

THE BRITISH PRODUCE-MARKET.

HIGH COMMISSIONER'S CABLED REPORTS.

THE Department of Agriculture, Commerce, and Tourists has received the following cablegrams from the High Commissioner for New Zealand. (NOTE.—Quotations, unless otherwise specified, are average market prices on spot.)

London, 7th October, 1911.

Mutton.—The market is quiet but steady. Stocks of New Zealand mutton on hand are light. Canterbury 4½d., North Island 3¾d., per lb.

Lamb.—The market is slightly weaker, with less demand. Canterbury 5½d., other than Canterbury 5d., per lb.

Beef.—The market is dull. New Zealand hinds 3¾d., New Zealand fores 2½d. per lb.

Butter.—The market is firm, with an upward tendency. There is a general and active demand. Danish 148s., Siberian 128s., Australian 134s., per cwt.

Cheese.—The market is quiet but firm. Canadian 70s. 6d. per cwt.

Hemp.—The market is somewhat steadier, and there is more demand. New Zealand good-fair, spot £19 15s., New Zealand fair grade £18 15s., fair current Manila £20 per ton. October–December shipment: New Zealand good-fair £20, fair grade £19, fair current Manila £20 5s. per ton. The output from Manila for the week was 19,000 bales.

Cocksfoot-seed.—The market is very firm. There are light stocks of cocksfoot-seed on hand. It is impossible to give any quotation.

Wheat.—The market is somewhat steadier. New Zealand long-berried wheat, spot, ex granary 35s., short-berried 34s., per quarter of 496 lb.

Oats.—There is a general and active demand, and a large supply. New Zealand oats, short sparrowbills, ex granary, spot, per quarter of 384 lb., 22s.; Danish, per quarter of 320 lb., 19s. 6d.

Beans.—The market is firm, with an improved demand. New Zealand beans, f.a.q. (new crop), 34s. 6d. per 504 lb.

Peas.—The market is steady, with a very good demand. New Zealand peas (part-ridge), 40s. per 504 lb.

Wool.—A firm market for merinos. The market is a shade weaker for crossbreds.

Mutton and Lamb.—River Plate shipments received during September, 1911 :—

	Mutton. Carcases.	Lamb. Carcases.
London	30,619	6,714
Liverpool	181,098	83,631
Southampton	18,955	6,735
Cardiff	17,584	2,528
Hull	2,075	144
Plymouth	764	489
Newcastle	2,897	..
Bristol	7,886	..
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	261,878	100,241
September, 1910	152,401	14,474

London, 14th October, 1911.

Mutton.—The market is quiet. There is a dull sale for all qualities, but holders are firm. Canterbury 4½d., North Island 3¾d., per lb.

Lamb.—The market is weak on account of supplies of home-grown lambs being heavy, and lowering prices of New Zealand lambs. Canterbury 5½d., other than Canterbury 5d., Scotch Hill 4¾d., per lb.

Beef.—The market is dull. There is little demand, and supplies are large. New Zealand hinds 3¾d., New Zealand fores 2½d., per lb.