

*Poultry.*—The market is rather quiet. A large supply. Chickens: American 7d. to 8d., Russian 7d. to 8d., Home 7½d. to 10d., per lb. Ducklings: Home 7d. to 9½d., Russian 5d. to 6d., per lb. Turkeys: Russian 7½d. to 8½d., Home 9½d. to 10d., per lb.

*Bacon.*—The market is dull, and prices irregular. Sides: Irish 60s. to 71s., Continental 52s. to 66s., American 52s. to 56s., Canadian 54s. to 58s., per cwt.

*Hams.*—The market is dull, and prices irregular. Irish 96s. to 112s., English 84s., Canadian 56s. to 64s., American 54s. to 68s., per cwt.

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*Mutton.*—The market is steady, and prices are well maintained. Canterbury 4½d., North Island 3½d., per lb.

*Lamb.*—The market is quiet, but holders are firm. Canterbury 5d., other than Canterbury 4½d., per lb.

*Beef.*—The market is dull. New Zealand hinds 3½d., fores 2¾d., per lb.

*Butter.*—The market is slightly weaker, with less demand, on account of the high prices. Danish 135s., Siberian 118s., Australian 126s., per cwt.

*Cheese.*—The market is quiet but steady—no change in prices. Canadian 69s. to 70s. per cwt.

*Hemp.*—The market is quiet, with tendency in favour of buyers. New Zealand good-fair, spot, £19 15s., fair grade £18 15s., fair current Manila £19 10s., per ton. Forward shipment: New Zealand good-fair £20, fair grade £19, fair current Manila £20 10s., per ton. The output from Manila for the week was 24,000 bales. Stock of New Zealand hemp, 810 tons.

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

	Mutton. Carcases.	Lamb. Carcases.
London .. .. .	88,157	18,879
Liverpool .. .. .	120,924	25,890
Hull .. .. .	6,108	300
Southampton .. .. .	13,583	11,000
Cardiff .. .. .	6,698	650
Newcastle .. .. .	10,000	..
Ireland .. .. .	850	..
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	246,320	56,719
October, 1910 .. .. .	216,791	19,354

### COMMONWEALTH EXPORTS.

The following shipments of produce were despatched from the Commonwealth to the United Kingdom during the month of September, 1911:—

Mutton (carcases) .. .. .	95,567
Lamb .. .. .	45,552
Beef (cwt.) .. .. .	67,647
Beef (quarters) .. .. .	887
Beef (buttocks) .. .. .	1,074
Butter (cwt.) .. .. .	67,632
Cheese .. .. .	..

### ARGENTINE TRADE WITH BRITAIN.

THE Department has received the following cablegram from Buenos Aires, dated 7th November, 1911:—

“The following shipments of produce were despatched from the Argentine to the United Kingdom ports during October, 1911 (compared with October, 1910):—

	1911.	1910.
Frozen beef (quarters) .. .. .	125,000	95,766
Chilled beef (quarters) .. .. .	189,000	153,771
Frozen mutton (carcases) .. .. .	184,000	260,874
Frozen lamb (carcases) .. .. .	40,000	19,116
Butter (cwt.) .. .. .	1,840	Nil”