THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE.

Montreal.

the local market have shown some im-

provement of late, and as prices are very

high and demand somewhat restricted, a

slightly easier tone manifested itself.

Cattle have declined about {c. in price,

and choicest steers on the market were

available to-day at 8c. to 81c. per lb.;

fine were 74c. to 8c., and good, 74c. to

7ic. Medium ranged from 6ic. to 7ic.,

while common sold down to 5c., with

common cows and bulls about ic. less,

and prices of these are ranging up to 7c.

and 71c. Spring lambs were changing

hands quietly at from \$8 to \$6 each, and

sheep were traded in at 6‡c. per lb.

There was a slight easiness in the mar-

ket for cows, and sales were being made

at \$8 to \$8 each, according to quality.

There was a fair demand for hogs, and

an active trade was done in Ontario

selects, at 91c. to a fraction higher,

while Manitoba stock sold at 94c. per

Horses .-- Carters have now purchased

practically all the horses they need for

however, are still being made, and some

shipments are taking place to country

points. Horses weighing from 1,500 to

1,700 lbs., sold at \$275 to \$300 each;

light draft, weighing from 1,400 to 1,500

lbs., \$225 to \$275 each; broken - down,

old animals, \$75 to \$125, and choicest

saddle and carriage animals, \$350 to

Poultry .- The market showed no change,

quotations being as follows : Turkeys,

22c. to 24c. per lb.; ducks, 16c. to 18c.;

chickens, 19c. to 21c.; fowl, 16c. to 18c.,

Dressed Hogs .- Abattoir-dressed, fresh-

killed hogs have been in very steady de-

mand for weeks past, and the price has

shown almost no change, and was still

Potatoes .- Supplies of good stock

showed a considerable reduction, and as

a consequence prices were very firm, be-

ing higher than the previous week.

Green Mountains, in car lots, were

quoted at 90c. to 95c. per bag of 90

lbs., while Quebec stock was quoted at

80c. to 85c. In a smaller way, prices

Honey and Syrup.-New syrup was

changing hands freely. The price was

about 74c. per lb. in wood, and 74c. to

8c. in tins, making prices of tins 65c. to

70c. for small, and \$1 for large. White-

clover comb honey was 15c. to 16c. per

lb.; extracted, 101c. to 111c.; dark comb,

ranged from 15c. to 20c. a bag higher.

Purchases,

lb., weighed off cars.

\$400 each.

the opening of the season.

and geese, 14c. to 16c.

184c. to 184c. per lb.

Live Stock .- Supplies of live stock on

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Savings Department at all Branches.

Peas .-- No. 2, 98c. to \$1.

Flour.-Ontario, ninety-per-cent. winterwheat patents, new, \$3.80 to \$3.85, seaboard. Manitoba flour-Prices at Toronto are : First patents, \$5.60; in cotton, 10c. more; second patents, \$5.10; strong bakers', \$4.60, in jute.

Buckwheat .-- No. 2, 78c. to 75c., outmide.

HAY AND MILLFEED.

Hay.-Baled, car lots, track, Toronto, No. 1, \$14 to \$14.50; No. 2, \$12 to \$18 per ton.

Straw.-Baled, car lots, track, Toronto, \$8.50 to \$9.

Bran.-Manitoba bran, \$25 in bags. track, Toronto; shorts, \$26; Ontario bran, \$24 in bags; shorts, \$25; middlings, \$28.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter .-- Receipts were liberal, and prices unchanged. Creamery pound rolls, 81c. to 32c.; creamery solids, 27c. to 28c.; separator dairy, 27c. to 29c.; store lots, 24c. to 23c.

Eggs .-- Receipts large; market steady, at 21c. to 22c.

Cheese .- Old, large, 15c. to 15 c.; new, 144c. to 15c. Honey .- Extracted, 9c.; combs, \$2.50 to

\$3 per dozen sections.

Beans .-- Imported, hand - picked, \$2.25 per bushel; Canadians, hand-picked, \$2.25; prime, \$2.10.

Potatoes .-- Car lots of Ontarios, per bag, track, Toronto, 80c. to 90c.; New Brunswick Delawares, 90c. to \$1.10, track, Teronto.

Poultry .- Receipts light, and prices very firm. Turkeys, dressed, 22c. to 25c. per Ib.; geese, 18c. to 20c. per lb.; ducks, 20c. to 22c.; chickens, 20c. to 24c. per to 18c. per lb., Jb.; her 16c. dress

Sheep and Lambs .- Sheep, native, \$5.20 hay, car lots, Montreal, track, \$15.50 to to \$6.65; Western, \$5.85 to \$6.75; year-\$16 per ton; No. 2 extra good, \$14.50 lings, \$5.70 to \$7.40; lambs, native, \$6.15 to \$8.10; Western, \$6.20 to \$8.85. to \$15, and No. 2, \$18.50 to \$14.

Seeds .- Merchants were very busy shipping. Prices were :- Timothy, \$10 to \$11.50 per 100 lbs., Montreal; red clover, \$22 to \$24 per 100 lbs., and alsike, \$20 to \$24 per 100lbs.

Hides .- The market for hides was unchanged. Beef hides, 13c., 14c. and 15c. for Nos. 8, 2 and 1, respectively. Calf skins, 16c. to 18c. for Nos. 2 and 1; sheep skins, \$1.20 to \$1.25 each, and lamb skins, 13c. each, with horse hides ranging from \$1.75 for No. 2, to \$2.50 each for No. 1. Tallow sold at 14c. to 8c. for rough, and 5c. to 64c. for rendered.

Buffalo.

Cattle .-- One of the worst markets of the year last week, shipping steers proving especially weak sale. The reasontoo many cattle at all markets, both on this and the other side. Buffalo had something like 75 to 80 loads of shipping steers, and buys by Eastern - order demand was exceeding light. Some sales of better weight steers were made 10c. to 15c. lower, but most transactions were 25c. to 85c. lower than the previous week, and at the close some sales looked even lower, resulting in most of the sellers declining to accept the bids offered, winding up with 50 to 60 cars of shipping steers going over unsold. Chicago was unusually heavy, and some of the Eastern killers bought quite a few heavy cattle at Lancaster, Pa., a large feeding county, the past week. From Boston killers, it was learned that the Argentine beef was still coming, and it proved very hard competition. Big end of the supply here the past week was steers, there being over 150 loads of these. Females were rather scarce, and these sold about steady, demand being good for butchering heifers and all kinds of fat cows. Stockers and feeders sold strong to a shade higher, and the demand was far from being met. A rather unusual situation prevails as regards feeding and stock cattle. At times, when the market on fat cattle is weak, these feeding cattle are selling stronger. Prospects for good grass are very favorable, and the demand for all kinds of stockers, feeders, and young grazing cows could, hardly be better, there being orders for a large number of cars that cannot be filled. Bulls sold generally weak, kinds that have been bringing \$6.50 to \$7, selling now from \$6.25 to \$6.50. Fresh cows and springers about steady. The break in values the past week places the market on good cattle from 40c. to 60c. under three weeks ago. Some sellers expect a reaction, but it will require lighter runs, as excessive supplies will undoubtedly cause a continued weak trade. With the market somewhat demoralized, it was demonstrated again that choice, handy cattle, show excellent results. A load of Canadian butchering steers, averaging around a thousand pounds, sold at \$8.60, and some light heifers went up to \$8. There are few of the well-finished heifers or steers on the handy order coming; more are needed. Heavy steers on the prime order, sold the past week from \$8.75 to \$9.15, two loads selling Friday at the high quotation. In a short time, southern distilled cattle will begin to run, and the rangers from the south-west will begin to come, resulting, it is thought by some authorities, in plenty of grassy cattle being offered for the demand. Strictly dry-fed cattle, however, will not be in such abundance later on, and around June are picked for high prices. Quite a few loads of Canadian cattle here the past week, the steers selling all the way from around \$8 to \$8.60, some of them being very good. Receipts for the week were 5,950 head, as against 3,500 head for the previous week, and 4,850 for the corresponding week last year. Prices, as compared with last year, were about the same, top cattle last year fetching \$9. Quotations: Best 1,350 to 1,450-lb. steers, natives, \$8.75 to \$9.15; best 1,200 to 1,300-lb. steers, natives, \$8.35 to \$8.60; best 1,100 to 1,200-lbs. steers, natives, \$8 to \$8.40; coarse and plain, weighty steers, to the United States of late, and prices natives, \$7.65 to \$7.83; fancy yearlings,

were consequently firm. No. 1 pressed | baby beef, \$8.25 to \$8.50; medium to good, \$7.75 to \$8; best Canada steers, 1,850 to 1,450, \$8 to \$8.25; best Canada steers, 1,150 to 1,250 lbs., \$7.75 to \$8.10; extra good cows, \$6.75 to \$7.25; butcher cows, \$5 to \$5.50; cutters, \$4.85 to \$4.50; trimmers, \$4 to \$4.25; best heifers, \$7.50 to \$7.75; stock heifers, \$6.25 to \$6.50; best feeding steers, dehorns, \$7.50 to \$7.85; best stock steers, \$7.25 to \$7.50; extra good bulls, \$7 to \$7.25; stock bulls, common to good, \$5 to \$6; best milkers and springers, \$75 to \$100.

Hogs .-- Hog prices were held within a ten-cent range the past week. Top day was Monday, bulk selling at \$9.25, and the low day was Thursday, majority moving at \$9.15, general price Friday for best grades being \$9.20. Most of the pigs sold around \$9. Two decks of Canadian hogs that were on the Friday market sold, with the roughs out, at \$9.15. Receipts the past week were 28,640, as against 22,640 the previous week, and 28,820 for the same week a year ago.

Sheep and Lambs.-Good, strong, active market on sheep and lambs the past week. Wool lambs reached a new high mark for the year, three decks selling Friday at \$9. Best shorn lambs, on the handy order, sold up to \$7.65 to \$7.75, while weighty ones, kinds weighing around 85 lbs., undersold the handier ones, as a rule, by from 15c. to 25c., while 100-1b. clipped lambs showed a difference of seventy-five cents from grades averaging around 75 lbs. Best clipped wethers showed a top of \$6, it taking a very desirable kind to sell at \$5.75 to \$5.85; shorn ewes, \$5 to \$5.50. Receipts the past week figured 28,800 head, as against 27,800 head for the previous week, and 25,600 head for the corresponding week a year ago.

Calves .- Heavy receipts the past week resulted in a drop in prices nearly every day, Friday's trade, which was \$1 lower than Monday, being on the lowest level of the year. The week started with a \$10 market for top kinds, and on Friday, buyers got the bulk of the best veals down to \$9.

Butter .- Firm and steady. Creamery, prints, 27c.; creamery, prints, firsts, 26c.; dairy, choice to fancy, 24c. to 25c.; dairy, fair to good, 22c. to 23c.

Cheese .- Demand fair; steady. Fancy. old, 18c. to 19c.; fancy, new, 14c. to 15c.

Eggs .- White, fancy, 22c.

Gossip.

The dates chosen for Canada's Great Eastern Exhibition, at Sherbrooke, Que., have been changed to Sept. 5 to 12.

Jos. J. Totten's advertisement of

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TORONTO SEED MARKET.

The following are the prices wholesale seed merchants are quoting to the trade: Red clover, No. 1, \$19 to \$21 per cwt.; red clover, No. 2, \$17.50 to \$18.50 per .cwt.; alsike, No. 1, \$21 per cwt.; alsike, No. 2, \$17.50 to \$18.50; timothy, No. 1, \$8.50 to \$9.50 per cwt.; timothy, No. 2, \$7.23 to \$7.50 per cwt.; alfalfa, No. 1, \$14 to \$15 per cwt.; alfalfa, No. 2, \$18 to \$13.50 per cwt.

HIDES AND SKINS.

City hides, No. 1 inspected, steers and cows, 14c.; No. 2, 18c.; city butcher hides, flat 13c.; country hides, cured, 15c. to 164c.; green, 12c. to 124c.; lamb skins and pelts, \$1 to \$1.50; calf skins, 16c.; horse hair, per lb., 38c. to 40c.; horse hides, No. 1, \$2.50 to \$4.50; tallow, No. 1, per lb., 54c. to 7c.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Apples of choice quality are scarce. Spies are selling at \$6 to \$7 for No. 1; No. 2 Spies, \$5 per barrel; Yellow Globe onions, 100-lb. sacks, \$4.25 to \$4.50; turnips, 60c. per bag; carrots, 100-lb. sacks, fancy, \$2; parsnips, \$1.50 per sack; beets, \$1.50 per sack.

Chicago.

Cattle .-- Beeves, \$7.15 to \$9.85; Texas steers, \$7.10 to \$8.20; stockers and feeders, \$5.50 to \$8.15; cows and heifers, \$3.70 to \$8.50; calves, \$6 to \$8.50. Hogs .-- Light, \$8.55 to \$8.77; mixed, \$8.50 to \$8.80; heavy, \$8.80 to \$8.75; rough, \$8.30 to \$8.45; pigs, \$7.25 to \$8.45; bulk of sales, \$8.65 to \$8.75.

18c. to 14c., and strained, 74c. to 84c. per lb.

Eggs .- Receipts were a little lighter, and packing went forward briskly. Quotations were moderately firm, at 22c. to 221c. for wholesale lots of straightgathered eggs, and 25c. for selected stock, with No. 1 stock at 21c.

Butter .- The supply of new-made creamery continued to increase, but was not sufficiently large to occasion any very marked decline in price. Quotations of choicest stock were in the vicinity of 25c. to 26c. per lb., while next grades were about 1c. below these figures.

Cheese .- Offerings of cheese were beginning to show a slight increase, and while the quality was by no means very acceptable, the price was fairly firm, at 12c. to 18c. per lb. for colored. White brought about 1c. less, and was not in good demand.

Grain -The tone of the market for oats was firm, but prices showed little change. No. 2 Western Canada oats were quoted at 434c. per bushel, ex store, in car lots; No. 3, at 421c. to 421c.

Flour.-The market for flour showed no change. Manitoba first patents were quoted at \$5.60 per barrel in bags; seconds being \$5.10, and strong bakers'. \$4.90. Ontario winter-wheat flour was firmer, at \$5.25 to \$5.50 for patents, and \$4.70 to \$4.90 per barrel for straight rollers, in wood.

Millfeed .- Demand was still active for all sorts of millfeed. Bran sold at \$23 per ton, and shorts at \$25 in bags, while middlings were \$28, including bags. Mouille was \$30 to \$32 per ton for pure, and \$28 to \$29 for mixed,

Hay .- Shipments have been taking place

seed corn in this issue, he omitted to state the price. It should read \$1.25 per bushel.

In another column is advertised the sale by auction of pure-bred Clydesdale, Percheron and Arabian horses, and registered Holstein cattle, the property of Lucine Cloutier, Crysler, Ont. Look up the advertisement and attend the sale.

Attention is called to the change of advertisement in this issue of R. W. Walker, Port Perry, who writes that enquiries have been numerous for stock, and he has sold eight young bulls. One is still on hand. In the advertisement, owing to a typographical error, Mr. Walker's initials are given as J. W., instead of R. W. The new address is Port. Perry, R. R. No. 4, rural-mail delivery having cut Utica off.

Look up the advertisement of Grandy Bros., of Springville, Ont., in this issue. This firm has recently imported four stallions of the best Clydesdale blood of Scotland. Glassford Pride, by Casa-bianca, is a big, strong, clean-limbed horse, eight years of age. Kells Rover, a grandson of Baron of Buchlyvie, is a very nicely-moulded horse, of good size, and the best of quality. He is five years old. Prince Palatine, sired by the renowned Baron of Buchlyvie, is a fouryear-old, the pick of the lot, and one of the best to come to Canada. Craigie Consul, a three-year-old, by the champion, Oyama, is a great colt, and a prizewinner of note. Do not fail to see the advertisement.