

have ruled about the same with no change in prices and the general tone has been from steady to strong. Owing to a falling off in receipts prices advance a little. The approach of Thanksgiving Day and the resultant supply of all kinds of poultry is making things a little dull for butchers' cattle. Trade here has been generally slow and there have been too many inferior cattle coming forward.

**Export Cattle.**—Very few of this class have been offered, and there were none of choice quality in the cattle yards here on Friday. Choice quality bring from \$4 to \$4.25; light exporters from \$3.60 to \$3.75. Export bulls bring all the way from \$3 to \$3.85 per cwt., according to quality.

**Butchers' Cattle.**—Choice picked lots weighing from 1000 to 1100 lbs. each were scarce on Friday's market, selling for from \$4 to \$4.25 per cwt. Loads of good cattle bring from \$3.40 to \$3.60; medium from \$3.25 to \$3.45; common \$2.85 to \$3.10; and inferior \$2.50 to \$2.75 per cwt.

**Stockers and Feeders.**—Choice heavy feeders bring from \$3.50 to \$3.70 for steers, and bulls from \$2.50 to \$2.70 per cwt. The supply of feeders has not been large. On Friday stockers for buffalo sold at \$3 to \$3.25 per cwt., with a good demand. Stock bulls bring about \$2 per cwt.

**Calves.**—These are in lighter demand at Buffalo, where prices rule from \$6.50 to \$7.25. Calves are in good demand here at from \$3 to \$6 each, with veals of heavy weight selling at \$5 per cwt.

**Milk Cows.**—The price for these varies all the way from \$25 to \$45, with choice milkers bringing \$50 each.

#### Sheep and Lambs.

There have been extra large supplies on the Buffalo market during the week with a very light demand. On Friday only about half the offerings were sold. Good export sheep are in fair demand here. Prices for ewes are from \$3.25 to \$3.40, with \$3.50 per cwt. for choice picked lots. Bucks bring from \$2.50 to \$2.75 per cwt. There was a large run of lambs on Friday, and the market is easier at \$1 to \$4.25 per cwt., or \$2.75 to \$3.75 each.

#### Hogs.

In contrast with the market here the American markets showed an easier feeling during the week, and prices had a lower tendency. The hog market here is higher and firmer, and, though there were large receipts on Friday, prices remained firm. Choice bacon hogs, weighing from 160 to 220 lbs. each, un-fat and unwatered, sell at \$4.25 to \$4.37½ per cwt. off the cars, and light and thick, fat hogs at \$4 per cwt. One of the features of the week has been the advance in price of choice bacon hogs. A week or two ago these and thick, fat hogs sold for about the same money.

Cable reports show that the steep decline in bacon of a couple of weeks ago has induced a much better demand for Canadian bacon, and the market is steady at last week's prices, which are 43s. for No. 1, and 37s. 6d. to 40s. for stout and fat sides.

#### BOOKS AND BULLETINS RECEIVED.

Evidence of J. W. Robertson, Commissioner of Agriculture and Dairying, before the Committee of Agriculture and Colonization, April, 1898. This pamphlet contains some valuable information on cold storage, illustration stations for farmers, and the methods of preparing fruit, eggs, and poultry for the British markets.

Principles of Plant Culture, by E. S. Goff, Professor of Horticulture in the University of Wisconsin. It is an elementary treatise designed as a text-book for beginners in agriculture and horticulture, and is published by the author, who resides at Madison, Wisconsin.

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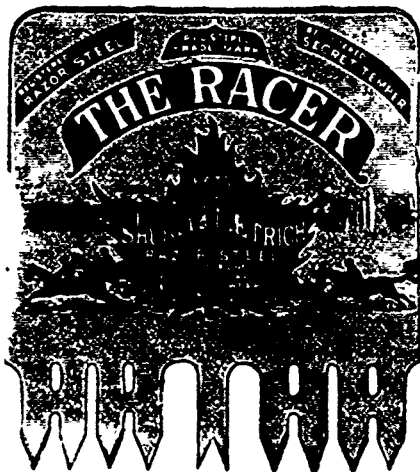
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