

COMMERCIAL.

Messrs DRIVER, STEWART and Co. report as follows for the week ending February 18th :—

Fat Cattle.—There was a very full supply at the weekly sale to-day—in all about 180 head—most of which, however, were taken by the trade at prices considerably under late sales, as the number was in excess of requirements. Considerably we cannot expect late prices next week unless a limited number is yarded. Bullocks brought from £5 to £9 5s; cows, from £4 2s 6d to £6 10s. We sold 70 head on account of Messrs A. M'Laren, Wm. Gordon, Alex. Ironside, and others, at above quotations; and have, during the week, sold 130 head privately.

Fat Sheep.—About 500 of all sorts were penned. Cross-breeds brought from 9s 9d to 12s; old ewes, 5s 9d; merino wethers, 7s 6d. We sold 200 at the yards, and have placed privately 500 half-breeds and merinos at 2½d for cross-breeds, and 2d for merino wethers.

Fat Lambs.—Very few were penned to-day, and sold at 8s to 9s. We have sold 100 at former prices.

Store Cattle.—At our Mosgiel sale on the 17th, we disposed of about 100 head of store cattle at from £3 to £4 15s, and have placed privately 60 head at £5 10s. The latter, however, are large quiet bullocks, in fine thriving condition. Mixed herds at this time of year are only saleable at low rates.

Store Sheep.—We are still able to report numerous enquiries for almost every description of sheep, and we have during the week placed 6000 of various sorts at our quotations. Young merino ewes and cross-breeds are most sought after, with but few offering. We quote cross-bred wethers, 2-tooth, 8s to 9s; ditto, 4-tooth and upwards, 9s to 10s. Cross-bred lambs, 7s 6d to 8s. Merino wethers, 2, 4, and 6-tooth, 6s 6d to 7s; full mouthed, 5s to 6s; young merino ewes, 6s 6d to 7s.

Real Property.—We have sold on account of William Black, Esq., his Milbourne Estate, near Tokomairiro, consisting of about 3000 acres, at £2 10s per acre, the purchaser being Mr Dougald M'Ewing, of Moeraki.

Wool.—Owing to the departure of the English mail steamer to-day, our sale this week was held on Monday. There was a full attendance of buyers, and although the advices by the inward European mail, received that morning, were calculated to depress the market, we are able to report that prices were sustained to within a fraction of the rates ruling at the earlier sales, as shewn by priced catalogue annexed. We catalogued 793 bales, of which 292 bales were sold, several lots were withdrawn for want of instructions, and the remainder passed in. The catalogues of the London November - December sales to hand by the mail, above referred to, show a much greater decline in prices than the cablegrams previously received had led us to expect, more especially in the case of inferior descriptions of greasy and scoured wools.

Sheepskins, Hides, and Tallow.—We have not held a sale this week, but purpose offering a quantity on Friday first.

Grain.—We note a slightly improved demand for wheat, good samples of which are saleable at 4s 9d. Oats are in request, and any parcels offering are readily taken at 3s 1d to 4s for old oats, feed and milling qualities respectively.

ART UNION IN AID OF ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH AND SCHOOL, ROSS.

LIST OF WINNING NUMBERS AND PRIZES :—

Tkts.	Prz.	Tkts.	Prz.	Tkts.	Prz.	Tkts.	Prz.
524	93	124	86	3350	46	4881	36
2538	57	2982	15	2738	14	2005	74
3214	33	2963	96	5359	65	3416	13
2945	81	5197	25	2110	17	775	10
3819	71	1284	21	4850	63	3316	37
5994	92	3100	42	3446	93	820	41
5271	12	2721	97	5579	5	4480	62
848	48	5441	89	5209	16	2338	1
2889	51	543	64	5521	73	755	77
2301	45	3855	87	2723	70	4527	26
4859	68	4516	19	977	29	2066	31
4100	40	5227	18	690	6	4800	24
4951	60	549	38	185	85	4352	79
3572	82	4528	59	5321	75	2590	39
5935	44	2633	91	472	22	4784	27
2799	88	5311	3	285	99	2172	32
3502	78	3414	54	2062	52	5546	94
5432	20	2562	7	5106	43	1819	83
4827	80	2915	2	3578	9	3034	61
733	67	354	34	4828	49	955	4
5404	66	421	90	5568	72	4299	56
468	58	4976	47	883	55	3515	53
390	69	5117	11	956	84	4215	23
5934	8	2382	76	2732	50	4255	28
2655	30	3220	100	2391	35	174	95

We, the undersigned, have examined the above, and found it correct.

W. HENDERSON,
A. KAUFFMAN,
JOHN OWENS,
DAN. COGHLAN, } Scrutineers.

Ross, January 20, 1874.

1100 of the intermediate numbers unsold were not drawn.

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NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

J. MOYLAN,

TAILOR AND CLOTHIER,

Late of Frederick Street,

BEGS to inform his friends and the public that he has removed to more central premises, situate in George street (late occupied by Messrs Harrop and Neil, Jewellers), where by strict attention to business and first-class workmanship, he hopes to merit their patronage.

OUR Agents and Subscribers are requested to bear in mind that the New Zealand Tablet Co. is regularly called upon to meet the liabilities of the paper, and that consequently it is necessary the amounts due to the company should be settled promptly and regularly. They will therefore confer a favor on the Directors if they will be good enough to forward to the Hon. Secretary the sums now due, with as little delay as possible.

BISHOP MORAN'S APPROVAL.

THE manner in which the NEW ZEALAND TABLET has been hitherto conducted is deserving of approval. I have no doubt the future management will be in accordance with the past, and that this journal will continue to be an excellent Catholic newspaper. Under these circumstances, I can have no hesitation in saying it deserves the generous support of all Catholics in this Colony. I beg to recommend it to them most earnestly.

Given at Dunedin, 15th July, 1873.

† P. MORAN,
Bishop of Dunedin.