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Commercial.

(For week ending March 27.)

PRODUCE.

Napier, March 21.—Messrs. Nelson Bros. have received the following cable from the C.C. and D. Company, London:—'Fall in price Canterbury mutton. To-day's quotations: Best Canterbury, 4½d. Napier and North Island, 4d. Lamb: First quality 6d, second ditto 5½d.'

London, March 22.—The wheat market is quiet, but firm. The English has improved slightly. Cargoes are steadily held. Victorian February shipment, 29s 6d; April do, 29s 9d; New South Wales (loading), 29s.

Butter is slow and weak. Colonial, 100s to 102s. Danish is firm, but unchanged.

Cheese is dull. New Zealand, 49s.

London, March 24.—Wheat: 16,000 quarters of New South Wales March and April shipment sold at 28s 7½d.

Frozen mutton: Crossbred wethers, maiden ewes—Canterbury, unchanged; Dunedin and Southland, 4½d; North Island, 3 5-6d. Lamb, unchanged; River Plate, unchanged. New Zealand beef (180lb to 220lb, fair average quality): Ox fores, 3 1-16d; hinds, unchanged.

Wellington, March 25.—The Department of Agriculture has received the following from the Agent-General, dated London, 23rd:—'Butter, 100s; market dull. Heavy supplies of butter are in hand. Cheese, 48s; market lifeless.'

SOUTHLAND PRODUCE MARKET.

Invercargill prices current:—Wholesale: Butter, fresh, 7d, factory, bulk, 10d; pats, 10½d; eggs, 1s 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, 9d, factory, bulk, 11½d; pats, 1s; eggs, 1s 3d 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., report as follows:—

OATS—We catalogued good to medium feed, which was moderately competed for. Prime milling, 1s 5½d to 1s 6½d; good to best feed, 1s 4d to 1s 5d; inferior and medium, 1s 2d to 1s 3½d.

WHEAT—We offered several lots of good to best whole fowl wheat, which sold under good competition at 2s to 2s 2d; prime milling, 2s 6d to 2s 7½d; medium to good, 2s 3d to 2s 5d.

POTATOES—The market continues to be fully supplied, and late values are barely maintained. Best Derwents, L2 17s 6d to L3 2s 6d; others, L2 10s to L2 15s; kidneys, L2 5s to L2 15s.

CHAFF—Prime oaten sheaf is in fair demand at late prices. Medium and inferior quality is plentiful and difficult to place. We sold: Best oaten sheaf, L2 7s 6d to L2 10s; extra heavy, to L2 13s; medium to good, L1 15s to L2 5s.

MR. F. MEERNAN, King street, reports:—Wholesale prices only—Oats: Feed, fair to good, 1s 4d to 1s 6d; milling, 1s 6d to 1s 7d. Wheat: milling, 2s 5d to 2s 7½d; fowls', 1s 9d to 2s 2d. Potatoes: New, local, L3. Chaff: Good demand for prime up to L2 12s 6d; inferior, hard to sell; medium, L2 5s. Straw: pressed 30s, market fair; loose, 30s. Flour: Sacks, 200lbs, L7; 50lbs, L7; 25lbs, L7 5s. Oatmeal: 25lbs, L9 10s. Butter: Dairy, 6d to 8d; factory, 9½d to 10½d. Cheese: Dairy, 5d; factory, 5½d. Eggs, 1s 4d. Onions: Melbourne, L8; Canterbury, L5 10s.

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

WHEAT—There is a fair demand for prime milling and fowl wheat, but medium quality is dull of sale. Prime milling velvet and Tuscan, 2s 6d to 2s 7½d; medium, 2s 3d to 2s 5d; fowl wheat, 2s to 2s 2d; do (broken), 1s 9d to 1s 11d per bushel (sacks in).

OATS—Market unchanged. Milling, 1s 5½d to 1s 6½d; good to best feed, 1s 4d to 1s 5d; medium, 1s 2d to 1s 3½d per bushel (sacks extra).

CHAFF—Market fully supplied. Prime oaten sheaf, L2 7s 6d to L2 12s 6d; medium, L2 to L2 5s; inferior, L1 10s to L1 17s 6d per ton (bags extra).

POTATOES—Market unchanged. Best Derwents, L2 10s to L3 5s; kidneys, L2 to L2 10s per ton (bags in).

WOOL, SKINS, TALLOW, ETC.

London, March 20.—To-day's wool sale was spirited at full rates. Merinos were firm at 5 per cent. above the opening rates. Crossbreds were unchanged.

At the tallow sales 1120 casks were offered, and 375 sold. Mutton: Fine, 28s 3d; medium, 26s. Beef: Fine, 26s 9d; medium, 25s 3d.

London, March 22.—Wool: There is good competition at full prices. The Bradford market is quiet. Common sixties, 18½d; supers, 19d.

London, March 24.—At yesterday's sales the tone was firm, and there was good competition at late rates. The sale included the following clips:—Riddiford and Sons, crossbred, 6½d; W. Douglas, crossbred, 6½d. To date, 123,352 bales have been offered, and 116,417 sold during the present series.

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

RABBITSKINS—Very few offering. Winter greys, 16d to 17½d; springs, 8d to 11½d; summers, 6d to 8½d; suckers and runners, 3d to 5½d per lb.

SHEEPSKINS—Market firm at late quotations.

HIDES—In good demand. Prime heavy ox, 4d to 4½d; medium, 3½d to 3½d; light, 3d to 3½d; cow hides, 3d to 3½d per lb.

TALLOW—Market unchanged. Best rendered mutton, 16s 6d to 18s 6d; medium, 14s to 15s 6d; rough fat, 11s to 12s 6d per cwt.

LIVE STOCK.

ADDINGTON STOCK MARKET.

The entries were fair, but the attendance small, at the Addington market last week.

FAT CATTLE—168 head yarded, the number being in excess of requirements. Ordinary steers brought from L5 16s to L9 7s 6d; heifers, L5 10s to L7; cows, L4 5s to L7 5s. Prices per 100lb ranged from 17s to 22s 6d.

STORE CATTLE—There was a large entry, of which a number passed unsold. Dry cows realised from L2 1s to L4; 12 months to two years old, L3 2s 6d to L3 17s 6d.

FAT SHEEP—The entry was small, and prices were about the same as last week. Heavyweight wethers brought from 19s 6d to 20s 9d; lighter, 16s to 17s 9d. The demand for export sheep was slack in the absence of freezing buyers, and none were sold above butchers' prices. A small line of merino wethers fetched 13s 6d.

FAT LAMBS—There was a moderate entry, and an irregular sale. For good sorts there was a slight advance on last week's rates. Good freezers realised 16s 3d, and butchers' sorts 10s 6d to 14s.

STORE SHEEP—12,600 penned. The heavy entry had its effect on the market, and some good lines were withdrawn. Lambs sold at from 9s 7d to 12s 2d; wethers, 14s 8d to 16s 10d; halfbred and crossbred ewes, 8s 3d to 16s 5d.

PIGS—381 were entered, and prices were somewhat easier. Baconers fetched from 35s to 42s; porkers, 28s to 39s 6d; stores, 11s 6d to 15s 6d; weaners, 5s 3d to 8s 6d.

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