

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

HAY CHIEF OFFERING ON THE LOCAL MARKET

A Very Strong Demand for Oats Today—Big Market Expected Tomorrow.

There was a very small turnout at the local market this morning, hay being the only commodity offered in any quantity, and even it was not very greatly in evidence. There was a very strong demand for it, and it sold very readily, \$14.50 to \$15 being the prevailing price, though some local poorer quality went at a lower figure. There was a very strong demand for oats, but the supply offered was comparatively small, and did not in any way meet the demand. The prices, too, remained firm, \$1.20 being paid for good quality. Poorer stuff went as low as \$1.22.

There was a fair supply of straw offered, too, which found a good market, as there has been comparatively little offered for some time. The prices were from \$7.50 to \$8.00. It is expected that there will be a larger market tomorrow as the condition of the roads is considerably improved, and the farmers have been waiting for some time for a favorable opportunity of marketing their goods.

Prices remain as follows:

Wheat, per bu.	\$1.08	\$1.08
Oats, per bu.	1.20	1.20
Corn, per bu.	1.10	1.10
Barley, per bu.	1.10	1.10
Beans, per bu.	1.10	1.10
Peas, per bu.	1.10	1.10
Rye, per bu.	1.05	1.10

Hay and Straw.

Hay, per ton.	15.00	15.00
Straw, per ton.	7.50	8.00

Dairy Produce.

Butter, creamery, lb.	25	25
Butter, rolls, lb.	25	25
Eggs, fresh, doz.	32	32
Eggs, strained, doz.	30	30
Honey, in comb.	12	12

Poultry, Dressed.

Ducks, spring, lb.	14	15
Old ducks, lb.	10	12
Old fowl, lb.	10	12
Chickens, lb.	14	16
Geese, lb.	12	14

Poultry, Alive.

Old turkeys, lb.	15	15
Ducks, lb.	10	12
Young fowl, lb.	10	11

Purchasers' Meats.

Mutton, per cwt.	10.00	10.00
Veal, per cwt.	10.00	10.00
Spring lamb, lb.	11	11
Dressed hogs, per cwt.	11.25	11.50

Live Stock.

Small pigs, per lb.	5.50	10.00
Steak hogs, per cwt.	8.00	8.00
Swine, per cwt.	8.00	8.00
Small calves, per lb.	5.00	5.50
Witch cows, lb.	10	10

Hides and Wool.

Woolskins, each	75	110
Wool, each lb.	50	110
Wool, No. 1, lb.	4	10
Hides, No. 1, lb.	4	10
Hides, No. 2, lb.	4	10
Hides, No. 3, lb.	4	10

Fruits.

Apples, per bu.	1.50	2.00
Apples, per bag	50	1.00

PRODUCE.

TORONTO, Feb. 9.—Trade is unusually dull, and quotations are generally practically nominal. Oats are firm at 35c for No. 2 white. Barley offerings are advanced, but the market is stronger. Quotations on Manitoba wheat are as follows: Ontario No. 1, 1.15; No. 2, 1.10; No. 3, 1.05; No. 4, 1.00; No. 5, 0.95; No. 6, 0.90; No. 7, 0.85; No. 8, 0.80; No. 9, 0.75; No. 10, 0.70; No. 11, 0.65; No. 12, 0.60; No. 13, 0.55; No. 14, 0.50; No. 15, 0.45; No. 16, 0.40; No. 17, 0.35; No. 18, 0.30; No. 19, 0.25; No. 20, 0.20; No. 21, 0.15; No. 22, 0.10; No. 23, 0.05; No. 24, 0.00; No. 25, 0.00; No. 26, 0.00; No. 27, 0.00; No. 28, 0.00; No. 29, 0.00; No. 30, 0.00; No. 31, 0.00; No. 32, 0.00; No. 33, 0.00; No. 34, 0.00; No. 35, 0.00; No. 36, 0.00; No. 37, 0.00; No. 38, 0.00; No. 39, 0.00; No. 40, 0.00; No. 41, 0.00; No. 42, 0.00; No. 43, 0.00; No. 44, 0.00; No. 45, 0.00; No. 46, 0.00; No. 47, 0.00; No. 48, 0.00; No. 49, 0.00; No. 50, 0.00; No. 51, 0.00; No. 52, 0.00; No. 53, 0.00; No. 54, 0.00; No. 55, 0.00; No. 56, 0.00; No. 57, 0.00; No. 58, 0.00; No. 59, 0.00; No. 60, 0.00; No. 61, 0.00; No. 62, 0.00; No. 63, 0.00; No. 64, 0.00; No. 65, 0.00; No. 66, 0.00; No. 67, 0.00; No. 68, 0.00; No. 69, 0.00; 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