

## At Lancaster Yards Heavy Weights Still Slow

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**CATTLE:** Supply includes about 35 percent slaughter steers and about 55 percent stockers and feeders. Trading was moderately active except on slaughter steers weighing over 1200 lbs., these slow.

Receipts will total about 3850 head or about 100 head less than last week. Compared with last week's close, slaughter steers were steady but a few sales on weights over 1200 lbs. were weak.

Stockers and feeders held steady. Bulk of the Choice cattle made 26.00-28.00 with several lots 1300-1350 lbs. at

the 26.00 figure. A lot high Choice and Prime 1104 lbs brought 28.75 with Good to low Choice at 23.75-26.25.

Cutter and Utility cows ranged from 14.50 to 17.25, Commercial cows up to 17.50, while Cannors and low Cutters made 13.25-14.50. Utility and Commercial bulls made 20.00-23.50, Good grade fed bulls sold up to 26.00.

Good and Choice 600-800 lb stock steers cleared the yards at 24.75-28.50, Medium and Good made 22.00-25.50. Medium and Good 800-1050 lb feeder steers 21.25-24.50 with lots Good up to 25.50, several lots Choice 1000-1, 100 lbs. commanded 24.75-25.50. Good and Choice stock calves managed 26.00-31.40 with load weighing 500 lbs. at the 31.40 figure.

**CALVES** Receipts will total about 575 head or slightly less than last week. Trading was moderately active. Vealers sold steady. Good and Choice vealers ranged from 30.00-37.00, Choice and Prime made 38.00-42.00, with a fed at 43.00-44.00, Standard and low Good brought 23.29, and Utility sold down to 17.00.

**HOGS.** Receipts will total about 1650 head or about 200 head more than last week. Trading was moderately active. Barrows and gilts sold fully steady. Sows also held steady. U. S. 1-3 grade 190-230 lb. barrows and gilts made 14.00-14.75 U. S. 1-2 grade including hogs more uniform for grade and weight weighing 190-220 lbs., 15.00-16.00, a few small lots mostly no. 1's, same weight, brought 16.25-16.50. 230-250 lb. butchers commanded 13.50-14.00. Several lots mixed for weight and grade scaling 140-170 lbs brought 12.75-13.50. 300-600 lb. sows commanded 8.11

## Chicago Cattle Weight As Big A Factor As Grade

**CATTLE**—Both local and twelve market receipts curtailed 10 per cent from the same period last week and excluding holiday weeks twelve market supply smallest since last year. Percentages slaughter steers and heifers little changed from last week with short 75 percent steers, fully 15 per cent heifers.

Vealers and stockers and feeders continued scarce.

Percentage prime in slaughter steer, supply slightly increased over last weeks 11 per cent. Average weight of slaughter steers little changed from last weeks 1178 lbs.

Slaughter steers uneven with weight again as much or more a price determining factor than grade. General trade on slaughter steers steady to 50 lower.

Vealers steady to strong. Stockers and feeders slow and weak to 50 lower.

Lower carcass steer and heifer beef prices both locally and in the East together with a narrow outlet for steer carcasses over 800 lbs. main price weakening factor.

About 20 loads prime 1, 150-1400 lb. steers 28.75 and 29.00, most prime and mixed choice and prime steers 1350 lbs. and down 27.50-28.50, load prime 1425 lbs. and load mixed choice and prime 1050 lbs 28.00.

Few loads steers over 1400 lbs. unsold late in the week. Good steers 22.00-25.50 according to weight. Utility & standard 18.50-23.50.

Few head choice vealers 31.00, standard and good 23.00-30.00.

Good and mixed good and choice 775-1950 lb. feeding steers 23.50-25.00, mixed medium and good 965-975 lb feeders 22.35. Load 550 lb. stock steers good with a medium end 26.25

## New Holland Light Weights Higher

The steer market was active on all kinds at New Holland this week with light weight cattle from 1100 lbs. down, 25 to 50 higher. Other kinds were fully steady with cows active and steady, bulls again very slow and 25 lower. Calves active and steady. Receipts at the January 28 sale were 865 cattle and 281 calves.

Choice butcher steers — \$28 - 29.75, good - 26.28, plain to medium - 23 - 26, short feds - 23-25.50.

Choice butcher heifers \$24 - 25, good - 22-24, pl. to med. - 19.50 - 22.

Good bulls - 24.5 26, pl to med. bulls - 22 24.5, bologna - 21-23.75.

Good butcher cows - \$16.50 18, med - 15.50-16.50, canners & cutters - 14.50-15.00, shells 13.50-14.50.

Stocker and feeder steers - \$23-26.50, stock steer calves - 23-29.50.

Choice to prime butcher calves - \$40-43.50, good 36.40 med - 33-36, thin calves - 28-33, monks - 16-26.

The January 27 dairy cattle sale had receipts of 117 cows, 15 stock bulls and six stock heifers. Fresh cows in good demand and steady to strong. Backward cows and common kinds were slow.

Fresh cows - Holstein - \$350-460, Guernsey - 240-350, others - 250-350. Stock bulls - \$110-246, stock heifers - 75-120.

The January 25 horse sale had receipts of 231 head. All horses sold steady.

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