

Toronto, Montreal, Buffalo, and Other Leading Markets

Week Ending July 12.

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	Same Week	Week Ending		
July 12	1916	July 5	July 12	1916	July 5	July 12	1916	July 12	1916	July 5		
Toronto (Union Stock Yards)	4,263	5,036	4,751	\$11.50	\$ 9.75	\$11.60	1,016	718	1,019	\$15.00	\$12.50	\$15.00
Montreal (Pt. St. Charles)	1,120	408	892	11.75	9.50	12.00	1,612	1,128	1,390	12.50	10.00	12.50
Montreal (East End)	1,470	888	885	11.50	9.50	11.50	1,112	1,039	784	12.50	10.00	12.50
Winnipeg	2,577	1,397	2,153	11.00	9.00	10.50	142	217	207	12.50	9.50	13.00
Calgary		1,186	636		6.75	8.50					8.00	11.20

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	Same Week	Week Ending		
July 12	1916	July 5	July 12	1916	July 5	July 12	1916	July 12	1916	July 5		
Toronto (Union Stock Yards)	7,406	7,347	7,375	\$16.75	\$11.35	\$16.75	1,148	2,470	923	\$17.00	\$16.00	\$16.00
Montreal (Pt. St. Charles)	1,839	950	1,127	17.25	12.00	17.00	506	549	306	*10.00	* 8.00	*10.00
Montreal (East End)	1,080	1,087	850	17.25	12.00	16.75	669	872	331	*10.00	* 8.00	* 9.00
Winnipeg	6,406	5,586	6,097	15.50	10.00	15.50	89	116	232	10.50	10.60	12.00
Calgary		2,042	2,840		10.00	15.35		797	8		11.00	13.00

*Quotations off cars.

*Quotations per head.

Market Comments.

Toronto (Union Stock Yards.)
 Twenty-six hundred cattle were on sale on Monday and trading was active at last week's closing quotations with everything sold at the end of the day. On Tuesday trading was strong and steady, and was followed by an advance of 10 to 25 cents per hundred on butcher cattle on Wednesday. On Thursday a light supply was rapidly bought up at quotations fully 25 cents per hundred higher than the prices of a week ago. While one heavy steer sold on Thursday at \$12.00 per hundred and a few head sold during the week at \$11.75, the top price recorded for a straight load was \$11.65, with the bulk of the heavy steers selling from \$10.75 to \$11.50 per hundred. Heavy butcher steers of one thousand to eleven hundred pounds sold as high as \$11.50 for a good load, with the bulk of the finished cattle of this class bringing from \$10.75 to \$11.25. Light butcher steers and heifers of good quality sold from \$9.75 to \$10.75 with common grades bringing from \$8.75 to \$9.50. Choice bulls reached \$9.50 in a few instances but the bulk of the best butcher bulls sold from \$8.00 to \$9.00, and bologna bulls from \$6.25 to \$7.50. A few choice cows were weighed up at \$9.50, but the bulk of the offering sold from \$8.25 to \$9.00 with medium cows bringing \$7.00 to \$8.00 and canners and cutters from \$5.25 to \$6.00 per hundred. Stockers and feeders were moving at about last week's level with only limited numbers going back to the country. Calves were in good demand all week with choice veal realizing up to \$15.50 on Wednesday and Thursday, but most of the sales were made between \$14.00 and \$15.00, with common calves selling from \$9.00 to \$12.00 per hundred.

Lambs are not moving very freely as yet, and prices made strong advances during the week. From \$16.25 to \$16.50 per hundred was paid for top lambs on Monday and by Wednesday those of choice quality were bringing \$17.00 with most of the sales being made between \$16.00 and \$17.00; these prices will not prevail however, if very liberal supplies come forward.

Hogs on Monday's market sold at \$16.25 to \$16.75, but on Tuesday \$16.25 was the prevailing quotation for selects. This was the ruling price during the remainder of the week, although a few lots changed hands at figures a trifle higher. Packers state that a further cut in prices will follow next week.

Of the disposition of live stock from the Union Stock Yards for the week ending July 5th, Canadian packing houses purchased 561 calves, 109 bulls, 158 heavy steers, 3,481 butcher cattle, 7,585 hogs and 648 sheep. Local butchers purchased 203 calves, 282 butcher cattle, 273 hogs and 287 sheep. Shipments back to country points were made up of 54 calves, 89 milch cows, 429 stockers, 53 feeders and 11 lambs. Shipments to United States' points totalled 164 calves, 55 stockers and 27 feeders.

The total receipts of live stock from January 1st to July 5th, inclusive, were: 116,867 cattle, 28,239 calves, 16,286 sheep, and 250,349 hogs; compared with 122,991 cattle, 25,934 calves, 20,670

TORONTO (Union Stock Yards)					MONTREAL (Pt. St. Charles)				
CLASSIFICATION	No.	Avg. Price	Price Range Bulk Sales	Top Price	No.	Avg. Price	Price Range Bulk Sales	Top Price	
STEERS heavy finished	203	\$10.75	\$10.65-\$11.50	\$11.75					
STEERS good 1,000-1,200	614	10.62	10.50-11.25	11.50	109	\$10.90	\$10.75-\$11.20	\$11.75	
STEERS common 700-1,000	45	9.75	9.25-10.25	10.50	36	10.00	9.75-10.25	10.40	
STEERS good 241	703	10.43	9.75-10.75	11.00	52	10.75	10.50-11.00	11.25	
STEERS common 533	241	9.26	8.50-9.75	9.75	234	9.25	9.00-9.50	9.90	
HEIFERS good 258	533	10.59	10.00-11.25	11.25	22	10.50	10.25-10.75	11.25	
HEIFERS fair 258	258	9.47	9.00-9.75	9.75	67	9.39	9.00-9.70	9.70	
HEIFERS common 56	56	8.56	7.50-9.00	9.00	48	8.41	8.25-8.75	8.75	
HEIFERS good 445	445	8.74	8.00-9.00	9.25	46	9.00	7.75-9.25	9.75	
HEIFERS fair 656	656	6.93	6.50-7.50	7.50	261	7.81	7.00-8.25	8.50	
BULLS good 58	58	8.49	7.75-9.00	9.25	5	9.75	9.00-10.50	10.50	
BULLS common 47	47	7.09	6.50-8.00	8.50	122	7.52	6.00-8.75	8.75	
CANNERS & CUTTERS	75	5.75	5.25-6.00	6.00	85	6.22	5.25-7.00	7.00	
OXEN					5	6.30	5.50-6.50	6.50	
CALVES	1,106	14.15	13.50-15.00	15.00	1,612	10.91	8.00-12.50	12.50	
STOCKERS good 195	195	8.12	7.50-8.50	8.75	9	8.00	8.00-	8.00	
STOCKERS fair 64	64	7.25	6.50-7.75	8.25					
FEDERS good 58	58	9.47	9.00-9.75	9.75					
FEDERS fair 14	14	9.00	8.50-9.25	9.25					
HOGS selects 6,937	6,937	16.37	16.25-16.75	16.75	1,492	16.97	16.50-17.20	17.25	
HOGS (fed and watered) lights 39	39	16.34	16.25-16.75	16.75	44	16.52	16.25-16.75	16.75	
HOGS lights 150	150	15.94	15.25-15.75	15.75	95	16.55	16.25-16.75	16.75	
HOGS stags 19	19	11.38	11.25-12.25	12.25	1	11.00	11.00-	11.00	
HOGS sows 261	261	13.55	13.25-14.25	14.25	207	13.90	13.50-14.25	14.25	
SHEEP heavy 18	18	7.65	7.00-8.50	8.50	22	9.00	8.75-9.25	9.25	
SHEEP light 290	290	9.00	8.00-9.50	9.50	56	9.32	9.00-9.50	9.50	
SHEEP common 149	149	6.74	6.00-7.50	7.50	150	8.49	8.00-8.75	8.75	
LAMBS good 586	586	16.12	15.00-17.00	17.00	93	8.82	8.00-10.00	*10.00	
LAMBS common 105	105	14.58	13.50-16.00	16.00	187	7.03	6.00-8.00	* 8.00	

sheep and 224,619 hogs, received during the corresponding period of 1916.

Montreal.

The supply of cattle for Monday's market was almost double the usual run, and in consequence the prices declined from 50 cents to \$1.00 per hundred on all grades of butcher cattle with the exception of canners and cutters. Several hundred cattle remained unsold at the close of Monday's market, but these were all bought up later in the week at prices on a level with Monday's quotations. One lot of choice heavy butcher cattle sold at \$11.75 per hundred, but the bulk of the sales of good cattle was made from \$10.50 to \$11.25. Butcher cows sold mostly between \$8.00 and \$9.00 with a few above the latter figure. A few choice bulls brought from \$9.75 to \$10.25 per hundred, but the majority sold from \$8.00 to \$9.50. Canners and cutters held steady as also did bologna bulls. Calves were in fair demand early in the week, but were slightly easier toward the close. Sheep and lambs were steady to firm and in liberal supply throughout the week. A few choice heavy lambs brought up to \$10.00 each, but the bulk of the offerings sold between \$7.00 and \$9.00 each. A few hogs contracted for previously, changed hands on Monday at

\$17.50 per hundred for selects, off cars, but the bulk of the good hogs brought \$17.00 to \$17.25. Prices declined later in the week and closed at \$16.75 on Thursday, although several loads of late arrivals had been contracted for at \$17.25. Sows are \$3.00 per hundred lower in price than selects.

Pt. St. Charles.—Of the disposition of live stock from the Yards for the week ending July 5th, Canadian packing houses and local butchers purchased 1,319 calves, 63 canners and cutters, 98 bulls, 715 butcher cattle, 1,127 hogs, 67 sheep, and 239 lambs. Shipments to United States' points were 268 calves.

The total receipts from January 1st to July 5th, inclusive, were: 18,343 cattle, 38,408 calves, 6,465 sheep, and 35,025 swine; compared with 21,010 cattle, 28,511 calves, 8,006 sheep, and 48,492 hogs, received during the corresponding period of 1916.

EAST END.—Of the disposition from the Yards for the week ending July 5th, Canadian packing houses and local butchers purchased 784 calves, 861 butcher cattle, 850 hogs, and 331 sheep. No shipments were made to United States' points.

The total receipts of live stock from January 1st to July 5th, inclusive, were: 17,717 cattle, 30,290 calves, 6,781 sheep,

and 22,560 swine; compared with 16,686 cattle, 28,775 calves, 9,577 sheep, and 28,730 swine, received during the corresponding period of 1916.

Winnipeg.

A liberal supply of butcher cattle was on hand during the week, consisting mostly of medium and unfinished grass-fed cattle, and while the market opened steady on Friday it developed a weaker condition later in the week, closing on Thursday from fifty to seventy-five cents per hundred lower on all grades of butcher cattle, with the exceptions of bulls and oxen. Choice stall-fed, weighty steers sold from \$10.00 per hundred and upwards; four head averaging eleven hundred and eighty pounds brought \$11.00. Light unfinished grass-fed butcher cattle sold from \$7.50 to \$8.50, while the bulk of the sales of butcher heifers was made between \$8.00 and \$9.00 per hundred. Stockers and feeders were in liberal supply and in fair demand, the best selling from \$6.50 to \$7.25 per hundred during the week. Nine hundred head of stockers and feeders were returned to western country points and of this number, one shipment of three hundred and sixty head was made to Alberta.

About four hundred sheep were on hand during the week, eighty of these