

NEW ZEALAND RAILWAYS.

DUNEDIN AND PORT CHALMERS SECTION.

On FRIDAY, the 23rd inst., the usual TIME-TABLE will be SUSPENDED, and Trains will be run as under:—

DOWN TRAINS.									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Leaves	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Dunedin	7.30	9.45	11.15	12.45	2.30	4.0	5.30	7.0	9.30
Pelichet Bay	7.35	9.50	11.20	12.50	2.35	4.5	5.35	7.5	9.35
Ravensbourne	7.40	9.55	11.25	12.55	2.40	4.10	5.40	7.10	9.40
Burke's Brewery	7.45	10.0	11.30	1.0	2.45	4.15	5.45	7.15	9.45
St. Leonards	7.50	10.5	11.35	1.5	2.50	4.20	5.5	7.20	9.50
Glendernid	8.0	10.15	11.45	1.15	3.0	4.30	6.0	7.30	10.0
Port Chalmers	8.5	10.20	11.50	1.20	3.5	4.35	6.5	7.35	10.5
UP TRAINS.									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Leaves	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	a.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.	p.m.
Port Chalmers	8.50	10.30	12.0	1.30	3.15	4.45	6.15	7.45	10.10
Glendernid	8.55	10.35	12.5	1.35	3.20	4.50	6.20	7.50	10.15
St. Leonards	9.0	10.45	12.15	1.45	3.30	5.0	6.30	8.0	10.25
Burke's Brewery	9.10	10.55	12.20	1.50	3.35	5.5	6.35	8.5	10.30
Ravensbourne	9.15	10.55	12.25	1.55	3.40	5.10	6.40	8.10	10.35
Pelichet Bay	9.20	11.0	12.30	2.0	3.45	5.15	6.45	8.15	10.40
Dunedin	9.25	11.5	12.35	2.5	3.50	5.20	6.50	8.20	10.45

Return Tickets at Single Fares.

WM. CONYERS,
General Manager,

Railway Department,
19th February, 1877.

DUNEDIN AND PORT CHALMERS GRAND ANNUAL REGATTA.

Under the patronage of the Hon. George McLean.

TO BE HELD AT PORT CHALMERS

ON THE 23RD FEBRUARY, 1877.

OFFICERS:

Commodore: Captain Thomson.

Judge: Captain Orkney.

Umpire: Rev. T. L. Stanley.

Starter: Captain Cummings.

SAILING COMMITTEE:

His Worship the Mayor of Port Chalmers, Captain Sinclair, Robert Hay, Esq.

PROGRAMME:

- Seine Fishing Boat Sailing Race, for boats not exceeding 20 feet overall. Distance, four miles. First prize, £10; 2nd, £5. Entrance, 10s.
- Second-class bona fide Whaleboat Race, for boats not exceeding 23 feet; four oars and steer-oar. Distance, six miles. First prize, £10; 2nd, £5. Entrance, 15s.
- Amateur Four-oar Inrig Gig Race. Distance, two miles. Prize, £5. Entrance, 20s.
- Champion Sailing Race; open to all, yachts included. Distance, eight miles. Prize, £15. Entrance, 15s.
- Ships' Four-oar Gig Race, for bona fide ships' crews. Distance, three miles. First prize, £5; 2nd, £2 10s. Entrance, 10s.
- Boys' Four-oared Inrig Gig Race, for boys under 17 years; ages to be proved to satisfaction of Committee. Distance, two miles. First prize, £4; 2nd, £2. Entrance, 10s.
- Second-class Sailing Race, open boats only. Distance, six miles. First prize, £8; 2nd, £4. Entrance, 10s.
- Champion Four-oared Inrig Gig Race. Distance, three miles. First prize, Challenge Cup, presented by New Zealand Shipping Company, and £15 added; 2nd, £5. Entrance, 20s.
- Bona fide Whaleboat Race, not more than six oars and steer-oar. Distance, eight miles. First prize, £15; 2nd, £7 10s. Entrance, 20s.
- Amateur Pair-oared Inrig Gig Race. Distance, two miles. Prize, £3. Entrance, 10s.
- Four-oared Inrig Gig Race, for crews not entered for champion or amateur fours. Distance, two miles. First prize, £5; 2nd, £2 10s. Entrance, 10s.
- Champion Pair-oar Inrig Gig Race. Distance, two miles. Prize, £5. Entrance, 10s.
- Inrig Sailing Race; open to all. Distance, two miles. Prize, £5. Entrance, 5s.
- Ships' Lifeboat Race, bona fide ships' crews. Distance, two miles. Prize, £4. No entrance.
- Duck Hunt. Prize, £4. No entrance.

In all sailing races the centre boards must be sealed either up or down; at the owner's option.

Time allowed for tonnage.

The entries for the above races will be received by the Secretary up till WEDNESDAY, 21st instant.

Intending competitors must send in the names of their crew and the colors.

W. G. FULLER,
Hon Sec. and Treasurer.

COMMERCIAL.

MR. HENRY DRIVER (on behalf of the New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co.) reports for the week ending February 21, as follows:—

Fat Cattle.—175 head were yarded to-day, a few only of which were of good quality, the balance being but medium. Although this is by no means a large supply, it was the worst market we have had this season, and one-third at least had to be withdrawn or sold to graziers—due, principally, to the poor quality of the stocks. Best pens of bullocks brought from £9 to £11 10s; do cows, £7 10s to £10—or equal to 26s or 27s per 100lb. We sold 60 at the yards and privately.

Fat Calves.—Twenty forwarded, and all found buyers at from 20s to 70s.

Fat Sheep.—2000 came forward, but the butchers having been so well supplied of late, sheep were very dull of sale, and only one-half of those penned changed hands, at a slight reduction on last quotations. We quote best cross-breeds at from 9s to 11s 6d, or 24d per lb. No merinos forward.

Fat Lambs.—400 penned, and all found buyers at a slight advance on last week's rates—say, for best pens, at from 7s to 9s; medium, 5s 6d to 6s.

Store Cattle.—We have no transactions to report since our last.

Store Sheep.—There is a good inquiry for merinos ewes and cross-breeds, and we have during the week sold 7000 at the following prices: Merino wethers, two, four, and six-tooth, 5s to 5s 6d; do, full-mouthed, 3s to 4s; merino ewes, two, four, and six-tooth, 6s to 7s; do, full-mouthed, 2s 6d to 3s 6d; cross-breeds, four-tooth and over, 7s to 8s; do, two-tooth, 6s to 7s.

Sheepskins.—Supply small, competition good. Full-wool merinos, 5s 1d; green shearlings, 1s 8d to 2s; pelts, 1s 1d to 1s 3d; lambs, 1s 8d to 1s 10d; station skins, 6d per lb.

Hides.—We sold about 100. No well conditioned shipping lots were offered. Wet-salted brought 3½d to 3¾d per lb. Demand good.

Tallow.—We sold several tons of country-rendered tallow. Very inferior sold at £26 10s; medium, 28s 6d to 29s 6d.

Wheat.—Scarcely any transactions have been made in new grain. Millers are buying in the country the best samples at 5s—equal to 5s 6d here—quality very soft. A very large proportion of the new crop that was cut before the storm, will be quite unfit for milling purposes.

Oats are in great request, but no supplies in town of old or new. At the outports 2s 6d is offered for shipping parcels in fair condition; good old, 2s 9d to 3s, superior milling.

Barley.—Market is quiet. Brewers hold large stocks, and are awaiting result of new crop before giving any advance on late rates. We quote good malting 4s to 4s 6d. The samples of this season's crop will not, with but few exceptions, compare favourably with last season's.

MR. SKENE reports for the week ending February 21, 1877:—Affairs in the labor market are rapidly improving, and work is plentiful, especially in the country. Town trades and business are slightly improved. Carpenters are pretty busy; buildings going up in every direction. Blacksmiths and the general iron trade seem to be worst off at present. Pick and shovel men are in good demand. Bush work is quiet. Hotel servants (male and female) are more asked for. Couples are slacker than usual. Shopmen and clerks are far too plentiful; no amount of writing and warning seems to keep them back. Wages—Couples, £65 to £80, and found; ploughmen, £52, £55, and £60; shepherds, £60; day labor, 7s, 8s, and 9s; hotel servants (females), 12s, 15s, 20s, and up to 30s; cooks, barmen, waiters, grooms, 25s to 50s; nurse girls and boys, 6s to 10s; carpenters, 10s to 13s; storemen and clerks, 30s, 50s, and 60s; harvest hands, 25s, 3s, and 40s per week.

MR. A. MERCE reports as follows for the week ending February 21, 1877, retail prices only:—Fresh butter, in ½ and 1lb prints, 1s 3d to 1s 4½; fresh butter in lumps, 11d to 1s; powdered and salt butter 1s; fresh butter is not so plentiful, and prices are expected to advance. Cheese, new prime, 1s; old cheese, good, 10½ to 1s. Side and rolled bacon, 10½; Colonial hams, 1s 2d; English hams, 1s 6d; eggs are now scarce, and retailing at 2s 3d per dozen.

MR. M. C. FLEMING reports (wholesale prices) for the week ending February 21, 1877, as follows:—Oats (feed), per bushel, 2s 2d; milling, 2s 3d. Wheat (chicks) 4s to 4s 6d. Barley, malted, 4s to 4s 6d; feed, 2s 6d to 3s. Pollard, mono. Bran, £5, bags included. Flour, large bags, £15; small, £15 10. Oatmeal, £11. Potatoes, new, 5s 6d to 6s per cwt. Hay (new), £3 10s; old hay, £4 per ton. Chaff, £4 10s per ton. Straw, £2 per ton.

MR. J. VEZEY reports for the week ending February 21, 1877:—Retail: Roast beef, 6d to 8d per lb.; boiling do., 4d to 5d per lb.; stewing do., 4½ to 6d per lb.; steak, 6d to 8d per lb.; mutton, 3d to 6d per lb.; veal, 4d to 5d per lb.; pork, 9d to 10d per lb.; lamb, 2s 6d to 3s 6d per quarter.

M A I T L A N D H O T E L

Corner of Walker and Maitland Streets,

D U N E D I N .

J. J. CONNOR, ... PROPRIETOR.

Having purchased a long lease of the above premises, Mr. Connor begs to announce that he has resolved to pull down the present building and erect, on this most eligible site, a commodious and elegant structure that will be worthy of the neighborhood and city. Plans are now in the hands of Mr. D. Ross, architect, and no time will be lost in prosecuting the work to its completion, particulars of which will appear in future issues of the TABLET.