

MARKETS.

Toronto.

LIVE STOCK.

Receipts of cattle were light, not more than half the number of a week ago. Trade in shippers is dull, owing to lack of space available on ocean steamers; but choice butchers' cattle, being scarce, were firmer at steady prices.

Exporters—Prices ranged from \$4.30 to \$4.95, the bulk selling at \$4.40 to \$4.65 per cwt. Export bulls sold at \$3.50 to \$4.25.

Butchers—Prime lots sold at \$4.40 to \$4.60; loads of good, \$4 to \$4.30; medium, \$3.50 to \$3.80; cows, \$2.50 to \$3.25.

Stockers and Feeders—Receipts light; trade dull, with a light demand for a few well-bred steers of good color. Prices ranged as follows: Best feeders, 900 to 1,850 lbs., \$3.75 to \$3.90; best feeders, 800 to 900 lbs., \$3.50 to \$3.75; good stockers, 600 to 800 lbs., \$3.25 to \$3.50; medium stockers, \$2.75 to \$3; common stockers, \$2 to \$2.25.

Milk Cows—Fair deliveries of milk cows and springers met a good market. Prices ranged from \$35 to \$64 each, one dealer buying nine springers at an average of \$51 each.

Veal Calves—Receipts moderate; market firm; prices steady at \$3 to \$6 per cwt., the bulk selling at \$4.50 to \$5.50. Prime new-milk-fed calves are worth \$6.50 per cwt.

Sheep and Lambs—Moderate receipts met a firm market, especially for export sheep. Export ewes sold at \$4.40 to \$4.60; bucks, \$3.50 to \$3.75 per cwt.; lambs sold at \$6 to \$6.85 per cwt., the bulk going at \$6.50.

Hogs—Although the runs have been light, prices are easier, some of the buyers having forsaken the market, or, at least, are taking a holiday. Prices are quoted as follows: \$7 per cwt., fed and watered, and \$7.25, off cars.

Horses—There is little to report concerning the horse market, as there are fewer sales reported last week than at any time during the year. More horses would have sold, as several buyers were on the market that went home disappointed. A few sales of work horses were made at unchanged prices.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter—Demand good, with only moderate supplies. Prices firm at: Creamery prints, 23c. to 24c.; creamery boxes, 22c. to 23c.; dairy pound rolls, 19c. to 20c.; tubs, 18c. to 19c.; bakers' tubs, 14c. to 15c.

Eggs—Receipts large. Market a little easier, although there is no quotable change, at 18c. to 19c. per dozen.

Potatoes—Prices are lower on account of heavy receipts, ranging from 55c. to 65c. per bushel for car lots, on track, at Toronto.

Cheese—Market steady at 12½c. to 13c. per lb., the latter for twins.

Poultry—Receipts moderate. Prices firm as follows: Spring chickens, dressed, 15c. to 17c. per lb.; ducks, dressed, 13c. to 16c. per lb.; old fowl, 11c. to 13c., dressed.

Hay—The market is firm at \$10 to \$10.50 for car lots of No. 1 timothy, on track, at Toronto; No. 2 at \$7.50 per ton.

Straw—Market quiet at \$5 to \$6 per ton for car lots, on track, at Toronto.

Beans—There is not much doing in beans, and prices are practically nominal, as they have been for some time; hand-picked, \$1.75 to \$1.80; prime, \$1.50 to \$1.60 per bushel.

Honey—Supplies light; prices steady at 10c. per lb. for strained, and \$1.75 to \$2 per dozen for combs.

BREADSTUFFS.

Grain—Wheat—Red and white winter, new, 70c. to 71c. Manitoba—No. 1 northern, 79c., offered at lake points; No. 2 northern, sellers at 76½c.

Corn—No. 2 yellow, 60c., on track, at Toronto.

Rye—New is quoted at 57c. to 58c.

Peas—Prices nominal at 82c. to 83c.

Barley—No. 2, nominal, at 48c.

Oats—No. 2 white quoted at 33c. to 34c., outside, and 34c. to 35c., at Toronto. New oats are quoted at 29c. to 30c., at outside points.

Flour—Manitoba patent, \$3.90, track, Toronto. Manitoba patent, special brands, \$4.50; strong bakers', \$4. On-

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tario, 90 per cent. patents, \$2.85 bid for export.

Millfeed—Bran, sellers, at outside points at \$15 to \$16; shorts, \$20, nominal, at Toronto.

SEEDS.

The new crop of alsike clover is being thrashed in some localities, and several samples have been offered Toronto seedsmen. No. 1 alsike is quoted at \$6 per bushel, and No. 2 at \$5 to \$5.25 per bushel.

HIDES AND WOOL.

E. T. Carter & Co., 85 Front St., Toronto, have been paying the following prices: Inspected hides, No. 1 steers, 12½c.; inspected hides, No. 2 steers, 11½c.; inspected hides, No. 1 cows, 12½c.; inspected hides, No. 2 cows, 11½c.; country hides, dried, cured, 11c.; calf skins, No. 1 country, 13c.; calf skins, No. 1 city, 14c.; pelts, 75c.; lamb skins, 75c.; horse hides, \$3.25 to \$3.60 horse hair, per lb., 30c.; wool, washed, 26c. to 27c.; wool, unwashed, fleece, 16c. to 18c.; tallow, rendered, 5c. to 5½c. per lb.

FRUIT MARKET.

Receipts liberal, with prices generally firm for all fruit of good quality. Raspberries, red, 7c. to 9c. per quart; Lawtons, 7c. to 9c.; black currants, per basket, \$1.10 to \$1.25; blueberries, \$1.25 to \$1.35; peaches, 25c. to 75c.; Canadian musk melons, per basket, 25c. to 30c.; cucumbers, 10c. to 15c. per basket; tomatoes, 15c. to 20c. per basket; apples, 15c. to 20c. per basket; pears, small, 20c. to 25c. per basket; pears, large, 35c. to 50c.; egg plant, 35c. to 40c. per basket; peppers, 30c. per basket; corn, per dozen, 6c.; Canadian celery, per dozen, 35c. to 40c.

Chicago.

Cattle—Common to prime steers, \$3.75 to \$6.75; cows, \$2.85 to \$4.70; heifers, \$2.60 to \$5.35; bulls, \$2 to \$4.50; calves, \$3 to \$7; stockers and feeders, \$2.60 to \$4.25. Hogs—Choice to prime, heavy, \$6.25 to \$6.30; medium to good, heavy, \$6 to \$6.15; butchers' weights, \$6.20 to \$6.35; good to choice, heavy, mixed, \$6 to \$6.15; packing, \$5.60 to \$5.95; pigs, \$5.60 to \$6.30. Sheep and Lambs—Sheep, \$4.25 to \$5.75; yearlings, \$5 to \$6.35; lambs, \$6 to \$7.85.

Buffalo.

Cattle—Prime steers, \$5.60 to \$6; shipping, \$4.85 to \$6.50; butchers', \$4.26 to \$5.40. Veals—\$4.50 to \$9. Hogs—Heavy, \$6.50 to \$6.55; mixed, \$6.55; Yorkers and pigs, \$6.55 to \$6.60; roughs, \$5.10 to \$5.35; stags, \$4 to \$4.50; dairies, \$6 to \$6.40. Sheep and Lambs—Lambs, \$5.50 to \$8.50; yearlings, \$6 to \$6.25; wethers, \$5.75 to \$6; ewes, \$4.75 to \$5.25; sheep, mixed, \$3 to \$5.50.

Representative Cheese Board Prices.

Woodstock, 12c. to 12½c. Picton, 12½c. Kingston, 12½c. Madoc, 12 3/16c. Tweed, 12c. Iroquois, 12½c. Kemptville, 12½c. Napanee, 12½c. Ottawa, 12½c. Brantford, 12½c. to 12½c. South Finch, 12 5/16c.

Montreal.

Live Stock—Notwithstanding rather poor advices arriving from England last week, the demand for ocean freight space has been active, and, it is claimed, all the space to end of September has been contracted. This is principally for the shipment of Northwest ranch cattle, it being thought that there are a considerable number of these to come forward this season. Liverpool space has been let at 45s.; London and Glasgow, 40s. Besides the regular sailing, three additional vessels will leave during September, capacity about 3,000 head. In the local market, prices show little change, supplies lighter, and tone of market rather firmer. Some of the best cattle sold at 5c., fine being 4½c. to 4½c.; good, 4c. to 4½c.; medium, 3½c. to 4c., and common, 2½c. to 3½c. Sheep, 3½c. to 4½c.; lambs, \$2.50 to \$5.50 each, and calves, \$2 to \$5 for fair, and \$6 to \$10 for choice. Milch cows, \$25 to \$50 each. Although the offerings of live hogs were not very large, the tone of the market was weak, and prices experienced a fractional decline, at 7½c. to 7½c. per lb. for selects, off cars.

Dressed Hogs and Provisions—Dressed hogs very little cheaper; some still quoting 11c. per pound for finest, fresh-killed abattoir. Lard in good demand at 8½c. for refined compound, and 12½c. to 13½c. for extra pure and finest kettle.

Horses—Horses have been so scarce it has been hard to secure enough. Heavy-draft horses, 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$250 to \$300 each; light-draft, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$200 to \$250 each; express, 1,100 to 1,300 lbs., \$150 to \$200 each; choice saddle or driving, \$350 to \$500; fair drivers, \$150 or \$125, and poor old horses, \$50 to \$100.

Hides, Tallow and Wool—Lamb skins, 10c. up, at 60c. Calf skins are steady at 13c. per lb. for No. 2, and 15c. for No. 1. Beef hides, steady; dealers are paying 10½c., 11½c. and 12½c. per lb. for Nos. 3, 2 and 1, respectively, and selling to tanners at an advance of ½c. Horse hides are \$1.50 each for No. 2, and \$2 for No. 1. Rough tallow is steady at 1½c. to 3c. per lb., rendered being 5c., and only in moderate demand. The wool market was about steady. There is very little coming in here, and it is not thought that there is much activity in other parts of the country. Prices are: Canada fleece, tub-washed, 26c. to 28c. per lb.; in the grease, 18c. to 20c.; Canada pulled, brushed, 30c., and unbrushed, 27c. to 29c.; pulled lambs, brushed, 30c. to 32c., and unbrushed, 30c.; N.W. Merinos, 18c. to 20c.

Cheese—Market has been showing great strength, and prices are now higher than every before for this time of year. The strength is attributed to a falling off in the make, and to large shipments leaving stocks light. Season's shipments to week ending Aug. 11th total 1,118,000 boxes, or 100,000 more than a year ago. The quality of the cheese leaves room for criticism, especially in the case of Quebec makes, and this accounts for a considerable range in prices. We quote Quebecs, 12c. to 12½c.; Townships, 12½c. to 12½c.; Ontarios, 12½c. to 12½c.

Butter—Make is on the small side, but demand light. Exports are falling further and further behind as season ad-

vances, being now 100,000 pkgs less than for the corresponding period last year. Good to fine creamery, 22½c. to 22½c.; fine to fancy, 22½c. to 22½c.

Eggs—Steady, stock showing a slight improvement in quality; 17½c. for straight-gathered; select, candled, 20c. to 21c., and No. 2 stock, 13c. to 15c.

Potatoes—Market took a rise last week, though it was looked on as but temporary. Dealers have paid farmers 90c. per 80-pound bag, and \$2 per bbl.; resold at \$1.15 and \$1.25, respectively.

Tomatoes—Farmers in the vicinity of Montreal are busy harvesting the immense crop of tomatoes. Although the price of these is supposed to be 25c. per bushel, purchases have been made at 20c., and even 15c.

Grain—Oat market has been weak, and prices got down to the lowest point touched in months, viz., 36c. to 38c., store.

Hay—Stocks are lights, and farmers too busy to bring in new hay. Prices firm at \$8.50 for clover and clover-mixed, \$9.50 for No. 2 timothy, and \$10.50 for No. 1. Demand good.

Flour and Feed—There is an easier feeling in the flour market, and purchases of Manitobas have been made lately at \$4 per bbl., in bags, for strong bakers', and \$4.50 for patents. Market for bran and shorts exceptionally firm. Millers say they cannot get enough to fill orders, particularly in bran. Bran, \$18 per ton, and shorts, \$21.

British Cattle Markets.

London.—Cattle are quoted at 10½c. to 12c. per lb.; refrigerator beef, 9½c. per lb.; sheep, dressed, 14c. to 16c. per lb.

GOSSIP.

In our list of auction sale dates claimed, it will be noticed that the dates claimed by Capt. T. E. Robson, Il-derton, and H. J. Davis, Woodstock, have been changed from Oct. 17th and 18th to October 24th and 25th.

The success of an auction sale of pure-bred stock, ordinary farm stock and chattels, or other property, depends largely, in the first place, upon judicious advertising in the publications that reach the greatest number of people likely to be interested in the class of stock or goods to be sold, and, secondly, upon the employment of a competent and trustworthy auctioneer. Such a salesman is Mr. Thomas Ingram, of Guelph, whose long and widely-extended experience in that capacity, coupled with his correct knowledge of values of live stock and properties, his ability, by his genial and gentlemanly manner to attract and hold the attention of a company, his honorable methods of dealing with seller and buyer, and his success in arranging satisfactory settlements, commends him to the patronage of farmers, breeders and others contemplating the holding of auction sales. The Guelph and surrounding districts are fortunate in having the services of so capable and successful a salesman within easy reach.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS. Miscellaneous.

PINK EYE.

My mare was served by a horse. After seven or eight days she took sick, and both mare and colt died. The veterinary calls it pink eye. He says the trouble was in the womb. The stallion had pink eye three years ago. Would he cause the mare to get it? About thirteen mares took pink eye after being served—seven to nine days after on a short route. The horse was guaranteed to have never had any sickness. If it is caused by the horse, can I collect damages? I learn that the horse had pink eye, and was sick three weeks. Both groom and proprietor knew it, but claimed their horse to be in perfect health.

Ontario. Ans.—The loss of the mare cannot well be said to have been caused by the horse, and, notwithstanding the guarantee given by the proprietor, we do not see that you are in a position to establish a claim against him for damages.