

LUMBER VERSUS WHEAT

SAWMILL MEN OUTBIDDING WHEAT EXPORTERS FOR SHIPS. Five Thousand-Ton Carrier Chartered for Lumber at 87c per Bushel - Berwickshire's Record Trip.

The highest rate paid for a lumber ship for nearly 10 years, was reported yesterday, the British ship Cedarbank being taken for loading at a British Columbia mill for the United Kingdom at 87c.

With rates like the above paid for ships of 5000 tons capacity for next season loading the market will be anything but promising for cheap ships.

MR. CRAMP CORRECTED

Foreign Countries Do Not Make Pets of Shipbuilders. Mr. C. H. Cramp, one of the patriots who is adding the subsidy scheme for a philanthropic standpoint, was recently quoted by the New York Commercial as follows:

All other countries allot the construction of their warships to shipbuilders as they are satisfied with building their own.

London Fair Play promptly exposes Mr. Cramp's ignorance in the following words: "Mr. Cramp made this statement because he was considerably misinformed."

Berwickshire's Record Passage. In reporting the fast trip of the Berwickshire a few days ago, an error in the shipping schedule was pointed out.

Probably a Total Wreck. TILLAMOOK, Or., April 20.-It is expected that the steam lumber schooner Laguna, which went ashore on the north spit of Tillamook bar, will become a total wreck, making the second wreck within a few weeks at this point.

Marine Notes. The British ship Astracans has been added to the route line. She comes from Hamburg in Meyer Wilson & Co.'s regular line.

The British ship William Law left down the river yesterday morning, and will reach Astoria today. The Inverness-shire will follow Monday.

The steamer Columbia arrived about 5 o'clock last evening, completing a pleasant trip from San Francisco. She had a very good passenger list.

The steamer Inralda has escaped from the meshes of the law, and will probably go on her new route between Portland and the Cascades sometime next week.

Domestic and Foreign Ports. ASTORIA, Or., April 20.-Arrived at 5 A. M., and left at 10:15 A. M.-Steamer Columbia, from San Francisco. Condition of the bar at 5 P. M., smooth, wind north, weather clear.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20.-Arrived-steam State of California, from Portland; schooner Lewis, from the Columbia River; schooner James A. Garfield, from Coos Bay.

Hamburg, April 20.-Arrived-Friedrich, from New York. Southampton, April 20.-Arrived-Fuerst Bismarck, from Hamburg, for New York.

Seattle-Sailed April 19.-Steamer Rosalia, for Skagway; bark Northern Light, for Cape Nome.

Boston, April 20.-Arrived-New England, from Liverpool. New York, April 20.-Arrived-Palatin, from Hamburg.

Genoa, April 20.-Arrived-Ems, from New York. Cherbourg, April 20.-Sailed-Fuerst Bismarck, from Hamburg, for New York.

San Francisco, April 20.-Arrived-steam Progress, from Tacoma; ships Spartan and Occidental, from Seattle; ship Columbia, from Tacoma; bark Levi G. Burgess, from Tacoma; Sailed-Steamer Thiania, for Nanaimo; steamer Matthew, for Tacoma.

New York, April 20.-Arrived-Kaserina Marie Thessa, from Bremen. Havre, April 20.-Arrived-L'Aquitaine, from New York.

Through Freight Rates Announced. NEW YORK, April 20.-It is advanced by a Wall-street news agency that through freight rates between the Pacific Coast and all points south of the Ohio, and east of the Mississippi River, were cut today.

IRON AND STEEL LOWER

METAL MARKETS DISTURBED BY SERENITY OF TRADE SITUATION. Favorable Features Not Entirely Eliminated, However-Railroad Earnings Continue Heavy.

NEW YORK, April 20.-Bradstreet's tomorrow will say: More than two weeks ago in the iron and steel trade there was a feeling of relief, and this feeling was based on the fact that the iron and steel trade because of the continuation of those efforts in the direction of lower prices which have been such a feature of the iron and steel trade.

The bear campaign in iron and steel took on a new phase this week when a number of wire mills shut down, as alleged, because of an oversupply of these goods.

The steel market is generally held to be in a restricted scale, although the market there apparently realized that the difficulty in Wall street related only to the iron and steel trade.

Bank Clearings. NEW YORK, April 20.-The following table, compiled by Bradstreet, shows the bank clearings at principal cities for the week ending April 19, 1900.

Table with columns: City, Inc., Dec. Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia, etc. with corresponding values.

REGISTER TONIGHT.

The registration office at the Court-house will be open until 8 o'clock to-night. Electors who reach the office by that hour will be accommodated.

A WEEK OF SURPRISES.

Reductions in Prices Have a Bad Effect on the Market. NEW YORK, April 20.-R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade tomorrow will say:

Normal reduction of 5 per cent in prices of plates and bars and closing of mills by the American Steel & Wire Company have filled the week with surprises.

There is a slightly better demand for hides at Chicago, attributed to their improving condition, but the distribution of boots and shoes does not keep all the market's resources in the way of skins.

The textile industries have large orders yet to be filled, which keeps many of the mills busy, but there are many others less fortunate, and their hunt for orders, without much prospect of success, continues.

Latter Day Saints. LAMONI, Ia., April 20.-At yesterday's session of the Latter Day Saints conference, a long list of names from Canada, at the request of the president of the conference, were read into the office of high priests by the high priests' quorum.

Alex McDonald's Partner Dead. SEATTLE, April 20.-Alexander Calder, the first partner of Alex McDonald, the Klondike King, died at Selkirk, Alaska, March 29. His death will bring his body to this city for interment. He was 45 years old, born in Nova Scotia, and was one of the richest men in the Klondike.

Business Items. If Baby Is Cutting Teeth. Be sure and use the old and tried remedy, Carter's Little Liver Pills, for children teething. It soothes the child, restores the gums, relieves all pain, cures all colic and diarrhoea.

The Financial Review. Sensational Elements in the Market Furnished by the Industrials. NEW YORK, April 20.-Bradstreet's financial review tomorrow will say: This week the industrials furnished the sensational elements in the stock market.

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Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. Lives are saved by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. Mr. O. H. Snyder, 1810 Louisiana St., Lawrence, Kansas, tells how he was cured by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

MONEY FOR PACIFIC UNIVERSITY. Received \$7000 Yesterday. With Intention of More to Come. FOLLEST GROVE, Or., April 20.-President McClelland, of Pacific University, received today checks aggregating \$7000 from the Congregational Educational Society, whose headquarters are in Boston.

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