

IGHT BE BETTER... Made Is Dragging in Many Jobbing Lines.

RTLY DUE TO THE STRIKE... Floor Business Being Worked

Washington news report that the number of barrels of beer on which a stamp tax was paid during March was 3,515,000 barrels...

Cereals—Wheat, dull, steady; oats and barley, quiet, weak; four, steady, with good local demand.

Meats—Market improved by shipments to found. Provisions—Unchanged.

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continued of a ragged market, and according to one report, sales were made of Oregon at 17 1/2c net to growers. The market appearing to be demoralized, buyers generally having withdrawn from the market awaiting for more settled conditions before they received buyers.

The Journal quotes Pacific Coast hops at New York 1902—Choice, 22 1/2c per pound; medium to prime, 20 1/2c; ordinary, 19 1/2c; 1901—16 1/2c; 1899, 16 1/2c.

WOOL—Shearing is progressing generally throughout the state, but the wool market is not open for at least two weeks yet. Some complaint is heard of the quality of the Valley clip, which is said to be deteriorating.

California wools are still quiet, with no further sales worthy of note. Nice Northern wool sells at a small way at about 50c, clean, middle count at 47 1/2c, and good Fall wools at 43 1/2c.

The Reporter quotes Oregon wools at Eastern seaboard markets as follows: Eastern staple, 16 1/2c per pound; Eastern Oregon choice clothing, 14 1/2c; do average, 13 1/2c; do heavy, 12 1/2c; Valley Oregon No. 1, 12 1/2c; do No. 2, 11 1/2c; do No. 3, 10 1/2c.

Mohair is being marketed in the range of quotations, most of the lots being small. The New York market continues strong, the consumption being unusually large.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES—Strawberries are becoming a common article on Front street, with a quantity of 100 cases. The market yesterday was \$1 per crate.

Meats have ruled generally active. Beef is not plentiful, and is 1/2c higher and firm at that. Sheep are now coming in better.

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