LIVE STOCK.

MONTREAL: Business was very dull in live stock at Montreal last week as farmers are too busy with their field work to market their stock, and on the other hand the hot weather has curtailed consumption to a great extent. As the run of cattle was very small and of poor quality prices held firm. The demand was inactive except for better class cattle and consequently supplies coming forward were sufficient to fill requirements. A feature of the trade was the increased offerings of common and inferior bulls which were sold for canning purposes, at prices ranging from \$4.50 to \$5.50 per 100 lbs. Heavy bulls were in excess of the wants of the trade and met with a slow sale.

Hogs were the strongest feature on the market. as this class of stock is unusually scarce at this time, total receipts last week amounting to only 1,200 head. There was no change in prices but the market held very firm, with a good demand from

Sheep and lambs are a little easier as there was a rood volume of supplies coming forward last week. The demand for all small meats was good and the trade active

TORONTO: The live stock market opened up at the beginning of last week with very duff tradinternal went prices. This was attributed to a slack demand during the hot spell, but with the advent of cooler weather a decided improvement was noted from day to day. Throughout the week prices continued to advance as the demand became brisker and closing prices for choice, weighty steers were \$8.20 to \$8.75 on Timesday. A fair average advance all round would be 2 c for the week, although one or two of the very best lots showed an advanced of 30c to 40c over the beginning of the week. Sheep were scarce at all tales and prices were firm acconflingly, as the command was good. Lambs were in liberal supply with prices closing 3c under the previous week. Calces found ready saje at unchang red praces. The hog situation is strong as receipts were light and all packers wanted their share.

Quotations for rou	ind lots		follows:			
	Mon	treal.	T	Toronto.		
Butcher steers, best	8.75	9.00	8.35	8.75		
Do., good	8.00	8.50	8.00	8.35		
Do., fair	7.00	8.00	7.50	8.00		
Da. medimm	6.00	6.50	7.00	7.50		
Do., rough	5.25	6.25	6.50	7.00		
Cutting, coss, heat	41 (10)	7.00	7.00	7.25		
the good or as as		0. 10	6.50	6.75		
Do., medium	5.00	6.50	6.00	6.75		
Difference over head	60	7.00	7.00	750		
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the appointment of	1.50	5.50	5.50	6.00		
Library was a constant	7.60	1	7.00	8.75		
Treaty sheep	6,50	Gira	5.50	6.50		
Lambo		12,00	0.10%	0.1115		
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off cars		12.75		12.50		
Do, roughs and "						
mixed lets	11.50	11.75	11.75	11.90		
Calves, choice,						
per th	0.03	0.09	10.00	12.00		
Do., medium.		0.05	8.00	10,00		
Doc consulation	2.7.77		6.00	7.50		

BALED HAY.

Hay cutting is now in full swing in the northern parts of the provinces. The vrop as before reperted will be very heavy but needly or medium quality. clay, a and tanonly productions. The best grades , of timothy will be scarec. The era of high price is practically past as the crop will be far above what is required for honer consumption including Government contracts for war purposes. In addition to this the brang ocean freight rates with prevent any expect betomissioned the average quality of the lew emp will not be suitable for the United States. Very law prices as consoured with the levels of the let there years are predicted.

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MAXIMUM PRICES FOR HAY AND STRAW

Maximum prices were recently fixed by the British Army Council for the 1916 crop of hay, oat, straw and wheat strew, as follows: Hay, £6; oat straw, £3,105; and wheat straw, £3 per ton. These prices are subject to variation under certain specified cir-butter, 4,300 cwts.; cheese, 27,100 boxes; lard, 13,500 cumstances. These prices apply only to England tierces of prime western steam and 5,370 tons of and Wales.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES.

The usual activity was apparent at the Montreal markets last week, although supplies have been somewhat less as many farmers were too busy haying to bring their garden stuff to market. The price of some lines has advanced due to the prevailing hot weather which has burnt up some of the green vegetables. This applies to Boston lettuce, which is very scarce and dear. A certain amount of business is being done by importers, particularly in fruit and vegetables from the Niagara Peninsula but the bulk of consumption in this market at the present time is for home grown stuff.

Raspberries are now over. Prices have remained firm throughout the season as supplies have been limited. Cherries are also almost done. This crop has been fairly satisfactory although there has been a good deal of waste in this fruit. Prices are holding firm and red sours for preserving have advanced from 75c to \$1.00 a basket. California fruits such as peaches, pears and plums are meeting with a ready sale at good prices. The Niagara varieties will be on the market shortly, in fact peaches are expected to arrive this week. Red currants are about finished. Apples are early this year. The first varieties are already on the market and Duchess and Transparent apples will be selling in a small way this week. Watermelons are selling at high prices on account of the hot weather. Lemons are very dear indeed, which again is attributed to the hot weather which created such an abnormal demand that stocks on hand were insufficient to supply the heavy requirements. As the heat wave spread over the greater part of the United States prices at the New York auction sales of lemons reached unheard of figures. Dealers expect that the present price of \$8.00 will be firmly held for some weeks yet. Oranges are higher owing to the greater demand this year than in previous years, which is attributed in part to the high prices of California fruits. The banana market holds steady, with prices high and the demand generally exceeding the supply. Importations seem to be more regular this year than for the past two or three years, rendoring a steadier tone to the market. With the shipments of domestic small fruits, however, it is probable that the price of bananas will decline and the market betray an easier feeling as is usual at this season of the year.

Current quotations are as follows:

Apples, new Canadian, per small

basket		0.20
Bananas, per bunch	2.25	2.75
illueberries, American, per quart		
box	0.15	0.17
New Brunswick Cherries, per quart,	0.13	0.15
· horries, Niagara, black, per 11 qt.		
basket		2.00
Do., red sweet, per basket	1.00	1.25
Do., red, sour, per basket	1.00	1.10
Do., whiskey, per basket	0.75	1.00
Cantaloupes, per crate		3.50
Currants, red, per gallon		0.40
Goseberries, per gallon		0.40
Lemons, California, per box		8.00
Limes, per box		1.25
Cranges, Californias, 176, 200, 216	5.00	5.50
130ges, Camorinas, 176, 200, 216	5.00	4.50
Do., 126's	1.75	2.25
	$\frac{1.79}{3.50}$	4.50
Pears, California, per box	$\frac{3.30}{2.00}$	$\frac{4.30}{2.75}$
Dums, Californias, per crate	$\frac{2.00}{3.25}$	3.50
Uncapples, Floridas, per crate Watermelons, each	0.50	0.60
	0.00	0.00
Vegetables:—	2277	0.50
Beets, new, per doz		0.50
		0.50
Cabbage, Montreal, per doz		0.15
Carrots, new, per bunch	1.75	2.00
Cauliflower, Canadian, per doz Celery, per doz	0.25	0.75
	0.35	0.40
Cucumbers, Montreal, per doz	0.55	2.25
Fgg Plant, N.Y., per doz		0.30
Carlie, per lb		0.16
Herse Radish, per lb	0.50	0.60
Lettuce, head, per doz	0.30	0.00
Do., Curly, per doz		0.25
Mint, Canadian, per doz	5.50	6.00
Onions, Spanish, per crate		0.50
Do., New Montreal, per doz	$\frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{75}$	4.00
Petatees, new, per bbl	0.05	0.10
Radishes, per doz	0.05	1.50
Turnips, new, per doz. bunches		1.30
Tomatoes, Canadian Western, per	1.50	1.75
ot. basket	$\frac{1.50}{2.00}$	$\frac{1.75}{2.50}$
Do., Montreal, per basket	4.00	4.00

The stock of provisions in store in Liverpool on August 1st last were, as follows: Bacon, 37,000 boxes; hams, 10,100 boxes; shoulders, 11,100 boxes, other kinds.

LEATHER.

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The chief occurrence in the leather market since our last report has been an active demand for sole leather from England for army purposes. Stocks in Canada are low and therefore it has been possible to fill only a fraction of requirements in this market. The demand from the United States continues steadily without any outstanding feature. With regard to raw sheep skins the embargo placed upon exports from the European Allied countries, France, Russia and England, is still rigidly enforced. Consequently we are importing entirely from the United States. The market is very high and tends to rise every two weeks. The demand for this line. of leather is very large even at these high prices, with no sign of abating.

All tanning materials are very scarce and high in price. Bark which used to be plentiful in Canada is very difficult to obtain, as it has all been bought up by the American tanners in large quantities. An embargo on tanning bark exists, but nevertheless a certain amount is still being exported all the

Selling prices at wholesale houses of a few standard lines follow:

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	per	lb.
Spanish sides	0.42	0.43
Trimmed backs, 32 1-3 per cent		
trimmed	0.60	0.63
Trimmed bends, 50 per cent		
trimmed	0.61	0.63
Oak Sides, Canadian	0.48	0.50
Oak backs	0.60	0.62
Oak bends	0.65	0.67
Harness leather	0.55	0.56
Sheep skins, per ft	$0.12\frac{1}{2}$	0.13

THE WEEK'S CHEESE SALES.

Campbellford, Ont., Aug. 1.-600 boxes, white cheese offered, at 16½c to 16 9-16c.

St. Paschal, Que., Aug. 1.—650 boxes at 16 1-16c. Stirling, Ont., Aug. 1.-800 boxes offered and 750 sold at 16 15-16c. Balance refused.

Peterborough, Ont., Aug. 2.-2,368 boxes, colored at 17 9-16c and 17%c.

Woodstock, Ont., Aug. 2.—920 boxes offered of which 120 boxes sold at 161/2c.

Madoc, Ont., Aug. 2.—475 boxes at 17 7-16c.

Brockville, Ont., Aug. 3.—5,182 boxes at 171/2c to 17%c.

Kingston, Ont., Aug. 3.—35 boxes white and 1,091 colored offered. Sales 130 at 16 1/8 c.

Alexandria, Ont., Aug. 3.-1,013 boxes of white at

Cornwall, Ont., Aug. 4.-47 boxes white and 2,319 colored, selling at 17%c and 17½c respectively.

Vankleek Hill, Ont., Aug. 4.—1,060 boxes white and 302 colored at 171/2c and 17 9-16c.

Mont Joli, Aug. 4.—200 boxes at 17 3-16c. Napanee, Ont., Aug. 4.-625 boxes of white and

1.505 colored at 17%c. Perth, Ont., Aug. 4.—850 boxes white and 500 color-

ed at 17 5-16c. Picton, Ont., Aug. 4.—1,806 boxes colored at 171/4 c.

Iroquois, Ont., Aug. 4.—845 boxes colored and 50 white at 171/4 c. St. Hyacinthe, Aug. 5.—800 boxes at 171/4c.

London, Ont., Aug. 5.—500 boxes at 17½c. Belleville, Ont., Aug. 5.—2,315 boxes at 18 1-16c.

Montreal Auction Sales.

At the Quebec Agricultural Co-operative Society sale, held at the Montreal Board of Trade on August 1st, the offerings amounted to 1,419 packages creamery butter, of which 625 packages finest creamery sold at 31%c, 393 packages fine at 30%c, and 401 packages pasteurized at 311/2c.

At the sale on August 2nd, 1,803 boxes of cheese were offered, of which 372 boxes No. 1 white sold at 17 1-16c; 610 boxes No. 2 white at 16%c; 513 boxes No. 3 white at 16½c; and 308 boxes No. 2 colored at 16%c.

On August 3rd there were 1,946 boxes, of which 655 boxes No. 1 white sold at 17 7-16c, 680 boxes No. 2 white at 171/4 c, 363 boxes No. 3 white at 16 13-16c, and 248 boxes colored at 13 13-16c.

There were 1,020 packages of butter on August 4th of which 499 packages finest creamery sold at 31%c, 316 packages fine at 31%c, and 205 packages pasteurized at 31% c.

As well as 2,115 boxes of cheese offered, of which 805 boxes No. 1 white sold at 17 7-16c, 561 boxes No. 2 white at 17 5-16c, 296 boxes No. 3 white at 16%c, 275 boxes No. 1 colored at 17%c, and 178 boxes No. 2 colored at 17 3-16c.

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