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## Commercial

### PRODUCE.

**Invercargill Prices Current.—Wholesale—Butter** (farm), 6d; separator, 7d. **Butter** (factory), pats, 1s 0½d. **Eggs**, 10d per dozen. **Cheese**, 6d. **Hams**, 9d. **Barley**, 2s to 2s 6d. **Chaff**, £3 5s per ton. **Flour**, £10 to £11. **Oatmeal**, £10 to £11. **Bran**, £4, **Pollard**, £5 10s. **Retail — Farm butter** 8d; separator 9d. **Butter** (factory), pats, 1s 2d. **Cheese**, 8d. **Eggs**, 1s per dozen. **Bacon**, 9d. **Hams**, 10d. **Flour**: 200lb, 22s; 50lb, 6s; 25lb, 3s 3d. **Oatmeal**: 50lb, 7s; 25lb 3s 6d. **Pollard**, 9s 6d per bag. **Bran**, 5s. **Chaff**, 2s.

### Messrs. Stronach, Morris, and Co. report:—

**Oats.**—Business is limited pretty well to smaller lots of good to prime quality, and quotations are as follows: Prime milling, 2s 1½d to 2s 2d; good to best feed, 2s to 2s 1½d; medium to good, 1s 1½d to 2s per bushel.

**Wheat.**—The demand is chiefly for lines of prime quality and for fowl wheat. Quotations: Prime milling, 3s 6d to 3s 7d; medium to good, 3s 3d to 3s 5d; whole fowl wheat, 3s 1d to 3s 2d; broken and damaged, 2s 9d to 3s per bushel.

**Potatoes.**—There is a good demand for all lines of prime quality, which are readily disposed of.

**Chaff.**—The demand is restricted pretty well to lines of prime quality, for which there is a good demand. Quotations: Prime oaten sheaf, £4 2s 6d to £4 7s 6d (extra choice to £4 10s); medium to good, £3 10s to £4; inferior, £3 to £3 5s per ton.

### Messrs. Donald Reid and Co., (Limited), report as follows:—

We held our weekly auction sale of grain and produce at our stores on Monday. Our catalogue was not large, but included most of the lines at present in demand locally. For all of these there was good competition, and, with the exception of a few lots of inferior chaff, for which there is little demand, the whole catalogue was cleared at satisfactory prices. Values ruled as under:—

**Oats.**—Since the resumption of business after the holidays no export trade of any importance has been done. Sales are confined chiefly to smaller lots of good to prime quality for local consumption, and such lines were well competed for at our sale. Prime milling sold at 2s 1½d to 2s 2d; good to best feed, 2s to 2s 1½d; medium to good, 1s 1½d to 2s per bushel (sacks extra).

**Wheat.**—Local millers are not disposed to increase their holdings to any great extent, and in the meantime their purchases are chiefly confined to small lots of choice quality. Medium milling lots are, therefore, not so readily quitted, but fowl wheat, although offering for export on more favourable terms at northern ports, is scarce locally, and has good inquiry. We quote: Prime milling, 3s 6d to 3s 7d; medium to good, 3s 3d to 3s 5d; whole fowl wheat, 3s 1d to 3s 2d; broken and damaged, 2s 9d to 3s per bushel (sacks extra).

**Barley.**—Malsters' requirements at this season of the year are extremely small, and in consequence a meagre business is being done. Quotations for prime malting are nominally unchanged, milling and feed lines have some inquiry, and are saleable at 2s 6d to 2s 10d per bushel (sacks extra).

**Potatoes.**—All good lines coming forward are readily quitted at late values. We had none to offer at Monday's sale.

**Chaff.**—Consignments have not been coming forward freely, and prime oaten sheaf being still in good de-

mand, all such lines are readily quitted on arrival at satisfactory prices. For medium and inferior sorts there is absolutely no inquiry, and sales are almost impossible to effect. We quote: Prime oaten sheaf, £4 2s 6d to £4 7s 6d (a small lot of choice Central Otago chaff realised £4 10s); medium to good, £3 10s to £4; inferior, £3 to £3 5s per ton (bags extra).

**Straw.**—Oaten has fair inquiry, but there is practically none offering. Wheatens is in moderate demand at 35s to 37s 6d per ton (pressed).

### WOOL.

Sydney, January 8.—The wool sales, which have been resumed, are animated. There is a strong demand for good sorts, and though there is no quotable advance on the prices ruling at the close of last year there is a tendency in sellers' favor.

### Messrs. Stronach, Morris, and Co. report:—

**Rabbitskins.**—Owing to the wool season sales are held somewhat irregularly, and we held our rabbitskin sale on Friday last. Prices, however, are still satisfactory, as the following quotations will show: Spring bucks, 14d; spring does to 10½d; winter bucks to 16d; winter does to 19½d; and blacks to 26½d.

**Sheepskins.**—This sale was held yesterday, when competition was keen and prices were maintained. Butchers' pelts sold up to 2s 8d and lambskins to 2s 7d.

**Hides.**—We offered a fair sized catalogue at our sale to-day, bidding being spirited and prices quite up to those lately ruling. Our top price for ox hides was 7½d, and for cow hides 5½d. We can confidently recommend consignments being sent in at present.

### LIVE STOCK

#### DUNEDIN HORSE SALEYARDS.

### Messrs. Wright, Stephenson, and Co., report as follows:—

There was a rather mixed entry of horses for our sale last Saturday, very few of which were worthy of being specially mentioned. There were several buyers present on the lookout for heavy draughts for town work, but owing to this class being poorly represented, they had to go away unsupplied. There is a keen demand at present for useful, sound, young horses of this stamp. Light harness horses and hacks as a whole were also poorly represented with one or two exceptions. We were offered £23 for a small mare four years old, but the owner wanted a higher figure, so we had to pass her in. Considering the quality of most of the stock forward we had a very fair sale, and if the right kind of horses had been in the yard much more could have been done. Sound young horses of any class are selling very well in Dunedin at the present time, and we would specially recommend consignments of draughts and spring-carters. We quote: Superior young draught geldings at from £50 to £55; extra good do (prize horses), £50 to £65; superior young draught mares, £60 to £75; medium draught mares and geldings, £30 to £45; aged, £17 to £30; upstanding carriage horses, £25 to £35; well-matched carriage pairs, £80 to £100; strong spring-van horses, £25 to £35; milk-cart and butchers' order-cart horses, £20 to £28; light hacks, £10 to £18; extra good hacks, £20 to £30; weedy and aged hacks and harness horses, £5 to £8.

### Late Burnside Stock Report

#### Per favor Messrs. Donald Reid and Co.

**Fat Cattle.**—202 head yarded, the most of these being good to prime bullocks, with a few pens of prime heifers. The sale was a fair one for prime cattle, but medium sorts met with only limited demand. Best bullocks, £9 10s to £10 15s; medium to good, £7 10s to £8 5s; best cows and heifers, £6 to £8; others, £4 10s to £5 10s.

**Sheep.**—There was a small yarding of 1300, most of these being medium sorts. Best wethers, 19s to 22s 9d; medium to good, 16s to 17s 9d; best ewes, 15s 6d to 18s 9d; extra heavy, 21s 9d.

**Lambs.**—There was a fairly large yarding of 500, and prices ruled slightly higher than at last week's sale. Best lambs, 13s to 15s 9d; good, 10s to 13s.

**Pigs.**—177 penned. These were mostly suckers and slips, prices for these being on a par with last week's rates. Porkers and baconers were firmer. Suckers, 6s 6d to 10s; slips, 11s to 17s; stores, 18s 6d to 24s; porkers, 23s to 38s; light baconers, 40s to 46s; heavy do, 47s to 52s; choppers, up to 60s.