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## Commercial

### PRODUCE

Messrs. Donald Reid and Co. report:—

We held our weekly auction sale of grain and produce at our stores on Monday. Our catalogue comprised a fair quantity of oats and fowl wheat, with a larger offering of potatoes and chaff than usual. The attendance of buyers was small, and the sale proved somewhat slow. Values ruled as under:

Oats.—The market is in a stagnant condition, and no sales of any importance are passing. Shippers' orders are only on a very small scale, and in most cases they hold sufficient stocks to supply same, so that new business has been of late impossible. We quote: Prime milling, 2s; good to best feed, 1s 10d to 1s 11d; inferior to medium, 1s 8d to 1s 9d per bushel (sacks extra).

Wheat.—Prime milling lines continue to have ready sale to millers. Values for all sorts are well maintained. We quote: Prime milling, 4s 4½d to 4s 5d; medium, 4s 4d; whole fowl wheat, 4s 3d to 4s 4d; medium, 4s to 4s 2d; broken and damaged, 3s 3d to 3s 10d per bushel (sacks extra).

Potatoes.—The demand has now slackened considerably, and in consequence prices show a decline of about 10s per ton. We quote: Best Up-to-Dates, £2 17s 6d to £3; a few choice, to £3 5s; medium to good, £2 5s to £2 15s. Derwents are not inquired for by exporters, and are saleable locally at about the same price as Up-to-Dates.

Chaff.—The market is well supplied, and only best quality has any attention. We quote: Best oaten sheaf, £3 15s to £3 17s 6d; choice, to £4; medium to good, £3 to £3 10s per ton (bags extra).

Straw.—The market has been more fully supplied with oaten, which sells at 45s, while wheaten has been in over-supply, and has receded to 35s per ton.

Messrs. Dalgety and Co., Ltd., report as follows:—

We held our usual weekly auction sale of grain and produce at our stores on Monday, when we submitted a full catalogue to a poor attendance of buyers, who were not eager competitors for our offerings; a number of the lots having to be passed in pending private sale. Values ruled as under:

Oats.—There is no change to report either in values or in demand. The inquiry still continues very slack. Quotations: Prime milling, to 2s; good to best feed, 1s 10d to 1s 11d; inferior to medium, 1s 8d to 1s 9½d per bushel (sacks extra).

Wheat.—Business in this market is restricted through lightness of offerings and firmness of holders, who still adhere to their lines despite the adverse reports lately to hand. Fowl wheat is scarce and in request. Quotations: Prime milling, 4s 4½d to 4s 5d; medium milling and fowl wheat, 4s 3d to 4s 4d; broken and damaged, 3s 6d to 4s per bushel (sacks extra).

Potatoes.—The demand is confined almost entirely to choice white tables, Derwents being out of favor. Scabby, roughly-grown, inferior, and small sorts are neglected. Quotations. Extra choice Up-to-Dates, £3 7s 6d; prime do, £3 2s 6d to £3 5s; medium do, £2 15s to £3; inferior, £2 5s upwards per ton (sacks in).

Chaff.—The market remains fairly steady for choice oaten sheaf, which has almost the sole attention of buyers, medium, inferior, heated, and weedy descriptions being neglected. Quotations: Prime oaten sheaf, £3 15s to £4; medium, £3 7s 6d to £3 10s; light, inferior, and heated, £2 10s and upwards per ton (bags extra).

Messrs. Stronach, Morris, and Co., Ltd., report as follows:—

Oats.—Quotations: Prime milling, 2s; good to best feed, 1s 10d to 1s 11d; inferior to medium, 1s 8d to 1s 9d per bushel (sacks extra).

Potatoes.—During the week there has been a drop of about 10s per ton owing to the large consignments coming forward. Best up-to-dates, £2 17s 6d to £3; extra, to £3 5s; medium to good, £2 5s to £2 15s. Derwents are not in demand.

Chaff.—Prices are about the same for prime quality, but inferior chaff is practically unsaleable at any price. Best oaten sheaf, £3 15s to £3 17s 6d; medium, £3 to £3 10s; inferior, £2 to £2 10s.

Pressed Straw.—Oaten, 45s per ton; wheaten, 35s per ton.

### WOOL

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

Rabbitskins.—We offered a medium catalogue on Monday to the usual attendance of buyers. Although the quality of the skins is going off prices were very good, and best winters brought from 19d to 22d; extra, to 23½d; good, 17d to 19d; medium, 16d to 17½d; early winters, 13d to 15½d; autumns, 12d to 14½d; summers, 7d to 9½d; winter blacks, to 23½d; autumns, 17d to 18½d; fawns, 14½d; horse hair, to 18d.

Sheepskins.—We put forward a large catalogue on Tuesday, when bidding was brisk for all good skins. Medium quality were not so eagerly competed for. Best halfbred brought from 6d to 6½d; medium to good, 5½d to 6d; inferior, 3d to 4d; best fine crossbred, 6d to 6½d; medium to good, 5d to 5½d; inferior, 3d to 3½d; best merino, 5½d to 6d; medium to good, 4d to 5d; inferior, 3d to 4d.

Hides.—We held our fortnightly sale on the 16th inst. Competition all round was keen, a distinct rise being shown in heavy and medium weight cow hides of ½d to ¾d per lb. Quotations: Prime stout heavy ox hides, 6½d to 7d; good heavy do, 5½d to 6d; medium weight, 4½d to 5½d; light weight do, 4½d to 4¾d inferior, 2½d to 3½d; best heavy cow hides, 4½d to 5½d; medium, 4½d to 5½d; light weight, 4½d to 4¾d; inferior, 2½d to 3½d; yearlings, 2½d to 4½d; calfskins, 1d to 5½d.

Tallow and Fat.—All coming forward is readily sold at late quotations.

### LIVE STOCK

#### DUNEDIN HORSE SALEYARDS.

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

There was a fairly large entry of horses forward for last Saturday's sale, but with half a dozen exceptions all were rather stale and aged sorts. The attendance of the public was good, and included amongst them were a number of buyers, but as most of the horses forward were on the old side business was limited. There is a strong demand for young, sound draught mares and geldings, and several sales have been made in the country during the week at highly satisfactory prices. The market is active for good young draughts both for town and country work, but for stale and aged horses it is decidedly dull, and values of the latter description are distinctly in favor of the buyer. Spring-vanners and spring-carters are also in request, and any coming forward meet good sales. A number of good reliable harness sorts would meet a good market at the present time. Quotations.

Superior young draught geldings, at from £45 to £50; extra good ditto (prize-winners), at from £50 to £55; superior young draught mares, at from £50 to £60; medium draught mares and geldings, at from £30 to £40; aged ditto, at from £15 to £20; well-matched carriage pairs, at from £70 to £100; strong spring-van horses, at from £25 to £30; milk-cart and butchers' order-cart horses, at from £18 to £35; light hacks, at from £8 to £13; extra good hacks and harness horses, at from £13 to £25; weedy and good ditto, at from £5 to £7.

We have received from Messrs. Whitaker Bros., Wellington and Greymouth, a copy of an improved and enlarged edition of St. Cecilia's Children's Hymn Book, which has the imprimatur of His Grace the Archbishop of Wellington. The hymn book, which consists of 93 pages, is clearly and neatly printed, and turned out in a manner which reflects much credit on the New Zealand Tablet Printing Company. Among the contents will be found all the best known Catholic hymns, especially those used at Benediction and in honor of the Divine Persons, in addition to the prayers at Mass, etc. As an aid to devotion the hymn book will be found most useful not alone to children; but even to adults.