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PRODUCE

Wellington, May 13.—The Department of Industries and Commerce has received the following cable from the High Commissioner in London:—Mutton.—The market and Commerce has received the following caste from the High Commissioner in London:—Mutton.—The market is quiet, but rather steadier. There is a good local demand for light-weights. The average price for Canterbury is 4d, and for North Island, 3\frac{1}{2}d. Lamb.—The market is active, with a good demand. Canterbury brands are at 5\frac{1}{2}d, and others at 5\frac{1}{2}d per lb. Beef.—The market is steady, and fair business is doing. Quotations are 3\frac{2}{3}d and 5d for hind and forequarters respectively. Butter.—The market is steady, and there is a better demand for choice quality New Zealand at 99s. Medium quality is in large supply at unchanged rates. Danish butter is quoted at 105s, and Siberian at 91s. Cheese.—The market is firm, with more inquiry. Hemp.—The market prospects are favorable. Good fair grade on the spot is quoted at £35 10s; May to July shipments, £35; fair grade on spot, £31 10s; May to July shipments, £31. Ccc'sfood Seed.—The market is firm, and there are light stocks on hand. Buyers are offering more freely. Clean bright New Zealand seed, 17th to the bushel, is quoted at £51s.

Invercargill Prices Current:—Wholeral. —Butter, (farm), 9d; separator, 10d. Butter (factory), pats, 1s 0½. Eggs, 1s 6d per dozen. Cheese, 7d. Hams, 9d. Barley, 2s to 2s 6d. Chaff, £4 per ton. Flour, £9 to £9 10s. Oatmeal, £14 10s to £15. Bran, £4 5s. Pollard, £5 to £5 10s. Potatoes, £4. Retail—Farm, butter, 11d; separator, 1s. Butter (factory), pats, 1s 2d. Cheese, 9d. Eggs, 1s 9d per dozen. Bacon, 10d. Hams, 10d. Flour—200fbs, 20s. Gatmeal—50fbs, 8s 3d; 25fbs, 4s 6d. Pollard, 9s 6d. Bran, 5s. Chaff, 2s 6d. Potatoes, 6s per cwt. per cwt.

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

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We held our weekly auction sale of grain and produce at our stores on Monday. Our catalogue comprised most of the lines in local demand. There was a good attendance of buyers, and we cleared the bulk of our catalogue at satisfactory prices. We quote:—

Oats.—There is no change to report in this market. Arrivals have been small, and all lines meet with ready sale at late quotations. Clean, bright, samples suitable for seed have had good imjury from farmers during the past week. We quote: Special seed Incs, 2s 10d to 3s; others, to 2s 9d; prime milling, 2s 6½d to 2s 7d; good to best feed, 2s 6d to 2s 6½d; medium and discolored, 2s 4d to 2s 5½d per bushel (sacks extra).

Wheat.—Consignments are not coming forward freely, and for all classes there is strong demand at prices which show an improvement in late valves. For specially good clean lines, true to name, there is ready sale for seed. Fowl wheat has become scarcer, and shares the general advance in prices. We quote: Seed lines, 3s 8d to 3s 9d; prime milling, 3s 6½d to 3s 8d; medium, milling and best whole fowl wheat, 3s 4d to 3s 6d; seconds and damaged, 3s to 3s 2d per Bushel (sacks extra).

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Chaff.—Consignments during the past week have been equal to the demand, and prices remain unchanged. Prime outen sheaf has most attention, although medium

quality has been more saleable than of late. Straw chaff, quality has been more saleable than of late. Straw chaff, both oaten and wheaten, has good inquiry as feed for cattle. We quote: Prime oaten sheaf, £4 15s to £5; medium to good, £4 7s 6d to £4 12s 6d; light and inferior, £3 15s to £4 5s; wheaten straw chaff, £2 5s to £2 10s; oaten, £2 12s 6d to £2 17s 6d per ton (bags extra).

Pressed Straw.—Oaten straw is scarce, and has good inquiry at 50s to 52s 6d. The market is better supplied with wheaten, which sells readily at 35s to 40s per ton.

per ton.
Turnips.—These are in short supply. We quote:
Swedes, 20s to 22s 6d per ton, loose, ex truck.

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

Wheat.-Buyers are still sufficient for all consignwheat.—Buyers are still suincient for an consegu-ments coming forward, and there is if anything an im-provement in values. Quotations: Prime milling, 3s 6½d to 3s 8d; medium do, 3s 4½d to 3s 6d; best whole fowl wheat, 3s 4d to 3s 5½d; inferior, 3s to 3s 3d per bushel.

outs.—There is no change since last report, and quotations are as follow: Prime milling, 2s'6½d to 2s 7d; good to best feed, 2s 5½d to 2s 6½d; medium and inferior, 2s 3d to 2s 5½d.

Potatoes.—The demand at present is not too strong, and prime sorts are only worth from £3 15s to £4 per

Chaff.—Prime oaten sheaf, £4 15s to £5; medium to good, £4 7s 6d to £4 12s 6d; light and interior, £3 12s 6d to £4.

WOOL

London, May 12.—The wool sales are very firm at latest rates, and there is very keen bidding. The following were the average prices for the fleece portions of the clips named:—Puketoi 11½d, Teviotdale 13¾d. One hundred and thirteen thousand nine hundred and thirty-five bales have been catalogued to date, and 103 075 rold thirty-five bales 103,075 sold.

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

Rabbitskins.—We offered a fair-sized catalogue on Monday, when the demand was keen, and prices all round showed a rise of ½d to 1d per it. We sold early winters to 15½d, autumns to 14d, spring bucks to 12¾d, spring does to 7¼d, summers to 9¾d, and small 6 s d

Horse hair made from 164d to 183d.

Sheepskins.—We offered a large catalogue on Tuesday, when prices were on a par with last quotations.

Hides.—No sale since last report.

Tallow and Fat.—The market continues firm at late

quotations.

LIVE STOCK

DUNEDIN HORSE SALEYARDS,

Messrs. Wright, Stephenson, and Co., report as follows :-

On Saturday we had a medium entry, consisting mainly of aged draughts, with a few fair quality spring-carters, and a number of stale, light harness horses. Really good young draughts, spring-vanners, spring-carters, and upstanding harness horses are in good demand, but they must be sound and reliable. We quote: Superior young draught geldings, at from £45 to £50; extra good do (prize-winners), at from £50 to £55; superior young draught mares, at from £50 to £60; medium draught mares and geldings, £30 to £40; aged do, £15 to £20; well-matched carriage pairs, £70 to £100; strong spring-van horses, £25 to £30; milk-cart and butchers' order-cart horses, £18 to £25; light hacks, £8 to £13; extra good hacks and harness horses, £18 to £25; weedy and aged do, £5 to £7.

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