



FOR THE FOLLOWING REASONS

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| <p>FIRST.
Boots with this Brand on the heel are Guaranteed to Fit and Wear well.</p> | <p>SECOND.
On this Brand only the Very Best of Workmen are employed.</p> | <p>THIRD.
Only the Very Best of Materials are used in this Brand of Boots and Shoes.</p> | <p>FOURTH.
Farmers, Miners, and all who want to keep their feet dry, try this Brand.</p> | <p>FIFTH.
The "STANDARD" Brand Boots and Shoes are known from Auckland to the Bluff for sterling quality.</p> |
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Commercial.

(For week ending June 6.)

MR. J. A. CHAPMAN, Sharebroker, Dunedin, reports as follows:

BANKS.—National, from 2/18/0 to 3/0/0; New South Wales, from 39/0/0 to 40/0/0; Union of Australia, Ltd., 35/0/0 to 36/0/0; Bank of Australasia, 65/0/0 to 65/10/0.

INSURANCE.—National, from 16/6 to 17/0; New Zealand, 3/1/0 to 3/2/0; South British, 2/14/0 to 2/16/0; Standard, 14/0 to 14/3.

SHIPPING.—New Zealand Shipping, from 4/15/0 to 4/17/6; Union Steam, 10/6/0 to 10/9/0.

COAL.—Westport from 3/8/0 to 3/8/6.

LOAN AND AGENCY.—Commercial Property and Finance Company, from 5/0 to 5/6; National Mortgage, 26/0 to 27/0; Perpetual Trustees, 12/6 to 13/0; Trustees and Executors, 29/6 to 30/6.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Kaiapoi Woollen Co., from 6/5/0 to 6/6/0; Mornington Tramway, 16/0 to 16/6; Mosgiel Woollen, 4/0/0 to 4/2/0; New Zealand Drug, 2/12/0 to 2/13/0; New Zealand Drug, new issue, 1/18/6 to 1/19/0; Milburn Lime and Cement, 2/0/0 to 2/1/0; do., new issue, 19/6 to 20/6 (30/- paid); Otago Daily Times, 13/4/0 to 13/5/6; Emu Bay Railway, 7/6 to 8/6; Wellington Woollen, 4/17/6 to 5/0/0; Silverton Tram, 4/14/0 to 4/16/0; New Zealand Refrigerating, 1/5/0 to 1/7/0; Roslyn Tramway, 5/3 to 5/9.

GOLDFIELDS.—Reefton: Big River Extended, from 7/0 to 8/0; Keep-it-Dark, 23/0 to 24/6; Alpine Extended, 2/6 to 2/9; Croesus Paparoa, 4/0 to 4/9.

DREDGING COMPANIES.—Chatto Creek, 30/0 to 31/0; Clyde 92/0 to 94/0; Dunedin, 12/6 to 13/0; Empire, 4/15/0 to 4/17/0; Enterprise, 87/0 to 89/0; Evan's Flat, 28/0 to 29/0; Etrick, 2/6 to 3/0; Golden Gate, 150/0 to 157/6; Golden Beach, 57/0 to 58/0; Golden Point, 26/0 to 28/0; Tuapeka, 34/0 to 35/0; Vincent, 65/0 to 66/0; Hartley and Riley, 13/8/0 to 13/10/0; Jutland Flat, 3/0 to 3/6 (contrib.); Macraes Flat, 4/0 to 5/0; Golden Run, 57/0 to 59/0; Golden Terrace, 7/6 to 8/6; Magnetic, 61/0 to 65/0; Matau, 5/15/0 to 6/0/0; Molyneux Hydraulic (B), 28/0 to 31/0; Nevis, 21/0 to 22/0; Otago, 39/0 to 41/0; Upper Waipori, 3/0 to 3/6; Waimumu, 28/0 to 29/0; Sunlight, 29/0 to 30/0; Cromwell, 75/0 to 77/0 (prem); Riverbank, 4/6 to 5/0; Nil Desperandum, 23/6 to 24/0; Klondyke, 20/0 to 21/0; Waikaka Forks, 4/6 to 6/0 (prem.); Dunstan Leads, 41/0 to 42/0; Ophir, 3/6 to 4/0; Golden Gravel, 1/0 to 1/6; Dunstan Pioneer, 1/3 to 1/6; Golden Reward, 9d to 1/0; Halfway House, 31/0 to 33/0; Central Electric, 96/0 to 99/0; Gold King, 7/6 to 8/6; Vincent Extended, 32/0 to 33/0; Electric, 61/0 to 62/0.

SLUICING COMPANIES.—Moonlight (contrib.), 13/0 to 14/0; Roxburgh Amalgamated (contrib.), 6/9 to 7/0; Deep Stream, 19/0 to 20/0

PRODUCE.

London, May 30.—The total quantity of wheat and flour afloat for the United Kingdom is 3,025,000 quarters, and for the Continent, 1,770,000. The Beniarig's cargo sold at about 28s 4½d. Argentine grain shipments in bulk are proving a great success. Since January 16 steamers have brought 30,000 tons to Liverpool.

Napier, May 31.—Messrs. Nelson Brothers have received the following cable from the C.C. and D. Company, London: 'Best Canterbury mutton, 5d; Dunedin and Southland, 4½d; Napier, 4½d. Lamb: First quality, 5½d; second do, 5½d.'

London, May 31.—Wheat: Large supplies and fine weather have caused a stagnation and depressing markets. The French market is firm. The Sterling and Akersha's cargoes of Victorian wheat sold at 28s 9d; also 10,000 quarters of Victorian (prompt delivery) at 20s.

Colonial rabbits (flat), 7d to 7½d.
London, June 3.—Frozen Mutton: The market is unchanged. Lamb: Prime Canterbury, 6d; fair average (including Dunedin, Southland, Wellington, and secondary), 5½d. New Zealand beef, 180lb to 220lb, fair average quality—ox forequarters 3 1-16d, hind-quarters 4½d.
The Highfield wheat cargo sold at 29s.

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

OATS.—Our catalogue was composed of medium to good feed lots. There was a fair attendance of buyers, but bidding was not keen, and many of the lots on offer were passed in. We quote: Prime milling, 1s 8d to 1s 9d; good to best feed, 1s 6d to 1s 7d; medium and inferior, 1s 5d to 1s 6d per bushel (sacks extra).

WHEAT.—We offered a quantity of broken and seconde, for which there was no demand, and sold best whole fowl wheat at 1s 11d to 2s per bushel (sacks in).

POTATOES.—The market is heavily supplied, and a poor demand was experienced to-day, best Derwents realising only L2 per ton (sacks in).

CHAFF.—We catalogued a quantity of medium, which is entirely out of request, in most cases no offer being received. Prime quality is scarce, and readily placed. We quote: Good to prime, L2 7s 6d to L2 15s; medium, L2 to L2 5s per ton (bags extra).

Messrs. Stronach Bros. and Morris report as follows:—

WHEAT.—Prime milling is in fair demand, but other sorts are almost unsaleable. Prime milling, 2s 5d to 2s 6½d; medium, 2s 2d to 2s 4d; fowl wheat (whole), 1s 10d to 2s; do (broken), 1s 6d to 1s 9d per bushel (sacks in).

OATS.—Market very dull. Milling, 1s 8d to 1s 9d; good to best feed, 1s 6½d to 1s 7d; medium, 1s 5½d to 1s 6d per bushel (sacks extra).

CHAFF.—In fair demand. Prime oaten sheaf, L2 15s to L2 17s 6d; medium, L2 7s 6d to L2 12s 6d per ton (bags extra).

POTATOES.—The market is heavily supplied, and prices show a decline of 5s per ton. Best Derwents, L2 per ton (bags in).

MR. F. MEENAN, King street, reports:—Wholesale price only—Oats: Medium to good feed 1s 5d to 1s 7d; milling, 1s 9d. Wheat: milling, 2s 6½; fowls' wheat, plentiful, 1s 6d to 2s 0d. Potatoes: Easier, L1 15s to L2. Kidneys, good, 30s to 37s 0d. Chaff: Medium supply. Inferior, unsaleable; medium to good, L2 to L2 10s. Hay: Ryegrass and clover, best, L3. Straw: loose, 28s; pressed, very scarce, none in market. Bran: L3 10s. Pollard: L4. Flour: Sacks, L6 10s; 50lbs, L7. Oatmeal: Best 25lbs L10 Butter: Dairy, 6d to 8d; factory, 10d to 11d. Cheese: Dairy, 4½d; factory, 5d. Good demand.

AUSTRALIAN COMMERCIAL.

Sydney, May 30.—Wheat: Chick, 2s 1d to 2s 4d; milling, 2s 7½d to 2s 8½d. Flour, L6 to L6 10s. Oats, (feeding): New Zealand, 2s to 2s 4d; Tasmanian, 2s 1d to 2s 3d; local, 1s 9d to 2s. Barley: Cape, 2s 2d to 2s 6d. English, 2s 3d to 2s 4d. Maize: 2s 5d to 2s 6d. Peas: Prussian blue 3s 2d to 3s 6d. Bran, 8d to 8½. Pollard, 8½d. Potatoes: Circular Heads: L2 5s to L2 10s. Onions: Victorian, L2 15s to L3; New Zealand, L3 5s. Butter: Dairy, 8d to 8½d; creamery 9d to 10d. Cheese: New Zealand, medium 6d to 6½d choice loaf 6½d. Bacon, New Zealand hitches, 5½d to 5¾d.

[The above quotations are those ruling between merchant and retailer, and do not represent the slightly lower values obtained by the recognised broker.]

Melbourne, May 30.—Wheat, 2s 8½d to 2s 8½. Oats: Algerian, 2s to 2s 5d; stout, 2s to 2s 4d. Maize (old), 2s 6d. Bran, 8½d to 9½d Pollard, 10d to 10½. Potatoes, L1 12s to L1 17s 6d. Onions, L2 10s to L2 15s.

Adelaide, May 30.—Wheat, 2s 7½d to 2s 8d. Flour, L6 5s to L6 10s. Oats, dun and Algerian, 2s to 2s 6d; stout 2s 6d to 3s. Bran, 9½d to 10d. Pollard, 10½d.