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MARKETS.

Toronto.

LIVE STOCK.

At West Toronto, Monday, April 10th, receipts numbered 103 cars, comprising 2,150 cattle, 33 hogs, 511 sheep, 104 calves, 9 horses. Quality of cattle good; trade slow; exporters easier. Export steers, \$5.60 to \$6; butchers' steady, prime picked lots, \$5.80 to \$6; good, \$5.60 to \$5.75; medium, \$5.25 to \$5.50; common, \$5 to \$5.20; cows, \$3.50 to \$5.25; milkers, \$4 to \$6; calves, \$4 to \$7.50. Sheep—Ewes, \$4.75 to \$5.25; yearling lambs, \$6 to \$7.30; spring lambs, \$4 to \$8 each. Hogs, lower, at \$6.50 for selects, fed and watered, and \$6.20 to drovers for hogs f. o. b. cars, country points.

REVIEW OF LAST WEEK'S MARKETS

The total receipts of live stock for the last week at the City and Union Stock-yards were as follows:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	227	190	417
Cattle	3,084	3,330	6,414
Hogs	5,596	1,110	6,706
Sheep	891	852	1,743
Calves	687	122	809
Horses	30	185	215

The total receipts at the City and Union Stock-yards for the corresponding week of 1910 were as follows:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	192	193	385
Cattle	2,739	4,447	6,186
Hogs	5,443	1,634	7,077
Sheep	430	88	518
Calves	646	177	823
Horses	—	237	237

The combined receipts at the City and Union Stock-yards for the past week show an increase of 32 carloads, 228 cattle, 1,225 sheep and lambs; but a decrease of 371 hogs, 14 calves, and 22 horses, compared with the corresponding week of 1910.

It will be seen by the above figures, that the receipts were larger than for the previous market, but not greater than the demand. Trade during the week on several occasions was slow. Trade for the ordinary run of cattle at times was slow, but there was little change in prices. Easter quality cattle sold all the way from \$6 to \$7 per cwt.

Exporters.—Nine hundred export cattle sold at an average of 7c. per cwt. higher than for the previous week. There were 521 exporters bought for the London market at \$5.95, which is 5c. per cwt. more than in our last letter. The cattle bought for Liverpool were the same as our last letter, \$5.80 per cwt. Exporters raised in price from \$5.70 to \$6.25, but only a cattle were bought at the latter price. The highest price for a straight load of export cattle, weighing 1,400 lbs. each, was \$6.15. One load of heifers, bought for export, 1,125 lbs. each, sold at \$6.25 per cwt., by Coughlin & Co.

Milkers and Feeders.—One load of 700 lbs., sold at \$1.85; two loads of feeders, 900 to 950 lbs. each, sold at \$5.25 to \$5.37½ per cwt.

Milkers and Springers.—There was a fair supply, that sold at \$38 to \$70 each, but we only heard of two cows that were sold at the latter price.

Veal Calves.—Receipts of veal calves were large, and prices a little easier, at \$3.50 to \$7.50 per cwt.

Sheep and Lambs.—Receipts of sheep and lambs were liberal, for the season of the year. Ewes sold at \$4.75 to \$5.50; yearling lambs, \$6.75 to \$7.25 per cwt.; spring lambs, \$4 to \$8 each.

Hogs.—Prices were generally easier. Selects, fed and watered at the market, \$6.70, and \$6.40 to \$6.45 to drovers for hogs f. o. b. cars at country points.

Horses.—Trade in horses at the Union Horse Exchange, at the Union Stock-yards, for the past week has been good. Manager Smith reports having sold upwards of two hundred horses, and could have disposed of many more could he have got them in time. Mr. Smith shipped out eight carloads, nearly all of which went to the Northwest Provinces. Liberal consignments are expected this coming week. Prices ranged as follows: Drafters, \$175 to \$235, and \$250 for extra quality; general-purpose, \$160 to \$225; expressers and wagon horses, \$150 to \$210; drivers, \$100 to \$140; serviceably sound, \$80 to \$90.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.—No. 2 red, white or mixed, 80c. to 81c., outside. Manitoba—No. 1 northern, 95½c.; No. 2 northern, 93c.; No. 3 northern, 90½c., outside points. Rye—No. 2, 66c. to 67c., outside. Peas—No. 2, 80c. to 81c., outside. Buckwheat—48c. to 49c., outside. Barley—For malting, 60c. to 65c.; for feed, 53c. to 57c., outside. Oats—Canadian Western, No. 2, 37c.; No. 3, 36c., lake ports; Ontario, No. 2, 31c. to 32c.; No. 3, 30c. to 31c., outside. Flour—Ontario ninety-per-cent, winter-wheat patents, \$3.20 to \$3.25, sea-board. Manitoba flour—Toronto prices: First patents, \$5.40; second patents, \$4.90; strong bakers', \$4.70. Corn—American new, No. 3 yellow, 52c., track, Toronto.

HAY AND MILLFEED.

Hay.—Baled, in car lots, on track, Toronto, No. 1, \$12; No. 2, \$8 to \$10. Straw.—Car lots, on track, Toronto, \$6 to \$6.50 per ton. Bran.—Manitoba bran, \$21 per ton; shorts, \$23; Ontario bran, \$22, in bags; shorts, \$24, car lots, track, Toronto.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—The market for the best is slightly firmer. Creamery pound rolls, 26c. to 28c.; creamery solids, 24c. to 25c.; separator dairy, 22c. to 24c.; store lots, 17c. to 19c.

Eggs.—Strictly new-laid eggs are quoted at 18c. per dozen, by the case.

Cheese.—Large, 13½c.; twins, 14c. Honey.—Market unchanged; extracted, 10c. to 11c. per lb.; comb, \$2.50 per dozen sections.

Beans.—Broken lots, \$1.85 per bushel. Car lots, \$1.50 to \$1.60, for hand-picked.

Potatoes.—Car lots of Ontarios, on track, Toronto, 85c. per bag; New Brunswick Delawares, 95c. per bag, for car lots, on track, Toronto.

Poultry.—Receipts light; prices firm. Turkeys dressed, 23c. to 27c.; yearling chickens, 18c. to 20c.; hens, 15c. to 17c. per lb.

HIDES AND SKINS.

E. T. Carter & Co., 85 East Front street, have been paying the following prices: No. 1 inspected steers and cows, 9½c.; No. 2 inspected steers and cows, 8½c.; No. 3 inspected steers, cows and bulls, 7½c.; country hides, cured, 8½c.; sheep green, 8c.; calf skins, 11c. to 13c.; sheep skins, 95c. to \$1.25; horse hides, No. 1, \$3; horse hair, per lb., 32c.; tallow, No. 1, per lb., 5½c. to 6½c.

TORONTO SEED MARKET.

The William Rennie Seed Company report the following prices, at which re-cleaned seeds are being sold to the trade: Alsike No. 1, per bushel, \$11; alsike No. 2, \$9.60; alsike No. 3, \$8.75; red clover No. 1, per bushel, \$10.50; red clover No. 2, \$9.30; red clover No. 3, \$8.40; timothy No. 1, per bushel, \$7.20; timothy No. 2, \$6.75; alfalfa, No. 1, per bushel, \$13.75; alfalfa No. 2, per bushel, \$12.25.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Apples, market firm; No. 1 Spies, \$6 to \$6.50; No. 2 Spies, \$5 to \$5.50; No. 1

Greenings, \$4 to \$4.50; No. 2 Greenings, \$4; Ben Davis, \$3.50 to \$4; carrots, 45c. per bag; cabbage, \$1.50 per barrel, or 30c. to 50c. per dozen; strawberries, 40c. to 50c. per quart basket.

Montreal.

Live Stock.—The supplies of cattle continued limited. Demand fair, and the market firm, prices fractionally higher. Some extra choice bulls, suitable for Easter, weighing as high as 2,300 lbs., were sold at 6½c. per lb., and \$10 per head extra. Some very choice steers sold at 6½c., choice at 6½c., fine at 6½c., good at 5½c. to 6c., medium 5c. to 5½c., common down to around 4c. and 4½c. Choice calves scarce; lower qualities plentiful. These sold at \$2 to \$5 or \$6 each, the best bringing \$8. Old sheep scarce and firm, at 5c. to 5½c. per lb.; yearlings, 6½c. per lb. Spring lambs ranged from \$5 to \$8 each. Offerings of hogs fairly large; demand good. Sales of selects at 7½c. to 7½c. per lb., weighed off cars.

Horses.—Buying during the past week was light, and prices continue firm, but steady, as follows: Heavy draft horses, weighing from 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$300 to \$350 each; light draft, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$225 to \$300 each; light horses, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., \$100 to \$200 each; inferior, broken-down animals, \$50 to \$100 each, and choicest carriage and saddle animals, \$350 to \$500 each.

Dressed Hogs and Provisions.—Country-dressed hogs slightly cheaper, and a fractional decline in barrel pork and lard. Fresh-killed, abattoir-dressed hogs sell at 9½c. to 10c. per lb., country-dressed being 8c. to 9c. per lb.

Potatoes.—Shippers ask 80c. for 90 lbs., on track. Trade rather uncertain; market dull. Grocers' prices are in the vicinity of \$1 to \$1.10 per bag of 90 lbs. Maple Products.—The weather has not warmed up sufficiently in the daytime to thaw out the trees, although it has been quite cold enough at night. Prices about \$1 per gallon.

Eggs.—Dealers claim that they have bought at 15c. in the West, and in the East at 16c. These sold here at from 19c. to 20c. per dozen.

Butter.—New butter going along more freely, and a good demand for it. It has cost about 24c. at country points, and has sold here at 26c. to 26½c. to grocers. Choice fall butter, 24c. to 26c., according to quality. Dairy butter, at 18c. to 19c.

Cheese.—Some new cheese being received. Colored quoted at 12½c. to 12½c. per lb., and old about a cent more than this.

Grain.—Market steadier. No. 2 Canadian Western oats quoted at 38½c. per bushel, car lots, store; No. 1 extra feed at 38c.; No. 2 Canadian Western at 37½c.; No. 2 local white at 36c.; No. 3 a cent under, and No. 4 yet a cent under. No. 3 American yellow corn, 56c. to 56½c. per bushel.

Flour.—Manitoba flour steady, at \$5.60 per barrel, in bags, for first patents; \$5.10 for seconds, and \$4.90 for strong bakers'. Ontario patents unchanged, at \$4.50 per barrel; straight rollers, \$4 to \$4.25.

Millfeed.—Quotations \$21 to \$23 per ton for Manitoba bran, in bags, and \$23 to \$25 for shorts; Ontario bran, \$22 to \$23; middlings, \$24 to \$25; pure grain mouille, \$30; mixed mouille, \$25 to \$28.

Hay.—Market steady. No. 1 baled hay, \$10 to \$10.50, carloads, track, Montreal; No. 2 extra, \$9 to \$9.50 per ton; No. 2, \$8 to \$8.50. Clover mixed, \$7 to \$7.50; pure clover, \$6 to \$6.50 per ton.

Seeds.—Demand improving. Prices per 100 lbs., in bag lots, Montreal, as follows: Timothy seed, \$15 to \$16.50; medium red clover, \$18 to \$20; Mammoth red clover, \$18.50 to \$20.50; alsike, \$18 to \$23.

Hides.—Calf skins, 11c. per lb. for No. 2, and 13c. for No. 1. Hides unchanged, at 8c., 9c. and 10c. per lb., according to quality. Lamb skins, 90c. each. Horse hides, \$1.75 and \$2.50 each. Tallow, 6½c. to 7c. per lb. for rendered, and 1½c. to 4c. for rough.

British Cattle Markets.

Liverpool.—States steers, 13½c. to 13½c.; Canadian, 13½c. to 13½c. per pound.

Chicago.

Hogs.—Mixed and butchers', \$6.30 to \$6.85; good heavy, \$6.40 to \$6.60; rough heavy, \$6.10 to \$6.30; light, \$6.45 to \$6.90; pigs, \$6.40 to \$6.90; bulk, \$6.35 to \$6.60.

Cattle.—Beeves, \$5.25 to \$7.10; cows and heifers, \$2.75 to \$6.25; stockers and feeders, \$4.25 to \$5.80; Texans, \$4.90 to \$5.30; calves, \$5.50 to \$6.75.

Sheep and Lambs.—Native and Western, \$3 to \$5.35; lambs, \$5 to \$6.40.

Buffalo.

Cattle.—Prime steers, \$6.50 to \$6.75; butcher grades, \$3 to \$6.40.

Calves.—Cull to choice, \$5 to \$8.75.

Sheep and Lambs.—Choice lambs, \$7 to \$7.15; cull to fair, \$4.75 to \$6.90; yearlings, \$5.50 to \$6; sheep, \$3 to \$5.10.

Hogs.—Yorkers, \$7.20 to \$7.35; pigs, \$7.40 to \$7.45; mixed, \$6.85 to \$7.15; heavy, \$6.50 to \$6.65; rough, \$5.50 to \$6; stags, \$4.65 to \$5.

GOSSIP.

AYRSHIRE RECORDS.

The cow Snowflake—19789—, owned by A. S. Turner & Sons, Ryckman's Corners, Ont., gave in 26 days in December, 1910, 61.27 lbs. fat, and in January, 1911, she gave 1,871.25 lbs. milk, and 85.48 lbs. fat, equal to 99.73 lbs. butter, or an average of 3.21 lbs. butter per day.

The Ayrshire cow Netherhall Brownie 9th (imp.)—23985—, American Herdbook, owned by J. W. Clise, Redmond, Wash., has lately closed her year's test with 18,110 lbs. milk and 780.91 lbs. fat, equal to 911 lbs. of butter. This cow was tested under the supervision of the Washington State Agricultural College. Netherhall Brownie 9th holds the world's Ayrshire record of milk and fat. It is up to our Canadian Ayrshire men to go one better than this record. We are constantly discovering some wonderful producers among our Ayrshires, thanks to the Advanced Registry and Record of Performance tests.

This year's show of the Royal Agricultural Society, of which King George V. is President, is expected to be the finest and most memorable exhibition of its kind ever held. The show, which is to be held at Norwich, will run for five days, beginning Monday, June 26th. As at least six months are necessary to bring the grounds into shape for the great exhibition, workmen are now busy running up the town of white and timbered buildings needed. The surroundings are beautiful. Twenty-five of the 150 acres of show park are picturesque plantations, breaking gratefully into the monotony of buildings and sheds. Clumps of trees are dotted here and there over the open. The upper side of the grounds is bounded by fine old woods, and on the lower side runs the river Yare, while through the middle of the ground, from the high woods to the river, runs a noble avenue of elms. Altogether, there will be six miles of sheds, where cattle, horses, sheep, pigs, implements, machinery, poultry, bees, forestry exhibits, etc., will be housed and displayed.

TRADE TOPIC.

From our readers, we receive hints and questions occasionally which indicate that they are well aware that molasses is quite generally fed to animals in the Old Country. That molasses has a high value as a conditioner and fattener for all kinds of stock seems to be admitted on all hands. But it is a disagreeably sticky substance, and when used by itself, had to be diluted with water and sprinkled on the fodder, and consequently its use was limited because of the extra work entailed. For a number of years, however, preparations known as Molasses Meals have been obtainable on the Continent and in England, and within the last three years this product has been brought upon the market in Canada. The Caldwell Feed Company, supported by Scotch and Canadian capital, whose advertisement appears in "The Farmer's Advocate," have built at Dundas, Ont., a large plant for the manufacture of Molasses Meal. Only pure cane molasses is used as the active principle. Literature and samples may be obtained on request.