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MARKETS.

TORONTO.

LIVE STOCK.

The total receipts of live stock at the City and Union Stock-yards last week were 236 carloads, composed of 3,584 cattle, 4,761 hogs, 934 sheep, 858 calves, and 125 horses. There were not as many finished cattle on sale as the week previous. Trade was good, with prices firm, especially for export cattle.

Cattle receipts at West Toronto, on Monday, June 1st, were 1,626. Trade good. Export steers, \$5.75 to \$6.40; bulls, \$4.50 to \$5.25. Butchers' slow, owing to abattoirs enforcing inspection; drovers refusing to bear loss; picked lots, \$5.75 to \$6; loads of good, \$5.40 to \$5.80; medium, \$5.15 to \$5.35; common, \$4.75 to \$5; cows, \$3.50 to \$5; milk cows, \$30 to \$60; calves, \$3.50 to \$5.50 per cwt. Sheep, \$5 to \$6 per cwt.; yearling lambs, \$6 to \$7 per cwt.; spring lambs, \$3.50 to \$7 each. Hogs, \$6, fed and watered; \$5.75, f. o. b. cars at country points.

Exporters.—Export steers last week sold from \$5.75 to \$6.25; bulls sold at \$4.50 to \$5.25.

Butchers'.—Prime picked lots of butchers' sold at \$5.60 to \$5.85; loads of good, \$5.40 to \$5.75; medium, \$5.10 to \$5.30; common, \$4.75 to \$5.10; cows, \$3 to \$5 per cwt.

Stockers and Feeders.—There was a fair demand for this class of cattle, but few were on sale. Prices remained steady as follows: Good steers, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs. each, at \$4.75 to \$5 per cwt.; good steers, 900 to 1,000 lbs. each, at \$4.25 to \$4.75; good steers, 800 to 900 lbs. each, at \$3.90 to \$4.25; good steers, 600 to 900 lbs. each, at \$3.25 to \$3.90; light stockers, 400 to 600 lbs. each, at \$3 to \$3.25.

Milkers and Springers.—There was an excellent market for the best class of cows, but common, light cows were not in demand. Prices ranged from \$30 to \$60 each, the bulk of the best going at \$45 to \$55 each.

Veal Calves.—Prices for veal calves remained about steady, at \$3 to \$5 per cwt. A few of the best sold at \$5 to \$6 per cwt.

Sheep and Lambs.—Receipts were light. Prices firm. Ewes, \$5 to \$5.75; rams, \$4 to \$4.50; yearling lambs, \$7 to \$8 per cwt.; spring lambs at \$4 to \$8 each.

Hogs.—Receipts moderate. Prices unchanged at \$6 for selects, fed and watered, and \$5.75 to \$5.85, f. o. b. cars at country points.

Horses.—Herbert Smith, manager of the Union Horse Exchange, West Toronto, reports shipments last week to be below the average, although the market was brisk for general-purpose, wagon horses and drivers. About 95 head were sold. General-purpose horses, young and sound, brought from \$150 to \$210; serviceably-sound, from \$95 to \$125; wagon horses sold fairly well, but the offerings were not the best, but purchasers had to take what they could get, they bringing from \$160 to \$185. A few fine drivers and cobs were sold, prices ranging from \$100 each to \$275 for a pair. Serviceably-sound horses of all kinds brought from \$40 to \$95 each. The horse market looks fairly good for five or six weeks yet. They have shipped several carload lots to Eastern Ontario points.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.—No. 2 white winter, 94c. to 96c.; No. 2, mixed, 93c. to 94c.; Manitoba No. 1 Northern, \$1.18½; No. 2 Northern, \$1.15; No. 3 Northern, \$1.11, at Georgian Bay ports.

Barley.—No. 2, 55c. to 60c., outside. Peas.—No. 2, 92c. to 93c., outside. Rye.—No. 2, scarce, at 88c. Buckwheat.—No. 2, 64c. to 65c. Oats.—No. 2 white, 49c. to 50c.; No. 2, mixed, 47½c.

Flour.—Ontario, 90 per cent. patent, \$3.50 for export; Manitoba patent, special brands, \$6; second patents, \$5.40; strong bakers', \$5.30.

Corn.—No. 3 yellow, 81c. to 82c., Toronto freight.

Bran.—Car lots, sacks included, \$24. Shorts.—Car lots, sacks included, \$25 to \$26.

Oil-cake Meal.—\$1.70 to \$1.75 per cwt.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Supplies are increasing daily, and prices are declining. Separator dairy, 24c. to 25c.; creamery, pound rolls, 25c. to 26c.; store lots, 20c. to 22c.

Eggs.—The market is a little weaker, at 17½c. to 18c.

Honey.—Market Quiet. Extracted, 11c. to 13c.; combs, \$2.50 to \$3 per dozen.

Potatoes.—Market firm for Delawares, at 95c. to \$1 per bag for car lots, on track at Toronto; Ontarios a little easier, at 85c. to 90c., for car lots on track.

Cheese.—Market easier. New cheese is being offered freely at 12c. for large; twins, 12½c.; old, 14c. for large; twins, 14½c.

Beans.—Market firm; primes, \$1.85 to \$1.90; hand-picked, \$1.95 to \$2.

Straw, baled.—\$8 to \$9, in car lots, on track at Toronto.

Hay, baled.—Market easy, at \$14 to \$15 for car lots on track, Toronto.

Poultry.—Receipts light. Prices firm. Turkeys, 17c. to 23c.; last year's chickens, 18c. to 20c.; fowl, 14c. to 16c.; spring chickens, 50c. to 55c. per lb.; squabs, \$2 to \$3 per dozen.

HIDES AND SKINS.

E. T. Carter & Co., 85 Front St., E., Toronto, were paying the following prices: Inspected hides, No. 1 cows and steers, 6½c.; inspected hides, No. 2 cows and steers, 5½c.; country hides, cured, 5c. to 6c.; calf skins, city, 10c. to 11c.; calf skins, country, 9c. to 10c.; horse hides, No. 1, \$2.50 to \$2.75; horse hair, per lb., 26c. to 27c.; tallow, per lb., 4½c. to 5½c.; sheep skins, 80c. to 90c.

BACON MARKET.

There has been little change in prices on the Toronto market for bacon. Breakfast bacon, 13½c. to 15c.; backs, 16½c. to 17½c.; long clear, 10½c. to 11c.; hams, 13c. to 14c.; rolls, 10½c.; dressed hogs, \$8.50 to \$8.75 per cwt.

FRUIT MARKET.

Apples are plentiful and cheap for this season of the year. No. 1 Spies, \$3 to \$3.50; No. 2 Spies, \$2.50 to \$2.75; strawberries, 15c. to 18c. per quart basket.

VEGETABLE MARKET.

New potatoes, \$4 per bbl.; spinach, 90c. per hamper; cabbage, new, \$2 per crate; Bermuda onions, \$2 for 45-lb. box.

MONTREAL.

Live Stock.—Shipments of live stock from the port of Montreal for the week ending May 23rd amounted to 2,432 cattle, against 1,875 the previous week. Owing to the advent of the hot weather, as well as to the fact that supplies of cattle from the Northwest are arriving freely on the local market, prices last week ruled a fraction below those of the week before. The quality of the Northwest cattle is not up to the Ontario-fed stock, but the bulk of the receipts now consist of them, and there was no trouble in disposing of everything offered, either locally or for export. Choice steers sold at 6½c. to 6¾c.; fine, 6c. to 6¼c.; good, 5½c. to 6c.; medium, 4½c. to 5c.; common, down to 3½c. Sheep and lambs were in limited supply, but good demand, at 6½c. to 7c., and 5½c. to 6c. for sheep; spring lambs, \$3 to \$6 each. Calf market showed a better feeling, and prices were \$6 to \$8 for choicest, and \$1.50 to \$5 for inferior. Supplies of hogs were rather lighter than the week before, and, as demand was only moderate, prices continued steady, selected lots selling at 6½c. to 6¾c. a lb.

Horses.—Dealers say they never saw so many horses going to Quebec as are being taken just now. They do not know whether this is owing to preparations for the tercentenary, or to railway demand. The class taken are good stout blocks. Heavy-draft, 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$250 to \$300 each; light-draft, weighing 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$225 to \$275 each; good blocks, 1,300 to 1,400 lbs., \$200 to \$225 each; express, \$150 to \$225; common plugs, \$50 to \$75, and choice saddle and carriage animals, \$300 to \$350 each.

Dressed Hogs and Provisions.—Market for dressed hogs was quiet, and prices continued steady at 9c. to 9½c. per lb. for fresh-killed, abattoir-dressed. Pure lard, 12½c. to 13½c.; compound, 8½c. to 9½c.

Potatoes.—Some sales of Green Mountain stock took place on spot, here, last week, at \$1 per 90 lbs., carloads on track. Other sales were made at \$1.05; sales of small lots, delivered into store, \$1.15 to \$1.20 per bag of 90 lbs.

Eggs.—Sales of straight receipts at around 18c., in a wholesale way, more being obtainable for smaller lots. No. 2 stock was reported changing hands at 17½c. It will soon be necessary to candle the stock. Selects, 20c.

Maple Products.—There is but a slight demand for either maple syrup or sugar, and prices for each are low.

Butter.—The decline in butter was very slight last week. The make is increasing slightly, and, now that the cattle have been turned out to grass, should become very large. Receipts are showing a grass flavor, and the quality is very good. Townships creamery, costing around 21½c. in the country, is quoted at 22c., wholesale, here.

Cheese.—Some of the cheese arriving from the West would seem to be the product of grass milk, the rest being apparently a mixture of fodder and grass feeding. Dealers were quoting 10½c. to 11c. for Quebec cheese, and 11c. to 11½c. for Ontarios. Demand from the other side of the Atlantic has not seemed to be very keen.

Gram.—No. 2 oats, 51½c. to 52½c.; No. 3, 49c. to 50c.; No. 4, 47c. to 48c.; rejected, 45c. to 46c.; Manitoba rejected, 50c., North Bay.

Flour.—Demand moderate, and prices steady. Manitoba spring-wheat patents, \$6.10 to \$6.20; seconds, \$5.50 to \$5.70 per bbl., in bags. Ontario winter-wheat patents, \$5.10, and straight rollers, \$4.50 to \$4.75.

Feed.—Demand for bran falling off very rapidly. The demand for shorts, however, continued very good, and, as supplies were light, prices held firm. Manitoba bran, in bags, \$23 per ton; shorts, \$25; Ontario bran, \$23.50 to \$24; shorts, \$24.50 to \$25. Ground oilcake and nutted cake, available at \$33 to \$34 per ton, and gluten meal at \$1.50 per 100 lbs.

Hay.—Owing partly, no doubt, to the improvement of the pasturage, the market for hay has become distinctly easier, prices showing a decline of about 50c. a ton, particularly on the choicest grades. Supplies, in relation to consumption, have increased somewhat, and the outlook for the growing crop continues to be in every way promising. No. 1 timothy, \$15 a ton, carloads on track,

Montreal, No. 2 being \$13 to \$13.50, and No. 3, \$11 to \$11.50; clover-mixture being \$10 to \$10.50, and pure clover, \$9 to \$9.50 a ton.

Seeds.—There is still quite a little demand for red clover, and prices continued steady at \$23.50 to \$25 per 100 lbs. The use of alfalfa is constantly increasing in Canada, but, as yet, it has not been tried by very many farmers. Prices are \$21 to \$22 per 100 lbs. Timothy is \$6.25 to \$7.50.

Hides.—The market practically unchanged, demand being only fair. The quality of the hides is showing a slight improvement, but is still very much to be criticised.

CHICAGO.

Cattle.—Steers, \$5 to \$7.25; stockers and feeders, \$3.25 to \$5.40; cows, \$3.25 to \$5.75; heifers, \$3.50 to \$6.25; bulls, \$4 to \$5.75; calves, \$2.50 to \$6.30.

Hogs.—Choice heavy shipping, \$5.45 to \$5.57½; butchers', \$5.45 to \$5.55; light, mixed, \$5.40 to \$5.50; choice, light, \$5.45 to \$5.52½; packers, \$4.90 to \$5.45; pigs, \$4.15 to \$5.25; bulk of sales, \$5.40 to \$5.50.

Sheep and Lambs.—Sheep, \$4 to \$5; lambs, \$5.25 to \$6.30; yearlings, \$4.50 to \$5.25.

CHEESE BOARD PRICES.

Brockville, Ont., 10½c. offered; no sales. Kingston, Ont., 10½c. Madoc, Ont., 10 15-16c. Perth, Ont., 11c. Brantford, Ont., 10½c., 10 13-16c. and 10½c. Napanee, Ont., 10 15-16c. Ottawa, Ont., 10½c. Huntingdon, Que., white cheese, 10 15-16c.; colored, 11c.; salted butter, 21½c. Winchester, Ont., 11c. London, Ont., 10½c. to 10½c. bid; no sales. Belleville, Ont., 11c. Kemptville, Ont., 11c. Picton, Ont., 11½c. Canton, N. Y., 10½c.; tub butter, 23c.

BUFFALO.

Cattle.—Prime steers, \$6.80 to \$7. Hogs.—Heavy and mixed, \$5.75 to \$5.80; Yorkers, \$3.50 to \$5.80; pigs, \$4.25 to \$5; roughs, \$4.30 to \$4.75; dairies, \$5.50 to \$5.75. Sheep and Lambs.—Lambs, \$5 to \$6.15; yearlings, \$5 to \$5.25; wethers, \$4.75 to \$5; ewes, \$4.25 to \$4.50; sheep, mixed, \$2 to \$4.75.

BRITISH CATTLE MARKET.

London.—London cables, 12c. to 14½c. per pound, dressed weight; refrigerator beef, 10c. to 11c. per pound.

GOSSIP.

At the auction sale, on May 21st, of Shorthorn cattle from the herd of the Flynn Farm Co., at Des Moines, Iowa, 74 head sold for an average of \$189.70. The top price was \$500, for the roan two-year-old, Bridesmaid of Browndale, a daughter of Ceremonious Archer.

As announced in our advertising columns this week, the entire Belvoir herd of 40 head of Shorthorn cattle, the property of Mr. Richard Gibson, Delaware, Ont., three miles from Komoka (G. T. R.), and ten miles from London, will be sold by auction, on Thursday, June 23rd. Fuller particulars may be looked for in next week's issue of "The Farmer's Advocate."

MORE GOOD JERSEY SALES.

At the first annual sale, on May 20th, of Jersey cattle, from the herd of Autem Farm, at Jerseyville, Ill., 57 head sold for an average of \$159.56. Nine bulls, over a year old, averaged \$254.44. Four heifer calves averaged \$120. The top price, \$1,000, was realized for the two-year-old bull, Irene's King Pogis, by Golden King, by Rosette's Golden Lad; dam Jacoba Irene. Two cows sold for \$500 and \$505 each.

On May 19th, at Vandalia, Ill., G. G. Council, at Willowdale Farm, sold 89 head of imported Jerseys, his first importation and sale, for an average of \$191.51. Four bulls, over two years old, made an average of \$703.75. Fifty two-year-old heifers averaged \$223.30. The top price, \$1,700, was realized for the yearling bull, Oxford's Brigadier, by Gambo's Knight; dam Crocus of Oxford; purchased by Dr. C. E. Still, of Missouri. The highest-selling cow was Olivia's Red Fox, at \$580.