
 * The Grain Growers' Grain *
 * Company handled 1,100,000 *
 * bushels of grain last week. *

Winnipeg Live Stock

On account of the heavy runs at the stockyards the past week the returns from the C. P. R. offices have not been completed in time for publication. Total arrivals were: 9,270 cattle, 591 sheep, 349 calves and 834 hogs.

Cattle

The receipts of cattle were greater than any previous week this fall as is to be expected at this time. The quality of the sales cattle here were not up to former standards and the market slumped as a result, the decline being from ten to fifteen cents for the best and a little greater on the lower grades. All eastern markets were lower from 25 to 40 cents and the decline there affected this market. Dealers state that until these markets strengthen we cannot hope for higher prices here as we must depend upon the eastern trade to take our surplus stock of butcher. This eastern trade has been much in evidence during the past few months and has done much to hold up our prices.

As before stated, figures as to the disposition of the shipments are not available, but there was a large run of exporters that brought prices even with last week. In spite of the reported poor grass the stock from Alberta seems to be in better shape than ever before and the good prices that have prevailed have brought out a lot of them. Exporters have experienced a great deal of trouble in feeding and watering here, on account of the congested condition of the yards, that has no doubt greatly reduced the value of their shipments. The same has been true of shipments of butcher animals going to the eastern markets. There was a fair run of feeders and stockers. Last week's prices were not maintained and all sold a full twenty-five cents lower. Receipts of calves were light and the quality was very common. The best sold up to last week's quotations but the bulk were a full half dollar below.

Cattle prices quoted are:

Best export steers	85.10 to 85.25
Fair to good shipping and export steers	4.60 " 4.85
Best butcher steers	4.60 " 5.00
Fair to good steers and heifers	4.00 " 4.50
Common steers and heifers	3.25 " 3.60
Best fat cows	4.00 " 4.35
Fair to good cows	3.50 " 3.75
Common cows	2.50 " 3.50
Best bulls	3.25 " 3.50
Common bulls	2.50 " 3.00
Good to best feeding steers, 1,000 lbs. up	4.25 " 4.50
Good to best feeding steers, 900 to 1,000 lbs.	3.75 " 4.75
Stockers, 700 to 900 lbs.	3.50 " 4.00
Light stockers	3.00 " 3.50
Best calves	4.50 " 5.00
Heavy calves	3.75 " 4.00

Hogs

There is practically no change in the condition of the hog market. The bulk of the arrivals are selling even with last week at \$9.00 per cwt. The supply is decidedly limited and the demand is very good so that the price can really be called strong at the before mentioned figure. Shippers should not be in too much of a hurry to ship their pigs this fall. Packers will take advantage of any large runs to hammer the price and it is up to the farmer to see that the runs are not too large. This market should be able to handle a least a couple of thousand hogs per week at \$9 or higher at this season of the year. There was a lot of money lost last fall by the shipments of light pigs. Hang on to them until they get plenty of weight. The nearer 200 pounds you have them the higher price will they catch. Light pigs will in all likelihood be docked by the packers where a few weeks additional feeding would put them in shape to get the highest market price.

Hog prices quoted are:

Choice hogs	89.00
Heavy hogs	7.25 to 8.25
Stags	5.75 " 6.75

Sheep and Lambs

Sheep and lambs were in rather poor demand during the week and prices were lower. Prices quoted are:

Best sheep	85.00 to 85.25
Choice lambs	6.50 " 6.75

Country Produce

WHOLESALE MARKET

Butter

Wholesalers are quoting prices for dairy butter even with last week for the best grades, but a little lower for the common stuff. This well reflects the condition of the market. There is a strong demand and little coming of the fancy and number one grades, and while the supply of the poorer grades is not great neither is the demand. The new made dairy that is coming is on the average better than it has been, but some of it leaves a lot to be desired in quality. One house is bringing in a sample shipment of Ontario dairy this week. They state that they can lay it down here at a trifle over twenty-two cents per pound.

Dealers state that they do not think that there is much stock in storage here for the winter and that it will be an exceedingly scarce article during the cold weather. The supply is limited and the demand will be great. Dealers state that there is much greater business being done in creamery than in dairy, because the creamery is more to be depended upon. Fancy dairy will sell even with the best creamery, but there is so little of the real fancy article reaches Winnipeg that it is practically a negligible quantity. One house states that they could use 2,000 pounds of fancy dairy per week, but are able to get only about fifty pounds. Wholesale dealers quote the following prices:

Fancy dairy 24c.

No. 1 dairy 20-22c.

Good round lots without culls or mold 18-19c.

No. 2 17-18c.

No. 3 15-16c.

Eggs

There are not many eggs moving and a lot of those that are coming are apparently held stock that do not grade up very well. Some of these have been in country storage since June or earlier. These do not bring prices that show up well. The demand for strictly new laid eggs was never better, some wholesalers having paid up to twenty-seven cents per dozen during the week.

Cheese

Country stocks of cheese are pretty well cleaned up. Dealers are quoting 10 1/2 to 10 3/4 cents per pound, Winnipeg, for Manitoba stock.

Hay

Prices for timothy show no change from last week, but those for prairie show some strength and for the first two grades are up a dollar per ton. Prices quoted are:

No. 1 Timothy \$17.00

No. 2 Timothy 16.00

No. 3 Timothy 15.00

No. 1 Prairie 13.00

No. 2 Prairie 12.00

No. 3 Prairie 10.00

Potatoes

Prices for potatoes show another decline of five cents per bushel for the week, and they are now bringing forty-five cents per bushel, f. o. b. Winnipeg. Dealers state that there are plenty coming and carload shipments are frequent. They predict lower prices.

Live Poultry

Prices quoted for spring chickens show a decline of a cent per pound, but other prices are steady with last week. The abattoirs quote the following prices:

Spring chicken, per pound 13c.

Fowl, per pound 10c.

Old roosters, per pound 7c.

Turkeys, per pound 15c.

Geese, per pound 11c.

Ducks, per pound 13c.

RETAIL MARKET

Prices offered by retailers to the country are a shade higher all around.

Butter

Strictly fancy dairy in 1 lb. bricks 26c.

Strictly fancy dairy, gallon crocks 22c.

Eggs

Strictly fresh gathered 25c. to 27c.

Dressed Poultry

Spring chickens, dry plucked, drawn, head and feet on 18c. to 20c.

Fowl (shipped same as chickens) 12c. to 14c.

Turkeys 20c.

Ducks 12c. to 14c.

Geese 14c. to 16c.

[Note.—For the retail trade chickens and fowl must be dry plucked and not scalded.]

HIDES, TALLOW AND WOOL

(By McMILLAN FUR & WOOL Co.)

Prices are unchanged from last week.

Green salted hides, unbranded, 8 1/2c. to 9 1/2c.

Green salted hides, branded 7 1/2c.

Green salted hides, bulls and oxen 7 1/2c.

Green salted veal calves, 8 to 15 lbs. 10c. to 12c.

Green salted kip, 15 to 25 lbs. 8 1/2c. to 9 1/2c.

Dry flint butcher hides 15c.

Dry rough and fallen hides 9c.

Tallow 4c. to 5c.

Seneca root 35c. to 35 1/2c.

Wool 8c. to 10c.

THE WEEK'S GRAIN INSPECTION

Week Ending Sept. 30

Wheat 1910 1909

No. 1 Hard 1 50

No. 1 Nor. 615 3,000

No. 2 Nor. 2,514 2,031

No. 3 Northern 1,894 561

No. 4 460 54

Feed 12 ..

Rejected 1 57 124

Rejected 2 46 65

No Grade 241 31

Rejected 70 215

No. 5 73 10

No. 6 28 2

Total 5,981 6,143

Winter Wheat

No. 2 Alberta Red 4 ..

No. 3 Alberta Red 6 ..

No. 4 R. W. 5 ..

No. 5 R. W. 1 ..

Total 16 69

Oats

No. 1 C. W. 13 ..

No. 2 C. W. 251 ..

No. 3 C. W. 32 ..

Rejected 8 ..

No Grade 4 ..

Ex. No. 1 Feed 23 ..

No. 1 Feed 25 ..

No. 2 Feed 10 ..

Total 366 718

Barley

No. 3 Extra 1 ..

No. 3 77 ..

No. 4 36 ..

Rejected 7 ..

No Grade 10 ..

Feed 1 ..

Total 132 346

Rye

No. 1 1 ..

Flax

No. 1 N. W. Man. 153 ..

No. 1 Manitoba 9 ..

Total 162 49

Grand Total 6,658 7,325

TORONTO LIVE STOCK

(Oct. 3.)

Union stock yards: Receipts today were 102 cars with 1,975 head of cattle, 744 sheep and lambs, 223 hogs, and 29 calves. Trade was slow, influenced largely by the fact that export buyers were very deliberate in getting down to

business and evidently waiting or expecting a fall in the market. The run of butcher cattle was rather light, some of the lighter export cattle in fact were early bought for local butchers. Exporters began to move freely at around \$6.40 to \$6.50, choice butcher cattle or light export sold at \$5.50 to \$5.75; butchers cows, \$3.50 to \$4.75; sheep and lambs, steady to firm. The hog market was easier and 25c. lower than last week at \$8.50 f.o.b., and \$8.75 to \$8.85 fed and watered at Toronto.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK

(Oct. 3.)

Cattle receipts, 28,000; market slow; beefs, \$4.60 to \$7.90; Texas steers, \$3.40 to \$5.60; western steers, \$4.00 to \$6.70; stockers and feeders, \$4.10 to \$5.60; cows and heifers, \$2.20 to \$6.30; calves, \$7.25 to \$9.25.

Hogs—Receipts 26,000; market dull; weak; 15 cents lower than Saturday's average. Light, \$8.65 to \$9.05; mixed, \$8.20 to \$9.10; heavy, \$8.15 to \$9.12; rough, \$8.15 to \$8.35; good to choice heavy, \$8.35 to \$8.95; pigs, \$8.15 to \$9; bulk of sales, \$8.45 to \$8.80.

Sheep—Receipts 60,000; market 1c. lower; native, \$2.40 to \$4.14; western, \$2.75 to \$4.10; yearlings, \$4.30 to \$5.40; lambs, native, \$4.50 to \$7; western, \$4.12 to \$6.85.

ON PACKING BUTTER

(By E. Graham, Darlingford, Man.)

The predictions are that butter is going to soar away up to heretofore unknown prices during the coming winter on account of a scarcity of feed, compelling so many farmers to sell off the greater part of their herd. As a consequence a great many people are laying in their winter supply from farmers' wives in the shape of packed butter. There has been so much said in newspapers and farm journals on the subject of dairying, that the wonder is there is any poor butter made today, and yet we know there is only one woman here and there who makes a really A1 article.

I think the cause of so much poor flavored butter is primarily the lack of care in washing dairy utensils. I have seen women, after all the breakfast dishes have been washed, put the separator through the same water, wipe it, and set it away, and then wash the milk pail. Such treatment will always give butter an "off flavor." Perfect conditions can only be obtained by using clean warm water and a separate cloth on the utensils that never comes in contact with the kitchen table. I find a ten cent salt bag makes a good one as there is no lot to clog the brushes. They are this and easily kept sweet by rinsing through scalding water. The second fault is wrong management after churning. Just as the best batch of bread can be spoiled in the baking, so a good churning of butter can be spoiled in the making.

Taking for granted that the cream has been kept well stirred every time fresh cream has been added and the whole has been properly ripened and churned at about 60 degrees, the churning should be stopped while the butter is still in the granules. Then comes a very important part, the washing.

In order to have butter that is not only "gilt edged" but "gilt" all the way through the washing should be repeated until the last water runs off as clear as when put on. Then salt according to taste, an ounce to the pound or a little more. For a churning of about 20 pounds add to the salt as much granulated sugar as the hand will close over and a teaspoonful of saltpetre. Mix all together and work thoroughly into the butter. The pack in sound crocks, not cracked ones, and for convenience in lifting out put in layers of two or three inches. Sprinkle lightly with salt between layers. Cover with butter paper and you will have a butter that will keep.

QUOTATIONS IN STORE AT FORT WILLIAM FROM SEPT. 28 TO OCT. 4, INCLUSIVE

DATE	WHEAT												OATS		BARLEY				FLAX			
	1	2	3	4	5	6	Feed	Ref. 1	Ref. 2	Ref. 3	Ref. 4	Ref. 5	Ref. 6	Ref. 7	2w.	3w.	4	5	Ref.	Feed.	(NW Max. 20)	
SEPT.																						
28	98	95	92	86	80	74		93	91	91	89	92	90	54			47	42				218
29	97	94	90	83	79	73		92	90	90	86	91	89	54			47	42				223
30	97	91	90	83	79	73		90	88	88	87	90	88	53			47	42				218
OCT. 1	98	94	91	86	80	74		91	89	89	87	90	88	53			47	42				210
2	98	94	90	83	79	72		91	89	89	87	90	88	53	51		47	42				213
4	98	94	91	83	79	73		92	90	90	88	90	88	53			47	42				240