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MARKETS.

TORONTO.

LIVE STOCK.

The total receipts of live stock at the City and Union Stock-yards market last week were 300 carloads, composed of 4,478 cattle, 5,617 hogs, 2,297 sheep, 1,201 calves, and 106 horses. The bulk of the cattle offered were stall fed, or stall fed and finished on grass; but, at the same time, there were several carloads of grassers on sale. Trade was generally good, especially for stall-fed animals, which were readily picked up. Prices were firm for all finished cattle.

At West Toronto, on Monday, June 22nd, receipts of cattle numbered 41 carloads; 818 head. Export cattle firm. Steers, \$6 to \$6.75; export bulls, \$5 to \$5.50, and \$5.75; prime picked lots of butchers', \$5.75 to \$6; loads of good, \$5.60 to \$5.85; medium, \$5.25 to \$5.50; common, \$4.75 to \$5.15; cows, \$3.50 to \$4.75; milch cows, \$35 to \$55; calves, \$3.60 to \$5.75; sheep, \$4.25 to \$5.05 per cwt.; lambs, \$3 to \$6 each; hogs, \$6.25, fed and watered at the market, and \$6 f. o. b. cars at country points.

Exporters.—Export steers sold last week at \$6 to \$6.50; export bulls, \$4.75 to \$5.25.

Butchers'.—Prime picked lots sold at \$5.85 to \$6; loads of good, \$5.60 to \$5.80; medium, \$5.20 to \$5.50; common, \$4.80 to \$5.10; cows, \$3.50 to \$5.

Feeders and Stockers.—Few stockers or feeders were on sale. Stockers, 500 to 700 lbs. each, sold at \$3.35 to \$3.85; feeders, 800 to 1,000 lbs. each, brought \$4 to \$4.75 per cwt., according to quality.

Milkers and Springers.—There was a fair trade for a moderate delivery of milkers and springers. There were no extraordinarily high prices reported, and quotations ranged from \$30 to \$55 each.

Veal Calves.—Receipts of veal calves were liberal, and the quality somewhat better than for several markets. Prices ranged from \$3 to \$5.50 per cwt. for the bulk, but a few of the best sold at \$6 to \$6.25 per cwt.

Sheep and Lambs.—Receipts of sheep and lambs were fairly large; trade brisk, and prices firm as follows: Export ewes, \$4.25 to \$4.75; yearlings, \$5 to \$5.50; rams, \$3.50 to \$4 per cwt.; spring lambs sold from \$3 to \$7 each.

Hogs.—Prices for hogs were a little firmer, selects selling at \$6.15, fed and watered at the market, and \$5.90 f. o. b. cars at country points.

Horses.—J. Herbert Smith, manager at the Union Horse Exchange, West Toronto, reports a fair trade last week, having sold in the neighborhood of 100 horses. All classes were well represented, amongst which were some first-class drafters, carriage and wagon horses. The demand is good from all parts of Ontario. More horses could be handled if farmers would sell at prices that would allow dealers enough margin for expense of handling. Mr. Smith reports prices as follows: Drafters, \$160 to \$220, with

two high-class heavyweights at \$280 and \$245; general-purpose horses, \$150 to \$190; wagon horses, \$140 to \$185; carriage, \$160 to \$250; second-hand and serviceably-sound horses sold at \$40 to \$95.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.—No. 2 white, 84c.; No. 2 red, 84c.; No. 2, mixed, 83c.; Manitoba No. 1 Northern, \$1.11; No. 2 Northern, \$1.08; No. 3 Northern, \$1.06, at Georgian Bay ports.

Barley.—No. 2, 55c. to 56c.; No. 3X, 53c.; No. 3, 52c.; feed, 51c.

Corn.—No. 3 yellow, 79c., and little doing.

Peas.—No. 2, nominal, at 92c.

Rye.—No. 2, wanted at 88c.

Buckwheat.—No. 2, 64½c. to 65c.

Oats.—No. 2 white, 45½c. to 46c., outside; No. 2, mixed, 44c.

Flour.—Ontario, 90 per cent. patent, \$3.25 bid for export. Manitoba patent, special brands, \$6; second patents, \$5.40; strong bakers', \$5.30.

Bran.—Car lots, outside, offered at \$19, and \$20 to \$21 on track at Toronto.

Shorts.—\$21 outside, and \$22 to \$23 on track at Toronto.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Market firmer, with prices a little higher. Creamery, pound rolls, 21c. to 23c.; creamery, boxes, 21c. to 22c.; separator dairy, 19c. to 20c.; store lots, 16c. to 18c.; dairy tubs, 17c. to 19c.

Eggs.—Market unchanged at 17c. to 18c.

Cheese.—Old is very scarce and firm at 14c. for large, and 14½c. for twins; new, easy, at 12c. for large, and 12½c. for twins.

Beans.—Market continues firm. Primes, \$2 to \$2.10; hand-picked, \$2.10 to \$2.15 per bushel.

Honey.—Market quiet. Extracted, 11c. to 13c. per lb.; combs, \$2.50 to \$3 per dozen for No. 1 clover honey.

Potatoes.—Prices easier. Car lots of Ontarios, on track at Toronto, 65c. to 70c.

Poultry.—Receipts light. Spring ducks, 25c. to 35c. per lb. dressed; spring chickens, dressed, 30c. to 35c. per lb.; last year's chickens, 14c. to 16c.; old fowl, 12c. to 14c. per lb.

Hay.—Car lots, baled, on track at Toronto, \$10 to \$11.

Straw.—Baled, in car lots, on track at Toronto, \$7 to \$8.

TORONTO FRUIT MARKET.

Many carloads of fruit are arriving weekly from California and other States, in fairly good condition, which finds a ready market. Strawberries from the northern States are plentiful, and deliveries from the Niagara Peninsula are becoming larger day by day. Prices last week were as follows: Plums, per crate, \$2.25; apricots, \$2.25; cherries, per crate, \$2.50 to \$3; tomatoes, \$1.10 to \$1.25; watermelons, 50c. to 60c. each; strawberries, 10c. to 12c. per quart box.

TORONTO VEGETABLE MARKET.

Cabbages, per crate, \$1.50 to \$1.75; cucumbers, per crate, \$1.50 to \$2; onions, per sack, \$2.90; beets, per dozen, 20c.

TORONTO BACON MARKET.

Breakfast bacon sells at 14c. to 15c.; backs, 16c. to 16½c.; long clear, 11c.; shoulders, 10c. to 10½c.; rolls, 10½c.; hams, 12½c. to 14c. Dressed hogs are worth \$8 to \$8.50 per cwt.

HIDES AND SKINS.

The E. T. Carter Co., 85 East Front St., wholesale dealers in wool and hides, were last week paying the following prices: Inspected hides, No. 1 cows and steers, 7½c.; inspected hides, No. 2 cows and steers, 6½c.; country hides, trimmed and cured, 5½c. to 6c.; calf skins, city, 11c.; calf skins, country, 10c.; horse hides, No. 1, \$2.50; horse hair, per lb., 26c.; tallow, per lb., 4½c. to 5½c.; sheep skins, 80c. to 90c.; wool, unwashed, 7c. to 8c.; wool, washed, 13c. to 14c.

MARKET NOTE.

Mr. J. P. Allison, of Halton Co., Ont., one of the best-known farmers in that district, sold 68 export steers of his own feeding, averaging 1,400 lbs. each, at \$6.50 per cwt., at the Union Stock-yards, West Toronto, on June 15th. This is the highest price recorded for four loads of cattle fed by one farmer this season. Mr. Allison farms 300 acres

of land, and is ably assisted by his sons, two of whom were on the market with him, taking as much interest in the sale as Mr. Allison himself; a fine object lesson to other fathers and sons.

MONTREAL.

Live Stock.—Shipments of live stock from Montreal for the week ending June 18th, were 1,872 cattle and 499 sheep, as against 2,304 cattle and 850 sheep the previous week. The demand for ocean-freight space improved slightly for the rest of June, some Liverpool space having been taken for July at 30s., and some London at 25s., prices having since advanced 5s. and 2s. 6d., respectively. For the remainder of this month, Liverpool space may be had at 27s. 6d.; London at 20s. to 22s. 6d., and Glasgow at 30s. The supply of choice cattle in the local market last week was light, most of the stall-fed stock having already been marketed, and the ranchers not yet being ready. Exporters were paying as high as 6½c., butchers paying as high as 6½c. to 6½c. for choicest, fine being around 6½c.; good, 5½c. to 6c., medium being 4½c. to 5½c.; common, 4c. to 4½c., and inferior down to 3c., with canners as low as 2½c. Supplies of yearling lambs have been coming forward pretty freely, and prices declined 1c. a lb. Sales were being made at 5c. to 5½c. a lb. Sheep are steady at 4½c. to 5c., while spring lambs were in good demand at \$3 to \$6 each. Offerings of calves were fair, and the market steady, at \$6 to \$8 for choice stock, and \$1.50 to \$5 for common to good. Prices of live hogs showed a decline, and the market an easy tendency. Prices ruled at 6½c. to 6½c. for selected lots, weighed off cars, but for this week's delivery only 6½c. to 6½c. per lb. was promised.

Horses.—Fair demand for small and express horses, Quebec being still the best buyer. Otherwise, the market was very dull. Heavy-draft, 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$250 to \$300 each; light-draft, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$225 to \$275 each; good blocks, 1,300 to 1,400 lbs., \$200 to \$225 each; express, \$150 to \$225; common plugs, \$50 to \$75, and choice saddle and carriage animals, \$300 to \$350 each.

Dressed Hogs and Provisions.—The demand for fresh-killed, abattoir-dressed stock was steady, and the market a fraction lower, in sympathy with the market for live. Pure lard is 12c. to 12½c.; compound, 9½c. to 10c.

Potatoes.—After remaining on track about two weeks, a carload of potatoes sold here at 80c. per 90 lbs. on track. However, the general range for the best Green Mountains was 90c. to 95c., selling in a wholesale way at \$1 to \$1.05, while in small lots, bagged and delivered into store, \$1.10 to \$1.15.

Eggs.—Prices on spot last week were 17½c. for straight gathered, sales of selected lots being made at about 20c. Straight stock has been costing 16c. in the country.

Butter.—Prices went still higher in the country at the end of the week before last, a very large proportion of the purchases having been made at 23½c. This butter cannot be sold here without loss at less than 23½c. These figures are away above an export basis, so that it looks as if merchants either expect the export market to advance or the domestic market to absorb the entire make. Shipments for the week ending June 13 were 1,874 packages. Prices of 23½c. to 23½c. on the cheese boards last Saturday necessitated an advance in Montreal on Monday, 22nd, to 24c. to 24½c. for finest; lower grades, 23½c.

Cheese.—Exports for the week ending June 13th amounted to 50,000 packages, against 73,000 the corresponding week of last year. Sales of Quebec took place at the boat here last week at 11c. to 11½c., which means that merchants would require about 11½c. to 11½c. for them. Townships cheese has been costing about as much as Ontarios, and sales of either could not be made here at less than 11½c. to 11½c. Firm prices on the cheese boards last Saturday eventuated in advances here of 11½c. to 12c. for Ontarios; Townships, 11½c. to 11½c., and Quebecs, 11½c. to 11½c.

Grain.—Business quiet; supply ample. Eastern Canada No. 2 white oats, 50c. to 51c.; No. 3, 48c. to 48½c.; No. 4, 47c.; rejected, 46c.; Manitoba rejected, 47½c. per bushel, on spot.

Flour.—Market steady, and dull, de-

mand being confined to the requirements of the moment, thus indicating disbelief in higher prices. Manitoba spring-wheat patents, \$6.10 a bbl.; seconds, \$5.50; Ontario winter-wheat patents, \$5.50, and straight rollers, \$4.50 to \$4.75.

Hay.—The market declined rapidly last week, supplies being in excess of the demand. There was some export, but of an unsatisfactory nature. No. 1 timothy, \$11.50 to \$12 a ton, carloads, Montreal; No. 2, \$9.50 to \$10; clover-mixture, \$8 to \$8.50, and clover, \$7.50.

Feed.—Manitoba grades of bran, \$22 to \$23 a ton, in bags; Ontarios, \$21 to \$22; Manitoba shorts, \$25, and Ontarios, \$24.50 to \$25.

Hides.—The market was dull and unchanged. Dealers were paying 11c. per lb. for No. 2 calfskins, and 13c. for No. 1, beef hides being 5c., 6c. and 7c., according to quality. Spring lamb skins were costing 10c. each, sheep skins being 75c. to 80c. each. Horse hides, \$1.50 to \$2 each. Tallow, 1c. to 3c. for rough, and 5c. to 5½c. for rendered.

CHEESE BOARD PRICES.

Kingston, Ont., 11 5-16c. for white cheese, and 11½c. for colored. Victoria, Que., 11c. Madoc, Ont., 11½c. Picton, Ont., 11 7-16c. Brockville, Ont., 11½c.; bulk of offerings held for 11½c. Winchester, Ont., 11½c. Russell, Ont., 11½c. Tweed, Ont., 11½c. Ottawa, Ont., 11½c. to 11 9-16c. Alexandria, Ont., 11 5-16c. Listowel, Ont., 11½c. Perth, Ont., 11½c. Napanee, Ont., 11 9-16c. Iroquois, Ont., 11½c. Kemptville, Ont., 11½c. bid; no sales. London, Ont., 11 7-16c. to 11½c. Belleville, Ont., 11 7-16c. to 11½c. St. Hyacinthe, Que., butter, 23½c.; cheese, 11½c. Watertown, N.Y., 11c. to 11½c. for cheese. Chicago, creamery butter 19c. to 22½c.; dairies, 17c. to 21c.; cheese, 10c. to 12½c. Canton, N.Y., butter 22½c.; cheese 11½c.

CHICAGO.

Cattle.—Steers, \$6 to \$8.25; cows, \$4 to \$6; heifers, \$4 to \$7; bulls, \$4.50 to \$5.30; calves, \$4 to \$5.50; stockers and feeders, \$3.25 to \$5.40.

Hogs.—Choice heavy, shipping, \$5.70 to \$5.82½; butchers', \$5.70 to \$5.82½; light mixed, \$5.50 to \$5.65; choice light, \$5.65 to \$5.75; packing, \$4.75 to \$5.72½; pigs, \$4 to \$5.40.

Sheep and Lambs.—Sheep, \$4.75 to \$5.25; lambs, \$4.50 to \$6; yearlings, \$4.50 to \$5.50.

BUFFALO.

Cattle.—Veals, \$5 to \$8. Hogs—Heavy and mixed, \$6 to \$6.10; Yorkers, \$5.75 to \$6.10; pigs, \$4.25 to \$5.40; roughs, \$4.75 to \$5; stags, \$3.25 to \$4; dairies, \$5.75 to \$6.

Sheep and Lambs.—Lambs, \$5.50 to \$7.50; yearlings, \$5.75 to \$6; wethers, \$5 to \$5.25; ewes, \$4.50 to \$4.75; sheep, mixed, \$2 to \$4.75.

BRITISH CATTLE MARKET.

London.—Cattle, 12c. to 13½c. per lb. dressed weight, refrigerator beef, 10½c. to 10½c. per lb.

Madame Sarah Grand, like many other literary people, is very absent-minded, so much so, in fact, that the following story might be doubted were it not told by a friend of hers. This lady one day called on the popular authoress and found her greatly agitated, with a large book open before her.

"What is the matter?" asked the caller, anxiously.

"Oh, I've lost my pen," replied Madame Grand, "and I must find it in order to finish my story so that I can catch the post."

Then she paused, and began to laugh. "Why," she exclaimed, apologetically, "I believe I was looking for it among the 'p's' in the dictionary!"

Little Dick.—I told the teacher that you didn't remember half the things you studied at school.

Papa.—I am glad you did. There is no use in all this stuffing, and the teacher ought to know it. What did she say?

Little Dick.—She said she guessed I was a chip of the old block.