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Farmers, Miners, and all who want to keep their feet dry, try this Brand.

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

Commercial.

(For week ending December 5.)

PRODUCE.

Napier, November 29.—Messrs. Nelson Bros. have received the following cablegram from the C.C. and D. Company, London, to-day:—"The frozen meat market: To-day's quotations are—Best Canterbury, 4½d; best Napier and North Island, 4d."

London, November 29.—Butter is firm. Choice colonial, 110s; a few special lots, 112s; Danish, 125s.

London, December 2.—Frozen mutton: Crossbred wethers and maiden ewes—Canterbury, 4½d; Dunedin and Southland, none offering; North Island, 4½d. Lamb: Prime Canterbury, 6d; fair average quality (including Dunedin, Southland, Wellington, and second-hand Canterbury), 5½d. New Zealand beef (180lb to 220lb, fair average quality): ox forea, 4½d; ox hinds, 3½d. River Plate mutton: Crossbred or merino wethers—Heavy, 3 13-16d; light, 3½d.

SOUTHLAND PRODUCE MARKET.

Invercargill prices current:—Wholesale: Butter, fresh, 6d, factory, bulk, 10d; pats, 10½d; eggs, 7d per doz; cheese, farm, 3½d; bacon, farm, 7d; do (rolled) farm, 6d; hams, 8d; potatoes, L4 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, 9d per doz; cheese, 6d; bacon, rolled, 8d, sliced 9d; hams, 10d; potatoes, 5s 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 there has been strong inquiry for all good to prime feed lines of short oats, and most of those on offer have been readily quitted at late quotations. We quote: Prime milling, 1s 6½d to 1s 7d; good to best feed, 1s 5½d to 1s 6d; medium, 1s 4d to 1s 5d per bushel (sacks extra).

WHEAT—The sale of milling quality is confined chiefly to prime samples, medium being difficult to quit. Fowl wheat is in good demand at late values. We quote: Prime milling, 2s 6d to 2s 7d; medium to good, 2s 3d to 2s 5d; whole fowl wheat, 2s to 2s 1d; broken and damaged, 1s 8d to 1s 11d per bushel (sacks in).

POTATOES—The market has been moderately supplied, and prices are a shade firmer. We sold good to best Derwents at L3 to L3 5s per ton (sacks in).

CHAFF—Prime oaten sheaf continues to meet with good demand, other sorts being out of favor. We quote: Best oaten sheaf, L2 10s to L2 12s 6d; extra heavy, to L2 16s; medium to good, L2 to L2 7s 6d; inferior, L1 10s to L1 15s 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 6d; fowls', 1s 9d to 2s 1d. Potatoes: Northern, L3 5s; Southern, L3. 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, 6½d. Eggs, 7½d. Onions: Melbourne, 14s.

WOOL, SKINS, TALLOW, ETC.

London, November 28.—At the tallow sales 1825 casks were offered and 400 sold. Prices for all kinds are unchanged.

Melbourne, November 29.—At the wool sales competition is less animated and sales are dragging. Prices are inclined to ease a little.

London, November 29.—The Bradford wool market has a tendency upward. Common sixties, 17½d; super, 18½d.

Sydney, November 30.—The week's wool sales closed with a brisk demand for good sorts, prices being well maintained. Of faulty there was an over supply, and sales were dragging.

Melbourne, November 30.—At the wool sales there was a decline of ½d to ¾d per lb all around.

Timaru, November 30.—The first wool sale of the season was held to-day. About 1700 bales were offered, but many were passed in. There was a good attendance of buyers. The top prices were: Halfbred, 7½d; merino, 7d; crossbred and three-quarterbred, 6½d.

LIVE STOCK.

DUNEDIN HORSE SALEYARDS.

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

There was a rather small entry of horses at our sale last Saturday. The attendance of farmers was fairly large, and prices realised were highly satisfactory. Draughts: There were a few useful animals in this class; the top price reached was L55. Light harness horses and hacks: There was a fair entry of these, and prices ranged from L11 to L34, the latter price being paid for a four-year-old 14 stone hack, which has been shown six times, and has taken six first prizes. Spring-carters: Only a small entry and few sales; prices from L19 to L31 10s. We quote: Superior young draught geldings, L47 to L50; extra good prize horses, L55 to L65; medium draught mares and geldings, L36 to L42; aged do, L22 to L32; upstanding carriage horses, L25 to L35; well-matched carriage pairs, L60 to L80; strong spring-van horses, L25 to L32; milk-cart and butchers' order-cart horses, L16 to L28; tram horses, L14 to L20; light hacks, L10 to L12; extra good hacks, L18 to L28; weedy and aged hacks and harness horses, L2 to L5.

ADDINGTON STOCK MARKET.

The entries at Addington comprised 1500 fat sheep, 350 fat lambs, 4500 store sheep, 323 cattle, and 339 pigs.

FAT CATTLE—The 177 head yarded, with the exception of a show bullock and two steers from Palmerston North, were mostly cows and heifers. The market was irregular, with a slight decline. Prime beef brought 21s to 23s 6d; other, 18s to 20s per 100lb. Show bullocks sold at from L12 5s to L13 10s; show steers, L10 to L11 5s; local steers, L7 15s to L9 5s; heifers, L5s 10s to L8 17s 6d; cows, L4 15s to L8 15s.

FAT SHEEP—There was a small supply of fat sheep, which were mostly shorn. There were not many of good quality. The market was in the hands of the local butchers, and was irregular, with a slight decline, except for prime lots. Woolly wethers brought 18s 8d to 22s 9d; shorn do, 16s to 20s 6d; woolly ewes, 16s to 21s; shorn do, 22s to 18s 1d.

FAT LAMBS—This class included some of good quality, and there was good competition. Sales were effected at from 13s to 16s 1d.

STORE SHEEP—These sold well. Woolly wethers realised 17s 1d to 17s 5d; shorn, 14s 9d to 14s 11d; woolly hoggets, 14s to 16s 9d; woolly ewes, with lambs (all counted), 7s 5d to 9s 3d for aged, and 11s 4d to 12s 7d for good; shorn do, 10s 7d to 10s 8d.

PIGS—There was a moderate yarding of pigs and a good sale resulted, with an improvement for baconers, which brought 31s to 45s, averaging 3½d per lb. Porkers realised 21s to 30s, equal to 3½d to 4d per lb; stores, 13s to 17s 6d; suckers and weaners, 5s to 11s.

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