

THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA

Capital Authorized - - \$ 25,000,000
Capital Paid up - - - 11,785,000
Reserve Funds - - - 13,236,000
Total Assets - - - 214,000,000

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very good quality, and now sell at 13c. to 15c. per box.

California fruits, with the exception of cherries, are plentiful: peaches at \$2; apricots at \$2 to \$2.25; plums, at \$2 to \$2.25, and cherries at \$3.50 per case; California cantaloupes are slightly easier, the standards selling at \$6.25 per case; Ponies at \$5.50, and flats at \$2.25 per case.

Lemons are very high—the old Messinas selling at \$4.50 per case, and a few new Verdillias also bringing \$4.50 per case.

Pineapples have advanced and now sell at \$2.50 to \$3.50 per case.

Imported tomatoes are coming in very freely, mostly from Mississippi, and are much easier, the four-basket carriers selling at \$1.40 to \$1.50.

Hot-house tomatoes are increasing in quantity and decreasing in price; the No. 1's selling at 22c. to 23c. per lb., the No. 2's at 12½c. to 15c. per lb.

Watermelons of splendid quality are now being offered at 75c. to 90c. each.

Asparagus after being rather scarce for a few days was shipped in in larger quantities again towards the close of the week, the best bringing \$2 per 11-qt. basket, and others at \$1.50 to \$1.75.

Imported, new vegetables keep very high. Carrots at \$1.75 per hamper; beets at \$1.75; wax beans \$2.75; green beans at \$2.25 to \$2.50; cabbage at \$2.75 per case, and \$3.50 per bbl.

New Canadian hot-house cauliflower is now being offered at 75c. per 11-qt. basket.

Old Potatoes continued to be high priced. New Brunswick Delawares selling at \$2.10 to \$2.15 per bag; Ontarios at \$2 to \$2.10, and British Columbias at \$2.10 to \$2.15.

New potatoes, although increasing in quantity, have not decreased very much in price; the Red Star brand selling at \$7.50, and others at \$7 per bbl.

Canadian Boston Head lettuce continues to be of excellent quality, but is a little easier in price because there is so much of the Leaf variety now on sale. The Boston Head brings \$1.50 to \$2 per case, and Leaf at 15c. to 25c. per dozen. The Hamilton Head selling at 40c. to 50c. per doz.

The first Egyptian onions for this season came in last Thursday and were of very good quality, selling at \$5 per 100-lb. bag.

The Texas Bermudas onions keep very firm at \$2.85 to \$3 per 50-lb. crate.

Cheese Markets.

Brockville, offered 16½c.; Madoc, 16 5-16c. to 17c.; Kingston, 16½c.; Listowel, 16½c.; Cornwall, 18½c.; Victoriaville, 16c.; Iroquois, bid, 16½c.; Napanee, 16½c. to 16 7-16c.; Picton, 16 7-16c.; Alexandria, 16½c.; Mont Joli, Que., 16c.; Perth, 16½c.; Kemptville, bid, 16½c.

Montreal.

The local market for cattle showed renewed strength and prices were quoted ¼c. higher last week. Offerings were by no means large, and butchers seemed to be short of stock. The result was that the feeling was very firm, particularly in the case of choice stock of which practically none was available. Fine steers were quoted at 9½c. to 9¾c. per lb., while fair ranged from 8½c. to 9c. and lower grades down to 7½c. Cows were quoted at 6¾c. to 8½c. per lb., and bulls at about ¼c. more. Other meats were also in good demand and sheep sold readily at 7½c. to 8c. for old stock, while spring lambs brought \$4.50 to \$8 each. Calves were still in good demand, both for local and export account, and quite a number were still being shipped across the border. The price ranged from 9½c. to 10c. per lb. for choicest, and 8c. to 9c. for good calves. Hogs were also in fair demand and selected lots were quoted at 11¼c. or a shade more up to 11½c. per lb., while rough hogs were quoted around 11c. to 11¼c. per lb.

Horses.—No interest was displayed in this market, both supply and demand being exceedingly light. Quotations were as follows: Heavy draft horses, weighing 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$200 to \$250 each; light draft horses, weighing 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$150 to \$200 each; small horses \$100 to \$125 each; culls \$50 to \$75 each and fine saddle and carriage horses \$200 to \$250 each.

Dressed Hogs.—Dressed hogs were limited, and as a consequence prices ranged unchanged at 16c. to 16¼c. per lb. for abattoir-dressed, fresh-killed hogs.

Poultry.—The market was quoted nominally at 24c. to 27c. for cold store turkeys; 22c. to 24c. for chickens; 17c. to 19c. for geese and fowl; 19c. to 20c. for ducks.

Potatoes.—Although American potatoes are entering the market in larger quantities, the price was against them. The price of Green Mountains was unchanged, being \$1.95 to \$2 per bag of 90 lbs. car load-ex-track, while Quebec stock was \$1.85 to \$1.90. In a smaller way, 10c. to 15c. margin was added to these figures.

Honey and Maple Syrup.—The market for maple syrup was moderately active and the price held steady at 85c. to 90c. each for 8 lb. tins; \$1 to \$1.10 for 10 lb. tins, and \$1.25 to \$1.50 for 13 lb. tins, according to quality. Sugar was unchanged at 12 to 14c. There was very little going on in the honey market and white clover comb ranged from 15c. to 15½c., with white extracted at 12c. to 13c. per lb. Brown clover comb was 12c. to 13c. and brown extracted 10 to 11c. per lb. Buckwheat honey was 9c. to 10c. per lb.

Eggs.—This market was never more steady than it has been since new eggs began coming in. The price was practically unchanged, straight-gathered eggs being 25c. to 26c. per doz. No. 1 new-laid were 26c. to 27c. and No. 2, 23c. to 24c.

Butter.—The make of butter is now large and receipts were up to top point, while quality was excellent. Finest creamery declined slightly and was quoted at 29¼c. to 29½c. per lb., while fine stock was ½c. below these figures. Held creamery was still quoted but was not in very good demand. Dairy butter brought 22½c. to 23c.

Cheese.—The auction sale of cheese held here probably furnishes the best evidence of prices. No. 1 white, 16½c.; No. 2 white, 16½c.; No. 3 white, 16½c.; No. 2 colored, 15½c.; choicest Ontarios were held at 17c. by some.

Grain.—The wheat markets have been weak of late, and the price was as low as at any time this year. There was sale for wheat in Montreal, however, export sales being made on Winnipeg prices and local consumption being all in flour. Oats were practically unchanged, being 54c. for No. 2 Canadian Western; 52½c. for No. 3 and No. 1 extra feed; 51½c. for No. 1 feed and 50½c. for No. 2 feed. No. 2 Ontario and Quebec oats were 52c.; No. 3, were 51c., while No. 4 were 50c. per bushel, ex-store.

Flour.—The constant decline in the market for Manitoba wheat brought about a drop of 20c. per barrel in the price of Manitoba flour. First patents were \$6.60; seconds being \$6.10 and strong bakers' \$5.90 per barrel, in bags. Ontario flour was unchanged, being

\$6 to \$6.25 for choice patents; \$5.40 to \$5.60 for 90%; \$5.10 to \$5.30 for straight rollers, per barrel, the latter being \$2.40 to \$2.50 per bag.

Mill Feed.—Bran was steady at \$21 per ton; shorts at \$24, middlings being \$25 to \$27. Pure grain moullie \$31 to \$32 and mixed moullie \$27 to \$29 per ton, including bags.

Hay.—Prices were unchanged at \$22 to \$22.50 for No. 1 baled; \$21.50 for extra good No. 2; \$20.50 to \$21 for No. 2; \$19.50 for No. 3 and \$18.50 for clover mixed.

Hides.—Calf skins were steady at 33c. and 31c. per lb.; beef hides were 1c. up, at 20c., 21c. and 22c.; lamb skins were up to 50c. each; horse hides steady, at \$2.50 to \$3.50 each and rough tallow 1½c. to 2½c. per lb. with rendered 7c. to 7½c.

Buffalo.

Cattle.—One of the strongest trades of the year was had here last week. Monday receipts were 150 cars, sixty of which were good weighty steers and these sold generally from a dime to forty cents per hundred higher than for the preceding week, prime shipping steers running from a quarter to forty cents, while the medium and less desirable averaged from a dime to fifteen cents stronger. Three loads of prime Michigan steers sold up to \$11.40, the highest price ever paid on the Buffalo market for straight market cattle. Handy butchering steers sold from \$10 to \$10.50, and this range was made on yearlings. Nothing in the steer line was quoted below \$8, with any kill to it, feeders being quotable around \$7.75. On fat cows and heifers the trade was a dime to fifteen cents higher, except on grassy kinds, which ruled about steady. Bulls brought strong prices and stockers and feeders were slow sale, at shade easier prices. Milchers and springers sold lower, with plenty of grass and a lot of milchers on the range, milk selling low and affecting the trade on these. Predictions are for a continued strong trade on strictly dry-fed cattle but possibly weaker values on the grassers. Receipts last week were 4,250 head, as against 4,600 for the preceding week and 5,100 for the corresponding week last year. Quotations:

Shipping Steers.—Choice to prime natives, \$10.75 to \$11.40; fair to good, \$9.75 to \$10; plain, \$9.00 to \$9.25; very coarse and common, \$8.50 to \$9; best Canadians, \$10 to \$10.50; fair to good, \$9.50 to \$9.75; common and plain, \$9 to \$9.25.

Butchering Steers.—Choice heavy, \$10 to \$10.50; fair to good, \$9.25 to \$9.75; best handy, \$9.50 to \$10.00; common to good, \$8.60 to \$9.25; light, thin, \$8 to \$8.40; yearlings, prime, \$9.75 to \$10; yearlings, common to good, \$8.25 to \$9.50.

Cows and Heifers.—Prime weighty heifers, \$8.50 to \$9.50; best handy butcher heifers \$8.50 to \$8.75; common to good, \$7 to \$8; best heavy fat cows, \$7.75 to \$8.25; good butchering cows, \$7 to \$7.50; medium to fair, \$5.50 to \$6.50; cutters, \$4.75 to \$5; canners, \$3.25 to \$4.50.

Bulls.—Best heavy, \$8 to \$8.50; good butchering, \$7.75 to \$8; best feeders, \$7.50 to \$7.75; common to good, \$6.75 to \$7.25; best stockers, \$7.25 to \$7.50; common to good, \$6.25 to \$7.

Milchers and Springers.—Good to best, in small lots, \$80.00 to \$100.00; in car loads, \$70.00 to \$75.00.

Hogs.—Prices were on the jump last week, an advance being noted nearly every day. Monday the extreme top was \$9.95, several decks moved at \$9.90 but bulk landed at \$9.85 and pigs generally \$9.25. Tuesday it was generally a \$10.00 market for best grades, with pigs selling at \$9.50, Wednesday and Thursday sales on best grades were made at \$10.20 and \$10.25, bulk \$10.25, with pigs \$9.75 and Friday the bulk of the crop was placed at \$10.40, with one deck reaching \$10.45. Pig prices on Friday were the same as Thursday. Roughts ranged from \$8.50 to \$8.90 and stags \$7.25 down. Receipts last week were approximately 24,000 head, being against 29,087 head for the week previous, and 30,750 head for the same week a year ago.

Sheep and Lambs.—Receipts last week were the lightest this year and prices from day to day were but little changed. Best spring lambs sold from \$12.00 to

\$12.50, top dry-fed yearling lambs brought from \$10.25 to \$10.50 and cull yearling lambs went from \$9.00 down. Top for wether sheep was \$8.25 and ewes sold from \$7.50 down, heavy ones landing mostly at \$7.00 and \$7.25. Receipts last week were 4,400 head, as against 6,167 head for the week before and 3,200 head for the same week a year ago.

Calves.—Market showed improvement as the week advanced. Monday top lots went at \$11.75 and \$12.00. Tuesday's market was steady, Wednesday the top was \$12.50, Thursday bulk sold at \$12.50 and \$12.75, with a few as high as \$13.00 and Friday the general market for choice veals was \$13.00 and \$13.25. Culls the fore part of the week sold from \$10.50 down and Friday the best throw-outs reached as high as \$11.50. Receipts last week were estimated at 3,200 head, being against 3,556 head for the previous week, and 2,875 head for the corresponding week a year ago.

Chicago.

Cattle.—Beeves, \$7.85 to \$11.40; stockers and feeders, \$6 to \$8.80; cows and heifers, \$4 to \$10; calves, \$8.50 to \$11.75.

Hogs.—Light, \$9.40 to \$9.95; mixed, \$9.55 to \$10; heavy, \$9.50 to \$10.10; rough, \$9.50 to \$9.95; pigs, \$7.60 to \$8.15; bulk of sales, \$9.80 to \$9.95.

Sheep.—Native, \$7 to \$8.10; lambs, native, \$7.50 to \$10.30; spring lambs, \$8.25 to \$11.50.

Smiles.

Tommy (dictating letter to be sent to his wife)—"The nurses here are a very plain lot."

Nurse—"Oh, come! I say! That's not very polite to us."

Tommy—"Never mind, Nurse, put it down. It'll please her!"

Here is a story of a London 'nut' who had mounted guard for the first time:

The colonel had just given him a wigging because of the state of his equipment. A little later the colonel passed his post. The nut did not salute. The indignant colonel turned and passed again. The nut ignored him.

"Why in the qualified blazes don't you salute?" the colonel roared.

"Ah," said the nut, softly, "I fancied you were vexed with me."—New York 'Globe.'

Well picked.—Aunt—"Your bride, my dear boy, is wealthy and all that, but I don't think she'll make much of a beauty-show at the altar."

Nephew—"You don't, eh? Just wait till you see her with the bridesmaids she has selected."—Nashville Tennessean.

A Swede was being examined in a case in a Minnesota town where the defendant was accused of breaking a plate glass window with a large stone. He was pressed to tell how big the stone was, but he could not explain.

"Was it as big as my fist?" asked the judge, who had taken over the examination from the lawyers, in the hope of getting some results.

"It ban bigger," the Swede replied.

"Was it as big as my two fists?"

"It ban bigger."

"Was it as big as my head?"

"It ban about as long, but not so thick," replied the Swede, amid the laughter of all but the judge.

Mr. Lloyd George was addressing a meeting in South Wales when the chairman, thinking to be witty at the Chancellor's expense, remarked to the audience that he was a little disappointed in Mr. Lloyd George's appearance.

"I had heard so much about Mr. Lloyd George," he said, "that I naturally expected to meet a big man in every sense; but, as you can see for yourselves, he is very small in stature."

"I am grieved to find," retorted Mr. Lloyd George, with mock seriousness, "that your chairman is disappointed in my size, but this is owing to the way you have here of measuring a man. In North Wales we measure a man from his chin up, but you evidently measure him from his chin down!"—Current Opinion.