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Commercial

PRODUCE

Wellington, September 23.—The following is the High Commissioner's cablegram, dated London, September 21:—Mutton.—The market is firm, but the demand is only moderate. The arrivals are very light. There is no alteration in price since last week. Lamb.—Market very firm, with a good demand. For heavy carcasses Canterbury lamb is quoted at 5½d; other than Canterbury, 5¼d. Beef.—The market closed weak, and lower prices prevail, the quotations being 3¾d and 2¾d per lb for hinds and fores respectively. Butter.—The market is very firm. There is a large demand for better grades. Lower quality is dull of sale. Choicest New Zealand is nominally 109s; Danish, 117s; Irish, 108s; Siberian, 98s. The cheese market is firm. There are only small supplies on hand. Canadian white, 60s; colored, 61s. The hemp market has lost its improvement in price, and closed weak on account of the decline reported from Manila. Good fair grade, on spot, is quoted at £32 5s; fair grade, £29 5s; fair current Manila, £33.

Messrs. Donald Reid and Co., report as follows:—

We held our weekly auction sale of grain and produce at our stores on Monday. There was a fair attendance of buyers, but except for wheat (of which there was little on offer), bidding was not brisk. Still, a fair proportion of our catalogue found buyers at prices about on a par with late quotations. Values ruled as under:—

Oats.—The demand for seed lines is easing off as the season advances, but for all classes of oats which have any inquiry as seed, values are well maintained. Little business is being done for shipment. The rise reported in Australia last week caused some inquiry, which has not yet resulted in actual sales. At present business is chiefly confined to seed lines, and to small lines of feed for local use. We quote: Choice seed lines, 3s 4d to 3s 6d; good, 3s 2d to 3s 3d; prime milling, 3s to 3s 1d; good to best feed, 2s 11d to 3s; inferior to medium, 2s 9d to 2s 10½d per bushel (sacks extra).

Wheat.—Local stocks are much reduced, and in consequence few sales can be reported. Choice milling lines are readily taken by millers, but medium are not so saleable. Fowl wheat is scarce, and most of the medium quality offering is being used as such. We quote: Seed lines, 4s 10d to 5s; prime milling, 4s 8d to 4s 9d; whole fowl wheat and medium milling, 4s 6d to 4s 7d; broken and damaged, 4s 2d to 4s 4d per bushel (sacks extra).

Potatoes.—There is no change to report. Consignments continue to arrive freely, and in the case of white sorts cannot be placed at any advance on late values. Prime Derwents are not so plentiful, and have fair inquiry. Medium and inferior sorts are difficult to quit. We quote: Choice Derwents, £3 to £3 5s; medium, £2 5s to £2 15s; best Up-to-dates and other white sorts, £2 7s 6d to £2 10s; fair to good, £2 2s 6d to £2 5s; inferior to medium, £1 10s to £2 per ton (bags included).

Straw.—We quote: Oaten, 52s 6d to 55s; wheaten, 42s 6d to 45s per ton (pressed).

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

Wheat.—Quotations: Seed lines, 4s 10d to 5s; prime milling, 4s 8d to 4s 9d; whole fowl wheat, 4s 6d to 4s 7d; broken and damaged, 4s 2d to 4s 4d per bushel, ex store (sacks extra).

Oats.—Seed lines, 3s 4d to 3s 6d; good, 3s 2d to 3s 3d; prime milling, 3s to 3s 1d; good to best feed, 2s 11d to 3s; inferior to medium, 2s 9d to 2s 10½d per bushel, ex store (sacks extra).

WOOL

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

Rabbitskins.—The usual sale was held on Monday, when bidding was not so brisk, and prices hardly so good as at the previous week's sale, although we received 24½d for a very prime line of winter does. There was a drop of about ¼d per lb in good skins, but second quality were not so much in demand, and dropped 1d. We sold prime winter does up to 24½d, medium 19d to 21½d, good 17½d to 18½d, mixed up to 5½d, early winters 12½d to 14d, autumns 12d to 14d, summers to 8½d, small 6½d.

Sheepskins.—Best halfbred, 9½d to 10d; medium to good, 8d to 9d; best crossbred, 8½d to 9½d; medium to good, 7d to 8½d; light and inferior, 5½d to 6½d; best merinos, 7½d to 8d; medium to good, 5½d to 6½d.

Hides.—Quotations: Prime stout ox, 6½d to 6¾d; good heavy do, 5½d to 6d; medium weight do, 4½d to 5½d; light weight do, 4d to 4½d; staggy and inferior, 3d to 3½d; good heavy cow hides, 4½d to 5½d; medium weight, 4d to 4½d; light weight, 4d to 4½d; inferior, 2d to 3½d; yearlings, 1½d to 3½d; caliskins, 2d to 6d.

Tallow and Fat.—Best rendered tallow, 22s to 26s; medium, 18s to 21s; inferior, 14s to 15s 6d; best rough fat, 17s to 19s; medium, 14s 6d to 16s.

Late Burnside Stock Report

Fat Cattle.—241 head yarded. Prices were about 10s per head lower than those ruling last week. Best bullocks, £10 15s to £11 15s (two extra heavy bullocks were sold at £12 10s and £15); good, £9 10s to £10 10s; medium, £8 to £9; best cows and heifers, £9 to £10; good, £7 to £8; light and inferior, £4 10s to £5 10s.

Sheep.—1570 forward. Prices were on a par with those ruling last week. Best wethers, 24s to 26s; good, 22s 6d to 23s 6d; best ewes, 22s to 23s; others, 18s 6d to 20s.

Lambs.—There were 11 forward, which sold at from 20s to 24s.

Pigs.—120 penned, prices being about equal to those ruling last week. Suckers, 14s to 16s; slips, 18s to 21s; porkers, 34s to 42s; baconers, 50s to 60s; choppers, up to 75s.

TEMUKA

(From our own correspondent.)

A mission will commence at Pleasant Point on Sunday next.

On Thursday last a team from the local Catholic Club journeyed to Oamaru and played a football match with the club there. The game was a very good one, and ended in favor of the home team by 30 to 6. The Temuka representatives were entertained by their opponents before leaving for home.

The weekly meeting of the Temuka Catholic Club was held on Tuesday last, the president, Mr. J. Barry, presiding over a large attendance of members. The programme for the evening took the form of a breach of promise case. The jury brought in a verdict for the defendant. This was by far the most amusing meeting yet held by the club.

A mission by the Redemptorist Fathers was opened in St. Joseph's Church on Sunday last by the Very Rev. Father Clune. There was a very large congregation at the 10.30 Mass, when a very impressive sermon was preached by the missionary, who also preached in the evening. On Monday the Rev. Father MacDermott, who is assisting Father Clune, arrived. There are three Masses every morning and instructions for the children every afternoon. In the evening there are Rosary, sermon, and Benediction.

Messrs Dwan Bros., Hotel Brokers and Financers of Willis St. Wellington, report the sale of Messrs Jowsey and Lane's interest in the United Service Hotel, Christchurch, to Mr. Maurice Lyons, late of the Club Hotel, Greytown North....

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