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Commercial.

(For week ending March 6.)

PRODUCE.

London, February 28.—The Ophelia's cargo of wheat has been sold at 30s 3d.

Napier, March 1.—Nelson Bros. have received the following cable to-day regarding the London frozen meat market: 'Stocks afloat and arriving are very heavy, and there is a further fall in value to-day. Quotations are: Best Canterbury, 4½d per lb; Napier and North Island, 4½d.'

London, March 2.—The wheat markets are quiet but steady. Cargoes are neglected. Victorian January and March shipments are quoted at 29s 9d, and sailer parcels at 29s 3d.

Butter is flat and in poor demand. Colonial is unchanged and tending downwards; Danish, 110s.

Rabbits: Colonial are dull at about 7½d.

London, March 3.—Frozen Mutton—Crossbred wethers and maiden ewes: Canterbury, 4½d; Dunedin and Southland, 4½d; North Island, 4d. Lamb: Prime Canterbury, 6d; fair average (including Dunedin, Southland, Wellington, and secondary Canterbury), 5½d. River Plate crossbred or merino wethers, heavy and light, both 3½d. New Zealand beef (180lb to 220lb, fair average quality: Ox fores, 3½d; hinds, 3½d).

Wheat.—The Angerona's cargo sold at 30s 1½d.

Wellington, March 4.—The Agricultural department has received the following cable from the Agent-general, dated 3rd March:—'Butter, 100s; demand good. New Zealand butter is giving satisfaction to buyers. Cheese, 50s; market dull. Consider that the prices for cheese are likely to improve. Hemp market very firm; good, fair W.N., L23 10. Auction sales this week closed with strong demand. Cocksfoot, nominal.'

MR. F. MEENAN, King street, reports:—Wholesale prices only—Oats: Feed, fair to good, 1s 4d to 1s 6d; milling, 1s 6d to 1s 7d. Wheat: milling, 2s 5d to 2s 6d; fowls', 1s 9d to 2s 2d. Potatoes: New, local, L5. Chaff: Good demand for prime up to L2 12s 6d; inferior, hard to sell; medium, L2 5s. Straw: pressed 35s, market bare; loose, 30s. Flour: Sacks, 200lbs, L6 10s; 50lbs, L7; 25lbs, L7 5s. Oatmeal: 25lbs, L9 10s. Butter: Dairy, 6d to 8d; factory, 9½d to 10½d. Cheese: Dairy, 5d; factory, 5½d. Eggs, 1s. Onions: Melbourne, L9 10s; Canterbury, L6 10s.

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

Oats—Our catalogue was composed chiefly of medium and inferior quality, for which competition was slack, only a few lots being disposed of. We quote: Prime milling, 1s 6d to 1s 6½d; good to best feed, 1s 5d to 1s 6d; inferior, and medium 1s 2d to 1s 4½d per bushel (sacks extra).

WHEAT—Prime milling is in fair demand at late quotations. Medium quality is not strongly in favor, but good whole fowl wheat meets with steadier demand. We quote: Prime milling, 2s 6d to 2s 7d; medium to good, 2s 3d to 2s 5d; whole fowl wheat, 2s to 2s 2d; broken, 1s 8d to 1s 11d per bushel (sacks in).

POTATOES—We catalogued good to best Derwents and kidneys, which met with good competition, and were cleared at prices on a par with late values. We quote: Best Derwents L5 to L5 10s; medium, L4 10s to L4 15s; best kidneys, L1 10s to L5; others L4 to L4 10s per ton (sacks in).

CHAFF—The market on Monday was fully supplied, and values for most classes were a shade weaker. We quote: Prime oaten sheaf, L2 7s 6d to L2 12s 6d; medium, L2 to L2 5s; inferior, L1 10s to L1 15s per ton (bags extra).

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

OATS—There has recently been a falling off in the demand and transactions for the past week have been on a lower level. Quotations: Prime milling, 1s 6d to 1s 6½d; good to best feed, 1s 5d to 1s 6d; other sorts, 1s 2d to 1s 4½d per bushel (sacks extra, ex store).

WHEAT—Prime milling and fowl wheat is inquired for. Grades between these are difficult to place. Milling, 2s 6d to 2s 7d; medium, 2s 3d to 2s 5d; whole fowl wheat, 2s to 2s 2d; broken, 1s 8d to 1s 11d per bushel (sacks in).

POTATOES—Market unchanged. Best Derwents, L5 to L5 10s; do kidneys, L4 10s to L5.

CHAFF—Full supplies. Best, L2 7s 6d to L2 12s 6d; medium, L2 to L2 5s; inferior, L1 10s to L1 15s per ton (bags extra).

SOUTHLAND PRODUCE MARKET.

Invercargill prices current:—Wholesale: Butter, fresh, 7d, factory, bulk, 10d; pats, 10½d; eggs, 1s per doz; cheese, farm, 3½d; bacon, farm, 7d; do (rolled) farm, 6d; hams 8d; potatoes, L4 per ton; barley, 2s to 2s 6d; fowl wheat, 2s; chaff, L2 10s; flour, L6 10s to L7 5s; oatmeal, L9 10s to L10; pollard, L4; bran, L3 10s, including bags. Retail—Fresh butter, 9d, factory, bulk, 1s; pats, 1s 0½d; eggs, 1s 3d per doz; cheese, 6d; bacon, rolled, 8d, sliced 9d; hams, 10d; potatoes, 5s per cwt; flour, 200lbs, 14s; 50lb, 4s; oatmeal, 50lb, 6s; 25lb, 3s; pollard, 6s 6d per bag; bran, 4s per bag; chaff, L3 per ton; fowls' feed, 2s 9d per bushel.

WOOL, SKINS, TALLOW, ETC.

London, March 1.—The Bradford wool market is steady. Common sixties, 17½d; super, 18½d. For the Antwerp sales fixed for the 6th and 8th inst. there are 7261 bales available, including 1414 Australian.

LIVE STOCK.

ADDINGTON STOCK MARKET.

The entries at the Addington market comprised 4000 fat sheep, 3671 fat lambs, 11,850 store sheep, 400 cattle, and 350 pigs.

FAT CATTLE—158 head yarded, mostly light weights. Bidding was erratic, and beef was easier. Good to prime realised 20s 6d to 22s 6d, and others 17s 6d to 20s. Steers sold at from L6 12s 6d to L9 10s; heifers, L5 17s 6d to L7 17s 6d, and up to L8 10s for extra prime; cows, L4 5s to L7 12s 6d. Store cattle were easier.

FAT SHEEP—These were mostly inferior, and of secondary quality, and prices for all sorts were easier. Best wethers brought from 17s 6d to 19s 3d; others, down to 16s; best ewes, 14s to 16s 6d; others, 9s to 13s. Fat lambs were fully 1s lower, the prices realised being 13s 6d to 15s 6d for prime quality; inferior and others, 11s to 12s 6d.

STORE SHEEP—These were mostly rough sorts, and prices were easier, but good sheep about held their own. Good wethers brought from 16s to 16s 2d; inferior Chatham Islanders, 10s 7d to 11s 10d; good young ewes, 16s to 19s; medium, 12s to 14s 6d; inferior, 10s 3d. Lambs sold rather better at from 11s 2d to 12s 7d.

PIGS—There was a short supply of fats, which caused a brisk sale. Baconers brought 35s to 40s, or 3½d per lb; porkers, 22s to 33s 6d, or 3½d per lb. Strong stores were in demand for stubbling at from 12s to 25s; and small pigs, which were not wanted, brought from 8s to 11s.

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