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THE MARKETS

STOCK MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

H. C. Becher, broker, Bank of Commerce building, received the following by private wire from Bartlett, Frazier & Carrington today:

New York, Sept. 3—Noon.—This market is a distinct disappointment, lacking, as it does, either the animation or strength that might have been expected after yesterday's operations. The lower London prices and the advance in the discount rate in the Bank of England had a slight sentimental effect, and lacking of buying and profit-taking were the primary features influencing early trading. Metropolitan securities had a sensational break and developed a strange weakness in view of Mr. Ryan's expressly reassuring statement. Metropolitan was also a weak feature, and traders did not seem to take for graned the explanations of the transfer of Metropolitan securities stock from Kuhn, Loeb & Co., the Ryan syndicate. The market opened with a fairly good tone, and developed a little strength temporarily; then it sold off rather sharply in a number of issues, but has steadied somewhat since. Atchison was a feature of the trading. The professional element sold the stock down, but it regained part of its loss and seems to possess an inherent strength. St. Paul developed a momentary weakness, but regained a substantial part of its loss. Reading was attacked and sold off, but rallied. The tone of the market is not distinct, but traders are inclined to be bullish. There is a general dullness, reflecting the anti-holiday tone, and there is little hope for pronounced activity during the remaining session of the week. Sales to noon, 146,800 shares.

TORONTO.

	Toronto, Sept. 3. Ask.	Bid
Montreal		250
Ontario	124	128
Toronto		228
Merchants		
Commerce	159	157½
Imperial	226	
Dominion	234	228½
Standard	225	
Hamilton	225	
Nova Scotia		
Ottawa	220	
Traders	157½	157
British Amer. ca	95	89
Western Assurance	95	
Imperial Life		149
National Trust		133½
Toronto General Trusts		159
Consumers Gas	210	
Ontario and Qu'Appelle Land		84
Canada Northwest Land, Pref.	99	97½
Canada Northwest Land, com.		
Can. Pacific Railway Stock	124½	123⅞
Can. Pac. Railway Stock, new		
Union Life		
Royal		131¾
Toronto Electric Light	133	138
General Electric	199	
General Electric, pref.		
London Electric	106	151½
Commercial Cable		
Dominion Telegraph		112
Bell Telephone		
Richelieu and Ontario Nav. Co.		81
Niagara Navigation	127	120
Northern Navigation	133	130
St. L. and C. Navigation	130	124
Toronto Railway	100	99¾
London St. Railway		
Twin City Railway	93¼	93
Winnipeg St. Railway		175½
Sao Paulo Tramway	86	84½
Toledo		
Luxfer Prism, pref.		
Carter Crume, pref.		
Dunlop Tire, pref		
W. A. Rogers, pref		
Packers, A		
Packers, B		
Dominion Steel, com.	6⅝	4½
Dominion Steel, pref.		
Dominion Coal, com.	83	82⅞
Nova Scotia Steel, com.		85
Lake Superior, com.		
Virtue		
North Star		
Colored Cotton		
Crow's Nest Coal	350	
War Eagle		
Republic		
Payne Mining		
Cariboo (McKinney)		
Canada Salt		119
British Canadian L. and I.		65
Canada Landed and Nat. Inv.		101
Canada Permanent	120	119
Canada Savings and Loan		119
Central Canada Loan		150
Dominion Savings and Invest		70
Hamilton Provident		119
Huron and Erie L. and S. Co.		65
Imperial L. and Invest.		
Landed Banking and Loan		119
Lon. and Can. L. and A.		
Manitoba Loan		80
Toronto Mortgage		85
London Loan	120	
Ontario Loan and Deb.		121
Peoples' Loan and Deposit		
Toronto Savings and Loan		
Dominion Steel Bonds		61½
N. S. Steel Bonds	109	108

SALES: Ontario, 15 at 128; Merchants, 4 at 155½; Commerce, 96 at 157¼; Dominion, 208 at 230; Toronto Railway, 75 at 99, 5 at 100; Twin City, 25 at 93¼; C. P. R., 500 at 124, 100 at 124⅛; Toronto Electric Light, 40 at 132½; Canadian General Electric, 50 at 158⅞, 10 at 157¾; Northern Navigation, 25 at 132; War Eagle, 1,000 at 12½; Cable, 4,000 at 92; Steel, 25 at 9⅝, 9,125 at 9⅝; Coal, 250 at 83, 25 at 82⅞, 425 at 83, 10 at 83¼, 100 at 82⅞, 13 at 83, 300 at 83, 7 at 83½, 50 at 82⅞.

MONTREAL.

	Montreal, Sept. 3. Ask.	Off.
Canadian Pacific	124¼	124⅛
Canadian Pacific, new		
Duluth, common		
Duluth, preferred		
Winnipeg Electric	225	
Montreal Street Railway	240	235
West India		
Toronto Street Railway	100½	99
Halifax Street Railway	100	
St. John Street Railway	120	
Twin City Transit Railway	93½	92¼
Twin City Railway, new		
Richelieu and Ontario	82½	81
Montreal Telegraph	160	160½
Bell Telephone	155	
Dominion Iron and Steel, com.	9½	9¼
Dominion Iron and Steel, pref.	31	
Montreal Heat, Light and Power	77	75¼
Nova Scotia Steel, common	87	85
Detroit Railway	69¼	68½
Laurentide Pulp		
Montreal Cotton	120	114
Dominion Cotton		
Canada Colored Cotton		
Merchants' Cotton		
War Eagle		
Payne		
Montreal Street Bonds	105	
Republic		
Virtue		
North Star		
National Salt, common		
Dominion Coal, common	85	83
Dominion Coal, preferred	112½	110
Int. Coal		
Int. Coal, preferred		
B. C. P. A.		
Bank of Montreal	250	
Ontario Bank		
British North America		
Molsons Bank		
Bank of Toronto		
Merchants Bank		
Ogilvie Flour	126	
Ogilvie Milling Co., preferred		
Ogilvie Bonds	116	
Montreal Switch		
Montreal Switch, pref.		
Marconi		
Windsor Hotel		
Bank National		
Lake of Woods Mfg. Co.		
Royal Bank		
Bank of Nova Scotia		
Eastern Townships		
Bank of Montreal		
Quebec Bank		
Bank of Toronto		
Union Bank	140	
Bank of Commerce		
Hochlaga		
Northwest Land		
Northwest Land, pref.		
Imperial Bank		
Dominion Iron and Steel Bonds	65	67
Land Grant		
Laurentide	100	
Cable Coupon		
Halifax Railway		
Cable Registered		
Colored Cotton		
N. S. Steel Bonds	110	
Toledo Bonds	23	

SALES: C. P. R., 25 at 124½, 25 at 124¼; Hochelaga Bank, 10 at 130; Montreal Cotton, 25 at 115; R. and O., 15 at 82; Montreal Street Railway bonds, 200 at 103; Power, 25 at 75½; Scotia, common, 50 at 86; Coal, common, 250 at 83, 850 at 83; Montreal Street Railway, 6 at 240; Merchants' Bank, 4 at 156.

NEW YORK.

Reported by F. H. Butler, stock broker, Masonic Temple, for The Advertiser.

	New York, Sept. 3. Open.	High.	Low.	2 p.m
Anaconda	80¼	81	80¼	81
Amal Copper	48½	48¾	48⅛	48⅛
American Sugar Co.	117	117¼	117	117⅛
American Locomotive	19			
American Refining	43⅞			
Atcheson Com.	45¾	45¾	44¾	44⅞
B. & O.	82⅝	82⅞	82¼	82½
Brooklyn Tran.	45⅛	45½	44¾	44⅞
C. P. R.	124	124¼	123⅞	124¼
Chesapeake & Ohio	34¼	34½	33½	33½
Chic. Great Western	17			
C. F. Fuel and Iron	47¾	47¾	44	45½
Erie	30	30	29⅞	29⅞
Erie 1st Pfd	67⅝	67¾	67½	67½
Illinois Central	133½			
Kan. and Tex. pref.	42			
Louisville and Nashville	105			
Manhattan	135			
Metropolitan St. Ry.	113¾	113¾	111	112¾
Mexican Central	13¾	13¾	13⅝	13⅝
M. P.	95¾	94	93⅞	93½
N. Y. Central	124¼			
Norfolk and W.	62¾			
Ont. and West	23½			
Pennsylvania	124½	124½	123¾	123¾
People's Gas	93¾	93¾	93½	93½
Reading	55	55	53¾	54
Republic I. and S.	11⅛			
Rock Island	29½	29½	28¼	28¼
Southern Ry.	22¾	22¾	22½	22⅝
Southern Pacific	46⅞	46⅞	45⅞	46
St. Paul	142¼	142½	141¼	141¼
Texas	27¼	27¼	27	27
Union Pacific	75⅞	75⅞	75	75⅞
Union Pacific, pref.	88			
U. S. Steel, com.	29	29¼	27⅞	28⅛
U. S. Steel Pfd.	71	71⅛	70⅞	71⅛
Western Union Tel.	88			

CHICAGO EXCHANGE.

Reported for The Advertiser by F. H. Butler, stock broker.

	Chicago, Sept. 3. Open	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—Sept.	81½	81⅞	81⅛	81⅛
Dec.	82¾	83¼	82½	82⅝
May	84¾	85	84⅝	84⅝
Corn—Sept.	52¼	52⅞	52¼	52½
Dec.	51½	52⅛	51½	51⅞
May	51¾	52¼	51¾	51⅞
Oats—Sept.	35½	36¼	35¼	36⅛
Dec.	36¾	37½	36¾	37¼
May	38⅞	39⅜	38⅞	39⅜
Pork—Sept.	12 40	12 45	12 40	12 45
Oct.	12 62	12 72	12 62	12 65
Lard—Sept.	8 60	8 65	8 60	8 60
Oct.	7 70	7 80	7 70	7 80
S. Ribs—Sept.	7 67	7 80	7 67	7 85
Oct.	7 85	7 87	7 85	7 87

LOCAL MARKET.

London, Wednesday, Sept. 3.

The attendance of farmers at the market was the largest for a Thursday in several weeks. The bulk of the offerings were the small products of the farm and vegetables and fruits. Sales were draggy and prices were inclined to be easier for most of the stuff offered. A well-known Caradoc farmer says that the potatoes are rotting in considerable numbers in that township. The blight has done considerable damage. As the soil is of a sandy nature in the township mentioned, it is only reasonable to expect that the rot will be more serious on heavy land.

Grain—There was a scarcity in this line; only two loads of old oats offered, which brought 88c and 90c per cental; new oats sold at 83c to 84c per cental; only a few loads offered. Wheat went higher, at $1 27 per cental, and that was of inferior quality.

Hay and Straw—There were 18 loads of hay offered; sales were not quite as brisk as yesterday, at $7 to $7 50 for medium quality, and $8 per ton for the best. No straw offered today.

Butter and Eggs—There was a fairly large supply in this line; butter in crocks sold mostly at 17c, and for pound rolls 19c was most frequently paid by the basket lot. Eggs sold at 13c to 14c per dozen by the basket.

Vegetables and Roots—The supply of potatoes was large, owing to the increased price paid here on Tuesday last; sales were made at 40c to 60c per bushel, and from 70c to 75c per bag; tomatoes were largely represented, and prices went lower, at 25c to 30c per 20-pound basket; onions were held at 90c per bushel; other vegetables plentiful, at prices quoted.

Fruits—Apples were slow of sale, at 30c to 50c per bushel; plums sold at 20c per 12-quart basket; peaches were held at 35c to 60c for the 12-quart basket; pears went at $1 to $1 25 per bushel.

Poultry—There was quite a large supply and 50c, 60c and 75c per pair was most pio [illegible] hens sold at about the same prices; spring chickens (alive) sold at 40c to 60c per pair; dressed ducks went at 75c to $1 per pair.

Dressed Hogs—Most of those offered sold at $8 and $8 25 per 100 pounds; a few went at $7 75.

Honey was dull, at 9c to 10c for strained.

Butchers' Meats—Sales were slow, and the supply light at prices quoted.

GRAIN, PER CENTAL.			
Wheat, new	$1 25	@	$1 27
Wheat, old	1 25	@	1 27
Corn	1 00	@	1 10
Oats, old	86	@	88
Oats, new	83	@	84
Rye	95	@	1 00
Peas	1 40	@	1 00
Barley	80	@	85
Buckwheat	90	@	1 10

GRAIN, PER BUSHEL.			
Wheat	75	@	75⅛
Corn	68	@	72
Oats	28⅝	@	30⅝
Rye	53	@	55
Peas	92	@	94
Barley	31	@	43
Buckwheat	50	@	52

LIVE STOCK.			
Hogs, per cwt	5 85	@	5 90
Pigs, per pair	5 00	@	7 50
Sows, per cwt	4 00	@	4 25
Fat cattle, per cwt	3 50	@	4 10
Cows, each	25 00	@	37 00

DRESSED POULTRY.			
Turkeys, per lb.	11	@	14
Chickens, per pair	50	@	75
Ducks, per pair	75	@	1 00
Geese, each	65	@	90
Spring chickens, pair pair.	45	@	70

LIVE POULTRY.			
Chickens, per pair	50	@	60
Turkeys, per lb.	10	@	10
Spring chickens, per pair.	45	@	60

BUTCHERS' MEATS.			
Pork, per cwt	7 75	@	8 25
Veal, per cwt.	6 00	@	8 00
Beef, per cwt	5 50	@	6 50
Veal, hinds, per lb.	9	@	10

DAIRY PRODUCE.			
Veal, fronts, per lb.	7	@	7
Honey, strained, per lb.	9	@	10
Eggs, doz., new-laid	14	@	15
Eggs, doz., basket lots	13	@	14
Honey, in comb, per lb.	11½	@	12
Butter, rolls, per lb.	18	@	20
Butter, creamery, per lb.	20	@	22
Butter, crocks, per lb.	16	@	18

FRUITS.			
Apples, per bu	30	@	50
Apples, per peck	10	@	20
Pears, per peck	30	@	40
Peaches, 12-quart basket	30	@	60
Plums, 12-quart basket	20	@	25
Peaches, 8-quart basket	20	@	30
Thimbleberries, per box	6	@	7

VEGETABLES.			
New potatoes, per bu	40	@	60
New potatoes, peck	15	@	15
Peas, shelled, quart	15	@	15
Cabbage, per doz.	25	@	25
Cauliflowers, per doz.	50	@	75
Beets, per doz. bunches	20	@	20
Onions, doz. bunches	20	@	20
Radishes, doz. bunches	15	@	20
Lettuce, doz. bunches	15	@	20
Carrots, doz. bunches	20	@	20
Asparagus, doz. bunches	40	@	40
Cucumbers, per doz.	10	@	15
Rhubarb, per doz.	20	@	20
Beans, per quart	3	@	5
Tomatoes, per lb	3	@	4
Beans, per peck	20	@	20
Vegetable marrows, doz.	50	@	80

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AMERICAN MARKETS.

CHICAGO.

H. C. Becher, broker, Bank of Commerce building, received the following by private wire from Bartlett, Frazier & Carrington, yesterday:

Chicago, Sept. 2.—Wheat opened strong. The trade was big, with professionals and commission houses good buyers, with perfect weather map ignored. Private dispatches report rain in many sections on the spring wheat belt. They also stated that threshing had been seriously delayed by the continuous rains, and grain in shock as a condition in some cases sprouting. A similar situation exists in Manitoba. The Premier of that province informs our Minneapolis correspondent that his farm has been cut four weeks, and no opportunity has been offered for threshing. Cables were strong, in sympathy with this market and on the wet weather prevailing in England. The Northwest leads the advance, moving faster than this market, basing their views on the extremely light receipts, good inquiry and the character of the crop reports. The American, European and world's wheat situations are very strong and warrant a higher level of prices for this year's crop. Local receipts were 137 cars, with 120 tomorrow.

Corn—There is no indication of the cooler weather forecast for the west today, and the map was in all respects a favorable one. This was ignored, however, prices opening firm on the strength in Liverpool and in the wheat pit. The rapid advance in the September soon became the feature of the session, and other options advanced on fears of manipulation and bad crop reports. The season is well along, and the crop has had very little weather suitable to maturing. The Liverpool market was ¾c higher. Estimated for tomorrow, 380 cars.

Oats—The broad market in oats, with large trade throughout the session today. Heavy and aggressive buying by local bull leaders characterized the trade, making a very strong market, with only some small recession in price at the close, due to profit-taking. Cash market was firm, with prices up about ½c. Receipts were light, at 86 cars, with but three of contract grade, and tomorrow's is estimated at 95. We understand that between 400,000 and 500,000 bushels standard oats were ordered out of private houses today for shipment.

Provisions were firm, influenced in a large measure by the buying through commission houses of October ribs. There is a strong undertone to the list on the July and May options. A disposition is shown to buy these on the part of the general commission trade. Estimated receipts for tomorrow, 25,000 hogs.

NEW YORK.

New York, Sept. 3.—Flour—Receipts, 20,205 bbls; sales, 3,500 pkgs; dull but firmly held. Rye flour—Steady. Wheat—Receipts, 29,225 bu; sales, 860,000 bu; wheat opened steady and advanced slightly with the Northwest, but later yielded to realizing; Sept., 88⅝c to 88⅞c; Dec., 88¼c to 88⅜c; May, 89¼c to 89⅜c. Rye—Firm; state and Jersey, 56c to 57c; No. 2 western, 61½c, f.o.b., afloat. Corn—Receipts, 57,550 bu; sales, 25,000 bu; corn was firm and higher on fears of colder weather west; Sept., 58¾c to 59c; Dec., 58¾c. Oats—Receipts, 141,000 bu. Coffee—Quiet. Lead—Quiet. Wool—Quiet. Hops—Firm.

ENGLISH MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Sept. 3.—Wheat—Spot, No. 2 red western winter, new, steady, 6s 1½d; No. 1 northern spring strong, 6s 10d. Futures steady; Sept., 6s 6¾d; Oct., 6s 6⅝d; Dec., 6s 7d.

Corn—Spot, American mixed steady, 4s 6¾d. Futures steady; Sept., 4s 6½d; Oct., 4s 6½d.

Peas—Canadian, quiet, 5s 6d.

Flour—St. Louis fancy winter, quiet, 8s 3d.

Hops at London—Pacific Coast—Firm; £6 to £6 10s.

Beef—Dull; extra India mess, 62s 6d.

Pork—Dull; prime mess western, 75s.

Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lbs, dull, 58s 6d.

Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs., steady, 53s; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs, steady, 52s 6d; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs, quiet, 52s; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs, quiet, 51s; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs, quiet, 46s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs, steady, 54s; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs, quiet, 35s.

Lard—Prime western, in tierces, firm, 40s 6d; American refined, in pails, firm, 41s 6d.

Butter—Nominal.

Cheese—American finest white strong, 50s; do, colored strong, 52s.

Tallow—Prime city steady, 23s 9d; Australian (in London) dull, 29s 6d.

Turpentine Spirits—Firm, 44s 9d.

Petroleum—Refined, 6½d; nominal.

Rosin—Common, quiet, 5s 3d.

Linseed Oil—Easy, 29s 6d.

Cottonseed oil—Hull refined, spot, dull, 24s 3d.

OIL MARKETS.

LONDON.

London, Sept. 2.—Petroleum, American refined, 5 15-16d; spirits, 9d.

ANTWERP.

Antwerp, Sept. 2.—Petroleum, 20 francs 50 centimes.

BREMEN.

Bremen, Sept. 2.—Petroleum, 6 marks 25 pfennings.

PITTSBURG.

Pittsburg, Pa., Sept. 2.—Oil opened and closed at $1 56.

OIL CITY.

Oil City, Pa., Sept. 2.—Credit balances, $1 56.

SUGAR MARKETS.

LONDON.

London, Sept. 2.—Raw sugar—Nominal; Muscovado, 8s 6d; centrifugal, 98 9d; beet sugar, Sept., 8s 6d.

NEW YORK.

New York, Sept. 3.—Sugar—Raw firm; refined firm.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Sept. 3.—There were 85 loads in today, including 1,082 cattle, 1,506 hogs, 2,737 sheep and lambs and 55 calves. Quotations:

Export cattle, choice, cwt.	$4 40	@	$4 80
Export cattle, medium	3 75	@	4 25
Export cows	3 75	@	4 00
Export bulls	3 75	@	4 00
Butchers' cattle, choice	4 00	@	4 25
Butchers' cattle, medium	3 50	@	4 00
Butchers' cattle, common	2 75	@	3 25
Feeders, short-keep	3 50	@	3 80
Feeders, medium	3 00	@	3 50
Stockers	2 50	@	3 25
Milch cows, each	30 00	@	50 00
Export ewes, cwt	3 40	@	3 50
Export bucks	2 50	@	2 75
Lambs	3 75	@	4 10
Lambs, each	2 50	@	3 50
Calves, per cwt	4 00	@	5 25
Calves, each	2 00	@	10 00
Hogs, singers, cwt, off cars.	6 25	@	6 25
Hogs, lights and fats, off cars	6 00	@	6 00

Export cattle and butchers' cattle are a slow trade; good milch cows are selling fairly well and are in demand; heavy lamb trade slow, not all sold.

OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

Lodon, Sept. 2.—Live cattle easier at 11¼c to 12¾c per lb for American steers, dressed weight; Canadian steers, 10½c to 11c per lb; refrigerator beef, 9¼c per lb; sheep, 11½c to 12½c.

MONTREAL.

Montreal, Sept. 2.—About 900 head of butchers' cattle, 100 calves and 700 sheep and lambs were offered for sale at the east end abattoir today. There was a fair demand for good to prime cattle, and the prices of these continued at about the same as on Monday, but common stock brought considerably lower rates. A few of the best butchers' cattle sold at 4¼c to 4½c per lb, and a number of large coarse steers were bought by shippers at about 4¼c; good medium steers sold at about 4c, and ordinary mediums at about 3½c, while the common stock sold at 2c to a little over 3c per lb; a lot of 10 thin young animals were bought by a farmer at about 2¼c per lb, and several more were bought for shipment to Toronto at 2c to 2¼c per lb; calves sold at $2 50 to $12 each, or 2½c to 4½c per lb; sheep sold at 2¾c to 3½c per lb, and lambs at 3½c to 4c per lb; good lots of fat hogs sold at 6c to 6¼c per lb.

NEW YORK.

New York, Sept. 2.—Beeves—Receipts, 2,469; good to choice steers steady to strong; others slow to 10c lower; steers, $4 to $5 70; stockers, $3 50; bulls, $2 to $4; cows, $1 25 to $3 50. Exports, 5,600 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts 2,097; good veals firm to 25c higner; grassers and buttermilks slow; veals, $5 to $8 50; tops, $8 75; culls, $4 to $4 50; grassers and buttermilks, $2 50 to $3; a few at $3 25; western, $3 85.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 6,934; sheep generally dull and easier; good lambs firm to 10c higher; others full steady; sheep, $2 50 to $3 50; a few extra export sheep, $3 75 to $4; culls, $2; lambs, $5 to $6 25; culls, $4; best Canada lambs, $6 to $6 10.

Hogs—Receipts, 6,651; steady; state and Pennsylvania hogs, $6 15 to $6 40; choice, $6 50.

EAST BUFFALO.

East Buffalo, Sept. 3.—Cattle—Receipts, 200 head; slow; prices unchanged. Veals—Receipts, 65 head; 50c higher, at $5 25 to $8.

Hogs—Receipts, 3,600 head; active; Yorkers 15c lower; others about steady; heavy, $6 10 to $6 20; mixed, $6 20 to $6 25; Yorkers, $6 30 to $6 35; pigs, $6 to $6 15; roughs, $5 15 to $5 35; stags, $4 to $4 50; dairies and grassers, $5 90 to $6 10.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 4,100 head; yearlings and wethers steady; others 10c to 15c higher; lambs, $4 25 to $6; yearlings, $4 to $4 25; wethers, $3 75 to $4; ewes, $3 25 to $3 50; sheep, mixed, $1 50 to $3 75.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 3.—Cattle—Receipts, 8,000; steady; good to prime steers, $5 45 to $6 10; poor to medium, $4 10 to $5 30; stockers and feeders, $2 50 to $4 25; cows, $1 50 to $4 60; heifers, $2 60 to $5 10; canners, $1 50 to $2 70; bulls, $2 to $4 40; calves, $3 50 to $7; Texas-fed steers, $3 25 to $4 50; western steers, $3 25 to $4 65.

Hogs—Receipts, 15,000; steady to 5c lower; mixed and butchers, $5 35 to $5 85; good to choice heavy, $5 40 to $5 75; rough heavy, $5 to $5 35; light, $5 20 to $6 15; bulk of sales at $5 25 to $5 65.

Sheep—Receipts, 18,000; sheep and lambs steady; good wethers, $3 10 to $3 15; fair to choice mixed, $2 75 to $3; native lambs, $3 50 to $5.

BEAN MARKET.

DETROIT.

Detroit, Sept. 3.—Cash beans are 4c higher and the futures 2c lower. There was no business done yesterday. Cash, $2 14 bid; Oct., $2 03; Nov., $1 98 asked.

DAIRY MARKETS.

WOODSTOCK.

Woodstock, Ont., Sept. 2.—At the regular weekly meeting of the Woodstock cheese board today there were 1,338 boxes offered and 2,258 boxes of white boarded; prices ranged from 10½c to 10⅝c; 2,600 boxes of white were sold at 10⅝c.

STIRLING.

Stirling, Ont., Sept. 2.—At the cheese board today 1,150 boxes were boarded; Magrath got 480 at 10 13-16c; Kerr, 315 at 10 13-16c; Bird, 330 at 10 13-16c.

PICTON.

Picton, Ont., Sept. 2.—Fourteen factories boarded 1,490 boxes, all colored; highest bid, 10 13-16c; all sold. Buyers present: Benson, Baker, Bailey, Morgan and Sprague.

MADOC.

Madoc, Ont., Sept. 2.—Nine hundred and sixty-five cheese boarded; sales, 140 at 10⅞c; balance at 10 13-6c.

CHICAGO.

Chicago, Sept. 2.—Butter steady; creameries, 14c to 19c; dairies, 13c to 17c. Cheese firm, 9¼c to 11¼c.

NEW YORK.

New York, Sept. 3.—Butter firm; receipts, 6,269 pkgs; creamery extras, per lb, 20c; do, firsts, 18c to 19½c. Cheese firm; receipts, 9,007 boxes; state full cream, small colored, fancy, per lb, 10¼c; do, large colored, fancy, 10¼c; state light skims choice, 8c. Eggs strong; receipts, 8,607 cases; western, firsts, 21c; do, seconds, 18½c to 20c; do, thirds, 16c to 18c.

HAY MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Sept. 2.—Baled Hay—There is a better feeling in the market, and not so much hay is coming forward; car lots on the track here are quoted at $8 50 to $9 per ton.

Baled Straw—Continues quiet; car lots on the track here are quoted unchanged at $5 per ton.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

TORONTO.

Toronto, Sept. 3.—Wheat—Firmer; local dealers are bidding 75c for No. 2 red and white, middle freights; Manitoba higher, at 99c for No. 1 hard, 97½c for No. 1 northern, and 94½c for No. 2 northern at Georgian Bay ports, and 6c more grinding in transit. Flour—Good demand and firm; cars of 90 per cent patents, $3 bid in buyers' bags, east or middle freights; choice brands are 15c to 20c higher. Millfeed—Easier; cars of shorts at $17 and bran at $12 50 to $13 in bulk, middle freights. Barley—Steady, at 44c for No. 2 and 43c for No. 3 extra, middle freights. Rye—Steady, at 49½c for No. 3, middle freights. Corn—American, 59½c for No. 3, 60c for No. 3 yellow and 60½c for No. 2 yellow, in car lots on the track at Toronto. Oats—Steady; No. 2 white, 59½c, high freights north and west, and 30c middle freights. Oatmeal—Steady, at $3 75 for cars of bags, and $3 90 for barrels on the track at Toronto, and 25c more for broken lots. Peas—Steady; No. 2 at 61c, high frieghts north and west, and 62c middle freights. Butter and eggs—Steady. Cheese, ½c higher; twins, 11½c; large, 10c.

DEATH OF AGED PENSIONER.

William McCarthy — Dennis McCarthy, as he was known by many—died at St. Joseph's Hospital on Aug. 24. He was a well known pensioner, who lived in the neighborhood of Lambeth for many years. He was born at Downpatrick, County Down, Ireland, and served for many years in the British army. He was in the Crimean war and the Indian mutiny. He fought in the battles of Alma and Balaclava.

THE MERCER FOR MAY BARKER, SURE.

May Barker, the young girl, who has been a frequent attendant at the police court in the last year, was arrested today by Detective Rider. The wayward girl, it will be remembered tried to commit suicide by drowning lately, but was saved. It was thought that after her last experience she would settle down to a better life, as her parents wished. But she has lately wandered away from home again and has been in a house of unsavory reputation just outside the city limits, over the Vauxhall bridge. Today her father appealed to the police to take her in charge and have her sent as a common vagrant to an institution where it is hoped she may be reformed, or at least kept away from evil.

Why do mosquitoes bite human beings? According to Dr. Santos Fernandez, of Cuba, it is because the females cannot form their eggs without sucking some warm blood. If they fail to get it they lay no eggs.

LONDON PRACTICALLY FREE OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

City Is Now in a Remarkably Healthy Condition.

Effect of New Assessment Law on Local Taxes.

City Engineer Speaks of Violations of Bylaws—Ald. Cooper and the Smoke Rule.

The McMechan charges have lost their interest around the city hall since last night's meeting of No. 5 committee and despite the assertion of Mr. McMechan that he may yet specify his charges and put them in writing before the council, it is felt that the last of the matter has been heard. However, it is possible that the latter part of Mr. McMechan's letter, which makes charges against the engineer, may come up before the board of works tonight. This is a very remote possibility, however.

ALD. COOPER VS. THE MAYOR.

Ald. Cooper came into Engineer Graydon's office today smoking an ancient and apparently highly-seasoned pipe.

"No smoking allowed," said the engineer, poining to a sign which bore the legend.

Ald. Cooper didn't take kindly to the reminder and he told the engineer that the sign didn't fizz on him.

"And what's more," continued the aldermen, "the mayor has no power to make any such rule for this office. The engineer's department is under control of No. 2 committee, and until that committee puts up a 'no smoking' sign I'll smoke around here as much as I please."

And the last The Advertiser man saw of Ald. Cooper, he was still lighting matches and pulling away at the pipe.

NEW ASSESSMENT LAWS.

City Clerk Edwards today received a blank form from the secretary of the Ontario Municipal Union, which is to be filled out by the city clerk and returned to the secretary.

The new municipal bill comes up again for consideration this fall by the Ontario Legislature, and it is the intention of the Municipal Union to secure all information as to what effect the bill will have upon the people and lay this information before a committee of the House.

Under the new law personal tax is done away. That is, for example, the man doing business on Dundas street as a grocer will be assessed according to the value of the store he occupies, not upon his stock. This, it is felt by many people, will be an injustice to the little men who may be conducting but a small business though in valuable premises, whilst his more prosperous neighbor who turns over many thousand dollars a year may occupy poor premises and get off with a small tax.

Then the amount of income exempted from taxation has been increased from $700 to $1,000, according to the bill, and it is thought that the larger cities and towns will face a big loss in taxation through the knocking out of personalty tax and the raising of incomes exempted.

But in order to make up for this loss, it is proposed by the bill to specially tax all houses in London having a valuation of over $2,500. That is on a house assessed for $3,000, the owner must pay the regular taxes on $2,500 and also a special house tax on $500, applied on a percentage basis.

It is felt at the city hall, however, that even this house tax will not make up for what is lost in personal and income taxes and the municipalities do not propose to face a condition of affairs which will take from them necessary funds if they can avoid it. For it is felt there is bound to be a deficit and that in order to pay its debts, a city like London might be compelled to raise the tax on real estate to secure necessary funds.

The blank form, when filled out by City Clerk Edwards, will show just how London will be affected by the proposed new tax, and it, together with similar statements from other places, wil be placed before the committee of the Legislature later on.

FEWER PASS HUNTERS.

"We have but few people seeking passes these days," said Inspector McCallum to The Advertiser today. "I believe that the onslaught made upon tramps by the provincial detective bureau has had a good result already, and is keeping Ontario free of these