WILL FINANCE CROP

Oregon Hopgrowers' Corporation to Be Formed.

LOAN MONEY TO FARMERS

Idea Is to Prevent Any Further Contracting at Unprofitable Prices. Eastern Market Being Worked Down to Lower Level.

HOPS-Oregon growers to form corporation for financing 1906 crop. BUTTER - Gradual Increase in cream receipts.

EGGS-Small outside orders being

filled. POULTRY-Market holds steady. FRUIT-Three cars of bananas and two of oranges arrive. VEGETABLES-Early Florida to-

matoes received.

advances that growers may require, and ill enable the latter to retain possession of eir crops and not sell them at a loss, M. Durst, of Wheatland, Cal.; Krebs Bros. em, and other prominent growers, are of the movement, and it is said that imple funds are available. Articles of in-

tion will be filed in the near future. The corporation will advance about I cent per pound for cultivation, based on the estiyield of each yard, and later make advances for picking. It will take charge of the hops and sell them at the best

n & Sandness, of Aurora, at 9 cents, bales from A. Pfeifer, of Newberg. bales from A. Pfeifer, of Newberg.

SEANS—Small white, \$c; large white,
with John Ornduff, of Laurel, for

with John Ornduff, of Laurel, for with John Ornduff, of Laurel, for minds at 10 cents for three years, the

TOMATOES FROM FLORIDA.

First Shipment of the Season Reaches Front Street—Bananas and Oranges In.

A feature of the vegetable market yesterday as the receipt of a chipment of tomatoes & Harney, of Miami, and were the first to each the Coast this season. The tomatoes ere quoted at \$6.5097 per crate of six baskets. A lot of Florida bell peppers was also received, and was offered at 25 cents a cound. Fine radishes are being received from Salem, and are bringing 20@25c a dozen.

The three cars of bananas due yesterday orning reached the yards in the afternoon and were hauled before closing hours. Two

HARRIS BUYING HOPS.

Sulem Has Orders at 101/2, but Holders of Choice Are Firm. SALEM, Or., Feb. 21 .- (Special.) -- Joseph

bales at Dayton at 9 cents. There are order here for choice hope at 10 to 101/2 cents, but holders of choice goods are firm. Bank Clearings. Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities sesterday were as follows:

PORTLAND QUOTATIONS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

FLOUR—Patents, \$4.30 @ 4.70 per barrel; straights, \$1.80 @ 4.70; clears, \$1.65 @ 2.50; valley, \$3.80 @ 3.00; Dahota hard wheat, patents, \$5.50 @ 6 clears, \$5; graham, \$5.25 @ 1.75; whole wheat, \$5.75 @ 4; rye flour, local, powdered, \$4.80; granulated, \$4.50.

\$5; Eastern, \$5.25@5.35; cornment, per bale, \$1.90@2.29. \$5. Eastern. \$5.25@3.35; cornmeal. per bale. \$1.50@2.25.

WHEAT—Club, 69c; bluestem, 79c; red. 69c; Valley, 72c.

OATS—No. 1 white feed, \$28@29; gray, \$27.50@58.50 per ton.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, city, \$17; country, \$18 per ton; middlings, \$24.50; shorts, city, \$15; country, \$19 per ton; chop, U. 8. Mills, \$17.50; linseed dairy food, \$18; alfalfa meal, \$18 per ton.

CERREAL FOODS—Rolled onts, cream, 90-pound sacks, \$6.75; lower grades, \$5.25@6.50; catmeal, steeleut, 50-pound sacks, \$1.25 per barel; 19-pound sacks, \$4.25 per bale, split pear, \$3 per 100-pound sacks, \$1.50 per barrel; 19-pound sacks, \$4.25 per bale, split pear, \$3 per 100-pound sacks, \$2.50 per bale; split pear, \$3 per 100-pound sacks, \$2.50 per bale; ground, \$1.60; pear! barley, \$4.25 per 100 pounds; 25-pound boxes, \$1.26 per box; party flour, 10-pound sacks, \$2.50 per bale; BARLEY—Feed, \$22.50@24 per ton; brewing, \$3.62.4.50; rolled, \$2.4.625.

HICKWHEAT—\$2.25 per cental, HAY—Eastern Oregon timothy, \$15.614 per ton; Valley timothy, \$8.69; clover, \$7.50 \$85; cheat, \$56.71; grain bass, \$7.68.

OS: cheat, 36&T; grain has, \$7.98.

Vegetables, Pruits, Etc.

DOMESTIC PRUITS—Apples, \$182.50 per box: cranberries, \$12.50814.50 per box: cranberries, \$12.50814.50 per box: cranges, navels, \$1.7563 per box: Japaness, 60c per single box; tangerines, Japaness, 60c per single box; tangerines, \$1.85 per half box: grapefruit, \$293.25; pincapples, \$3.7564 per dezen; bananas, 5c per pound.

FREEN VEGETABLES—Artichokas, \$1.28 \$1.25 per dozen; asparagus, 15.91c per pound; beans, nominal, cabbage, 15.92 ye ib.; cauliflower, \$1.9082 crate; celerr. \$4 per crate; chickory, 25c; cocumorers, \$1.25\$1.75 per dozen; head istuce, 35.6400 dozen; hothouse, \$1.5081.75; peas, 11c; peppers, 25625c; radishes, 20625c per dozen; tomatose, California, \$2.25 per crate; Florida, \$6.5081 per crate; sprouts, \$4.67c per pound; paraley, 25c.

ROOT VEGETABLES—Turnips, 900@\$1 a sack; carrotz \$5.875c per sack; beetz, \$5c \$31 per sack; garlin; 10.912%c per pound.

ONIONS—Baying prices: Fancy graded Burbanks, 60.95c per bundred; croinsry, nominal; aweet potators, 25.92%c per pound; apricots, 12.91%c; peaches, 10.450

Dominal; aweet potators, 24,674c per pound.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 11612c per pound; apricots, 126124c; peaches, 1046 124c; pears, none; Italian prunes, 34,6 64c; California figs, white, in sacks, 34c pound; black, 455c; bricks, 12-14 ounce packages, 75,985c per box, 58-ounce, 126,240; Smyrns, 20c per pound; dates, Persian, 54,96c pound.

RAISINS—Seeded, 12-ounce packages, 56,84c; 16-ounce, 54,610c; locas nuccatels, 2-crown, 7874c; 3-crown, 74,674c; 4-crown, 56,84c; unbisached seedless Salianas, 687c; Thompson's seedless unbisached, 82,84c; Thompson's seedless unbisached, 82,124c; London layers, 3-crown, whole boxes of 20 pounds, \$1.75; 2-crown, \$2.

Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Etc.

BUTTER-City creameries. Extra cream-ery, 30@32%; per pound. State creameries: Fancy creamery, 27% @30c; store butter, 18@ 10%; 16 hc.

EGGS—Oregon ranch, 16817c per donen.

CHEESE—Oregon full cream, twins, 14 h

\$15c; Young America, 15 h \$16c.

POULTRY—Average old heme, 158184cc;

mixed chicken, 128124c; brollers, 19825c;

young roosters, 126124c; brollers, 19825c;

young roosters, 16c; old roosters, 108104c;

dressed chickens, 14815c; turkeys, live, 16

\$315c; turkeys, dressed, choice, 18925c; geem,

live, pound, 8c; geese, dressed, per pound,

12814c; ducks, 16618c; pigsobs, \$182;

squabs, \$255.

harge of the hops and sell them at the best narket price, through a selling committee hosen by the growers. Everything it to be pen and above board, and the books kept still be a record of each transaction, showing the names of the buyers and sellers and all other particulars. About 70,000 bales of the Diegon crop are thus expected to be handled. The idea of the corporation is to safeguard the members against marketing their hops at a loss, as has been done the past season, and to provide them with all the funds necessary to carry on their operations independently of the hop-dealers. The Chinese growers are to be admitted into the corporation, Andrew Kan, of this city, looking after their interests.

The local market exhibited a fair degree of activity pessenday, notwithstanding the limited supply of hops available. About 550 isless were secured from growers, and a number of transactions occurred between dealers. The largest deal reported was the J. R. Cooper lot of 246 bales at Independence, which was bought by T. A. Biggs, of Dalias, at 9 cents, M. Reinstein bought 54 bales from Anderson & Sandness of Auroia, at 9 cents, and 8 bales from A. Peteler, of Newberg.

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under way is found in the circulars that Horst is sending to Eastern brewers, some of which have found their way back here. The company, in these circulars, offers Oregon hope in carload lots delivered in the East at 11 cents. As Horst has lately paid good prices here, it is not to be expected that he is counting on doing much 11-cent business in the East. However, the offers have the effect of bearing the market, and make it rather unpleasant for the local trade.

The following statement shows the foreign the following statement shows the foreign average, nore; oregon expensed, 12c; Union bellies, 10 to 18 pounds. movement of hops at the port of New York up to the close of last week.

Receipts Exports Imports. 10%: 10%: 58. 11%: 58.

CREAM RECEIPTS LARGER.

Not Much Likelihood of Any Higher Butter
Prices This Winter.

City creamery men report a gradual increase in receipts of cream. This is to be expected in view of the continued mild weather and the fact that veal is also becoming plentiful in the local market and marks the beginning of the turning point in the butter situation. When receipts grow to larger proportions and the California market drops, which it now shows indications of doing, a revised list of quotations will be needed here. At the moment, prices are firm and supplies are inadequate for local requirements.

Promistrest dealers quoted eggs, yeaterday at 16, 18th and 17 cents. Some outside shipments were being made and stocks were not cumbersome, though the tone of the market was no more than steady.

Poultry moved off fairly well at the prices of the preceding day.

TONATOEN PRON FLORIDA. BEESWAX—Good, clean and pure. 22925c per pound.
FURS—No. 1, according to size: Bearskins.
25930 each; cubs. \$193; badger. 100
50c; wildcat, with head perfect, 15c9\$1.25; house cat. 5629c; fox. common gray, 50c9\$1.25; red. \$295; cross. \$5625; silver and black \$100 9500; fishers. \$5010; lyrx. \$19; mink, according to size. \$195; marten, dark, according to size and color, \$10615; muskrat, large. \$620c; skunk. \$600; silver or polecat. \$625c; citer. \$5620; panther. \$108; raccoon. 50c9\$2.80; mountain wolf, with head perfect. \$1.75.98; novote. \$6645.50; wolvering. \$469; beaver, according to size. \$195.

TALLOW—Prime. per pound. \$449c;
No. 2 and grease. 265c.
CASCARA \$AGRADA (chittam bark)—246
63c. secording to quality.

Olls.

TURPENTINE—Cases, 20c per gallon, tanks, 14 %c per gallon.
GASOLINE—Stove gasoline, cases, 25 %c; 72 test, 27c; 86 test, 25c; fron tanks, 18c.
WHITE LEAD—Ton lets, 7%c; 200-pound lots, 8c; less than 500-pound lots, 8%c, (In 25-pound tin pails, 1c above keg price; 1 te 5-pound tin pails, 1c above keg price; 1 te 5-pound tin pails, 1c above keg price; 1 te 5-pound tin pails, 1c above keg price; 1 te 5-pound tin pails, 1c above keg price; 1 te 5-pound tin pails, 1c above keg price; 1 te 6-pound tin pails, 1c above keg price; 1 te 6-pound tin pails, 1c above keg price; 1 te 6-pound tin pails, 1c above keg price; 1 te 6-pound tin pails, 1c above keg price; 1 te 6-pound tin pails, 1c above keg price; 1 te 6-pound tin cases, 20c; boiled in barrela, 20c; in cases, 64c; 250-gallon lots, 1c, less.

Dressed Meats.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—The market for coffee futures closed steady, net unchanged to 5 points lower; sales, 139,230 bags, including March, 6.5060,500; April, 6.050; May, 6.75c; July, 6.95c; September, 7.1097.15c. Spot Ria, quiet. No. 7 invoice, 8 5-16c. Mild, quiet. Sugar.—Raw, steady; fair refining, 25c; Sugar.—Raw, steady; fair refining, 25c; September, 7.1097.15c. Spot Ria, quiet. Sugar.—Raw, steady; fair refining, 25c; September, 25c; September, 25c; September, 25c; September, 25c; September, 7.1097.15c. Spot Ria, quiet. September, 25c; September, 2

Yielding Tendency in Stock Prices at New York.

NEGLECTED MARKET- IS

Foreign Political Developments Have Repressive Influence on Trading. Sensitiveness of Money Market Arouses Apprehension.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.-Prices of stocks turned downward today and little evidence was left of the hope of the speculative senti ment with which the week opened. to lack of support as to any active pressure Transactions were not on a large scale amounting to 1,068,600 shares, but the market was neglected and the demand languid and indifferent.

The sensitive condition indicated in the money market was felt to be a had augury

The sensitive condition indicated in the money market was felt to be a had augury for any attempt to revive active speculation. The low condition of banking reserves and the many requirements ahead of the market make the recurrence of such flurries from time to time probable. Time money was not notably affected today by yesterday's developments in call Money, With the easier rates for time loans, however, an effect has been produced upon interior exchange in New York.

Foreign political developments had their influence upon the stock market by reason of the money situation and the possible effects there rather than from any fears of the immediate effect on values or securities in New York from a failure of the Moreoccan conference. The declining tendency of foreign exchange was arrested here, and a sharp drop in sterling exchange at Paris and a hardening of discounts there were also attributed to the political news.

The lumininence of a holiday for this market had a deterrent effect on apeculative commitments. Some of the day's movements indicated a feeling of misgiving over the rumors affect thill without announcement of the sup-

affoat which have been so large an influence of late. The departure from the bity of President Hill without announcement of the supposed project affecting the properties of which he is the head was accountable for the sharp decline in stocks. Less confident assertions were heard of the alleged copper deal. The views expressed by the president of the United Mineworkers as to the chance of a settlement of the labor controversy also were discouraging.

changed on call.

l	CLOSING STOCK	QUOTATIONS.		
Ī	Adams Express. 100	High.	Low. 247	Bi 240
l	Amal Copper 102 906 Am. C. & F. 2.700 do preferred	117%	100 %	100
Į	Am. Cotton Oil 1,400 do preferred	35	34 %	101
1	American Ex	38%	28%	235 37
İ	American ice 1,000	45%	45%	45 22
ł	Am. Linseed Oil do preferred Am. Locomotive 9,100 do preferred 200	73%	71%	72 116
ļ	do preferred 200 Am. S. & R 40,200 do preferred 300	163	159%	100
١	Am. Sugar Ref. 5,400 A. Tob., pf. cer. 1,300	146%	100%	160
t	Ana. Min. Co., 48,400	90 103	277 % 30	278 89
Į	do preferred 800 Atlantic C. L 500 Baltimore & O 5.700	190	160	159
t	Brk. Rap. Tran. 18,200	98 82%	98 79%	97 80
1	Can. Pacific 10,800 Central of N. J Central Leather, 2,366	173	171%	215 42
ł	do preferred 400	105 14	105 %	165
١	Chicago & Alton 200	56 le 30	30	30 75
ı	C. Gt. Western 1,100 C. & Northwest, 4,800 C. M. & St. P. 15,800 C. Ter. & Tran. 1,000	21% 230 180	20%	229
1	C Ter. & Tran. 1,000 do preferred	14%	14%	13
١	Colo. F. & L. 27,300	100 % 65 %	190 % 62 %	100
1	do 1st pref 1,200	33 %	51%	32 72
1	do 2d pref. 1,680 Con. Gas	176	175%	175
1	do preferred	211	205	296
1	D. & R. Grande, 4,200	45%	44	455
ı	do preferred 200 Dis. Securities 5,000 Erie 15,700	0435 44	53	53
	do 1st pref 400 do 2d pref. 2,200	77.56	68%	68
	Gen. Electric 600 Hocking Valley	170 %	170	168
١	Illinois Central. 700 Interni Paper 900 do preferred 100	221/2	21%	21
	Interni. Pump 100	35	33	30
۱	Iowa Central 200 do preferred 200 Kas City So 100	59	50	58
	do preferred Louis, & Nash 3,000	14714	146	90
	Manhattan L 500 Met. Securities. 1,000	159	159	158
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	M. S P & S S M. 300 do preferred 200	175%	153	151
	Minsouri Pacific 10,600 Mo., Kas. & T., 500	34 %	99	396 214
	National Lead. 7,000	54%	\$1%	68 81
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	Union Pacific 121,400 do preferred 300	15214	150%	181
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	do preferred. 200 Wells-Fargo Ex Westinghouse E	44	40%	23
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	do preferred	28%	21	5
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De Beers 15% No. Railway 200 D & R. Grande 46% do preferred 102% do preferred 102% do preferred 57% Erie 46 Lindon Pacific 1884 do lat pref. 50 do preferred 100% do 2d pref. 50 tt. S Steel 100% do 2d pref. 50 tt. S Steel 100% Lvuls & Nach 152 Wabach 25% Mo. Kaz & T. 35% do preferred 47 N. T. Central 133 Spanish Fours 81%

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, Peb. 21.—Money on call, easier, 585 per cent; ruling rate, 5 per cent; closing bid and offered, 2. Time loans easier, 60 and 50 days and 81x months, 5½ per cent. Frime mercantile paper, 500% per cent.

Sterling exchange, stendy, with actual bustness in bankers' bills at \$4.862504.9630 for departs and set a \$6.862504.9630 for departs. mand and at \$4.825094.8255 for 60 days sted rates, \$4.831484.84, and \$4.8784.8754 mmercial bills, \$4.8255.

Har silver, 66140.
Mexican dollars, 51140.
Government bonds, steady; railroads, heavy. LONDON. Bar silver, steady at 30% per

Money, 4 per cent. The rate of discount in the open market or short bills is 31 3-16 per cent; three months bills, 3% per cent. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 21.-Silver

66% Mexican dollars, nominal; drafts, sight, 160; telegraph, 120; sterling, 60 days, \$4.84; sight, \$4.87. Dally Treasury Statement

SLIGHT RALLY IN MAY OPTION AT CHICAGO.

Bullish Factors Are Reports of Crop Damage, French Statistics and European Political Situation.

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.-Following a sharp admee at Liverpool, the wheat market here pened firm with the May option up % 6 % c to %@%c at \$2% @82%c. For a time the market was steady on active bidding by cause of continued mild weather in the United States caused the market to weaken 82c, but here shorts became active buyers and the market soon developed considerable strength. The rally was helped somewhat by reparts from St. Louis of damage to wheat at various points in Illinois and Missouri. Another bullish factor was a correction in the statement of French screage made public yesterday. Revised figures declared the acre-age to be 500,000 less than the previous re-port, Uncertainty regarding the outcome of ment of the labor controversy also were use rounts in the labor controversy also were use rounts in the covering of short contracts by the board-room hears to take their profits upon the day's decline made the only force toward the lato feeble raily in the market and the closing was generally easy.

Bonds were heavy. Total sales par value \$2,230,000. United States bonds were all upon thanked on call.

Liberal receipts and a decline of \$ 92c in the price of cash corn weakened speculative values in the corn pit. May closed \$ 6 %c up at 42% 6 42%c. Reports of an improved export demand held the oats market steady. May closed 14c up at 29%c.
Provisions were weak because of a 10c de-

cline in the price of live hogs. At the close May pork was off 75c, lard was a shade lower and ribs were 5c higher.

The leading futu	VHEAT.	d as foll	ows:
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	ss Pork		
a med a construction		15.10	15.27 1/2
	LARD.		
May 7.70 July 7.50	7.75 7.85	1.55	7.75
SHC	ORT RIB	8.	
May 8.10 July 8.17 % Cash quotations	8.25	8.15	8.25
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Wheat—No. 2 Spring, 81@83c; No. 2, 73.0 HARMS STOCK MARKET Corn—No. 2, 29@394c; No. 2 yellow, 294 Corn-No. 2, 39@39%c; No. 2 yellow, 39% Oats-No. 2, 29%c; No. 2 white, 31%@ 3214c; No. 3 white, 29@30c. Rye-No. 2, 63c.

Barley-Good feeding, 374 @374c; fair to tholes malting, 40 \$50c. Flax seed-No. 1, \$1.08%; No. 1 Northwestern, \$1.13%.

restern, \$1.13%.
Timothy seed—Prime, \$3.25.
Mess pork—Per barrel, \$17.35@15.40.
Lard—Per 100 points, \$7.00@7.52%.
Short ribs sides—Loose, \$7.90@8.
Short clear sides—Boxed, \$8.45@8.30.
Clover—Contract grade, \$14.15.
Receipts, Shipme

Flour, barrels. Receipts Shipmants.
54,600 29,200
Wheat, busheis 33,700 48,500
Corn, busheis 454,500 165,100
Oats, bushels 227,000 28,600
Rye, bushels 17,500
Barley, bushels 11,500 33,100

Grain and Produce at New York. NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—Flour—Receipta, 13,-214 harrels. Exports, 20,600 harrels. Quiet

BAN Fitchers

Spot quotations—Wheat: Shipping, \$1.250

Sla7%; milling, \$1.400\$1.50. Barley: Feed,

\$1.174-681.20; brewing, nominal. Oate: Red,
\$1.200\$1.65; white, \$1.150\$1.70; black, \$1.200

trade may revice unsettled agitation elsewing.

\$1.70. Call board sales-Wheat: May, \$1.29, Barley: May, \$1.18. Corn: Large yellow, \$1.17%

Minneapolis Wheat Market, MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 21,—Wheat—May, 81c; July, 82%c; No. 1 hard, 80%c; No. 1 Northern, 80%c; No. 2 Northern, 78%c.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 21.—Wheat: March, a 8544; May, 6s 6544; July, 6s 6544. Weather, cold.

TACOMA. Peb. 21.—Wheat—Unchanged. Export, bluestem, 70c; club, 65c; red, 67c.

Dried Fruit at New York. NEW YORK, Feb. 21.-The mark evaporated apples is firm in tone on a mod-erate jobbing demand and some export busi-pers. Common to good are quoted at 765%c; fair to good, 5%65%c; choice, 10c; fancy,

Ingilitie.

Prunes are in fair demand, with quotations ranging from 4tic to 80 on apot.

Apricots are in good demand for small lots and prices are firm. Choice, 1091016; extra choice, 1016/81049; fancy, 11012.

Praches are unchanged with choice quoted at 10c; fancy, 104/8114c; extra fancy, 114/8126.

Though Demand for Pig Iron and Products Not So Active.

STEEL MOVEMENT IS HEAVY

Structural Mills Generally Are Still Behind in Their Orders-Ore Shipments Last Year Were the Largest on Record.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 21 .- The Iron Trade Review temorrow will say:
While the demand for pig from and some the real strength of the situation, consider-ation of the heavy specifications which have been received is important, for it is under-stood that orders are often misleading on acount of the well known disposition of buyers

count of the well known disposition of buyers not to specify the contracts when there is a stacksuing of demand.

The specifications for steel products in Western mills for the past seven weeks have been 18 per cent above the average weekly specifications for 1996 and orders at these mills now amount to about 356,000 tone for rolling at the cardiest possible date.

While the general report from structural mills is that they are not catching up on their orders, one important interest which their orders, one important interest which has refused to take orders during the Winter is able to give prompt shipment and is again

The United States Steel Corporation, have ing decided not to exercise its option on 5000 tons of Bessemer pig Iron for first quarter delivery, that tonnage will be available for buyers who will no doubt, promptly avail themselves of the opportunity.
Hasic pig Iron abouted increased strength.
The complete report of abipments of ore from the Lake Superior ranges by mines shows that 34.358,456 tons were shipped, an increase of 24 per cent over the record year of 1962.

DAYTON BARLEY HOLDINGS.

Weinhard Has Bulk of Supply and Is Helding for His Price.

DATTON, Wash., Peb. 21.—Barley mar-ket is at a standardil here, no sales having been made for three weeks. But shipments of previous sales are going steadily on. The heaviest holders all along the railroads are setting rid of their grain to avoid a tax assessment March 1. Estimates as to the amount of barley still for cale in the Dayton district range from 7500 to 12,000 tons. There are still good holdings reported on the Upper Snake River, where low water has prevented the grain from being shipped out. The pres-ent price of barley f. o. b. in Dayton is about \$21 a ton.

The highest price paid here this year was The highest price paid here thin year was in a sale of 2000 tons made by C. J. Brough-ton, of Dayton, to Balfour, Guthrle & Co. at \$22.75 a ton f. Q. h. in Tacoma. Senator Andrew Hemrich, president of the Seattle Browing & Malting Company, recently sent an agent to investigate the situation in the Dayton barley district. An interview with the Dayton barley district. An interview with the Dayton barley district. An interview with him appeared later, Jacob Weishard, of Dayton, denies Senator Hemrich's conclusions in that interview. Mr. Weishard mid: There are not 12,000 tons of harley in this district, but only about 7500 tons. Of this amount I have 6800 tons, and the rest is scattered in small lots throughout county. I know nothing of a war between myself and other desires here. Mr. harler always has other dealers here. My barley always has been and still in for sale at the market price, want to pay the narket price for first-class brewing barley. He probably remembers when he could buy barley for \$8 or \$10 a ton, when the farmers here were in rags. Furmerly only feed barley was grown, and Mr. Hemrich would select the best for brewing purposes. He can do so no longer, as an improved quality, an established reputation and an increased export demand have made better prices. He must now seek the farmers and not they him. There is no corner on the barley and I am not a speculator; I merely ask

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INVESTIGATING FEVER DIS-COURAGES THE BULLS.

Uneasiness Caused by Labor Situation-Heavy Foreign Movement in Domestic Products.

Henry Clean weekly stock market letter, dated New York, February IT, says in part:
Another factor which tends to discourage
builtsh operations is the investigating fever
which has taken deep hold of various legislative assemblies. Within the bounds of reamon there is mood in this awakening of the legislative conscience and turning on the light; and, if conducted with due regard to private rights, such investigations can do no and lower to sell.

Wheat—Beccipts. 10,000 bushels. Exports. 15,000 bushels. Spot strady. No. 2 red. 86%c; elevator No. 2 red. 86%c; clevator No. 2 red. 86%c; clevator No. 2 red. 86%c; co. b. afloat; No. 1 those receipts and to the last hour, weakness prevalled in response to favorable weather news, liberal receipts and light clearances, but a final raily even for "wanting to know is allowed to receipts and light; clearances, but a final raily even for "wanting to know is allowed to receipts and light; clearances, but a final raily even for "wanting to know is allowed to receipts and light; and. If conducted with the private rights, such in the legislative probe, however, may easily be infuriously used in sensitive situations; and some of the threatened investigations can do no harm. The legislative probe, however, may easily be infuriously used in sensitive situations; and some of the threatened investigations can do no harm. The legislative probe, however, may easily be infuriously used in sensitive situations; and some of the threatened investigations can do no harm. The legislative probe, however, may easily be infuriously used in sensitive situations; and some of the threatened investigations can do no harm. The legislative probe, however, may easily be infuriously used in sensitive situations; and some of the threatened investigations can do no harm. The legislative probe, however, may easily be infuriously used in sensitive situations; and some of the threatened investigations and some of the threatened investigations and some of the threatened investigations and some of the threatened investigations; and some of the threatened investigations sponse to favorable weather news, liberal receipts and light clearances, but a final rally on covering left the market steady at a partial lag from the stock market which has been specified by the stock market which has been somewhat overlooked. At one time it caused serious concern regarding the standing of the great life insurance companies, which proved totally unfounded. Investigation may equally lajure other financial institutions if conducted without regard to consequences, for credit is the most sensitive part of our companies, spot quotations—Wheat: Shipping, \$1.359

wher counsels will prevail between the coal operators and the mine operators which will defer any repetition of former difficulties. A very satisfactory element in the situa-A very salastactory element in the africa-tion is our continued large expents of do-mestic products. The total value for the menth of January of breadstuffs, provisions, cutton and mineral oils, which constitute about 87 per cent of our exports, was \$96, 000,000, compared with \$65,000,000 the same month last year. This is an increase of \$31, 000,000 or hearty 50 cer cent, the increase month last year. This is an infrease of \$11,-000,000, or pearly 50 per cent, the increase being chiefly in broadstuffs, which were 50 per cent larger than a year ago. The shipments of provisions were about 40 per cent larger than a year ago. These large movements were undoubtedly stimulated by the prospects of a retailiatory tariff in Germany against the United States, but there is excellent reason for believing that no such action will be taken by Germany, since the governments of both countries realize the futility and folly of precipitating a tariff war. For the present we do not hesitate to advise

PENDLETON WOOL SALES.

Date Is Fixed for May 28-Little Contracting Done.
PENDLETON, Or., Feb. 21.—The Pendle-

Gital sare somewhat unsettled but are steady and quiet.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK. Feb. 21.—Cotton futures closed weak at a nex decline of 2 to 21 points, with periose at a nex decline of 2 to 21 points, with periose at a nex decline of 2 to 21 points, with periose at a nex decline of 2 to 21 points, with periose at a nex decline of 2 to 21 points, with periose at a nex decline of 2 to 21 points, with periose at a nex decline of 3 to 21 points, with periose at a nex decline of 3 to 21 points, with periose at a nex decline of 3 to 21 points, and periode at a nex decline of 3 to 21 points, and periode at a nex decline of 3 to 21 points, and periode at a nex decline of 3 to 21 points, and at 16 5c in London.

Copper was is 6d lower at 177 12 6d for futures. Rocally no change was reported. Lake and electrolytic are quoted at 17.78918.50c, casting at 17.7

LIVESTOCK MARKETS.

Prices Quoted Locally on Cattle, Sheep and

Hogs. The following livestock prices were quoted resterday in the local market:
CATTLE—Good steem, \$3.75@4; fair to medium, \$2.75@4.25; cows, good, \$383.25; medium, \$2.50@2.70; calves, light, 150 to 175 pounds, \$4.50\;\(2.10\); caives, heavy, \$50\;\(3.5\); a 110
pounds, \$4.50\;\(2.10\); caives, heavy, \$50\;\(3.5\); BOGS—Best, suitable for partiers, \$66\;\(4.25\); fair medium grades, \$5.50\); light fat weights, 120 to 140 pounds, \$50\;\(5.5\); SHEEEP—Good fat sheep, \$5.50\;\(5.75\).

EASTERN LIVESTOCK.

Prices Current at Kansas City, Omaha and CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—Cattle—Receipts 20.

000; market, best steady, others 10c lower. Beeves, \$3.80@0.25; stockers and feeders, \$2.75@4.70; cows and hetfers, \$1.50@4.80; Texas fed steers, \$3.59@4.40. Hogs-Receipts today, 40,000; tomorrow, estimated, 25,000; market 5@10c lower. Mixed and butchers, \$5.95@4.22%; good to heavy, \$6.15@6.25; rough heavy, \$5.95@6.10; light, \$5.95@6.17%; pigs, \$5.70@6.05; bulk of sales, \$6.10@6.25. Sheep-Receipts 22,000; market weak. Sheep, \$3.50@5.75; lambs, \$4.75@7.10.

SOUTH OMAHA, Feb. 21.—Cattle -- Recelpts 5000; market steady. Native steers, \$462.50; conw and helfers, \$464.40; carners, \$1.7562.85; stockers and feeders, \$46.50; calves, \$166.50; bulls, stags, ctc., \$2.75

Hoge Receipts 13.000; market 10c lower. Heavy, \$5.0000; mixed, \$5.0005.025; light, \$5.8565.95; piges \$565.75; bulk of sales,

\$3.50@5.02%. Sheep-Receipts 7500; market slow to 10c lower. Western yearlings, \$3.05@6; methers, \$5.40@5.80; ewes, \$4.75@5.25; lambs, \$6.75

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 21.-Cattle-Receipts 11,000; market steady. Native steegs, \$4 g/6; native cows and hgifers, \$2.25 g/5; stockers and feeders, \$3 g/4.56; Western cows, \$2.50@4.25; Western steers, \$3.50@ \$.50; bulls, \$2.85@4; caives, \$3.87.50; Hogs—Receipts 18.000; market 5@10c lower. Bulk of sales, \$6@6.12\(\frac{1}{2}\); heavy,

range wethers, \$5.40@6; fed ewes, \$4.25@ 5.25.

CALIFORNIA PRODUCTION RAP-IDLY INCREASING.

Hop Market Dull With Growers Holding Firm-Potatoes Quiet and Easy at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 21 .- (Special.)-The butter market had a top-heavy appearance, the recent good demand for storing and shipping having been well satisfied. Production is rapidly increasing, as shown by the large receipts. The only official price change was a decline of I cent in frech creamery firsts, but all grades were easy and 2015 cents was the highest bid for extras. The whole line of fresh eggs was easy with trade quieter and offerings large, but official qui tations were unchanged. In the board, 1614 cents was bid and 18 cents asked for selected without saier. Choose was steady and un-changed. Receipts, 68,400 pounds butter, 18,-900 pounds cheese, 48,500 dozen eggs. The local market for hope is dull, but holders are firm at full previous prices. No business of consequence is expected in wool until the new clip arrives next month.

Wheat had a sharp closing raily after a weak opening, owing to the recovery in Eastern prices on war talk. Harley was dull but steady. Other cereals were quiet.

No crange auction was held, as the only

bananas, \$162.75; Mexican limes, \$066.50; California lemons, choice, \$2.50; common, 75c; oranges, navel. \$1.5063.25; pineapples, \$1.506

POTATOES -Early Rose, \$1.2561.40; S4linas Burbanks, \$1.61.50; aweets, 90c61.10; Oregon Burbanks, 75c61.15, RECEIPTS—Flour, 29,250 quarter sacks; wheat, 3308 centals; barley, 1147 centals; outs, 1017 centals; beans, 2370 sacks; potatoes, 5302 sacks; bran, 6850 sacks; middlings, 400 sacks; har, 455 tons; 1 barrel wool, 572 hides.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 21.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows: were as follows:

Alta \$.01 Justice \$.01
Alpha Con ... 99 Kentucky Con ... 91
Andes ... 11 Mexican 1.20
Belcher ... 22 Occidental Con ... 98
Best & Belcher 1.10 Ophir ... 9.623
Caledonia ... 49 Overman ... 11
Caledonia ... 49 Overman ... 11
Chailenge Con ... 16 Savage ... 45
Chollar ... 13 Scerpton ... 11
Confidence ... 70 Eeg. Belcher ... 96
Com Cal. & V. 1.35 Werra Nevada ... 54
Crowp Point ... 96
Exchequer ... 52 Union Con ... 45
Gould & Curry ... 16
Hale & Nor. ... 169
Julia ... 97

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—Closing quotations: NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—Closing quotations:
Adams Con. ... 25 Little Chief. \$.07
Alice ... 340 Ontario ... 225
Breece ... 40 Oghie ... 5.37 5
Brunswick C. ... 54 Phoenix ... 62
Comatock Tun. ... 68 Potosi ... 19
Con. Cal. & V. 1.25 Savage ... 43
Horn Silver ... 210 Sevra Nevada ... 2
Iron Silver ... 5.90 Sapall Hopes ... 50
Leadville Con. ... 66 Sandard ... 5.50
BOSTON Feb. 21.—Closing quotations:
Adventure ... 6.25 Mont. C. & C. \$.550

for the clip this year, and the sentiment is that very little will be done, compared with amount contracted last year before shearing time. The reason given is that the buyers realize they cannot get contracts, except at high figures. The sheepmen who contracted last season could almost invariably have gained by waiting.

17.62%c, the outside prices on lake and electrolytic being practically nominal.

Spelter declined 2s 6d to 125 15s in London.

Locally the market was unchanged at 666 loc. Iron was easier abroad, standard foundry closing at 47s 9d and Cleveland warrants at 48s 154d. The local situation is unchanged.

Dairy Produce in the East. CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—On the produce exchange today the butter market was steady. Creameries, 178251;c; dairies, 17824c.

Eggs-Sleady at mark, cases included; rsts, 11½e; prims firsts, 12½e; extrus, 14½e, Cheese-Firm, 11½@1&c. NEW YORK, Feb. 21.-Butter, firm; street prices extra creamery, 209294;c; official changed.

Paris Bourse Calm.

PARIS, Feb. 21.—Prices on the Bourse to-day opened heavy and then recovered. The market showed little depression over the Mo-roccan attuation, financiers being satisfied that no serious complications will occur. At the close the market was calm and prices were firm. Private rate of discount, 2% per cent.

Wool at St. Louis. ST. LOUIS, Feb. 21.—Wool—Steady, Medium grades combing and clothing, 25828c; light fine, 25824c; heavy fine, 18821c; tub washed,

Speculation Quiet at Berlin. BERLIN, Feb. 21.—On the Hourse today, *speculation was limited on account of the uncertainty regarding the Moroccan situation.

CORPSE FOUND IN GUTTER

Supposed Methodist Preacher Victim of Robbers or Suicide.

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—The body of a man apparently about 45 years of age was found today in the gutter at the corner of Twenty-first street and Calumet aveage in the heart of one of the fashionable nue, in the heart of one of the fashionable residence districts on the South Side of the city. There was a builet hole above the right ear and a cheap revolver lay near the corpse, but the police are unable yet to state whether it is a case of murder or suicide. It is the opinion of the police that the man may have been slain by footpads and his body brought from a distance. distance.

lower. Bulk of sales, \$606.12%; heavy.
\$6.1006.15; packers, \$606.12%; pigs and light, \$5.5006.05.
Sheep-Receipts 5000; market steady.
Muttons, \$4.2500.80; lambs, \$5.5006.80; range wethers, \$5.4000; fed gwes, \$4.250 "J. F." and "I. M. A." are taitoed. On the circle of the bulket wound, which caused his death. On the left forcarm the letters "J. F." and "I. M. A." are taitoed. On the circle of the right forearm a cross, anchor and heart, with the initials "I. S. M.," are tattooed. At the base of the thumb upon the right hand is marked a small anchor

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 21.-With every feature of clothing and bodily appear-ance tallying with that of Audreas Freder-lekson, a lay reader in the Methodist Church, it is thought that the man found dead in Chicago with a builet wound in his head is the minister, who, is well known in Milwaukee among Lutheran

ministers.
"Andreas Frederickson did not have a pastorate of his own," said the Rev. Gustave Stearns, paster of the Church of the Ascension, who knew Mr. Frederickson, "He went from place to place as a lay reader. He also wore a frock cont and a black derby hat. He has no people here and seemed to be alone."

Swamp Bought at High Figure.

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 21,-(Special.)-A South Tacoma real-estate dealer says op-tions taken by his firm on 55 acres of land in Excelsior Park tracts were secured for the Union Pacific, and that his client is townsite agent for the Harriman system The road wants ten additional acres, which will be obtained at once. What will be done with the land is not known. These ten acres cost \$1000 an acre. That recently secured was bought for from \$50 to \$30 an acre.

A year ago this land could have been bought for taxes, and today it is not worth \$10 an acre to any investor other than a railroad. Most of it is in swamp, and to be available for any use hills will have to be washed into it.

Dut steady. Other cereals were quiet.

No crange auction was held, as the only carload available was withdrawn for private sale, the open market being quite sare of desirable stock and very firm. Other fruits are moderately active and steady.

Four carloads of Gregon Burbank potatoes arrived upon a quieter and easier market, though quotations are unchanged. Good ontons are eteadier but no higher. Much poor stock is offering. Asparagus and rhubarb are weaker.

All markets will be closed iomorrow, VEGETABLES—Cueumbers, 75-6951.25; gardle, 556; preseters, young. 5697; broilers, 25, 256; preseters, young. 5697; broilers, 25, 256; costant, 149145;c.

WOOL—South Plains and S. J., 10913c; lambs, 9816c.

HAY—Wheat, \$11616; wheat and cats \$8.50; allows, 150; barley, 5695; markets and cats \$8.50; barley, 5695; barley, 5695; cats and cats \$8.50; barley, 5695; barley, J. Blasinter, Winnipeg: Mra Wright, Spokane; N. L. Smith, Vancouver, Wash.

The Oregon—R. C. Linton and wife, J. Hill and wife, F. S. Crawford, Spokane; W. M. Cunnington, Logan, Utah; H. E. Welch, F. O. Hill, Scattle; Frank Stone, Tacoma; Howard Spurr, Montreal; S. Schafner, St. Louis; George Truesdell, Freeport; Frank J. Thompson, Olympia; J. G. Blake, Scattle; L. W. Storrot, A. T. Hatch, San Francisco; C. E. Millar and wife, Scattle; W. C. Robinson, Duluth, Minn.; W. J. Cross, George S. Rice, Seattle; W. A. Ferguson, Richmond, Va.; R. H. Goddard, Monohan, Wash.; Mrs. W. J. May, Baker City, Or.; W. J. Sibler, G. J. Mylone, Stockton, Cal.; J. L. Brewster, Jr. Rochester, N. T.; W. B. Carew, New York; Joseph White and wife, Abilene, Kan.; George J. Ketchum, New York; E. Harvey, San Francisco; C. W. Lewis, Bradley, Ill.; E. Hofer, Salem, Or.; P. Autsler, Hoquiam, Wash.; E. E. Whitney, Chicago; C. M. Kimball, Scattle; J. L. Lewis, Aug. M. Fischer, Corvallit, Or.; H. A. Jacobl, Tacoma.

The Imperial—J. H. MacLaughlin and wife, Victoria, B. C.; E. Robbins, Molalia, D. E.

ball, Seattle; J. L. Lewis, Aug M. Fischer, Corvalits, Or.; H. A. Jacob, Tacoma.

The Imperial—J. H. MacLaughlin and wife, Victoria, B. C.; E. Robbins, Mofalia: D. R. Atkinson, city: W. M. Edwards, Alice Pallister, Ottumwa, Ia.; L. R. Wood, Shanker, J. B. Eddy, city: Mrs. C. W. Thornbury, The Dalles; Z. Houser, Eche: George Hendricks, wife and daughter, St. Louis; F. L. Kent, Corvalis; F. R. Davis, New York; J. R. Caskey, Burfalo, N. T.; W. G. Gilstrap, Eugene: A. J. Cooper, U. S. A.; J. C. Morley, Salem: J. M. Stevenson, Cascades, Wash.; A. Oppenheimer, San Francisco; W. G. Rowland, R. K. Reymer and wife, Tacoma; L. J. Gay, Seattle; A. Walker and wife, Ione: M. W. Getchell, Spokane; T. C. Mackey, City; C. A. Cole, Fendleton; M. J. Hickey, Wasco; P. D. Saseve, city: George S. Clayton, Seattle; R. J. Slater, Pendleton; C. I. Winnek, Prineville; A. J. Nell and wife; C. A. Johnson, Marshfield; W. D. Garwan, H. O. Thompson, Cottage Grove; W. J. Olwell, Davenport, Wash.; P. Henningren, Marion; H. E. Anker, E. Charles, H. Timmerman, H. A.

Wash: P. Henningren, Marion; H. E. Ankeny, Eugene.

The St. Charles B. Timmerman; H. A. Walker, city; Gentrude Faimer; R. J. Vincent, city; J. B. Wiest Stella: C. Manly, Clabkanie; W. Wiest Stella: C. Manly, Clabkanie; W. Wiest and wife, W. H. Oxman and wife, Stella: D. E. Hillsbury, Clatskanie; G. W. Waisehury, Woodburn; J. Z. Myers, Grant's Pass: W. H. Gray, Woodbard; A. J. Nalis; G. Bill, Saaside; J. Rising, city; F. Gray, Rock Creek; P. P. Allen, city; C. E. Irieh, Albany: D. E. Freeman, Scappoose; B. Smith, Portland; W. D. Bridges, Firland; C. J. Weed, city; Belle Belcher, Lafayette; Mss. J. M. Belcher, Lafayette; J. Smith; A. H. Mellick, U. S. S. Perry; Mrs. G. Hesford, S. Barber, city; Mrs. B. J. Sloop, Astoria; B. L. Barlow and wife, Mrs. Ayers, Callin; C. Lesnaux and wife, Corbett; E. M. McEmire, U. S. A.; E. M. Lewis, Sandera; J. Cronk; C. Christinger, La Center; Allie Humphrey, Tacoma; D. W. McMurphy, Little Falls; W. H. Protzman, J. Johnson, Amboy; J. L. Norwood, Harrisburg; R. C. Wilson, city; R. Prown, La Grande; R. H. Cook, Butter, E. J. Goedon, San Francisco; C. T. Raether, Mt. Pleasant; A. J. Douglass, Engle Creek; E. A. Stone and wife, Pendleton.