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Commercial.

THE NEW ZEALAND LOAN AND MERCANTILE AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED, report for the week ended September 17 as follows:—

Wheat—Market very quiet. Sellers are not disposed to quit at anything less than the prices lately being quoted, and buyers having sufficient to carry them on in the meantime are not over anxious to purchase except at prices that Australian wheat can be delivered at. Consequently very little business is passing. We quote prime milling Tuscan wheat, 3s 10d to 3s 11d; extra clean, fit for feed, 4s to 4s 3d; medium to good, 3s 9d to 3s 10d, inferior to medium, 3s 3d to 3s 8d (ex store, sacks weighed in).

Oats—A considerable amount of speculation is now being displayed in this market owing to the disastrous effect of the dry weather prevailing in Australia, and at our auction sale on Monday prices were again higher. At the same time there is an idea gaining ground that should the weather break over there a collapse in prices would inevitably take place here; so that it is somewhat difficult to advise which to hold or sell. Meantime we quote prime feed and milling, bright and stout, 1s 11d to 2s; extra do, 1s 10d to 1s 11d; good to best, 1s 9d to 1s 10d; medium, 1s 8d to 1s 9d; inferior, 1s 6d to 1s 7d (ex store, sacks extra, net).

Barley—There is no business of any consequence done in this cereal, only odd lots for feed being placed. Quotations nominal; say for prime malting, 2s 9d to 3s; medium to good, 2s 5d to 2s 8d; feed and milling, 1s 8d to 2s 3d (ex store, sacks extra, net).

Grass Seed—The market is fairly active in the demand for ryegrass seed for which we quote as follows: Say for prime machine-dressed, 4s 3d to 4s 6d; extra do perennial, 4s 9d; medium to good, 3s 9d to 4s (ex store, sacks extra, net). Cocksfoot slow sale; best dressed, 4s 1d to 5s; extra prime, 5s 1d to 5s 1d; undressed, 3d to 4d per lb (ex store, sacks extra, net).

Potatoes—There is no improvement to note in prices. Best derwents only fetching 35s to 38s; medium to good, 25s to 32s 6d per ton (ex store, sacks weighed in, net).

Chaff—The market remains steady, and no change to note in prices. Best is fetching 62s 6d to 67s 6d; extra prime, occasionally 70s medium, 52s 6d to 60s; inferior, 40s to 50s; straw chaff, 39s to 35s per ton (ex truck, sacks returned, &c).

Sheepskins—There is no further improvement in values. Account sales to hand lately are not quite so satisfactory as previous reports of the tone of the wool market would lead those most interested to anticipate. Buyers of skins are in consequence exercising more caution in operations. Best green crossbreds, 4s 9d to 5s; extra heavy, 5s 3d to 5s 6d; picked hts, 5s 8d; medium 4s to 4s 6d, dry crossbreds, 2s 1d to 5s; do merinos, 1s 1d to 1d per lb.

Rabbitskins—There is no alteration of any consequence to note in these. Best winter greys, 10s 1d to 11s 1d; extra prime, thin-pelted does, 1s to 1s 1d (the latter skins already packed for shipment); medium to good, 9d to 10s 1d; best autumn, 7s 1d to 8s 1d; medium, 6d to 7d; summer, 3d to 5s; suckers and inferior, 1d to 2s 1d; best black and silver greys, 1s 2d to 1s 3s 1d; medium, 8d to 11d; inferior, 4d to 7s 1d per lb.

Hides—Market unchanged. Best, 2s 1d to 3s; extra heavy, 2s 1d to 5s 1d; light to medium, 1s 1d to 2s 1d; light and inferior, 1d to 1s 1d per lb.

Tallow and Fat—Prime rendered mutton, 17s 6d to 18s 6d; medium to good, 14s 6d to 16s 6d; inferior to medium, 10s to 13s. **Bough Fat**—Best mutton caul, 11s to 11s 6d; medium to good, 10s to 10s 6d; inferior to medium, 8s 6d to 9s 6d per cwt (ex store).

LARRY AND CO, LIMITED, Wellington, report as follows:—

Wheat—Prime milling still meets with a good enquiry, and several lines have changed hands during the week at prices last reported. Good whole fowl wheat continues scarce, and values show a tendency to harden. We quote prime milling, 3s 7d to 3s 9d; f.o.b. southern ports, whole tawl wheat, 3s 8d (ex stores, Wellington).

Oats—We quote prime short oats, 2s to 2s 1d; duns, 2s 2d; Danish, 1s 11d; seed Tartarian, 2s 2d; Canadian, 2s 3d.

Barley—Feed sorts meet with moderate demand at prices about on a par with those last reported. We quote, good feed (second malting), 2s 3d to 2s 6d; medium, 2s; prime malting nominally, 2s 9d.

Pollard—Market firm at 87s 6d to 90s per ton.

Maize meets with fair enquiry at 2s 5d per bushel.

Chaff—We quote prime bright heavy, 72s 6d to 75s; medium to good, 65s to 67s 6d; cow feed, 57s 6d per ton.

Grass Seed—Cocksfoot: Market firm. We quote prime bright machine dressed, 4s 1d to 5s; prime heavy undressed, 3s 1d to 3s 1d; medium and inferior, 2d to 3d per lb—Ryegrass: Prime bright machine dressed, 4s 3d; medium to good, 3s 6d to 3s 9d; rough farmers' lots, 2s 6d to 2s 9d.

Potatoes—In sympathy with southern advices values show a tendency to weaken. Meantime we quote, choice Oamaru Derwents, 45s; Canterbury, 42s 6d; Blenheim, 40s; inferior qualities, 30s to 35s per ton.

Flour—"Golden Gem" sacks, L9 10s; 100 lbs, L10; Empress, 100 lbs, L9 15s; 50 lbs, L10; Adelaide, L9 5s to L9 7s 6d.

Butter—Socks light. All prime lots reaching us are readily placed at our quotations. Prime separator in roll, 11d; ordinary, 10d; prime dairy, 8d; medium, 6d; prime salt, 7d to 8d; medium and inferior, 4s 1d to 5s 1d; pas ry, 4d per lb.

Cheese—Market is fairly well supplied at 4s 1d to 4s 1d for medium-sized factory; loaf, 4s 1d to 5s; dairy, 4d per lb.

Rabbit Skins—Fair enquiry. Best winter skins, 8d to 9d; medium, 6d to 7d; autumn, 3d to 5d per lb.

Sheep Skins—All lots reaching us are readily placed at our quotations. Country crossbreds, medium to fine quality, well saved pelts, 5d to 5s 1d; ordinary, 4s 1d to 4s 1d; medium, badly saved pelts, 4d; merino skins, well saved pelts, 4s 1d to 4s 1d per lb.

Hides—In good demand. Good plump heavy ox hides, well flayed, 20s to 22s 6d; medium, 14s to 16s; cow hides, 7s to 12s 6d.

DUNEDIN HORSE SALEYARDS.

WEEKLY REPORT.

MESSRS WRIGHT, STEPHENSON, AND CO report as follows:—

There was a fair attendance at our sale on Saturday, when we offered a number of draught and light harness horses. Draught horses were again in good demand, and we had no difficulty in placing all for which reasonable prices were asked. Really good upstanding harness horses are inquired for, and we have no doubt a few of this sort would sell well at present. Medium to inferior have on the other hand absolutely no demand, and can only be quoted at very low prices. Next month, however, we hope to see the demand for this description take a turn for the better. We quote: Heavy draughts, four to six years, £22 to £27; do, eight to ten years, £15 to £20; medium draughts, four to six years, £15 to £20; light and small do, £8 to £12; aged and inferior do, £4 to £7; upstanding spring cart horses, young and sound, £12 to £16; well-bred upstanding hacks and harness horses, £16 to £20; upstanding hacks and harness horses, £10 to £14; aged and inferior, £2 to £5.

MR F. MERRAN, King street, reports:—Wholesale price only—Oats, feed: 1s 7d to 1s 9d; milling, 1s 10d to 1s 11d; Good demand. Wheat: Milling 3s 10d to 4s; fowls' 3s to 3s 7d, scarce, both in good demand. Chaff: Fair supply offering, inferior, £2 5s to £2 10s; good, £3 to £3 10s; Hay: Oats, £3; ryegrass, £3 to £3 10s for good; Straw, pressed 37s 6d; loose, 37s 6d per ton; both scarce. Potatoes: market very dull, 2s to 30s; kidney, good seed, L2 to £2 5s; Flour: sacks, £9; 50lbs, £9 10s; Roller, stone, 10s to 20s; 1s according to brand; Oatmeal, 25lbs, £10; Fresh butter 6d to 10d; Factory, 1s; salt, medium to good, 5d to 8d; Eggs, 7d, Bran, L3 10s scarce.

Messrs Manning and Co.'s Christchurch Ales will be found sound and wholesome liquors of their kind.

The New Zealand Camera Company, Octagon, Dunedin, offer for selection the best and cheapest stock of photographic goods to be found in the market. Orders of every description in connection with the trade receive immediate and satisfactory attention.

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