

# NEW ZEALAND LOAN AND MERCANTILE AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED

DUNEDIN

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The Company have pleasure in intimating that they are now prepared to receive Consignments of

OATS, WHEAT, BARLEY, &c.,

At their DUNEDIN STORES, which are connected with Main Railway Lines by PRIVATE SIDING.

LIBERAL ADVANCES made on GRAIN when received into Store.

Large Stocks of Cornsacks and Twines on hand.

FAT STOCK SALES CONDUCTED EVERY WEDNESDAY AT BURNSIDE YARDS.

ANDREW TODD, Manager.

given the movement a push onward. Select bands of musicians are special features, and taste in this direction cannot be too highly commended.

## Commercial.

A. TODD, on behalf of the NEW ZEALAND LOAN AND MERCANTILE AGENCY CO., LIMITED, report as follows:—

**Store Cattle**—While odd lots change hands, there is no animation of any consequence meantime in the lone of the market.

**Store Sheep**—There is an idea prevailing that further in the season a considerable improvement in the demand will be experienced, meantime, however, there are no transactions of much consequence coming under notice.

**Wool**—We are without any further advices from our London office since the date of our last report. Locally there is no business being done of very much importance.

**Sheepskins**—There was a good attendance at Tuesday's auctions when we submitted a full catalogue. Competition was very animated and general results satisfactory. Country dry crossbreds, inferior to medium, brought 1s 5d to 2s 8d; do do merino, 1s 3d to 1s 8d; medium to good crossbreds, 2s 9d to 3s 4d; heavy do, 3s 6d to 3s 11d; extra do, 4s 3d to 5s 6d; good to best merinos, 1s 9d to 2s 9d; heavy, 3s to 4s; dry pelts, 1d to 1s 3d; green crossbreds, good to best, 4s 3d to 4s 8d; extra heavy and for special purposes, 5s to 5s 6d; medium, 3s 3d to 3s 9d; green lambskins, best, 2s 10d to 3s 3d; light to medium, 1s 6d to 2s 9d.

**Rabbitskins**—A very good demand exists for these, and the market in consequence continues firm, late rates being fully maintained, more especially for full furred grey and black. Quotations for prime winter grey, 10½d to 11½d; extra prime clean and thin pelted picked does, 12d to 12½d medium to good, 9d to 10d; best autumn, 7½d to 8½d; medium, 6d to 7d; summer, 3d to 5d; suckers and inferior, 1d to 1½d; best winter black, 1s 2d to 1s 3d; silver grey, 1s 6d to 1s 6d; medium to good, 9d to 10d; inferior, 4d to 7½d per lb.

**Hides**—The market is steady, but without any further improvement in values. Quotations for good to best, 2½d to 3d; extra heavy, 3½d to 3½d; light to medium weight, 1½d to 2½d; inferior and light, 1d to 1½d per lb.

**Tallow and Fat**—Market quiet. Best rendered mutton tallow fetching 17s 6d to 18s 6d; medium to good, 14s 6d to 16s 6d; inferior to medium, 10s to 13s; rough fat, best fresh clean mutton tallow, 11s 6d to 12s; medium to good, 10s 6d to 11s; inferior to medium, 9s to 10s per cwt (ex store).

**Wheat**—The market has been rather quiet during the past week. Stocks, however, are gradually working down and will soon be in narrow compass. Holders of the small lots still undisposed of are firm and prices are well maintained, but until a decided improvement in values is apparent at Mark Lane there is no prospect of higher prices ruling locally. Meantime, we repeat late quotations, viz, for prime milling Tuscan and velvet, 3s 10d to 3s 11d; good to best, 3s 8½d to 3s 9½d; medium to good, 3s 8d to 3s 8½d; inferior to medium, 3s 3d to 3s 8d (ex store, sacks weighed in, terms).

**Oats**—The market remains in somewhat the same position as when we last reported. A few lines have been placed last week for shipment, but, as buyers' limits do not come up to holders' expectations, very little business is being done. We, however, notice that at the beginning of this week a little more enquiry is springing up for prime feed and milling, and sales have been made since we last reported at an advance of a ½d on prices previously offered. Quotations for prime milling stout and bright, 1s 8½d to 1s 9d; best short stout bright feed, 1s 8d to 1s 8½d; medium to good, 1s 6½d to 1s 7½d; inferior to medium, 1s 5d to 1s 6d; Danish and long Tartars in small lots suitable for seed 1s 10d to 2s; extra prime, a shade more (ex store, sacks extra, net).

**Barley**—A moderate quantity is changing hands, mostly inferior and discoloured, very little prime offering. Quotations for prime malting, bright and full, 2s 10d to 3s; medium to good, 2s 6d to 2s 9d; milling, 2s to 2s 4d; feed, 1s 6d to 1s 11d (ex store, sacks extra, net).

**Grass Seeds**—Byegrass seed is now moving off, and prices well maintained. Best machine dressed perennial, 4s to 4s 3d; extra prime, 4s 6d; medium to good, 3s 6d to 3s 9d (ex store, sacks extra, net).—Cocksfoot is in full supply, but prices firm; best machine dressed, 4½d to 5d; extra prime, 5½d to 5½d; undressed, 3d to 4d per lb (sacks extra, net, ex store).

**Potatoes**—The supply is still in excess of requirements, prices in consequence are unsatisfactory, and sales of any except really prime northern difficult to effect. Best derwents, 27s to 30s; extra prime, 35s; medium, 20s to 25s per ton (ex store, sacks weighed in, net).—Kidneys, no demand.

**Chaff**—Owing to the very moderate supply to hand this week prices have slightly improved. Best, 13s 6s to 13s 7s 6d; extra prime, 13s 10s; medium to good, 12s 17s 6d to 13s 2s 6d; inferior to medium, 12s to 12s 12s 6d per ton (ex track, sacks extra or returned, net).

**Dairy Products**—There is no change to note since our last report. Market quiet. Prime potted dairy made butter, 7½d to 8d; medium, 6d to 7d; inferior, 3d to 5d; North Island factory made, 7½d to 9d; local factory, 10d to 1s per lb.—Cheese, dull. Factory made, medium size, retailed at 4½d to 4½d; loaf-shapr, 4½d to 5d; dairy-made, 2½d to 3½d per lb.

**Flax**—No business of any importance being done, meantime, in this product. Quotations nominal. Medium to good, 11s 10s to 11s 10s; inferior to medium, 1s to 11s 10s per ton (ex store).

### DUNEDIN HORSE SALEYARDS.

MESSES WRIGHT, SIMPSON, AND Co report as follows:—

Our sale on Saturday was again a very small one, and as there were no fresh horses advertised the attendance was by no means large. The horses forward were composed of about equal numbers of draught and light harness horses, none of which were first-class. The demand for all sorts was slow, but in view of the special sale to be held next week, we did not expect there would be very much inquiry. We quote:—Heavy draughts (4yrs to 6yrs), L20 to L25; do (8yrs to 10yrs), L12 to L19; medium draughts (4yrs to 6yrs), L14 to L18; light and small do, L8 to L12; aged and inferior do, L4 to L7; upstanding spring cart horses (young and sound), L12 to L16; active spring van horses (do), L14 to L18; upstanding hacks and harness horses, L10 to L14; aged and inferior do, L2 to L5.

LAERY AND Co, LIMITED, Wellington, report as follows:—

**Wheat**—Fair demand. Holders in the South are offering more freely, but prices, meantime, show no quotable change. We quote prime milling, 3s 7d to 3s 9d; medium to good, 3s 6d f.o.b. Southern ports; whole fowl wheat, 3s 8d; broken fowl wheat, 3s 7d (ex stores Wellington).

**Oats**—The market, if anything, is a shade easier, and several fair sized lines have been offered during the week from the South at a slight reduction on prices last reported. Locally the market is fairly firm at unaltered rates. We quote prime short feed, 2s to 2s 1d; Danish, 1s 11d to 2s; Danr, 2s 2d.

**Barley**—Business is confined exclusively to feed lines, which are worth from 2s 3d to 2s 6d; prime malting is worth nominally, 2s 9d. Maize—Values declined during the week 2d per bushel. Best descriptions are worth 2s 8d.

**Pollard**—Good inquiry at 90s per ton. **Chaff**—Market firm. We have placed large quantities during the week at our quotations. We quote prime bright heavy, 72s 6d to 75s; medium to good, 60s to 65s; cow feed, 52s 6d to 55s per ton.

**Cocksfoot**—No enquiry. We quote, nominally, prime machine dressed, 4½d; bright heavy undressed, 4½d; rough undressed, 3½d per lb.

**Byegrass**—Without change. We quote prime bright machine dressed, 4s 3d; medium to good, 3s 6d to 3s 9d; rough farmers' lots, 2s 6d to 2s 9d.

**Potatoes**—Market weak. We quote choice Oamaru Derwents, 47s 6d to 50s; Canterbury, 47s 6d; Blenheim, 42s 6d to 45s per ton. **Fungus**—Good demand at 3½d per lb.

**Oatmeal**—We quote McGill's, L9 10s; Fleming and Gilkinson's, L9 5s per ton.

**Onions**—Fair enquiry. We quote prime, 5s to 6s; medium to good, 4s 6d to 4s 9d per cwt.