



One of the butchers in the Devizes at the time

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

THE PRICE OF MEAT

Sir

As a constant reader of your paper, and knowing that the prices of meat are lowering in other towns, I am at a loss to conceive why the Devizes butchers cannot lower the prices of their meat. I send you the prices of meat, copied from a Salisbury paper, in that city:- Prime quality oxen, from 15s. to 15s 6d. per score, which is 9d. and 9¼d. per lb.; ditto, secondary quality, 12s. 6d. per score, or 7½d per lb.; ditto, at 13s. 6d. per score, is less than 8¼d. per lb; best wether mutton from 8d. to 8½d. per lb.; ewe ditto, from 6½d. to 7½d.; lamb, from 8d. to 9d. per lb. I should think the Devizes butchers ought to know how to buy.

I am, Sir, yours respectfully,
AN OLD INHABITANT.

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