

TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS.

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CATTLE.—Prices are higher in consequence of limited offerings. The demand from butchers has been good, but receipts were insufficient to go round. Keally choice butchers' cattle are worth 5 1/2 to 6 1/2c per pound, and a low head for export sold on Tuesday at 5 3/4 and 6c. Ordinary butchers' cattle range from 4c to 5c per lb. Sheep are wanted, the receipts lately being very small, sales were made at 6c to 6 1/2c per lb. Lambs are also in demand, and as high as 7c per lb. was paid for a lot. Good spring lambs bring \$4 to \$7 a head. Calves are in fair offer and steady, and prices range from \$4 per head up, according to age and quality. Hogs are firm at 6 1/2c to 6 3/4c per pound.

Flour and Meal.—Flour.—Stocks in store, 7,209 barrels against 7,649 barrels last week, and 9,686 barrels at a like time in 1881. Quite an active trade has been transacted during the week, and prices are higher. The sales have been principally at outside points. Superior extra sold on Saturday and Monday at equal to \$6 and \$6.05 here; these were choice brands of the old standard. Yesterday a sale was made at \$6. A choice extra sold the latter part of last week at \$5.90. Sprung extra does not appear to be wanted, and prices are nominal at quotations. Bran is extremely scarce and higher, with sales at \$19 and \$20.50 on track. Oatmeal is firmer at \$4.50 to \$4.55, with more enquiry. Cornmeal is quiet and nominal at \$3.80 to \$3.90.

GRAIN.—Total stocks in store, 515,594 bushels, against 564,885 bushels last week, and 538,092 bushels at a like time last year. There has been a moderate trade during the week, and with the exception of a slight decline in barley, prices are higher than last reported. Fall Wheat.—Stocks in store, 250,793 bushels, against 254,616 bushels last week, and 183,410 at a like time last year. The demand has been fair from millers, and sales of car lots are reported. Exporters complain of prices being too high. No. 2 has sold at \$1.30, and No. 3 at \$1.26. Spring Wheat.—Stock in store, 105,824 bushels, against 105,934 bushels last week, and 113,075 bushels at a like time last year. No. 1 has not offered, but No. 2 has been selling at \$1.32 and \$1.33, and the latter price was bid yesterday for 10,000 bushels, May delivery. Oats.—Stocks in store, 6,693 bushels, against 7,288 bushels last week, and 700 bushels at a like time last year. On account of scarcity, prices are much higher than they were last week. Sales of western were made on Tuesday at 45c. to arrive, and of eastern at 44c. to arrive; yesterday two cars offered at 47c. on track, and 45c. was bid for 10,000 bushels, May delivery. Barley.—Stocks in store 103,681 bushels, as compared with 152,602 bushels last week, and 183,401 bushels at a like time in 1881. The demand was fair at the beginning of the week, but it has since fallen off, and prices are easier. On Monday No. 1 sold at 96c., and on Tuesday at 93 1/2c. The latter part of last week No. 1 choices sold at 94c. and No. 2 at 92c. to 93c., but prices are now somewhat easier. Peas.—Stocks in store 29,109 bushels, as compared with 25,441 bushels last week, and 94,873 bushels at a like time in 1881. Offerings are small and prices firm, with the sale of a round lot of No. 2 lying outside at equal to 82c.

Provisions.—Trade has been quiet this week, and the tone of the market firmer, especially for cured meats. Butter continues very scarce for choice qualities, which are worth 20c. to 22c. in tub lots; inferior to medium in good supply, and easy at 13c. to 14c. Cheese in fair demand and firm, with the finest making selling at 13 1/2c. Hybrid Apples steady, with little movement. Eggs are not in such demand, and with fair receipts prices are easier, at 14c. to 15c. in case lots. Bacon is in moderate demand and firm, with cars of long clear worth 11c., and jobbing lots at 11 1/2c. to 11 3/4c. Cumberland cut unchanged at 10 1/2c. to 10 3/4c. Ham quiet and unchanged at 13c. to 13 1/2c. for smoked, and 11 1/2c. for pickled. Mess Pork firmer; held at \$21.50 to \$22; little demand. Lard is in fair demand and firm; car lots of tubs and pails held at 14c., and jobbing lots at 14 1/2c. to 14 3/4c.; American refined, 15c. to 15 1/2c. per firm at \$3.25 to \$3.75, the demand being confined to butchers.

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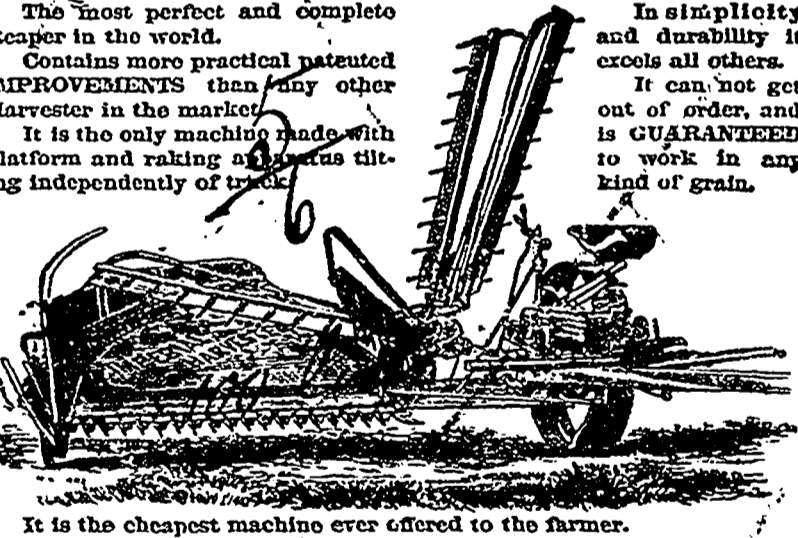
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