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Capital paid-up, \$10,000,000.
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MARKETS

Toronto. LIVE STOCK.

At West Toronto, on Monday, August 14th, receipts numbered 98 carloads, 1,996 cattle, 229 hogs, 273 sheep, '67 calves; quality of cattle good; trade brisk; prices firmer; 10c. to 15c. per cwt. higher for both butchers' and export cattle. Exporters, \$5.70 to \$6.25, and one load \$6.40; prime picked butchers', \$5.90 to \$6; good, \$5.65 to \$5.85; medium, \$5.35 to \$5.60; common, \$5 to \$5.25; milkers, \$4 to \$6.5; calves, \$4 to \$7.50. Sheep, \$3 to \$4.25; lambs, \$6 to \$7.50 per cwt. Hogs \$7.85, fed and watered; \$7.50 f. o. b. cars.

REVIEW OF LAST WEEK'S MARKETS
The total receipts of live stock at the City and Union Stock-yards for the past week were as follows:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	158	247	405
Cattle	1,638	3,722	5,360
Hogs	3,707	4,017	7,724
Sheep	2,361	1,003	3,364
Calves	479	108	587
Horses	24	63	87

The total receipts at the two yards for the corresponding week of 1910 were as follows:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	180	182	362
Cattle	2,755	3,329	6,084
Hogs	2,746	1,150	3,896
Sheep	3,278	578	3,856
Calves	574	157	731
Horses	6	100	106

The combined receipts of live stock at the City and Union Stock-yards for the past week, show an increase of 43 carloads, 3,828 hogs; but a decrease of 724 cattle, 492 sheep and lambs, 144 calves, and 19 horses, compared with the corresponding week of 1910.

It will be seen by the above figures that receipts were again liberal, and in the common to medium classes greater than the demand, and, in fact, in the best grades the supply was large enough almost to cause a break in prices, as cattle were held from Monday's market until Wednesday before a clearance was made. Contrary to expectations, there have been larger numbers of cattle marketed than the most sanguine anticipated.

Exporters.—Export steers for Liverpool, sold at \$5.70 to \$6; steers for London market, sold at \$6 to \$6.25; bulls, \$5 to \$5.25.

Butchers'.—Prime picked lots sold at \$5.90 to \$6, and one lot of 12 fancy-finished cattle sold at \$6.30, and another lot of the same at \$6.25; loads of good, \$5.60 to \$5.85; medium, \$5.25 to \$5.55; common, \$4.50 to \$5.25; cows, \$3.50 to \$5; bulls, \$4 to \$5.

Milkers and Springers.—Towards the end of the week trade in milkers and springers brightened up, and prices advanced about \$7 per head, all on account of an increased demand from Montreal. Prices ranged from \$40 to \$70 each.

Veal Calves.—Receipts of veal calves were moderate, and prices continued steady, at \$4 to \$7.50 per cwt.

Sheep and Lambs.—At the close of the market on Thursday, the following prices prevailed: Heavy fat ewes and rams,

\$3 to \$3.50, light ewes, \$3.75 to \$4.25, lambs, \$6 to \$7.40 per cwt., or an average of about \$7.25 per cwt.

Hogs.—On Thursday, selects fed and watered at the market, sold at \$7.85, and \$7.50 to \$7.55 at country points.

Horses.—Trade, as far as the Northwest is concerned, is at a standstill, but there is a fair local demand and city trade. Horses are scarce, and high in price in the country; that is, with quality looked for. A good fall trade is anticipated, many inquiries from lumber districts, from Nova Scotia in the East, to British Columbia in the West, are being made as to prices. Manager Smith, of the Union Horse Exchange, at the Union Stock-yards, quotes prices as follows: Drafters, 1,600 lbs. and over, \$550 to \$600 per pair; expressers, \$175 to \$250; drivers, \$100 to \$225; serviceably-sound, \$40 to \$125 each.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.—No. 2 red, white or mixed, 81c. to 82c., outside points; new wheat, 78c. to 80c.; Manitoba No. 1 northern, \$1.03; No. 3 northern, \$1.01½, track, lake ports. Oats.—No. 2 Canadian Western, 41½c.; No. 3, 40c., lake ports; Ontario No. 2, 39c. to 40c.; No. 3, 39c., outside. Rye.—No. 2, 68c. to 70c., outside. Barley.—For malting, 67c. to 68c.; for feed, 50c. to 56c., outside. Corn.—No. 2 American yellow, 67c., on track, bay ports. Peas.—No. 2, 78c. to 80c., outside. Flour.—Ontario ninety-per-cent. winter-wheat flour, \$3.35, seaboard. Manitoba flour. Prices at Toronto are: First patents, \$5.10; second patents, \$4.60; strong bakers', \$4.40.

HAY AND MILLFEED.

Hay.—Baled, car lots, on track, Toronto, \$12.50 to \$13 for No. 1. Straw.—Baled, car lots, on track, Toronto, \$6 to \$6.50. Bran.—Manitoba bran, \$21 per ton; shorts, \$23; Ontario bran, \$22 in bags; shorts, \$24, car lots, track, Toronto.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—The butter market continues firm for the best grades, and some are 1c. per lb. higher. Creamery pound rolls, 26c. to 27c.; creamery solids, 24c.; separator dairy, 23c. to 24c.; store lots, 17c. to 18c.

Eggs.—Strictly new-laid, in case lots, 24c.

Honey.—The new crop of honey is being offered at 9½c. to 12c. per lb. for Canadian production. Car lots of American honey offered at 7c. to 7½c.

Cheese.—Twins, 14c. per lb.

Potatoes.—American sold at \$4.75 per barrel, and Canadian, from farmers' wagons, at \$1.50 per bushel.

Poultry.—Receipts were liberal; prices about steady, as follows: Alive—Turkeys, 14c.; ducks, 14c.; chickens, 18c.; fowl, 12c. Dressed—Turkeys, 16c. to 18c.; ducks, 18c.; chickens, 21c. to 23c.

HIDES AND SKINS.

E. T. Carter & Co., 85 East Front street, have been paying the following prices: No. 1 inspected steers and cows, 12½c.; No. 2 inspected steers and cows, 11½c.; No. 3 inspected steers and cows and bulls, 10½c.; country hides, cured, 11c.; green, 10c.; calf skins, 12c. to 15c.; lamb skins, 35c. to 50c. each; horse hides, No. 1, \$3; horse hair, per lb., 33c.; tallow, No. 1, per lb., 5½c. to 6½c.; wool, unwashed, per lb., 11c. to 14c.; washed, 18c. to 20c.; rejects, 14c. to 15c.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

The Dawson-Elliott Company, wholesale fruit, produce and commission merchants, corner West Market and Colborne streets, Toronto, report Canadian vegetables and fruits as follows: Raspberries, 14c. to 15c.; thimbleberries, 10c. to 11c.; gooseberries, basket, \$1.50; red currants, \$1.25 to \$1.50; black currants, basket, \$2; apples, basket, 30c. to 50c.; tomatoes, 60c. to 75c. per basket; watermelons, 40c. to 50c. each; cabbage, in crates, \$2.25.

Buffalo.

Cattle.—Prime steers, \$6.75 to \$6.90; butcher grades, \$3.25 to \$6.50. Calves.—Cull to choice, \$5 to \$9. Sheep and Lambs.—Choice lambs, \$7 to \$7.15; cull to fair, \$5 to \$6.90; yearlings, \$4.75 to \$5.25; sheep, 32 to \$4.25. Hogs.—Yorkers, \$8 to \$8.05; stags, \$5 to \$5.75; pigs, \$8 to \$8.05; mixed, \$8 to \$8.10; heavy, \$7.90 to \$8; roughs, \$6.25 to \$6.90.

Montreal.

Live Stock.—On the local cattle market prices were on the easy side, both on account of the increased supplies, and the effect the warm weather is having on buyers. The best prices appear to be 6c., and the average for best stock was more like 5½c. to 5½c. per lb. Medium stock ranged from about 4½c. to 5c., and common down to 3½c. per lb. The supply of small meats was rather larger, and prices were rather lower. Lambs sold at 6c. per lb., sheep at 3½c. to 4c. per lb., and calves at \$2 to \$7 each. Even in the matter of hogs, prices were lower, although supplies were no smaller. Select lots sold as low as 7c. per lb., the range being up to 7½c. for selects, weighed off cars. Some hogs were delivered on contract, at about 7½c. per lb. Cooler weather would undoubtedly have a good effect on the live-stock market.

Horses.—Heavy draft horses, weighing from 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$300 to \$350; light draft, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$225 to \$300; light horses, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., \$100 to \$200; inferior, broken-down animals, \$50 to \$100; choicest saddle and carriage animals, \$350 to \$500 each.

Dressed Hogs.—Dressed hogs sold at 10c. to 10½c. per lb., for select, abattoir, fresh-killed.

Eggs.—Good stock scarce, and firmly held, and there is no end to the quantity of poor eggs obtainable. Where it is known that the quality is fairly good, 17c. is being paid. In other places, not more than 14c. per dozen is paid. In the city, dealers sold No. 1 candled, in single cases, at 20c. to 21c. per dozen, and 18½c. was quoted for large lots. Selects sold at 24c. per dozen, in single cases.

Butter.—In the country, 24c. was paid for finest, and this sold at 24½c., and sometimes 24½c., wholesale, for export. The English market is high, and so is the American. In addition to this, there has been a great deal of drought in the Township creamery-producing sections, and the grass is all dried up in places, and farmers are hauling water four and six miles for their cattle. Grocers cannot make purchasers at less than 25c. Shipments last week were 6,400 packages, bringing the total for the season to 50,000, or four times as much as last year.

Cheese.—Exports last week were 58,000 packages, making the total for this season 821,000, or 6,000 more than a year ago. Finest Westerns quoted at 12½c., and Easterns at 12c. to 12½c. less. The belief is that reciprocity would strengthen this market.

Grain.—No. 2 Canadian Western oats are 42½c. to 43c.; No. 3, 41½c. to 41½c.; Ontario No. 2 white, 41c., and No. 3, 40c.; No. 4, 39c., car lots, ex store.

Flour.—Market unchanged, at \$5.30 for Manitoba spring wheat, first patents; \$4.80 for seconds; \$4.60 for strong bakers'; Ontario winter-wheat patents, \$4.50 to \$4.75 per barrel; straight rollers, \$4 to \$4.10.

Millfeed.—Prices unchanged, at \$22 to \$23 per ton for Ontario middlings; \$30 to \$31 for pure grain mouille; \$25 to \$28 for mixed mouille; Manitoba bran, \$20 to \$21, and shorts, \$23.

Hay.—Prices: \$14 to \$14.50 per ton for No. 1 hay; \$12 to \$13 for No. 3 extra; \$9.50 to \$10 for No. 2 ordinary; \$8 to \$8.50 for No. 3, and \$7.50 for clover mixed.

Hides.—Lamb skins were up 10c. each, and sold at 40c. each. The remainder of the hide market was steady and unchanged.

Cheese Markets.

Watertown, N. Y., 11½c. to 12c. Farnham, Que., butter, 23½c. Madoc, Ont., 12 5-16c. to 12½c. Campbellford, Ont., 12 1-5c., 12½c., 12 5-16c. Vankleek Hill, Ont., 12 7-16c. Brockville, Ont., 12½c., 12 7-16c., 12½c. Ottawa, Ont., 12½c. to 12 7-16c. Napanee, Ont., 12½c. to 12 7-16c. Iroquois, Ont., 12½c. Kemptville, Ont., 63c. Picton, Ont., 12 7-16c. to 12½c. Cowansville, Que., 12 5-16c.; butter, 24½c. to 24½c. London, Ont., 12 7-16c. to 12 7-12c. St. Hyacinthe, Que., 11½c.; butter, 23½c. Belleville, Ont., 12½c. to 12 7-16c. Canton, N. Y., 12½c.; butter, 26½c.

Chicago.

Cattle.—Beefes, \$5 to \$7.65; Texas steers, \$4.50 to \$6.25; Western steers, \$4.10 to \$6.40; stockers and feeders, \$3 to \$5.50; cows and heifers, \$2.20 to \$6.10; calves, \$5.75 to \$8.25.

Hogs.—Light, \$7.25 to \$7.85; mixed, \$7.50 to \$7.80; heavy, \$6.90 to \$7.75; rough, \$6.95 to \$7.15; good to choice hogs, \$7.15 to \$7.70; pigs, \$6.10 to \$6.75; bulk of sales, \$7.25 to \$7.70.

Sheep and Lambs.—Native, \$2.40 to \$3.85; Western, \$2.75 to \$3.85; yearlings, \$3.75 to \$4.85. Lambs—Native, \$4 to \$7; Western, \$4.75 to \$7.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Miscellaneous.

ABOUT STRAWBERRIES.

Would you advise me to grow strawberries? It would be necessary for me to hire the help to care for them. What varieties would do best, and where could I get a book on strawberry culture?

N. McV.

Ans.—There is money in growing strawberries where the soil and climate is suitable and the plants are kept well attended to. There are many good varieties among which some of the best are: Williams, Splendid, Warfield, Sample, Senator Dunlap, etc. Bulletin No. 62, of the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, entitled "Strawberry Culture," by W. T. Macoun, contains all the necessary information concerning the growing of this fruit, and may be had by applying to the Dominion Department of Agriculture at Ottawa.

PAINT FOR OLD BUILDINGS.

I have a few old buildings I wish to paint. Is there any cheap oil or paint to fill up the pores of the wood before I use linseed oil. They would absorb a great deal of oil. I have seen advertisements of paint mixed with water. Can you recommend any?

J. C.

Ans.—The real object of painting buildings, besides giving them a more attractive appearance, is to preserve them from the actions of the elements which promote decay. The best paint is often the cheapest in the long run. Venetian red, lead and oil is the mixture commonly used for outbuildings. A mixture of common salt, one-half bushel to one bushel of lime, after slaking, with ten pounds of finely-cut tallow added to every bushel, and plenty of coloring material added, is recommended for this purpose. Dealers claim that a good ready-prepared barn paint can be obtained cheaper. For information on this point, write some of them.

NOTE OVERDUE—LAME MARE.

1. A borrowed fifty dollars from B, giving a promissory note for one year, dated October 5th, 1904. There has never been anything paid on the note, although it has been asked for several times. Can this note be collected yet?

2. Young mare has gone lame on right hind leg. There is a small lump on outside of hip. After she makes a few steps she seems to be all right. H. A. D.

Ans.—1. A note holds good after due until paid, subject to the effect of the statute of limitations, by which the debt may become barred in six years from the date of maturity of the note, or the date of the last payment in respect of it, or the last written acknowledgment of indebtedness, whichever may be the latest.

2. From the meagre description given, this is difficult to answer. The lameness is probably caused by partial luxation of the patella. Blister the front and inside of the stifle joint with 2 drams each of biniodide of mercury and cantharides, and mix with 2 ounces vasoline. Clip the hair off the parts, and tie so that she cannot bite them. Rub well with the blister on two consecutive days, and on the third day wash off and apply sweet oil. Keep in a box stall. If necessary, repeat the blister in a month.

BIDDY'S MEASURER.

Bobby had never been in the country before, so, naturally, the very first thing he wanted to do was hunt eggs. So he took a basket and started out. "See what I got!" he cried, as he came running from a chicken-coop, holding in his hand a china egg. "Oh, go put it back!" exclaimed Mabel, his six-year-old sister. "That's the egg the hen measures by."