

For scalding poultry, the water should be as near to the boiling point as possible, without actually boiling. The bird held by the legs, should be immersed and lifted up and down in the water three times. Continue to hold the bird by the legs with one hand while pincking the feathers with the other, without a moment's delay after taking out. If skilfully handled in this way, the feathers and pin-feathers may all be removed without breaking the skin. A torn or broken skin greatly injures the appearance. 4th. The intestines should not be "drawn." After removing the feathers, the head may be taken off and the skin drawn over the neck bone and tied. This is the best method, though much comes to market with heads on. 5th. It should next be "plunged," by being dipped about two seconds into water nearly, or quite, boiling hot, and then at once into cold water about the same length of time. It should be entirely cold, but not frozen, before being packed. 6th. In packing use clean hand-threshed rye straw. If this cannot be had, wheat or oat-straw will answer, but be sure that it is clean and free from dust. Place a layer of straw at the bottom, then alternate layers of poultry and straw, taking care to stow snugly, back upwards, legs under the body, filling vacancies with straw, and filling the package so that the cover will drive down very closely upon the contents, to prevent shifting on the way. Boxes are the best packages, and should contain from, say 150 to 300 pounds.

Poetry.

Zong of the Kerlock.\*

The Kerlock plant is a zite to zee  
As it zines in the fields like gowld;  
But all yent gowld that glitters free,  
I was once by my veather towld.

Zo I take a heow and cut un all up,  
All out of the barley ground;  
And arter that I'd like to know,  
Where a bit of nast can be found

But a zays, zays he, it aint no use  
For to go to a girt expence;  
For twull come again whatever theed does,  
For a year or two vrom hence.

But pason zays as every weed,  
Like the turn is and whato we seow,  
Must all come up vrom a sort o' zeed,  
Zo I want let un zeed if I neow.

But I'll take a heow and heow'n all clau,  
All out of the barley ground;  
Vor if I doant let un zeed, us plane  
Not a bit or nast will be found.

\*Kerlock or wild mustard.

Markets.

Toronto Markets.

"CANADA FARMER" Office, Dec. 1, 1865.

The supply of produce brought into market during the past fortnight has been unusually small. Prices were well maintained, there being little change to note from our last quotations. The country roads are now so soft that it is impossible to team heavily loaded waggon to market. In consequence, business in the grain market has been light, although there is a better demand springing up, principally for local consumption.

Stocks of all kinds are small, as the export movement keeps up with the receipts. We are informed that there is still a great quantity of grain in the hands of farmers, but until the winter roads are formed, it is not likely much will find its way into market. Fall wheat has been dull, with very light receipts. The season for shipping being now all but over, dealers are not so anxious to buy. Oats have been firm, prices remain unchanged. In flour little or no business has been done. Prices remain merely nominal.

General business is very dull. Latest advices from Europe offer little encouragement. Local trade is limited to the merest retail.

Flour—market nominal, no demand, and few transactions.  
Fall Wheat in fair demand and steady, at \$1.40 to \$1.50, according to quality.  
Spring Wheat—more enquiry; sales at \$1.12 to \$1.18.  
Barley dull at 60c to 70c per bushel.  
Peas quiet, at 52c to 55c.  
Oats quiet, at 33c to 35c.  
Corn unchanged.  
Professors improving. Butter inactive, at 18c to 20c per lb for keg. Choice dairy, 20c to 21c, rolls, 27c to 30c, retail.  
Rye 63c to 66c.  
Cheese—more plentiful, American prime, 14c to 15c.  
Eggs—market steady, with fair supply; selling at 20c to 22c for packed; 24 to 26c for fresh.  
Potatoes—plentiful, and of excellent quality, with fair demand, wholesale, 25c; retail, 30c.

Hogs—dressed, arriving freely, and selling at \$3.50 to \$4.25 per cwt for heavy w.c. lbs, and \$7 to \$8 for light weights, pork, quiet; mess, \$24 to \$25 per bbl; primo do, \$21 to \$22.  
Hay—in good supply at from \$10 to \$14.50 per ton.  
Live Stock—The market is moderately active and prices are firm. Two figures here, even are off red by the butchers and drovers in this market per 100 lbs, dressed weights:—Cattle, 1st Class, \$7, do, 2nd class, \$6, do inferior, \$5 to \$6. Cows, \$5 to \$6. Sheep, primo heavy, each, \$5 to \$6; do, light, each, \$4 to \$4.50. Lambs, each, \$2.60 to \$3. Hogs, live weight, \$7.50 to \$8. Do, dressed weight, \$9.90 to \$10.  
Fruit—Apples, farmers packed, \$1.60 to \$2.50, good shipping barrels, \$2 to \$4.

Hamilton Markets.—Nov. 28.—Flour—XXX, \$7.50, extra \$8 to \$8.60; fancy, \$8; superfine, \$5.60. Bran, per 100 lbs, 62 1/2. Beef, per 100 lbs, \$4.60 to \$5. Mutton, per 100 lbs, \$4 to \$5. Lamb, per 100 lbs, \$4.60 to \$5. Pork, per 100 lbs, \$3 to \$3.60. Potatoes, per bushel, 60c. Onions, per bushel, 60c. Apples, per bag, \$1 to \$1.25. Butter, per lb, 22c to 26c. Eggs, per doz, 25c. Lard, per lb, 20c. Hay, per ton, \$10 to \$12. Straw, per ton, \$7 to \$8. Cardwood—No. 1, \$4.50 to \$5.00; No. 2, \$3 to \$4.00. Tanned, rough, per lb, 7 1/2c; do, rendered, 10c. Hides, green, per 100 lbs, \$8, do, dry, \$9 to \$10. Sheepskins, \$1 to \$1.25 each. Bread—1 lb loaf, 14c to 16c. Suet, 10c.

London Markets, Nov. 28.—Fall Wheat—Ordinary samples \$1.20 to \$1.30, good to extra \$1.35 to \$1.45; choice at \$1.60 to \$1.60. Spring Wheat \$1.12 to \$1.15. Barley—bright malting 55c to 60c. Peas—sound white 50c. Oats 30c. Corn 62 1/2c to 70c. Buckwheat 40c to 45c. Flax seed \$1.50 to \$1.75 per 50 lbs. Butter—primo dairy 20c, No. 1 store 20c to 22c, fresh, by the basket, 22c. Dressed hogs \$8 to \$8.37 1/2, per 100 lbs. Skins—Green hides \$6, dry, \$11 per 100 lbs. Calf, dry, 18c. Sheepskins, fresh, 87 1/2c to \$1.50. Wash, prime, 1c per lb, 40c. Tanned at 7c; rendered 10c. Hay, per ton, \$7 to \$10. Straw, per load, \$2.50 to \$3.60; peas \$2 to \$3 per load. Potatoes, by the load, 60c to 40c. Carrots, by the load, 15c to 20c per bushel. Turnips 10c to 15c per bushel.—Free Press.

Galt Markets, Nov. 28.—Flour, per 100 lbs, \$3 to \$3.75. Fall Wheat, per bushel, \$1.50 to \$1.45. Spring Wheat, per bushel, \$1 to \$1.12 1/2. Barley, per bushel, 60c to 65c. Oats, per bushel, 30c to 32c. Flax seed, per bushel, \$1.15 to \$1.40. Butter, per lb, 18c to 20c. Eggs, per dozen, 18c to 20c. Straw, per load, \$2 to \$2.50. Peas, per bushel, 60c to 62 1/2c. Beef, per 100 lbs, \$6. Pork, per 100 lbs, \$7 to \$8. Calfskins, over 8 lbs, 8c. Lambskins, 7c to \$1. Potatoes, per bushel, 40c to 45c. Hay, per ton, \$8 to \$10. Apples, per bushel, 37 1/2c to 75c.—Reformer.

Oswego Markets, Nov. 28.—Flour—The market is unchanged, with a good local, interior, and eastern demand, at \$8.75 to \$9 for brands from No. 1 spring, \$10.25 to \$10.50 from red winter, \$11.25 to \$11.50 from white, and \$12.25 to \$12.60 for double extra from primo white wheat. GRAIN—Wheat in light milling demand; No. 1 Milwaukee club at \$1.50, 61 bags white Canada at \$2.35, and 2 do, at \$2.45. Corn in demand, and the market is without material change; No. 1 Indiana at 81c to 82c.—Barley and other grains quiet, and quotations nominal. MILL FEED—Shorts are selling at \$16 to \$17, and shipstuffs at \$23 to \$24 per ton, according to quality. Corn meal—100 lbs in sack \$2 to \$2.10; do, unbolted \$1.90 to \$2; 60 lbs bolted in paper sacks \$1.05; do in cloth do \$1.15. Salt unchanged. Pro is quoted at \$2.45 per bbl, and 14 lb sacks at 20c. Waterlime \$1.60 wholesale, \$1.70 retail per barrel. Master quoted at \$1.50 per barrel.

New York Markets, Nov. 29.—Flour—Receipts, 16,400 bbls; market dull and 5c to 10c lower for Western, and steady for good sound extra State, sales at \$7.50 to \$8.20 for superfine State; \$3.40 to \$3.55 for extra State; \$3.60 to \$3.75 for choice do; \$7.70 to \$3.15 for superfine Western, \$3.20 to \$3.65 for common to medium extra Western; and \$9 to \$11.25 for common to good shipping brands extra round-hoop Ohio. Canadian flour 6c to 10c lower; \$3.35 to \$3.60 for common, and \$3.70 to \$4.12 for good to choice extra. Wheat—Receipts, 14,340 bushels; market dull and without decided change; good fair Milwaukee club, \$1.79 to \$1.80. Rye quiet; sales 500 bushels at \$1.16. Barley dull; Canada East, \$1.10. Barley, malt dull. Corn—Receipts, 2,500 bushels; market quiet firm at 91c to 94c for unsound, and 95c to 96c for sound mixed Western; 97c to 97 1/2c for nearly yellow. Oats dull at 61c to 6c for Canadian, 64c for Ohio and Western, and 49 to 50 for unsound. Pork—market lower; sales 10,000 bbls at \$20.75 to \$23 for mess, closing at \$27 for regular. Beef steady. Butter quiet at 20c to 42c for Ohio; 35c to 40c for State.

LATEST MARKETS.—Flour closed heavy, 10c lower for Western, Wheat quiet and unchanged. Corn a shade firmer. Oats declining. Pork unsettled, mess \$27.60. Lard steady at 18c to 23c.

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