

CHINESE EGGS REACH COAST

ORIENTAL EGGS ARE SLIGHTLY LARGER THAN "YANKEE."

Various Prices Quoted on Eggs in Portland Markets Today.

Portland, Dec. 30.—Egg prices vary all along the street today, hardly any two places asking the same for fresh Oregons. The range is all the way from 40 to 46 cents a dozen, with the bulk of the business understood to be about midway of this quotation.

Chinese eggs have made their appearance in the local markets and are being offered at 35 to 40 cents a dozen. These eggs are a little larger than local pullets and a trifle smaller than grown hen's eggs. In color the shell is a dark brown. When shipped from China the eggs were fresh and came across the ocean

under refrigeration to Seattle, from which point the shipment was sent here. This is the first time this year that these eggs have made their appearance in the local market. The shipment consisted of 25 cases and was brought here in an effort, importer says, to relieve the present situation and by way of experiment. It is understood that but little difficulty has been experienced in disposing of them.

It requires 30 days for the trip from China to Seattle, but it is claimed that these eggs are just as fresh, and even more so, than many which come from points in the try and are offered daily in the markets of the city. If the experiment proves successful it is probable that additional shipments will be brought here.

Orders have been sent to Seattle for storage eggs and it is expected that shipments of these will arrive late today or early tomorrow.

FRUIT.

Apples—\$1.00@1.75.
Oranges—4@50c dozen.
Grapefruit—15c.
Cranberries—20c, 3 for 50c per qt.
Bananas 7c lb.

Lemons—45@50c.
Dates—15c and 20c package
Figs—5c and 10c package.
Chili peppers—40c.
BUTTER AND EGGS.
Butter—Fancy creamery, 45 cents, 1 b. roll; 2 lb. roll 85c.
Ranch butter—1 lb. roll 35c; 2 lb. roll 70c.
Fresh ranch eggs—50c.
Packed eggs—40c.

VEGETABLES AND MISCELLANEOUS.

Potatoes—1c.
Onions, 4c lb. (small lots).
Lettuce (hothouse)—30c lb.; head, 2@15c.
Cauliflower—25c.
Honey—20c, 3 lbs. for 50c.
Squashes and pumpkins—2½c lb.
Celery—10c and 2@25c.
Beans—White, 8 1-3c; Lima, 10c.
Cabbage—3c.
Sweet Potatoes—5 lbs for 25c.
Sugar—Cane or fruit, \$5.45 a sack, cash. \$6.05 for 30 days. Beet sugar, \$5.45 cash, \$5.85 for 30 days.

FLOUR, HAY, FEED, ETC.

Blue Stem Flour—\$1.40.
Patent—\$1.30.
Snowdrift—\$1.45 sack.
Sea Foam—\$1.20.
Barley—\$1.07½.
Timothy—\$1.10.
Alfalfa hay—(to producer) \$12.00.
Oats—(to producer) \$11.10.
Bran—\$1.15 per cwt.
Rolled oats—\$1.45 per cwt.
Rolled barley—\$1.35.
Wild hay—(to producer)—\$8.00.
HOGS.
Best—\$6.50@6.90.
Common to good—\$6.00@6.50.
CATTLE.
Best steers—\$6.65.
Common to fair—\$5.50 @ \$6.00.
Cows, top—\$5.80@6.00.
Medium cows—\$5.25.
Calves—\$7.50@8.00.
Bulls, \$3.50@4.00.
SHEEP.
Best spring lambs—\$3.75.
Yearlings—\$3.50@4.00.
Old weathers—\$3.15@3.25.
Ewes—\$2.80@2.90.
CHICKENS AND FOWL.
Turkeys—25c@28c, retail.
Spring friers—22@25c, retail, dressed.
Hens—18c@20c, retail, dressed.
Meat Cuts—Retail.
Neck boil, 12 1-2 to 15c; brisket loins 12½c; soup bones, 6c to 8c; olates 12 1-2c; sho. pot roast 18c; arm cuts 18c; 1st cuts sho steak 15c; good cuts sho steak 18c; prime ribs 16 t 20c; wholesale 16, retail 20c; flank boil 12½c; kidneys 8c; kidney stew, 12c; sirloin steak 20 to 22c; tenderloin steaks 25c; T-Bone steaks 25c; rump roasts 18c; round steak 20c; hind quarter steers 16c; hind quarter cows 15c; front quarter steers 14c; front quarter cows 13c; hog, half dressed 13c; pork loin chops 20c; pork loin whole 16c; comb pork 14c; shoulder pork, whole 8c; ank and bulk sausage 15c; hamburger 15c; steer loins 18c; cow loin 17c; mutton legs 18c; mutton rib chop 20c; mutton loin chops 20c; mutton st sho. 15c; mutton stew 12 1-2c; whole mutton 14c; half mutton 14c; veal round steak 25c; veal loin cuts 25c; veal rib chops 20c; veal sho. steak 20c; veal stew 15c; half veal 16c; smoked ham, whole 22c; brk. bacon, light 25c; brk. bacon sliced 30c; salt pork 18c; sliced ham 25 to 28c; boiled hams 28c; boiled ham sliced 40c; smoked shoulder 15c; lard 16c; liver 6 to 8c; tongue 15c; hearts 8c; salmon 20c; halibut 18c; smelt 10c.

COUNTY RECORDS.

Mortgage—Stilwell, F. E. to Andre
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Mortgage—William W. Kinzie to Eq. S. & L. association, \$2,750.
Mortgage—Gertrude M. Swany to Rachel Hills, \$750.
Mortgage—George H. Baxter to Western Loan & Building company, \$800.
Mortgage—Kitty E. Pratt, to Anna Schoonover, \$150.
Chattel—A. L. Frugit to Hudson & Son, \$600.
Mortgage—Addie E. Russell to Eq. S. & L. association, \$2,400.
Mortgage—Evelyn S. McMillan to Eq. S. & L. association, \$1,200.
Mortgage—J. E. Foley to Thomas McConnell, \$10,000.
Mortgage—S. G. Potter to Henry Eiffert, \$2,750.
Chattel—C. E. Bunting to A. V. Andrews, \$200.
Mortgage—E. H. Shaw to Floyd Willshire, \$6,000.
Chattel—E. H. Shaw to Floyd Willshire, \$5,000.
Mortgage—L. C. Master to Farmers Mercantile Co., \$325.
Mortgage—Locke H. Moe to Edgar Ayers, \$1,000.
Mortgage—Dunham Wright to the State Land board, \$1,700.
Mortgage—P. F. Robinson to Eq.

S. & L. association, \$1,000.
Mortgage—C. D. Goodnough et al to La Grande Lodge No. 433 B. P. O. E., \$500.
Mortgage—W. M. Shesher to First National Bank, Pendleton, \$70,000.
Mortgage—Lewis J. Bartmess, to Frank L. Bartmess, \$1,000.
Chattel—S. M. & E. S. Calloway, Asa Benton, \$1,600.

TINY MEN AND WOMEN.

Some Noted Lilliputians Who Were Exhibited in England.

Of dwarfs exhibited in England the most celebrated was the Pole, Borul waski, who was born in 1730 and died in 1837. At six he measured seventeen inches and finally, in his thirtieth year, reached thirty-nine inches. He had a sister shorter than himself by head and shoulders. Borulwaski traveled all over Europe, and now lies buried at Durham.

In the year of his death his successor, Charles Stratton, known to fame as "General Tom Thumb," was born. When twenty-five he was thirty-one inches high.

In 1844 he appeared in England and had an extraordinary success. After extensive travel in both hemispheres the "general" again visited England in 1857, but the dwarf man, in spite of many personal and intellectual qualities, was less attractive than the dwarf boy. In the year 1833 he married the very minute American Lavinia Warren, and died in 1883.

Other well known dwarfs of the past have been:

Three children of a Scottish shepherd named McKinley, the shortest of whom was forty-five inches.
Don Francisco Hidalgo, a Spaniard, twenty-nine inches.
Jan Hannema, a Dutchman, twenty-eight inches.

Mary Jane Youngman, an Australian, who at the age of fifteen was thirty-five inches high.—Pall Mall Gazette.

What Killed the Adjutant.

There is a story of an English officer, Colonel FitzRoy, that dates back to 1800. FitzRoy when in India was possessed of an air gun, and one afternoon he took a shot at an adjutant, a bird which, being an excellent scavenger, is protected from injury by a fine of 100 rupees. Several people saw the bird fall, but heard no report. There was, of course, a hubbub, and a court of inquiry was ordered to investigate the bird's death.

As luck would have it, FitzRoy was appointed president of the court, the finding of which was duly recorded as follows: "The court, having carefully investigated all the evidence brought before it, has come to the conclusion that the bird died of sunstroke. (Signed) Phil FitzRoy, Captain and President."

Lines by a Sick Poet.

Mr. William Watson, when ill in London and attempting a dinner for which he had no appetite, scribbled these lines on a scrap of paper, which he threw to his attendant:

Strange sauce that's mingled with the meat,
Strange meat that's mingled with the sauce—in vain
I eat and wonder what and why I eat,
Long for the porridge of my youth again.

—London Chronicle.

All She Asked.

"My dear, some of these days I will bring you a string of perfectly matched pearls."
"Forget those dreams, Harold," yawned his wife. "Just bring me a string of perfectly matched sausages when you come home tonight."—Chicago Journal.

Saved Himself.

"If Flubdub hadn't displayed some unexpected energy today I should have fired him."
"And what direction did his unexpected energy take?"
"He went out and got himself another job."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Nice For the Doctor.

Little George (to physician)—Say, I don't think you look like a duck. Doctor—Who said I did? Little George—Nobody. But mamma told papa you was an old quack.—Chicago News.

To wait for what never comes, to be abed and not sleep, to serve and not be advanced, are three things to be avoided.—Proverb.

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