

MARKETS.

Toronto.

REVIEW OF LAST WEEK'S MARKETS

At West Toronto, on Monday, January 27th, receipts of live stock numbered 53 cars, comprising 1,150 cattle, 9 hogs, 48 sheep and lambs, and 17 calves; no business was transacted. Packers quoted hogs at \$3.50 fed and watered, and \$8.15 f. o. b. cars.

Receipts of live stock at the City and Union Stock-yards last week were as follows:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	20	357	377
Cattle	835	5,781	6,616
Hogs	23	5,023	5,046
Sheep	144	1,654	1,798
Calves	78	420	498
Horses	—	15	15

The total receipts at the two markets for the corresponding week of 1912 were as follows:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	244	238	527
Cattle	3,030	3,566	6,596
Hogs	5,656	7,861	13,517
Sheep	1,233	2,610	3,843
Calves	316	59	374
Horses	1	264	265

The combined receipts of live stock at the two markets for the past week, show a decrease of 150 cars, 530 cattle, 8,471 hogs, 2,054 sheep and lambs, and 250 horses, but an increase of 124 calves, compared with the corresponding week of 1912.

As will be seen by the above figures, receipts of live stock at the Union Stock-yards were exceedingly liberal, and as a consequence prices declined materially in all classes. Not only were the common and medium grades lower, but the good to choice sold from 25c. to 50c. per cwt., and the common and medium 40c. to 60c. per cwt. lower than for the previous week's quotations.

Exporters.—There were no cattle bought for export, but there were a few loads of export weights and quality on sale, the tops of which sold on Tuesday at \$7 to \$7.15, while the best price offered on Wednesday for the same quality of cattle was \$6.60 to \$6.75.

Butchers.—Choice steers, 1,150 to 1,200 lbs., sold on Tuesday at \$6.50 to \$6.90; loads of good, \$3.80 to \$6.25; medium, \$5.40 to \$5.75; common, \$5 to \$5.80; inferior, light cattle, \$4.70 to \$4.90; choice cows of heavy weights, \$5.50 to \$5.75; good cows, \$4.75 to \$5.25; medium, \$4 to \$4.50; common cows, \$3.50 to \$3.75; canners and cutters, \$2.50 to \$3.50; heavy bulls, \$4.75 to \$5.75; light bulls, \$3.75 to \$4.50. On Wednesday and Thursday's markets, cattle, that is, steers and heifers, sold from 15c. to 25c. per cwt. lower than these quotations, but cows and hells did not suffer to the same extent.

Stockers and Feeders.—There was a light demand for steers of good quality and color. About four carloads were bought to fill an order from London, Ohio. Stockers, 700 to 800 lbs., \$4.90 to \$5.35; feeders, 800 to 900 lbs., \$5.25 to \$5.50.

Milkers and Springers.—The market was well supplied with common and medium cows, and backward springers, which sold from \$35 to \$50 each; good quality milkers and forward springers, sold from \$60 to \$70, while a very few of choice quality reached \$75, and one cow brought \$81.

Calves.—Choice veal calves were in excellent demand, and very scarce, selling from \$9 to \$9.50 per cwt.; good calves were also scarce, selling from \$8 to \$8.75; medium calves sold at \$6.50 to \$7.50, and common, rough, heavy, Eastern, grassy calves, sold at \$4.25 to \$5 per cwt.

Sheep and Lambs.—Sheep were in demand, at steady prices. Ewes of light weights sold from \$1.75 to \$5.50; heavy ewes and rams, \$1 to \$4.25; culls, \$2.50 to \$3.50. Lambs sold at lower prices, although receipts were light. Few lambs of good quality were offered. On Tuesday, prices ranged from \$8.50 to \$8.75, with a very few at \$9. On Wednesday, lambs sold from \$8 to \$8.50, and slow sale.

Hogs.—The bulk sold at \$8.25, for sale, fed and watered at the market,

and \$7.90 f. o. b. cars at country points, although a few lots were reported at \$8.30, fed and watered.

Horses.—Horse dealers report that nearly all the stables in Toronto are filled with horses, but trade is quiet. There has been some enquiry by Northwest dealers, and they will not pay the prices asked. Farmers will have to reduce prices if they wish to do business with the Western dealers. There were a few horses sold, but to local buyers only. Prices reported were as follows: Drafters, \$250 to \$290; general-purpose horses, \$200 to \$240; wagon horses, \$175 to \$225; drivers, \$100 to \$150; serviceably-sound horses, at \$80 to \$100.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.—Ontario, No. 2 red, white or mixed, 93c. to 94c., outside; inferior grades, down to 70c.; Manitoba, No. 1 northern, 95c.; No. 2 northern, 92½c.; feed wheat, 66½c., lake ports. Oats—Ontario, No. 2, 33c. to 34c., outside; 33c., track, Toronto; Manitoba, No. 2, 41½c.; No. 3, 40c., lake ports. Rye—No. 2, 78c. to 79c., outside. Peas—No. 2, \$1.15 to \$1.20, outside. Buckwheat—51c. to 52c., outside. Barley—For malting, 60c. to 65c.; for feed, 40c. to 50c., outside. Corn—No. 3 yellow, 56½c., track, Toronto, all-rail shipment. Flour—Ontario, ninety-per-cent. winter-wheat flour, \$4.05 to \$4.15, delivered. Manitoba flour—Prices at Toronto are: First patents, \$5.80; second patents, \$4.80; in cotton, 10c. more; strong bakers', \$4.60, in jute.

HAY AND MILLFEED.

Hay.—Baled, car lots, track, Toronto, No. 1, \$13.50 to \$14; No. 2, \$11 to \$12 per ton.

Straw.—Baled, car lots, track, Toronto, \$10 to \$10.50 per ton.

Bran.—Manitoba, \$19 to \$20 per ton, in bags; shorts, \$22 to \$23, car lots, track, Toronto. Ontario bran, \$19 to \$20, in bags; shorts, \$22 to \$23, car lots, track, Toronto.

TORONTO SEED MARKET.

Alsike No. 1, per bushel, \$11.50 to \$12.50; alsike No. 2, per bushel, \$10.50 to \$11; alsike No. 3, per bushel, \$9.50 to \$10; red-clover seed, Ontario-grown, \$7 to \$9 per bushel; timothy No. 1, per bushel, \$1.90 to \$2.25; timothy No. 2, per bushel, \$1.25 to \$1.60.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Market unchanged. Choice creameries, 32c. to 34c. per lb. rolls; creamery solids, 30c.; separator dairy, 28c. to 30c.; store lots, 24c.

Eggs.—New-laid, market easier, at 27c. to 30c.; cold-storage, 24c. to 25c.

Honey.—Extracted, No. 1 clover honey, 12½c.; combs, per dozen sections, \$2.75 to \$3.

Beans.—Broken car lots, \$2.55 to \$2.65 for choice hand-picked, and \$2.50 to \$2.60 for primes.

Poultry.—M. P. Mallon, wholesale dealer, reports receipts as being fairly liberal, at prices as follows for dress-d: Turkeys, 20c. to 22c.; geese, 16c.; ducks, 18c. to 19c.; chickens, 15c. to 17c.; hens, 12c. to 13c. per lb.

Potatoes.—Market easier. Car lots of Ontario potatoes, track, Toronto, 65c.; New Brunswick Delawares, 80c. per bag in each case.

HIDES AND SKINS.

No. 1 inspected steers and cows, 14c., No. 2 inspected steers and cows, 13c.; city hid s, flat 13c.; country hides, cured, 12c.; country hides, green, 11c.; calf skins, per lb., 15c.; lamb skins, \$1 to \$1.35; horse hides, No. 1, \$3.50 each; horse hair, per lb., 37c.; tallow, No. 1, per lb., 5½c. to 6½c.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Fruits and vegetables of all kinds have been and are plentiful. Apples, especially of the No. 2 and 3 grades, are plentiful, and cheaper than a few weeks ago. Spies, No. 1, per barrel, \$3.25 to \$3.50; Spies, No. 2, \$2.50 to \$2.75; Spies, No. 3, \$1.50 to \$2; Greenings, No. 1, per barrel, \$2.50 to \$3; Baldwin's, \$2.50 to \$3 per barrel; Kings, No. 1, per barrel, \$3 to \$3.50; cabbage, per barrel, \$1; beets, per bag, 75c.; carrots, per bag, 75c.; turnips, per bag, 75c.; parsnips, per bag, 60c.

British Cattle Market.

John Rogers & Co. report Irish steers quoted at 13½c. to 17c. per lb.

Montreal.

Live Stock.—There were more cattle on the local market last week than butchers called for, the result, being that prices showed an easier tone, particularly as the quality of the stock offering was a little on the common side. Quite a few cattle were left unsold. The best animals on the market sold at 6½c., and some fine stock at 6c. to 6½c., while good stock ranged from 5½c. to 6c., considerable business being done at this range. Medium sold at 4½c. to 5c., and common ranged down to 4c. and 3½c. per lb. A few canning animals sold at 3c. per lb. The market for sheep and lambs was steady, prices being 5½c. to 5½c. per lb. for sheep; 4c. to 4½c. for bucks and culls, and 7c. to 7½c. for lambs. Calves ranged all the way from \$3 to \$10 each, according to quality. Hogs were cheaper, ranging around 8½c. to 9½c. per lb., according to quality, weighed off cars.

Horses.—Dealers reported a dull trade. The market was steady. Heavy draft horses, weighing from 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$300 to \$400; light draft horses, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$225 to \$300; light horses, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., \$125 to \$200; broken-down animals, \$75 to \$125 each. Choice saddle or carriage animals, \$350 to \$500 each.

Poultry.—The market for poultry was poor, but prices held fairly steady owing to scarcity of stock. Turkeys were 20c. to 21c. per lb.; geese, 12c. to 14c.; fowl, 10c. to 18c.; ducks, 14c. to 17c., and chickens, 14c. to 17c. per lb.

Dressed Hogs.—Country-dressed hogs were lower in price, being 12½c. to 12½c. per lb. for lights, and 11½c. to 12c. per lb. for heavies. Abattoir-dressed were 12½c. to 13c.

Potatoes.—There was little change in the market for potatoes. Car lots of Green Mountains sold at 75c. to 80c. per 90 lbs., track, while Quebec grades were 65c. to 70c. In a jobbing way, prices were 20c. to 25c. more than those quoted.

Eggs.—The mild weather had the effect of making people talk lower prices, though the scarcity of stock kept quotations fairly firm. Fresh-laid eggs, however, were said to be down to 35c. per dozen, while some quote 30c., the drop in the price of American eggs being responsible, as well as the increased production of Canadian fresh. Select cold-storage eggs sold at 26c. to 28c.; No. 1 candled, 23c. to 25c., and second grades, 20c. to 21c.

Syrup and Honey.—White-clover comb honey was 16c. to 17c. per lb.; extracted, 11½c. to 12c.; dark comb, 14c. to 14½c., and extracted, 8c. to 9c. Maple syrup sold at 8c. to 10c. per lb. in tins, and 7c. to 8c. in wood. Sugar, 9c. lb.

Butter.—Choicest creamery was quoted at 29c. to 30c., and good at about a cent less. Fresh makes were not in very active demand, and prices held around 25c. to 27c. per lb. Dairies were 24c. to 25c. per lb.

Grain.—No. 2 Western oats were quoted at 41½c. to 42c. per bushel, carloads, ex store; extra No. 1 fed, 41c. to 41½c., No. 3 Canadian Western, and No. 1 fed, 40½c. to 41c. per bushel.

Flour.—There was no change in the local flour market. Manitoba spring-wheat patents were quoted at \$5.40 per barrel, in bags, for firsts, and at \$4.90 for seconds, while strong bakers' sold at \$4.70. Ontario winter-wheat patents were \$5.35 in wood, and straight rollers \$4.95 to \$5 per barrel. Wood was 30c. per barrel more than jute.

Millfeed.—The market for millfeed was easy, there being a poor demand for the most part. Bran sold at \$20, and shorts at \$22, while middlings were \$27 per ton, in bags. Considerable American corn has been sold for feed it is said. Hay.—No. 1 hay was \$14 to \$14.50 per ton; No. 2 extra, \$13 to \$13.50; No. 2 ordinary, \$12 to \$12.50; No. 3 hay and clover, about \$10 to \$11 per ton. This was for pressed, carloads, track, Montreal.

Hides.—After the changes of week before last, the market is steady. Beef hides sold at 12½c., 13½c. and 14½c. per lb. for Nos. 3, 2 and 1; calf skins, 14c. and 16c., and sheep skins \$1 each. Horse hides were steady, at \$1.75 each for No. 2, and \$2.50 for No. 1. Tallow sold at 6c. to 6½c. per lb. for rendered, and 1½c. to 3c. for rough.

Buffalo.

Cattle.—Prime steers, \$8.50 to \$8.75; butchers', \$6 to \$8.25; bulls, \$4 to \$6.50; stock heifers, \$4 to \$4.50; shipping, \$7.25 to \$8.25; heifers, \$4.75 to \$7.50; cows, \$3.25 to \$6.50; stockers and feeders, \$4.50 to \$6.75; cows and springers, \$35 to \$80.

Veals.—\$4 to \$12.
Hogs.—Heavy, \$7.65 to \$7.70; mixed, Yorkers and pigs, \$7.70 to \$7.75; roughs, \$6.75 to \$6.90; stags, \$5.50 to \$6.25; dairies, \$7.50 to \$7.70.

Sheep and Lambs.—Lambs, \$6 to \$9.10; yearlings, \$5 to \$8; wethers, \$6.25 to \$6.30; ewes, \$3.50 to \$3.75; sheep, mixed, \$4.50 to \$6.

Chicago.

Cattle.—Beaves, \$6 to \$9.05; Texas steers, \$4.70 to \$5.60; stockers and feeders, \$4.90 to \$7.50; cows and heifers, \$2.70 to \$7.20; calves, \$7 to \$11.

Hogs.—Light, \$7.85 to \$7.62½; mixed, \$7.85 to \$7.62½; heavy, \$7.10 to \$7.65; rough, \$7.10 to \$7.30; pigs, \$5.75 to \$7.40.

Sheep and Lambs.—Sheep, native, \$4.75 to \$6.25; yearlings, \$6.40 to \$8; lambs, native, \$6.70 to \$9.

GOSSIP.

POSTPONED SALE.

Owing to bad weather, delaying steamship, the date fixed for the sale of imported Clydesdale mares, by John Semple, Milverton, Ont., may have to be postponed. Notice of changed date may be looked for in our next issue.

SALE DATES CLAIMED.

Feb. 5th.—Annual Consignment Sale, Toronto; Shorthorns.

Feb. 5th.—T. H. Hassard, Markham, Ont., sale at Toronto; Percherons and Clydesdales.

Feb. 7th.—Graham-Renfrew Co., Bedford Park, Ont., at Burns & Shephard's Repository, Toronto; Clydes and Hackneys.

Feb. 12th.—Geo. Davis & Sons, Erin, Ont.; Aberdeen-Angus.

Feb. 14th.—Fred Bogart, Kettleby, Ont.; Shorthorns.

Feb. 25th and 26th.—Union Stock-yards Co., Ltd., Toronto; Clydesdales and Percherons.

March 5th.—Annual Contribution Sale of pure-bred cattle, at Guelph, Ont.

March 6th.—James Cowan, Seaforth, Ont.; Shorthorns.

The dispersion sale of Fred A. Bogart, Kettleby, Ont., will be one of the most important events of the season. Founded several years ago, by selections from the famous herds of John M. Gardhouse, Weston, and Geo. M. Ralkes, Barrie, Ont., Shorthorn breeders know they have been chosen from two first-class herds. The stock bull (Scottie) is a winner in any company, with model head, strong, level back, deep rib and flank, with splendid hind quarters. No one will be disappointed in the cows and heifers, many of which are first-class show propositions. Uniformity of type and quality is a striking feature. They are thick-fleshed, strong-backed, with every indication of sound constitution. All will be sold, without reserve, as Mr. Bogart has sold his farm, and must make room for his successor. The date is February 14th.

R. Hamilton & Son, Simcoe, Ont., widely known as importers of high-class Percheron horses, report an exceptionally good trade so far in the new year. Among the recent sales are: To the Fonthill Percheron-breeders' Association, the grand, black three-year-old stallion, Justioier (3033), an exceptionally well-bred horse; to D. C. Warner and F. H. Stewart, the five-year-old stallion Hivernage (3026), which weighed, when sold, 2,165 lbs., and has quality at every point; to R. Watson, the three very high-class stallions, Inda 3030, Ibis 3029, and Jansenius 3032; to John Buckingham, Becher, Ont., the three-year-old stallion, Joncy 3035. Messrs. Hamilton write: still have a very select lot on hand. We "Our mares are also selling fast, but we have recently shipped mares to Quebec, Nova Scotia, and Alberta, besides selling several in Western Ontario. Our mares nearly all show to be in foal, and interested parties should see them before buying elsewhere, as we are satisfied we have what will suit them at a reasonable price."