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return a profit even though the demand is good. The demand for drafters is falling off somewhat as trade with the West is over for this season. Still those offered sell at good prices. Ninety head sold last week out of 102 offered. Heavy draft horses sold at $160 to $220; general purpose and wagon horses at $140 to $185; drivers at $150 to $190 and serviceably sound horses at $40 to $110 each. A fine bunch of horses, mostly wagon horses and drivers will be on sale at the Exchange this week.

LIVE STOCK

There was a fair run of live stock during the week. Some good stable-fed cattle are still coming forward but the bulk are grassers or stable-fed and finished on grass. There are too many unfinished cattle being marketed. Why farmers will persist in selling their beef animals before they are ready is a mystery. They certainly lose money by so doing. There is no excuse for it as there must be abundance of good pasturage in the country. It will pay to keep them a week or two longer and have them well finished before selling. Drovers complain that it is very hard to get good cattle in many parts of the country at any time, let alone during a time of scarcity like the present. Farmers do not give as much attention to producing good beef as other lines of stock. They have cattle to sell, but they are far from what are classed as fine beeves. Trade has ruled fair during the week. All stall-fed cattle are firm. Grass-fed are inclined to be weaker.

The export market for choice cattle keeps firm and is likely to continue so for a time. Cable quotations are 13c to 15c a lb., dressed weight, and 10½c to 10¾c a lb. for refrigerator beef. At last Monday's market at the Union Stock Yards one choice load of exporters would have brought $6.75 a cwt. had it been sold separately from the other lots the drover had on sale, but he preferred to sell together. This strong feeling remained during the week and good well-finished steers sold at $6.40 with higher values for prime quality. Export bulls sold at $4.75 to $5.25 a cwt.

Prime butchers' cattle are in demand. Some picked lots sold at $5.80 to $6 a cwt., while two very choice Polled-Angus cattle sold at $6.15 a cwt. Loads of good to choice cattle sold at $5.50 to $5.80; medium $5.15 to $5.50; common to medium $4.50 to $5; good cows $4.50 to $5; medium cows, $3.25 to $4.35, and common cows $3 to $3.50 a cwt.

Stockers and feeders are more plentiful and as the demand has fallen off prices have declined. Mr. W. J. Thorn of Sidney, Manitoba, was on the market last week with fine car loads of western stockers and feeders. Quotations are: feeders, 800 to 1000 lbs. each, $3.25 to $4, and stockers, $3 to $3.25 a cwt. Farmers having plenty of grass would do well to hold their cattle as prices are likely to go lower.

There was barely demand enough to take all the milch cows and springers offering and the market ruled easy. They sold at $30 to $57 each with one or two of extra quality going as high as $65 each.

The market for veal calves was firmer and all of good quality sold at $5.50 to $6 a cwt. Prices for the run ranged from $3.50 to $5.50 a cwt. At East Buffalo veals sold at $5 to $7 a cwt.

The run of sheep and lambs last week was large and the market was easier. There are those in the trade who look for still lower values for sheep and also for lambs. Both Buffalo and Chicago markets are quoted lower. Export ewes sold at $4 to $4.25 and rams at $3 to $3.50 a cwt. and spring lambs at $7 to $8 a cwt. or $3 to $5 each.

The hog market has a decidely better tone and prices are about on a par with what they were a year ago at this time. Selects sold on Toronto market at $6.30 and lights at $6.05 a cwt., fed and watered. $6.25 a cwt. was a common price at country points and $6.40 a cwt. is reported to have been paid in one section. At Buffalo last week the bulk of the sales were made at $6 to $6.50 a cwt.

THIS WEEK'S HOG PRICES

The Wm. Davies Company, Toronto, will pay $6.25 and $6.30 a cwt. f.o.b. at country points this week for hogs. The market situation has very much improved. The bacon market is higher and the situation all round is much stronger.

The Trade Bulletin's London Cable of June 25th re bacon is as follows: "The market is firm at an advance of 4s. Arrivals from the continent today and tomorrow lighter than last week."

EXPORT BUTTER AND CHEESE

Montreal, Sat., June 27th.—We have experienced an extremely active demand for cheese from the United Kingdom during the past week, and as a consequence we are again ending the week with practically bare boards, everything that came in this week having been shipped out to fill the orders that have been received during the past week. The keen demand for export has had the natural effect of firming up the country markets, and at all points buyers were apparently anxious for cheese and prices ruled all the way from 11⅝c to 12 1-16c. The latter prices ruled at two or three of the Eastern Ontario markets, whilst the Western Ontario markets sold at about 11⅞c. It is doubtful if the British demand will be maintained at this high level, as receipts are heavy, totalling fully 100,000 boxes this week, and this is a large quantity for the British trade to put away weekly at this season of the year or at any time in fact unless a portion of the goods is being bought for speculative purposes. There does not seem to be any buying of this kind going on as all the goods bought are being shipped out immediately, the shipment for this week being actually a few thousand more than were received, and further prices are too high for speculative purposes, and in this connection the local operators are not likely to forget the experience of last season.

The trade in butter from the export standpoint has experienced a setback due to the sharp advance in prices last week which evidently carried the goods beyond the reach of the British importer. Prices are coming back now and most of this week's purchases will cost nearer 25c in the country and even at this range there does not seem any immediate prospect of the demand from the other side coming on again.

MONTREAL PRODUCE TRADE

Montreal, Sat., June 27th.—BUTTER.—Prices for butter have ruled steady at the recent advance, although there does not seem to have been as much zip to the demand. Dealers look upon present prices as too high and bound to recede and are consequently buying only from hand to mouth. Quotations range from 24c to 24½c for choice creamery in prints and 23½c to 24c in solids.

EGGS.—Receipts are falling off somewhat, and as there is only a fair demand prices are inclined to be easy. We quote selects, which are comparatively scarce at 18½c to 19c. No. 1 stock at 15½c to 16c and No. 2 at 14c.

CHEESE.—There is a good demand from the local trade at 12½c to 13c. Finest old cheese is getting scarcer and commands 14c a lb.

MONTREAL HOG MARKET

Montreal, Sat., June 27th.—The market for live hogs took a turn for the better this week owing to the comparatively light receipts, and also on account of the improvement in the advices from the other side which indicate higher prices ruling there for Canadian bacon. The offerings this week were bought up at prices showing an advance over last week of fully 25c a 100 lbs., and quotations ranged from $6.50 to $6.75 a 100 lbs. for selected lots weighed off cars.

There is nothing special to say about dressed hogs. There is a fairly good demand from all sources at $9.00 to $9.25 a 100 lbs. for fresh killed abbatoir stock.

PETERBORO FARMERS' MARKET

Peterboro, Ont., June 27th, 1908.—As is usual at this time of year, the market is very small and farm produce, outside of butter, poultry and eggs, is somewhat scarce. Farmers have not the time at this busy season to drive in and dispose of their wares. Prices ruling this morning are as follows:

EGGS.—New laid, 17c a doz.

BUTTER.—Dairy butter sold from 20c to 23c a lb., with the bulk at 21c and 22c.

POULTRY.—Dressed chickens, 75c to $1.25 a pr.; ducks, 65c each; turkeys, $1.75 to $2.25, according to size and quality; live hens, 40c each.

POTATOES.—85c to 90c a bag.

VEGETABLES.—Onions, radishes and lettuce, 3 bunches for 10c.

HAY AND STRAW—Hay, $9 to $12 a ton; straw, $4 to $6 a load.

VEAL.—Hind quarters, 8c a lb.; fore, 7c.

PORK.—Young pigs, $5 to $6 a pr.; live hogs, $6 a cwt.

PETERBORO HOG MARKET

Peterboro, Ont., June 27, 1908.—Owing to the high prices of beef in the United States, the demand for pork products has increased considerably and reports from there as well as from the Old Country market, have strengthened the local market a lot. This has caused a slight rise in price. The Geo. Matthews Co., quote the following prices for this week's shipments: f.o.b. country points, $6.10 a cwt.; delivered at abattoir, $6.25.

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