

Markets.

Toronto.

At West Toronto, on Monday, August 11, receipts at Union Yards were: 126 carloads, 2,645 cattle, 281 hogs, 144 sheep and lambs, 277 calves, 30 horses. No sales. At the city yards there were 6 carloads, 113 cattle, 66 sheep, 30 calves. Butchers' cattle sold at \$5.15 to \$6.40; cows, \$3.50 to \$5. Sheep, \$3.50 to \$5. Lambs, \$6.50 to \$7. Stockers and feeders, \$4.25 to \$5. Calves, \$4 to \$8.50.

The total receipts of live stock at the City and Union Yards for the past week were:

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	19	289	308
Cattle	277	3,913	4,190
Hogs	83	5,332	5,415
Sheep	912	3,640	4,552
Calves	143	705	848
Horses	13		13

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

	City.	Union.	Total.
Cars	98	230	328
Cattle	905	3,192	4,097
Hogs	2,714	4,378	7,092
Sheep	2,024	2,548	4,572
Calves	613	277	890
Horses		120	120

The combined receipts of live stock at the City and Union Yards, show a decrease of 20 car loads, 1,677 hogs, 20 sheep, 42 calves, and 107 horses; but an increase of 93 cattle compared with the corresponding week of 1912.

It will be seen by the above tables that the receipts of live stock for the past week were not nearly as large as for the previous week, nor for the corresponding week of 1912. On that account trade was more active, although prices for cattle were little better. There were plenty of cattle to supply the demand, although there were not as many of good quality. Sheep and calves, as well as hogs, remained about steady at the prices quoted in our last letter, while lambs were fully 25c. to 50c. per cwt. lower.

There was little demand from outside points, especially from Montreal, and this had the effect of holding the market steady, especially for cattle.

Exporters.—The Swift Canadian Company bought for Swift and Company, of Chicago, 160 steers for the London market, 1,809 lbs. each, at an average of \$6.75; also 150 steers for Liverpool, 1,271 lbs. each, at an average of \$6.55. The highest price for exporters was \$6.90, while for the previous week the top price was \$6.85.

Butchers.—The good to choice butchers' sold at \$6.30 to \$6.70; medium, \$5.90 to \$6.25; common, \$5 to \$5.90; inferior, light-weights, \$4 to \$4.80; cows, at \$3.50 to \$5.50; canners and cutters at \$2 to \$3.25; bulls, \$4 to \$5.50.

Stockers and Feeders.—On account of the dry weather, pastures are and have been falling in many parts of Ontario, which has caused a much larger number of young cattle to be marketed, especially light steers and heifers, and prices for these have declined. A large percentage of these came from Eastern Ontario, which, being ill-bred and in poor condition, were hard to dispose of at any price, some selling as low as \$2 per cwt. Choice steers, 800 to 900 lbs., sold at \$5.25 to \$5.50. Choice steers, 700 lbs., sold at \$5; common to medium steers, 600 to 700 lbs., sold at \$4 to \$4.50; stockers ranged all the way from \$2 to \$3.75.

Milkers and Springers.—There was little change in the market for milkers and springers, there being a moderate demand, and a quiet trade all week. Prices ranged from \$40 to \$75, and the bulk of sales were made between \$45 and \$65 each.

Veal Calves.—Good to choice calves were firm all week. Prices ranged as follows: Choice veals sold at \$8.50 to \$9; good, at \$7.50 to \$8; medium, \$6 to \$6.75; common, \$5 to \$5.50; inferior rough Eastern calves, \$3.75 to \$4.75.

Sheep and Lambs.—Sheep were firm all week. Light ewes, 100 to 130

lbs., at \$5 to \$5.50; ewes, 140 to 160 lbs., \$4 to \$5; sheep, 160 lbs. and up, \$3 to \$4; culls and rams, \$2 to \$3. Lambs.—The lamb market kept declining gradually until \$6.50 to \$7 took the bulk of the offerings. Cull lambs sold from \$5.50 to \$6.25.

Hogs.—There was an effort made by the buyers to put hog prices lower; but there was little accomplished in this direction. Prices for hogs, fed and watered, ranged from \$10 to \$10.30, the bulk going from \$10.10 to \$10.25; \$9.90 to \$10 were the f.o.b. prices.

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.—Ontario, No. 2 red, white or mixed, 98c. to \$1, outside; Manitoba, No. 1 Northern, \$1.02; No. 2 Northern, \$1; No. 3 Northern, 96c., track, lake ports.

Oats.—Ontario, No. 2, 34c. to 35c., outside; 36c. to 37c., track, Toronto; Manitoba, No. 2, 39c.; No. 3, 38c., lake ports.

Buckwheat.—No. 2, 52c. to 53c., outside. Peas.—No. 2, 90c. to 95c., outside.

Corn.—American, No. 2 yellow, 73c., midland; 78c., track, Toronto.

Rye.—No. 2, 61c. to 62c., outside. Barley, for malting, 50c. to 52c.; for feed, 43c. to 48c., outside. Flour.—

Ontario, ninety per cent. Winter Wheat.—Flour, \$4.10 to \$4.15, seaboard in bulk; new flour, \$3.75; Manitoba flour. —Prices at Toronto are: First patents, \$5.50; second patents, \$5; in cotton 10c. more; strong bakers', \$4.80, in jute.

HAY AND MILLFEED.

Hay.—Baled, in car lots, track, Toronto, new crop, \$11 to \$12 per ton; No. 2, \$10 per ton.

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

Bran.—Manitoba, \$19, in bags, track, Toronto; shorts, \$20; Ontario bran, \$19, in bags; shorts, \$20; middlings, \$23 to \$25.

HIDES AND SKINS.

No. 1 inspected steers and cows, 13c.; No. 2 inspected steers and cows, 12c.; city hides, 13c. to 13½c.; country hides, cured, 13c.; calf skins, per lb., 16c.; lamb skins and pelts, 20c. to 45c.; sheep skins, \$1.50 to \$1.85; horse hair, 35c. to 37c.; horse hides, No. 1, \$8.50; tallow, No. 1, per lb., 5½c. to 7c.

WOOL.

Coarse, unwashed, 15c.; coarse, washed, 24c.; fine, unwashed, 17c.; fine, washed, 26c. per lb.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Market easy. Creamery pound rolls, 27c. to 28c.; creamery solids, 24c. to 25c.; separator dairy, 23c. to 24c.; store lots, 20c. to 21c.

Cheese.—New, large, 14c.; twins, 14½c.; old, large, 15c.; twins, 15½c.

Eggs.—Market firmer. New-laid, by the case lot, 24c. to 25c.

Honey.—Reports of there being a large crop of new honey has caused the market to have an easier tone and extracted No. 1 clover honey is quoted at 12c. to 13c.

Beans.—Hand-picked, imported, \$2.30 to \$2.40; Canadian, hand-picked, \$2.25; primes, \$1.75 to \$1.85.

Potatoes.—There are no car lots of Canadian potatoes as yet, but they sell at \$1.25 per bushel; and American potatoes are worth \$3 to \$3.50.

Poultry.—Receipts of live poultry continue to be plentiful. Prices range as follows: Chickens alive, 20c. to 22c. per lb., and 25c. to 26c., dressed; ducks alive, 12c. to 14c., and 16c. to 18c., dressed; hens, 12c. to 14c. alive, and 16c. to 18c. dressed.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Receipts of seasonable fruits and vegetables during the past week were the largest yet, which caused prices in some instances to be cut in two. Tomatoes one week ago sold at \$1.50 per basket are down to 40c. and 50c. per basket; Canadian peaches, 35c. to 60c. per basket; plums, 35c. to 50c. per basket; gooseberries, 75c. to \$1; red currants, 80c. to \$1 per basket; raspberries, 12c. to 15c. per quart; blackberries, 8c. to 10c. per quart; blueberries, per basket, \$1.50 to \$1.75; black currants, basket, \$1.50 to \$1.75; apples, basket, 30c. to 50c.; beans, basket, 25c. to 35c.; pears, basket, 40c.; green corn, 15c. to 17c. per dozen; water melons, 35c. to 60c.

Montreal.

Live Stock.—Supplies of cattle on the local market showed some increase last week, and this, together with the warm weather, had a weakening effect on the market, and prices were a shade lower. Best cattle were quoted at 6½c. per lb.; fine, 6c. to 6½c.; medium, 5c. to 5½c., and common, down to about 4c. Some stock was to be had as low as 3½c. per lb., this, however, being for canners. Small meats were in good demand and prices were fairly steady. Sheep were quoted at 4c. to 4½c. per lb., and lamb at 5c. to 6c. per lb., these prices being a little down from the recent low. Calves were \$3 to \$5 each for poor, and \$6 to \$8 for choicest. Live hogs were about steady, and prices of selects were 10½c. to 11c. per lb., heavy hogs being 9½c. to 10½c. weighed off cars.

Horses.—There had been some enquiry for horses, but trade continued light. Prices were: Heavy draft horses, weighing from 1,500 to 1,700 lbs., \$300 to \$350; light draft, 1,400 to 1,500 lbs., \$225 to \$300 each; light horses, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs., \$125 to \$200 each; broken-down old animals, \$75 to \$125, and choicest saddle and carriage animals, \$350 to \$500.

Dressed Hogs.—Demand for dressed hogs continued, and abattoir-dressed, fresh-killed stock was unchanged at 15c. per lb.

Honey and Syrup.—The market was unchanged. White clover comb, 16c. to 17c. per lb.; extracted, 11½c. to 12c.; dark comb, 14c. to 15½c., and strained, 8c. to 9c. Tins of maple syrup sold at 9c. to 10c. per lb., and syrup in wood at 7c. to 8c., while maple sugar was 11c. to 12c. per lb.

Eggs.—Stock came forward freely and prices continued unchanged. Strictly fresh eggs were 29c. per dozen; selected eggs, 27c., and No. 1 candied, 23c., while No. 2 were 18c. to 19c.

Butter.—Creamery firmed up in price somewhat in the townships, though local prices showed little change. A few packages were exported week before last, this being the first export of the season. Choice creamery was quoted at 24c. to 24½c. per lb. in a wholesale way, while fine creamery were 23c. to 23½c., and second grades are as low as 22½c. Dairy butter sold at 21c. to 22c. per lb.

Cheese.—There was little change in the market for cheese. Dealers still quoted 13½c. to 13½c. here for Western-colored, and 13c. to 13½c. for Eastern-colored. White cheese was about ½c. less than colored all round.

Grain.—The market for oats was firmer. No. 2 Western Canada being quoted at 41c. to 41½c. per bushel, ex store. No. 1 extra feed are 40½c. to 41c., and No. 1 feed, 39½c. to 40c. in car lots.

Flour.—Prices were \$5.60 per barrel for Manitoba first patents, in bags; \$5.10 for seconds, and \$4.90 for strong bakers'. Ontario winter wheat flour was \$5.50 for patents and \$5.10 for straight rollers.

Millfeed.—Bran was \$19 per ton, in bags, while shorts sold at \$21, and middlings at \$24. Mouille was steady at \$30 to \$32 per ton for pure, and \$26 to \$28 for mixed.

Hay.—The market held steady at \$13 to \$14 per ton for No. 1 pressed, carloads on track; \$12 to \$13 for No. 2 extra good, and \$10 to \$10.50 for No. 2 ordinary.

Hides.—Lamb skins and calf skins were higher. Beef hides were steady at 11½c., 12½c. and 13½c. per lb. for Nos. 3, 2 and 1, respectively. Calf skins, 16c. to 18c. per lb., respectively, for Nos. 2 and 1. Lamb skins, 40c. each, and horse hides, \$1.75 to \$2.50 each. Tallow sold at 1½c. to 3c. per lb. for rough, and 6c. to 6½c. for rendered.

Chicago.

Cattle.—Beeves, \$7.10 to \$9.10; Texas steers, \$6.75 to \$7.80; stockers and feeders, \$5.30 to \$7.70; cows and heifers, \$3.60 to \$8.40; calves, \$8.25 to \$11.25.

Hogs.—Light, \$8.90 to \$9.30; mixed, \$8.10 to \$9.25; heavy, \$7.85 to \$9.95; rough, \$7.85 to \$8.00; pigs, \$5.00 to \$8.55; bulk of sales, \$8.30 to \$9.90.

Sheep.—Native, \$4.00 to \$5.10; yearlings, \$5.25 to \$6.10; lambs, native, \$5.50 to \$7.50.

Buffalo.

Cattle.—Prime steers, \$8.85 to \$9.00; shipping, \$8.40 to \$8.75; butchers', \$7 to \$8.40; cows, \$3.75 to \$7; bulls \$95.50 to \$5.75; heifers, \$6 to \$7.75; stock heifers, \$5 to \$5.50; stockers and feeders, \$5.75 to \$7.25; fresh cows and springers, \$35 to \$85.

Veal.—\$6 and \$10.25, a few at \$10.75. Hogs.—Heavy, \$9 to \$9.20; mixed, \$9.40 to \$9.45; yorkers, \$9.65 to \$9.75; pigs, \$9.75 to \$9.80; roughs, \$9.00 to \$8.25; stags, \$7 to \$7.75; dairies, \$8.75 to \$9.70.

Sheep and Lambs.—Lambs, \$5.50 to \$7.75, a few \$7.90; yearlings, \$4.50 to \$6.50; wethers, \$5.10 to \$5.35; ewes, \$2.50 to \$4.50; sheep, mixed, \$4.75 to \$5.00.

Cheese Markets.

Woodstock, Ont., bidding 12½c.; Peterboro, Ont., 13c.; Madoc, Ont., 13 1-16c.; Brockville, Ont., 12½c.; Vankleek Hill, Ont., 12½c. to 12 13-16c.; Kingston, Ont., 12½c.; Cornwall, Ont., 12½c. to 13c.; Napanee, Ont., 12 15-16c.; Picton, Ont., 12 15-16c., 13c., 13 1-16c.; Watertown, 13½c. to 13½c.; Belleville, Ont., 12½c. to 13c.; Perth, Ont., 12½c.; Alexandria, Ont., 12½c.; London, Ont., 12½c. to 12½c.

Gossip.

Attention is called to the advertisement elsewhere in this issue of Dawson's Golden chaff seed wheat. Geo. R. Barrie, Galt, offers this at a reasonable price, bags extra.

Attention is called to the advertisement elsewhere in this issue of pedigree Shetland ponies, the property of Hon. Miss Hicks-Beach, Coln-St.-Aldwyn, Fairfield, England. A stallion and a mare, with foal at foot, are offered, and both are quiet under saddle or in harness, each being four years old. See the advertisement.

CLYDESDALE FILLIES TO BE SOLD.

Ben. Finlayson, who held an auction sale of Clydesdale fillies in London, Ont., last year, is leaving the Old Land August 16th, with another consignment, which should reach London, Ont., about August 27th. The fillies are a good lot, bigger and thicker than those brought out last year. One or two stallions of exceptional merit will be brought out. The date of the sale is September 6th. Look up Mr. Finlayson's advertisement.

CENTRAL CANADA EXHIBITION.

The free transportation of live stock from Ontario and Quebec points to the Ottawa Exhibition, has worked up an extra demand for the 1913 prize lists of the Central Canada Fair. Many who never competed at large exhibitions will make entries. The increase of the cash prizes to \$20,000 is another inducement to breeders. The live-stock display will be such a big feature of the coming Central Canada Exhibition that the directors have arranged for three live-stock parades around the race track, to take place on September 11th, 12th and 13th, and there will be special displays of championship stallions on the two latter days. The daily programme contains an unusual number of educational features of interest to farmers, and which will be under the direction of experts from Dominion and Provincial Departments of Agriculture. Visiting farmers will find the new \$100,000 implement hall, in itself, worth a trip to the fair. Exhibits of labor-saving machinery, never before shown at Ottawa, including many of this year's design, will be made by manufacturers of the United States and Canada.

Questions and Answers.

Miscellaneous.

Squabs.

As one of your readers, I would be obliged if you would inform me of a reliable book on the matter of raising Squabs.

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Ans.—Squabs for Profit, by Wm. E. Rice and Wm. E. Cox. It may be had through this office at 65 cents.