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Toronto.

LIVE STOCK.

At West Toronto, on Monday, May 16th, receipts numbered 183 carloads, comprising 3,829 cattle, 148 hogs, 56 sheep, 52 calves. There were the largest number of good cattle in the history of the market. Trade was active. Exporters, \$6.25 to \$7.35, and one load, \$7.50; several at \$7.40; butchers', same as last week, at \$5.75 to \$7; cows, \$4.50 to \$6.25; milkers, \$38 to \$65; calves, \$4 to \$7 per cwt. Sheep—Ewes, \$5 to \$6 per cwt.; lambs, \$3 to \$7 each. Hogs—\$7.75, fed and watered, and \$7.50, f. o. b. cars at country points.

REVIEW OF LAST WEEK'S MARKET.
The total receipts of live stock at the City and Union Stock-yards were:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cattle	169	178	347
Hogs	2,384	3,608	5,992
Sheep	3,372	1,251	4,623
Calves	590	175	765
Horses	552	170	722

The total receipts of live stock at the two yards for the corresponding week of 1909 were:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cattle	255	151	406
Hogs	4,230	3,163	7,393
Sheep	3,516	50	3,566
Calves	348	26	374
Horses	856	62	918

The above figures show a decrease in the total receipts of 59 carloads, 1,401 cattle, 196 hogs, and 2 horses, but an increase of 1,057 hogs and 391 sheep, in comparison with the total receipts for the corresponding week of 1909.

Deliveries of live stock, especially cattle, were fairly large last week, especially at the Union yards. At the commencement of the week trade was slow, with prices 10c. to 15c. per cwt. lower than the previous week. After Monday, the

supply was rather disappointing to buyers, who had hoped to get enough to keep the market down. But at the end of the week prices had regained all that was lost at the commencement. For the first time in the history of either market there was a consignment of distillery-fed cattle on sale. They were from the Gooderham distillery byres at the Don, fed by John Sheridan, and sold some little time ago to the Harris Abattoir Co., who on Monday last placed 10 carloads of them, all steers of choice, thick fat quality, which topped the market for the week, at \$7.50 per cwt. The next highest price was for 15 choice farm-fed steers, that sold at \$7.35. Several loads brought \$7.25.

Exporters.—Export steers sold from \$6.40 to \$7.25; bulls, \$5 to \$6; heifers, for export, sold at \$6.50 to \$6.75 per cwt.

Butchers'.—Few cattle reached \$7; loads of good sold from \$6.50 to \$6.75; medium, \$6 to \$6.25; common, \$5.50 to \$5.90; cows, \$4 to \$5.60.

Stockers and Feeders.—Only a limited number of either class were on sale. Feeders, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., for short-keep purposes, sold at \$6.25 to \$6.75; steers, 500 to 900 lbs., \$4.50 to \$5.50 per cwt.

Milkers and Springers.—The demand from Montreal and Quebec Cities keeps prices firm, at \$35 to \$70 each, the bulk selling at \$50 to \$65 each.

Veal Calves.—Receipts large. Prices ranged from \$3 to \$6.50, the bulk selling at about \$5.75 per cwt.

Sheep and Lambs.—Receipts of sheep and lambs were moderate, and prices about the same. Ewes, \$5.50 to \$6.50; rams, \$4 to \$5; yearlings, \$7 to \$8.50; spring lambs, \$4 to \$7 each.

Hogs.—Prices kept gaining a little all week, and closed at \$9.75 for selects, fed and watered, and \$9.50, f. o. b. cars.

Horses.—At all the city markets the trade has been light. J. Herbert Smith, of the Union Horse Exchange, reports the demand good, with prices firm, and a fair trade. Mr. Smith sold two carloads of show horses to the Northwest, at \$225 to \$350 each, also several lots to go to outside points, Owen Sound, Galt, Oshawa, as well as a fair city trade. The general prices were unchanged from our last letter.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.—No. 2 white or mixed, \$1.03 to \$1.04, at outside points. Manitoba—No. 1 northern, \$1.03; No. 2 northern, \$1.01, at lake ports, for immediate shipment. Rye—No. 2, 67c. to 68c. Peas—No. 2, 71c. to 72c. Buckwheat—No. 2, 51c. Barley—No. 2, 53c. to 54c.; No. 3X, 51c.; No. 3, 47c., outside. Corn—American No. 2 yellow, kiln-dried, 69c.; No. 3, kiln-dried, 67c. to 68c.; Canadian corn, 60c. to 61c. Toronto freights. Oats—No. 2 white, 33c. to 34c., outside, and 36c. on track at Toronto. Flour—Ninety per cent. Ontario wheat patents, for export, \$3.90 to \$3.95, in buyers' bags for export, outside, Manitoba flour, at Toronto, first patents, \$5.50; second patents, \$5; strong bakers', \$4.80.

HAY AND MILLFEED.

Hay.—Baled, in car lots, at Toronto, No. 1, \$15; No. 2, \$14. Straw.—Baled, in car lots, at Toronto, \$7.50 to \$8. Bran.—Car lots, at Toronto, \$20 per ton, and shorts, \$22 per ton.

HIDES AND WOOL.

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, cows and bulls, 10½c.; country hides, 10c. to 10½c.; calf skins, 13c. to 15c.; horse hides, No. 1, \$3.00; horse hair, per lb., 32c.; tallow, per lb., 5½c. to 6½c.; sheep skins, \$1 to \$1.20 each; wool unwashed, 13c.; coarse, 13c.; wool unwashed, fine, 14c.; wool washed, combing, 20c.; wool washed, clothing, 22c.; rejections, 15c.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Fresh butter is being shipped in from the creameries in liberal supply, and prices are easier, and likely to decline still more. Creamery pounds, 27c. to 28c.; creamery solids, 24c.; separator dairy, 24c. to 25c.; store lots, 22c. to 23c.

Eggs.—Receipts very large, with prices easy, at 20c. to 21c. per dozen, case lots.

Cheese.—New cheese is being marketed

at 12c. for large, and 12½c. for twins. Old is selling at 13c. for large, and 13½c. for twins.

Honey.—Market steady. Extracted, 10½c.; combs, per dozen sections, \$2.25 to \$3.

Beans.—Receipts moderate, but equal to demand, with prices unchanged. Hand-picked, \$2.15 to \$2.20; primes, \$2 to \$2.10.

Potatoes.—Ontario potatoes are plentiful and cheap, at 30c. to 35c., f. o. b. cars at Toronto, and New Brunswick Delawares, 43c. to 45c.

Poultry.—Receipts continue to be light. Turkeys, 18c. to 23c.; fowl, 15c. to 17c. Spring chickens, weighing from three to four pounds per pair, sold on the farmer's market May 7th at 50c. to 55c. per lb.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Apples are nearly done; a few lots of No. 1 Spies are still on sale, being brought out of storage, at \$4 to \$4.50 per barrel, and a few of other kinds at \$2.50 to \$3. Egyptian onions per sack, \$2.50 to \$2.75; carrots, bag, 65c. to 75c.; parsnips, bag, 60c. to 65c.; beets, bag, 60c. to 65c.; cabbage (new), crate, \$3. North Carolina strawberries are plentiful, at 15c. to 18c. per quart, by the case.

Montreal.

Live Stock.—Shipments from the port of Montreal for the week ending May 7, amounted to 1,144 head, as compared with 1,474 for the corresponding week of 1909. The local market continued very firm, Western exporters paying high prices for cattle for shipment to England, so that the offerings here were lighter. Demand was very good, although the present high prices certainly tend to reduce consumption. Choice steers sold at 7½c. to 7¾c. per lb., fine at about 7c., good at 6½c. to 7c., medium at 5½c. to 6c., and common down to 4½c. Choice cows brought 6c. to 6½c., and lower grades one cent less, bulls being 5½c. to 6½c. per lb. Offerings of sheep and lambs were limited, but the price of sheep was lower, sales taking place at 5½c. per lb. Spring lambs were in good demand, and prices were about steady, ranging from \$4 to \$8, according to size. Calves ranged from \$2.50 to \$5 for ordinary, and \$6 to \$10 for finest. The market for hogs was stronger again, and sales of selects were made at 10c. per lb., some being 10½c., and some 9½c., off cars.

Horses.—Heavy draft horses, 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$250 to \$325 each; light draft, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$200 to \$250 each; light horses, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., \$100 to \$175 each; inferior, broken-down horses, \$50 to \$100 each, and choice carriage or saddle animals, \$350 to \$500.

Dressed Hogs.—The market for dressed hogs exhibited increased strength; prices, 13½c. to 14c. lb. Pure lard, 16½c. to 17½c., compound 12½c. to 14c.

Potatoes.—Purchases have been made at 35c. per 90 lbs., carloads, track, these being turned over, same position, at 38c. to 40c., and reaching consumers at around 50c. per bag. Supplies liberal.

Apples.—The Montreal Fruit Auction Co. reports that there are no longer any cars of apples changing hands.

Eggs.—Dealers selling eggs at 20c. per dozen here, for straight-gathered, as they come in. They cost in the country about 18½c. to 19c. per dozen. Selects quoted at 22c. to 24c. here, according to quality and selection.

Butter.—Practically all the old stock of fodder creamery has been disposed of, half a dozen cars having been shipped off to Manitoba and the Northwest, and even to British Columbia. It was supposed that some of the goods coming in last week were mostly grass, and a considerable proportion had a dash of grass in them. Prices were quoted here last week at 21c. to 24½c. per lb., some very good butter having been bought at 23½c., wholesale.

Cheese.—Market easier but trade dull. Prices, 10½c. to 10¾c. per lb. for Quebecs, here; 10½c. to 10¾c. for Townships, and 11c. for Ontarios. Monday's advices report a decline, 10½c. to 10¾c., covering all makes.

Grain.—Market held fairly steady last week. No. 2 Canadian Western oats were still 38½c. to 39c. per bushel, carloads, store; No. 3 oats, 37½c. to 38c.; No. 2 white Ontario, 37c.; No. 3, one cent less, and No. 4 yet a cent less; feed barley, 54c.

Feed.—Market rather easier, owing to the grass. Manitoba bran, \$18.50 to \$19 per ton, in bags; shorts, \$21 to \$22; Ontario bran, \$19.50 to \$20; middlings, \$22 to \$23; pure grain mouille, \$32 to \$33, and mixed mouille, \$25 to \$28 per ton. Cotton-seed meal, \$35 to \$40 per ton.

Hay.—Very little change in the market. No. 1, \$15 to \$15.50 per ton, Montreal; No. 2 extra, \$14 to \$14.50; No. 2, \$12.50 to \$13; clover mixed, \$11.50 to \$12, and clover, \$10.50 to \$11.50.

Seeds.—About steady, but the season is approaching an end. Prices, \$17.50 to \$19 per 100 lbs., Montreal, for red clover; \$13 to \$17 for alsike; \$5.25 to \$7.25 for timothy, and 23c. to 25c. per lb. for alfalfa.

Hides.—Uninspected hides, 10c. per lb.; city hides, 11c., 12c. and 13c. per lb. for Nos. 2, 2 and 1, respectively, country being ½c. less than these prices. Lamb skins, 15c. each, and the rest unchanged.

Cheese Markets.

Stirling, Ont., 10½c. and 10 9-16c. Campbellford, Ont., 10½c. Tweed, Ont., 10½c. bid. Woodstock, Ont., 10½c. bid. Alexandria, Ont., 10½c. Kingston, Ont., 10½c. Brockville, Ont., 10c. bid. Belleville, Ont., 10 11-16c. and 10½c. Van-kleeck Hill, Ont., 10½c. and 10 5-16c. Winchester, Ont., 10½c. Picton, Ont., 10½c., 10 5-16c. and 11c. Ottawa, Ont., 10 5-16c. Cornwall, Ont., 10 5-16c. Napanee, Ont., 10 5-16c. Iroquois, Ont., 10½c. London, Ont., 10½c. St. Hyacinthe, Que., 10½c. Chicago, Ill., daisies, 14c. to 14½c.; twins, 13½c. to 13¾c.; young Americans, 15c.; longhorns, 14½c. to 14¾c. Watertown, N. Y., 13½c.

Chicago.

Cattle.—Steers, \$6.25 to \$8.70; cows, \$4.65 to \$6.75; heifers, \$4.25 to \$7.25; bulls, \$5 to \$6.25; calves, \$3 to \$7.75; stockers and feeders, \$4.75 to \$6.75.

Hogs.—Choice heavy, \$9.65 to \$9.75; butchers', \$9.65 to \$9.75; light mixed, \$9.60 to \$9.65; choice light, \$9.65 to \$9.70; packing, \$9.60 to \$9.65; pigs, \$9.25 to \$9.65; bulk of sales, \$9.65 to \$9.70.

Sheep and Lambs.—Sheep, \$6 to \$7; yearlings, \$7.25 to \$7.85; light lambs, \$7.65 to \$9.92½; spring lambs, \$9 to \$11.

Buffalo.

Cattle.—Prime steers, \$7.75 to \$8.15.

Veals.—\$6 to \$8.50.

Hogs.—Heavy, \$9.90 to \$10; mixed, \$10 to \$10.10; Yorkers, \$10.05 to \$10.20; pigs, \$10.15 to \$10.25; rough, \$8.75 to \$9; dairies, \$9.90 to \$10.15.

Sheep and Lambs.—Lambs, \$7.25 to \$9.25; a few, \$9.30; wethers, \$6.85 to \$7; ewes, \$5.75 to \$6; sheep, mixed, \$4 to \$6.50.

British Cattle Markets.

London and Liverpool cables quoted live cattle (American) at 14c. to 15c., dressed weight; refrigerator beef, 11c. to 11½c. per pound.

TRADE TOPIC.

EXPERIENCED FARM LABORERS FOR ONTARIO.

Advice has been received at the Colonization Office, Toronto, of the booking of several large parties of English, Irish and Scotch farmers and farm laborers, who have been especially selected by Ontario emigration officers. They will arrive here during May and the early part of June. Among these are quite a number of men with families, or those whose families will follow as soon as places can be secured for them.

Farmers who are in need of such help, and can supply them with houses, should make application to the Bureau of Colonization, Toronto, at once.

D. SUTHERLAND,

Director of Colonization.

Toronto.

At the annual meeting of the National Record Board, held in Toronto last week, Robt. Miller resigned the chairmanship, and is succeeded in that arduous position by A. W. Smith, M. P., of Maple Lodge.