 1 to June 19, inclusive, were 16,650 cattle, 28,05 calves, 18,271 hogs and 8,107 sheep; compared with 13,895 cattle, 30,251 calves, 18,381 hogs and 6,456 sheep, received during the corresponding period of 1918.

Winnipeg.

As during the previous week cattle receipts were light, consisting of only