

MARKETS.

Toronto.

REVIEW OF LAST WEEK'S MARKETS

At West Toronto, on Monday, November 4, receipts of live stock numbered 76 cars, comprising 1,889 cattle, 926 hogs, 659 sheep, and 18 calves; no business being transacted. Packers were quoting hogs at \$8 fed and watered, and \$7.65 f. o. b. cars at country points.

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

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	69	413	482
Cattle	667	6,251	6,918
Hogs	1,899	6,738	8,637
Sheep	1,989	6,128	8,117
Calves	107	682	789
Horses	3	21	24

The total receipts of live stock at the two markets for the corresponding week of 1911 were as follows:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	287	232	519
Cattle	4,164	2,877	7,041
Hogs	4,856	5,664	10,520
Sheep	5,105	3,521	8,626
Calves	360	135	495
Horses	4	39	43

The combined receipts of live stock at the two markets for the past week, show a decrease of 37 carloads, 123 cattle, 1,883 hogs, 509 sheep and lambs, and 19 horses; but an increase of 294 calves, compared with the same week of 1911.

It will be seen by the above figures that the receipts of live stock, especially cattle, were very large. There were too many cattle, especially of the medium, common, and inferior, light-weight Eastern cattle. As a result, prices again declined in nearly all the different classes. Trade was dull and draggy, especially at the latter end of the week.

Exporters.—There was no demand for export cattle, and the few loads of export weights were bought by the different abattoirs. One load of 1,800-lb. steers, bought for the Montreal Abattoir Co., sold at \$6.85, the highest price of the week.

Butchers.—Prices for all classes of butchers' cattle were lower than at any time this year at the latter end of the week. Choice butchers' sold at \$6 to \$6.20, with few at the latter quotation; loads of good steers, \$5.50 to \$5.85; loads of good heifers, \$5 to \$5.40; medium butchers', \$5 to \$5.25; common, \$4.25 to \$4.75; inferior, \$3.50 to \$4; cows, \$2.50 to \$5; canners', \$1.50 to \$2.50; bulls, \$2.75 to \$3, for bologna bulls, and \$4 to \$5.25 for choice butchers' bulls.

Milkers and Springers.—There was a fairly large supply of milkers and springers, amongst which there were more good to choice quality cows than for many weeks past. There were four good enough to bring \$100 each, and quite a few brought \$80, \$85, \$90, and \$95; but the range was from \$50 to \$80 for the bulk of the offerings.

Stockers and Feeders.—The demand for feeding steers of good weights and quality was very strong, and steers, 900 to 1,050 lbs., brought \$5.25 to \$5.60, which is within about half a cent per lb. of the finished article in these weights are bringing at present; steers, 800 to 900 lbs., \$5 to \$5.25. Stockers sold from \$3 up to \$4.50, and \$4.75, according to quality.

Veal Calves.—Receipts, all told, were large, especially of the rough, Eastern, grass calves, of which there was a very large number on sale, at \$3 to \$4 per cwt.; medium to good, sold at \$4.50 to \$6.50; good, \$7.50 to \$8.50, and choice, at \$9 to \$9.50.

Sheep and Lambs.—The receipts were very large, but prices for them held about steady all week. Sheep, light ewes sold at \$4 to \$4.25, and a few at \$4.50; heavy ewes, \$3 to \$3.50; rams, \$3 to \$3.50; lambs sold at \$6 to \$6.25, the bulk going at \$6.10 to \$6.20.

Hogs.—Prices have declined from \$8.60, which was paid early in the week, to \$8.25, for selects fed and watered, and \$8 f. o. b. cars. The prospects are for a still further decline.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.—Ontario wheat, new, 95c. to 96c., outside; inferior grades, 70c.; Manitoba No. 1 northern, 97c.; No. 2 northern, 94c.; No. 3 northern, 92c., track, lake ports; feed wheat, 70c., lake ports. Oats—Ontario, new, 37c. to 38c., outside. Manitoba oats—No. 2, 45c.; No. 3, 44c., lake ports. Rye—No. 2, 78c., outside, nominal. Peas—No. 2, \$1, nominal, outside. Buckwheat—52c. to 53c., outside. Corn—No. 3 yellow, old, 69c., bay ports. Flour—Ontario ninety-per-cent, winter-wheat flour, \$3.80 to \$3.85, seaboard. Manitoba flour—Prices at Toronto are: First patents, \$5.70; second patents, \$5.20; in cotton, 10c. more; strong bakers', \$5 in jute.

HAY AND MILLFEED.

Hay.—Baled, in car lots, track, Toronto, \$14 to \$14.50 for No. 1. Straw.—Baled, in car lots, track, Toronto, \$10 to \$10.50. Bran.—Manitoba bran, \$22 to \$23 per ton; shorts, \$26; Ontario bran, \$23 in bags; shorts, \$25, car lots, track, Toronto.

HIDES AND SKINS.

No. 1 inspected steers and cows, 14c.; No. 2 inspected steers and cows, 13c.; No. 3 inspected steers, cows and bulls, 12c.; country hides, cured, 13c. to 14c.; country hides, green, 11c. to 12c.; calf skins, per lb., 14c. to 17c.; lamb skins, 50c. to 75c.; horse hides, No. 1, \$3.50 each; horse hair, per lb., 37c.; tallow, No. 1, per lb., 5c. to 6c.

WOOL.

Unwashed, coarse, 13c.; unwashed, fine, 14c.; washed, coarse, 19c.; washed, fine, 22c.; rejects, 16c.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—The market was firmer for creamery brands. Creamery pound rolls, 31c. to 32c.; creamery solids, 28c. to 29c.; separator dairy, 28c. to 30c.; store lots, 24c. to 25c.

Eggs.—New-laid, 35c. in case lots; cold storage, 28c. to 30c.

Cheese.—Large, 14c.; twins, 15c. Honey.—Extracted, No. 1 clover honey, 12c. per lb.; combs, per dozen sections, \$2.75 to \$3.

Poultry.—Receipts have been liberal for the past week. Prices for dressed poultry were as follows: Turkeys, 22c. to 24c.; geese, 11c. to 13c.; ducks, 12c. to 14c.; chickens, 13c. to 14c.; fowl, 11c. Alive—Turkeys, 18c. to 20c.; ducks, 12c. to 13c.; chickens, 13c. to 14c.; geese, 10c. to 12c.; fowl, 9c.

Horses.—Trade in horses for the past week has been very quiet at all the different sale stables. Receipts were light all round. Very few horses were sold at auction, most of the business being done by private sale, to local buyers from the big companies requiring wagon horses. Prices, as a rule, remained steady, at our last quotations. A few show horses brought fancy prices, one heavy draft gelding, weighing around 1,700 lbs., was reported to have been sold at \$650.

TORONTO SEED MARKET.

Alsike No. 1, per bushel, \$11.50 to \$12; alsike No. 2, per bushel, \$11.50 to \$11; alsike No. 3, per bushel, \$9.50 to \$10; timothy No. 1, per bushel, \$2 to \$2.50; timothy No. 2, per bushel, \$1.25 to \$1.75.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

There was a large supply of fruits, considering the lateness of the season. Prices ruled as follows: Grapes, green, 17c. to 20c. per basket; Concord, 17c. to 20c.; red, 22c. to 25c.; pears, choice, 50c. to 75c.; tomatoes, 40c. to 45c.; green tomatoes, 25c.; cabbage, \$1.25 per case; green peppers, 40c. to 50c.; red peppers, 90c. to \$1; Canadian onions, 75-lb. bags, \$1; apples, per basket, 15c. to 25c.; per barrel, \$1.50 to \$2.50 for fall varieties.

Cheese Markets.

Stirling, Ont., 12c.; Iroquois, Ont., 12c.; Vankleek Hill, Ont., 12c. to 12c.; Brockville, Ont., 12c. to 12c.; Kingston, Ont., 12c. to 12c.; Belleville, Ont., 12c. to 12c.; St. Hyacinthe, Que., butter, 29c.; Canton, N. Y., 18c.; butter, 31c.; Cowansville, Que., butter, 30c.; London, Ont., bidding 12c. to 12c.; no sales.

Montreal.

Live Stock.—Offerings were on the light side, and as a result prices showed a fractional advance on the choicer grades. Some choice steers sold as high as 6c. per lb., while fine stock brought from 6c. to 6c., and good ranged down to about 5c., and even a fraction lower. Medium sold at 5c. to 5c., and common ranged all the way to 4c., and canners' to 3c. Small meats were in demand. Ontario lambs sold at 6c. to 6c. per lb., and Quebecs at 5c., while ewe sheep sold at 3c. to 4c. per lb. Calves were in good demand, selling at \$3 to \$10 each, as usual, or 2c. to 3c. per lb. for grass-fed, and 5c. to 7c. for milk-fed. Hogs, being scarce, sold at an advance, being 9c. for selects, weighed off cars.

Horses.—Horses continue very firm in price. Offerings were light, and dealers had all they could do to get even the few they wanted. Heavy drafters, weighing 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., sold at \$300 to \$400 each; light draft, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$225 to \$300 each; light horses, weighing from 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., \$125 to \$200; broken-down horses, \$75 to \$125, and finest saddle and carriage animals, \$350 to \$500.

Dressed Hogs.—Dressed hogs were firm in price, being 12c. to 12c. per lb. Potatoes.—The market is becoming stronger, and prices for good stock were firmer, being 70c. per 90 lbs. for Cobblers, carloads, track. As much as 75c. was paid. There were many poor grades offering also. In a jobbing way, the market was fully 20c. more.

Eggs.—The market held remarkably steady, quotations being 30c. to 31c. per dozen; No. 1 stock being about 28c., and No. 2 being 23c.

Syrup and Honey.—Market for honey, firm, being 16c. to 17c. per lb. for white-clover comb, and 12c. to 12c. for extracted. Dark comb, 14c. to 14c., and extracted, 8c. to 9c. per lb. Maple syrup sold at 8c. to 8c. per lb. in tins, and 6c. to 7c. in wood; sugar 8c. to 9c. per lb.

Butter.—Tone was slightly stronger in the country last week, and prices ranged around 30c. at the top, and down to 29c. This leaves local prices at 30c. per lb. for choicest, and 29c. for fine, while fair butter was 29c. Dairies, 25c. to 26c. per lb.

Grain.—The market for oats showed very little change, and prices were quoted at 53c. to 54c. per bushel for No. 2 Canadian Western, carloads, ex store; 53c. to 53c. for No. 1 extra feed; 51c. to 52c. for No. 1 feed, and 51c. to 51c. for sample oats.

Flour.—Prices remain unchanged, but the effect of the oncoming new flour is having a bearish influence on prices. Manitoba first patents, \$6.10 per barrel; seconds, \$5.80, and strong bakers', \$5.40, in wood. Ontario patents, \$5.25 to \$5.35 per barrel, in wood, and straight rollers, \$4.95 to \$5. Above prices are for flour in wood; jute, 30c. per barrel less.

Millfeed.—There was little change. Bran, \$23 per ton, in bags; shorts, \$26 to \$27, and middlings, \$23 to \$30; mixed mouille, \$34 to \$35, and pure grain mouille, \$36 to \$38.

Hay.—No. 1 hay, \$14.50 to \$15 per ton; No. 2 extra, \$13.50 to \$14; No. 2 ordinary, \$11 to \$12 per ton; No. 3, \$10 to \$10.50, and clover mixed, \$9 to \$9.50.

Hides.—Hides, 12c., 13c. and 14c. per lb., for Nos. 3, 2 and 1 hides, respectively; 15c. and 17c. for calf skins; 70c. each for lamb skins; \$1.75 and \$2.50 for horse hides, and 1c. to 3c. per lb. for tallow, rough; 6c. to 6c. per lb. for rendered.

Chicago.

Cattle.—Beef, \$5.25 to \$11; Texas steers, \$4.40 to \$5.65; Western steers, \$5.50 to \$9.25; stockers and feeders, \$4.25 to \$7.50; cows and heifers, \$2.75 to \$7.25; calves, \$6.75 to \$10.50.

Hogs.—Light, \$7.35 to \$8; mixed, \$7.50 to \$8.05; heavy, \$7.25 to \$8.05; rough, \$7.25 to \$7.50; pigs, \$5.25 to \$7.40.

Sheep and Lambs.—Sheep, native, \$3.30 to \$4.50; Western, \$3.65 to \$4.50; yearlings, \$4.50 to \$5.75; lambs, native, \$5.25 to \$7.15; Western, \$5.50 to \$7.10.

Buffalo.

Cattle.—Prime steers, \$9 to \$9.50; butchers', \$6 to \$8.40; bulls, \$4.50 to \$6.50; stockers and heifers, \$4.25 to \$4.65; shippers, \$7.50 to \$8.50; heifers, \$4.75 to \$7.75; cows, \$3.25 to \$6.50; stockers and feeders, \$4.50 to \$6.75; fresh cows and springers, \$35 to \$75. Veals.—\$4 to \$10.50.

Hogs.—Heavy, \$8.10 to \$8.15; mixed, \$8 to \$8.15; Yorkers, \$7.50 to \$8.15; pigs, \$7.25 to \$7.35; roughs, \$7 to \$7.25; stags, \$5 to \$6.50; dairies, \$7.75 to \$8.

Sheep and Lambs.—Lambs, \$4.50 to \$7; yearlings, \$5.25 to \$5.50; wethers, \$4.50 to \$4.75; ewes, \$2 to \$4; sheep, mixed, \$3 to \$4.25.

British Cattle Market.

John Rogers & Co. cable quotations for Canadian steers from 12c. to 12c. per pound, and 11c. to 12c. for Irish steers.

GOSSIP.

Attention is called to the advertisement of Duncan MacVannell, St. Mary's, Ont., which appears in another column of this week's issue. Tamworth brood sows and boars, sired by the great Maplehurst Sunbeam, are offered. The boars are ready for service, and the sows are ten months old. See the advertisement, and correspond with Mr. MacVannell if interested.

CLYDESDALES AT AUCTION.

The auction sale of thirty imported Clydesdale fillies advertised by Dr. D. McEachran, on page 1948, to take place on his farm at Ormstown, Quebec, on November 21st, will afford a rare opportunity for the purchase of high-class young mares, as these were carefully selected by the owner, who is conceded to be one of the most capable judges in the Dominion. If interested, write for the catalogue and attend the sale.

TRADE TOPIC.

INVENTOR'S INSTRUCTOR.—"The retaining of a responsible and competent patent authority, is a greater necessity to-day than ever before, and it behooves an inventor, before placing his patent business, to satisfy himself if the patent attorney he thinks of engaging possesses the necessary technical knowledge and legal qualifications." This paragraph, the force of which is self-evident, we quote from the introduction to a neat and instructive booklet called, "The Inventor's Instructor," issued by Egerton R. Case, Temple Building, Toronto, Ont., a well-known patent attorney and agent, whose advertisement has appeared regularly in "The Farmer's Advocate" for several years back. Anyone with an invention to patent, should send for the booklet, mentioning this paper.

At a recent meeting in Washington of the American Federation of Sex Hygiene, Dr. Raymond G. Thumbar, of Duluth, said:

"At this meeting we especially oppose gay life—gay life that costs America over six billions a year.

"Gay life turns all good things to a wrong use. Even the telephones—"

Dr. Thumbar smiled and continued: "The telephone girl at my hotel told me this morning that, at dawn, there had come a call over the house exchange.

"Hello," said the man's voice from room 213, 'is this the Hotel Blanc?'

"No," the puzzled girl replied. 'This is the Hotel—'

"New York or Washington?'

"Why," she replied, 'Washington,' of course."

"Thanks," the male voice answered. 'Just woke up and didn't know where I was.'"

"You look warm."

"I have been chasing a hat."

"Did your hat blow off?'

"It was not my hat; it belonged to a pretty girl."

"Did you catch it?'

"Yes. My wife saw me chasing it."