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BIG SUPPLY OF DRESSED HOGS

Price Was Forced Down on the Local Market This Morning.

HAY WAS PLENTIFUL

Very Little Grain Was Offered—Butter and Eggs Remain Unchanged.

The large supply of dressed hogs was the feature of an otherwise small market this morning. The supply was the greatest that has been in for some months, and the buyers had things all their own way.

The owners of the hogs would take nothing less than $10 50 per hundredweight, but the buyers refused to buy at this price, and the matter resolved itself into a waiting game, with the purchasers having all the advantage.

The price did come down to $10, but even this the buyers did not seem to be satisfied, and it is likely that the majority of the hogs will be sold at $9 75 per hundredweight before the day is out.

Hay Plentiful.

Hay was also very plentiful today, about 30 loads of choice timothy being brought in. The demand was not as good as yesterday, and the highest price paid was $15 per ton. The majority of loads sold at $13 50 and $13 per ton.

Straw was also prominent. About a half dozen loads sold at prices ranging from $6 to $6 50. The demand was only fair, and the quality of the straw was not of the kind to encourage buyers.

Vegetables were an absent quantity today, and there was little doing in butter and eggs. Egg prices are unchanged, and there is very little indication of a change for Saturday. The cold weather has interfered a little with the supply.

Very Little Grain.

Grain was a little in evidence. Ten loads of oats and three loads of wheat gave the buyers a chance to bid. The highest price for oats was $1 05 per hundredweight, while wheat brought the usual price of 85 cents per bushel. The demand for oats is very good, but the wheat demand is very weak.

Poultry prices are about the same. Chickens are quite in demand, but the supply is considerably larger than the demand. Following are the quotations:

Grain, Per Cwt.

Barley, per cwt	$1 05	to	$1 05
Oats, per cwt	1 00	to	1 05
Wheat, per cwt	1 42	to	1 42

Grain, Per Bushel.

New wheat, per bu	85	to	85

Hay and Straw.

Hay, per ton	12 00	to	14 00
Straw, per ton	7 00	to	7 00

Dairy Produce.

Butter, store lots, lb	19	to	20
Butter, creamery, lb	27	to	30
Butter, fancy, retail, lb	24	to	25
Butter, choice dairy, lb			
Wholesale	22	to	24
Eggs, cold, wholesale	24	to	25
Eggs, fresh laid, dozen	27	to	28
Honey, strained, per lb	11	to	12
Honey, sections, dozen	1 50	to	2 00

Poultry, Dressed.

Turkeys, lb, retail	22	to	22
Turkeys, lb, wholesale	20	to	21
Chickens, per pair	1 50	to	1 75
Chickens, lb, wholesale	14	to	15
Chickens, lb, retail	15	to	16
Old fowl, per lb	10	to	11
Ducks, per pair	1 25	to	1 75
Ducks, lb, wholesale	15	to	15
Ducks, lb, retail	15	to	16
Geese, lb, wholesale	12	to	13
Geese, lb, retail	14	to	14

Poultry, Alive.

Ducks, per lb	10	to	12
Chickens, per pair	90	to	1 25
Old fowl, per lb	9	to	9
Chickens, per lb	10	to	11

Butchers' Meats.

Beef, by the carcase	9 00	to	10 00
Mutton, per cwt	9 00	to	9 50
Yearling lambs, lb	11	to	13
Dressed hogs, cwt	9 75	to	10 00
Veal, per cwt	10 00	to	12 00
Pork, forequarters, lb	11	to	12
Pork, hindquarters, lb	12	to	12½

Live Stock.

Select hogs, cwt	7 00	to	7 00
Fat sows, cwt	4 25	to	4 50
Stags, per cwt	2 00	to	2 50
Export cattle, cwt	5 00	to	6 50
Milch cows, each	40 00	to	60 00
Small pigs, pair	5 00	to	10 00

Hides and Wools.

Lambskins, each	30	to	33
Wool, washed, per lb	19	to	20
Wool, unwashed, lb	11	to	12
Hides, No 1, per lb	7½	to	7½
Hides, No 2, per lb	6½	to	6½
Hides, No 3, per lb	5½	to	6½
Calfskins, per lb	10	to	12
Tallow, rough, lb	2½	to	3
Tallow, rendered, lb	5	to	5½
Sheepskins, each	45	to	65

Vegetables.

Potatoes, per bag	70	to	75
Lettuce, per dozen	20	to	30
Celery, dozen bunches	50	to	60
Carrots, per bu	25	to	25
Cabbage, per dozen	30	to	40
Beets, per bu	40	to	40
Onions, per bu	1 00	to	1 25
Parsnips, per bu	45	to	45

Fruit.

Apples, per bbl	3 00	to	5 00
Apples, per bu	1 50	to	1 50

PRODUCE.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 8.—Wheat closed: May, $1 00¼; July, $1 01¼; cash, No. 1 hard, $1 02¼; No. 1 northern, $1 00¼ to $1 01¼; No. 2 northern, 97c to 99¾c; No. 3 northern, 95¾c to 97¾c. Bran, $22. Flour, first patents, $4 55 to $4 95; second patents, $4 45 to $4 85; first clears, $2 90 to $3 30; second clears, $1 95 to $2 55.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 8.—The wheat market here broke 7½c before 1 o'clock. After this a better foreign inquiry for wheat, exporters bidding and the taking of profits by shorts, resulted in a reaction, which continued until the market closed. There was good demand for cash wheat, but little was offered, and exporters state they want No. 2, 3, 4 and 5 northern, but are unable to get any in any appreciable quantity. Wheat, cash, No. 1 northern, 91⅜c; No. 2 northern, 89½c; No. 3 northern, 86½c; No. 4, 81c; feed, 74½c. Oats, No. 2 white, 31½c; No. 3 white, 30½c; extra feed, 30½c. Barley, No. 3, 49½c; No. 4, 46c. Flax, No. 1 northwestern, $2 45; No. 1 Manitoba, $2 42.

MONTREAL, Feb. 8.—Eggs selected, 31c to 32c; No. 1 stock, 25c; No. 2, 21c to 23c.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Eggs easy; receipts, 11,900 cases; fresh gathered, 19½c to 24c; fresh gathered, dirties, 15c to 18c; refrigerator, 16c asked. State, Pennsylvania and nearby hennery, white, 30c.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 9.—Closing—Wheat, spot dull; No. 2 red western winter, no stock; futures quiet; March, 7s 8¼d; May, 6s 11½d. Flour—Winter patents firm, 29s 6d. Hops in London (Pacific coast), firm, £4 6s to £5 6s. Beef—Extra India mess, easy, 73s 9d. Pork—Prime mess western, dull, 96s 3d; hams, short cut, 14 to 16 pounds, quiet, 59s; bacon, Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 pounds, quiet, 60s 6d; short ribs, 16 to 24 pounds, steady, 62s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 pounds, easy, 58s 6d; long clear middles, light, 26 to 34 pounds, easy, 63s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 pounds, easy, 63s; short clear backs, 16 to 20 pounds, quiet, 55s; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 pounds, easy, 54s. Lard—Prime western in tierces, easy, 50s; American refined in pails, easy, 50s 9d. Cheese—Canadian finest white, new, firm, 58s 6d; Canadian finest colored, new, firm, 61s. Turpentine Spirits—Firm, 59s 6d. Rosin—Common firm, 19s 4½d. Petroleum—Refined steady, 6½d. Linseed Oil—Nominally 51s 6d.

[From Charles Head & Co., by private wire to J. J. Tearney.]

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	94½	95⅛	94⅛	95
July	93⅛	93½	92¾	93⅝
Corn—				
May	49⅞	49½	49	49½
July	50⅛	50⅜	49⅞	50⅜
Oats—				
May	32⅛	32⅛	31¾	[illegible]
Pork—				
May	17 85	18 07	17 85	18 07
Lard—				
May	9 25	9 70	9 52	9 70

[Special to H. C. Becher.]

WINNIPEG, Feb. 9.—The following are the closing wheat prices today: May, 97¾c; July, 98⅝c.

HAY

TORONTO, Feb. 8.—Baled hay—No. 1 timothy, $13 50 to $15; inferior, $10 50, on track here. Baled straw—$6 50 to $7, on track here.

WOOL.

TORONTO, Feb. 8.—Wool—Mercantile fleece, 21c to 22c; unwashed wool, 12c to 14c; rejects, 16c.

POTATOES.

TORONTO, Feb. 9.—Potatoes—Wholesale quotations range from $1 to $1 10 per bag, out of store, and 90c to 95c per bag is being charged on car lots.

FLAXSEED.

CHICAGO, Feb. 8.—Flaxseed, No. 1 southwestern, $2 55½; No. 1 northwestern, $2 48½. Timothy seed, $8 50 to $10 50. Clover, $14 75.

COTTON

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Cotton—Futures barely steady. Closing bids: February, 14.06; March, 14.17; April, 14.24; May, 14.32; June, 14.36; July, 14.36; August, 14.07; October, 13.18; December, 13.07. Spot closed quiet, five points lower; middling uplands, 14.40; middling gulf, 14.65; sales, none.

LIVE STOCK

TORONTO, Feb. 9.—Cattle—Trade active, prices steady. There were about 1,100 cattle, 520 sheep and lambs, 1600 hogs and 140 calves offered; cattle, choice, $6 to $6 25; export cattle, medium, $5 75 to $6; export bulls, $4 75 to $5 25; butchers' cattle, choice, $5 75 to $6; butchers' cattle, medium, $5 to $5 50; butchers' cattle, common, $4 50 to $5; butchers' cows, choice, $5 to $5 40; butchers' cows, common to medium, $4 to $5; bulls, choice, $5 to $5 25; bulls, fair to good, $4 to $4 50; bulls, bologna, $3 25 to $3 50; feeders, $5 to $5 25; stockers, $4 75 to $5; stockers, light, $4 25 to $4 50; canners, $2 to $2 25; milch cows, choice, $60 to $75; milch cows, common to medium, $35 to $50; spring cows, $35 to $70. Sheep and lambs—Spring ewes, $4 50 to $4 75; south bucks, $3 25 to $3 50; spring lambs, $6 to $6 60. Calves—Steady, $3 50 to $8 75. Hogs, steady, fed, $9 75 and watered, $9 50.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—Cattle—Receipts estimated at 7,000; market slow but steady; beeves, $5 to $8 90; Texas steers, $4 75 to $5 75; western steers, $4 10 to $5 75; cows and heifers, $2 85 to $5 40; calves, $7 25 to $9. Hogs—Receipts estimated at 36,000; market 5 to 10c lower; light, $7 45 to $7 85; mixed, $7 25 to $7 65; heavy, $7 05 to $7 60; roughs, $7 05 to $7 25; good to choice heavy, $7 25 to $7 60; pigs, $7 45 to $7 80; bulk of sales at $7 45 to $7 60. Sheep—Receipts estimated at 22,000; market weak to 10c lower; native, $3 50 to $4 90; westerns, $3 50 to $4 90; yearlings, $4 50 to $5 50; lambs, native, $4 25 to $6 25; westerns, $4 50 to $6 25.

DETROIT, Feb. 8.—Michigan Central Stockyards—Cattle—Receipts, 231; market steady to 10c higher than last Thursday's range of prices. We quote best steers and heifers, $6; good to choice butcher steers, 1000 to 1200 lbs., $5 25 to $5 75; light to good butcher steers and heifers, 700 to 900 lbs., $4 25 to $5; mixed butchers' cattle, cows $4 25 to $4 75; canners, $2 75 to $3 25; common bulls, $3 75 to $4 50; good stockers' bulls, $4 75 to $5. Veal calves—Receipts, 59; market steady at last week's prices; best grades, $9 to $9 50; others, $4 to $8 50. Milch cows and springers, $40 to $75. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 2,200; market strong at prices 25c to 25c above last Thursday's range; best lambs, $7 75 to $8 00; fair to good lambs, $7 25 to $7 50; light to common lambs, $6 50 to $7; fair to good buck lambs, $5 50 to $6; culls and common, $5 to $5 50. Hogs—Receipts, 237; market slow to 5c lower; indications are that last week's closing prices will be paid; range of prices at last week's closing light to good butchers, $7 50 to $7 65; pigs, $7 75 to $7 85; light Yorkers, $7 75; roughs, $7 25 to $7 50; heavy hogs, $7 50 to $7 65; stags one-third off.

EAST BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 9.—Cattle—Receipts, 300; steady. Hogs—Receipts, 3,000; slow; heavy, $8 to $8 05; yorkers, $8 to $8 05; pigs, $8 05; roughs, $7 50 to $7 75; stags, one-third off. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 3,000; steady to 10c higher; lambs, $5 25 to $8 25; yearlings, $5 to $5 25; wethers, $5 25; ewes, $5 to $5 25; mixed sheep, $5 to $5 25. Calves—Receipts, 300; 50c higher; $5 to $10 50.

BEANS.

DETROIT, Feb. 8.—Beans, Stock Exchange, $2 per bushel for hand-picked, and $1 90 for ordinary.

CLOVER SEED.

TOLEDO, Feb. 8.—Clover seed, Prime spot, $8 35; March, $8 35; April, $8 35; May, $8 40; August, $8 40; October, $8 40; December, $8 40.

DETROIT, Feb. 8.—Clover seed, Prime spot, $8 35; March, $8 35; April, $8 35; May, $8 40; August, $8 40; October, $8 40; December, $8 40.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Sugar—Raw, firm; fair refining, 3.96c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4.46c; molasses sugar, 3.71c. Refined, steady. Cut loaf, 5.75c; crushed, 5.55c; powdered, 5.15c; granulated, 5.05c; fine granulated, 4.95c; cubes, 5.20c. Wholesale grocers quote per cwt in bags: Extra granulated, 4.80c; fine granulated, 4.90c; standard granulated, 4.85c; fine granulated, 4.95c; No. 1 yellow, 3.80c. Lawrence quotes: Extra fine granulated, $5 05 do Acadia, $4 95; unbranded Acadia yellow, $4 70; in barrels, 10c more. Ontario granulated, $4 95; Lantic granulated, $5 05; Lantic yellow, $4 85. St. Lawrence granulated, $4 95; No. 1 yellow, $4 65.

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NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—Noon.—There were a good deal of irregularities and uncertain short sale movements and market operations in the first half of the forenoon. Those taking the bear side of the market had much to say about anticipating decisions in anti-trust suits when the supreme court convenes on Feb. 20, and some brokers a live in the belief that the decisions will be rendered against the government in the Harriman case, and that the Standard Oil case will be sent back for further hearing. The selling of Union Pacific, brought up predictions of a decision being close at hand in the Southern Pacific merger suit. Reading was weak and some stop orders were reached, but support was met with buying from banking interests at lower range. C. P. R. was strong, supposed to be on direct Canadian buying.

Closing prices of American stocks in London: Anaconda, 40; Atchison, 107½; C. P. R., 236¾; Erie, 34¾; Erie, first, 50¾; Illinois, 156; Louisville and Nashville, 147¾; New York Central, 113¾; Pennsylvania, 129½; Reading, 159¾; Southern Pacific, 119¾; St. Paul, 132; Union Pacific, 179¼; U. S. Steel, 80¾; U. S. Steel, pfd., 121¼.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9

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	Open.	High.	Low.	2 p.m.
Amal. Copper	65¼	65⅞	65⅛	65½
Anaconda Copper	40¼	40⅝	40	40
Amer. Beet Sugar	44¼	44¼	44½	45¾
Amer. Locomotive	41⅝	42	41⅝	42
American Foundry	57	57	56½	56½
American Smelters	90	89½	88⅞	89⅞
Amer. Cotton Oil	59¼	59¼	58¾	59⅝
Atchison, com	107¼	107⅝	106⅞	107⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	107⅞			107½
Brooklyn Transit	78¼	78½	78⅛	78½
Canadian Pacific	219	211	209⅞	210⅞
Central Leather	32			32
Chesapeake & Ohio	56	56⅞	55½	56⅞
Consolidated Gas	142¾	143¾	141⅞	143¾
Col. Fuel & Iron	25½	26	25½	25⅞
Erie, com	30⅞	32¼	30⅞	32⅛
Erie, 1st pfd	49⅞	50¼	49⅝	50½
G. Northern, pfd	129½	129½	129¼	129½
G. Northern Ore	62½	62½	62½	62½
Illinois Central	156	156¼	156	156¼
Inter-Metropolitan	10¼			
Inter-Met., pfd	55½	54½	53½	54⅛
Kansas Southern	34⅞	34¼	34	34
Kansas & Texas	36	36¼	36	36¼
Lehigh Valley	174	179	178	179
Louisville & Nash	147			
Mexican Central	23⅞			
Minn & St. Paul	159	159¼	159	159¼
Missouri Pacific	56	56⅞	55⅞	56⅞
New York Central	112½	113¾	112½	113¾
Northern Pacific	127⅞	128⅞	127⅞	128⅞
Norfolk & Western	107			
National Lead	56⅞	56⅞	55½	55½
Ontario & Western	41½	41	40½	41
Pennsylvania	129	129½	129	129½
People's Gas	106⅞	106⅞	106⅞	106⅞
Pressed Steel Car	29½	29¼	28½	28⅞
Railway Spring	37			
Reading	159⅞	161⅞	159¼	160⅞
Republic Steel	30			
Rock Island, com	19			19½
Rock Island, pfd	39½			
Sloss Sheffield Steel	57¼	58⅞	57¼	58⅞
Southern Railway	28⅞	28⅞	28¼	28⅞
Southern Ry., pfd	65	65½	65¼	65½
Southern Pacific	119⅞	119⅞	119⅞	119⅞
Southern Railway, 5s	107⅞			107⅞
Tennessee Copper	37⅞	37⅞	37⅞	37⅞
Texas Pacific	17⅞			17⅞
Union Pacific	179¼	179¼	178⅞	179¼
Utah Copper	41⅞			41⅞
U. S. Rubber	51⅞			51⅞
U. S. Rubber, pfd	106			106
U. S. Steel	80⅞	80¾	80⅛	80¾
U. S. Steel, pfd	121¼			121¼
Virginia-Carolina	34			34
Virginia-Carolina, pfd	90			90
Western Union	57⅞			57⅞

TORONTO STOCK UP TO 1 P.M.

	Sales.	Low.	High.	Close.
Dominion Bank	3	214	214	214
Imperial Bank	2	225	225	225
Merchants' Bank	1	158	158	158
Metropolitan Bank	25	150	150	150
Molsons Bank	2	185	185	185
Bank of Montreal	3	211	211	211
Traders' Bank	2	144	144	144
Union Bank	1	155½	155½	155½
Agricultural Loan	10	101	101	101
Canada Landed	1	157½	157½	157½
Central Canada	2	200	200	200
Great Western Permanent	1	125	125	125
Hamilton Provident	1	120	120	120
Huron and Erie	1	200	200	200
London and Canadian	1	117	117	117
Real Estate Loan	1	155	155	155
Toronto Mortgage	1	130	130	130
Toronto Savings	1	160	160	160
Union Trust	1	165	165	165
Black Lake	25	3½	3½	3½
Black Lake, pfd	5	17½	17½	17½
Canada Northern	5	88½	88½	88½
Dominion Steel	5	24	24	24
Mexican L. and P.	5	91½	91½	91½
Province of Ontario	1	94	94	94
Rio Janeiro	5	99¾	99¾	99¾
Morning sales—Soo Paper, 25 at 19¾; Soo Pulp, 25 at 5; Can. Pacific Ry., 50 at 219; Rio, 5 at 99¾; Soo, 25 at 99½; Can. Pacific Ry., 25 at 219¼; Rio, 10 at 99¾; Soo, 50