

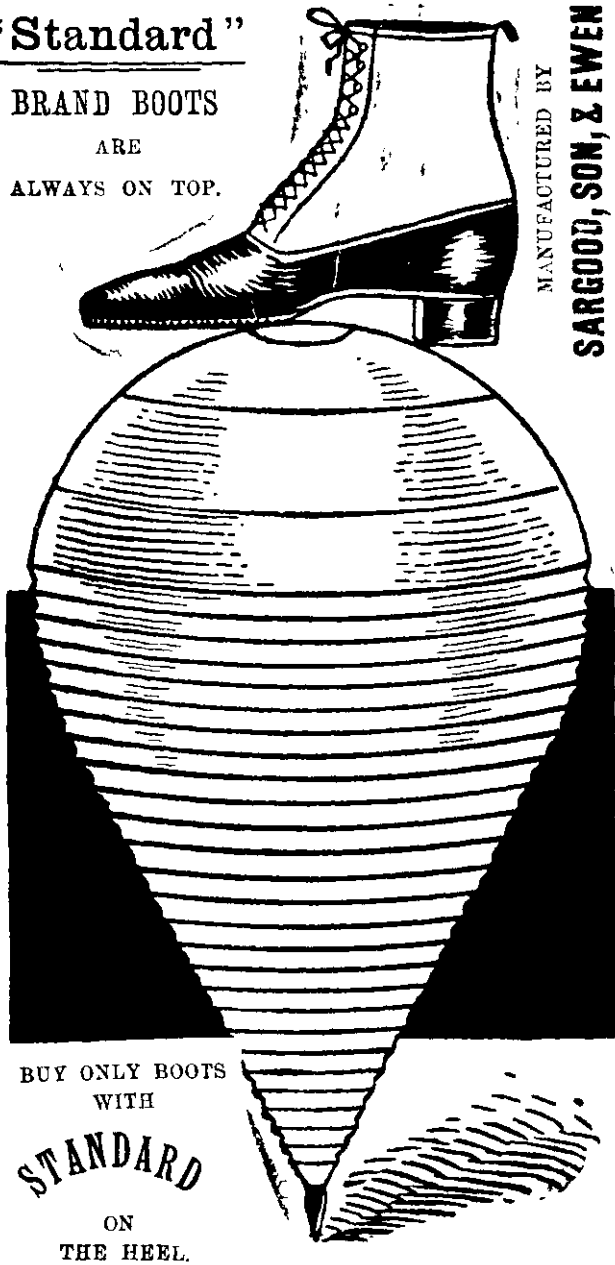
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(For week ending May 29.)

PRODUCE.

London, May 24.—The wheat market is firm. American is recovering after its decline, on account of more favorable crop reports. Cargoes are firmer. Victorian March shipment, 29s 9d; April, 29s 6d. For cargoes off the coast 30s 3d is asked.

London, May 26.—Frozen mutton and lamb: All New Zealand sorts unchanged. River Plate (heavy), 2½d; light, 2½d. New Zealand beef: 180lb to 220lb, fair average quality—ox fores, 2½d; ox hinds, 3 11-16d.

Wellington, May 27.—The Agent-General telegraphs to the Agricultural Department, under date 25th May:—'There is no alteration in the cheese or butter markets since last week. The mutton market is very dull, and is glutted with heavy carcasses. Canterbury, 4d to 2½d; Dunedin, 3½d to 2½d; North Island, 3½d to 2½d; Australian, 2½d; River Plate, 2½d. Lamb is easier. Canterbury average, 4½d; others, 4½d; Australian, 4½d. Beef, dull. Hinds, 3½d; fores, 2½d.

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

OATS—Prime milling sorts meet with some inquiry, and all good, bright feed lots are readily taken at quotations. Inferior and medium quality do not meet with much attention. We quote: Prime milling, 1s 5½d to 1s 6d; good to best feed, 1s 4d to 1s 5d; inferior to medium, 1s to 1s 3d per bushel (sacks extra).

WHEAT—The market is unchanged. Prime milling lots are in good demand, but medium quality is not in favor. Good whole fowl wheat finds ready buyers at quotations. 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—The market continues to be well supplied, but all good to prime lots are saleable at late values. We quote: Best Derwents, L3 to L3 2s 6d—choice to L3 5s; medium, L2 15s to L2 17s 6d per ton (sacks in).

CHAFF—The market is over-supplied, and the reduced prices quoted last week cannot yet be improved upon. We offered about 60 tons to-day, and sold best oaten sheaf at L2 2s 6d to L2 6s; medium to good, L1 15s to L2 per ton (bags extra).

MR. F. MEENAN, King street, reports:—Wholesale prices only—Oats: Feed, fair to good, 1s 2d to 1s 4d; milling, 1s 5½d to 1s 6d. Wheat: Milling, 2s 5d to 2s 7d; fowls', 1s 9d to 2s 2d. Potatoes: Market bare; Southern, L2 15s; Oamaru, L3 2s 6d. Chaff: Good demand for prime up to L2 7s 6d; inferior, hard to sell: medium, L2. Straw: pressed 27s 6d, market bare; loose, 32s 6d. Flour: Sacks, 200lbs, L7; 60lbs, L7; 26lbs, L7 5s. Oatmeal: 25lbs, L9. Butter: Dairy, 6d to 8½d; factory, 11d to 11½d. Cheese: Dairy, 4½d; factory, 5d. Eggs, scarce, 1s 10d. Onions: Canterbury, L9 10s.

Messrs Stronach Bros. and Morris report as follows:—**WHEAT**—Market unchanged. Prime milling, 2s 6d to 2s 7d; medium, 2s 3d to 2s 5d; fowl wheat (whole), 2s to 2s 2d; do (broken), 1s 9d to 1s 11d per bushel (sacks in).

OATS—In good demand, prices showing an advance of ¼d to 1d per bushel; milling, 1s 5½d to 1s 6½d; good to best feed, 1s 4d to 1s 5d; medium, 1s 2d to 1s 3½d per bushel (sacks extra).

CHAFF—Market over supplied. Prime oaten sheaf, L2 2s 6d to L2 5s; medium, L1 15s to L2 per ton (bags extra).

POTATOES—In steady demand. Prime Derwents, L3 to L3 5s; medium, L2 15s to L2 17s 6d per ton (bags in).

WOOL SKINS, TALLOW, ETC.

London, May 24.—The Bradford wool market is quiet. Common sixties, 18½d; super, 19½d.

Messrs. Stronach Bros. and Morris report as follows:—**RABBITSKINS**—Market firm. Winter greys, 13½d to 15d; autumn, 10d to 13d; summers, 6d to 9d; blacks, up to 19d per lb.

SHEEPSKINS—Market unchanged.

HIDES—In good demand. Prime heavy ox, 4½d to 4¾d; medium, 3¾d to 4½d; light, 3½d to 3¾d; cow hides, 3½d to 4½d per lb.

TALLOW—Best rendered mutton, 17s to 18s 6d; medium, 14s to 16s; rough fat, 11s to 12s 6d per cwt.

LIVE STOCK.

DUNEDIN HORSE SALEYARDS.

Messrs. Wright, Stephenson and Co. report as follows:—We had a fair entry of medium draught horses for Saturday's sale, including a score from New South Wales, and a few from South Canterbury. Owing to it being a race day an attempt was made to hold the sale at nine o'clock. Evidently the hour did not suit the public for the attendance was very small, and in consequence the sale was a very poor one. A few aged draughts changed hands at from L20 to L29. We quote: Superior young draught geldings, L40 to L50; extra good, prize horses, L52 to L60; medium draught mares and geldings, L30 to L40; aged do, L22 to L28; upstanding carriage horses, L25 to L30; well-matched carriage pairs, L60 to L80; strong spring-van horses, L25 to L32; milk-cart and butchers' order-cart horses, L18 to L24; tram horses, L12 to L18; light hacks, L8 to L12; extra good hacks, L18 to L25; weedy and aged hacks and harness horses, L2 to L5.

ADDINGTON STOCK MARKET.

Very wet weather prevailed for the Addington market. The entries were small, and business dull.

FAT CATTLE—164 head yarded, mostly light weights, which showed a decline of 7s 6d per head. A few extra prime steers and heifers were taken for freezing at 22s per 100lb, and other sorts realised from 17s to 20s. Extra good steers brought from L8 to L9; others, L6 15s to L7 10s; heifers, L4 15s to L6 15s; best cows, L6 to L7 15s; others, L4 10s to L5 15s.

FAT SHEEP—About 3000 penned, mostly ewes, with a few good wethers. Freezing buyers were not operating, and the trade was in the hands of local butchers. Last week's prices were about upheld. A few extra prime wethers sold at from 19s 6d to 20s 2d; others, 16s to 19s; extra heavy ewes, 18s 6d to 20s; good 14s to 16s 6d; others, 10s 3d to 13s 6d.

FAT LAMBS—2600 penned. Extra prime quality sold well at from 15s to 15s 10d; freezing quality, 13s 6d to 14s 9d; others, 10s 3d to 13s.

STORE SHEEP—3600 penned, mostly wethers. With the exception of extra forward wethers at from 15s 8d, to 16s 6d, very few were sold, and prices were easier. Backward wethers realised 12s 10d, and lambs 9s 1d to 11s.

PIGS—About 450 yarded. Fats were of good quality, and sold better, but stores were neglected. Baconers fetched 32s 6d to 44s 6d, and up to 47s, for extra prime, or equal to 3½d to 3¾ per lb; porkers, 25s to 31s, averaging 3½d per lb; stores, 12s to 21s; suckers and weaners, 4s 6d to 9s 6d.

There are two claims to peerages (says the *Daily News*) at present pending in the House of Lords. In the first case Charles Botolph Joseph Stourton, Baron Mowbray, is claimant to the Earldom of Norfolk; and in the second the Countess of Yarborough and the Countess of Powis are the claimants to the Baronies of D'Arcy de Knayth, Meynill, and Fauconberg. Mr. Asquith, K.C., M.P., has been retained as counsel for the claimants in both cases. The claims will be heard at the Bar of the House of Lords at an early date.