

quarters scraped £8 2s. 6d., fair half-scraped 97s. 6d., brown fair half to three-quarters scraped 80s., brown pickings common to good 45s., bush fair to good pale and amber scraped £8, per cwt. Stock, 337 tons.

28th January, 1911.

*Mutton.*—The market is dull. Trade for all classes has been very slow, and prices are barely maintained. North Island 4d. per lb.

*Lamb.*—The market is quiet, as a result of heavy arrivals. Canterbury 5½d., other New Zealand 5½d., Argentine 4½d., per lb.

*Beef.*—The market is firm. Stocks of New Zealand on hand are light. New Zealand hind quarters 3¾d., fore quarters 3¼d., per lb.

*Butter.*—The market is very unsettled. Buyers are holding back expecting prices to go lower. There is a large supply on hand. New Zealand choicest 105s., Australian 101s., Danish 115s., Siberian 100s., per cwt.

*Cheese.*—The market is firm, and there is a good demand. New Zealand coloured 60s., white 58s., per cwt.

*Cocksfoot seed.*—The market is quiet, and buyers are not keen to do business. New Zealand bright clean 17 lb. seed 73s. per cwt.

*Poultry.*—The market is unchanged. Chickens: American 8d. to 9d., Russian 7½d. to 8½d., per lb. Ducklings, 6d. to 7d. per lb.

*Wool.*—The market is firmer, and confidence is again returning.

*Hemp.*—The market is flat, and there is scarcely any demand. Prospects are unfavourable. New Zealand good fair £19 10s., fair £19, Manila fair current £18 10s., per ton. Forward shipment: Good fair £19 10s., fair £19 5s., Manila £19. The output from Manila for the week was 28,000 bales.

4th February, 1911.

*Mutton.*—The market is quiet, but holders are firm. Canterbury 4½d., North Island 4d., Australian 3½d., River Plate 3¾d., per lb.

*Lamb.*—The market is weak and inactive. Canterbury 5½d., other New Zealand 5½d. per lb.

*Beef.*—The market is firm, owing to reduced supplies. New Zealand hind quarters 3¾d., fore quarters 3¼d., per lb.

*Butter.*—The market is quiet but firm at present quotations. New Zealand choicest 105s., Australian 102s., Danish 115s., Siberian 101s., per cwt.

*Cheese.*—The market is quiet, but moderate business doing. New Zealand white 57s. 6d., coloured 60s., per cwt.

*Hemp.*—The market has declined further, and there is little demand. New Zealand good fair £19 5s., fair £18 10s., Manila fair current, £18 5s., per ton. Forward shipment: good fair £19 5s., fair £19, Manila £18 10s., per ton. The output from Manila for the week was 26,000 bales.

*Cocksfoot seed.*—The market is firm, but the demand only moderate. New Zealand bright clean 17 lb. seed 73s. per cwt.

*Eggs.*—The market is firmer on account of cold weather. Italian 9s. 3d. to 12s. 3d., Danish 10s. 6d. to 13s. 6d., Austrian 9s. 7d. to 10s., Russian 6s. 6d. to 9s., per 120.

*Frozen Poultry.*—There is a large supply and a moderate demand. Chickens—American 8d. to 9d., Russian 7½d. to 8½d., ducklings, 6d. to 7d., turkeys, 7d., per lb.

*Wheat.*—The market is quiet, and may go lower. New Zealand long-berried, per quarter of 496 lb. 34s., short-berried 33s.

*Oats.*—There is a small supply and a limited demand. New Zealand short oats, per quarter of 384 lb., 18s. 6d.; New Zealand Danish, per quarter of 320 lb., 16s. 9d.

*Beans.*—There is a good demand for all descriptions on account of the small supply. New Zealand f.a.q. (old crop), per 504 lb., 35s.

*Peas.*—The market is quiet, but holders are firm. New Zealand partridge, per 504 lb., 46s.

*Wool.*—For fine wools the market is firm. For medium and coarse crossbreds the market is rather quiet.

7th February, 1911.

The wool-sales have closed. The market has been irregular, but closed firm at present quotations. British manufacturers are busy, and trade is good on the Continent. 4,500 bales of New Zealand wool are held over. Estimated value of greasy wools are as follows: Superior merino, 11½d. to 1s. 1d., medium merino, 9½d. to 11d., inferior merino, 8d. to 9d., fine crossbred, 11d. to 1s. 2d., medium crossbred, 9d. to 10½d., coarse crossbred, 8d. to 10d., per lb.