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MARKETS.

TORONTO.

LIVE STOCK.

The receipts, all told, of live stock at the City and Junction markets last week were 326 carloads, composed of 5,299 cattle, 6,400 hogs, 5,635 sheep and lambs, and 484 calves. The quality of cattle was the poorest of the season. Trade was dull for all classes of cattle, excepting a few of the best butchers' and a few of the best milkers and springers, which sold readily at good prices.

Monday's receipts at the Junction numbered 1,000 head of cattle. Trade was slow. Exporters, \$4 to \$4.80, bulk at \$4.50; bulls, \$3.50 to \$4; picked butchers', \$4.50 to \$4.75; loads of good, \$4.25 to \$4.50; medium, \$3.75 to \$4; common, \$3 to \$3.50; cows, \$22 to \$24; feeders, \$3.25 to \$3.40; milch cows, \$30 to \$50; calves, \$4 to \$6.50 per cwt. Sheep, \$4.40; lambs, \$4.75 to \$5.50. Hogs, \$6.25 for selects, and \$5 to \$5.25 for unfinished.

Exporters.—Price last week ranged from \$4 to \$4.75; export bulls, \$3.25 to \$4.

Butchers'.—Picked lots, prime quality, sold at \$4.50 to \$4.75, and one lot of 14 heifers, 1,100 lbs. each, good enough for the Christmas market, were sold at the Junction market, by Maybee, Wilson & Hall, at \$5.25 per cwt.; loads of good, \$4.25 to \$4.40; medium, \$3.50 to \$4; common, \$2.75 to \$3.25; cows, \$2.50 to \$3.75, and \$4 for a few choice; canners, \$1 to \$2 per cwt.

Feeders and Stockers.—Prime-quality, well-bred feeding steers, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs. each, sold at \$3.40 to \$3.70; steers of the same weights, but medium quality, sold at \$3.25 to \$3.30; good-quality, light feeders, 800 to 900, \$2.75 to \$3; common to fair stockers, 600 to 700 lbs. each, sold at \$1.75 to \$2.25 per cwt., and slow sale.

Milkers and Springers.—There was a fair demand for all of the good cows last week, at steady to strong prices. Good to choice cows were scarce, and the market was a little higher than a week ago for the best grades, which were quotable up to \$60 and \$65 each, and one extra fine Holstein springer, weighing 1,640 lbs., brought \$85. Most of the medium and good cows sold at \$35 to \$45, common, light cows, very dull, at \$25 to \$30.

Veal Calves.—The same quality of veal calves, which, generally speaking, was not good, sold at the same prices as we have been giving for several weeks. Prices ranged from \$3 to \$6.50 per cwt., the bulk selling from \$4.75 to \$5.50 per cwt.

Sheep and Lambs.—Receipts large; prices about steady. Export ewes, \$4.25 to \$4.50; rams, \$3 to \$3.50; lambs, \$5 to \$5.60 for good to prime, and \$4.50 to \$4.75 for culls.

Hogs.—Deliveries were larger last week, with prices firm at \$6.25 per cwt., fed and watered, for selects; light, unfinished hogs, \$5 to \$5.25. At some outside points as high as \$6.10 and \$6.15 per cwt. was paid the farmer, and \$6 to the farmer was quite common throughout the country, as reported by drovers.

Horses.—There was little doing at the Repository last week. Mr. Watson, of the firm of Sheppard & Burns, stated that not more than 70 horses changed hands, and they were of the common, cheap kind generally. Prices were unchanged from our last: Heavy workers, \$125 to \$175; medium, \$80 to \$100; expressers, \$100 to \$160; wagon horses, \$100 to \$140; chunks, sound, 1,200 to 1,300 lbs., \$120 to \$175.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.—No. 2 white or red, \$1.05; No. 2 mixed, \$1.04; No. 2 Goose, 90c. bid; Manitoba wheat, No. 1 Northern, \$1.15, lake ports; No. 3, \$1.09 bid, lake ports.

Corn.—American yellow, No. 2, sellers, 74c., at Toronto.

Barley.—No. 2, 87c. bid; No. 3 extra, 84c. to 85c.; No. 3, 70c. bid.

Oats.—No. 2 white, 58c. asked.

Rye.—No. 2, 83c. bid.

Peas.—No. 2, 90c. bid, sellers asking 91c.

Bran.—\$25, at Toronto; shorts, \$27 to \$28.

Flour.—Ontario, 90 per cent. patents, \$3.85 bid for export, Manitoba patent, special brands, \$6.20; second patents, \$5.60; strong bakers', \$5.50.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Receipts light. Market, if anything, a little firmer. Creamery, pound rolls, 29c. to 31c.; dairy, pound rolls, 27c. to 28c.; tubs, 26c. to 27c.

Eggs.—New-laid, 28c. to 29c.; cold-storage, 25c.

Cheese.—Market firm; prices unchanged; large, 13½c.; twins, 13½c., with light offerings.

Honey.—Extracted, 13c. to 13½c.; combs, in dozen sections, \$2.75 to \$3.25.

Potatoes.—Supply equal to demand. Car lots of Ontarios and New Brunswicks, on track, at Toronto, sell at 70c. to 75c. per bag. The preference seems to be in favor of Ontario potatoes this season.

Poultry.—Receipts large; quality poor; prices easy, as follows, for live birds: Turkeys, 14c. to 15c. for young birds; geese, 9c. to 10c.; ducks, 9c. to 11c.; chickens, 9c. to 10c.; fowl, 6c. to 7c. Dressed poultry, 2c. per lb. more.

Hay.—Baled, in car lots, on track, at Toronto, \$17 to \$18.

Straw.—Baled straw, in car lots, \$9.50 to \$10.50.

HIDES AND WOOL.

E. T. Carter & Co., 85 Front St., have been paying the following prices: Inspected hides, No. 1 steers and cows, 7½c.; No. 2, steers and cows, 6½c.; country hides, 6c. to 7c.; calf skins, No. 1, city, 12c.; calf skins, No. 1, country, 10c. to 11c.; horse hides, No. 1, each, \$2.75 to \$3; tallow, 5½c. to 6½c.; wool, unwashed, 12c. to 13c.; wool, washed, 22c. to 23c.; rejections, 16c.; lamb skins, 65c. to 75c.; horse hair, per lb., 30c.

FRUIT MARKET.

The wholesale fruit market, at the foot of Scott Street, has been closed for the season, and the various firms have returned to their business stands for the winter. Receipts of grapes and apples, as well as pears, were fairly large last week. Apples sell at \$1.50 to \$2.50 for fall varieties; pears, 30c. to 60c. per basket; grapes, 30c. to 60c. per basket.

SEEDS.

William Rennie & Co. report the alsiike seed market unchanged. No. 1 seed per bushel, \$3.60 to \$9; No. 2 seed, per bushel, \$7.50 to \$8.

CHICAGO.

Cattle.—Steers, \$5 to \$7.45; cows, \$4 to \$5; heifers, \$3 to \$5.75; bulls, \$2.60 to \$5; calves, \$3 to \$8; stockers and feeders, \$2.40 to \$5.

Hogs.—Choice heavy shipping, \$6.10 to \$6.15; light butchers', \$6.10 to \$6.20; light, mixed, \$5.90 to \$6.05; choice, light, \$6 to \$6.15; packing, \$5.25 to \$6; pigs, \$4.25 to \$5.75; bulk of sales, \$5.50 to \$6.

Sheep and Lambs.—Sheep, \$3 to \$6.25; lambs, \$5.75 to \$7.25; yearlings, \$5.25 to \$6.

MONTREAL.

Live Stock.—Choicest cattle sold here last week at 5c. to 5½c. per lb.; fine, 4½c. to 5c.; good, 4½c. to 4½c.; medium, 3½c. to 4c., and common at 2½c. to 3c.; canners being as low as 1½c. Receipts of sheep and lambs were somewhat larger than for some weeks past, and demand was active, prices advancing ½c. a lb. Lambs sold at 6½c. for export, and 6c. to 6½c. for local trade. Sheep held steady at 4c. to 4½c. There was a good demand for calves, and prices held firm at 4c. to 6c. for common, and 7c. to 10c. for good, and 11c. to 15c. for choicest. The hog market also showed a stronger tendency, owing partly to firmer cables on bacon. Prices showed an advance of almost ½c. per lb., sales of selected stock being made at 6½c. to 6½c. per lb., weighed off cars, a few loads being taken at 6½c.

Horses.—There is very little change noticeable in conditions in the horse market. Supplies continue as small as heretofore, but this has not the effect of strengthening prices, inasmuch as demand is exceedingly small, being barely sufficient to absorb the arrivals. At the moment, there does not appear to be any inquiry from railway contractors, although quite a number of horses have been shipped to the woods for lumbering purposes. In nearly all cases the animals taken have been of cheaper grades. Dealers say that prices are easy, but they continue to quote as follows: Heavy-draft horses, weighing 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$250 to \$300 each; light-draft, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$225 to \$275; blocks, 1,300 to 1,400 lbs., \$200 to \$225; express horses, \$150 to \$225; common plugs, \$50 to \$75 each, and choice saddle and carriage animals, \$300 to \$500 each.

Provisions and Dressed Hogs.—During the past week a much stronger feeling has developed in the market for dressed hogs, and prices have advanced ½c. on all grades. The advance is due largely to the firmer advices from the other side on bacon having strengthened the price for live hogs. Demand for dressed is good, and sales of fresh-killed selects are being freely made at 9½c. to 9½c. There is a demand for barrel pork, and prices hold steady at \$22 to \$23.50 per barrel. The cooler weather continues to exert a stimulating effect upon the market for bacon and hams, although prices show very little change, as compared with a week ago. Green bacon, boneless, and long clear light sells at 11½c.; flanks, with the bone in, at 10½c.; long clear heavy at 10c.; choice smoked brings 12c. to 16c., according to quality. Hams are in good demand, and prices steady at 12½c. to 14c. per lb. for hams weighing 25 lbs. and upwards; 13c. to 14½c. for those weighing 18 to 25 lbs.; 14½c. to 15½c. for those of 12 to 18 lbs.; 14½c. to 16c. for 8- to 12-lb. hams. Pure lard sells at 12c. to 13½c., according to quality and package, compound being 9½c. to 11½c.

Potatoes.—Any New Brunswick potatoes which are now on the market are being sold under an alias, as the quality of the Green Mountains has now become a byword of reproach, owing to the rapidity with which rot has developed. The market for Quebec potatoes is firmer, reds continue in good demand, although whites are preferred. Dealers are now paying from 60c. to 65c. per 90 lbs., carloads, on track, for choice stock. These are selling to merchants carting them away from car at 65c. to 70c., and are delivered into store, bagged, at 70c. to 75c. Small, broken lots brings 5c. more. The market is somewhat bare of stock at the moment, but increased receipts are expected shortly.

Eggs.—The market has shown further evidence of strength during the past week, and prices have advanced about 1c. a doz. Dealers are compelled to pay 23c. east of Belleville, and 22c. in the West. This stock is selling in the condition it arrives, at 25c. per doz. No. 1 candled sells at 24c., and selects would bring anywhere from 28c. to 38c., according to selection. Demand is fair.

Butter.—The continued firmness of the market at the high figures reached a

week ago is having its effect upon consumption, and, consequently, upon trade. The turn-over is now considerably lighter than when prices were at a reasonable level. Sales of the choicest fresh creamery are being made here as high as 29c., the general range being from 28c. to 28½c. for fine, and the higher figure for choicest. There is naturally no export at these figures; in fact, the movement has already set in the other way, and Canada is now importing butter from Great Britain. Irish dairies have been received here recently, and are selling at 25c. A poor grade of Siberian creamery is also being offered here, and about 24c. is being realized on it. Australians are here or are about to arrive, their value being estimated at 28c. The effect of these imports will be to prevent the Canadian market from going much higher.

Cheese.—The prices show a recession as compared with a week ago. Demand from the other side of the Atlantic is not so active, and the quality of the goods offering here is less desirable. Quebec cheese is quoted at 12½c.; Townships make 12½c., and 18c. to 18½c. for Ontarios. Shipments from Montreal for the week ending Oct. 20th amounted to 84,000 boxes.

Grain.—The market for oats continues very firm. Manitoba No. 3 oats have been sold here during the past fortnight at 64½c. Quebec stock, however, is quoted by some at 55c. to 57c., while others quote as high as 59c. Prices are somewhat uncertain. For No. 2 peas, 90c. is being offered in the country without bringing out the stock. The wheat market has experienced some very violent changes, and ranges around \$1.23 to \$1.24 per bushel for No. 1 Northern, Montreal, but quotations are subject to sudden alterations.

Hay.—The situation in hay is very exceptional. The market holds very strong, notwithstanding the high prices. Dealers are offering here \$16.50 to \$17 per ton for No. 1 timothy, \$15.50 to \$16 for No. 2 timothy, and \$14.50 to \$15 for clover and clover mixture. They are, however, demanding considerably more than this, and sales have been made as high as \$19 and \$20 per ton. The Glasgow market is the only one which is high enough to permit export. The United States has been firm enough during the past few years. The outlook in Canada seems to be for continued high prices.

Hides.—Demand from tanners shows considerable improvement, and prices have advanced 1c. on beef hides during the week. Dealers now pay 7c., 8c. and 9c. per lb., Montreal, for No. 3, 2 and 1, respectively, and 8c. and 10c., respectively, for No. 2 and 1 calf skins. Lamb skins have advanced 5c. each, to 80c. and 85c. Horse hides continue at \$1.75 each for No. 2, and \$2.25 each for No. 1. Tallow is 1c. to 3½c. per lb. for rough, and 6c. to 6½c. for refined.

Flour and Feed.—There has been no change in this market during the past week, the tone being, however, characterized by great firmness throughout.

BUFFALO.

Cattle.—Prime steers, \$5.65 to \$6.25.

Veals.—\$5 to \$9.

Hogs.—Heavy, \$6.30 to \$6.50; mixed, \$6.25 to \$6.45; Yorkers, \$6 to \$6.85; pigs, \$5.75 to \$6; roughs, \$5.25 to \$5.75; stags, \$4 to \$4.80; dairies, \$5.75 to \$6.15.

Sheep and Lambs.—Lambs, \$5 to \$7.10; Canada lambs, \$6.50 to \$7.

CHEESE BOARD PRICES.

Peterboro, Ont., 12 13-16c. Ottawa, Ont., 12½c. Napanee, Ont., 12½c. bid. London, Ont., 12½c. bid; no sales. Brockville, Ont.—Colored, 12½c. bid; white, 12½c. bid; no sales on board. St. Hyacinthe, Que.—White cheese, 12½c. bid. Picton, Ont., 12 9-16c. Belleville, Ont., 12½c., 12 7-16c. and 12½c. Canton, N. Y.—Butter, 28c. Chicago, Ill.—Creamery butter, 23c. to 26½c.; dairies, 20½c. to 24½c.; cheese, 15c. to 15½c.

BRITISH CATTLE MARKET.

London.—London cables, 10c. to 12½c. per lb., dressed weight; refrigerator beef, 10c. to 10½c. per lb.