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wonderful change has come over his mother. Up to three weeks ago she held the local record for slow walking. She could be made to wiggle along at a fair rate when urged to trot, but when allowed to walk she stepped as slowly and cautiously as a cat. I have even heard it asserted that it was impossible to tell whether she was moving or not without sighting over a post, but now when she is away from home with her colt locked up in the stable she shows her best gaits, both in trotting and walking. She may not show much speed on the way out, but on the way home she can hardly be held. When trotting she wants to pass everything on the road, and when walking she gets over the ground with surprising speed. All of which goes to show that she had learned to take advantage of us. I actually thought that she was one of these naturally slow walkers that must either trot or crawl, but now she is letting us know that when she likes she can walk as fast as the best. And the moral of that seems to be that I am such an easy mark that even a horse can take advantage of me.

I am glad to be able to find at least one thing to say in favor of the cold weather. It has helped me in my tree planting. This year I got five hundred pines to finish up the wood-lot, but so much was going on that I have had to heal them in until I could get time to plant them. The cool weather kept them in prime condition, and to-day I managed to plant a good part of them. If the cool weather lasts I should be able to get them all planted properly. And yet, I am not sure that I should be planting them at all. Since the cattle have been kept out of the wood-lot young maples have been coming up so plentifully that they may crowd out the trees I have planted. The maples are coming up so thickly that I believe they would average one to every square foot. It will be interesting to see which kind of trees will survive in the impending struggle for existence.

Partizan Junk.

Editor "The Farmer's Advocate":

A word of commendation is merited by the editorial in your issue of May 13, that exploded another long-blown bubble, political campaign literature. Printing presses can be better employed than turning out this useless pulp which I have seen year after year go unread by the bushel into the back-kitchen junk-box. There will be less need for assessing the people for campaign funds

when the work of publicity and discussion is left to the newspapers, where it properly belongs. If the millions of periodical sheets, daily and weekly, going into the hands of the electors do not light up their path to the ballot box it is idle to imagine that the darkness would be dispelled by the campaign document. In all conscience partizanship is sufficiently rampant in some of the political organs without letting loose a more hopeless and uncompromising stream. Since the hiring party organ is fast losing its grip on the thinking minds of the country what folly to supplement it with something more stupidly one-sided. The country has a conscience in regard to how public affairs should be conducted never more hopefully apparent than during the past six months, and this is due in large measure to the increasing number of papers and individuals of prominence that are thinking for themselves, and are courageous enough to express their convictions, which public men of foresight respect and to which they give effect.

ALPHA.

Myrtry Lodge Jersey Sale.

A good opportunity to purchase some useful producing Jerseys was offered at the sale of A. Hughes, Sarnia, Thursday, May 20. The day was cold and the threatening rain undoubtedly kept many away, for there was not a large crowd present. However, the sale went off very well, and, while good bargains were made by the purchasers, all the way around prices were, for the most part, satisfactory. Some of the young things sold cheap. A few of the cows were extra good producers, but none were officially tested. Capt. J. M. Moore wielded the hammer and talked everyone into good humor. Some of the cows were on in years, and a number of young calves were sold.

The following is a list of animals selling for \$100 and over, with their purchasers:

Maple Lea Pearl, W. Murray, Sarnia.....	\$205.00
Alice Roosevelt, A. W. Moody, Guelph.....	145.00
Myrtry Violet, A. W. Moody.....	210.00
Pattie, T. Elmor, Sarnia.....	185.00
Carrie Nation, W. Murray.....	115.00
Trilby H., G. A. Keeling, Sarnia.....	125.00
Cassie Chadwick, A. W. Moody.....	115.00
Sunbeam, Dr. A. Moody, Sault Ste. Marie.....	125.00
Maple Lea Lass 2nd.....	130.00
Maple Lea Lass 3rd, Horace Rice.....	105.00
Maple Lea Belle, T. Elmor.....	190.00
Brampton Majesty, A. U. Snider, Water- loo.....	127.50

Toronto, Montreal, Buffalo, and Other Leading Markets.

Toronto.

Receipts at the Union Stock-yards, West Toronto, from Friday, May 21, to Monday, May 24, numbered 191 cars, comprising 2,415 cattle, 1,304 hogs, 165 sheep and lambs, 127 calves, and 1,178 horses, being in transit for the British army. The quality of the bulk of cattle was good, trade being slow, at about the same prices as on Thursday last. Choice heavy steers, by the load, \$8.15 to \$8.35, and three extra quality steers, 1,450 lbs. each, at \$8.80; choice light butchers' steers and heifers, \$8 to \$8.25; good, \$7.75 to \$8; medium, \$7.50 to \$7.75; common, \$7.25 to \$7.50; choice cows, \$7 to \$7.25; good, \$6.75 to \$7; medium, \$6 to \$6.50; canners, \$4 to \$5.25; bulls, \$6 to \$7.50; feeders, \$7 to \$7.65; stockers, \$5.60 to \$6.50; milkers, \$5 to \$100; calves, \$5 to \$9.50. Sheep, \$5.50 to \$7.50; yearlings, \$7 to \$9.50; spring lambs, \$5 to \$9.50 each. Hogs sold at \$9.65, weighed off cars.

REVIEW OF LAST WEEK'S MARKETS
The total receipts of live stock at the City and Union Stock-yards for the past week were:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	38	573	611
Cattle	317	6,067	6,384
Hogs	934	10,825	11,759
Sheep	249	923	1,172
Calves	304	1,232	1,536
Horses	140	2,711	2,851

The total receipts of live stock at the two markets for the corresponding week of 1914 were:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	8	351	359
Cattle	74	4,495	4,569
Hogs	115	8,696	8,811
Sheep	82	719	801
Calves	67	1,388	1,455
Horses	71	71	142

The combined receipts of live stock at the two markets for the past week show an increase of 252 carloads, 1,815 cattle, 2,948 hogs, 414 sheep and lambs, 81

calves, and 2,780 horses, compared with the corresponding week of 1914.

Receipts of live stock at Toronto for the past week have been large, especially for cattle, which were far greater than was anticipated. The high prices paid during the previous week had the effect of causing almost all of the drovers to come forward with all available supplies. One commission firm alone had 62 carloads for sale on Monday. The effect on the market was an immediate decline of from 30c. to 40c. per cwt., with about 1,800 cattle unsold on the first day of the week. Each succeeding day brought forward its quota, the result being that all week there was a large number unsold at the close of the market, with prices tending downwards, especially for the heavy export steers, which were fully 50c. per cwt. lower than in our last report. The best sellers were the light, handy-weight butchers' steers and heifers, of which at the close of the week there were none too many offered at the prices ruling. Stockers and feeders, while not selling as readily, did not suffer very much in values. Milkers and springers of choice quality were in good demand, several dealers having orders that they could not fill, but values were no higher. Veal calves sold at firm prices, but no higher. Sheep and lambs remained about steady, but hogs have increased in value.

Butchers' Cattle.—The ruling price of choice heavy steers was \$8 to \$8.25; choice butchers' steers and heifers, \$7.75 to \$8; good butchers' steers and heifers, \$7.50 to \$7.75; medium butchers' steers and heifers, \$7.25 to \$7.50; common butchers' steers and heifers, \$7 to \$7.25; choice cows, \$7 to \$7.25; good cows, \$6.75 to \$7; medium cows, \$6 to \$6.25; canners and cutters, \$4 to \$5; bulls of good quality, \$6.75 to \$7.25; medium bulls, \$6 to \$6.50.

Stockers and Feeders.—Heavy steers, 800 to 900 lbs., sold at \$6.75 to \$7.50, with choice lots as high as \$7.75 and \$7.85; light steers, 650 to 750 lbs., at \$6.25 to \$7.25; stockers, \$5.75 to \$6.25.

Milkers and Springers.—Choice fresh milkers and forward springers ranged from \$80 to \$100 each; good to choice cows, \$70 to \$80; medium cows, \$60 to \$70; common to medium, \$45.

Veal Calves.—Choice calves sold at \$9 to \$9.50; good, \$7.50 to \$8.75; medium, \$7 to \$7.50; common calves, \$5 to \$6.50. Not many choice veals are coming forward.

Sheep and Lambs.—Sheep, light ewes, \$7.50 to \$8; heavy ewes and rams, \$5.50 to \$7; yearling lambs, \$7 to \$10; spring lambs, \$6 to \$10 each.

Hogs.—Receipts were fairly large, and prices firmer, the bulk of sales, weighed off cars, at \$9.65 to \$9.75.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.—Ontario, No. 2 winter, \$1.15 to \$1.46, outside; Manitoba, No. 1 northern, \$1.64; No. 2 northern, \$1.61; No. 3 northern, \$1.59, track, bay points.

Oats.—Ontario, No. 2 white, 60c. to 61c., outside; No. 3, 59c. to 60c., outside. Manitoba oats, No. 2, 66c.; No. 3, 64c., lake ports.

Corn.—American, No. 2 yellow, 79c., track, Toronto.

Rye.—Outside, No. 2, \$1.15 to \$1.17.

Peas.—No. 2, \$1.60 to \$1.65, outside.

Barley.—For malting, 73c. to 75c., outside.

Buckwheat.—No. 2, 77c. to 79c., outside.

Rolls Oats.—Per bag of 90 lbs., \$3.40.

Flour.—Manitoba flour—Prices at Toronto were: First patents, \$8.10; second patents, \$7.60; in cotton, 10c. more; strong bakers', \$7.40; Ontario, 90 - percent, winter wheat patents, \$6 to \$6.10, seaboard, or Toronto freights, in bags.

HAY AND MILLFEED.

Hay.—Baled, car lots, track, Toronto, No. 1, \$17.50 to \$18; No. 2, \$15.50 to \$16 per ton.

Straw.—Baled, car lots, track, Toronto, \$7.50 to \$8.50.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Butter remained firm during the past week. Creamery pound squares sold at 32c. to 34c. per lb.; creamery solids, 30c. per lb.; dairy, 29c. to 30c. per lb.

Eggs.—New-laid eggs remained firm, selling at 22c. to 23c. per dozen.

Cheese.—New, large, 20c.; twins, 21c.; old, 22c.

Honey.—Extracted, 12c.; comb, \$2.50 to \$3 per dozen sections.

Beans.—Hand-picked, per bushel, \$3.60; primes, \$3.30.

Potatoes.—Potatoes are a drug on the market, the Ontarios selling at 35c. to 37c. per bag, car lots, track, Toronto, and New Brunswicks at 48c. to 50c. per bag, track, Toronto.

Poultry.—Turkeys, per lb., 18c. to 20c.; ducks, 15c.; hens, 15c.; chickens, live weight, 15c.; squabs, per dozen, 10 ounces, \$3.60 (dressed).

HIDES AND SKINS.

City hides, flat 14c.; country hides, cured, 13c. to 14c.; country hides, part cured, 12c. to 13c.; country hides, green, 12c.; calf skins, per lb., 14c.; kip skins, per lb., 12c.; sheep skins, \$1.50 to \$2; horse hair, per lb., 38c. to 40c.; horse hides, No. 1, \$3.50 to \$4.50; lamb skins and pelts, \$1.15 to \$1.25; tallow, No. 1, per lb., 5c. to 7c.; wool, unwashed, coarse, 15c.; wool, unwashed, fine, 17c. We cannot give any further wool prices for a few days on account of the embargo.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Canadian asparagus, which came on the market in such large quantities after the warm weather, decreased with the colder weather, causing the price to advance to \$1.75 and \$2 per 11-quart basket.

Canadian hot-house cucumbers are a slow sale, at \$1.25 per 11-quart basket, the large quantity of Floridas coming in causing the price to decline.

Strawberries are coming in in large quantities, but a large quantity is of very poor quality. Thursday they sold