

### The Live Stock Trade

At London on January 11, the tone of the market was steady and values show no material change as compared with a week ago, supplies were very light and demand good. Choice States cattle were quoted strong at 11c. Argentines 10c, States sheep 12c and Argentines 10c.

A private cable received from Liverpool quoted choice United States cattle at 10½c to 11c. and sheep at 11½c.

At the East End Abattoir market, Montreal, on January 11, owing to the heavy receipts of butchers' stock and the large amount of dressed beef coming forward the market was again weaker and prices showed a further decline of ½c per lb. Choice steers and heifers sold at 8c to 8½c, good at 2½c to 8c, fair at 2½c to 2½c, common at 1½c to 1½c, and inferior at 1½c per lb. live weight. The supply of sheep and lambs was small, but notwithstanding this prices were lower, due to the larger receipts of dressed frozen stock of late. Sales of sheep were made at 2½c to 3c and lambs at 3½c to 4c per lb. live weight. At the Point St. Charles cattle market Montreal, on the same day two lots of about 100 lambs were offered, which sold at 8½c to 4c per lb. The receipts of hogs were very light, there being only 56 on the market, and prices were easier at \$1 to \$1.25 per 100 lbs. light weight.

At Chicago on January 15 hogs were in good demand and they advanced five cents. They sold at \$3.15 to \$1.60 for common to choice lots, with the bulk of trading at \$3.25 to \$3.50. A few lots of selects, butchers' hogs, brought \$3.60.

At Toronto on January 12 there was a livelier movement, but prices did not improve. Hogs were firm. Three loads of export cattle came in and all were taken by one dealer to ship to the old country via St. John. Prices 3½c to 3½c per lb, 4c being paid for some of the best cattle. Export bulls sold for 2½c to 3½c, choice ones going at 3½c. Trade in butchers' cattle was a little livelier. Medium to good cattle sold for 2½c to 3c per lb., choice cattle 3½c, and poor ones 2½c or even lower. A few stockers and feeders sold from \$2.50 to \$2.70 per cwt. For good feeders 9c per lb will be paid. Good feeders are in some demand. Shipping sheep are steady at 2½c to 3c; lambs, 3½c to 4c; butchers' sheep, \$2.50 to \$3 each; not many wanted. Milch cows and springers ruled from \$15 to \$35 each; only good ones wanted. Hogs firm, choice selling at 4½c, fat hogs at \$3.60 per cwt, and sows at 3c per lb. There is good demand for choice hogs, but any other kind are not so active. Steers are not wanted at all.

### Winnipeg Clearing House

Clearings for the week ending Jan. 14 were 1,311,068: balance s. 133,631. For the previous week clearings were 1,515,109. For the corresponding week of last year clearings were 1,153,995 and for the week two years ago, were 1,110,573. Clearings for the month of Dec were \$7,736,915, compared with \$1,611,454 for Dec. 1895, and \$3,199,672 for Dec. 1894.

Clearances for all Canadian cities for the week ended January 14 were as follows:

Montreal.....	\$10,239,977
Toronto.....	4,151,208
Halifax.....	210,330
Winnipeg.....	811,068
Hamilton.....	735,898
St. John.....	567,847

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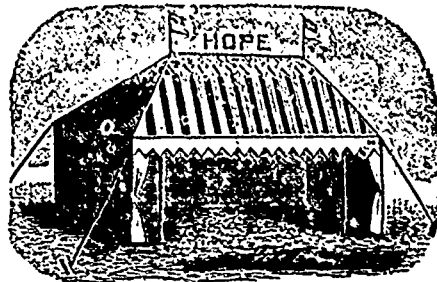
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