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Markets Reports

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Toronto, Dec. 12.—Heavy steers, choice, \$12.50 to \$16; baby heavies, \$15 to \$17.75; choice butcher, \$12.50; medium butcher, \$9.50 to \$11.50; common butcher, \$7 to \$8.50; light, common, \$6.75 to \$8; heifers, good to choice, \$11.50 to \$12.50; butcher cows, choice, \$9 to \$10.50; do, medium, \$7 to \$8; bulk, choice, heavy, \$8.50 to \$10.50; do, good, \$9 to \$9.75; do, light, \$7 to \$8; canners and cutters, \$5.25 to \$6.50; stockers, \$6 to \$6.50; hogs, \$10 to \$11.50; sows, \$10 to \$11.50; spring lambs, \$13.75 to \$15.50; sheep, \$7 to \$8; heavy sheep and bucks, \$5.50 to \$6; calves, \$17 to \$20; do, medium, \$9 to \$12; do, common, \$6 to \$8; hogs, fed and watered, \$16.75; do, f.o.b., bid \$15.75; do, to the farmer, bid \$15.50.

Montreal, Dec. 12.—Butcher steers, choice, \$12.50; good, \$10.50 to \$11.50; medium, \$9.00 to \$10.25; common, \$7.50 to \$9.00; butcher heifers, good, \$9.50 to \$10.50; medium, \$8.25 to \$9.50; common, \$6.75 to \$8.50; butcher cows, good, \$8.50 to \$10; medium, \$6.50 to \$8.25; canners, \$5.00 to \$5; cutters, \$5.50 to \$6.00; butcher bulls, good, \$7.50 to \$8.75; common, \$5.75 to \$7.00. Common grass calves, \$7.00; veal, medium, \$9.00 to \$14.00.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Cattle: prime steers, \$16.50 to \$17; shipping steers, \$15.50 to \$16; butchers, \$9 to \$15; yearlings, \$14 to \$15.50; hogs, \$6.50 to \$11.50; cows, \$4 to \$10.50; sows, \$6 to \$10.50; stockers and feeders, \$6 to \$10.25; fresh cows and Springers, \$65 to \$175. Calves: \$7 lower; \$5 to \$22. Hogs: heavy, \$13.50 to \$13.75; mixed and yorkers, \$13.50 to \$13.65; light do., and pigs, \$13.75 to \$14; roughs, \$12 to \$12.25; stags, \$8 to \$11. Lambs: \$8.50 to \$18.75; yearlings, \$12; weathers, \$9.50 to \$10; ewes, \$3 to \$9; mixed sheep, \$9 to \$9.50.

Chicago Live Stock. Chicago, Illinois, December 12.—Hogs—Bulk, \$12.65 to \$13.00; top, \$13.50; heavy, \$12.65 to \$13.00; medium, \$12.75 to \$13.00; light, \$12.65 to \$13.00; light light, \$12.25 to \$12.75; heavy packing sows, \$8.55; veal calves, \$16.50 to \$17.50; feeder steers, \$7.10 to \$12.25; stocker or steers \$6.00 to \$10.75; Western range steers, \$7.50 to \$15.00; cows and heifers, \$6.50 to \$12.50. Sheep—Lambs, \$14.25 to \$16.25; culls and common, \$10.00 to \$14.00; ewes, medium good and choice, \$7.75 to \$9.40; culls and common, \$4.00 to \$7.25; breeding, \$7.00 to \$11.20.

GRAIN QUOTATIONS. Toronto, Dec. 12.—Manitoba wheat—No. 1, Northern, \$2.30; No. 2, \$2.27; No. 3, \$2.23; in store, Fort William.

Manitoba oats—No. 2 C.W., \$1.50; No. 3 C.W., \$1.45; No. 1 feed, \$1.35; No. 2 feed, 79¢; extra No. 1 feed, 83¢; Fort William, in store.

American corn—No. 2 yellow, \$1.70; track, Toronto, prompt shipment; No. 3 yellow, \$1.60. Canadian funds.

Canadian corn—Feed, nominal. Manitoba barley—in store, Fort William—No. 3, C.W., \$1.58 1/2; No. 4, C.W., \$1.55 1/2; rejects, \$1.25 1/2; feed, \$1.25 1/2.

Ontario wheat—No. 1, \$2 to \$2.01; No. 2, \$1.97 to \$2.03 f.o.b., shipping points, according to freight; No. 3, \$1.93 to \$1.99; No. 1 spring, \$2.02 to \$2.08; No. 2, \$1.99 to \$2.05; No. 3, \$1.95 to \$2.01.

Ontario oats—No. 3, 84¢ to 90¢, according to freight outside. Barley—Malting, \$1.50 to \$1.53. Buckwheat—\$1.30 to \$1.32. Rye—No. 2, nominal; No. 3, \$1.37 to \$1.40.

Peas—No. 2, \$2.60, according to freight, outside. Ontario flour—Government standard, Montreal, \$9.50 to \$9.60, in jute bags; Toronto, \$9.50 to \$9.60.

Manitoba flour—and Government standard, \$11, Toronto. f. Montreal. Shorts, \$52; bran, \$45; feed flour, not quoted; middlings, not quoted; good feed flour, per bag, \$3.15 to \$3.50.

Hay—Baled, track, Toronto, car lots, No. 2, mixed, \$21 to \$23 per ton; straw, car lots, \$11.50 to \$12.50.

Winnipeg, Dec. 12.—Oats, No. 2 C.W., \$1.50; No. 3 C.W., \$1.45; extra, No. 1 feed, \$2.30; No. 1 feed, \$1.50; No. 2 feed, 79¢. Barley, No. 2 C.W., \$1.50 1/2; No. 4 C.W., \$1.25 1/2; rejected, \$1.25 1/2. Flax—No. 1 N.W.C., \$9.15; No. 2 C.W., \$5.11; No. 3 C.W., \$4.75. Rye, No. 2 C.W., \$1.57.

Montreal, Dec. 12.—Oats, extra No. 1 feed, \$11. Flour, new standard grade, \$11 to \$11.10. Baled oats, bag 90 lbs., \$4.75 to \$4.85. Bran, \$45.25. Shorts, \$52.35. Hay, No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$24 to \$25.

Minneapolis, Dec. 12.—Wheat spot, No. 1 northern, \$2.95 to \$3.10. Flour unchanged. Bran, \$41.00. Corn, No. 3 yellow, \$1.48 to \$1.49. Oats, No. 3 white, 75¢ to 78¢. Flax, \$5.22 to \$5.37.

Chicago, Dec. 12.—No. 2 mixed, old, \$1.51; No. 2 yellow, old, \$1.53.

95c to \$1; Chatham, 55c; Hamilton, \$2 46 96c; Owen Sound, 96c to \$1; and St. Thomas, 90 to 98c per bushel.

Hay. Belleville, baled \$19 to \$21, loose \$21 to \$22; Brantford, baled \$30 to \$35, loose \$22 to \$24; Cobourg, baled \$25, loose \$25 to \$28; Hamilton, baled and loose \$25 to \$28; Owen Sound, baled \$30 to \$32, loose \$25 to \$30; Port Hope, baled \$30, loose \$25; and St. Thomas, baled \$28 to \$30, and loose \$26 to \$28 per ton.

Vegetables. Vegetables are still in good demand at Toronto. Carrots are \$1.25 per bag. Beets steady at \$1.25 per bag, and parsnips also steady at \$1.50; turnips, 50c. Considerable quantities are, these are being exported to the United States.

Beans at Toronto. There is little buying to note in the bean market at Toronto this week, so far as Ontario stuff is concerned. Quota quote a nominal price of \$4 per bushel for hand-picked Ontario beans.

The Seed Market. At Toronto George Keith & Sons quote red clover at \$28 to \$30 per bushel, with alsike at \$23 to \$28. As will be observed, at Toledo prices for red have been higher than for alsike, but these figures show red \$2 higher than alsike at Toronto. The reason given for this is that the Toledo price is for cleaned stuff. Timothy is \$3 to \$5.50 per bushel.

GENERAL TRADES. Butter. Belleville, 60 to 63c per pound; Brantford, 67 to 72c; Cobourg, 65c; Chatham and Hamilton, 65 to 70c; Owen Sound, 65c; Port Hope, 60c; Pacific coast, 1919, 84 to 90c; 1918, 60 to 65c.

Eggs. Belleville, 85 to 95c per dozen; Brantford, 80 to 95c; Cobourg, 90c; Chatham, 80 to 90c; Hamilton, 84c; Owen Sound, 65c; Port Hope, 70c; and St. Thomas, 80 to 85c per dozen.

Chickens. Belleville and Hamilton, 25 to 30c per pound; Brantford, 35 to 37c; Cobourg and Port Hope, 25 to 28c; Owen Sound, 23 to 26c; and St. Thomas, 30 to 35c per pound.

Potatoes. Belleville, \$2.25 per bag; Brantford, \$3; Cobourg and Owen Sound, \$2 to \$2.25; Chatham and Hamilton, \$2.75; Port Hope, \$2; and St. Thomas, \$2.75 to \$3 per bag.

Wheat. Belleville, \$2.10 per bushel; Brantford and Hamilton, \$2; Cobourg, \$1.95 to \$2; Chatham, \$2.18; Owen Sound, \$1.90 to \$1.98; Port Hope, \$1.98; and St. Thomas, \$1.90 to \$3 per bushel.

Barley. Belleville, \$1.30 to \$1.40 per bushel; Brantford, \$1.25; Cobourg and Port Hope, \$1.35; Chatham, \$2.75; Hamilton, \$1.35 to \$1.45; Owen Sound, \$1.40 to \$1.50; and St. Thomas, \$1.25 to \$1.30 per bushel.

Oats. Belleville, \$1 per bushel; Brantford, \$1 Port Hope, 90c; Cobourg, 85c.

Flour. Standard (Gov't) 6.75 to 5.90; Oats, Man., bush, 1.12 1/2; Oats, local, bush, 1.05 to 1.10; Shorts, ton, 55.00 to 57.00; Straw, baled, ton, 15.00 to 18.00; Straw, loose, ton, 15.00 to 17.00; Wheat, local, bush, 2.20 to 2.30.

Beef hides, No. 1, per lb., 25; Bulls, over 60 lbs., per lb., 20; Kips, per lb., 20; Veals, per lb., 20; Deacons, 32.00; Lamb skins, fresh, 3.50, 3.50; Horse hides, \$5.00 to \$7.00.

Raw Furs. No. 1 skunk, \$2.00 to \$3.00; Mink, \$3.00 to \$7.00; Red Fox, \$5.00 to \$25.00; Muskrat, per lb., \$12.00; Ginseng, per lb., 30.

Value of Quick Temper. A quick temper is highly undesirable, but fortune's sometimes is no moralist. An Indian prospect in the Copper Lake region of the Canadian Northwest who stumbled over a rusty spur of quartz turned in rage and struck at the quartz with his pick. The blow revealed gold. Within a few minutes he had opened a vein of almost pure gold four inches wide and several feet deep.

ECONOMY. Some Things That Can Be Done With Old Clothes.

The old saying, "a stitch in time saves nine," is just as true with us as with our grandmothers. Any kind of a garment, whether for outside or inside wear, for big or little people, will wear much longer if the thin places and small holes are darned or strengthened as soon as discovered. Nothink gives one more self-respect, than to be neat and clean.

Here are some suggestions for making over garments: A lady's coat and skirt suit can be made into a very serviceable one-piece dress. A separate skirt combined with a remnant makes a pretty one-piece dress.

Long coats can be made over for one's self, or a top coat for young girl or boy. A short coat can be remodeled for a dress for a girl, using remnant for combination.

Waists can be fitted and recut for a glimpse for girl, or a camisole, or a baby's cap, or a covering for a woman's summer hat.

From worn night gowns, infant dresses, children's petticoats or corset covers can be made.

If the gowns are heavier, the worn yokes may be cut off. Sew up the end, run a tape through the hem and you have a slip cover for fine dress or coat, when hung in the closet.

From men's worn shirts, children's dresses, combined with remnants, can be made blouse waists for a boy, bibs for the baby, or apron for the woman.

Old neckties make beautiful patch work comfort tops or couch covers. Old sweaters may be washed, dyed unraveled, re-knit for women's or children's sweaters, scarfs, caps or wristlets.

Keep all scraps of silk or velvet, for patch work quilts, couch covers, shopping or work bags.

Stocking tops or old underwear may be used for bloomers, or petticoats for babies or little girls, bed socks, dust rags or wash rags or for miscellaneous mending.

If possible, mend knit underwear with knit underwear patches, basting the patch over the hole. Stitch with machine, hemming down the raw edge by hand.

Copals of East Africa. In what was lately German East Africa the great tracts where some of the finest resins in the world may be found. This is the gist of an article in the Cornhill Magazine which in a few pages lifts a corner of the veil from the romance of the world's copal trade from far Cathay to the Fiji Islands. But the writer's attention is fixed on the east coast of Africa, to the resins carried by Arabs from Africa to India for sale in the markets of Bombay and Calcutta.

In Sir Richard Burton's day, as centuries before, Momباسا traded in ivory, in hippopotamus teeth, in cattle, in cereals, in slaves from the interior, and in resin. It was the possibilities of the resin trade which Sir Richard wished to investigate. He desired to see the copal tree with his own eyes. His purpose was practical, but he could not refrain from harkening back to those days when Momباسا, the desolate, was, as spoken of by Camoens, a home of ancient grandeur. Burton's optimistic forecast for the immediate future of the resin trade did not lead to its development.

For years copals have mainly come from Angola, Benguela, Congo, Gaboon, and Loanga. Now it would seem as if with the passing of German East Africa, a fresh opportunity had arisen for the collection of these "tree-products which link us so strangely with the past."

The Fathead. It would surely be imprudent to address this formidable creature the swordfish, yet the term would be quite appropriate.

The head of 100 average swordfish will yield sixty-five gallons of oil that has high market value. Resin and un-bledched, it is indistinguishable from whale oil, and fetches the same price. In fact, commercially, it is whale oil.

Whale oil is obtained from a much larger seal than halibut heads, which are sawed in the same way as the swordfish heads—i.e., cooked in steam and pressed.

In the seventies some of the salmon heads were rich in oil, and since then the production of oil has been a considerable industry in connection with the Pacific salmon fishery. By 1895 the annual output had risen to 50,000 gallons.

THE KINGSTON MARKET

Kingston, Dec. 12th.

Dairy Produce. Creamery butter, lb., 65 to 70; Butter, rolls, 65c; Whey butter, 55c; Eggs, fresh, doz., 1.00; Pork, 25 to 28; Olomargarine, 35 to 40; Cheese, 25 to 38c.

Poultry. Chickens, dressed, lb., 30; Chickens, live, lb., 28; Hens, dressed, lb., 25; Hens, live, lb., 20; Turkeys, dressed, lb., 40 to 48; Geese, 28 to 30; Ducks, 20 to 35.

Meats. Beef—Porterhouse steak, lb., 27 to 30; Sirloin steak, lb., 27 to 28; Round steak, lb., 25 to 30; Rib roast, lb., 20 to 25; Pork, 25 to 28; Boiling cwt., 15 to 18; West'n carcass, cwt., 19.00; Local carcass, cwt., 15.00; Local hinds, cwt., 18.00 to 19.00.

Loin roasts, lb., 40; Leg roasts, lb., 40; Chops, lb., 45; Hogs, live, cwt., 14.50; Hogs, dressed, cwt., 20.00.

Lamb—Fronks, 25; Hinds, 25; Leg, 25; Loin, 30 to 35; Chops, 25 to 30; Mutton, lb., 25 to 30.

Flax. Cod, lb., 10 to 12 1/2; Sels, lb., 12 1/2; Flinders, lb., 10 to 12 1/2; Flinders, lb., 12 1/2; Flinnah baidie, lb., 13; Haddock, fresh, lb., 13 1/2; Halibut, lb., 30; Herring, fresh, lb., 12 1/2; Kippers, pr., 15; Crabs, lb., 80 to 1.00; Mackerel, lb., 12 1/2; Perch, lb., 12 1/2; Pike, lb., 12 1/2 to 15; Rockfish, lb., 10 to 12; Smelts, lb., 25 to 35; Soles, lb., 25 to 35; Steak, cod, lb., 12 1/2 to 15; Trout, salmon, lb., 20 to 25; Tom cods, 15 to 20; Whitefish, fresh, lb., 15 to 20; Whittings, lb., 12 1/2.

Fruit. Apples, peck, 50 to 60; Bananas, doz., 40 to 50; Coccobuts, each, 15 to 20; Oranges, 10 to 15; Grape, lb., 10 to 15; Lemon, doz., 40 to 45; Oranges, doz., 40 to 45; Pears, doz., 50 to 60.

Vegetables. Best peck, 40; Cabbage, head, 10 to 15; Celery, bunch, 5 to 15; Lettuce, bunch, 5 to 10; Potatoes, bag, 2.75.

Grain. Barley, lb., 1.35; Bran, ton, 47.00; Buckwheat, bush, 2.00; Cornmeal, cwt., 5.50 to 6.00; Hay, baled, ton, 20.00 to 25.00; Hay, loose, ton, 23.00 to 24.00; Corn, yellow feed, bush, 2.25; Flour, standard (Gov't) cwt., 6.75 to 5.90; Oats, Man., bush, 1.12 1/2; Oats, local, bush, 1.05 to 1.10; Shorts, ton, 55.00 to 57.00; Straw, baled, ton, 15.00 to 18.00; Straw, loose, ton, 15.00 to 17.00; Wheat, local, bush, 2.20 to 2.30.

Raw Fur Department. GOOSE DOWN, 75 cents per lb. RED FOX, prime, \$35.00 to \$115. BRAVER, large prime, \$35.00 to \$100.00. OTTER, large prime, \$35.00 to \$100.00. Beaver and Otter must have Government tags on. MARTIN, dark prime, \$65.00 to \$100.00. FISHER, dark strike, \$45.00 to \$150.00. CROSS FOX, large prime, \$150.00 to \$250.00. SILVER FOX, up to \$700.00. RACCOON, prime, \$12.00 to \$20.00. SKUNK, prime black, \$6.00 to \$10.00. Large prime, full-furred skins, properly stretched and handled, bring the top prices quoted. Unprime, poorly handled stock, are graded according to quality and value.

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