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MARKETS.

Toronto.

LIVE STOCK.

At West Toronto, on Monday, Feb. 21st, receipts numbered 66 cars, comprising 1,363 cattle; 63 sheep; 23 calves. Market strong in every class; exporters being held for Tuesday. Prime picked butchers', \$6 to \$6.25; loads of good, \$5.65 to \$5.85; medium, \$5 to \$5.50; common, \$4.50 to \$5; cows, \$3 to \$4.90; canners, \$2 to \$2.50; calves, \$4 to \$8 per cwt. Sheep—Ewes, \$4.75 to \$5.50; lambs, \$7 to \$8 per cwt. Hogs—None on sale, but market very strong; \$8.75 was paid at Hickson to farmers, for hogs to come to Toronto, which should mean \$9 here, which is expected before the week ends.

REVIEW OF LAST WEEK'S MARKET.

At the commencement of last week trade in cattle was not as good as it was for the previous week, especially for export class, for which prices declined from 15 cents to 20 cents per cwt., owing mainly to lower markets in England. Butchers' cattle held their own, and, before the close of the week, sold as high as at any time since the year commenced. In nearly every other class of live stock prices advanced. Sheep, lambs, and hogs, all were higher on Wednesday and Thursday than on Monday and Tuesday, while the calf market was very strong.

The total receipts of live stock at the City and Junction markets were as follows:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	184	175	359
Cattle	2,905	2,854	5,759
Hogs	2,539	1,115	3,654
Sheep	980	131	1,111
Calves	164	53	217
Horses	3	346	349

Total receipts for the corresponding week of 1909 were:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	170	78	248
Cattle	2,779	1,281	4,060
Hogs	2,251	918	3,169
Sheep	1,821	262	2,083
Calves	220	30	250
Horses	—	125	125

Exporters.—Representatives of the American firms bought nearly all of the exporters at the following prices: Export steers for the London market, ninety of which were bought, sold at an average of \$6.19 per cwt.; amongst these was one load that sold at \$6.35, the top of the market; 235 exporters bought for the Manchester market, cost from \$5.40 to \$6 per cwt.; 400 exporters bought for Liverpool, weighing 1,150 to 1,400 lbs., cost \$5.50 to \$6.20. In this last lot were three carloads of heifers, 1,000 to 1,075 lbs. each, that sold at \$5.50 to \$5.75. Ninety cattle bought for the S. & S. Co., of New York and Chicago, sold at \$6.10 to \$6.20 per cwt. Export bulls sold at \$4.75 to \$5.30.

Butchers'.—Prime well-finished butchers' cattle are scarce, selling at \$5.90 to \$6.25; loads of good, \$5.40 to \$5.75; medium, \$5 to \$5.30; common, \$4.50 to \$4.90; cows, \$3 to \$4.90; canners, \$2 to \$2.50.

Milkers and Springers.—The market for milkers and springers remains about steady, at \$30 to \$75, the bulk selling at \$40 to \$55 each.

Veal Calves.—Prices firm, at \$3 to \$7.50, and an occasional prime, well-fed, new-milk calf, at \$8 per cwt.

Sheep and Lambs.—Prices were higher than for many weeks. Ewes, \$4.50 to \$5.25; loads, \$4 to \$4.50; lambs, yearlings, \$7.25 to \$7.75 per cwt.

Hogs.—The demand for hogs is greater than the supply, and prices have again advanced from 15c. to 25c. per cwt. Selects, fed and watered at the market, sold at \$8.60 to \$8.75, and \$8.25 to \$8.40, f. o. b. cars at country points.

Horses.—Trade at the Union Horse Exchange at Union Stock-yards, was extra good, receipts being 278 horses. Mr. Smith shipped out six carloads, sold to Northwest dealers, on Wednesday, and one carload on Thursday, to Ottawa. The best sale of the week, or, at least, the highest price, was for a pair of 1,700-lb. drafters, to the Campbell Milling Co., Toronto, at \$550. Several others of top quality brought \$235 each. The general run of prices were as follows: Drafters, \$180 to \$210; general-purpose horses, \$140 to \$185; expressers, \$150 to \$220; drivers, \$100 to \$200; serviceably sound, \$50 to \$100 each.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.—No. 2 white, \$1.08 to \$1.09, outside points; No. 2 mixed, \$1.07 to \$1.08. Manitoba northern, No. 1, \$1.13; No. 2 northern, \$1.11, on track at lake ports. Rye—67c. to 68c., outside. Peas—No. 2, 84c., outside. Buckwheat—No. 2, 53c. to 54c. Oats—No. 2 white, 41c. to 42c., on track, Toronto; No. 2 white, 39c., outside. Corn—American, No. 2 yellow, 74c.; new No. 3, 70½c.; kiln-dried No. 2 yellow, 73c. Canadian corn, 66c. to 67c., Toronto freights. Flour—Ontario patents for export, \$4.20 to \$4.25, in buyers' sacks, outside. Manitoba first patents, at Toronto, \$5.70; second patents, \$5.20; strong bakers', \$5.

HAY AND MILLFEED.

Hay.—Baled, in car lots, track, Toronto, \$14 to \$15 for No. 1; No. 2, \$13 to \$13.50.

Straw.—Baled, in car lots, track, Toronto, \$7.50 to \$8.

Bran.—Car lots, on track, Toronto, in sacks, \$22.50 to \$23, and shorts \$2 more.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Receipts fairly large, with good demand, with prices practically the same. Creamery pound rolls, 27c. to 29c.; creamery solids, 27c. to 28c.; separator dairy, 23c. to 24c.; store lots, 20c. to 21c.

Eggs.—Owing to storage eggs becoming scarce, or stocks becoming less, prices are firmer for case lots of new-laid, which are worth from 32c. to 34c.; cold storage firm, at 27c.

Honey.—Extracted, 10½c.; combs, per dozen sections, \$2.25 to \$3.

Beans.—Market continues firm. Hand-picked, \$2.15 to \$2.25; primes, \$2 to \$2.10.

Potatoes.—Heavy supplies keep prices

low, at 45c. to 50c. per bag, for car lots, on track, Toronto.

Cheese.—Market is firm, but prices are unchanged. Large sell at 13c., and twins at 13½c.

Poultry.—Receipts continue light; prices very firm. Turkeys, 18c. to 20c.; geese and ducks, out of season, except cold storage, which sell as follows: Geese, 15c.; ducks, 16c. to 18c.; chickens, 16c. to 18c.; fowl, 14c.

HIDES AND WOOL.

E. T. Carter & Co., 85 East Front street, Toronto, report paying following prices: No. 1 inspected steers and cows, 12c.; No. 2 inspected steers and cows, 11c.; No. 3 inspected steers, cows and bulls, 10c.; country hides, 9c. to 9½c.; calf skins, 11c. to 13c.; horse hides, No. 1, \$2.75; horse hair, per lb., 32c.; tallow, per lb., 5½c. to 6½c.; sheep skins, 90c. to \$1 each. Wool and raw-fur prices given on request.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Apples of choice quality are scarce, but No. 2's are plentiful and cheap. Winter apples sell from \$1.25 to \$3, the latter price being for the best Spies. The bulk of sales are at \$2 to \$2.50 per barrel. Onions, per bag, \$1.10 to \$1.15; carrots, per bag, 40c. to 50c.; parsnips, per bag, 65c. to 75c.; beets, per bag, 55c. to 65c.; cabbage, per barrel, \$1.25 to \$1.50; turnips, per ton, \$6.50.

SEEDS.

The market for red and alsike clover seed is practically dead, none of the dealers being anxious to buy, and do not like to give quotations until there is a change. All are reported to have heavy stocks on hand, with no visible outlet for the present. Timothy seed is selling higher, at \$1.60 to \$1.80 per bushel.

Montreal.

Live Stock.—Owing to storms, as much as to anything else, the price of live stock was firm last week on the local market, and some advances took place, for instance, in cattle. Choice steers sold at 6½c. to 6½c. per lb., good at 5½c. to 6c., fair at 5½c. to 5½c., and medium at 4½c. to 5c. There was almost no demand from exporters. Lambs and sheep are bringing high prices, and the tone was still firm. Lambs sold at 7c. per lb., and sheep at 5c., while calves ranged, as usual, from \$3 to \$12 each. Although packers were not buying as readily, live hogs were firm, selects bringing 6½c. per lb. Packers declare that the high price has curtailed consumption of hog products by nearly 50 per cent.

Horses.—Price, as well as supply and demand, continues wonderfully steady, very few alterations taking place from time to time. Heavy draft, 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$225 to \$300 each; light draft, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$180 to \$240 each; smaller animals, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., \$100 to \$150 each, and old, broken-down animals, at \$75 to \$100 each, while choice saddle and carriage animals bring \$350 to \$500.

Dressed Hogs.—12½c. to 12½c. per lb.; country-dressed hogs, 12c. to 12½c. per lb. Owing to this being the Lenten season, the demand for all sorts of provisions and cured meats is light.

Potatoes.—One dealer declares that he bought best Green Mountains at 50c. per 90 lbs., carloads, track, while another says he offered 52½c., and did not secure them. Best stock might be had last week at 55c. to 57½c. per 90 lbs. On Monday, merchants claimed they would not pay over 50c.

Apples.—Considerable activity for the time of year, but prices show little change, and are, on the whole, firm, notwithstanding the large stocks. At auction, No. 2 apples sold at \$2 to \$2.50 per barrel; No. 3, \$1.25 to \$1.85 per barrel.

Eggs.—Fresh last week 32c. to 35c. Some American eggs have come in here, and this does not add strength to the local situation. Select held eggs were 28c., and No. 1 candled, 23c. to 24c. On Monday, prices were easy, at 32c. for fresh eggs.

Butter.—Wholesale merchants seem to have formed some sort of an association which has something to do with fixing prices. Higher figures are being asked, but whether they are being realized or not is difficult to say. It looks as

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though 24c. to 25c., wholesale, would cover the price of fresh makes last week, and 25½c. to 26c., that of finest held goods. Dairy butter was quoted at 22c. Single boxes of best creamery, 27c., and pound prints, 27½c.

Cheese.—Little interest in this market; very little stock. Prices, covering everything, were from 12c. to 12½c. per lb.

Grain.—Market for oats declined about ½c. during last week, sales being made at 45½c. to 46c. per bushel, carloads, track, for No. 2 Canadian Western; 44½c. to 45c. for No. 3; 43½c. to 44c. for No. 2 white Ontario, 1c. less for No. 3, and yet a cent less for No. 4. No. 2 barley is 59½c. to 60c.; No. 3, 58½c.; No. 4, 56½c., and feed barley, 54½c.

Flour.—Market steady, at \$5.80 per barrel, in bags, for No. 1 Manitoba patents; \$5.30 for seconds, and \$5.10 for strong bakers'; Ontario winter wheat patents, \$5.50 to \$5.60, and straight rollers, \$5.10 to \$5.25.

Feed.—The market shows no change, demand being good all round. Manitoba bran, \$22 per ton, in bags, and shorts \$23 per ton, while Ontario bran is \$22.50 to \$23, middlings being \$23.50 to \$24, pure grain mouille being \$31 to \$33, and mixed mouille, \$27 to \$29.

Hay.—Market for baled hay very firm, prices having advanced during last week. No. 1, cars, track, is quoted at \$14.50 to \$15 per ton; No. 2 extra, \$13.50 to \$14; No. 2 hay, \$12.50 to \$13; clover mixed, \$11.50 to \$12; clover, \$10.50 to \$11.50.

Seeds.—Farmers are apparently purchasing quite liberally for this period of the year, and prices are now, in 100-lb. lots, f. o. b., Montreal, as follows: Timothy seed, \$4.75 to \$7; red clover, \$18 to \$20, and alsike, \$14 to \$17.

Hides.—Steady last week, after the recent declines, being as follows: Beef hides, 9c., 10c. and 11c. per lb.; calf skins, 12c. and 14c.; sheep skins, \$1 each; horse hides, \$1.75 and \$2.25 each; tallow, rough, 1½c. to 4½c. per lb.; rendered, 5c. to 6c. per lb.

Chicago.

Cattle.—Steers, \$4.75 to \$8; cows, \$3.50 to \$5.50; heifers, \$3.40 to \$6; bulls, \$4 to \$5.25; calves, \$3 to \$9.25; stockers and feeders, \$3.50 to \$5.75.

Hogs.—Choice heavy, \$9.30 to \$9.40; butchers', \$9.25 to \$9.35; light mixed, \$9 to \$9.20; choice light, \$9.20 to \$9.25; packing, \$9.20 to \$9.30; pigs, \$8.90 to \$9.10; bulk of sales, \$9.15 to \$9.30.

Sheep and Lambs.—Sheep, \$5.50 to \$7.25; lambs, \$7.25 to \$9.10; yearlings, \$7.25 to \$8.50.

Buffalo.

Cattle.—Prime steers, \$6.60 to \$7.

Veals.—\$6 to \$11.50; a few, \$11.75.

Hogs.—Heavy and mixed, \$9.65 to \$9.70; Yorkers, \$9.55 to \$9.65; pigs, \$9.55 to \$9.60; roughs, \$8.75 to \$8.95; stags, \$7.50 to \$8; dairies, \$9.55 to \$9.60.

Sheep and Lambs.—Lambs, \$6.25 to \$9.25; yearlings, \$8 to \$8.50; ewes, \$6.25 to \$6.75.

British Cattle Markets.

Liverpool and London cables quote live cattle (American) at 12½c. to 13½c., dressed weight; refrigerator beef, 9½c. to 10c. per pound.