

THE MARKETS

Prices of Grain, Cattle, etc.
in Trade Centres.

Toronto, January 14.—Wheat—The wheat market has a better tone with some more enquiry. No. 2 red and white sold at 76 to 78c mid-day on low freight to New York, and No. 1 spring, at 75 to 76c east. Manitoba wheat steady. No. 1 hard sold at 88c to 90c all rail, via Sarnia; No. 1 Northern at 85c, and No. 2 Northern at 82c all rail, via Sarnia. Prices are 10¢ lower via North Bay.

Oats—The market is quiet with a moderate trade. No. 2 white quoted at 41¢ to 42¢ middle freight, and at 49¢ east.

Pearls—The market is quiet, with prices unchanged. No. 2 quoted at 83 to 84¢ west, and at 84 to 85¢ middle freight.

Corn—The market is steady. Canadian yellow quoted at 58 to 59¢ west.

Barley—Market is steady. No. 1 quoted at 57c, and No. 2 at 53 to 54c; No. 3 extra at 52c and No. 8 at 50 to 51¢ middle freight.

Rye—The demand is fair, with prices 56¢ to 57¢ west.

Buckwheat—Market is firm, with sales at 54 to 56¢ east.

Flour—The market is steady. Ninety per cent. patents, in buyers' bags \$2.90, bid middle freights with 22.95 asked. Locally and for Lower province trade choice straight rollers, in wood, are \$2.25 to \$3.40. Manitoba flour steady, with Hungarians \$4.10 to \$4.30, and strong bakers' at \$3.60. Toronto freight.

Oatmeal—Market unchanged. Car lots on track, \$5.85 in bags, and \$3.50 in wood. Broken lots, 25¢ per lb. extra.

Milled—Bran unchanged at \$19 to \$20. Shorts, \$21 to \$22 outside. Manitoba bran \$20, and shorts \$22. Toronto freights, including sacks.

PRODUCE.

Potatoes—The market is steady. Cars are quoted at 68 to 70¢ per bag, on track here, and the jobbing prices 80 to 85¢.

Dried Apples—Market is steady, with demand limited. Prices are 5 to 6¢ per lb. Evaporated sell at 9 to 10¢ lb.

Logs—Business quiet, with prices steady at 11¢; yearlings, 8¢.

Honey—The market is unchanged, at 10 to 12.50¢ per dozen. Combs, \$1.50 to \$2.50 per dozen.

Beans—The market is steady; unpicked are jobbing at \$1.40 to \$1.45; and handpicked at \$1.50 to \$1.55.

Cranberries—Market is firm, with stocks small. Cape Cod at \$9.50 to \$10 per bbl.

Hay, baled—The market is steady, with good demand. Timothy quoted at \$9.50 to \$10 on track for No. 1, and at \$8 to \$8.50 for No. 2.

Straw—The market is quiet and firm. Car lots on track will bring \$5.75 to \$6.

Poultry—Market is steady. Turkeys, 8¢ to 9¢ per lb.; frozen, scalped and half-fattened stock, sold from 7 to 9¢. Geese, dry picked, 7 to 8¢. Ducks, 60 to 80¢. Chickens, young, 50 to 75¢; old, 35 to 40¢. Rabbits, 20¢ per pair.

HOGS AND PROVISIONS.

Dressed hogs unchanged at \$3 to \$8.15 in car lots, with offerings fair. Hog products steady. We quote: Bacon, long clears, 10¢ to 11¢; in ton and case lots; mess pork, \$2.10; do, short cut, \$2.20.

Smoked Meats—Ihams, 15 to 18¢; breakfast bacon, 14 to 14.5¢; rolls, 11¢; backs, 14 to 14.5¢; and shoulders, 10.5¢.

Lard—The market is unchanged, with fair demand. We quote: Tierces, 11 to 11.5¢; tubs, 11.5¢; pails, 11.5¢.

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter—The market rates steady, with receipts fair. We quote as follows: Selected dairy tubs, 16 to 17¢; choice large rolls, 16 to 17¢; finest 1-lb. rolls, 18 to 19¢; interior qualities, 10 to 12¢; creamery prints, 21 to 22¢; solids, 20 to 21¢.

Eggs—The market is firm. Strictly fresh, 27 to 30¢; held fresh, 22 to 25¢; cold storage, 20 to 22¢; rimmed, 19 to 20¢.

Cheese—Market is steady. We quote finest Schleifers, 10¢ to 11¢; seconds, 9¢ to 10¢.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.

Toledo, Jan. 14.—Wheat—Cash and May 91c. Corn—Jan. 65c; May, 65¢. Oats—Jan. 48¢ to 18¢; Rye, 69¢; No. 3, 67¢; Clovers—January, \$6.10; March, \$6.15; Timothy, \$2.95.

Buffalo, Jan. 14.—Flour—Puff Wheat—Spring dull; No. 1 Northern, 63¢; Corn—Dull; No. 2, 70¢; No. 3 do, 70¢; No. 2 corn, 69¢; No. 3 do, 69¢; Oats—Easier; No. 2 white, 52¢; No. 3, 52¢; No. 2 mixed, 49¢; No. 3 do, 49¢; Barley—6¢ to 70¢. Rye—No. 1, 72¢.

Milwaukee, Jan. 14.—Wheat—Faster; close, No. 1 Northern, 80¢; No. 2 Northern, 79¢ to 80¢; May, 84 to 84¢. Rye—Steady; No. 1, 67¢; Barley—Dull; No. 2, 64¢; sample, 55 to 6¢. Corn—May, 67¢.

Minneapolis, Jan. 14.—Close—Wheat—Cash, 79¢; May, 80¢; July, 81¢ to 81.5¢; on track, No. 1, 79¢; No. 1 Northern, 79¢; No. 2 Northern, 77¢ to 78¢. Flour—First patents, \$4.10 to \$4.20; second patents, \$4 to \$4.10; first clears, \$3 to \$3.10; second clears, \$2.30. Bran—in bulk, \$17.50.

Detroit, Jan. 14.—Closed—Wheat—No. 1 white, cash, 94¢; No. 2 red, cash and January, 98¢; May, 92¢; July, 88¢.

St. Louis, Jan. 14.—Closed—Wheat—Cash, 90¢; May, 80¢; July, 83¢.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Toronto, Jan. 14.—Receipts at the Western cattle market to-day were all told, fifty loads of live stock, including 800 cattle, 600 sheep and lambs, 900 hogs, 20 milch cows, and a few calves.

The market all round was steady and unchanged, and these few words practically give the market.

There is a good steady trade in export cattle; prices are unchanged at from 4¢ to 5¢ for good to fair cattle; and for light stuff from 4¢ to 4.5¢.

No change occurred to-day in the condition of butcher cattle.

We have a fair enquiry for stockers and feeders at the prices prevailing last Tuesday.

There is no change at all in sheep and lambs.

A few good milch cows are a sure sale at from \$40 to \$50 each.

Good veal calves are also wanted.

Hogs are steady and unchanged.

Choice hogs to-day sold at \$6.75 per cwt., fat hogs at \$6.50 and light at \$6.50 per cwt.

Hogs to fetch the top price must be of prime quality, and scale not below 160 nor above 200 pounds.

Following is the range of quotations:

Cattle.

Shipper, per cwt. \$4.50 \$5.25

Butcher, choice 3.75 4.25

Butcher, ordinary 3.25 3.75

Butcher, inferior 2.75 3.25

Stockers, per cwt. 2.50 3.75

Sheep and Lambs.

Choice ewes, per cwt. 3.25 3.75

Butcher sheep, each 2.00 3.25

Lambs, per cwt. 3.50 4.25

Bucks, per cwt. 2.00 2.50

Milkers and Calves.

Cows, each 30.00 45.00

Calves, each 2.00 10.00

Hogs.

Choice hogs, per cwt. 6.50 6.75

Light hogs, per cwt. 6.00 6.50

Heavy hogs, per cwt. 6.125 6.50

Sows, per cwt. 3.50 4.00

Stags, per cwt. 0.00 2.00

ENGLISH INSANE.

Expert Urges Prohibition of Consanguineous Marriages.

A despatch from London says:—Increasing insanity, supposedly due to consanguineous marriages, resulting in a reduction of population in numerous rural parishes, is the latest and most disturbing phase of the exodus from the country to the cities of England.

Physicians and clergymen in several widely separated counties are writing to the London press urging the Government promptly to attempt to grapple with the problem. One reader says that 90 per cent. of the burials in his parish last year were persons tainted with insanity.

Dr. A. F. Tredgold, Guildford, Surrey, late insanity expert to the London County Council, joins in the outcry against marriage of relatives, and asserts that the existence of the country population is at stake. He suggests that if legislation cannot be passed prohibiting the union of persons predisposed to insanity, some means ought to be found for infusing fresh blood into the rural districts.

SMALLPOX DECREASING.

Ottawa's Medical Health Officer Thinks Tide Has Turned.

A despatch from Ottawa says:—There are seventy-one cases of smallpox down at Porters' Island now, and while this number may be considered large, it is much below the figures of a few weeks ago, when over a hundred patients were registered, and cases were springing up every day at a rate more or less alarming.

The Medical Health Officer thinks that the worst has now been experienced and that the disease is well under control. The doctor states that, but for vaccination, there would have been a scourge of the disease in the city, while, if that treatment had been more vigorously enforced, the pest would now be wiped out.

COSTS MUCH MONEY.

American Locomotive Works For Canada.

A Montreal despatch says:—S. R. Callaway, president of the American Locomotive Works, was in the city on Thursday and had interviews with Sir William Van Horne, Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, Mr. C. M. Ifays, and other prominent railway men. Mr. Callaway said his company would establish locomotive works in Canada, but nothing had yet been decided.

"You know," Mr. Callaway continued, "it takes a lot of money to establish locomotive works. We have already spent \$2,000,000 since the amalgamation. The machinery and plant was a great deal run down and had to be renewed, so that at present we are devoting all our energies in that direction. Afterwards, when we get time, we will look over the ground here."

ICELAND AND CANADA.

To Be Connected With Wireless Telegraphy.

A despatch from Copenhagen says:—It is stated that Iceland, Greenland, the Faroe Islands, and Canada will shortly be connected with the Marconi system of wireless telegraphy. Iceland, it is said, will spend \$45,000 for this purpose, and is already negotiating with Mr. Marconi for the installation of the system between Iceland and the Shetland Islands.

FIRE AT UNARMED MAN.

Commandant Van Schalkwyk Shot at Krugersdorp.

A despatch from Cape Town says:—Commandant Daniel Van Schalkwyk has been tried by court-martial at Krugersdorp, and shot, for bringing a wounded trooper of the South African Constabulary, who had surrendered and laid down his arms.

THE LEGISLATURE OPEN.

SPEECH OF THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

The amendments to the Factories Act, requiring the owners of factory buildings to provide suitable escapees, have greatly increased the safety of the operatives and those connected with the mechanical industries of the province.

It is gratifying to be able to state that the fishing industry has, during the year, been unusually prosperous. The work inaugurated last year, of restocking the inland lakes and rivers, will be continued during the approaching season.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION.

Measures will be submitted concerning the sale of intoxicating liquors, the construction of a railway from North Bay to Lake Temiscamingo, increased representation for the northern districts of the province, the assessment laws, the fisheries, and extra-provincial corporations.

The report of the Royal Commission appointed to revise the assessment laws of the province and the reports of the several departments of the public service will be laid before you in due course.

The estimates for the current year, prepared with as great regard to economy as is consistent with efficient service and the growing wants of the province, will be submitted for consideration at an early date.

NEW MEMBERS.

After the Lieutenant-Governor had read his speech and retired, Speaker, J. A. B. Burt, announced the receipt of the resignation of Hon. William Hartley, the Kingston representative. Then followed the introduction of new members—Hon. J. T. Carroll for West Huron, Col. Ley for London, and John Lee for East Kent.

TRADE WITH AFRICA.

Scheme to Get Supply Steamers to Carry Canadian Goods.

A despatch from Ottawa says:—Hon. Sidney Heriot is in communication with the idea of getting the steamers which now convey hay and other supplies for the British Government to South Africa to load up with Canadian goods for sale in South Africa. In this way a business might be promoted between Canada and South Africa, which in the course of a short time might call for the establishment of direct steamship communication between both countries. In the meantime the United States is driving a good trade between Cape Town and American ports.

On Feb. 1 a second mail will be sent from Athabasca Landing to the Peace River District. All matter to be forwarded by the mail in question should be posted so as to reach Edmton not later than Jan. 27.

Wm. Tandy, of Kingston, has had his leg amputated, the result of a fall down the hold of one of the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company's steamers. He was a passenger on that line and is studying for the ministry.

The twenty-three ladies of the Civil Service, who arranged for the presentation of guerdons to Strathcona's Horse on the eve of their departure from Ottawa for South Africa, have each been presented by Lord Strathcona, with a handsome gold brooch in the shape of a shield bearing the Strathcona crest.

TROLLEY AND PYRAMIDS.

Electric Cars Will Now be Run to Mount Sinai.

London has 637 cases of smallpox.

King Edward is re-arranging his household on business lines.

Americans, it is believed, are gradually buying the Clyde ships.

An Antarctic expedition will sail from England next year, composed entirely of Scotsmen.

The emigration from the United Kingdom last year was 302,848, an increase of 4,287 over the preceding year.

A British-American syndicate will put on a fleet of refrigerator steamers, weekly, between New York, Boston and Bristol.