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seed is firm for choice samples. Prices are quoted as follows at country points: Fancy lots, per bushel, \$6.30 to \$6.50; No. 1 alsike, \$6 to \$6.20; No. 2, \$5.25 to \$5.40; No. 3, \$4.50 to \$4.80 per bushel; red clover, No. 1, per bushel, \$7.20 to \$7.50; No. 2, \$6.50 to \$6.90. Timothy, No. 1, \$1.50 to \$1.80; No. 2, \$1.20 to \$1.40 per bushel.

HIDES.

The markets for hides are easier, as will be seen by the following quotations: E. T. Carter & Co., 85 Front St., have been paying as follows: Inspected hides, No. 1 steers, 11c.; inspected hides, No. 2 steers, 10c.; inspected hides, No. 1 cows, 11c.; inspected hides, No. 2 cows, 10c.; country hides, cured, 10c.; calf skins, No. 1, city, 12c.; calf skins, No. 1, country, 11c.; lamb skins, each, 90c.; horse hides, \$3.25 to \$3.60; horse hair, per lb., 28c. to 30c.; tallow, 5c. to 5½c. per lb.

Montreal.

Live Stock.—Good choice cattle steady at 4½c. to 4¾c.; fine, 4c.; good, 3¾c. to 4c.; medium, 3¾c. to 3½c.; common, 2¾c. to 3c., and inferior below 2c. Sheep firm at 3½c. to 4½c.; lambs, 5c. to 6c.; grass calves being steady at 2½c. to 4c., and good from 4c. to 5½c. Finest milk cows, \$50 to \$60 each. The hog market about steady, notwithstanding the lower cables from England. Prices of finest ranged from about 6c. to 6½c. Demand fair.

Horses.—Heavy-draft horses, 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$250 to \$300 each; light-draft or coal-cart horses, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$200 to \$250 each; express horses, 1,100 to 1,300 lbs., \$150 to \$200; common drivers, \$100 to \$150; old, broken-down animals, \$50 to \$100, and choice saddle or driving animals, \$350 to \$500 each.

Provisions.—Dressed hogs are easier in price, and purchases of fresh abattoir-killed stock have been made at 8½c. to 9c., while it would be a matter of no difficulty to get country-dressed at 8½c. to 8¾c., and possibly even less. Bacon, 11c. to 13c. for green and long clear, and up to 15c. for finest smoked. Hams are still 14c. for large, and 15c. for select sizes. Barrelled pork is in fair demand, and steady at \$22 per bbl. to \$23.50. Lard compound being 8½c., and lard, 12c. to 13c.

Hides, Tallow and Wool.—Prices unchanged, at 10½c., 11½c. and 12½c. per lb., f. o. b., Montreal, offered by dealers, for Nos. 3, 2 and 1, respectively, with an advance of ½c. per lb. selling to tanners. No. 1 calf skins are steady at 13c. per lb., and No. 2, 11c. Sheep skins are 90c. each, and horse hides, \$1.50 for No. 2, and \$2 each for No. 1. Tallow is steady at 1½c. to 3c. per lb. for rough, and 3c. to 5c. for rendered. Wool also is very steady. Prices are quoted as follows: Pulled lambs, brushed, 30c. to 32c. per lb., and unbrushed, 30c.; Canada fleece, tub washed, 26c. to 28c., and in the grease, 18c. to 20c.; Canada, pulled, brushed, 30c., and unbrushed, 27c. to 29c.; N.-W. Merinos, 18c. to 20c. per lb.

Cheese.—Quotations are 12½c. to 12¾c. for Quebecs, 12½c. for Townships, and 12½c. to 12¾c. for Ontarios. This for Octobers. September Ontarios, 13c.

Butter.—The market for butter is undoubtedly firm, but there is no advance in price to speak of. For small lots of around a dozen packages, of choicest, some holders are demanding 24½c.; but the general run of prices for fine creamery is 23½c. to 24c. Dairies are unusually scarce, and Manitobas are quoted at 19c. to 20c., according to quality and quantity, Ontarios being 20c. to 21c., some quoting even more for choice lots in small quantities.

Eggs.—Really fresh-laid stock might sell at 30c., or thereabouts. The straight receipts, however, are valued around the same as cold-store eggs, these being 19c. to 22c., some being ½c. more in small lots. Selects from the latter bring 27c., and even more, in case lots, prices ranging also down to 24c. Lined eggs are about 20c. per doz.

Potatoes.—Prices hold about steady at 60c. to 68c., cost on track, per 50 lbs., and selling in carlots at 4c., or so, advance, and in a jobbing way, in bags of 90 lbs., delivered into store, 70c. to 80c. Turnips.—Dealers are offering \$8 to \$8.50 per ton for best Quebec whites, and selling at \$10.50 to \$11, or at 65c. to 70c. per bag of 80 lbs.

Grain.—The market for oats continues about steady. Demand is dull, and prices, by carloads, are 38½c. to 39c. for No. 4, 39½c. to 40c. for No. 3, and 40½c. to 41c. for No. 2, store. No. 2 peas were steady at 88½c., store, and buckwheat, 56½c. to 57c., No. 2 yellow American corn being that figure, also, and No. 3, mixed, a cent less. No. 1 Northern Manitoba wheat was quoted at 84c., store, and No. 2 white winter at 78½c.

Hay.—The market for hay has shown unexpected firmness, prices having advanced fully 50c. per ton since a week ago. Deliveries on spot are not large, and demand is fairly active. Prices, on track, for car lots, are \$13 to \$13.50 per ton for No. 1 timothy, \$12 to \$12.50 for No. 2, and clover and clover-mixed, \$11 to \$11.50.

Hay seed.—Considerable alsike has been received, and dealers have been offering \$4 for the poor quality, and \$6.50 for choice, country points. As yet, there has been almost nothing done in timothy, it being very scarce.

Chicago.

Cattle—Common to prime steers, \$4 to \$7.30; cows, \$2.65 to \$4.75; heifers, \$2.60 to \$5.35; bulls, \$2.40 to \$4.50; calves, \$3 to \$7.50; stockers and feeders, \$2.40 to \$4.50. Hogs—Choice to prime heavy, \$6.35 to \$6.40; medium to good heavy, \$6.20 to \$6.30; butchers' weights, \$6.30 to \$6.45; good to choice, mixed, \$6.15 to \$6.30; packing, \$5.90 to \$6.10; pigs, \$5.50 to \$6.25. Sheep—\$4 to \$5.70; yearlings, \$5.50 to \$6.40; lambs, \$6 to \$7.60.

Buffalo.

Cattle—Prime steers, \$5.50 to \$6; shipping, \$4.75 to \$5.40; butchers', \$4.25 to \$5.25. Veals—\$4.50 to \$9. Hogs—Heavy and mixed, \$6.50 to \$6.60; a few at \$6.65; Yorkers, \$6.40 to \$6.60; pigs, \$6.55 to \$6.65; dairies, \$6.20 to \$6.40. Sheep and Lambs—12,000 head; active and steady.

British Cattle Markets.

London.—Canadian cattle, 11c. to 12½c. per lb.; refrigerator beef, 10½c. to 10¾c. per lb.

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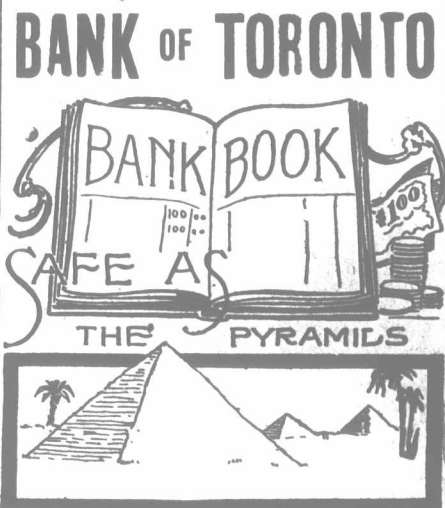
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worms; abnormal growth from wound; after-effect of milk fever; lame horses

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SOME MODERN (?) HOTEL RULES.

A drummer hailing from a certain Ontario city is carrying about on the back of his business cards the following set of rules, purporting to be in force in the hotels of his native burg:

1. Board, 50c. per square foot; meals extra.

2. Don't worry about paying your bills; this house is supported by its foundation.

3. Guests wishing to do a little driving with find hammer and nails in the closet.

4. Baseballists desiring a little practice will find a pitcher on the wash-stand.

5. Guests are positively forbidden to speak to the dumb-waiter.

6. This house is not responsible for bicycles or diamonds kept under the pillow; deposit them in the safe.

7. Guests wishing to get up without being called may have self-rising flour for supper.

8. Any guest troubled with nightmare will find the halter on the bed-post.

9. Travellers used to riding nights will find our beds buggy enough for anybody.

10. Single men with their wives not allowed on the premises.

11. Don't leave matches lying around as the guests might light out.

12. If the room gets too warm, open the window and watch the fire-escape.

PROFESSIONAL HUMORIST.

Professional humorists are getting to be so common that it is almost impossible to pick up a paper without being saddened by their presence. At one time they were isolated, but of late years they have banded together, and send forth their jokes from a solid phalanx.

Professional humorists, as a rule, live by their wits. That is why they have so little in the bank. They marry easily and are addicted to the habit of having children, this being a seeming necessity for the proper promulgation of their jokes. A common accusation against them is that they take life too seriously, and their professional spirit prevents them from extracting enough humor from it.

Professional humorists are much like other people. They fall into habits. If by any chance one of them originates a new joke, the rest pounce upon him and tear it away.

The motto of the professional humorist is:

"A short life and a sad one."—[Life.