

LOCAL FLOUR GOES UP 5C

FURTHER RISE INDICATED FROM BIG MARKETS.

Approach of Lenten Season Causes a Decline in Meat Prices.

Flour prices have advanced 20 cents per barrel in the big markets. In the La Grande market all flour has advanced 5 cents per sack, and is likely to advance still further in the course of a few weeks.

Cattle and Hogs Lower.
Owing to the approaching lenten season during which less meat will be eaten by several of the denominations the price in the Portland yards fell sharply, although the supply was not as large as on the day previous. Fish will be in demand for the next forty days, and the price of beef will be low as a result of the limited demand by the consumer. In other respects there are no changes in the home market. Following are the corrected quotations to date:

- Flour, Feed and Grain.**
Wild Hay—(retail)—\$12.00.
Timothy—\$15.00 (retail).
Alfalfa hay—\$12.00 (retail).
Shorts—\$1.45 per cwt.
Oats—\$1.50 per cwt.
Bran—\$1.25 per cwt.
Rolled Oats—\$1.50 per cwt.
Rolled barley—\$1.45 cwt.
Blue Stem flour—\$1.40 sack.
Patent—\$1.30 sack.
White Quartz—\$1.40 sack.
Snowdrift—\$1.40 sack.
Fruit, Etc.
Home grown apples—75c@\$1.00 a box.
Oranges—25@60c.
Bananas—40c per doz.
Pineapple—20c and 25c, size.
Cranberries—15c qt.
Grape fruit—Straight 10c.
Vegetables and Miscellaneous.
Onions—1.50 per cwt., small lots 2c lb.
Potatoes—50c per cwt.
Beans—White, 8 1-3c; 11 no. 10 cents.
Radishes—2 bunches 15c.
Cabbage—2c.
Celery—15c bunch straight. (Home grown 10c.)

- Heavy—20c. 1 No. for 50c.
Sweet potatoes—5c per lb.
Green peppers—80c lb.
Squash—2 1/2c lb.
Turnips—2 1/2c lb.
Eggs and Butter.
Storage eggs—35c.
Ranch eggs—40c.
Fresh eggs—40c.
Butter—Fancy creamery, 40 cents, 1 lb. roll; 2 lb. roll, 80c.
Ranch butter—1 lb. roll 40; 2 lb. roll 75c.

- Cattle**
Heavy fed steers—\$6.75 cwt.
Choice—\$6.65 cwt.
Common—\$6.25@6.60 cwt.
Fancy cows—\$6.00@6.25 cwt.
Fancy light cows—\$5.50 cwt.
Heavy calves—\$4.00@5.50 cwt.
Fancy light calves—\$8.00 cwt.

- Hogs.**
Heavy hogs—\$5.50 @6.00 cwt.
Medium light hogs—\$6.45 cwt.
Best light hogs—\$6.50 cwt.

- Sheep.**
Best lambs—\$6.15 cwt.
Ordinary lambs—\$6.60 cwt.
Poor lambs—\$4.00 cwt.
Best yearlings—\$5.25 cwt.
Yearlings—\$4.80 cwt.
Ewes—\$4.15@4.25.

- Fowl and Miscellaneous.**
Ducks—dressed, 18c.
Geese—Dressed 18c.

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Navigation on the Osage.

One of the very crookedest streams anywhere is the Osage river in Missouri. In that region they tell of a farmer living on the banks of that river who had a small flatboat which one day he loaded with produce and floated down to market, six miles away. He exchanged the produce for goods at one of the stores and loaded his goods in the flatboat.

"How are you going to get your stuff home, Bill?" asked a friend. "Got a steamboat to tow you back?"
"I am going to float back," was the response.

"How are you going to do that? I don't understand."
"I guess you don't know much about this river. It doubles on itself just below here and runs back to within less than a quarter of a mile of my place. I've got a landing on both banks and a team of horses that can drag the boat over from one landing to the other."—Kansas City Journal.

Balkan Ballads.

In the Balkan countries the ballad makers have certainly been at least as important as the makers of laws. Serbia's national ballads, commemorating the glories of the Serbian Emperor Dushan, the fatal battle of Kosovo and the legendary exploits of the hero Marko Kraljevic and his horse Sharrats, are of Homeric proportions and sung to the accompaniment of a guitar with cords of horsehair tails, have kept national feeling warm for centuries. In recent years the Serbian government published a popular edition. In Macedonia Sir Charles Elliot heard a schoolboy recite a Bulgarian poem which took an hour and a quarter, with a simple but significant plot. The pasha of Sofia summons a Bulgarian hero who is his friend and tells him he has orders to execute him. The Bulgarian asks why. The pasha says he does not know, but he must do it, and he does.—London Chronicle.

Floral Death Legends.

By the Mexicans marigolds are known as death flowers from an exceedingly appropriate legend that they sprang up on the ground stained by the life blood of those who fell victims to the love of gold and cruelty of the early Spanish settlers. Among the Virginian tribes, too, red clover was supposed to have sprung from and to be colored by the blood of the red man slain in battle with the white invaders. In a similar manner the red poppies which followed the plowing of the field of Waterloo were said to have sprung from the blood of the killed and wounded in that famous battle. According to tradition, the Danish invasion is the cause of the daneweed, a coarse, asteraceous plant common in England, as it sprang from the blood of Danes slain in battle, and if cut on a certain day in the year it bleeds. The dwarf elder, for the same reason, is called danewort and daneblood.—Suburban Life.

Queer Book Titles.

"These old books," said the antiquary as he pointed to a dingy upper shelf, "are curious for their titles."
"Here is a volume of sermons printed in Salem in 1792. 'Sermons to Asses' is its scornful name."
"Here is a book dated 1743 that is called 'Look to It or I'll Stab Ye.' It is a treatise on polygamy."
"This is a pamphlet by a spinster against the young men of the seventeenth century. Its title is 'A Dissertation on the Pertness of Our Youth In General, Especially Such as Are Trained Up at Tea Tables.'"
"A return blast to that dissertation is this other pamphlet of the same year: 'Quilpess For Upstart Newfangled Gentlemen; or, A Glass to View the Pride of Valiantious Woman.'"

Nails.

America has the honor of having made the first cut nails, toward the close of the eighteenth century. Before that nails were made by hand, and their manufacture was a household industry. Cut nails are made by machinery from plates rolled to the proper width and thickness. They may be made of steel or of malleable iron. Wire nails, though originally a French invention, were brought to perfection in the United States.

A Profligate.

"I am afraid my husband is leading a double life."
"Heavens! What has aroused your suspicions?"
"He sneaked 50 cents out of his pay envelope last week and tried, when I found it out, to make me think he had done it by mistake."—Chicago Record-Herald.

A Long Time Out of Use.

"A man told me," says a cynic in the American Magazine, "that during the San Francisco earthquake he and his wife knelt down and began the Lord's Prayer, but forest it in the middle. It takes time to renew an old acquaintance."

Cruel.

Maud (before the laughing hyena's cage)—How provoking! Here we've been twenty minutes, and the hyena hasn't laughed once. Ella—Strange and he's been eyeing your new hat too.

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