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The "STANDARD" Brand Boots and Shoes are known from Auckland to the Bluff for sterling quality.

Commercial.

(For week ending November 28.)

PRODUCE.

London, November 25.—The Corryvreckan's cargo of New Zealand wheat sold at 28s 6d.

Frozen mutton: Crossbred wethers and maiden ewes—Canterbury, 4½d; Dunedin and Southland, 4½d; North Island, 3 15-16d. Lamb: Prime Canterbury, 5½d; fair average quality (including Dunedin, Southland, Wellington, and secondary Canterbury), 5½d. River Plate crossbred or merino wethers: Heavy, 3 11-16d; light, 3 9-16d. New Zealand beef (180lb to 220lb, fair average quality): Ox fores, 3½d to 3¾d; ox hinds, 3½d.

London, November 26.—The wheat market is quiet and steady. Cargoes are hardening at 30s.

Butter.—The market is hardening. Choicest is in good demand at 108s, with a few samples at 110s. Secondary qualities are neglected. Danish, 12½s.

Rabbits.—The market is very dull at 3½.

SOUTHLAND PRODUCE MARKET.

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.—There is steady demand for good to prime feed at late quotations. Prime milling sorts are also in request, but at little more than feed prices. We quote: Prime milling, 1s 6½d; good to best feed, 1s 5d to 1s 6d; inferior, 1s 3d to 1s 4d per bushel (sacks extra).

WHEAT.—The local demand is confined almost entirely to prime milling quality, medium being out of favor. Fowl wheat is in request at late values. We quote: Prime milling, 2s 6d to 2s 7d; medium, 2s 2d to 2s 4d; whole fowl wheat, 2s to 2s 1d; broken and damaged, 1s 9d to 1s 11d per bushel (sacks in).

POTATOES.—The market has been freely but not over supplied, and prices are steady at late quotations. We quote: Best Derwents, L2 to L2 5s; others, L1 10s to L1 15s per ton (sacks in).

CHAFF.—Fair supplies of all sorts have been coming forward. Prime oaten sheaf is readily placed on arrival, but medium and inferior quality is not in request and difficult to quit. We quote: Best oaten sheaf, L2 10s to L2 12s 6d; extra heavy, to L2 15s; medium to good, L1 15s to L2 7s 6d 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 6½d; 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 8½; factory, 9½d to 10½d. Cheese: Dairy, 5d; factory, 5½d. Eggs, 7½d. Onions: Melbourne, 14s.

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

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

OATS.—There has been a fair demand during the week and prices remain firm. Milling, 1s 6½d; good to best feed, 1s 5d to 1s 6d; medium, 1s 3½d to 1s 4½d per bushel (sacks extra).

CHAFF.—Prime oaten sheaf is in fair demand, but medium sorts are dull of sale. Prime oaten sheaf, L2 10s to L2 15s; medium, L2 to L2 7s 6d per ton (bags extra).

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

WOOL, SKINS, TALLOW, ETC.

Christchurch, November 22.—The first of the present series of local wool sales was held to-day. Most of the wool-buyers and several outsiders were present. The wool was in about as good a condition as at the opening sale last season, but, in sympathy with the London market, prices showed a decline of 30 and 40 per cent. The greatest decline was in best halfbreds and merinos.

Out of a catalogue of 2605 bales only 1657 were sold. The prices ruling were:—Striped merino, 7½d to 8d per lb; greasy merino—medium to good, 6½d to 7½d; inferior, 4½d to 6½d; half-bred—superior, 6½d to 7½d; do medium, 5½d to 6½d; do inferior, 4½d to 5½d; crossbred—superior, 6½d to 6¾d; do medium, 5d to 5½d; do inferior, 4½d to 4¾d; long wool—superior, 5½d to 6½d; do inferior, 4½d to 5d; good pieces and bellies, 4½d to 6½d; do inferior, 3d to 4½d; locks, 2½d to 3½d.

London, November 23.—The Bradford wool market is restricted. Common sixties, 17½d; supers, 18½d. At the Antwerp sales 776 bales of Australian were sold at the rates ruling at the close of the last London auction sales.

Sydney, November, 26.—At the wool sales competition was animated. Good wools are unchanged. Inferior were a little easier compared with last week.

Melbourne, November 26.—At the wool sales there was a brisk demand. American and Continental buyers are operating freely. Good merinos and crossbreds, especially where suitable for America, were fully a halfpenny, and medium and inferior merinos one farthing, above last week. Inferior crossbreds are easier.

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

RABBITSKINS.—Market firm. Winter greys, 16d to 17d; medium, 13d to 15½d; springs, 8d to 11½d; blacks, to 22d per lb.

SHEEPSKINS.—Market unchanged.

HIDES.—Market firm. Prime heavy ox, 41 to 4½d; medium, 3½d to 3¾d; cow hides, 3½d to 3¾d per lb.

TALLOW.—In fair demand. Best rendered mutton, 16s to 17s 6d per cwt; medium, 13s 6d to 15s 6d; rough fat, 11s to 13s per cwt.

LIVE STOCK.

ADDINGTON STOCK MARKET.

The entries at Addington comprised 4056 fat sheep, 600 fat lambs, 1000 store sheep, 400 cattle, and 570 pigs.

FAT CATTLE.—195 head yarded, mostly good to prime sorts. There was a very fair sale, but beef was about 6d per 100lb easier owing to the heavy supply. A show steer brought L14 15; prime sorts, L10 to L12 5s; others, L6 17s 6d to L8 10s; best heifers, L8 to L9 12s; others, L6 7s 6d to L7 10s; best cows, L8 10s to L10; others, L4 15s to L7.

STORE CATTLE.—Stores were a rough lot, but met with a good demand at from L5 7s 6d for three-year-old steers, L4 for mixed two-year-olds, L2 16s for 12 to 15 months cattle, and L2 10s to L5 for dry cows.

FAT SHEEP.—These were mostly shorn, and of good quality, but woolies were mostly unfinished. Freezers about held their own.