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MARKETS.

Toronto.

At West Toronto, on Monday, April 1st, receipts of live stock numbered 91 cars, comprising 1,839 cattle, 422 hogs, 105 sheep, 72 calves, and 5 horses; quality medium to good; trade slow; no export buyers. Best heavy steers, \$7 to \$7.40; butchers', 1,100 lbs. \$6.50 to \$6.90; good to choice butchers', \$6.25 to \$6.50; mediums, \$5.60 to \$5.90; common, \$5.20 to \$5.40; inferior, \$4.50 to \$5; cows, \$3.50 to \$6; bulls, \$4 to \$5.70; milkers, \$40 to \$60; calves, \$4 to \$9 per cwt. Sheep, \$5 to \$6.50; yearlings, \$7 to \$8.50; spring lambs, \$4 to \$8 each. Hogs, \$8 fed and watered; \$7.65 f. o. b. cars.

REVIEW OF LAST WEEK'S MARKETS

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

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cattle	170	232	402
Hogs	2,217	3,345	5,562
Sheep	4,972	3,903	8,875
Calves	257	62	319
Horses	528	67	595
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The total receipts at the two markets for the corresponding week of 1911 were as follows:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cattle	212	165	377
Hogs	2,795	2,643	5,438
Sheep	5,248	787	6,035
Calves	1,014	2,068	3,082
Horses	415	48	463
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The combined receipts of live stock at the two markets show an increase of 25 carloads, 124 cattle, 2,840 hogs, 132 calves, and 118 horses; but a decrease of 2,763 sheep, compared with the same week of 1911.

Receipts at both yards were fairly large, especially at the Union yards, where on Monday there were 124 carloads, all told. The quality of the cattle was the best of the year thus far, there being more good to choice, well-finished animals, than at any two previous markets this winter. There were buyers from Montreal, Ottawa, Hamilton, Chicago, and one or two points in Northern Ontario, besides all the local abattoirs and wholesale butchers being represented. Trade was fairly good, but none too active, and prices were barely steady, outside of those bought for the Easter trade. The demand for Easter beef was not as great, nor were the prices paid as high as in some previous markets. This may be accounted for in that all classes of cattle have been higher this winter than for many seasons.

Exporters.—During the week, about 300 steers were bought for export, averaging 1,250 lbs. each, at prices ranging from \$6.75 to \$7.25, with one or two fancy lots at \$7.35. The heaviest and best two loads of steers, weighing 1,300 lbs. each, were bought by the Harris Abattoir Co., of Toronto; and H. M. Levinoff, for the Montreal Abattoir Co., each firm getting one load at \$7.40 per cwt., for Easter purposes. Geo. B. Campbell bought 200 steers for export, weighing from 1,150 to 1,300 lbs. each, at \$6.75

to \$7.20, or an average of \$6.96 per cwt., for the Liverpool market. The Swift Company, and the S. & S. Co., of Chicago, bought about another 100 steers, at about the same prices. There were many cattle of as good quality and weights bought for local killing, at as high prices as for the exporters.

Butchers'.—Easter cattle sold at \$7.25 to \$8.55, but only two brought the latter price, and they were bought for the Jewish trade. Not more than 12 cattle sold over \$8 per cwt. Best steers, 1,100 to 1,200 lbs., sold at \$6.75 to \$7; prime butchers', 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., at \$6.50 to \$6.75; loads of good, \$6 to \$6.25; medium, \$5.60 to \$5.90; common, light steers and heifers, \$5 to \$5.50; inferior, \$4.50 to \$4.90; cows, some Easter quality cows sold at \$5.60 to \$6; good cows, \$4.75 to \$5.50; medium cows, \$4 to \$4.50; common cows, \$3 to \$3.75; bulls, \$4 to \$5.50.

Stockers and Feeders.—Four or five loads changed hands during the week. One load of feeders, 850 lbs., sold at \$5.20; one load of stockers, 750 lbs., sold at \$4.80 to \$5.10. These are average quotations for such steers as are being bought for feeding purposes at present.

Milkers and Springers.—The trade in milkers and springers was dull, on account of their being little or no demand from Montreal and Quebec. The local demand also has not been as great, and the quality of the cows offered, as a rule, has been medium, with few of choice quality. Prices during the week ranged from \$30 to \$65, with few reaching the latter figure.

Calves.—Receipts have been larger, but the quality of many of them was poor. For instance, one commission firm sold on Tuesday 28 "bobs," at \$2.50 each, and 28 calves, 138 lbs. each, at \$7.10 per cwt. Easter quality new-milk-fed calves are worth \$9 to \$10 per cwt., but there are few of this kind coming forward. The general run of prices during the week was \$4 to \$8 per cwt.

Sheep and Lambs.—The market for sheep and lambs was firm, that is, for those of good quality. Ewes sold from \$5 to \$5.75, and \$6 was paid for a few selected lots; rams, \$4 to \$4.50; lambs, yearlings, \$6.50 to \$8.50; spring lambs, of which there are a few coming forward, sold at \$4 to \$8 each. Extra quality spring lambs that will dress 40 lbs., are worth \$9 to \$10 each.

Hogs.—Receipts were not large enough to supply the demand, and prices kept advancing all week. Packers inform us that hogs are too high for export purposes, and that they find it difficult to get enough to supply the local or home demand for fresh pork, the consumption of which has increased, on account of the high prices of beef. Hogs, selects, fed and watered at the market, \$8.15, and \$7.80 to drovers, at country points, for hogs f. o. b. cars.

Horses.—Trade in horses at all the different sale stables has been inclined to be slow, with prices lower, judging from the different sales we have attended, that is, for the bulk of horses offered. Extra quality, of course, brings extra prices. At the Union Horse Exchange, Union Stock-yards, there were 135 horses on sale, and 65 only were sold. There were many buyers from all over Western Ontario, but the prices asked were too high to suit many of the buyers. The average run of prices was as follows: Drafters, \$175 to \$225; general-purpose, \$150 to \$200; express and wagon horses, \$160 to \$190; drivers, \$100 to \$175; serviceably sound, \$25 to \$75.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.—No. 2 red, white or mixed, 95c. to 96c., outside points. Manitoba wheat—No. 1 northern, \$1.13½; No. 2 northern, \$1.10½; No. 3 northern, \$1.06½, track, lake ports. Oats—Canadian Western, extra No. 1 feed, 50c.; No. 1 feed, 49c., lake ports; Ontario, No. 2, 45c. to 46c.; No. 3, 44c., outside points; No. 2, 47c., track, Toronto. Rye—No. 2, \$1 per bushel, outside. Buckwheat—68c. to 70c. per bushel, outside. Peas—No. 2, \$1.15 to \$1.25, outside. Flour—Ninety-per-cent. Ontario winter wheat flour, \$3.95, seaboard. Manitoba flour. Prices at Toronto: First patents, \$5.60; second patents, \$5.10; strong bakers', \$1.90 in bulk, in cotton, \$2.00. Corn—American No. 3 yellow, all rail from Chicago, 75c., track, Toronto. Barley for malting, 90c. to 92c.; 47 lb. test, f. o. b. 60c. to 70c.

HAY AND MILLFEED.

Hay.—Baled, car lots, track, Toronto, \$16 to \$16.50 per ton for No. 1; No. 2, \$14 to \$15.

Straw.—Baled, car lots, track, Toronto, \$8.50 to \$9.50.

Bran.—Manitoba bran, \$25 per ton; shorts, \$27; Ontario bran, \$25, in bags; shorts, \$27, car lots, track, Toronto.

HIDES AND SKINS.

E. T. Carter & Co., 85 East Front street, have been paying the following prices: No. 1 inspected steers and cows, 12½c.; No. 2 inspected steers and cows, 11½c.; No. 3 inspected steers, cows and bulls, 10½c.; country hides, cured, 11c. to 11½c.; green, 10c. to 10½c.; calf skins, 12c. to 15c.; sheep skins, \$1 to \$1.40; horse hides, No. 1, \$3.25; horse hair, per lb., 33c. to 35c.; tallow, No. 1, per lb., 5½c. to 6½c.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Market steady; prices firm. Creamery pound rolls, 37c. to 39c.; creamery solids, 35c.; separator dairy, 34c. to 35c.; store lots, 32c. to 34c.

Eggs.—Case lots of new-laid are selling at 24c. to 25c.

Cheese.—Market firm; 17c. for large, and 17½c. for twins.

Honey.—Market unchanged; extracted, 13c.; combs, per dozen, \$2.50 to \$3.

Beans.—Market firm. Broken lots sold at \$2.45 to \$2.55 for primes, and \$2.60 to \$2.70 for hand-picked.

Potatoes.—Market easier. Ontario potatoes, \$1.50 to \$1.53 per bag, car lots, track, Toronto; English, Irish and Scotch potatoes about the same; New Brunswick Delawares, \$1.60 for car lots, track, Toronto.

Poultry.—Receipts continue to be light. Fresh-killed chickens, 18c. to 20c. per lb.; hens, 14c.; turkeys, 20c. to 23c.

TORONTO SEED MARKET.

Following are the prices at which cleaned seeds are being sold to the trade: Alsike No. 1, per bushel, \$15 to \$15.50; alsike No. 2, \$13 to \$14; red clover No. 1, per bushel, \$15 to \$15.50; red clover No. 2, per bushel, \$13.50 to \$14.50; timothy No. 1, per cwt., \$18 to \$19; timothy No. 2, \$16 to \$17 per cwt.; alfalfa No. 1, per bushel, \$11 to \$12; No. 2, \$9.50 to \$10.50 per bushel.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Apples.—Spies, \$3.50 to \$5; Baldwins, \$3 to \$4; Russets, \$3.50 to \$4.50; Greenings, \$3 to \$4 per barrel. Onions, Canadian, per bag, \$2.50 to \$3; parsnips, per bag, \$1.25 to \$1.50; turnips, per bag, 40c. to 50c.; carrots, per bag, \$1.15 to \$1.25; cabbage, per barrel, \$2.50 to \$2.75; beets, per bag, 75c. to \$1.

Montreal.

Live Stock.—In the local market supplies have been light of late, and as a result the tone of the market has been firm, notwithstanding the presence of the Lenten season. Prices paid were fractionally higher than the previous week, and it is predicted that advances will take place again, both because of the end of the Lenten period which is approaching, and because of the fact that cattle have been costing very high in the country. It is claimed that 7c. and a fraction more was paid for steers weighing around 1,100 lbs., while heavier stock sold as high as 7½c. per lb. The market was quite firm. Fine cattle sold at 6½c. to 7c. per lb., and good at 6c. to 6½c., while medium stock sold at 5c. to 6c. per lb. Canners brought as low as 2½c. per lb. Choice milkers sold at \$65 to \$70 each, and mediums at \$50 to \$60, while springers brought \$30 to \$40 each. Lambs were selling at 7½c. to 7½c. per lb., and sheep at 5c. to 5½c., while bucks and culls sold at 4½c. to 4½c. per lb. Calves ranged from \$1.50 to \$8 each, and hogs at 8½c. to 8½c. per lb. for selects, weighed off cars.

Horses.—In all cases, prices continue firm, even though there is no advance. Prices are as follows: Heavy draft horses, weighing from 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$300 to \$350 each; light draft, 1,100 to 1,500 lbs., \$225 to \$300 each; light horses, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., \$100 to \$200 each; and broken-down animals, \$50 to \$100 each. Choice saddle and carriage animals sell at \$350 to \$500 each.

Dressed Hides.—Owing to the increase of the market for live stock, hides have increased in price. Choice steer hides, 11½c. to 11½c. per lb.

dressed, abattoir, fresh-killed stock selling up to 11½c. to 11½c. per lb.

Potatoes.—The market for potatoes is, no doubt, firm, although some claim that it is almost impossible to make sales of car lots at the prices mentioned. Green Mountains are quoted at \$1.60 per 90 lbs., carloads, track, English potatoes being about \$1.50, and other qualities down to \$1.40, and even less for inferior.

Honey and Syrup.—The sap-running weather is now at hand, but the market is unaffected. Last year the run was very small, and the quantity of syrup was light, and the quality poor. Prices are 7c. to 7½c. per lb., for syrup in wood, and 70c. to 75c. per tin. Sugar is quoted at 8c. to 9c. per lb. White clover comb honey, 10½c. to 11½c. per lb.; extracted, 8c. to 10c.; dark comb, 7c. to 8c.; extracted, 7½c. to 8c.

Eggs.—Receipts are increasing, but production is greater than a year ago at this date. It seems to be the opinion that there will be little alteration in price till after Easter, when, as is frequently the case, there may be a decline. At the present time, new-laid Canadian eggs are selling in round lots at 26c. to 27c. per dozen, and sometimes a cent less. In single cases, the price is about a cent or so more than lots.

Butter.—Creamery very firm. September, 35c. to 36c.; Western dairy, 28c. to 29c., and rolls, 29c. to 30c.

Grain.—No. 2 Canadian Western oats sold at 52½c. to 53c. per bushel; No. 1 extra feed, 51c.; No. 3 Canadian Western, 50c.; No. 1 feed, 49c. to 49½c.; No. 2 local, 50c.; No. 3, 49c., and No. 4 local, 48c.

Flour.—Manitoba spring-wheat patents, firsts, \$6 per barrel, in wood; seconds, \$5.50; strong bakers', \$5.80, flour in bags being 30c. per barrel less. Ontario winter-wheat patents, \$5.10 to \$5.35, in wood, and straight rollers, \$4.65 to \$4.75.

Millfeed.—The market for millfeed was very strong, and it is hard to get sufficient supplies. Bran, \$25 to \$26 per ton; shorts, \$27 to \$28 per ton; middlings, \$29; pure grain mouille, \$32 to \$34 per ton, and mixed mouille, \$29 to \$30.

Hay.—Market a shade easier. No. 1 hay, \$15.50 to \$16 per ton; No. 2 extra hay, \$14.50 to \$15; No. 3 hay, \$11.50 to \$14, according to quality; clover mixed, \$10.50 to \$11 per ton, carloads, track.

Seeds.—Market rather firmer for red clover, and dealers quote 29c. to 27c. per lb., bags, f. o. b.; alsike, 22c. to 26c., and timothy, 16½c. to 20c. Demand has improved, but is not heavy.

Hides.—Market for hides steady and firm. Beef hides, 11c., 12c. and 13c. per lb. for Nos. 3, 2 and 1 hides; calf skins, 13c. and 15c. per lb., for Nos. 2 and 1; spring lamb skins, 10c. each, and sheep skins, \$1.10 each. Tallow, 1½c. to 2c. per lb. for rough, and 6c. to 6½c. for rendered.

Chicago.

Cattle.—Beefes, \$5.15 to \$8.50; Texas steers, \$4.50 to \$5.75; Western steers, \$5.20 to \$6.75; stockers and feeders, \$4.30 to \$6.60; cows and heifers, \$2.50 to \$6.50; calves, \$6.50 to \$9.

Hogs.—Light, \$7.55 to \$7.85; mixed, \$7.55 to \$7.95; heavy, \$7.60 to \$7.95; rough, \$7.60 to \$7.70; pigs, \$5.25 to \$7.40.

Sheep and Lambs.—Native, \$4.95 to \$6.25; Western, \$4.40 to \$6.50; yearlings, \$5.75 to \$7; lambs, \$5.75 to \$7.85; Western, \$6.25 to \$8.25.

Buffalo.

Cattle.—Prime steers, \$7.50 to \$8. butchers' grades, \$3.50 to \$6.90.

Calves.—Cull to choice, \$5.75 to \$5.90. Sheep and Lambs.—Choice lambs, \$8.25 to \$8.40; cull to fair, \$6.75 to \$8; yearlings, \$7 to \$7.30; sheep, \$2 to \$6.40.

Hogs.—Yorkers, \$8.15 to \$8.25; pigs, \$7.50 to \$8.25; mixed, \$8.30; heavy, \$8.40 to \$8.25; roughs, \$7 to \$7.35; stock, \$5.25 to \$6.

British Cattle Market.

John Rogers & Co., of Liverpool, cable United States and Canadian steers making from 14½c. to 15½c. per lb.