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DUNEDIN, Friday evening.

Mr Archibald Moir, Manse street, reports the following as the latest quotations:—

Flour—£12 to £12 10s per ton.  
Oatmeal—£16 per ton.  
Pearl Barley—£30 per ton.  
Bran—£3 10s per ton.  
Pollard—£5 per ton.  
Chaff—£3 5s per ton.  
Hay—£3 5s per ton.  
Potatoes—£2 15s per ton.  
Carrots—2s 3d.  
Turnips—2s.  
Wheat—4s 3d to 4s 6d per bushel.  
Barley—4s 6d to 7s 6d per bushel.  
Oats—3s per bushel.  
Butter—11d to 1s per lb.  
Cheese—6½d to 8d per lb.  
Bacon and Hams—8d per lb.  
Bags—18s 6d per dozen.  
Kerosene—2s 10d, duty paid.

RETAIL PRICES.

MEAT.—Beef, roasting, 5d to 7d per lb; steaks, 5d to 7d per lb; boiling, 2½d to 5d; mutton, 2½d to 4½d; pork and veal, 4d to 7d. To hotels, 4d to 5d all round.

DALRY PRODUCE.—Bacon, 10d to 1s 1d per lb; butter, fresh, 1s to 1s 2d; salt, 10d to 1s; cheese, Colonial, 8d to 10d; do, English, unsaleable; eggs, 2s to 2s 6d per dozen; ham, Colonial, 1s; English, 1s 4d per lb; milk, 3d to 4d per quart.

POULTRY.—Fowls, 3s to 4s per couple; ducks, 5s to 6s per pair; geese, 8s to 10s do; turkeys, 8d per lb; pigeons, 1s 6d to 2s per pair; rabbits, 3s per pair.

VEGETABLES.—Cabbages, 1d to 2d each; carrots, 2d per bunch; celery, 3d to 6d per bunch; leeks, 3d per bunch; lettuce, 1d to 2d each; onions, 6lbs to 8lbs, 1s; parsley, 3d per bunch; radishes, 2d per bunch; turnips, 2d to 3d per bunch; potatoes, 6s to 7s per cwt.

CHRISTCHURCH, April 25th.

Quotations are as follows:—Flour, per 100lbs, 14s; do, sacks, £13 5s; Oamaru flour, per 100lbs, 15s; do do, sacks, £14; Canterbury oats, 4s; bran, 1s 3d per bushel; sharps, per 100lbs, 7s 6d; pollard, 6s 6d; milling wheat, 5s 4d, market very bare; barley, none in the market; cheese, 9d; bacon, 11d; hams, 1s 1d; potatoes, 6s 6d per cwt.

Messrs Royse, Stead, and Co. report that wheat continues in fair demand at 4s 4d to 4s 5d. Flour is in steady enquiry at £11. Oats are still advancing; sales were effected to-day at 3s 9d, f.o.b., but none are coming forward. Barley is quieter; the reported shipments from California render buyers less eager. The millers have advanced the price of bran to £4. Butter is at 9½d, and cheese at 7½d.

AUCKLAND.

Mr Alexander Saunders reports buyers of shares as follows:—Cure, 18s; Red Queen, 1s 9d; Black Angel, £1 7s; Caledonian, £16 10s; Thames, £4; Bank of New Zealand, £16 5s, ex dividend; South British Insurance, £1 16s; Green Harp, 1s.

THE CATHOLIC HIERARCHY.

The following pastoral letter of the Archbishops and Bishops of Ireland, assembled in Dublin on the 21st and 22nd of January, 1873, to their flocks, was read on February 3rd of this year in the different Churches and Chapels of that Archdiocese:—

"Taught by the authority of St. Augustine, (a) that love for the Church of Christ is a proof and pledge of close union with the Holy

(a) Credamus, fratres, quantum quisque amat Ecclesiam Christicam, tantum habet spiritum Sanctum.—Tract. 32 in Joan.

Spirit, we cannot but account as a great grace from Heaven that intense love of the Catholic Church which has at all times been cherished in Ireland. Of the depth and tenderness of this love in your hearts, dearly beloved brethren, our own daily intercourse with you furnishes us with many and striking proofs. How often have we seen the afflicted among you forget their own sorrows in reflecting on the sorrows that have come thick upon the Vicar of Christ? How often have the very poorest held out to us the alms with which their generous poverty sought to make some compensation to the Church for the sacrilegious outrages of which she had been made the victim? How many acts of prayer and penance have been performed by you to move God to shorten the Church's trials by converting and humbling her enemies? And whenever the defence of Catholic interests called for a public expression of feeling, no class or rank among you was found wanting in Catholic spirit: the noble and the peasant, the learned and the unlearned, the rich and the poor, were of one mind—and of one heart in grieving over the Church's losses and rejoicing at her gains. But at no time, perhaps, have your religious sentiments been more plainly outraged than at the present day, when, throughout the world, iniquity seems to have reached the height of its triumph. Lest, however, the harrowing spectacles of the Church's trials should utterly dishearten you, our Holy Mother addresses you to-day, through us, in the words of the Apostle St. Paul to the Ephesians:—'Wherfore I pray you not to faint at my tribulations for you, which is your glory. For this cause I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ . . . That he would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened by His spirit with might unto the inward man—that Christ may dwell by faith in your hearts.' (b)

"And in truth, beloved brethren, there would be much to discourage us in the tribulations at present endured by the Catholic Church, were it not for the strengthening power of our faith in the promises made to her by Christ, her founder. For, as our Holy Father has recently declared, (c) 'the entire church is groaning under the vexation of a protracted and savage persecution, which seeks to compass her total destruction, and the blotting out of the name of Christ living and reigning in her.' Not, indeed, that those who assail the Church everywhere and under all circumstances openly avow that their purpose is utterly to destroy her, for it is a special feature of this persecution that with violence the most audacious they couple the most subtle hypocrisy. Hence, the better to secure success, they very frequently mask their attacks, and by professing to secure some interest of country or of modern enlightenment they abuse the good faith of the simple or unwary. But, however various the form of attack, however specious the advantage ostensibly aimed at, the one ultimate object of all their efforts, to which all are directed beforehand, is nothing less than the final overthrow of the Christian religion.

"Three things are essential for the good estate of the Church herebelow. First, the preservation of the Christian faith, which is the principle of her life; second, the maintenance of the authority of the hierarchy, which is her vital organization; third, her free action on the souls of men by the word of God and the Sacraments, which action is the condition of her growth. To destroy any one of these is to destroy the Church herself. Now, it needs but a glance at the state of the world to be convinced that against each and all of them assaults are now daily made, which for their duration, their continuity, their extent, and their variety, are not surpassed in all the blood-stained annals of persecution.

"And, first of all, what mighty forces are at present at work in the world with the object of overthrowing the Christian faith? There is no need to dwell upon the hostility to Christianity, of which the signs are apparent in the apostasy of so many modern politicians, or half shrouded in the machinations of secret societies; amongst which that of Freemasons notoriously exists in our own country, and is abetted by those who ought to discourage it. But the appalling list of errors condemned in the Vatican Council (d) proves that even in the fundamental doctrines, God, the soul, rational certitude, and the entire supernatural order, what is called the thought of the age, has assumed a position directly antagonistic to the teachings of the

(b) Ephes. iii., 13, seq.

(c) Allocution of 23rd December, 1872.

(d) Constitutio de Fide Catholica.