

SEAMER BEAVER NEEDED FOR REPAIRS

Vessel Is Laid Up for Several Weeks at San Francisco to Fix Engines.

OTHER SHIPS ARE BESIEGED

Passengers Bound Northward Beg to Be Taken Aboard Their Craft, Despite Full Lists—Sailing Schedules Are Changed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12.—The steamer Beaver, plying between this city and Portland, has been laid up here for repairs, which will be completed early next month. The removal of the vessel from her regular run has resulted in a shortage of passenger accommodations, and the offices of passenger agents for coastwise steamships are besieged with applications for transportation to Portland and Astoria. The steamers Northland, Camino and Yosemite have sailed with full lists.

Captain Ahlin, master of the steamer Camino, which reached Portland late Tuesday evening, after a fast trip of 54 hours from San Francisco, says that fully 150 persons applied for accommodations aboard the vessel and some begged to be taken to Portland. It is not alone the withdrawal of the Beaver that has made the situation more noticeable, but in February the northward march starts and men who customarily spend Spring and Summer here begin to return. Besides, there are a number of persons who winter in California and, regarding the early part of February as the end of the winter in Portland, prepare to come home.

It is understood that a large amount of work is to be done in the engineering department about the hull of the Beaver, which she will be given a thorough overhauling. In April the San Francisco & Portland vessels will return to the daylight schedule, leaving here at 9 o'clock in the morning. Under the schedule the Beaver would have arrived Tuesday and sailed Saturday, but the next sailing will be the Bear, due Sunday and sailing a week from today. The Rose City will arrive February 21 and sail February 25, but unless repairs are taken to Portland the steamer will also omit her scheduled arrival February 26 and sailing March 2.

SHIPPERS WOULD MEET NASH

Details of Royal Mail's Intentions Are Desired. Shipping and commercial interests concerned in the resumption of a regular steamship service to Far Eastern ports are awaiting word from the coming of E. J. M. Nash, representing the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company, who has been in California for several weeks. The fact that the company decided to inaugurate a schedule to the Orient in advance of the opening of the Panama Canal came as a surprise, and while Frank Waterhouse & Co. are named as agents for the service on the Coast, those who met Mr. Nash on the occasion of his first visit here over a year ago wish to ascertain just what the detailed plans are for a permanent line from Portland.

HARBOR INSPECTION MADE

Fronts of Docks Must Be Sheathed as Protection Against Drift. Taking up details of the new waterfront ordinance of the Commission of Public Docks at once, G. B. Hegardt, chief engineer of that body, with Captain Speller, of the harbor patrol, who works in harmony with the Commission, made an inspection of the harbor yesterday with a view to ascertaining if space beneath all docks was cleared of rubbish and old dock material. In the main, conditions were found satisfactory.

The ordinance provides that there shall be no accumulation beneath wharves, also that the front of all docks be sheathed with planking on the harbor side, and on the ends of those that do not join other docks. The step was taken as a means of preventing drift from gathering under docks and at the same time it will give the harbor more of a uniform appearance, meaning, in fact, as well as those to be built in the future. A certified copy of the ordinance was ordered yesterday and as soon as it is filed with the City Auditor it becomes effective.

SEAMAN GLADLY SAILS AWAY

Alien Elects to Ship on Thiers for European Continent.

When the French ship Thiers put out of the Columbia River late Tuesday she carried one man, G. Peters, who was probably the most pleased of her crew to be on the way for Europe, as less than four years passed in the United States had been decidedly unpleasant and landed him in prison for an offense which some refuse to believe he committed. Peters came to San Francisco on the Muscelier, following the life of a sailor. He is a subject of Germany and he was a person to be deported under the laws of this country, but from San Francisco he found his way to Tacoma and there was arrested after a short stay, charged with burglary. He was sentenced to the Walla Walla penitentiary and as his term had expired, he agreed to ship on the Thiers. Peters is a powerful specimen of manhood and is rated an able seaman.

MASTER IS WITHOUT TICKET

Heather's Captain Goes to Sea Although Under Suspension. Captain Hammerstrom, master of the lightship tender Heather, is in a unique position. His license has been suspended by United States Inspectors Edwards and Fuller for a period of 30 days, because his vessel was in collision with the steamer Myrtle, at Astoria, but he has gone to Puget Sound with the Heather, as a Government vessel does not require a licensed navigator.

Captain Phillip L. Taylor, master of the Myrtle, also has his ticket suspended for 30 days, and as he is on a private-owned vessel he has had nothing to do with the navigation of the Myrtle during the period. Federal departments have an order to the ef-

DAMARA LOADS FOR NEW YORK

Grace Line to Keep Carrier in Coast-to-Coast Service.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12.—The American freighter Damara, which arrived here Monday from Puget Sound, sending her first trip in the Coastwise service, will return north to load lumber for New York according to W. R. Grace & Company, who chartered the Damara. Having been placed under the American flag, the Damara is now licensed to ply between American ports and her run, for some time at least, will be between the Pacific and the Atlantic. The

STEAMER INTELLIGENCE Table with columns: Name, From, Date, To, Date.

large carrier is discharging today one of the largest coastwise cargoes ever landed here, including 550,000 feet of lumber, 4400 tons of coal and 1800 tons of bran.

Marine Notes.

Repairs are being made to the starboard guard of the steamer Harvest Queen, lying at Ash-street dock, while much the same work is being done to the port guard of the steamer Balloy Gatzert, lying at the old Victoria dock site.

In tow of the steamer Atlas, barge No. 23, Captain Kirkwood, a member of the Steamer Atlas Company's fleet, arrived off the river yesterday afternoon and was towed inside by the tug Onontia, the plan being to have the tug Henderson bring the barge from Astoria to Portland.

Movements of Vessels.

PORTLAND, Feb. 12.—Arrived—Steamer W. S. Porter, from San Francisco; steamer Geo. W. Elder, from San Diego and Los Angeles; steamer Geo. W. Fenwick, from San Francisco; steamer Geo. W. Fenwick, from San Francisco; steamer Geo. W. Fenwick, from San Francisco.

RECEIPTS OF EGGS ARE LARGE

Eggs are accumulating in some quarters on Front street and prices have been shaded in an effort to keep down the surplus. Current receipts offered at 24 1/2 cents. The supply of poultry was not heavy, and the market was firm with a good demand. The same conditions existed in the dressed meat market.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

WHEAT—Track prices: Club, \$3.80; Bluestem, \$4.00; 40-60; 80; red Russian, \$4.40; valley, \$4.87. Flour—Super, \$4.70; per barrel; straight, \$4.10; extra, \$3.85; 90-95; val. \$4.70; Graham, \$4.60; whole wheat, \$4.80. MILLS—Bran, \$21.25 per ton; middlings, \$20 per ton. HAY—Timothy, choice, \$10.97; mixed, Eastern Oregon timothy, \$12.15; oat and vetch, \$12.50; clover, \$10; straw, \$6.07. OATS—No. 1 white, \$26.50; No. 2, \$25.00 per ton. VEGETABLES—Artichokes, \$1.50 per dozen; cabbage, 1c per pound; cauliflower, \$1.75 per crate; celery, \$2.00; green peas, \$2.00; lima beans, \$2.00; corn, \$2.00; eggplant, 10c; lettuce, \$1.00; radish, \$1.00; spinach, \$1.00; tomatoes, \$1.00; turnips, \$1.00; watermelon, \$1.00.

HOP TO BE IMPROVED

Larger Inquiry From Eastern Trade for Spot Goods.

PRICE LIMITS UNCHANGED

Total Available Supply in United States Under 25,000 Bales—Orders for Contracts More Numerous at Lower Rate.

There has been a better inquiry on the hop market this week than at any time since the start of the month, and there is a correspondingly better feeling in the trade. Instead of only one buyer on the market, as has been the case recently, a number of Eastern firms have now come in, and the prospect for an increased volume of business is excellent. The demand is not yet broad enough, however, to affect values, but in view of the depleted stocks it would not be surprising if heavy orders to put the market back where it was at the opening of the year.

As dealers' holdings are not heavy, the trade is again compelled to go to the country for supplies. R. M. Gatewood yesterday bought 54 bales from J. P. Young, of Shrewsbury, at 15 cents, and 24 bales from Albert Gatewood, of Portland, at 14 1/2 cents. Mr. Gatewood bought two other lots, aggregating 93 bales, from growers at this price. In the case of dealer business, the sale of a carload was reported. The latest checking over of hop lists shows stocks in growers' hands in the United States to be as follows:

Table with columns: State, Bales.

The amount held by dealers on the Coast is fairly well known. The stocks of those that exceed 25,000 bales remain today in all hands in the United States. This is a very small number for growers' operations, when it is borne in mind that it will be seven months before the new crop is available.

The past few days have brought a number of orders from the East for 1912 hops. These contract orders are at 14 cents. So far the dealers have been unable to execute the orders, as ordered at 14 cents, and month at 15 and 16 cents, and no satisfactory explanation can be given why they should be cheaper now.

WAITING POLICY IN WHEAT MARKET

Neither Buyers Nor Sellers Disposed to Make Concession. Bids made at country points at current prices failed to bring out wheat sellers yesterday. Dealers quoted bluestem at 14 1/2 cents and club at 16 1/2 cents, but were not able to interest farmers at these figures, and, of course, the lower prices quoted by some of the millers were not considered at all by growers. It was a waiting market all around, with no disposition shown on either side to make concessions. The market is 16 cents to 18 cents, and no satisfactory explanation can be given why they should be cheaper now.

ORANGES MOVING IN BETTER WAY

Next Shipments Will Be Offered at Higher Prices. The firmness of the orange market and the prospect of an early advance in prices stimulated buying on Front street. Local stocks are being exhausted, and are exhausted the new supplies will be offered in accordance with the higher prices now prevailing in California. The demand for oranges is limited mainly to the low priced varieties. These cheaper sorts are becoming scarce, and as a consequence holders in the country are asking more money. It is this that drives the California apple growers are hoping will enable them to get in on this market with some of their surplus.

OMAHA LIVESTOCK MARKET.

SOUTH OMAHA, Feb. 12.—Cattle—Receipts, 2200; market, active. Native steers, \$10.00; market, active. Cows, \$8.00; market, active. Hogs—Receipts, 15,000; market, higher. Sheep—Receipts, 9,000; market, higher. Poultry—Receipts, 10,000; market, higher.

Chicago Livestock Market.

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Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The condition of the United States Treasury at the beginning of business today was: Working balance, \$7,842,633; gold, \$1,237,497; Treasury notes, \$1,237,497; receipts, \$1,884,500; disbursements, \$1,884,500; surplus, \$1,884,500; against a deficit of \$1,884,500 last year. The same conditions existed in the dressed meat market.

ROAD TO BE BUILT

Timber Company to Connect With Nehalem Valley.

COST GIVEN AS \$1,000,000

Logging Railway to Run 30 Miles South From Woods Landing on Columbia River Will Open Up Vast Area of Forest.

Before the end of the present year the Columbia & Nehalem Valley Railroad, to be built by the Kerry Timber Company of Portland, will be operating from Woods Landing on the Columbia to the Nehalem Valley, 30 miles south.

PROVISIONS.

HAMS—10 to 12 pounds, 15 1/2@19 1/2; 13 to 14 pounds, 15 1/2@19 1/2; picnic, 12c; cut, 12c. Bacon—Fancy, 27@28; standard, 22@23; country, 19 to 20 pounds, 21c; 12 to 14 pounds, 20c. LARD—In tierces, choice, 14 1/2c; compound, 13 1/2c. DRY SALT MEATS—Regular short clears, 12@14; short clear black, 12 to 16 lbs., 14@15; short clear black, 12 to 25 lbs., 12@13 1/2; exports, 14c. BARRILED BEEF—Extra mess beef, \$14; mess beef, \$13; rolled beef, \$12. BARRILED PORK—Best pig pork, \$24; brisnet picked pork, \$23.95.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS—1912 crop, prime and choice, 16@18 per pound; 1913 contract, 14c per pound. WOOL—Early shorn, east of mountains, 15@20c per pound. LINSBEE OIL—Raw, barrel, 60c; boiled, barrel, 55c; raw cases, 61c; boiled cases, 62c. OIL MEAL—Carload, \$37.50 per ton; less than carload, \$40 per ton. TURPENTINE—Barrel, 61c; cases, 64c. GASOLINE—Naphtha, in iron barrels, 17c; in cases, 24c; engine distillate, in iron barrels, 18 1/2c; in cases, 19 1/2c.

SUPPLY OF STOCK SMALL

TRADE AT YARDS IS OF HOLY-DAY CHARACTER. Full Prices Are Paid for Mutton Material—Best Quality Not Offered in Other Lines.

There was only a meager supply of stock offered at the yards yesterday and trading was of a holiday character. The little business but through showed a generally firm market. About three loads of cattle were disposed of, bringing \$7.25 and \$7.50 and cows selling from \$5.50 to \$6.50. In the hog market only one single load was sold. The hogs were small, averaging 121 pounds, and they went at \$7.75. Fat calves were paid for the best quality of mutton material. Two lots of choice yearling wethers were sold at \$6.25. Top-grade lambs were again disposed of at \$7.25 and higher lambs brought \$6. Receipts were 32 cattle, 75 hogs and 300 sheep.

ROAD EXTENSION HURRIED

Though Oregon & Southeastern Delayed by Snow Rushed. COTTAGE GROVE, Or., Feb. 12.—(Special.)—The Oregon & Southeastern Railway has commenced extension work at both ends of its line. At the east end an extension will be built a mile and a half from Diston into the forest reserve, where the United States Forest Service has recently purchased a large tract of timber. At the west a spur track will be built from its yards in the city to the J. H. Chamberlain mill at LaGrange.

DAILY CITY STATISTICS

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THE DAILY GRIND

When the regular demands upon a man keep his time fully occupied for as many hours a day as any man should work, it is practically impossible to find time to read up and inform one's self on the general business operations of the country. Those men whose days are full and who realize the importance of keeping informed should read regularly the monthly reports on the business situation issued by this bank. They are furnished on request without charge.

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ESTABLISHED 1886. WASHINGTON AND FOURTH STREETS. Capital Stock \$1,000,000. Surplus and Undivided Profits, 1,000,000.00. Letters of credit, drafts and travelers' checks issued, available in all parts of the world.

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THE BIGS

EXPRESS STEAMERS FOR SAN FRANCISCO AND LOS ANGELES WITHOUT CHANGE. S. S. BEAR sails 4 P. M. February 26. THE SAN FRANCISCO & PORTLAND S. S. CO., Ticket Office 34 and Washington (with O. W. R. & N. Co.). Phone Marshall 4500, A 5151.

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COOS BAY LINE

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