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# Markets. Toronto.

REVIEW OF LAST WEEK'S MARKETS At West Toronto, on Monday, May 26, receipts at the Union yards numbered 90 cars, comprising 2,042 cattle, 852 hogs, 84 sheep, 61 calves, and 18 horses. No sales made. At the City yard, there were 12 cars, comprising 215 cattle, 76 hogs, 25 sheep, and 66 calves. Trade was slow, with prices steady, at last week's quotations. Butcher steers and heifers sold at \$6 to \$6.90; cows, \$5 to \$5.75; bulls, \$5 to \$5.50; hogs, \$9.59, 1. o. b. cars.

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

City. Union. Total. Cars ..... 27 865 895 Cattle ..... 547 5.288 5,880 Hogs ..... 511 5,995 6,506 Sheep ..... 409 Calves ..... 130 1,450 1,859 557 687 Horses ..... -

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

		City.	Union.	Total.
Cars		184	298	482
Cattle		2,165	4,882	6,497
Hogs .		4,610	5,480	10,090
Sheep		784	640	1,424
Calves		1,061	180	1,191
Horses	•••••	. 1	87	88

## THE FARMER'S ADVOCATE.

milkers and springers during the week were moderate, with prices steady, at \$45 to \$75 each. But there were one. or two extra large Holstein cows, with fine milking qualities, that sold at \$80 to \$90 each.

Veal Calves .- While the deliveries of veal calves, were large, prices remained steady to firm, as follows: Choice calves, \$9 per cwt.; good calves, \$8 to \$8.50; medium to good, \$7.50 to \$8; common calves, \$5.50 to \$6.50 per cwt. Sheep and Lambs.—Receipts were larger, and prices easier. Ewes sold from \$6 to \$6.50; rams, \$5 to \$5.50; yearling lambs, \$7.50 to \$8.50 per cwt.; spring lambs were from \$1 to \$2 per

head lower than in our last report. The bulk of the spring lambs sold at \$5 to \$7 each, but there were some small lambs sold down to \$4 each. Hogs .- Selected hogs, fed and watered,

sold at \$9.75 to \$9.85, and \$9.50 f. o. b. cars at country points, and \$10 to \$10.10 weighed off cars.

Horses .- Trade at the Union Horse Exchange, Union Stock-yards, was reported to have been fairly good. Several loads of horses were sold to go to Ottawa, Montreal, and other outside points, besides any private sales being made to the local trade. The bulk of the horses sold were heavy-drafters. Prices were unchanged. Drafters, \$175 to \$250; general - purpose horses, \$150 to \$225; express horses, \$160 to \$225; drivers, \$100 to \$150; serviceably sound, \$45 to \$90 each.

#### BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat .- Ontario, No. 2 red, white or mixed, 95c. to 97c., outside; inferior grades, down to 70c.; Manitoba, No. 1 northern, 991c.; No. 2 northern, 961c., track, lake ports. Oats-No. 2, 83c. to 34c., outside; 38c., track, Toronto; Manitoba oats, No. 2, 40c.; No. 3, 881c., lake ports. Rye-No. 2, 60c. to 68c., outside. Peas-No. 2, 90c. to 95c., outside. Buckwheat-51c. to 52c., outside. Barley-For malting, 51c. to 58c.; for feed, 48c. to 48c., outside. Corn-No. 2 yellow, 571c., Midland. Flour-Ninetyper-cent. Ontario winter-wheat flour, \$4 to \$4.05, seaboard. Manitoba flour-Prices at Toronto are: First patents, \$5.40; second patents, \$5; in cotton, 10c. more; strong bakers', \$4.80 in jute.

HAY AND MILLFEED. Hay.-Baled, car lots, track, Toronto, \$12 to \$13 for No. 1, and \$10.50 to \$11 for No. 2.

Straw.-Baled, car lots, track, Toronto, \$9 to \$10 per ton.

Bran.-Manitoba, \$18 per ton; shorts,

\$21; Ontario bran, \$18 in bags; shorts, \$21, car lots, track, Toronto.

SEEDS.

The seed market is past for the present

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Apples.-No. 1 Spies, \$4.50 to \$5.50; No. 2 Spies, \$3.50 to \$4 per barrel; other grades and kinds of apples range from \$2.50 to \$8 per barrel; onions, Spanish, \$2.75 per sack of 112 lbs.; beets, 35c. to 40c. per bag; carrots, 40c. to 45c. per bag; parsnips, per bag, 50c. to 60c.; cabbage, \$8 per case for new; asparagus, 60c. per dozen; American strawberries, 15c. to 18c. per quart, by the case.

## Montreal.

Live Stock .-- The tone of the market for cattle. was firm last week, owing to limited supplies. Choice steers sold at 7 tc. per lb., while fine brought about 71c., and good from 61c. to 7c., and down to 61c. Medium grades sold at 6c. to 6ic., and common down to 4ic. Offerings of sheep and lambs were 'small, and prices firm, being 7c. to 8c. for sheep, and 84c. to 9c. for yearlings, while spring lambs sold at \$5 to \$12 each, according to quality and size. Calves were steady, at \$2 to \$10 each, according to size, and hogs showed little change, being 10%c. to 10%c. per lb. for selects, weighed off cars.

Horses .- The market for horses showed very little change. Dealers reported a moderate demand. At this time of year there is frequently a good turn-over, and dealers are not experiencing any difficulty this year in disposing of all they have on hand. Heavy-draft, 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$300 to \$350; light-draft. 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$225 to \$800; light horses, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., \$125 to \$200; broken-down, old animals, \$75 to \$125, and choicest saddle and carriage animals, \$850 to \$500 each.

Poultry,-Cold-store stock was selling as follows ; Turkeys, 28c. to 24c. per lb.; geese and fowl, 15c. to 17c.; ducks, 20c. to 22c., and chickens, 18c. to 19c. Dressed Hogs and Provisions .-- Dressed hogs advanced slightly in price. Abattoir-dressed, fresh - killed stock, sold at 144c. to 144c. per 1b.

Potatoes .--- Offerings of potatoes are of a poor quality, for the most part, but prices continued at about former range, being 60c. to 65c. per 90 lbs. for Green Mountains, track, in car lots, and 50c. to 55c. for Quebec grades. Smaller lots about 25c. to 80c. more.

Syrup and Honey.-The market for maple syrup continued moderately active, and prices were steady, being 85c. to 90c. per tin, and 7c. to 8c. per lb. in wood. Maple sugar sold at 11c. to 12c. per lb. Honey dull and steady, whiteclover comb being 16c. to 17c, per lb., and extracted 114c. to 12c.; dark comb, 14c. to 15 c., and dark, strained, 8c. to 9c.

Eggs .-- Coming forward freely, and the quality shows some deterioration, at 21c. to 28c. per dozen, according to quantity.

Sheep skins, \$1.10 each, and horse hides \$1.75 and \$2.50 each. Tallow,  $1\frac{1}{2}c$ , to 3c. per lb. for rough, and 6c. to 64c. for rendered.

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## Chicago.

Cattle .- Beeves, \$7.10 to \$8.85; Texas steers, \$6.68 to \$7.70; stockers and feeders, \$7.80 to \$8; cows and heifers, \$8.80 to \$7.90; calves, \$7.25 to \$10. Hogs.-Light, \$8.40 to \$8.62}; mixed, \$8.38 to \$8.62;; heavy, \$8.05 to \$8.57;;

rough, \$8.05 to \$8.20; pigs, \$6.50 to \$8.80; bulk of sales, \$8.55 to \$8.60. Sheep and Lambs .- Sheep, native, \$5.35 to \$6; yearlings, \$6 to \$6.60; lambs,

native, \$5.75 to \$7.65.

## buffalo.

Cattle .-- Prime steers, \$8.46 to \$8.50; shipping, \$7.75 to \$8; butchers', \$7 to \$8.25; cows, \$8.75 to \$7.50; bulls, \$5.75 to \$7.75; heifers, \$6,50 to \$8; stock heifers, \$5.50 to \$6,50; stockers and feeders, \$6 to \$7; fresh cows and springers, \$85 to \$85.

Veals.-\$6 to \$11. Hogs.-Heavy, \$8.80 to \$8.90; mixed, \$8.85 to \$8.90; Yorkers, \$8.80 to \$9; pigs, \$8.90; roughs, \$7.75 to \$7.85; stags, \$6.50 to \$7; dairies, \$8.85 to \$8.90.

Cheese Markets. and And Brockville, 114c. to 11 9-16c.; Mados. 11 7-16c. to 114c.; Woodstock, 114c.; Peterboro, 114c. to 11 8-16c.

## Gossip.

SALE DATES ANNOUNCED. June 4th .-- John D. Duncan, Howick, Que.; Ayrshires. . . . . June 25th .- T. E. & H. O. Robson, Ilderton, Ont.; Shorthorne. An auction sale of Guernseys, by Fair Phillips, at Villa Nova, Pa., May 15th. resulted in an average price of \$316 for 95 head. The top price for a female. 95 head. The top price for a land, was \$1,500, for the three-year-old cow, Polly Sth of Beaulisu, . Imp. Violet des, Bondiaux, five years old, sold for \$1,000. and another, same age, brought the same, price. The highest price of the sale was \$2,000, for the three-year-old bull, Rockingham.

KING'S PLATE WON BY HEARTS OF OAK.

The contest for the King's Plate for 1918, at the Woodbine race - track, .Toronto, on Saturday, May 24th, Pesulted in an easy victory for the three-year-old bay colt, Hearts of Oak, by Bassetlaw, am Lady Lightfoot II., owned by Harry Giddings, Cedar Grove Farm, Oakville, Ont., Jockey Wilson up, nine other horses competing. The official time of the winner was given as 2.091. Distance, 11 miles.

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The combined receipts of live stock at the two markets for the past week, show a decrease of 87 car loads, 667 cattle, 3,584 hogs, 504 calves, and 38 horses; but an increase of 485 sheep, compared with the same week of 1912.

While the receipts of live stock were liberal last week, it will be seen by the above table that they were not equal to those of last year for the same week, still the supply was about equal to the demand. Last year there was a fairly large number being imported; this year there are scarcely as many hundreds as there were thousands going to the British markets. Trade was very active all week, at practically the same prices in all classes of fat cattle as for the pre-

vious week. Exporters .- William Howard bought for Swift & Company, of Chicago, 135 steers for export, weighing 1,250 to 1,325 lbs. each, at \$6.90 to \$7.15. This same class of steers was selling from 75c. to

\$1 per cwt. higher one year ago. Butchers' .- Choice steers of export weights and quality, were bought for local killing at \$6.90 to \$7.15, and one or two loads at \$7.25; good to choice, \$6.60 to \$6.80; medium to good, \$6.15 to \$6.50; common. \$5.50 to \$6; choice cows, \$5.50 to \$6.25; good cows, \$5 to \$5.45; medium cows, \$4.25 to \$5.75; common cows, \$3 to \$4; choice bulls, \$5 to \$5.40; common, \$4.50 to \$4.75. Stockers and Feeders.-Steers, 800 to 850 lbs., sold at \$6 to \$6.35; stockers, 600 to 700 lbs., \$5 to \$5.75; common stockers, \$4.50 to \$5. Milkers and Springers.-Receipts of

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter .-- Market easier. No. 1 creamery, 27c. to 80c.; creamery solids, 27c.

to 28c.; separator dairy, 25c. to 27c.; store lots, 22c, to 24c, Eggs .- New-laid, in case lots, 21c. to 22c.

Cheese .- New, twins, 14c.; large, 18c.; old, twins, 15c.; large, 14c. Honey.-Extracted, 13c., and \$2.75 to

\$3 per dozen for combs. Potatoes .- Market easy; Ontarios, 55c.

to 60c.; New Brunswick Delawares, 65c. to 70c. per bag, car lots, track, Toronto.

Poultry .- Since spring lamb has come on the market, prices for poultry have declined, notwithstanding receipts have been light. Turkeys, 20c. to 22c.; last year's chickens, 22c. to 23c.; hens, 16c.; spring chickens, dressed, 50c. to 55c. per lb.; spring chickens, alive, 45c. per lb.

#### HIDES AND SKINS.

No. 1 inspected steers and cows, 13c. No. 2 inspected steers and cows, 12c. No. 3 inspected steers, cows and bulls, 11c.; city hides, flat 121c.; country hides, cured, 121c.; country hides, green, 111c.; calf skins, per lb., 16c.; deacons, each, \$1.10 to \$1.25; lamb skins and pelts, 15c. to 25c. each; sheep skins, \$1.50 to \$1.75 each; horse hair, 37c. per lb.; horse hides, No. 1, \$3.50; tallow, No. 1, per 1b., 51c. to 61c.

#### WOOL

Unwashed, coarse, per lb., 14c. Unwashed, fine, per lb., 15c.

Butter .- Prices of creamery were fully up to those of the week before, so that there was no disposition to weakness in the market. Finest goods were in demand, and prices ranged from 26c. to 261c., in a large way, while fine were about ic. less. Second grades might be had around 2 c. per lb., and dairies

were 21c. to 22c. per lb. Cheese.-Western fodders were still quoted at 111c. to 111c., and Eastern fodders at 10<sup>‡</sup>c. to 11c.

Grain .- Oats, 42c., ex store, for No. 2 Canadian Western, and 41<sup>4</sup>/<sub>2</sub>c. for No. 1 extra feed, and 40<sup>4</sup>/<sub>2</sub>c. for No. 1 feed. Ontario malting barley is still 61c. to 64c., ex store.

Flour.-\$5.40 per barrel, for Manitoba first patents, in bags; \$4.90 for seconds, and \$4.70 for strong bakers'. Ontario winter - wheat flour, \$5.25 for patents, and \$4.75 to \$4.85 for straight rollers. Millfeed.-Bran, \$18 per ton, in bags; shorts, \$21; middlings, \$22 to \$28;

mouille. \$32 to \$88 per ton for pure, and \$27 to \$29 for mixed. Hay .-- \$13 to \$18.50 per ton for No. 1 baled hay, car lots, track; \$11.50 to \$12 for No. 2 extra; \$9 to \$10 for No.

2 ordinary, and \$8 to \$9 for ordinary. Seeds .- Demand well maintained. Prices steady, being \$4.50 to \$7.50 per 100 lbs. for timothy seed; \$18 to \$26 for red clover, and \$22 to \$28 for alsike!

Hides -- Beef hides, 111c., 121c. and 184c. per lb. for Nos. 3, 2 and 1 hides, respectively. Calf skins, 17c. and 19c. per lb., respectively, for Nos. 2 and 1.

W. G. Pettit & Sons, Freeman, Ont., breeders and importers of high - class Shorthorns and Clydesdales, have re-cently added to their stock a very valuable group of eleven imported Clydesdale mares and fillies, two, three and four years old, four with foals by their sides, all of the choicest breeding, and they will be pleased to show them to anyone interested. Catalogues of pedigrees will be mailed on application. They have also for sale a few choice young bulls of excellent type and breeding.

#### AN IMPORTANT AYRSHIRE SALE.

The advertisement in this paper of the dispersion sale on Wednesday, June 4th, of the herd of over fifty head of imported Ayrshire cattle, the property of John D. Duncan, at Terrace Bank Farm, Howick, Que., should attract the attention of dairy farmers. The offering is described as the best lot ever imported into this country, being selected from the best herds in Scotland, the cows being all entered in the test for the Record of Performance, and the amount of milk given so far appearing in the cata-logue. The three-year-old stock bull, and two young bulls; are included in the sale.