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“At Thainstone on Thursday 16th January, the firm sold 2,667 prime and cast sheep. 1,944 prime hogs met a dearer demand on the week selling to a top of £128 for Texel's off Oldtown Farm, Peterculter and 235.6p per kg for Beltex's from East Bogieside. Well-fleshed continental lambs are again commanding a premium resulting in an increased sale average of 208.8p with the SQQ rising to 213.8p.

723 cast ewes and rams met their dearest trade of the season topping at £175 for Texel's from Mains of Cairnborrow, Glass and averaging £91.21. Whilst continental ewes continued to command a premium trade. Scotch mules sold dearest topping at £108.50 from Mains of Cairnborrow. With numbers falling short of buyers, requirements more are required on a weekly basis.”

Leading Prices per Head and per Kg

Old Season Lambs: Bel – The Byre, Sunnyhill Croft £115, Old Wrangham, Colpy 226.2p; **Tex** – Broadmyre, Clatt £110, Yarpa, Orphir 228.9p; **Cont** – Mapleview, Lumphanan £109.50, Upper Meft, Elgin 223.5p; **TexX** – Smiddyburn Farms, Rothienorman £107.50, Ferniebrae, Meikle Wartle 227.6p; **BeIX** – Milton of Durris, Durris £107, Belnaboth, Glenkindie 222.7p; **ContX** – Penelopefield, Forglen, East Bogieside £106, Pitlundie Farm, North Kessock 222.9p; **Suff** – Mains of Kildrummy, Kildrummy, Rivelfold, Ythanwells, South Mains Balgaveny, Rothienorman £105.50, Fawside, Kinneff 214.8p; **SuffX** – Newmill, Crathes, Berefold, Ellon, Rivelfold, Auchorrie, Midmar £105, East Brachmont, Durris 214.1p; **Down** – East Bogieside, Wester Coull, Tarland, Milton of Durris £104.50, Nether Overhill, New Pitsligo 213.3p; **Mule** – Auchorrie £103.50, Whinnyhaugh, Garmouth 207.7p; **GF** – Shougle, Birnie £103, 201.9p; **DownX** – Bankhead, Clatt £102, East Brachmont 213p; **Black** – Cotbank, Drumlithie £96.50, Upper Weetingshill, Maud 211.9p; **BF** – Achdregnie, Glenlivet £97.50, 211.4p.

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Feeding Ewes: **Tex** – North Lurg, Midmar £173.50; **TexX** – Tillyorn, Corse £172.50; **Cont** – 11 Raemoir Road, Banchory £169; **ContX** – North Bethelnie, Oldmeldrum £163; **Suff** – West Teuchan, Cruden Bay £132.50; **SuffX** – Overton of Ardo, Methlick £130.50; **Down** – Harestone, Crathes £127; **DownX** – Harestone £123.50; **Chv** – North Bethelnie £116.50; **ChvX** – Tillyboy, Echt £112.50; **HB** – North Lurg £109; **Mule** – Mains of Cairnborrow £108.50; **BFL** – Newton of Hassiewells, Rothienorman, Nether Aucharnie, Forgue £108.50; **GF** – Berefold £104.50; **BF** – Bankhead £83.50.

Feeding Rams: **Tex** – Coldhome, Dallas £137.50; **TexX** – Georth, Evie £113; **Cont** – Howe of Rora, Longside £103; **ContX** – Christianhall, Turriff £98; **BF** – Bankhead £91.