

TORONTO MARKETS.

April 29th, 1855.

The supply of farm produce on the market during the past month has been very light, and but for the importation of many articles from the other side of the Lake, exorbitant prices would have been paid. As it is, the market is rather depressed, and prices tend downward. In wheat there have been about twelve loads per day changed hands at 7s to 7s 8d per bushel. The price has varied but little throughout the month.—Flour is drooping, and wholesale dealers are very cautious about investing. Sales have taken place at \$6 for Superfine, \$6½ for Fancy, and \$6¾ for Extra.

- Barley, in demand, 5s 2d per bushel.
- Pease, 3s 4d to 4s per do.
- Oats, scarce, 2s 6d to 2s 8d per do.
- Timothy Seed, 45s per do.
- Rye Seed, 18s 6d per do.
- Onions, 3s 9d per do.
- Potatoes, 3s 9d to 4s 2d per do.
- Carrots, 3s per do.
- Furnips, 2s per do. Pork, 40s per 100 lbs.
- Beef, 37s 6d per 100 lbs.
- Sheep, 27s 6d each.
- Lambs, 15s to 16s 3d each.
- Calves, 25s to 41s 3d each.
- Butcher's Meat, 4½d to 9d per lb.
- Hay, 85s to 110s per ton.

TRIAL OF PLOUGHS.

The Trial of Ploughs spoken of in this Journal, came off on the 29th April, near York Mills. There was a good attendance of farmers, as well as several distinguished persons from a distance. Five Ploughs were tested with the dynamometer, viz., Modeland's, Bingham's, Howard's (English), No. 2 Lap Furrow (American), and the Iron Scotch Plough. The following gentlemen were named a Committee to report on the trial: D. Christie M.P.P.; John Wade, Esq.; Col. Thompson; and J. C. Aikens, M.P.P.

We have not space in this Number for the Report of the Committee, but we give below the result of the trial as indicated by the instrument:—

	DRAUGHT.		FURROW SLICE.	
	cwt.	lbs.	depth. in.	width. in.
Modeland...	3	108	6	8¾
Bingham...	3	96	6	9
Scotch.....	4	32	5½	8¼
Howard	4	32	5	8½
Lap Furrow 4		28	5	10

The soil was a tough clay-loam sward, but in good condition for ploughing. A more detailed notice will appear in our next.

OUR PREMIUMS.—In our last Number we neglected to mention that the following premiums had been offered to our Agents:—To the regularly-appointed Agent who shall, within three months of his appointment, send
The largest number of Subscribers ...\$25
Second largest 20
Third do... 15
Fourth do..... 10

Fifth do. A copy of the Farmers' Guide (\$6).

We thought that these Premiums would incite our agents to greater exertion, but must say that, with the exception of one or two cases, we have been disappointed. We believe that many are labouring under the idea that they have no chance of gaining one of the prizes, and do not exert themselves as if they thought otherwise. We would desire to state to such that they have yet a chance. Another month is yet allowed to most of them, and with very little exertion we are assured that those who are far behind will carry off the first prizes. No competing agent has yet got more than 12¢, and we are much mistaken if some of our backward agents could not obtain that number, counting what they have already got. We say to all, "try again."

The names of the successful competitors cannot be announced until the 1st of July.

GOOD AND CHEAP LANDS.—We direct the attention of our readers to the advertisement of the "Illinois Central Railroad Company's Lands." Parties desiring to move westward, or to settle their sons, will find this an excellent opportunity to buy cheap and excellent lands. Read the advertisement.

ERRATUM.—Typographical errors can hardly be avoided in a publication like the *Agriculturist*, as the Editor can seldom see the proofs more than once before the form goes to press. The proof-reader sometimes mistakes words that are technical, and sometimes printers attempt to make corrections, which thereby become errors.

In the April number, a correction of this kind was made. In the last paragraph on the first page, beginning—"That it would be impossible to do without fences," &c., the word *possible* should have been used. The sense is the opposite of what the speaker intended. Often the context sufficiently points out the error, and to many it will be evident in the present case.