

the same period. This season so far there is a deficit in the exports from Canada and the United States of about 417,000 boxes, and values are down at Montreal to 9½c. to 9¼c. for finest Westerns, and 9¼c. to 9¼c. for Easterns. The English make is also short, and the English dealer is hanging back and only buying for present needs. To us the situation seems a strong one, for an advance sooner or later and it would not be surprising to see things rush upward at very short notice. It will all depend upon the Old Country trade, and should dealers there once wake up to the fact that there is a big deficit and nothing in store for the winter's trade, prices might go upward very quickly. At any rate there does not appear to be any ground for lower values.

**Butter**

The exports of butter have fallen off somewhat. The outlook is hopeful though the market is not very encouraging at the moment. The Trade Bulletin, of last week's trade, says: "The market is steady for choice fresh and fancy creamery; but the great bulk of the offerings are dull and hard to dispose of. Quite a number of factorymen have been in the city this week for the purpose of settling up on the poor quality of their shipments and making allowances therefor. A quantity of Manitoba creamery have been sold in this market recently at 17c. to 17½c. The body of this butter is solid boring, but somehow there is an off flavor to it that is against its sale. There has also been some Manitoba dairy butter offering which has sold at 14c. to 15c. here. This butter is going to compete with the Western product more keenly than ever, especially as its quality is improving each season. A large portion of the butter booked by steamer from this port to Bristol has been put on board the Liverpool steamer."

Creamery butter is steady here at 21c. to 21½c., for prints; 20c. to 20½c., for fresh tubs, and about 19c. for old stock. There have been large offerings of dairy, and the market is barely steady at 16c. to 16½c. for the best pails and tubs. On Toronto farmers' market pound rolls bring 17c. to 20c., and crocks, 16c. to 19c. per lb.

**Wool**

There is no material change in the wool situation. Locally prices continue at 8½c. for unwashed and 13½c. for washed fleece.

**Cattle.**

There is little change in the cattle situation. First quality is still in demand at good prices, while other grades are somewhat draggy. On Toronto cattle market on Friday, the run of live stock was light, composed of 493 cattle, 900 hogs, 1,003 sheep and lambs, and 30 calves. There were no chance lots of either butchers or exporters offered. The quality, generally speaking, was far from being good, with little change in prices from

those quoted earlier in the week.

**Export Cattle.**—Choice loads of these are worth from \$4.75 to \$5.00 per cwt., and light ones \$4.25 to \$4.75 per cwt. Heavy export bulls sold at \$4.00 to \$4.25, and light ones at \$3.60 to \$3.75 per cwt.

**Butchers' Cattle.**—Choice picked lots of these, equal in quality to the best exporters, weighing 1,075 to 1,150 lbs. each, sold at \$4.40 to \$4.50 per cwt., good cattle at \$4.00 to \$4.25, medium at \$3.50 to \$3.75, and inferior to common at \$2.50 to \$3.15 per cwt.

**Feeders.**—Heavy, well-bred steers from 1,100 to 1,200 lbs. each, sold at \$3.75 to \$4.00, and other quality at \$3.40 to \$3.60 per cwt. Light steers, 900 to 1,000 lbs. each, sold at \$3.25 to \$3.50 per cwt.

**Stockers.**—Yearling steers, 500 to 800 lbs. each, sold at \$3 to \$3.25, off colors, and inferior quality at \$2.50 per cwt.

**Calves.**—These are lower, at Buffalo Fair veals bringing \$5.60 to \$6.35 per cwt. At Toronto market ordinary calves bring \$2 to \$10.00 each.

**Milch Cows.**—Milch cows and springers sold at from \$30 to \$50 each.

**Sheep and Lambs.**

Prices for sheep keep steady at \$3.35 to \$3.50 per cwt. for ewes and \$2.50 to \$3 per cwt. for bucks. Spring lambs sell at \$2.50 to \$3.50 each, and \$3.75 to \$4.25 per cwt. Erick Bros.' circular of Sept. 5, re the Buffalo market says: "Canada lambs are coming quite freely and the quality exceptionally good. The strictly good to choice kinds have sold this week around \$6.00 to \$6.10, and the market to-day was a shade easier and the best are not quotable at the finish at over \$5.75 to \$5.85, with culls and throw-outs \$4.50 to 5 cents."

**Hogs**

There is no change in the bacon hog market; best select bacon hogs 162 to 100 lbs. each, bring \$7.25, and lights and fats \$6.75 per cwt.

The Wm. Davies Co., Toronto, for the week ending Sept. 14, will pay \$7.25 per cwt. for select bacon hogs and \$6.75 for lights and fats.

**Horses**

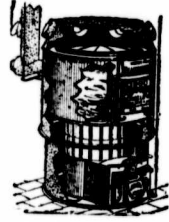
A good demand for the best class of horses is reported at Montreal, which are getting scarce and dearer. The following are the quotations there last week:

- Carriage horses ..... \$175—\$300
- Heavy draughts ..... 125— 225
- Light roadsters, drivers and saddles ... .. 100— 250
- Remounts..... .. 110— 140

There is more activity in horses here as will be seen in the report of the Clydesdale sale at Grand's elsewhere in this issue. Business will likely pick up from this on.

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