

## Toronto, Montreal, Buffalo, and Other Leading Markets

Week Ending July 5.

Receipts and Market Tops.

Dominion Department of Agriculture, Live  
Stock Branch, Markets Intelligence Division

	CATTLE						CALVES					
	Receipts			Top Price Good Steers (1,000-1,200)			Receipts			Top Price Good Calves		
	Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending	Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending	Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending	Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending
	July 5	1916	June 28	July 5	1916	June 28	July 5	1916	June 28	July 5	1916	June 28
Toronto (Union Stock Yards)	4,751	4,783	5,158	11.60	10.25	12.25	1,019	877	1,135	15.00	12.50	15.50
Montreal (Pt. St. Charles)	892	870	628	12.00	10.00	11.80	1,390	1,711	1,920	12.50	10.00	13.00
Montreal (East End)	885	737	483	11.50	9.60	11.90	784	1,110	1,185	12.50	10.00	12.50
Winnipeg	2,153	1,521	2,006	10.50	8.75	11.00	207	190	118	13.00	10.00	13.00
Calgary	—	754	529	—	7.00	9.30	—	—	9	—	8.00	11.00
	HOGS						SHEEP					
	Receipts			Top Price Selects			Receipts			Top Price Good Calves		
	Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending	Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending	Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending	Week Ending	Same Week	Week Ending
	July 5	1916	June 28	July 5	1916	June 28	July 5	1916	June 28	July 5	1916	June 28
Toronto (Union Stock Yards)	7,375	9,006	5,696	16.75	16.00	16.50	923	1,422	1,413	16.00	11.50	17.00
Montreal (Pt. St. Charles)	1,127	1,305	1,302	17.00	12.00	16.25	306	1,126	134	*10.00	*8.00	*8.00
Montreal (East End)	850	768	840	16.75	11.90	16.00	331	765	187	*9.00	*8.00	*9.00
Winnipeg	6,097	8,249	5,815	15.50	10.55	15.25	232	329	82	12.00	10.50	11.50
Calgary	—	4,225	2,372	—	9.85	x15.20	—	1,060	39	—	11.00	12.00
xQuotations, off cars.												
*Quotations per head.												

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## Market Comments.

## Toronto (Union Stock Yards.)

With thirty-four hundred cattle on sale on Monday, the bulk of them being off the grass, prices declined from 25 to 50 cents per hundred on choice butcher cattle, and from 50 to 75 cents on medium and common butcher cattle. Twelve to fifteen hundred head were unsold on Monday and were carried over to the following day, when prices weakened another 25 cents and held this level during the balance of the week, quotations being 50 to 75 cents lower on choice cattle, and 75 cents to \$1.00 lower on medium and common cattle, than the ruling prices ten days ago. A load of extra good heavy steers sold on Monday at \$11.90 per hundred with other sales being made at \$11.70, and several loads reaching \$11.50 per hundred. On Wednesday a load of steers averaging fourteen hundred pounds brought \$11.85 per hundred; these figures represented the best sale of the week and were paid on stall-fed cattle. The bulk of the heavy steers sold from \$11 to \$11.50 per hundred. Butcher steers of 1,000 and 1,100 pounds sold from \$10.50 to \$11.25 for the best loads, with medium quality bringing \$9.50 to \$10.25, while choice light handy butcher steers and heifers realized from \$10 to \$10.75, and medium quality \$9 to \$9.75. Common lots brought from \$7.50 to \$8.50. Good bulls sold from \$9 to \$9.75 per hundred with an extra good one reaching \$10.50, and medium and bologna bulls sold from \$7.50 to \$8.50 per hundred. Cows reached \$9.50 and \$10 in a few instances, but the bulk of the best ones ranged between \$8.50 and \$9.25, and medium sold at \$6.50 to \$7.50 per hundred. Under a fair demand, stockers were shipped back to the country at prices ranging from \$7.50 to \$8.50, and feeders from \$8.50 to \$9.50. Calves held about steady all week, with choice veal bringing from \$14 to \$15 per hundred, and medium veal from \$12 to \$12.50.

The supply of lambs on sale was scarcely up to expectations, and while Monday's prices were steady, by Thursday quotations were fully \$1 above those prevailing a week ago. Choice lambs sold from \$14.50 to \$15.50 for the bulk, with extra good lambs bringing \$16 per hundred on the closing market.

Hog supplies have fallen short of requirements and prices are advancing. On Monday \$16.25 per hundred was paid for selects, fed and watered, on Tuesday \$16.50 and on Wednesday \$16.75, the market closing Thursday a trifle easier with selects moving at \$16.50 to \$16.75.

Of the disposition of live stock for the week ending June 28th, Canadian packing houses purchased 675 calves, 113 bulls, 158 heavy steers, 3,691 butcher cattle, 5,460 hogs and 976 sheep. Local butchers bought 337 calves, 377 butcher cattle, 233 hogs, and 333 sheep. Shipments back to country points consisted of 47 calves, 55 milch cows, 326 stockers, and 63 feeders. Shipments to United States points totalled 23 feeders.

The total receipts from January 1st to June 28th, inclusive, were: 112,116 cattle, 27,220 calves, 15,363 sheep, and 242,974 hogs; compared with 113,208 cattle, 25,057 calves, 19,185 sheep and 218,613 hogs received during the corresponding period of 1916.

TORONTO (Union Stock Yards)					MONTREAL (Pt. St. Charles)				
CLASSIFICATION	No.	Avg. Price	Price Range Bulk Sales	Top Price	No.	Avg. Price	Price Range Bulk Sales	Top Price	
STEERS									
heavy finished	170	\$11.49	\$10.75-\$11.75	\$11.90					
STEERS good	536	\$11.05	10.50-11.50	11.60	58	\$11.30	\$11.15-\$11.40	\$12.00	
1,000-1,200 common	55	9.88	9.25-10.50	10.75	5	10.60	10.25-10.75	10.75	
STEERS good	605	10.64	9.75-11.25	11.25	48	10.90	10.75-11.10	11.50	
700-1,000 common	284	9.34	8.50-9.75	9.75	168	9.71	9.50-10.00	10.50	
HEIFERS good	570	10.89	10.00-11.25	11.50	18	10.75	10.50-11.00	11.50	
fair	293	9.52	9.00-9.75	9.75	60	9.75	9.50-10.00	10.20	
common	116	8.46	7.50-8.75	9.00	68	9.13	8.75-9.30	9.40	
COWS good	796	8.91	8.00-9.50	9.50	42	9.75	9.50-10.00	10.25	
fair	716	7.21	6.75-8.00	8.00	248	8.76	7.75-9.25	9.25	
BULLS good	73	9.22	8.25-9.50	9.75	7	10.00	9.75-10.75	10.75	
common	44	7.47	7.00-8.00	9.00	91	8.36	6.50-9.50	9.50	
CANNERS & CUTTERS	96	5.90	5.50-6.25	6.25	63	6.14	5.50-6.50	7.00	
OXEN									
CALVES	1,019	12.03	13.00-15.00	15.00	1,390	10.66	8.00-12.50	12.50	
STOCKERS good	186	8.21	7.75-8.75	8.75					
450-800 fair	155	7.40	6.75-8.00	8.25					
FEEDERS good	38	9.25	9.00-9.50	9.75					
800-1,000 fair	18	8.75	8.25-9.00	9.00					
HOGS									
(Fed and watered)									
selects	6,492	16.54	16.25-16.75	16.75	959	16.76	16.50-17.00	17.00	
heavies	41	16.47	16.25-16.75	16.75					
lights	564	15.50	15.25-15.75	15.75	59	16.40	16.00-16.75	16.75	
stags	15	11.38	11.25-11.75	11.75	1	12.75	12.75-	12.75	
sows	263	13.61	13.25-13.75	13.75	108	13.72	13.50-14.00	14.00	
SHEEP									
heavy	19	7.82	7.00-8.50	8.50	8	9.25	9.00-9.50	9.50	
light	301	8.88	8.50-9.50	9.50	26	9.75	9.50-10.00	10.00	
common	168	6.57	6.00-7.50	7.50	33	8.79	8.50-9.00	9.00	
LAMBS									
good	313	14.05	13.00-16.00	16.00	67	8.00	7.00-10.00	*10.00	
common	122	12.79	12.00-14.00	14.50	172	6.57	5.00-7.00	*7.00	

\*Quotations per head.

## Montreal.

Despite a heavy run of butcher cattle mostly of poor quality, the demand was good throughout the week and prices on the whole held about level with last week's quotations. A few lots of good heavy steers sold from \$11.50 to \$12 per hundred, but there were not many on the market of good enough quality to bring these prices. The bulk of the butcher steers and heifers sold from \$10.25 to \$11 per hundred. Canners, which are scarce for this time of the year, were in good demand during the week at \$5.50 to \$6. Calves held about steady under a good inquiry, the best quality selling at last week's top of \$12.50. Grass calves are coming in freely.

Sheep and lambs were unchanged. Lambs of fair weights were more plentiful than usual during the week.

Hogs opened the week at from \$16.75 to \$17.25 per hundred for selects, off cars, and have held steady all week. The bulk of the sales was made at \$17 off cars for long-run stock, and \$16.75 for stock from near-by points. The demand was good, and the market closed firm.

Pt. St. Charles.—Of the disposition of live stock from the Yards for the week ending June 28th, Canadian packing houses and local butchers purchased 1,646 calves, 50 cannors and cutters,

86 bulls, 8 heavy steers, 459 butcher cattle, 1,320 hogs, 108 sheep, and 16 lambs. Shipments to United States' points consisted of 274 calves.

The total receipts from January 1st to June 28th, inclusive, were: 17,451 cattle, 37,018 calves, 6,159 sheep, and 33,898 hogs; compared with 20,140 cattle, 26,800 calves, 6,880 sheep, and 47,187 hogs, received during the corresponding period of 1916.

EAST END.—Of the disposition for the week ending June 28th, Canadian packing houses and local butchers purchased 1,185 calves, 469 butcher cattle, 788 hogs, and 187 sheep. There were no shipments made to United States' points.

The total receipts from January 1st to June 28th, inclusive, were: 16,832 cattle, 29,506 calves, 6,450 sheep, and 21,710 hogs; compared with 15,879 cattle, 27,665 calves, 8,812 sheep, and 27,962 hogs, received during the corresponding period of 1916.

## Winnipeg.

The supply of butcher cattle on the market during the week, was quite ample to meet the requirements of the trade. Very few stall-fed cattle were on sale, and the bulk of the steers was of inferior quality, consisting largely of grass-fed steers in thin condition. As

the buyers show a preference for fat cows and heifers it would appear advisable to keep the lean stock on pasture until in fatter condition, as its presence on the market has a tendency to lower the prices on all grades. The market for butcher cattle opened steady on Friday, but the accumulation of receipts over Dominion Day proved too heavy for the requirements of the trade on Tuesday, and recessions in prices occurred, the market closing on Thursday from 25 to 50 cents lower than at the close of the previous week. The best sale made during the week was that of eleven steers averaging thirteen hundred and sixty pounds for which \$11.10 per hundred was paid. Good butcher steers sold from \$8.75 to \$9.75, and heifers and cows showed a range from \$8.50 to \$9.50. Bulls and oxen maintained a steady tone throughout the week. There were sufficient calves on the market to meet the demand, and prices held steady with a top price during the week of \$13 per hundred. Stockers and feeders met with a slow market as the outside demand was limited, and only two loads realized above \$8 per hundred, the bulk being sold at \$7.50. The present indications are for a lower market.

The market for hogs opened strong on Friday at \$15.25 per hundred for selects