

MARKETS.

Toronto.

REVIEW OF LAST WEEK'S MARKETS

At West Toronto, on Monday, November 25, receipts of live stock numbered 88 cars, comprising 1,775 cattle, 591 hogs, 278 sheep, 39 calves; no business transacted. It looks like steady prices all round. Hogs, \$8.15 to \$8.20 fed and watered, and \$7.75 to \$7.85 f. o. b. cars.

The total receipts of live stock at the City and Union Stock-yards last week were as follows:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	69	402	471
Cattle	690	5,176	5,866
Hogs	1,060	8,349	9,409
Sheep	1,564	7,122	8,686
Calves	66	433	499
Horses	—	36	36

The total receipts of live stock at the two markets for the corresponding week of 1911 were as follows:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	866	298	649
Cattle	5,421	3,258	8,679
Hogs	6,860	7,260	14,120
Sheep	5,254	4,803	10,057
Calves	344	93	437
Horses	7	145	152

The combined receipts of live stock at the City and Union Stock-yards for the past week show a decrease of 178 cars, 2,813 cattle, 4,711 hogs, 1,371 sheep and lambs, and 116 horses; but an increase of 62 calves, compared with the same week of 1911.

It will be noted by the above figures that the receipts were not nearly as large as for the previous week, but quite sufficient to supply the demand. On account of the falling off in receipts of cattle, trade was more active. Prices were not any higher, but ruled steady to strong, at last quotations. The percentage of good to choice cattle was small compared with the large numbers of medium, common, and inferior. The top price for choice cattle for the previous week was \$6.40, while for last week \$6.35 was the highest reported. Medium, common, and inferior cattle sold more readily, but not at any higher quotations. There were many farmers, as well as drovers, on the market getting their supplies of stockers and feeders for winter feeding, which they got at 10c. to 25c. per cwt. cheaper than they would have got them two weeks ago when the buyers for the distilleries were on the market.

Butchers.—Choice butchers' cattle sold at \$6 to \$6.35; loads of good, \$5.60 to \$6; medium, \$5.25 to \$5.50; common, \$4.25 to \$5; inferior, \$3.75 to \$4.15; cows, \$3.50 to \$5.25, and odd heavy-weight cows of extra quality, sold up to \$5.40 and \$5.50; canners', \$2 to \$2.50; bulls, \$3 to \$5.25, and a few extra quality, good enough for export, at \$5.40, \$5.50, and one at \$6.10.

Stockers and Feeders.—There has been a fair demand, but prices were not as high as when the distillery buyers were on the market. Good steers, 900 to 1,000 lbs. each, sold at \$5 to \$5.25; steers, 850 to 900 lbs., at \$4.75 to \$5; good stockers, \$4.25 to \$4.50; common stockers, \$3.25 to \$4.

Milkers and Springers.—Fresh cows, and forward springers of good quality, are in excellent demand, and prices as good (if not better), are being paid, as at any time for many weeks. Most of the trading was in fairly good to very good cows, ranging at \$60 to \$75; anything reaching \$80 to \$85 being of choice class; although, big, well-bred Shorthorn or Holstein cows of attractive class will command \$95 to \$100. Cows of ordinary quality, sold around \$40 to \$50.

Calves.—Choice veal calves sold readily at \$8 to \$9 per cwt., and occasionally a new-milk-fed calf of choice quality brought \$9.50 per cwt.; medium to good calves, \$6 to \$7.50; common, rough, heavy, grass calves, sold from \$3 to \$4.25, and for some few \$5 per cwt. was paid.

Sheep and Lambs.—There was a good

demand all week for sheep and lambs, and prices ruled higher than in our last report. Sheep—Light ewes sold at \$4 to \$4.50; heavy ewes and rams sold at \$3 to \$3.75. Lambs—Prices ranged from \$6.25 to \$6.65, and as high as \$6.75 was paid for a few lots.

Hogs.—The bulk of the hogs for the past week sold at \$8.10 to \$8.20; but a few lots brought \$8.25, fed and watered, and \$7.75 to \$7.80 f. o. b. cars. The general range for hogs fed and watered was \$8 to \$8.25.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.—Ontario No. 2 red, white or mixed, 95c. to 97c., outside; inferior grades, down to 70c. Manitoba No. 1 northern, 90c.; No. 2 northern, 88c., track, lake ports; feed wheat, 70c., lake ports. Oats—Ontario, new, 36c. to 37c., outside; 40c., track, Toronto; Manitoba, No. 2, 41c.; No. 3, 40c., lake ports. Rye—No. 2, 83c. to 85c., outside. Peas—No. 2, \$1.10 to \$1.15, outside. Buckwheat—52c. to 53c., outside. Corn—No. 3 yellow, old, 65c., all rail, Toronto; new, No. 3 yellow, December shipment, 55c., track, Toronto. Barley—For malting, 60c. to 65c. (47-lb. test); for feed, 48c. to 60c., outside. Flour—Ninety-per-cent. winter-wheat patents, \$4.10 to \$4.25, delivered. Manitoba flour—Prices at Toronto are: First patents, \$5.70; second patents, \$5.20; in cotton, 10c. more; strong bakers', \$5 in June.

HAY AND MILLFEED.

Hay.—Baled, in car lots, track, Toronto, No. 1, \$14 to \$14.50. Straw.—Baled, in car lots, track, Toronto, \$10 to \$10.50. Bran.—Manitoba bran, \$22 to \$23 per ton; shorts, \$26; Ontario bran, \$23 in bags; shorts, \$25, car lots, track, Toronto.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Choice creamery butter firmer; other grades steady. Creamery pound rolls, 32c. to 33c.; creamery solids, 30c. to 31c.; separator dairy, 28c. to 30c.; store lots, 24c. to 26c. Eggs.—Strictly new-laid, 50c.; cold-storage, 28c. to 30c. Cheese.—Large, 14c.; twins, 15c. Honey.—No. 1 clover honey, extracted, 12c. per lb.; combs, per dozen sections, \$2.75 to \$3. Potatoes.—Ontarios, in car lots, track, Toronto, 85c.; New Brunswick Delawares, 90c. per bag, track, Toronto. Beans.—Broken car lots, \$2.90 per bag for primes, and \$3 for hand-picked. Poultry.—Dressed poultry, wholesale prices, were as follows: Turkeys, 20c. to 22c.; geese, 13c. to 14c.; ducks, 15c. to 16c.; chickens, 13c. to 15c.; hens, 11c. to 12c.

HIDES AND SKINS.

No. 1 inspected steers and cows, 15c.; No. 2 inspected steers and cows, 14c.; No. 3 inspected steers, cows and bulls, 13c.; country hides, cured, 13c. to 14c.; country hides, green, 11c. to 12c.; calf skins, per lb., 14c. to 17c.; lamb skin 85c. to \$1; horse hides, No. 1, \$3.50 each; horse hair, per lb., 37c.; tallow, No. 1, per lb., 5c. to 6c.

WOOL.

Unwashed, coarse, 13c.; unwashed, fine, 14c.; washed, coarse, 19c.; washed, fine, 22c.; rejects, 16c.

TORONTO SEED MARKET.

Alsike No. 1, per bushel, \$11.50 to \$12; alsike No. 2, per bushel, \$10.50 to \$11; alsike No. 3, per bushel, \$9.50 to \$10; timothy No. 1, per bushel, \$1.90 to \$2.25; timothy No. 2, per bushel, \$1.25 to \$1.60.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Apples are plentiful, at \$1.50 to \$2.50 per barrel; per basket, 15c. to 30c.; pears, 60c. to 80c. per basket; grapes, 30c. to 45c. per basket; tomatoes, 40c. to 50c. per basket, few on sale; quinces, 40c. to 50c.; celery, 30c. to 40c. per dozen; onions, Canadian, 90c. to \$1.10 per bag of 90 lbs.; carrots, 60c. per bag; turnips, 25c. to 30c. per bag; beets, 50c. per bag.

Cheese Markets.

Picton, Ont., 11 3-15c. to 11c.; Iroquois, Ont., 11c.; Napanee, Ont., 11c.; Cornwall, Ont., 11c. to 11c.; Brockville, Ont., bidding 11c., no sales; Belleville, Ont., 11 7-16c. to 11 11-16c.

Montreal.

Live Stock.—The local cattle market was on the easy side, owing to increased offerings and warmer weather. No choice steers were offering, and the best price obtained was in the vicinity of 5c. per lb., this being for good stock. From this, the price ranged down to 4c. to 4c. for medium grades, and as low as 3c. for common. Some cows sold as low as 3c., and bulls even lower—possibly 2c.—this being for canners' stock. The market for sheep was fairly firm, and sales were made at 4c. to 4c. per lb. for ewes. Lambs were firm also, and prices ranged all the way from 6c. to 6c. per lb. Calves continued at \$3 to \$12 each, according to quality, and hogs were 8c. to 9c. per lb., for selects, weighed off cars.

Horses.—Heavy draft horses, 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$300 to \$400 each; light draft, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$225 to \$300; light horses, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., \$125 to \$200; broken-down, \$75 to \$125, and choice saddle and carriage, \$850 to \$500.

Dressed Hogs.—One-quarter cent higher, at 12c. to 12c. per lb., for fresh-killed, abattoir-dressed stock.

Potatoes.—The market continues to firm up now that the colder weather is here or at hand, and Green Mountains are being quoted at 80c. to 85c. per 90 lbs., car lots, track, Quebec stock being 70c. to 80c. Potatoes bagged and delivered, 20c. more than these prices, in a jobbing way.

Eggs.—Market very firm, and strictly-fresh stock would bring a high price, being scarce. Selects were 32c. per dozen, and No. 1 eggs were 28c. to retail merchants.

Syrup and Honey.—Maple syrup was quoted at 8c. to 8c. per lb. in tins, and 6c. to 7c. in wood, while sugar was 8c. to 9c. per lb. Honey steady, being 16c. to 17c. for white-clover comb, and 12c. to 12c. for extracted. Dark comb was 14c. to 14c., and extracted was 8c. to 9c. per lb.

Poultry.—Dressed poultry was in demand, and prices were 18c. to 19c. for turkeys; 15c. to 16c. for ducks; 14c. to 16c. for chickens; 10c. to 12c. for fowl, and 12c. to 14c. for geese.

Butter.—Local market fairly steady. Finest creamery quoted at 30c. to 31c., in a jobbing way, the next being about 1c. cheaper. Dairy butter was 26c. to 26c. per lb.

Grain.—No. 2 Canadian Western oats, 45c. to 46c. per bushel; No. 1 extra feed oats, 45c. to 45c.; Ontario malting barley, 78c. to 80c.; No. 2 buckwheat, 56c. to 57c.; No. 3 yellow corn, 69c. to 70c.; choice peas, \$2.25 to \$2.30.

Flour.—Market for flour declined during the week another 20c. per barrel, being now \$5.70 for Manitoba first patents, and \$5.20 for seconds; strong bakers', \$4.90. Ontario patents, \$5.25 to \$5.35; straight rollers, \$4.95 to \$5; flour in June being 30c. per barrel less.

Hay.—Situation unchanged. No. 1 hay, \$14.50 to \$15 per ton; No. 2, \$13.50 to \$14 for extra, and \$12 to \$13 for ordinary; No. 3 hay, \$11 to \$11.50, and clover mixture, \$10 to \$10.50.

Millfeed.—Bran sold at \$22 per ton, in bags; shorts, \$26 to \$27 per ton; middlings, \$28 to \$30; mixed mouille, \$34 to \$35, and pure grain mouille, \$36 to \$38 per ton.

Hides.—Lamb skins advanced to 85c. and 90c. each. Beef hides, 13c., 14c. and 15c. per lb.; calf skins, 15c. and 17c. per lb., according to quality; horse hides, \$1.75 and \$2.50 each. Tallow, 1c. to 3c. per lb. for rough, and 6c. to 6c. for rendered.

Chicago.

Cattle.—Beeves, \$5.25 to \$10.55; Texas steers, \$4.30 to \$5.60; Western steers, \$5.50 to \$9; stockers and feeders, \$4.25 to \$7.50; cows and heifers, \$2.75 to \$7.40; calves, \$6.50 to \$10.

Hogs.—Light, \$7.35 to \$7.80; mixed, \$7.40 to \$7.85; heavy, \$7.35 to \$7.85; rough, \$7.35 to \$7.55; pigs, \$5.50 to \$7.50.

Sheep and Lambs.—Sheep, native, \$3.50 to \$4.40; Western, \$3.65 to \$4.35; yearlings, \$4.80 to \$5.85. Lambs, native, \$5.50 to \$7.25; Western, \$5.50 to \$7.25.

Buffalo.

Cattle.—Prime steers, \$9 to \$9.25; butchers', \$6 to \$8.65; bulls, \$4.25 to \$6.25; stock heifers, \$4.25 to \$4.65; shipping, \$7.50 to \$8.75; heifers, \$4.75 to \$7.50; cows, \$3 to \$6.65; stockers and feeders, \$4.50 to \$7; fresh cows and springers, \$35 to \$75.

Veals.—\$4 to \$11. Hogs.—Heavy, \$7.80 to \$7.85; mixed, \$7.70 to \$7.80; Yorkers and pigs, \$7.65 to \$7.75; roughs, \$6.30 to \$7; stags, \$5.50 to \$5.60; dairies, \$7.50 to \$7.75.

Sheep and Lambs.—Lambs, \$4.50 to \$7; yearlings, \$5 to \$5.25; ewes, \$2 to \$3.75; sheep, mixed, \$2 to \$4.

British Cattle Market.

John Rogers & Co. reports 11c. to 12c. per lb. for Irish steers.

GOSSIP.

Attention is called to the advertisement appearing in this issue, of Shire horses, the property of Hugh McPhail, Iona Station, Ont. These Shires are bred in the purple, and are one of the most attractive offerings ever made in Canada. They are all bred right, are big, and brim-full of quality. See the advertisement, and write Mr. McPhail for further particulars.

The Cross Fertilizer Co., Limited, Sydney, N. S., desire to inform our readers that their basic-slag fertilizer can be obtained from A. Guertin, 534 Notre Dame street W., Montreal, P. Q., as well as from headquarters, or through Alex. E. Wark, Wansstead, Ontario. Write the nearest address.

SALE DATES CLAIMED.

Dec. 5, 1912—Porter Bros., Appleby, Ont.; Shires.
Dec. 17, 1912—W. G. Milson, Goring, Ont.; Shorthorns.
Dec. 18, 1912—W. A. Bryant, Cairngorm, Ont.; Holsteins and Oxfords.
Dec. 31, 1912—C. R. Gies, Heidelberg, Ont.; Holsteins.
Jan. 1, 1913—Geo. Rice, Tillsonburg, Ont., manager; Holsteins.

GOSSIP.

A BIG SHORTHORN SALE.

W. G. Milson, Goring P. O., Ont., nine miles from Markdale Station, C. P. R., who has been breeding Shorthorns for many years, and whose herd now numbers some 36 head, has sold his farm and is giving up farming, and on Tuesday, December 17th, 1912, at the farm, Greengrove, will hold a dispersion sale of all his farm stock, implements, etc., including the entire herd of Shorthorns. The herd is one of the best in the noted stock county of Grey. It has always been kept up to a high standard by using a high-class sire on a high-class lot of females of most modern and fashionable breeding. Mr. Milson is a generous feeder, and his Shorthorns are always found in nice condition. Those to be sold are in condition fit to go anywhere, and among them are a number that have won their honors at local shows, and are fit to win in pretty strong company. There will be thirty females and six bulls, including the two stock bulls, Imp. Cyclone, the roan nine-year-old son of the noted show bull, Star of Destiny, one of the best sons of the great Star of Morning, dam Ceral Gem, a Constantine, by Lord Melville. Cyclone has proven himself a most successful sire. He now weighs 2,500 lbs., and is as useful as he ever was. The other bull is Lovely Lad =77916=, a Cruickshank Lovely, sired by the renowned Uppermill Omega (Imp.), and is one of the best sons of that great sire. His dam was Lovely Annie =79152=. He is a two-year-old, and weighs a ton. Low, thick-fleshed, and mellow, he is a kind fit to head any herd. Look up next week's issue, and write Mr. Milson for catalogue.