

# N.Z. LOAN & MERCANTILE AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED, DUNEDIN.

## WOOL.

The Company have pleasure in intimating that WOOL SALES will be conducted as usual at their Commodious, Convenient and Well Lighted DUNEDIN Stores throughout the Season the principal Sales being held on following dates:—

THURSDAY, 19th DECEMBER, 1895

THURSDAY, 9th JANUARY, 1896

FRIDAY, 31st January, 1896

THURSDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 1896

## NO CHARGE

is made for Cataloguing, Advertising and Fire Insurance. The only Selling Charges are as under:—

Receiving and Classifying ...  $\frac{1}{2}$  per lb  
Commission ...  $\frac{2}{3}$  per cent on first L200 and 1 per cent on balance

## FAT STOCK.

Sales conducted every WEDNESDAY at Burnside Yards.

OUR COMMISSION CHARGE IS NOW REDUCED TO  $\frac{2}{3}$  PER CENT.

ANDREW TODD, Manager.

## Commercial.

THE NEW ZEALAND LOAN AND MERCANTILE AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED, report for the week ended December 31 as follows:—

Wheat—There are no transactions of very much importance passing late rates, however, are still maintained. Quotations for prime milling velvet, 4s 4d to 4s 5d; best red wheat and Tuscan, 4s 2d to 4s 3d; medium to good, 3s 9d to 4s 1d; broken and inferior to medium, 2s 9d to 3s 8d (ex store, sacks weighed in, terms).

Oats—To effect sales, meantime, lower prices have to be accepted, but after the holidays are over there is an idea that a stronger demand will be experienced with a substantial improvement in prices. At Monday's sales best milling brought 2s 1d to 2s 2d; best feed, 2s 1d to 2s 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d; medium to good, 1s 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ d to 1s 2d; inferior to medium, 1s 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ d to 1s 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ d (ex store, sacks extra, net).

Barley—Market firm. Best malting, 3s 4d to 3s 6d; medium to good, 2s 9d to 3s 3d; inferior to medium, 2s to 2s 6d (ex store, sacks extra, net).

Grass Seeds—Only a retail business passing in ryegrass seed. Best dressed perennial, 4s 3d to 4s 6d; medium, 3s 6d to 4d; best do undressed, 2s 6d to 2s 10d; medium, 1s 9d to 2s 3d (ex store).

Cocksfoot—Slow sale. Best dressed, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ d to 5d; medium, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d to 4s per lb (ex store, net).

Potatoes—Best prices for new and western this week, were 5s 3d to 5s 9d per cwt (ex store, sacks weighed in, net).

Chaff—Demand limited, best fetching £3 to £3 10s; extra prime, £3 10s; medium, £2 17s 6d to £3 2s per ton; ex truck, sacks returned, net.

Sheepskins—Green cross-bred pelts, 9d to 1s 3d; best green lambkins, 1s 6d to 2s; merino, 9d to 1s 3d; best dry crossbred sk ns, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ d to 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ d; do medium, 3d to 4d; best do merino, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ d to 4d; medium do do, 2d to 3d per lb.

Rabbitkins—Very few prime winter offering, but are fetching 1s 1d to 1s 2d; picked does, 1s 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d to 1s 3d; medium to good, 10s to 1s; best spring, 8d to 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ d; medium, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ d to 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ d; summer, 3d to 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ d; suckers and inferior, 1d to 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d per lb.

Hides—A very fair demand exists at late rates, say for best 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d to 3d; extra heavy, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ d to 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ d; light, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d to 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ d; inferior, 1d to 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d per lb.

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

MESSES DONALD REID AND CO. report as follows:—

Sheepskins—Green crossbreds sold at 3s 6d to 5s 9d; do merinos, 3s 1d to 4s 3d; do lambs, 7d to 2s; dry crossbreds, 2s to 5s 7d; dry merinos, 1s 3d to 3s 11d.

Hides—Prime heavy, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d to 3d; good to medium, 2d to 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ d; light, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d to 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ d; inferior, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d to 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ d per lb.

Tallow—Prime rendered, 17s to 18s 6d; medium, 14s to 16s; inferior, 12s to 13s 6d; rough fat, 9s to 11s 6d per cwt.

Wheat—Prime milling, 4s 2d to 4s 4d; medium, 3s 11d to 4s 1d; fowl feed, 3s 3d to 3s 9d per bushel (sacks in)

Oats—Prime milling, 2s 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d to 2s 2d; good to best feed, 2s 0 $\frac{1}{2}$ d to 2s 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ d; inferior to medium, 1s 9d to 2s per bushel, sacks extra.

Barley—Keen demand for prime malting. Prime malting, 3s 2d to 3s 6d; medium, 2s 9d to 3s 1d; feed and milling, 2s to 2s 8d per bushel, sacks extra.

Potatoes—Best kidneys, £8 to £9; medium, £7 to £8; der-wents (old), 10s to 20s per ton, sacks in.

Chaff—Best oaten sheaf, £3 7s 6d to £3 12s 6d; medium, £3 to £3 6s per ton, bags extra.

### DUNEDIN HORSE SALEYARDS. WEEKLY REPORT.

MESSES WRIGHT, STEPHENSON, AND CO. report as follows:—

We quote:—Heavy draughts, four to six years, L22 to L27; do, eight to ten years, L15 to L20; light and small do, L8 to L12; aged and inferior do, L4 to L7; upstanding spring-cart horses, young and sound, L12 to L16; well-bred upstanding hacks and harness horses,

L16 to L20; upstanding hacks and harness horses, L10 to L14; aged and inferior, L2 to L5.

MR F. MEENAN, King street, reports:—Wholesale price only—Oats, feed: 2s to 2s 1d; milling, 2s 3d; quiet demand Wheat: Milling 4s to 4s 4d; fowls' 3s 6d to 3s 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ , both in good demand. Chaff: large supply offering, inferior to medium, £2 to £2 10s; good, £3 5s to £3 10s; Hay: Oats, £4 10s; ryegrass, £3 to £3 10s for good; Straw, pressed, 32s 6d; loose, 35s per ton; glutted, Potatoes: Dull demand 15s to 20s; Flour: sacks, £10 10s to £11; Roller, stone, 10s; less according to brand; Oatmeal. 25lbs, £11 10s; Fresh butter 6d to 9d; Factory, 9d; salt, medium to good, 5d to 8d; Eggs, 10d; Bran, L3 15s, scarce. New potatoes: local 6s; Auckland, 6s. New onions, 8s.

## CHRISTCHURCH.

(From our own Correspondent.)

A SOLEMN Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of the late Rev Brother Joseph was celebrated in the pro-Cathedral on Monday morning week. The Right Rev Dr Grimes was celebrant, and was assisted by the Rev Fathers Malone, Marnane, Galerne, and the Very Rev Father Cummings. The plain chant was rendered by the choir, under the direction of the Rev Father Galerne. Miss Funston presided at the organ. The Marist Brothers and their pupils assisted at the sacred rite, and the Bishop preached an impressive sermon and paid a high tribute of respect to the memory of one whose loss was deeply mourned. There was a large congregation present.

The pupils of the Marist Brothers gave a dramatic entertainment in their schoolroom in Barbadoes street on Monday evening week. There was an overflowing audience, and the piece chosen was a fifteenth century drama, "The Recognition." One end of the schoolroom has been cleverly transferred into a stage, whereon, with the aid of a few more scenes, almost any piece can be enacted. The staging of the drama was excellent, and too much praise cannot be given to the Brothers for the manner wherein the whole of the arrangements were carried out. The various scenes followed each other so closely that there were practically no intervals—a feature which was thoroughly appreciated by the audience. The costumes were very pretty and well chosen, and contributed much to the effectiveness of the piece. The scenery, the work of Mr E. Briggs, was artistically executed, and the drop-scene, which is a view of the upper lake of Killarney, with a background of surrounding hills, is a remarkably fine picture. The principles of the cast were taken by Messrs James Whelan, Edwin Shanly, Arthur Gardner, P. Birmingham, and William and Leslie Norton Taylor. The whole of the piece was gone through without a hitch, and the performance reflected much credit both on the pupils and on the training they had received from the Brothers.

A dramatic entertainment was given also in the Marist Brothers' schoolroom on Thursday evening last by the Convent children. In addition several beautiful vocal selections were exquisitely rendered by Miss Hayward, and the Rev Fathers Galerne and Malone each sang a song in good style. A presentation of a cheque for £200 from the parishioners was made by the Rev Father Galerne to the Very Rev Father Cummings, V.G., who feelingly replied. He said that the sum, which has mainly been gathered by the ladies of the parish, would enable him to liquidate the remainder of the debt on the parish. Some years ago the overdraft at the bank on this debt was more than £2,000, but the handsome testimonial which they had given him would put him in a position to pay the remnant of overdraft and to make the debt altogether a thing of the past. The Right Rev Dr Grimes was present, and expressed himself much pleased with

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wish to inform the General Public that they have opened as HAIRDRESSERS & TOBACCONISTS, at No. 17 Willis Street, Wellington. All kinds of Hairwork done on the shortest notice. Country Orders promptly attended to.