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Montreal.

Live Stock-In the local markets for live stock there is nothing specially new, the tone of the cattle market, however, being rather firmer. Choice cattle sold at 5c. to 54c.; good at 4c. to 5c.; medium, 3%c. to 4%c., and common, 2%c. to 31c. Demand for sheep was good, but offering was, as usual, a little on the short side, and prices were firm at 31c. to 41c., according to quality. The same remarks apply to lambs, which sold at \$3, or perhaps a shade less for some, to \$5 each, a few choice bringing a shade more. Common calves were \$2.50 to \$5 each, and \$6 to \$10 each for choice, while milch cows ranged from \$25 to \$50 each, according to quality. The market for hogs was quite firm, but there was no actual advance in price, the range for selects, off cars, being still 8c. to 8¹/₄c. per lb.

Dressed Hogs and Provisions-The market for dressed hogs is steady, in sympathy with that for live, and fresh abattoir stock is still quoted at 11c. per lb. for choicest. There has been some change in prices for hams and bacon, recently, and hams are now selling at an advance of about 1c. all round, demand for them being good and supplies being limited. Extra large hams are quoted at 141c.; large, 18 to 25 lbs., being 16c.; hams, with bone out, being 16ic. for large, and 171c. for small. Bacon, contrary to the movement in hams, declined in price, on certain grades of the best quality, these being neglected owing to the high prices at which they were held. Demand is better now that prices are lower, best smoked breakfast bacon being 161c., Wiltshire being 15c., and long, clear, light being 13c., and long, clear, heavy and green flanks being 12c. Lard has advanced half a cent a nound at 84c. for choice refined compound, 121c. for extra pure, and 131c. for finest kettle. Pork is unchanged at \$22.50 to ing received at country points, near by, \$24 per bbl., according to quality.

the country, and this has parched the pastures in many sections and reduced the yield of milk. Should this continue for a short time, the market for cheese is bound to be influenced. Quotations are about 111c. to 111c. for Quebecs, 11ac. to 11ac. for Townships, and 11ac. to 12c. for Ontarios. Exports were large for the week ending July 28, being 106,000 boxes, this being still 6,000 behind the same week last year. Total shipments for the season, however, are still ahead, being almost a million boxes. Butter-The market for butter has shown very little change for some time past. Early in the week, the tone was strong, and sales were made for export at 22% c. for fancy Townships. It would be hard to get this price for much, but some holders are asking it. Purchases of finest have been made at 221c., and of fine at 22c., although 221c. is a more general figure for the latter. Shipments from Montreal, for the week ending July 28, were only 20,000, which was 9,000 less than for the same week last year. Total shipments for the season are 158,-000 packages, or 75,000 less than in 1905.

Potatoes-A good heavy fall of rain has lately taken place. Although it will have a good effect upon the crop, which was previously all but ruined by the drought, it is still insufficient to penetrate the ground to any considerable depth, and more is badly needed. The potatoes are growing very small and very firm. They are said to be very sound, and if only some rain would fall before they ripen too far, a crop of splendid quality might result. Prices have declined to \$2.25 per bbl., paid to farmers, and \$2.50 paid by retail stores. Bags are \$1.12 and \$1.30.

Eggs-The market for these holds very steady. The tone continues firm, and dealers are still receiving 17c., here, for wholesale lots of fine straight-gathered some very fine having been reported at 171c. Apparently as high as 161c. is bepurchases being also made at less.

Chicago.

Cattle-10c. higher; slow and steady; common to prime steers, \$4.25 to \$6.25; cows, \$2.75 to \$4.50; heifers, \$2.75 to \$5.25; bulls, \$2.40 to \$4.40; calves, \$6 to \$7; stockers and feeders, \$2.60 to \$4.25. Hogs-A shade lower; choice to prime heavy, \$6.40 to \$6.50; medium to good heavy, \$6.20 to \$6.35; butchers' weights, \$6.35 to \$6.55; good to choice, heavy, mixed, \$6.25 to \$6.35; packing, \$5.75 to \$6.30. Sheep and Lambs-Best firm ; others weak ; sheep, \$4.25 to \$5.60; yearlings, \$5 to \$6; lambs, \$6 to \$7.75.

Cheese Markets.

Kingston, colored, 11%c.; white, 1 9-16c. Madoc, 11 9-16c. to 11%c. 11 9-16c. Tweed, white, 11 9-16c. Montreal, 114c. to 11%c. for fancy Western, and colored cheese bringing better prices than white; Easterns, 11%c. to 11%c.

A laborer among the gardens of the soul found that the strength to uproot weeds was less rare than the power to distinguish them from flowers.

"As I passed through life," said a pilgrim near his journey's end, "I saw grief blight many hearts ; but I also saw the Angel of Pity weep more over these whom it could not touch."

The Power of Music .-- Mr. Jack London was introduced to a celebrated musician. "I, too, am a musician in a small way," said London. "My musical talent was once the means of saving my life." How was that ?" the musician asked. "There was a great flood in our town in my boyhood," replied London. "When the water struck our house my father got on to a bed and floated down with the stream until he was rescued." "Well?" said the musician. "Well," responded London, "I accompanied him on the piano !"

AN EVERY-DAY CREED.

I believe that work is the best panacea for most ills, especially those of the mind.

I believe in fun and laughter. I believe in the beauty of flowers, sunsets and mountains; in the music of

birds and brooks. I believe there is a bright side to everything.

I believe in human kindness.

I believe that an ounce of frankness and explanation is worth a pound of repentance and forgiveness. I believe in the hearty handshake, in

hospitality, comradeship, friendship and love.

The hope of the nation is in the farm and suburban home and in the country and suburban town and village. It is not in the cities that this country now needs the service of the flower of its patriotic manhood. It is in the country where the great national problem of the improvement of the rural life is to be solved, where more beautiful towns and villages and better roads are to be built, better schools to be established, telephones and trolley lines constructed, and all the influences put to work that will improve the country, and drive away the isolation and hardships that were formerly its drawback .-- George H. Maxwell.

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Horses-There is practically nothing doing in the market, prices being, however, very firm, at : Heavy-draft, 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$250 to \$300 each; lightdraft, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$200 to \$250; express, 1,100 to 1,300 lbs., \$150 to \$225; choice saddle or driving, \$850 to \$500; fair drivers, \$125 to \$150, and old used-up animals, \$50 to \$100.

Hides, Tallow and Wool-Hides are unchanged and in moderate supply, dealers paying here, 101c., 111c. and 121c. per lb. for Nos. 3, 2, and 1, respectively, and sell to tanners at an advance of ic. No. 1 calf skins are 15c. per lb., No. 2 being 13c., and lamb skins 35c. each. Rough tallow is 11c. to 8c. per lb., and rendered, 5c. The wool market is fairly active, and prices are about the same. Demand for wool is fair, and the market holds firm, at 30c. to 32c. per lb. for pulled lamb, brushed, and 30c. for unbrushed. Tub-washed Canada fleece is 26c. to 28c., and in the grease it is 18c. to 20c. Canada pulled wool is steady at 30c. per lb. for brushed, and 27c. to 29c. for unbrushed, while N.-W. Merionos are 18c. to 20c.

Cheese-The market shows very little change. It fluctuates up and down, and is at the moment about steady. Demand has been rather lighter for a few days past. There is much drought throughout for No. 3, and 40c. for No. 2.

Millfeed-The market for bran and shorts is exceedingly firm, and prices advanced \$1 per ton during the past few days. Millers are almost unable to obtain sufficient to fill their orders, and many of them would be glad to make purchases themselves. Bran is wanted, the demand being probably owing to the drying up of the pastures on account of the lack of rain. Sales can readily be made at \$18 per ton, in car lots, for Manitoba bran, bagged. Shorts are also in active demand, and prices have gone up to \$21, at which figure there is none too much offering.

Hay-The market is very firm on spot, owing to light deliveries and an advance of 50c. per ton has taken place on this market. The English market is also a shade better, but is still below an export basis as compared with this market. Prices now are \$10 per ton for No. 1 timothy, \$9 for No. 2, and \$8 for clover and clover mixed. The crop will be below the average, but the quality will probably be fine.

Grain-There is only one kind of grain selling here just now, and there is extremely little doing in it; this is oats. Prices have declined a cent or so since a week ago, quotations for local account now being 38c. for No. 4, store, 39c.

John Weaver, the reform mayor of Philadelphia, was recently congratulated by a delegation of clergymen on the clean administration that he has given the Quaker city.

In the course of his reply, Mayor Weaver said :

"I am glad to tell you that things with us have improved. Take, for instance, the matter of elections. A Philadelphian, some years ago, was running for a small office, and on election day he went from poll to poll, cheering his supporters on.

"As he left a certain poll a shabby individual approached and shook him by the hand.

"'I trust, sir,' said the candidate, that you are one of my supporters ? ' "''One?' chuckled the shabby in-dividual. 'Why, bless your heart, I'm seven of 'em.' "

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