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Commercial

PRODUCE

Wellington, August 14.—The High Commissioner cabled as follows from London on August 12 (the quotations, unless otherwise specified, are the average market prices on spot):—

General.—This week everything is at a standstill on account of the strike in the transport carrying trades. No ships have unloaded, it being practically impossible to deliver from the steamers. The conditions improved yesterday, and the strike terminated. Work will be resumed on Monday. Prices are irregular.

Mutton.—North Island, 3½d.

Lamb.—Canterbury, 6d; other than Canterbury, 5½d.

Beef.—Stock of New Zealand hinds and fores accumulating rapidly.

Butter.—Market firmer; no change in weather; rain badly needed. Danish, 126s; Australian, 112s; Siberian, 110s.

Cheese.—Market remains firm. New Zealand stock exhausted.

Hemp.—Market lifeless. Good fair, on spot, £20; fair grade, £19 5s; fair current Manila, £20. Forward shipment: New Zealand good fair, £20 10s; fair grade, £19 10s; fair current Manila, £20 10s. The output from Manila for the week was 30,000 bales.

Wool.—Market quiet but firm.

Messrs Dalgety and Co. report:—

Oats.—The market still continues firm, with very few oats offering from the country, consequently prices are ½d a bushel better than last week. Prime milling, 2s 6½d; best feed, 2s 5½d to 2s 6d; medium to good, 2s 3½d to 2s 5d; inferior, 2s to 2s 2d per bushel (bags extra).

Wheat.—There is a very strong demand, all classes being inquired for. Millers are keen buyers, and the market since last week has firmed from ½d to 1d a bushel. Prime velvet, 3s 8d to 3s 9d; best Tuscan and velvet ear, 3s 7d to 3s 7½d; medium, 3s 6d to 3s 6½d; best whole fowl feed, 3s 4d to 3s 5d; inferior to medium, 3s to 3s 3d per bushel (bags extra).

Potatoes.—Owing to the lack of shipping inquiry there is very little demand. There is, however, a fair local demand, and any good sorts are easily disposed of. On the other hand, inferior to medium quality are hard to dispose of. Choice potatoes, £3 5s; good, £3 to £3 2s 6d; medium, £2 10s to £2 15s; inferior, £2 to £2 5s per ton (bags in).

Chaff.—There is no change to report. Consignments still arrive steadily from the country. Only the very best is in request, medium quality being unasked for. Best black oat chaff, £4 7s 6d; best white oat chaff, £4 2s 6d to £4 5s; medium to good, £3 5s to £3 15s; straw chaff, £2 to £2 10s per ton (bags extra).

Messrs Donald Reid and Co. report:—

Oats.—Prime milling Gartons, 2s 6½d to 2s 7d; good to best feed, 2s 5½d to 2s 6d; medium and inferior, 2s 4½d to 2s 5d per bushel (sacks extra).

Wheat.—The improvement reported last week has been more than maintained, values having made a further advance within the past few days. Prime milling velvet, 3s 8d to 3s 9d; Tuscan, etc., 3s 6½d to 3s 7½d; medium, 3s 5½d to 3s 6d; best whole fowl wheat, 3s 4d to 3s 5d; medium, 3s 1d to 3s 3d; broken and damaged, 2s 8d to 3s per bushel (sacks extra).

Potatoes.—Supplies are on a moderate scale. The demand is confined to prime table lots, which have ready sale at £3 to £3 2s 6d; choice lots, up to £3 5s; medium to good, £2 10s to £2 17s 6d per ton (bags included).

Chaff.—There is fair local demand for prime quality, and a few inquiries from shippers have helped to maintain the tone of the market. Values, however, are unchanged. Best oaten sheaf, £4 2s 6d to £4 5s; choice, to £4 7s 6d; medium to good, £3 15s to £4; light and discoloured, £3 to £3 10 per ton (bags extra).

Messrs. Stronach, Morris and Co., Ltd., report for week ended August 15, as follows:—

Oats.—There are very few lines offering from the country, and all coming forward meet with good demand. Quotations: Prime milling Gartons, 2s 6½d to 2s 7d; good to best feed, 2s 5½d to 2s 6d; medium, 2s 4½d to 2s 5d; inferior, 2s to 2s 2d per bushel (sacks extra).

Wheat.—Quotations: Prime milling velvet, 3s 8d to 3s 9d; red wheats, 3s 6½d to 3s 7d; medium to good, 3s 5½d to 3s 6d; best whole fowl wheat, 3s 4d to 3s 5d; medium, 3s 1d to 3s 2d; broken and damaged, 2s 8d to 2s 10d per bushel (sacks extra).

Chaff.—There is still a large quantity coming to hand, the demand being only for the prime quality. Medium and inferior lots are neglected. Quotations: Best oaten sheaf, £4 2s 6d to £4 5s; medium to good, £3 15s to £4; light and discoloured, £3 to £3 10s per ton (bags extra).

Potatoes.—There is very little demand, as the quantities coming forward are too large for local use, and there is practically no shipping inquiry. Prices remain much the same as at last report, best being saleable at from £3 to £3 2s 6d; medium to good, £2 10s to £2 15s per ton (bags in).

WOOL

Mr. M. T. Kennelly, 217 Crawford street, Dunedin, reports as follows:—

Rabbitskins.—Prime winter does, 17d to 18d; second does, to 16½d; prime bucks, to 16d; incoming and early winter, 14d to 15d; autumn, 12d to 13d; racks, 7½d to 9d. Horsehair, 16d to 19d; catskins, 4d to 6d each.

Sheepskins.—Halfbred, 6d to 8d per lb; fine crossbred, 5½ to 7d; coarse do., 5d to 6½d; pelts, 3d to 5d.

Hides.—Sound ox, 6d to 8d; do. cow, 5d to 6½d; damaged ox and cow, 3d to 4½d; calfskins and yearlings (sound), 6½d to 9d. Horsehides, 8s to 14s each.

Tallow.—Best in casks, to 26s per cwt; do., 24s; mixed, 18s to 20s; rough fat, 16s to 20s.

Prompt returns. No commission.

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

Rabbitskins.—We offered a larger catalogue than usual at yesterday's sale, when there was a big attendance of buyers. Competition was very keen, and last week's high rates were fully maintained. Winter blacks showed an advance of from 1d to 2d per lb. Quotations: Super winter does, 21d to 23d; prime winter does, 18½d to 20½d; prime winter bucks, 17½d to 18½d; seconds, 16d to 17d; incoming winters, 15d to 17d; outgoing, 13½d to 16d; autumns, 10d to 15½d; racks, 9½d to 10d; light racks, 8d to 8½d; small, 3½d to 5d; fawns, to 17½d; winter blacks, 19d to 27½d; autumn blacks, 15d to 18d; hare skins, to 7d; horse hair, 17d to 19d per lb.

Sheepskins.—There was fair competition at our sale held to-day, but prices showed very little change. Medium and inferior sorts of skins were not eagerly sought after. Quotations: Halfbred, 5½d to 7½d; medium to good, 6d to 6½d; inferior, 5d to 6d; best fine crossbred, 6½d to 7d; coarse crossbred, 6d to 6½d; medium to good, 5d to 5½d; inferior, 2½d to 4½d; lambskins, 6d to 6½d; merino, 5½d to 6½d; best pelts, 4½d to 4¾d; medium to good, 2½d to 3½d.

Tallow and Fat.—All coming forward meets with good competition, and prices are well maintained locally although the London market is somewhat easier. Quotations: Best rendered tallow, 22s to 26s; medium to good, 19s to 21s; best rough fat, 16s to 18s; extra good, to 20s; medium to good, 14s to 16s.