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than they have made, while values received in Great Britain for Canadian cattle are not sufficient to recoup exporters for freight and expenses plus the purchase value of their stock. These and other factors combined to make last week's cattle trade on both the Junction and Toronto markets the most unsatisfactory experienced for some time, especially for the medium and commoner grades of cattle. The choicer sorts maintained the price pretty well, but there are very few of them offering. One or two choice animals for export fetched as high as \$5.25, but as a rule \$3.15 is the limit. The regular quotations for exporters are: Choice \$4.90 to \$5.10, medium \$4.50 to \$4.75, bulls \$3.50 to \$4 and cows \$2.75 to \$4.25 per cwt. Trade for all classes of butchers' cattle has ruled slightly with prices easy. Choice quality, however, is in fair demand. Quotations run as follows: Picked lots \$4.60 to \$4.80, good to choice \$4.40 to \$4.60, fair to good \$3.75 to \$4, and other quality from \$3.50 to \$3.30 per cwt. Few stockers and feeders are offering, though some were sold during the week for butchers' purposes. Farmers do not seem to be buying largely for feeding purposes, though this might be the time to get into the game. Quotations rule steady, with an easier tone, in sympathy with the market for butchers' and exporters, as follows: Short-keep feeders, \$4.75 to \$4.85; heavy feeders, \$4.40 to \$4.90; medium, \$2.50 to \$3.50; bulls, \$2 to \$2.75; good stockers run at \$1.75 to \$4, light at \$1.25 to \$1.70; rough common, \$2 to \$2.75, and bulls, \$1.75 to \$2.50. Trade in milch cows is quiet at \$30 to \$60 each. The run of calves has been heavy, with prices well maintained at \$3.50 to \$6 per cwt.

Eighty-five carloads of stock were delivered at the Union Stock Yards,

Toronto Jet. market, yesterday. Exporters sold at \$4.65 to \$4.90, with some choice ones selling as high as \$5.15. The best butchers' cattle brought from \$4.60 to \$4.85 per cwt. The market for sheep and lambs rules steady, with a firm tone for sheep. Export ewes are quoted at \$5 to \$5.25; bucks, \$4 to \$4.50, and culls at \$3.50 to \$4 per cwt. Grain fed yearling lambs sell at \$6.75 to \$7.25 and barnyards at \$4.50 to \$5.30 per cwt. Spring lambs rule steady at \$3 to \$6 per cwt.

The hog market has a slightly easier tendency and \$7 per cwt. for select and \$6.25 for lights and fats are the ruling quotations.

HORSES

The horse market continues strong and active, with the demand exceeding the supply. Workers are eagerly snapped up. High-class carriage horses, though badly wanted, are not forthcoming. Prevailing prices at the Repository, Toronto, are as follows: Single roadsters, 15 to 16 hands, \$125 to \$180; single cobs and carriage horses, 15 to 16.1 hands, \$125 to \$135; matched pairs and carriage horses, 15 to 16.1 hands, \$320 to \$600; delivery horses, 1400 to 1500 lbs., \$140 to \$180, general purpose and express horses, 1200 to 1250 lbs., \$165 to \$190; draught horses, 1350 to 1750 lbs., \$170 to \$225; serviceable second-hand workers, \$60 to \$75; serviceable second-hand drivers, \$50 to \$80. Dalgetty's sale of ponies on May 9th was a great success. They sold all the way from \$125 up to \$200 and over for stallions.

Harding's Shortorns Sell Well

Mr. F. W. Harding's sale of Shortorns, held at Waukesha, Wis., last week, brought good prices. Thirty-nine head sold for \$14,540, or an average of \$372.50 each. No extreme prices were reached, the top figure being \$625 and only one animal sold under

\$100, so that healthy and legitimate values ruled throughout. The top price paid, \$825, was given by A. Chrystal, Marshall, Mich., for the yearling bull Village Sultan, a son of the great Whitehall Sultan, and out of the Critchshank Village Blossom cow Village Lassie, by the Dutch-bred bull Best of Archers. The top for females was \$750, paid by H. M. Saunders, Farmington, Minn., for the Canadian-bred cow Nelly Bucking-ham, a descendant of the Chicksbank-Buckingham tribe, and sired by the prize-winning Knuckle Duster.

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