

have been proved time and again: By the expenditure of one per cent. more of \$101 where \$100 is now spent—the dairyman who has common cows could get a breed of cows that would yield from 10 per cent. to 25 per cent. more milk or butter. The same will hold good of wheat—common wheat as against wheat of a good variety. The labor is the same in each case.

Most of these tasks require community of action. They require a degree of co-operation that we have not developed yet. A sufficiently compact organization and co-operation of society would enable us to eliminate an enormous number of economic wastes that we endure only by reason of habit.

It will become one of the evidences of public spirit in men and in bodies of men that they turn their attention to such tasks. The Merchants' Association of New York had not the slightest idea, when it was organized, that it would ever consider it a part of its business to set about the possible extermination of house flies; and yet it would be hard to find a greater public service that it could do.

We have hitherto left comprehensive plans for the practical betterment of groups or communities of people either to the commercial interests of inventors (a perfectly good method as far as it goes) or to the impractical and badly managed experiments of the builders of Utopias or of "colonies," who have burdened the real work of betterment with a lot of theories and doctrines. There is an indefinite field of work in furthering the practical application of scientific knowledge for all sorts of organizations. If a great association of merchants in New York think it worth their while to attack flies, any practical organization of men or women may find similar tasks near at hand.—World's Work.

Things to Remember.

- Nelson Fair..... September 13-18
Victoria Exhibition..... September 24-28
New West Minster Exhibition. October 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

MANITOBA FAIRS.

- Woodlands..... September 27
Kildonan..... September 25 and 26
Gilbert Plains..... October 1
Plumas..... October 2
Meadow Lea..... October 3
Macgregor..... October 4
Beausejour..... October 4 and 5
Selkirk..... October 9 and 10

SASKATCHEWAN FAIRS.

- Lloydminster..... September 19 and 20
Radisson..... September 24
Quill Lake..... September 26
Watson..... September 27
N. Battleford..... October 1 and 2
Duck Lake..... October 4
Kinistino..... October 8
Tisdale..... October 10
Melfort..... October 15 and 16

ALBERTA FAIRS.

- Didsbury..... September 13
Olds..... September 16 and 17
Magrath..... September 19 and 20
Raymond..... September 24 and 25
Cardston..... September 26 and 27
Medicine Hat..... October 1 and 2
Vermillion..... October 1 and 2
Lacrosse..... October 3 and 4
Vegreville..... October 3 and 4
Ponoka..... October 7 and 8
Wetaskiwin..... October 9 and 10
Nanton..... October 15
Pincher Creek..... October 16
Priddis..... October 18
Viking..... October 7 and 8
St. Albert..... October 8 and 9

MARKETS

October wheat reached the dollar mark on Sept. 3th, the highest point touched by this option this season. The advance came on the strength of unfavorable European reports. Wheat in Berlin jumped ten cents in less than two days. It was reported that stocks in that country were exhausted, that the continued unfavorable weather was interfering seriously with harvesting and injuring the quality of the crop as well. The demand abroad for American wheat became more active and the local market established new high price records in all futures, this too in the face of a continually increasing visible world's supply. The advance came unexpectedly. Wheat in every market in America for the past month has slumped or soared as the weather in the Northwestern portion of the continent was reported favorable to or likely to injure the growing crop. This time, however, the jump came when weather conditions all over the wheat belt were unusually propitious, but as the high values reached were largely speculative in character, the advance could not be maintained. Towards the close of the week there was a general desire among the larger operators to sell, and this coupled with reports that indicated a much greater yield than was anticipated a fortnight ago in many districts in Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and the Dakotas, caused prices to drop two or three cents as rapidly as they had advanced.

Export demand for western wheat shows some improvement but there is upwards of seven millions of old wheat to go out before navigation closes, and an average crop in addition is now safely in sight. The supply of old wheat seems to be holding out well, deliveries for the week averaging around forty cars per day, but shipments from Canadian and American ports despite the reported activity in European demand have not been as heavy as they should. Importers do not care to buy very heavily on prices so purely speculative as they have been in America of late. Hence, while a good many of these countries require wheat, or will require it as soon as their own short supplies are exhausted, importing in any volume will be delayed until values here right themselves more on the basis of supply and demand than they are at present. It is not probable that present prices will shade off considerably during the next three weeks. It is doubtful if any October wheat will be delivered at prices now current in this option. At the same time there is little likelihood of values going much below what they were a week ago. The shortage in the world's wheat supply is serious enough to keep prices up above the last few years' average no matter how bountiful the harvest is that is now being gathered in North-western America. Europe is going to import more largely in 1908 than she has for the past few years. Despite all rumors and reports to the contrary, in a good many European States, the wheat crop is far below normal. The feverish anxiety with which Germany snapped up American offerings early in the week goes to show that a serious shortage is anticipated in the supply there. It is just possible too, that the second half of the season of 1907-08, will be more sensational in the matter of prices than this. The play hinges to a large extent on the forthcoming Argentina crop and the available surplus for export from India. The latter country has on former occasions made good deficiencies in supplies, but this year reports from there have so far been disappointing. As it stands at present it looks as if nearly all the available wheat of Canada, United States and Russia will be required in the season just opening, so that if Argentina should fail to reap in as great abundance as is now promised, wheat prices about next May will reach a point they haven't touched for some time. But this is largely speculative. With the advance in wheat, oats went up a cent and have maintained the higher level. The general prospects are for steady values for this cereal, though no one can foretell what will happen when the new crop comes in.

Prices are for grain in store at the lakes, wheat, No. 1 Hard, \$1.02, No. 1 Nor. \$1, No. 2 Nor. 98c. No. 3 Nor. 94c. Futures, Oct. 102c, Dec 102c., May 108c.

Oats per bushel, 43c. Futures, Oct. 42c, Dec. 40c., Barley 51 cents.

PRODUCE AND MILLFEED (WHOLESALE).

- Bran, per ton.....\$17.50
Shorts, per ton.....18 50
Barley and Oat Chop, per ton.....25 00
Oats, chopped, per ton.....27 00
Barley, chopped, per ton.....22 00
HAY, (baled) in car lots, per ton,
Prairie.....11 00 @ 13 00
Timothy.....13 00 @ 16 00
BUTTER—
Fancy, fresh made creamery prints.....26
Creamery, 56 lb. boxes.....24
Creamery, 14 and 28 lb. boxes.....24
Dairy prints, extra fancy.....22 @ 24
Dairy, in tubs.....19 @ 20
CHEESE, Manitoban at Winnipeg.....10
EGGS, fresh, f. o. b. Winnipeg subject to candling.....17 @ 18

LIVE STOCK.

There is a good demand for export cattle and few of quality coming forward. Just at present ocean space is plentiful and cheap and shippers are anxious to take advantage of it, but export stuff seems hard to find just yet. A few train loads went East last week, large consignments being received from the Knight Sugar Company, Raymond, Alta., Eldridge Bros., and J. Peters, Carston. About 350 head of exporters came in on Friday, but the bulk of the stock coming in is poor quality, butchers' old bulls, fleshless cows and so on. The supply of this kind of stock is too heavy, demand has fallen off and offerings unless of pretty good quality go begging. Despite the activity of export demand prices for this class show little advance if any over a week ago. A few lots last week may have been handled at 4 1/2c or 4 3/4c, but the bulk went at around 4c with some less. These prices mean of course freight assumed. Sheep and lambs are scarce, and prices a little firmer. Hogs average around the same as a week ago with prices strong.

Export steers, off cars \$3.75 to \$4.50; butchers' cattle (choice), 1,000 to 1,100 lbs. \$3.50; 900 to 1,000 lbs. \$2.25 to \$3.00; common stuff \$2.00 to \$2.25; bulls and cows \$2.00 to \$3.00. Sheep \$6.00; lambs \$7.00. Bacon hogs 150 to 200 lbs. \$6.75; heavier \$6.25; roughs, stags and old sows \$4.00 to \$4.50.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

At the Junction stock yards this week an average

volume of business was done. The quality of the stock generally was below the average. Ontario pastures have suffered severely this past summer from prolonged droughts, and the scarcity of grass reflects itself too plainly in the live stock offerings. The better animals are quickly purchased at good prices, the sale of others is slow. The tendency is toward higher prices. One load of export steers sold this week at \$5.50. Export steers \$4.75 to \$5.25; bulls for export, \$3.50 to \$4.50; butchers' cattle \$4.25 to \$4.60; medium butchers' \$3.75 to \$4.10; common and scrubs \$2.50 to \$3.50; cows and second quality bulls \$2.00 to \$4.00. Sheep \$4.40; lambs \$5.85. Calves \$5.00 to \$6.00 per cwt. Bacon hogs \$6.25; fats and lights \$6.00.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Prime steers \$4.15 to \$7.30; cows and heifers \$1.20 to \$5.35; Texas steers \$3.50 to \$5.00; stockers and feeders \$2.60 to \$5.10; western \$4.20 to \$6.00. Sheep, natives \$3.00 to \$5.45; western \$3.00 to \$3.40; lamb \$5.00 to \$5.75; western \$5.00 to \$7.25. Hog, light \$6.00 to \$6.50; heavy \$5.35 to \$6.10; mixed \$5.60 to \$6.45; average hog price \$5.75.

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