

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Lesson IV., April 25, 1915.

David and Goliath. I. Samuel 17: 1-54. Print 17: 35-51.

Commentary.—I. Goliath's challenge and David's acceptance (vs. 1-37). 1-11. The armies of the Philistines and of the Israelites were racing each other in a narrow part of the valley of Elah. The crests of the hills are about a mile apart and five or six hundred feet high. One army occupied the highland on the north, and the other the highland on the south. For one army to leave its plain and ascend the hill of Goliath was to descend the hill of the other side would be to give the other army an advantage and invite defeat. Each army waited thus day after day hoping that the other would leave its place of security, but neither would do so. At last the Philistines challenged the Israelites to decide the struggle by single combat. They named Goliath as their champion, who offered to fight any one of Israel. It was probably that he was the remnant of the Anakim, nearly all of whom Joshua destroyed, which remnant became identified with the Philistines. Goliath was from eight to ten feet in height. The cubit is the length of the forearm from the tip of the middle finger to the point of the elbow, which varies so much that the cubit is said to be from sixteen to twenty-one inches. He wore metallic armor weighing from ninety to one hundred and fifty pounds, and his spear weighed from twelve to eighteen pounds. He had a man to carry his shield before him to protect him.

12-37. David's three eldest brothers were in Saul's army and Jesse sent him from Bethlehem to the valley of Elah with food for them. When he saw Goliath's defiance of Israel and the true God, his courage arose and he declared that he was willing to meet the giant. His eldest brother would have David be quiet, but word came to Saul of David's offer and he sent for him. Saul doubted the ability of a youth to fight successfully against the experienced giant, but when David related his combat with a lion and a bear and expressed his faith in God, he consented to let him act as the champion of Israel.

II. David's armor (vs. 38-40). 38. Saul armed David with his armor—"Saul clad David with his armor." R.V. It seemed to Saul that David should be properly clothed and protected if he was going into battle with such a powerful adversary as Goliath, a helmet of brass—in ancient warfare the vital parts of the body, and in many instances the entire body, were protected with armor that would resist the strokes of the sword or spear, coat of mail—A garment consisting of small, overlapping sheets of metal to cover the upper part of the body, 39, girded his sword—The sword was worn suspended from a belt, assayed—Attempted, have not proved them—David had had no experience in the use of such weapons as these, hence he distrusts his ability to use them successfully, 40, staff—the shepherd's crook, chose him five smooth stones—Smooth stones would pass more easily through the air than rough, and would be more likely to hit the mark, out of the brook—Through the centre of the valley ran a brook in the ravine, and there was an abundance of pebbles in the bed of the stream, scrip—A skin bag for carrying his belongings, 41. The man that bore the shield—Goliath, mighty in physical strength and clad with weighty metallic armor, advanced toward David accompanied by his shield-bearer. David was alone, a youth, and with no weapon of defense.

42. Disclaimed him—Goliath felt insulted when an unarmed youth presented himself for combat against him. A youth—He may have been from 20 to 25 years of age. Ruddy—Auburn-haired, 43. Am I a dog—It was customary for combatants before engaging in a fight to hurl abusive remarks at each other. Goliath's speech was full of vaun, but David's was full of pious trust in the God of Israel. The giant considered the staff a fit instrument with which to punish that despised animal, the dog. Cursed David by his gods—The gods of the Philistines were Dagon, Baal and Ashtaroth. Goliath called down upon David the curses of these gods. 44. I will give thee flesh, etc.—The giant believed he could easily vanquish his adversary. He had no regard for God, in whose name David trusted. He was boastful, and it was only a few minutes until his boasting was shown to be in vain.

IV. David's victory (vs. 45-54). 45. Then said David—It was not simply a contest of man with man, but of the true God with false gods. David expressed his firm reliance upon his God. 46. The Lord will deliver thee into mine hand—Goliath boasted in himself, but David depended upon Jehovah. That all the earth may know—David was not considering his own exaltation from the expected victory, but had the honor of God in view. 47. The battle of the Lord's—From a human standpoint, the advantage was entirely in Goliath's favor. His helmet of brass, his coat of mail, greaves and shield provided complete protection from any missile his youthful antagonist could hurl, but David looked higher than the nature. He believed that would be upon his shield, as David trusted. He was eager to meet and defeat the foe of God and Israel. 48. Smote the Philistine in his forehead—The stone either struck an unprotected spot or pierced the giant's helmet. Some suppose that Goliath died with his head upon his spear as he was in falling by the aid of his own sword, and this sword, David fastened to the missile. David did his best in slinging the stone and trusting God, and God gave the victory. 50. No sword in the hand of David—There was given him a sword when Saul put it aside for the weapon with which he was familiar, and which proved to be the one weapon with which he could successfully meet his great opponent.

51. Philistines fled—According to the arrangement previously made they were defeated, for Goliath, their champion, had been slain by the champion of the Israelites. Questions.—What positions did the armies of Israel and the Philistines occupy in the opening of the lesson? What plan was offered for deciding who should be the victor? Describe Goliath and his armor. How long did Goliath defy Israel? Describe the coming of David to the camp of Israel. What offer did he make? What equipment did he have? What was the outcome of the combat? Why did David undertake the contest with Goliath?

PRACTICAL SURVEY. Topic.—Faith demonstrated. I. For the exaltation of divine power. II. For the deliverance of Israel.

I. For the exaltation of divine power. Faith here stands alone in the person of David. Abject terror reigned throughout the entire army of Israel. The Philistines proposed to make the issue depend on a single combat between their champion and an Israelite warrior whom they might appoint to meet him. The impotence of Saul and his army without God, was thereby clearly and conclusively demonstrated. It was after this humiliating demonstration that the Lord brought into the field his own champion. During his retirement David received that divine preparation which should fit him for great achievements, especially the overthrow of the adversaries of Israel. To him it was an abhorrent strength against God. With all the sincerity of goodness and force of conviction he was not afraid to let it be known that he differed from others. Faith in God gave him at once the true point of view. He felt that the cause of the armies of Israel was the cause of the living God and that the Philistines were arrayed therefore against the power of God. That the power of God is adequate to any human need was the basis of David's reasoning. The proud challenge of Goliath fully justified David's burning indignation and patriotic zeal. There was cause to act and cause to speak when God's honor was outraged. In David's sense of Goliath's sin increased in proportion as his faith in God expanded. While Israel thought of Goliath's strength, David thought of God's power. He had been living in communion with God, storing up spiritual strength, which he exhibited under circumstances which appalled the hearts of other men. There was settled within his soul a deep and holy confidence in the existence and absolute rule of the divine Being. His jealousy for the honor of the God of Israel was equal to his confidence in his ability to save. His one desire was to take away the reproach from Israel and to let all the world know that there was a God in Israel.

II. For the deliverance of Israel. Before David well knew to what he had committed himself, he found himself plunged to a deadly combat with Goliath, the champion of idolaters. David felt the immeasurable difference between material force and moral force, between man at his proudest and God using his feeblest instrument. When the moment came for the conflict, David did not hesitate. He declared his faith to the giant that "the Lord saveth not with sword and spear." The issue proved that the Philistines laid the foundation of their own defeat when they deprived Israel of swords and spears and compelled them to try other means for the accomplishment of their deliverance. David's determination to fight only with the weapons with which he was familiar, though his confidence rested mainly in the immutability of God, the divine worker. He who defied the armies of Israel had to reckon with the God of those armies. David was specially prepared, providentially led and inwardly impelled to the conflict. He felt the seriousness of the crisis, notwithstanding his bravery. He conquered the temptation to share in the general cowardice of the army before he conquered Goliath. Instead of being overcome by the rage of Eliah, David went on his course with the same glowing enthusiasm as before. A marvellous exhibition was given that day in the valley of Elah that those who are gentlest under provocation are strongest in the fight, and that meekness is really an attribute of might. In David simplicity and strength of heart appear throughout together with meekness, modest dignity, courage, humility and confidence. Though the Spirit of the Lord had departed from Saul, he could recognize the workings of that Spirit and bid Godspeed to another in an exploit far more human force, appeared with sword and shield, helmet and spear. David, representing faith, appeared with simple sling and stone, but in God's strength and in his name. The vanquishing of the Philistines were avenged by the son of Jesse. David gained three victories in quick succession: first, over the spirit of anger in Eliah; second, over the provocations of unbelief in Israel, and third, over the proud blasphemer, Goliath. David's victories were victories for all Israel.

T. B. A. In Italy there are more theatres in proportion to the population than in any other country.

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FARM GARDEN

FAT AND LEAN.

In the busy world of dairying even a few meagre calculations show great differences, whether in cows, their owners, the land, the bank deposits or the test of fat, etc.; fat and lean are mixed, good results and poor, even on adjoining farms, even in two stalls in the one stable. One owner gets perhaps 200 pounds of milk from each lean, hungry acre; a neighbor, with better methods, produce the fat total of seventeen hundred pounds of milk per acre, keeping 16 good cows on a well-tilled eighty-acre farm. One milk producer with poor grade cows, never averages of less than three thousand pounds of milk per cow; another producer, who is a real dairy man, revels in the knowledge of each of his sixteen cows giving over eight thousand pounds of milk that will test fairly rich in fat.

Then when it comes to feeding for profit, not simply for existence, we find one man with a hundred pounds of milk costing him only 59 cents for feed but a neighbor has to admit the impachment of milk costing him per hundred at least 90 cents, perhaps over a dollar. So one will make the fat profit above feed of over thirty dollars per cow, while his neighbor is down to the lean margin of only three dollars. Why do such amazing differences occur? Primarily because dairymen has not studied each cow individually. Dairy records alone can shed light on these problems.

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Coming to the cost of feed, plenty of herds had an average cost per cow of from forty to fifty-five dollars; even at these high figures the profit above the cost of feed ran up to forty-six and fifty dollars as the herd average. Such results are full of encouragement for the owners, and augur well for the future of cow testing in the Maritime Provinces. Other dairymen may well strive to emulate these records of fifty and sixty-five dollars clear profit above the cost of feed as made by good individual cows. This sensible method of determining the respectable merit of each cow as a profit maker lays a solid foundation for building up a singularly interesting herd from a modern business standpoint.

TREATMENT OF SMUT. Commissioner Clark, writing in the Agricultural War Book on "Treatment for Smut Prevention" says that in Eastern Canada there is considerable smut in the grain crops each year, but that it has not been sufficiently prevalent to make treatment for its prevention general. The losses, however, are greater than is commonly realized, and the value of the crop could be considerably increased by treatment for smut prevention were more generally practiced. Over half the samples of fall wheat collected in Ontario contain smut, and it is also very common in the spring crops, especially in the early stages. Reports on the samples indicate that for many years, one pound in forty gallons of water is much more popular than bluestone as a preventative.

EXPERIMENTS IN WEED ERADICATION. During the past three years (1912-1914) the Department of Botany of the Ontario Agricultural College, in connection with the work of the Ontario Agricultural and Experimental Union, carried on co-operative experiments in the eradication of weeds. Some forty-five farmers co-operated in this work. The weeds experimented with were perennial sow thistle, twitch grass, bladder campion, wild mustard and ox-eye daisy. Some very interesting and valuable results were obtained. Those who took part in the experiments profited by the experience. In nearly every instance they cleaned the field experimented with, and demonstrated to their own satisfaction the effectiveness of the methods tried, and at the same time the results furnish practical information to others. Some of the practical information gained from these co-operative weed experiments. 1. That good cultivation, followed tails of the way somebody hounded by rape sown in drills, provides a means of eradicating both perennial sow thistle and twitch grass. 2. That rape is a more satisfactory crop to use in the destruction of twitch grass than buckwheat. 3. That rape gives much better results in the eradication of twitch grass and perennial sow thistle when sown in drills and cultivated, than it does when sown broadcast. 4. That thorough, deep cultivation in fall and spring, followed by a well cared for hebed crop, will destroy bladder campion or cow bell, wild mustard and ox-eye daisy. All who have any of these weeds on their farms are invited to write to the Director of Co-operative Experiments in Weed Eradication, O. A. C., Guelph, Ontario, who will gladly furnish in-

formation concerning this experimental work.

SMUTS AND RUSTS OF GRAIN CROPS.

It is estimated that the losses sustained from smuts in Ontario grain crops amount to \$2,720,000 annually, about two-thirds of which occur in oats, wheat being the next greatest sufferer. To cope with this danger, Bulletin 23, entitled "Smuts and Rusts of Grain Crops," prepared by J. E. Howitt and R. E. Stone, has been issued by the Ontario Department of Agriculture, for free distribution to those who may apply for it. This very practical bulletin goes fully into the cause and cure of smuts and rusts, and gives a number of ways of treating seed grain in order to avoid or lessen injury to grain crops from these causes. Practical farmers will hail it as a valuable adviser regarding relief from these two common grain troubles.

EXPERIMENTS WITH FARM CROPS

The members of the Ontario Agricultural and Experimental Union are pleased to state that for 1915 they are pleased to circulate into every Township of Ontario material of high quality for experiments with Grain, Fodder, Crops, Roots, Grasses, Clovers and Alfalfa, as follows: No. 1—Testing two varieties of Oats—2 plots. No. 2a—Testing O.A.C. No. 21 Barley and Emmer—2 plots. No. 2b—Testing two varieties of two-rowed Barley—2 plots. No. 3—Testing two varieties of Hulless Barley—2 plots. No. 4—Testing two varieties of Spring Wheat—2 plots. No. 5—Testing two varieties of Swedish Turnips—2 plots. No. 6—Testing two varieties of Field Peas—2 plots. No. 7—Testing two varieties of Spring Rye—2 plots. No. 8—Testing two varieties of Soy, Soja, or Japanese Beans—2 plots. No. 9—Testing three varieties of Hunking Corn—3 plots. No. 10—Testing three varieties of Mangels—3 plots. No. 11—Testing two varieties of Sugar beets for feeding purposes—2 plots. No. 12—Testing three varieties of Swedish Turnips—3 plots. No. 13—Testing two varieties of Fall Turnips—2 plots. No. 14—Testing two varieties of Carrots—2 plots. No. 15—Testing three varieties of Fodder and Silage Corn—3 plots. No. 16—Testing three varieties of Millet—3 plots. No. 17—Testing two varieties of Sorghum—2 plots. No. 18—Testing Grass Peas and two varieties of Vetches—3 plots. No. 19—Testing Rape, Kale and Field Cabbage—3 plots. No. 20—Testing three varieties of Clover—3 plots. No. 21—Testing two varieties of Alfalfa—2 plots. No. 22—Testing four varieties of Grasses—4 plots. No. 23—Testing three varieties of Field Beans—3 plots. No. 24—Testing two varieties of Sweet Corn—2 plots. No. 29—Testing three grain mixtures for Grain production—3 plots. No. 30—Testing three grain mixtures for Fodder production—3 plots.

Any person in Ontario may choose any one of the experiments for 1915 and apply for the same. The material will be furnished in the order in which the applications are received, while the supply lasts. Each applicant should make a second choice, as the material for the experiment selected as first choice might be exhausted before his application is received. All material will be furnished free of charge to each applicant, and the produce will, of course, become the property of the person who conducts the experiment. Each person applying for an experiment should write his name and address very carefully, and should give the names—C. A. Zavitz, Director Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph, March, 1915.

AVERAGE VALUES OF ONTARIO CROPS.

The figures in the following table are obtained or deduced from the Census and Statistics Monthly for December, 1914, and January, 1915. Profits per acre for 1914 will vary with the cost of production, yield and market price. Average yields and values per acre of field crops for Ontario in 1914:

Table with 3 columns: Crop, Ave. yield, Ave. value per acre. Rows include: Fall wheat (21.51, \$2.23), Spring wheat (18.80, 2.12), Oats (35.09, 17.15), Barley (30.24, 19.42), Corn (hushing) (56.11, 38.71), Flax (15.76, 25.79), Rye (17.19, 14.61), Pas (16.09, 21.12), Beans (13.99, 10.32), Buckwheat (25.40, 16.38), Mixed grains (26.63, 22.09), Potatoes (167.75, 78.65), Turnips and other (450.21, 90.35), Hay and clover (1.11, 7.00), Fodder corn (19.95, 51.63), Sugar beets (9.06, 51.59), Alfalfa (2.26, 23.92). Total: 450.21, 90.35.

These figures are interesting in considering increased production for 1915. The cost of production includes the cost of preparation, seed, seeding, cultivation of crop, harvesting, threshing, wear and tear of implements and rental value of land. Preparation includes the cost of applying manure (if any). The value of the manure is counted as offset by the by-products, straw, fibre, stalks. Figures are not available for the profits per acre of the heavier yielding crops, as potatoes, roots, etc., but their high values should lead the farmer to overlook their increased cost of production.

THE WORST STILL WITH US.

(Brantford Expositor.) The U-2s, the U-4's and many other German submarines U-9's, have been out of evidence, but the I. O. U. is still in evidence.

CROP OUTLOOK FOR ONTARIO

No Cause for Anxiety as to Main Wheat Crop.

Live Stock Came Through Winter Well.

The following information regarding agricultural conditions in this Province is contained in a bulletin prepared by the Ontario Department of Agriculture, based upon information furnished by a large staff of correspondents under date of April 1st.

WINTERING CROPS.

Fall Wheat—Reports of correspondents in November described the new fall wheat as never more promising, there being a good growth and a much increased area. The fields were well protected by snow until the middle of March, when in many sections they became comparatively bare, and suffered more or less from alternate thawing and freezing, cold winds, etc., causing some heaving and considerable browning of the top. The hope was entertained, however, that warm rains and good growing weather later on would revive these more backward fields, as the tops only seemed affected. Late sown fields are the least promising. At present there is no cause for anxiety as to the condition of the main crop.

Clover—Clover did not make a good catch last year, especially in the eastern portion of the Province, owing to the unusually dry summer, and as a consequence new fields were not so well prepared for the trying open spring weather. More or less heaving has occurred in every district, and while a number of correspondents report fields as giving good promise, the prospects of the crop, taken as a whole, are not so encouraging as might be desired. However, favorable spring weather may yet put a brighter face on the situation. Rye—Rye appears to have come better through the winter than either wheat or clover, and gives promise of being a good crop.

ORCHARDS AND SMALL FRUITS.

Fruit trees so far have not suffered much from the winter, especially where care has been given the orchards. A few complaints have been made of injury to peach buds in some localities in southwestern Ontario, but so far the peach orchards of the Niagara Peninsula have been practically unscathed from this cause. Several reports were made of girdling of young fruit trees by rabbits and mice, more especially in the County of York. Fruit buds have come through the winter in good shape, but some correspondents speak of injury to strawberry berries from severe open weather in March where not mulched.

LIVE STOCK.

The wintering of live stock, owing to the light hay crop and the poor summer pastures of last year, depended largely upon ensilage, straw, roots and other roughage, of which, happily, there was more than the high prices prevailing during the winter. Horses—As a class horses have come through in generally good shape, although a number of minor cases of distemper have been reported. Working horses particularly are said to be in excellent fettle, although perhaps not so heavy as usual, as owners have in most cases been sparing with feed. Cattle—Cattle also have come through the winter in fair condition—healthy, but somewhat thinner than might be desired, owing to the high price of grains and mill feeds. All ailments have been of local nature, no serious outbreak of disease being reported. It is stated that farmers are holding on to their cows in the dairy counties owing to the good prospects for cheese and that more calves are being retained than formerly. Sheep—Sheep have been wintered better than any other class of live stock. They are doing well, and lambs are coming strong. Swine—Hogs have been kept thinner than usual, but it is said that they have suffered less from crippling than for several winters past. A few spring pigs are said to have died, but no serious disease is at present affecting swine. Fodder Supplies.—The fodder supply at the present time is largely a matter of local or individual experience. Hay and straw, where not too freely sold to pressers at tempting prices, will be sufficient in most cases, and there will also be enough coarse grains on hand to meet the requirements. Progressive farmers have an ample supply of roots for all needs, while the excellent crop of corn last year ensures an abundance of either ensilage or dry fodder. In this connection a correspondent tersely remarks: "Ensilage solves the food problem."

INCREASED PRODUCTION.

Correspondents are not unanimous regarding the response to the call for a larger production. A few are outspoken against the movement, fearing over-production with a lowering of prices, but the great majority of those reporting heartily endorse the patriotism and production idea, and it is certain that there will be a substantial gain in the quantity of most of the commodities raised this year on Ontario farms. Fall wheat already shows a decidedly increased area. More fall plowing than usual was done, much of it with old sod, and while this may mean an increase of grain (especially of oats), and of corn or roots, it will also mean to some extent less pasture. In the eastern districts a smaller acreage will be devoted to supplying the factories and more attention will be given to raising general farm crops. The cheese season will be earlier than usual, and this will require an increased production of milk and consequently a greater consumption of fodder. One drawback to farm crop development is the lack of competent labor; for while help is offering fairly freely it often lacks quality.

MARKET REPORTS

TORONTO MARKETS.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity, Price. Rows include: Eggs, new-laid, dozen (0.22, 0.23), Butter, choice, dairy (0.32, 0.35), Spring chicken, dressed (0.20, 0.22), Ducks, dressed, lb (0.18, 0.20), Turkey, dressed (0.16, 0.18), Poultry, choice (0.26, 0.28), Apples, Can. bbl. (0.55, 0.65), Potatoes, bag (1.75, 2.00), Cabbage, crate (1.50, 2.00), Cranberries, bbl. (1.00, 1.25), Onions, bag (1.00, 1.25), Beef, forequarters, cwt. (8.50, 9.50), Do, hindquarters (12.50, 13.00), Do, choice sides (10.50, 11.50), Do, medium (9.00, 10.00), Do, common (6.50, 7.00), Veal, common, cwt. (13.00, 14.00), Do, prime (11.00, 12.00), Sheep, heavy (16.00, 18.00), Lambs (16.00, 18.00), Mutton, light (11.00, 13.00).

SUGAR MARKET.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity, Price. Rows include: Extra granulated, Redpath's, per cwt. (6.71), Do, 20-lb bags (6.81), Do, St. Lawrence (6.81), Do, 20-lb bags (6.81), St. Lawrence, No. 1 yellow (6.31), Do, No. 2 yellow (6.31), Dominion crystals, sacks (6.58).

LIVE STOCK.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity, Price. Rows include: Receipts, 586 cattle, 318 calves, 1,625 hogs, 35 sheep, Butcher cattle, choice (7.25, 7.60), Do, medium (6.50, 6.75), Do, common (5.25, 5.50), Butcher cows, choice (6.25, 6.75), Do, medium (5.25, 5.75), Do, canners (3.75, 4.25), Do, light (3.50, 4.00), Feeding steers (6.35, 6.85), Stockers, choice (6.00, 6.75), Do, light (5.00, 5.75), Milkers, choice, each (50.00, 55.00), Springers (50.00, 55.00), Sheep, ewes (7.00, 7.50), Bucks and culls (6.00, 7.00), Hogs, fed and watered (9.00), Hogs, f. o. b. (8.65), Calves (8.50, 9.50).

OTHER MARKETS.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity, Price. Rows include: WHEAT—Open, High, Low, Close, May (1.56, 1.58, 1.56, 1.57), July (1.57, 1.55, 1.54, 1.57), Oct. (1.30, 1.20, 1.18, 1.19), Oats—May (0.65, 0.65, 0.65, 0.64), July (0.64, 0.64, 0.65, 0.65), Flax—May (1.77, 1.78, 1.74, 1.77), July (1.18, 1.18, 1.09, 1.14), Oct. (1.84, 1.84, 1.83, 1.84), MINNEAPOLIS GRAIN MARKET—Wheat—No. 1 hard, \$1.59, No. 1 northern, \$1.55, No. 2, \$1.50, No. 3, \$1.45, No. 4, \$1.40, No. 5, \$1.35, No. 6, \$1.30, No. 7, \$1.25, No. 8, \$1.20, No. 9, \$1.15, No. 10, \$1.10, No. 11, \$1.05, No. 12, \$1.00, No. 13, \$0.95, No. 14, \$0.90, No. 15, \$0.85, No. 16, \$0.80, No. 17, \$0.75, No. 18, \$0.70, No. 19, \$0.65, No. 20, \$0.60, No. 21, \$0.55, No. 22, \$0.50, No. 23, \$0.45, No. 24, \$0.40, No. 25, \$0.35, No. 26, \$0.30, No. 27, \$0.25, No. 28, \$0.20, No. 29, \$0.15, No. 30, \$0.10, No. 31, \$0.05, No. 32, \$0.00.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity, Price. Rows include: Cattle—Receipts 3,000, Market—Firm, Texas steers, native (46.00, 48.55), Western steers (5.60, 7.40), Cows and heifers (2.80, 8.00), Calves (5.60, 8.00), Hogs—Receipts 18,000, Market—Slow, Light (7.10, 7.55), Mixed (7.05, 7.40), Heavy (6.80, 7.40), Rough (6.80, 7.00), Pigs (6.00, 6.90), Bulk of sales (7.20, 7.40), Sheep, receipts 10,000, Market—Steady, Mails (7.40, 8.55), Native (7.75, 10.50).

BUFFALO LIVE STOCK.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity, Price. Rows include: East Buffalo, N.Y., Despatch—Cattle receipts 150; active, Veals, receipts 75; slow; 4.50 to 9.00, Hogs, receipts 2,300; active; heavy 7.75 to 7.85; mixed, Yorkers and pigs 7.00 to 7.90; roughs 6.50 to 6.75; stags 5.00 to 6.00, Sheep and lambs, receipts 2,400; active; lambs 6.00 to 9.85; yearlings 4.50 to 8.25; weathers 7.00 to 7.25; ewes 4.00 to 6.75; mixed, 6.75 to 7.00.

LIVERPOOL PRODUCE.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity, Price. Rows include: Wheat, spot, strong, No. 2 hard, winter (1.20, 1.21), No. 2 Manitoba (1.34, 1.35), No. 3 Manitoba (1.34, 1.35), American mixed, new (1.12, 1.24), American mixed, old (1.12, 1.24), Flour, inter states (4.88, 4.90), Hops in London (Pacific Coast)—No. 1, 10 to 14, 15, Hams, short cut, 14 to 16 lbs (57, 62), Bacon, Cumberland cut, 25 to 30 lbs (62, 64), Short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs (65, 68), Clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs (59, 64), Long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs (64, 68), Long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs (65, 68), Short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs (55, 58), Shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs (48, 52), Lard, prime western, in tierces, 52, Lard, prime western, in tierces, 52, 53, 54, American, refined (58, 61), Cheese, Canadian, finest white, 15, 16, Colored (55, 58), Australian in London (48, 50), Turpentine, spirits (37, 38), Resin, common (15, 16), Petroleum, refined (9, 10), Lard, refined (5, 6), Cotton Seed Oil, hull refined, spot (25, 26).

MONTREAL MARKETS.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity, Price. Rows include: Receipts, cattle 200; cows and springers 65; calves 1,600; sheep and lambs 12,000, There were no really prime heaves for sale, a few of the best cattle fetching about 7.14, and from that down to 6.00 cents for medium stock while common brought from five to six cents, Cows \$40 to \$80 each, Calves 5 to 8.12, Sheep 6 cents, Lambs \$1.2 to 9, Hogs 9.14 to 9.12.

CANADIAN CASUALTIES.

Ottawa Despatch—Casualties have been reported by the War Department. A seventh battalion, 11th—Daniels, Next of kin in England, Next of kin in Canada, Wounded, Next of kin, Sixth Artillery, Next of kin, from Garrison, Next of kin, Division A, Wounded, Next of kin in Ontario.