

Montreal Christmas Cattle Market.

The days of the fancy Christmas cattle are evidently over, says the Montreal Gazette. In former years the heavy 1,400 to 1,500 lb. steers were centres of attraction about the stock yards around the Christmas markets, but they are not coming any more. The butchers don't want these extra heavy cattle, because there is no demand for extra fine beef, their customers going in more for poultry, etc, and the free offering of good ranche killed cattle giving them an opening for filling their wants which was unknown a few years ago. While there were no extra fine stock on the markets this week, several of the leading drovers had stock on offer considerably above the average, and while these cattle only netted 4½ to 5c per pound, they no doubt paid the raisers and the sellers better than the fancy stock which they were forced to sell in years gone by at 5½ to 6c to make a profit. Some very fine western cattle have been slaughtered here during the week, and the principal butchers stocked up with them, being apparently better satisfied with this class of beef than with the extra heavy Ontario cattle.

Jack Rabbits.

In Southern Manitoba mountain hares or jack rabbits have become so numerous that they are proving destructive. These interesting but impudent wanderers in the moonlight nightly visit the stable yards and grain stacks in such numbers that farmers claim that as much is devoured as would feed a small flock of sheep. One man, who lives a short distance from Pilot Mound, counted fourteen hares feeding at one time at a stack of oats, and he considered that as many more were at no great distance, and would take their turn during the night. A twelve pound hare stewed with potatoes makes an excellent dinner for a number of persons, and costs only about two cents, or the price of a cartridge.—Pilot Mound Sentinel.

Grip Revived!

Our readers who remember Grip in its palmy days will, we are sure, be glad to hear that with the first week of the new year the famous comic paper is to be revived under the editorship of the originator, J. W. Bengough, with whom is associated J. J. Bell, who will act as business manager. Grip will come forth in a new typographical outfit, and the new proprietors promise that it will be better than ever before in the artistic and literary departments, while it will strive to deal out even-handed justice in its comments on public questions.

The publishers (Phoenix Publishing Co., Toronto) wish to hear from all Grip's old friends and thousands of new ones. Subscription as heretofore, \$2. Single copies, 5c. Send for sample copy. The country needs Grip and we're glad he is to be to the front again.

The Hog Pack in United States.

From November 1, the total pack of hogs in the west is 2,000,000, against 2,225,000 a year ago—decrease 225,000. Prices have been fairly steady during most of the week, a moderate reduction at the close being shown in comparison with a week ago. The average of prices for prominent western markets is approximately \$4 95 to 5 00 per 100 pounds, ranging up to \$5.10 to 5.25 in some instances. The quality is almost uniformly good and average weight relatively heavy, although there are some reports of a tendency to lighter average compared with the recent past.—Cincinnati Price Current.



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11.12a	9.31a	102 0	Belmont.....	7.00p	4.13p
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