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Commercial

PRODUCE

The High Commissioner cabled from London on August 18:—

The dockers resumed work on Monday, but fresh grievances arose. Some work had been done at the docks, but unloading was restricted. The railway strike began yesterday. It had a very disastrous effect on distribution. Cannot give quotations during the present condition of the market, as they are not reliable.

Butter and Cheese.—Market favourably affected by continued drought.

Hemp.—Market dull, with a downward tendency. The output from Manila for the week was 12,000 bales.

Messrs. Donald Reid and Co. report:—

We held our weekly auction sale of grain and produce at our stores on Monday, when values ruled as under:—

Oats.—There are only small supplies in local stores, and these are moving off at rather better prices than can be got from exporters. Seed requirements are also absorbing a fair quantity. Quotations: Prime milling, 2s 6½d to 2s 7d; good to best feed, 2s 6d to 2s 6½d; inferior to medium, 2s 4d to 2s 5½d per bushel (sacks extra).

Wheat.—The advance reported last week received a check a few days later, and there is now only a spasmodic inquiry, prime velvet being most favored. Fowl wheat is not in excessive supply, and meets ready sale. Quotations: Prime milling velvet, 3s 8½d to 3s 9½d; Tuscan, etc., 3s 8d to 3s 8½d; medium, 3s 7d to 3s 7½d; best whole fowl wheat, 3s 5½d to 3s 7d; medium, 3s 3d to 3s 5d; broken and damaged, 2s 9d to 3s 2d per bushel (sacks extra).

Potatoes.—The market is well supplied, and as the demand for export is not keen late quotations are barely maintained. Quotations: Best table potatoes, £3; medium to good, £2 10s to £2 17s 6d per ton (sacks included). The demand for seed is quiet.

Chaff.—Fair supplies are coming forward, and for prime lines there is good demand both locally and from exporters. Medium and inferior sorts are neglected. Quotations: Best oaten sheaf, £4 2s 6d to £4 5s; choice, to £4 7s 6d; medium to good, £3 10s to £4; light and discoloured, £3 to £3 7s 6d per ton (bags extra).

Messrs. Dalgety and Co. report as follows:

We held our weekly sale of grain and produce at our stores on Monday, when we offered a large catalogue to a good attendance of buyers. Bidding was fairly good for all on offer, and prices ruled as under:—

Oats.—Quantities offering are not sufficient to fill the requirements of shippers from whom there is a strong inquiry, and values in consequence show an advance of ½d per bushel on last week's quotations. Quotations: Prime milling, 2s 7d; best feed, 2s 6d to 2s 6½d; medium to good, 2s 4d to 2s 5½d; inferior, 2s to 2s 3d per bushel (bags extra).

Wheat.—Offerings from the country are still very light, and in face of a keen demand from millers values are firmer by ½d per bushel. Quotations: Prime velvet, 3s 8½d to 3s 9½d; best Tuscan and velvet ear, 3s 8d to 3s 8½d; medium, 3s 6½d to 3s 7d; best whole fowl feed, 3s 4½d to 3s 6d; inferior to medium, 3s to 3s 4d per bushel (bags extra).

Potatoes.—Arrivals during the past week have been in excess of requirements, and values show a decline of 5s per ton. Best table sorts, £3; good, £2 15s to £2 17s 6d; medium, £2 10s to £2 15s; inferior, £2 to £2 5s per ton (bags in).

Chaff.—This market remains unchanged. Consignments are still coming in freely and meet with a poor inquiry. Prime oaten sheaf, £4 5s; medium to good, £3 15s to £4; light and discoloured, £3 5s to £3 15s; straw chaff, £2 to £2 10s per ton (bags extra).

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.

Wrey's Bush

(From an occasional correspondent.)

The annual concert given by the pupils of the Convent of Mercy was held in the Public Hall on Friday evening, August 11, when there was an excellent attendance. The Sisters are to be congratulated on the splendid manner in which the pupils acquitted themselves. The dresses and fancy costumes worn by the children were most appropriate, and showed exquisite taste on the part of the teachers. The members of St. Peter's choir rendered valuable assistance, as also did Mr. and Miss Clapp and Miss Doherty, of Nightcaps. The accompaniments were capably played by Misses Clapp, Finn, Fitzsimmons, Griffin, and Mr. Egan. The programme opened with the chorus, 'God save Ireland' by the choir and pupils, followed by a song in character, 'Cockles and mussels,' by Misses B. Burke, M. Kavaney, N. Cairns, E. Duggan, and C. Hogan. Then followed a comic song in character, Mr. P. Cusack; dialogue, 'Dolly's doctor,' Master D. Murphy and Miss D. Curtin; song with tableau, 'The harp that once,' Miss Fitzsimmons; song, 'Roses,' Miss Clapp; recitation, 'A midnight murder,' Miss B. Burke; song, 'Connemara,' Mr. A. Clapp; song, 'The flower girl,' Miss Brazier; song, 'Genevieve,' Miss Doherty; chorus, 'List to the convent bells,' choir; grand march and song, 'Napoleon's army,' Mr. F. Geary as Napoleon, and the boy pupils as troopers. The second part opened with a dance in fancy costume, 'Skipping rope,' by Misses M. Kavaney, M. Curtin, M. Cairns, E. Duggan, and K. Driscoll; Highland dance, Miss Purdue; song, Miss Doherty; comic song in character, 'The professor,' Mr. Cusack and students; song, 'The ragged doll,' Miss M. Burke; song, 'Sing me an Irish song,' Mr. F. Geary; song, Miss Clapp; gipsy dance and tableau, Miss L. O'Meara (gipsy king), Miss J. Kavaney (gipsy queen); final chorus, 'God defend New Zealand,' choir and pupils. The Rev. Father Lynch thanked the audience for their attendance, the Nightcaps performers for their kindly and valuable aid, and the choir and pupils, who had provided such an excellent entertainment. He also paid a tribute to the Sisters for the splendid results achieved.

The steamer Ruapehu, by which the Prime Minister (Sir Joseph Ward), is returning to New Zealand, is expected to arrive at Wellington at 5 p.m. on Friday. A committee of leading citizens of Wellington is arranging for a reception of welcome to the Prime Minister. If the Ruapehu arrives at a reasonably early hour, a public gathering will be held in the Town Hall immediately afterwards. The Mayor (Mr. T. M. Wilford) will preside. In the evening a banquet will be tendered to the Prime Minister in the Town Hall.