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Commercial.

(For week ending November 21.)

PRODUCE.

Napier, November 15.—Messrs. Nelson Bros. received the following cable from the C.C. and D. Company to-day:—'Frozen meat market: To-day quotations are as follows—Best Canterbury mutton, 4½d; best Napier and North Island, 3½d; lamb, first quality, 5½d; second, 4½d.'

London, November 15.—Butter is flat. Choicest colonial, 106s; a few boxes, 107s; Danish, 122s. The weather is warm, and plentiful supplies of English and Irish are forward.

The wheat markets are weak, after a period of steadiness. Large accumulations in London are checking business. Victorian January-February shipments are quoted at 30s 9d.

London, November 15.—Frozen Meat.—Mutton: Crossbred wethers and maiden ewes—Canterbury, 4½d; Dunedin and Southland, 4d; North Island, 3½d. Lamb: Prime Canterbury, 5½d; fair average quality (including Dunedin, Southland, Wellington, and secondary Canterbury) 5d. New Zealand beef (180lb to 220lb, fair average quality): Ox forees, 3½d; ox hind, 3½d. River Plate crossbred or merino wethers: Heavy, 3½d; light, 3d.

THE WHEAT CROP IN NEW SOUTH WALES.

The New South Wales Government Statistician's preliminary estimate of the colony's wheat yield is to the effect that the 1,563,000 acres under crop will yield 18,000,000 bushels. The outlook is at present promising. The *Telegraph* says that on the basis of the estimate, with the wheat held over, the colony will commence the new campaign with fully 20,000,000 bushels.

SOUTHLAND PRODUCE MARKET.

Business in the oat market is dull, but the Imperial Government's order for 5000 tons may give a fillip to values. The Australian colonies are not buying freely, and new Victorians will be on the market next month. Prices to farmers for best B grade range from 1s 2½d to 1s 3½d (sacks extra, on trucks, up country).

Invercargill prices current:—Wholesale: Butter, fresh 6d, factory, bulk, 10d; pats, 10½d; eggs, 6d per doz; cheese, farm, 3½d; bacon, farm, 7d; do (rolled) farm, 6d; hams, 8d; potatoes, L2 10s per ton; barley, 2s to 2s 6d; fowl wheat, 2s; chaff, L2 10s; flour, L6 10s to L7 5s; oatmeal, L9 10s to L10; pollard, L4; bran, L3 10s, including bags. Retail—Fresh butter, 8d, factory, bulk, 1s; pats, 1s 0½d; eggs, 8d per doz; cheese, 6d; bacon, rolled, 8d, sliced 9d; hams, 10d; potatoes, 3s 6d per cwt; flour, 200lbs, 14s; 50lb, 4s; oatmeal, 50lb, 6s; 25lb, 3s; pollard, 6s 6d per bag; bran, 4s per bag; chaff, L3 per ton; fowls' feed, 2s 9d per bushel.

Messrs. Donald Reid and Co., Ltd., report as follows:—

OATS.—During the past week, in consequence of the prospect of an order for the Imperial Government, the market has firmed to the extent of about 1d to 1½d per bushel. We quote: Prime milling, 1s 6½d to 1s 7d; good to best feed, 1s 5½d to 1s 6½d; medium, 1s 4d to 1s 5d per bushel (sacks extra).

WHEAT.—The demand for milling wheat is quiet at late quotations, prime quality being still in most favor with buyers. Fowl wheat is not over plentiful, and commands ready sale. We quote: Prime milling, 2s 6d to 2s 7d; medium, 2s 2d to 2s 5d; whole fowl wheat, 2s to 2s 1d; broken, etc., 1s 8d to 1s 11d per bushel (sacks in).

POTATOES.—The heavy supplies recently to hand have now been quitied, and to-day there was fair inquiry for good Derwents. We quote: Prime Derwents, 40s to 50s; others, 30s to 35s per ton (sacks in).

Chaff.—Prime quality is in fair demand, with small supplies. Medium and inferior lots are out of favor, and difficult to place. We quote: Best oaten sheaf, L2 7s 6d to L2 10s; medium L1 15s to L2 5s per ton (bags extra).

MR. F. MEENAN, King street, reports:—Wholesale prices only—Oats: Fair to good feed 1s 4d to 1s 6d; milling, 1s 6d to 1s 7d. Wheat: milling, 2s 5d to 2s 6½; fowls', 1s 9d to 2s 1d. Potatoes: Northern, L2 0s; Southern, L1 10s. Chaff: Inferior, 30s to 40s; good to prime, 47s 6d to 50s. Straw: pressed 27s; loose, 28s. Flour: Sacks, L6 10s; 50lbs, L7; 25lbs, L7, quiet. Oatmeal: 25lbs, L9 10s. Butter: Dairy, 6d to 8d; factory, 9½d to 10½d. Cheese: Dairy, 5d; factory, 5½d. Eggs, 7½d. Onions: Melbourne, 14s.

Messrs. Stronach Bros. and Morris report as follows:—

WHEAT—Market quiet. Prime milling velvet and Tuscan, 2s 6d to 2s 7d; medium, 2s 2d to 2s 5d; fowl wheat, 1s 11d to 2s 1d per bushel (sacks in).

OATS—Market has advanced fully 1d per bushel during the week, and prices are now firm. Milling, 1s 6½d to 1s 7d; good to best feed, 1s 5½d to 1s 6½d; medium, 1s 4d to 1s 5d per bushel (sacks extra).

CHAFF—In good demand. Prime oaten sheaf, L2 10s to L2 15s; medium, L2 to L2 7s 6d per ton (bags extra).

POTATOES—Market firmer. Best Derwents, L2 to L2 5s per ton (bags in).

WOOL, SKINS, TALLOW, ETC.

Sydney, November 14.—At the wool sales all the colonies were represented. There was spirited competition, and a hardening tendency among the better classes.

London, November 14.—At the tallow auctions 1620 casks were offered, and 1300 sold. Mutton Fine, 28s 6d; medium, 26s 9d. Beef Fine, 28s; medium, 26s 6d.

The Antwerp wool sales have opened. Buyers were numerous. The catalogues embraced a good choice of clips. Half the offerings were sold at prices 20 per cent. below those at the June sales.

Melbourne, November 15.—At the wool sales competition was very animated, and prices were good, merinos and fine crossbreds were five per cent. better than last week. A large and superior catalogue offered was all cleared. Americans were eager buyers.

Sydney, November 15.—The wool sales closed brisk. Good classes were firm at late rates. Inferiors were neglected.

London, November 15.—The Bradford wool market is quiet. Common sixties, 17½d; supra, 18½d.

Christchurch, November 16.—The catalogue for the wool sales, which open on Thursday, is not likely to be very large, growers being inclined to hold back for an improvement in the English market.

WOOL FREIGHTS.

The New Zealand Shipping, Shaw, Savill, and Albion, and the Tyser Companies have decided on a fixed rate for the carriage of wool during the coming season. The rate fixed upon is ½d per lb for greasy and 1d for scoured, by either sail or steam. This is ½d higher than last year. There will be a charge of five per cent. primeage for steamer consignments.

Messrs. Stronach Bros. and Morris report as follows:—

RABBITSKINS—Market firm. Winter greys, 15½d to 17d; medium, 13d to 15d; springs, 6d to 9½d; blacks, to 23d per lb.

SHEEPSKINS—Market unchanged.

TALLOW—Market firm. Best rendered mutton, 16s to 17s 6d; medium, 14s to 15s 6d; rough fat, 11s 6d to 13s per cwt.

HIDES—In good demand. Prime heavy ox, 1d to 4½d; medium, 3½d to 3½d; cow hides, 3½d to 3½d per lb.