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PRODUCE.

Wellington, November 12.—The Department of Industries and Commerce has received the following cable from the High Commissioner, dated London, November 11.—The mutton market is speculative. Buyers do not seem inclined to make forward purchases at prices now ruling. Shipments of mutton now arriving are very small, and high prices are restricting business. Canterbury brands are quoted at 5d. and North Island at 4½d. There is a better demand for lamb. Stocks on hand are light, and firmly held in a few hands. Canterbury brands are quoted at 5½d. and other than Canterbury at 4½d. Buyers are not inclined to make forward purchases at present prices. The beef market is very firm. Supplies from the River Plate are small. Hind and forequarters are quoted at 4½d and 4d respectively. The butter market is steady, but is not likely to advance. Supplies are increasing, and buyers are holding back, expecting prices to go lower. October imports exceed those of the corresponding period of last year by 30,156 cwt. Choice New Zealand is quoted at 116s, Danish at 123s, and Siberian at 104s. Transactions in cheese are very limited. The market is quiet. Canadian makes are quoted at 63s per cwt. The hemp market is quiet, and prices are slightly weaker. Moderate business has been done at £36 1s for g.f.a.q. Wellington, on spot, at £35 5s; for January-March shipment, fair current, on spot, is quoted at £42 per ton. The cocksfoot seed market is dull, and there is scarcely any demand. Nominal quotation for 17lb bright clean, dressed seed is 44s per cwt.

Invercargill Prices Current:—Wholesale—Butter, (farm), 8d; separator, 11. Butter (factory), pats, 1s 1½d. Eggs, 3d per dozen. Cheese, 7d. Hams, 9d. Barley, 2s to 2s 6d. Chaff, £3 5s per ton. Flour, £9-10s to £10. Oatmeal, £11 to £11-10s. Bran, £4. Pollard, £4 10s. Potatoes, £10. Retail—Farm butter, 10d; separator, 1s. Butter (factory), pats, 1s 4d. Cheese, 9d. Eggs, 10d dozen. Bacon, 10d. Hams, 9d. Flour—200lb, 21s; 50lb, 5s 9d; 25lb, 3s. Oatmeal—50lb, 6d 6d; 25lb, 3s 6d. Pollard, 8s per bag. Bran, 5s. Chaff 2s. Potatoes, 12s per cwt.

Messrs. Stronach, Morris, and Co. report:—

Oats.—Business in this line during the week has been very quiet, stocks in store being very small. We quote: Prime milling, 2s 1d to 2s 1½d; best feed sorts, up to 2s 1d.

Wheat.—No alteration since last report. Millers are not inclined to buy anything except prime milling, and then only sparingly. Fowl wheat, of which there is plenty offering, meets with a steady local sale. Quotations: Prime milling, 3s 4d to 3s 5d; medium, to 3s 3d; fowl wheat, 2s 9d to 3s 2d (sacks extra).

Potatoes.—The supply from the country has fallen off during the week, causing a slight advance in prices, although inferior lines are hard to get rid of. Prime Derwents and up-to-dates, £11 to £12; medium to good, £9 10s to £10 (sacks in).

Chaff.—Nothing but prime quality has any attention from buyers, and recently changes hands on arrival, inferior stuff being hard to place. Prime oaten sheaf is worth £3 12s 6d to £3 17s 6d; medium to good, £2 15s to £3 10s.

Messrs. Donald Reid and Co. (Ltd.) report:—

We held our weekly auction sale of grain and produce at our stores on Monday, when we submitted a full catalogue. The attendance was small, and compe-

dition: only moderate. Most of the lots on offer, however, changed hands at prices about on a par with late quotations. Values ruled as under:—

Oats.—Local stocks are now considerably reduced, and most of those still on hand are A grade, for which holders are not disposed to accept prices offered by shippers. The demand for export is chiefly for B grade, and in this quality more business was done during last week. Quotations: Prime milling, 2s 1d to 2s 1½d; good to best feed, 2s to 2s 0½d; inferior to medium, 1s-10d to 1s 1½d per bushel (sacks extra).

Wheat.—There is no change to report either in values or demand. Prime milling is the only class in favor with millers, and even for this quality their requirements are not heavy. Medium quality is practically neglected. Fowl wheat is offering freely, and for best whole wheat and clean seconds there is steady demand. Quotations: Prime milling, 3s 4d to 3s 5d; medium to good, 3s 2½d to 3s 3½d; whole fowl wheat, 3s to 3s 2d; broken, damaged, and good seconds, 2s 9d to 3s per bushel (sacks extra).

Potatoes.—The market is kept fairly well supplied with Australian potatoes, but in other respects consignments have fallen off. For all prime, sound lots—Derwents or white sorts—there is strong demand at prices in advance of late quotations. Indifferent quality and small sorts are without attention and difficult to quit. Quotations: Prime table Derwents, £11 to £12; medium to good, £9-10s to £10-10s; small and inferior (according to quality), £2 to £3 per ton (sacks included).

Chaff.—The market continues to be well supplied with chaff of medium to good quality. Prime bright oaten sheaf has good demand, and is readily quit on arrival, but for other sorts there is no inquiry. Quotations: Prime oaten sheaf, £3 12 6d to £3 17s 6d; medium to good, £3 5s to £3 10s; inferior and light, £2 15s to £3 5s per ton (bags extra).

WOOL.

Adelaide, November 13.—At the wool sales 26,000 bales were catalogued, which is a world's record for a single day. Competition was very keen, the Bradford and American buyers being present in full strength, though the Continental buyers were not much in evidence. Nearly the whole quantity was sold, prices for good wools generally being ¼d up.

Messrs. Stronach, Morris, and Co. report:—

Rabbitskins.—No sale since last report. Owing to small quantities now offering sales are now held fortnightly.

Sheepskins.—We offered a medium-sized catalogue on Tuesday, prices being up to last week's rates, with the exception of merinos, which declined fully 1d per lb. Best halfbreds are worth 10½d, crossbreds up to 8½d, merinos 7d, lambs up to 2s each.

Hides.—No sale to report. Next auction Thursday, 15th inst.

Tallow and Fat.—Market very firm, with an upward tendency owing to several new buyers being in the field. Best tallow, 19s to 22s; best rough fat, up to 16s 6d.

Late Burnside Stock Report

Per favor Donald Reid & Co.

Fat Cattle.—167 head yarded, these consisting of more than the usual proportion of prime bullocks, which were firm at last week's rates. Medium cattle, however, did not meet with the same attention, and prices were slightly easier. Prime bullocks, £10 to £11-10s; medium to good, £8 to £9-5s; light, £5-10s to £7 10s; best cows and heifers, £7 15s to £8-2s 6d; medium to good, £5-5s to £6 15s.

Sheep.—The yarding numbered 1061—about half the number required for this market. Prices in consequence rose considerably, and the following rates were obtained: Extra prime heavy wethers, 31s 9d to 33s 3d; prime, 24s to 27s 6d; medium to good, 22s to 23s 6d; light, 19s to 20s 6d; extra heavy ewes, 25s to 31s; medium to good, 20s 6d to 22s; light, 16s to 19s.

Lambs.—130 yarded. All prime lambs met with a brisk sale at the following quotations: Prime lambs, 18s to 19s 9d; medium to good, 13s 6d to 17s; others 10s 6d to 12s.

Pigs.—There was a small yarding of 90. Some half a dozen pens were suckers, and these sold under good competition at last week's rates. Choppers and baconers were in short supply, and sold at satisfactory prices. Suckers, 16s to 18s; slips, 18s 6d to 21s; stores, 23s to 27s; porkers, 33s to 42s; light baconers, 45s to 49s; heavy do, 53s to 63s.