

MARKETS.

Toronto.

LIVE STOCK.

Export Cattle—Demand for exporters brisk, and trade active. Prices rather firmer. Choice, \$4.60 to \$5; good to medium, \$4 to \$4.50; others, \$3.75 to \$4; bulls, \$3.50 to \$4, and cows, \$2.75 to \$3.50.

Butcher Cattle—Picked lots, \$4.10 to \$4.50; good to choice, \$3.75 to \$4; fair to good, \$3 to \$3.50; common, \$2.50 to \$3; cows, \$2 to \$2.75; bulls, \$1.75 to \$2.25, and canners, \$1.75 to \$2.50.

Stockers and Feeders—Short-keep feeders, \$3.60 to \$4; good feeders, \$3.40 to \$3.65; medium, \$2.50 to \$3.50; bulls, \$2 to \$2.75; good stockers, \$2.80 to \$3.50; rough to common, \$2 to \$2.70, and bulls, \$1.75 to \$2.50.

Milch Cows—Active. \$30 to \$60 each.

Calves—\$4 to \$12 each, and 4c. to 6½c. per lb.

Sheep and Lambs—Trade steady to firm. Export sheep, \$4.25 to \$4.40 per cwt. for export ewes, \$3.25 to \$3.50 for bucks, and \$3 to \$3.50 for culls. Lambs firmer at \$6 to \$6.30 per cwt. for ewes and wethers, and \$5.50 to \$6 for mixed culls, etc.

Hogs—Market very firm, with deliveries light. \$6.25 for choice lightweights, and \$6 for heavies.

HORSES.

The New Year's trade in the local horse market has started off well, and dealers report a fair volume of business last week, though the unseasonable weather conditions had a tendency to curtail transactions. However, commercial lines continue to reflect activity, particularly heavy drafters, which are in good demand for out-of-town points. A number of private sales of carriage horses and drivers are reported, but nothing unusual in the way of prices has been paid for these classes of late. Delivery horses and expressers have been a slow sale, but fortunately the offerings have not been excessive, and prices, on the whole, are well maintained at the previous level. The average prices obtained during the week in the sale-rings follow:

Single roadsters, 15 to 16 hands	\$125 to \$160
Single cobs and carriage horses, 15 to 16.1 hands	125 to 170
Matched pairs and carriage horses, 15 to 16.1 hands	300 to 400
Delivery horses, 1,100 to 1,200 lbs.	125 to 175
General-purpose and expressers, 1,200 to 1,350 lbs.	125 to 175
Drafters, 1,350 to 1,750 lbs.	140 to 180
Serviceable second-hand workers	50 to 80
Serviceable second-hand drivers	50 to 80

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat—Ontario—78c. for No. 2 white, and 77c. for red and mixed, outside; goose and spring, 73c. to 74c.

Millfeed—Ontario—Bran, scarce, at \$15.50 to \$16 per ton, in car lots, outside; shorts, \$17 to \$18. Manitoba—Bran, \$17 to \$17.50; shorts, \$18.50 to \$19.50, at Toronto and equal freight points.

Oats—Offerings very light, and the market firm at 35c., outside.

Barley—Little demand, 46c. for No. 2, 44c. for No. 3, extra, and 41c. for No. 3, outside.

Peas—Firm, with fair demand, 77c. to 78c., outside.

Rye—Firm, at 70c., outside.

Buckwheat—Nominal, 51c. to 52c., outside.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter—Is steady, with a good demand for all lines. Creamery, 24c. to 25c.; solids, 23c. to 24c. Dairy lb. rolls, good to choice, 21c. to 22c.; dairy tubs, 21c. to 22c.; medium, 20c. to 21c.; inferior, 19c. to 20c.

Cheese—13c. for large, and 13½c. for twins.

Eggs—New-laid are quoted at 30c., fresh and cold-storage at 21c. to 22c., and limed at 20c.

Poultry—Fat chickens, 8c. to 9c.; thin, 7c. to 8c. Fat hens, 6½c. to 7½c.; thin, 5½c. to 7c. Ducks, 11c. to 12c.; thin, 6c. to 8c.; geese, 10c. to 11c.; turkeys, 13c., with 13½c. for choice small lots.

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Potatoes—The demand for choice stock is good. Ontario, 65c. to 75c. per bag, on track, here; 75c. to 80c., out of store; Eastern, 75c. to 80c., on track, and 90c. to 95c., out of store.

Honey—There is a fair demand, and the market is steady at \$1.25 to \$2 per dozen for combs, and 7c. to 8c. per lb. for strained.

Beans—\$1.75 to \$1.80 for hand-picked, \$1.65 to \$1.75 for prime, and \$1.25 to \$1.50 for undergrades.

Baled Hay—\$8 per ton for No. 1 timothy in car lots here, and \$6 for No. 2.

Baled Straw—Quiet and easy at \$6 per ton for car lots, on track here.

HIDES AND TALLOW.

E. T. Carter & Co., 85 East Front St., wholesale dealers in wool, hides, calf skins and sheep skins, tallow, etc., quote: Inspected hides, No. 1 steers, 11c.; inspected hides, No. 2 steers, 10c.; inspected hides, No. 1 cows, 10½c.; inspected hides, No. 2 cows, 9½c.; country hides, flat, 9c. to 9½c.; calf skins, No. 1, selected, 13c.; sheep skins, \$1.20 to \$1.25; horse hides, \$3 to \$3.25; tallow, rendered, 4c. to 4½c.

FARMERS' MARKET.

(Retail Prices.)

Dressed hogs, light, cwt., \$9; heavy, \$8.50. Butter, 26c. to 27c. Eggs, 35c. to 45c. Spring chickens, dressed, 7c. to 8c.; live, 5c. Old, dressed, 7c.; live, 4c. Turkeys, dressed, 14c. to 15c.; live, 12c. Geese, live, 8c.; dressed, 10c. to 12c. Potatoes, per bag, \$1 to \$1.10; apples, bbl., \$1.50 to \$3; Turnips, bag, 50c. Beef, hind quarters, 6½c. to 7½c.; fore quarters, 4½c. to 5½c.; carcasses 6c. to 7c.; lambs, 10c. to 11c.; mutton, 8c. to 9c.; veal, 7½c. to 9c.

Montreal.

Live Stock—Private cables received from Liverpool quoted the market for Canadian cattle steady. Local market last week was rather flat. A few choice steers may have brought 5c., but for the most part, 4c. to 4½c. has been the range for finest cattle. Good ranged from 3½c. to 4c., medium from 3c. to 3½c., and common from 2c. to 3c. Calves were scarce, and choice animals were dear, being as much as 4c. to 5c. per lb.; common being, however, about 3c. Sheep and lambs were also scarce, and prices ranged from 4c. to 4½c. for sheep, and up to 6c., and over, for lambs. Live hogs were again firmer, selects being in good demand at around 7c.

Cheese—Stocks have gradually drifted into the hands of large exporters, and, as a consequence, are firmly held. Ontarios, 13½c. to 13¾c.; Easterns, nearly all disposed of by this time, the few remaining being quoted at 13c. to 13½c.

Butter—Notwithstanding the fact that receipts have been heavy of late, prices of butter in Montreal show very little change. 23½c. to 23¾c. for finest creamery, and 22½c. to 23c. for good to fine. Dairies continue scarce, and fairly firm at 20½c. for dairy tubs, and 21c. to 21½c. for fresh rolls.

Eggs—Cold-storage, wholesale, 21c. to 22c.; Montreal limed, 20c. to 21c. Select held eggs range from 24c. to 28c., and fresh-laid from 40c. to 45c., up to 50c., or perhaps 60c. if specially nice.

Poultry—The produce markets, particularly the poultry markets, are always dull the week following New Year's.

Nothing has such a bad effect upon poultry prices as bad, sloppy weather, such as prevailed towards the end of the year. Even though it may not affect the quality of the birds, it affects their appearance, and holders are unable to get nearly so much as they otherwise could. Prices were on the verge of a break week before last, and with the lower temperatures that came in with the New Year the market was unable to bear up against the general dullness. Turkeys, 13c. to 15c.; geese, 8c. to 10c.; ducks, scarce and firm, at 12c. to 13c.; chickens, 9c. to 11c.; fowl, as low as 6c.; general range, 7c. to 9c. Probability of demand picking up again if weather remains cold.

Dressed Hogs—Demand for dressed hogs has not been very active of late, consumption running rather in the direction of poultry and even beef. Yet the high price of live hogs necessitates firmness in the market for dressed. Fresh abattoir-killed are selling at 8½c. to 9½c., country-dressed being 8c. to 8½c., demand for the latter not very brisk.

Vegetables—Dealers paying 65c. per 90 lbs. for finest, carloads, on track, and reselling in broken lots at 75c., in store. Inferior quality, 5c. less.

Onions—Canadians were in slow demand at \$3 per bbl. and \$1.25 per bag for reds or yellows, the market being firm.

Turnips—The market is quiet, and prices steady at 55c. per bag, or \$12 per ton.

Grain—The market is next thing to dead. An occasional car of oats is changing hands, quotations being 37c. for No. 4; 38c. for No. 3, and 39c. for No. 2, carloads, in store. It is not thought that trade will show any great improvement or take any settled shape for some weeks to come. Occasional cars of corn are being sold also, these ranging from 53c. to 53½c. for No. 3 yellow and mixed.

Beans are \$1.65 to \$1.70.

Flour—Large rival Manitoba mills are again in competition with each other, apparently, for we hear of considerable cutting going on, notwithstanding that prices have been reduced some 10c. per bbl., at \$4.30 to \$4.40 for strong bakers', and \$4.80 to \$4.90 for patents, in bags. It is said that the cutting may occasion further reductions in list prices.

Hay—The market holds remarkably steady. Receipts from the country are fairly liberal, and demand seems to just about absorb them. The heavy shipments to the English market, which go on from time to time, do not seem to have any permanent effect upon prices. Quotations are \$5.50 to \$6 for clover per ton, on track, \$6.25 to \$6.50 for clover-mixed; \$7.50 to \$8 for No. 2 timothy, and \$8.50 to \$9 for No. 1.

Chicago.

Cattle—Prime steers, \$3.25 to \$6.25; cows, \$2.90 to \$4.40; heifers, \$2.25 to \$5; bulls, \$2 to \$4.10; calves, \$2.50 to \$8.25; stockers and feeders, \$2.40 to \$4.25. Hogs—Choice to prime, heavy, \$5.40 to \$5.45½; medium to good, heavy, \$5.35 to \$5.40; butcher weights, \$5.35 to \$5.45; good to choice heavy, mixed, \$5.30 to \$5.40; packing, \$5.15 to \$5.35. Sheep and Lambs—Sheep, \$4 to \$6.25; yearlings, \$6 to \$6.75; lambs, \$7.50 to \$8.

Buffalo.

Hogs—Heavy and mixed and Yorkers, \$5.60 to \$5.65; pigs, \$5.65 to \$5.70; roughs, \$4.75 to \$5; stags, \$3 to \$3.50. Sheep and Lambs—Lambs, \$6.25 to \$8.15; yearlings, \$6.50 to \$7; wethers, \$5.50 to \$6; ewes, \$5.25 to \$5.50; sheep, mixed, \$3 to \$5.50; Canada and Western lambs, \$7.50 to \$7.75.

British Cattle Market.

London.—Cattle are quoted at 10c. to 11½c. per lb.; refrigerator, 8½c.

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