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## Commercial

### PRODUCE

Wellington, February 4.—The Department of Industries and Commerce has received the following cable from the High Commissioner, dated London, February 2:—Mutton.—Market weak; quantity going into consumption at present very small, but supply meets demand. Light Canterbury mutton, scarce, 4½d; average price of heavy-weight Canterbury, 4½d; North Island mutton, 4½d and 4½d for light and heavy-weights respectively. Lamb.—Market quiet, as buyers are not prepared to make forward purchases at present prices, and the market is very unsettled on account of contradictory reports which are current regarding the drought affecting New Zealand shipments. Nominal price of New Zealand lamb, 6d per lb. Australian is quoted at 4½d. Beef.—Market dull. Hindquarters, 3½d; fores, 2½d. Butter.—Market steady. There is a fair demand for the better grades. New Zealand butter is giving satisfaction to buyers, and choicest brands are quoted at 10½s per cwt; Australian, 99s; Danish, 114s. Cheese.—Market firm, with an upward tendency. There is good demand at 6½s for New Zealand manufacture. Hemp.—Market quiet, but firm. Good business has been done. Good, fair grade, on the spot, £40; January-March shipments, £39; fair current Manila, £13. There is better demand for cocksfoot seed. Bright dressed, 17½b to the bushel, 48s per cwt.

Invercargill Prices (Current:— Wholesale — Butter, (farm), 7d; separator, 9d. Butter (factory), pats, 1s 1½d. Eggs, 10d per dozen. Cheese, 7d. Hams, 9d. Barley, 2s to 2s 6d. Chaff, £4 per ton. Flour, £9 to £9 10s. Oatmeal, £11 10s to £12. Bran, £1-5s. Pollard, £5 to £5 10s. Potatoes, £8. Retail—Farm butter, 9d; separator, 11d. Butter (factory), pats, 1s 4d. Cheese, 9d. Eggs, 1s per dozen. Bacon, 10d. Hams, 10d. Flour—50lb, 20s; 50lb, 5s 3d; 25lb, 2s 9d. Oatmeal—50lb, 6s 6d; 25lb, 3s 6d. Pollard, 9s 6d per bag. Bran 5s. Chaff, 2s 6d. Potatoes 10s per cwt.

Messrs. Donald Reid and Co. (Ltd.) report:—

We held our weekly auction sale of grain and produce at our stores on Monday. The attendance of buyers was good, and as our catalogue included most of the lines in demand locally a clearance was effected at satisfactory prices. Values ruled as under:—

Oats.—Only moderate consignments have been coming forward, but as ruling values are beyond shippers' limits most of these are going into local consumption. New oats are now on the market at northern ports, but so far none have come forward here. Late quotations for all sorts are well maintained. Quotations: Prime milling and best feed, 2s 5d to 2s 6d; medium to good, 2s 3d to 2s 4½d; inferior, 2s 1d to 2s 2d per bushel (sacks extra).

Wheat.—The weather is giving farmers an exceptional chance of threshing from the stock, and this is likely to be extensively done. The quality so far is the best seen in local districts for many years, and the great bulk of the crop should be of undeniable milling quality. Sales of prime milling sorts are now being made in the north at 3s 0½d to 3s 1d on truck, which means about 3s 4d landed at Dunedin. At present fowl wheat, which is scarce, is fetching equal prices in this market for local use, while shippers are supplying themselves on better terms at other ports.

Potatoes.—The market has not been heavily supplied, and all freshly dug lots have met ready sale,

but stale lots or small sorts are not easily dealt with. Quotations: Best, £7. to £7 10s; others, £5 10s to £6 10s per ton (bags included).

Chaff.—Consignments are coming forward more freely, and continue to meet a good local demand. Prime quality still has most attention, medium and indifferent lots not being in request. Several lines of new chaff have come forward in excellent condition. Quotations: Prime oaten sheaf, £5 to £5 5s; choice, to £5 7s; medium to good, £4 10s to £4 17s 6d per ton (bags extra).

Pressed Straw.—The market is bare, and both oaten and wheaten is strongly inquired for at advanced prices.

### WOOL

Wellington, February 1.—The Department of Industries and Commerce has received the following cable from the High Commissioner, London, January 31st:—The wool market closed strong. There has been an excellent demand. Prospects are favorable and trade very good. Estimated values are as follows:—Fine crossbreds of all grades, 1s 2½d to 1s 4½d; medium crossbreds, all grades, 1s to 1s 2d; coarse crossbreds, all grades, 10½d to 1s 1d; superior merino, 1s 2d to 1s 4d; medium merino, 11½d to 12d; inferior merino, 8½d to 10½d.

At the fourth wool sales at Christchurch on Monday prices ranged thus:—Medium to good merino, 10d to 11½d; inferior, 8½d to 9½d; halfbred super, 12½d to 13½d; medium to good, 11d to 11½d; inferior, 9½d to 10½d; crossbred, medium to good, 10d to 11d; inferior, 9d to 9½d; longwool, medium to good, 9½d to 10d; inferior, 8½d to 9d; Down wool, medium to good, 10d to 10½d; inferior, 9d to 9½d; halfbred pieces, super, 10½d to 11½d; medium to good, 9d to 10d; inferior, 8d to 9d; crossbred pieces, super, 8d to 9½d; medium to good, 7d to 8d; inferior, 5½d to 6½d; merino pieces, medium to good, 8½d to 9½d; inferior, 6½d to 8d. The market is easier. The number of bales offered was 3231.

### LIVE STOCK

#### DUNEDIN HORSE SALEYARDS.

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

There was a very good entry of horses for last Saturday's sale, and the quality was decidedly better than we have had in the yards for several weeks past. We specially refer to the draught horses. There was a good attendance of the public, and both bidding and inquiry were brisker than they have been since the holidays; as a consequence, we are pleased to report a very satisfactory sale. The main attraction was a waggon team from Hillend. All the horses in this team were of good serviceable class, suitable for either town or country work, and every animal except one (a small mare) changed hands at up to £47 10s. Our principal transactions this week were: Chestnut gelding, six years, £47 10s; brown gelding, seven years, £43 10s; bay gelding, seven years, £42; bay gelding, five years, £42; bay gelding, five years, £41 10s; bay gelding, six years, £39 10s; spring-cart gelding, £29; spring-cart mare, £25; order-cart gelding, £22; buggy gelding, £33. We quote: Superior young draught geldings, at from £45 to £52; extra good do (prize takers), £55 to £60; superior young draught mares, £55 to £65; medium draught mares and geldings, £30 to £40; aged do, £13 to £25; well-matched carriage pairs, £75 to £100; strong spring-van horses £25 to £30; milk-cart and butchers' order-cart horses, £18 to £25; light hacks, £10 to £15; extra good hacks and harness horses, £20 to £25; weedy and aged do, £5 to £8.

The Hon. J. V. O'Loughlen, of Adelaide, who is president of the United Irish League, first editor of the 'Southern Cross,' and its present managing director, is shortly to be married. A presentation of plate is to be made to him by the League, and a gold pen and inkstand are to be presented to him by his fellow-directors, to mark the happy event.

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