COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS STORY COMMERCIAL STOR

That portion of the Pacific Northwest a noticeable improvement after election which makes Portland headquarters for the industry will place in circulation conbutiness does not seem to be much dismrbed over the impending political con liet, for in nearly all lines the volume of trade is much greater than on a corresponding date last year, and in some industries it is more than double the proportions reached in the same period in when the effect of the coming election was so pronounced in all lines. The wheat market continues to be the most unsatisfactory feature of the trade situation, and prices continue to gravitate toward a lower level, with business on a very restricted scale. The movement earlier in the season was so heavy, however, that the actual effect of the present inactivity is less seriously felt in general trade than it would be in a season when the movement is not fairly under way until well into the month of October.

Hops continue firm at highly satisfactory prices, with the outlook quite promising for a continuation of the present strength.

We are still dependent on the East for eggs and they are coming in at the rate of several carloads per week. Oregon eggs ure so scarce that the few which are coming to hand are taken up at almost any price which is asked for them. The butter market continues very weak, and stocks move with difficulty at quotations. Weal and pork continue in excellent de-mand, and poultry is doing better, although the market is still very weak on poor grades of chickens. Receipts of potatoes are increasing, and prices are a shade easier. The grocery market is firm, with no changes of importance.

WHEAT-The local wheat market is very much demoralized, in sympathy with other markets. Europe and the East are lower, and the cereal seems to be resting under a heavy weight all over the world. Local exporters have hestitated about for lowing the market to the limit in its downward plunge, and, while most of them were quoting & cents as an outside figure for Walla Walla, from 1/2 cent to I cent better is reported paid in the country. Bluestem is nominally 55 cents. Valley, which cuts no figure from an export standpoint this season, is still selling in a small way for milling purposes at D to 60 cents per bushel, but these prices are paid only at points where the freight rate on Walla Walla will not admit of its being shipped in. The charter of a couple of steamers at 45 shillings for December loading has given the freight market as easier tone, and the Halewood, which refused 51s 3d a few weeks ago, was offering yesterday at 47s 6d.

This decline is the result of the con-tinued depression in the wheat market, and has hardly proceeded far enough to warrant the belief that it will hold should there be any improvement in the foreign market. Just at present wheat afrivals are very heavy in Europe. On Wednesday eight ships reached Queenstown or Falmouth for orders from this port alone, their cargoes making a total of 878,511 bushels of wheat. Such receipts from one port in a single day are, of course, unusual, but the indifference of the English buyer to taking hold of wheat even at present prices is undoubtedly due to the fact that there is continued heavy offerings confronting him. The world's wisible supply on October 1, as compiled. by the Liverpool Corn Trade News, was



It is apparent from this fact that the highle per pound; dressed, 15c.

Cheese Full cream, twins, 1101240; Young the average for the past 10 years; in amount of wheat in night is much above the average for the past 10 years; in the present figures have been reached but twice in that period. To add to the natural bearishness which is suggested by such figures, are reports of excellent crop prospects in Australia and the Argentine. There is still plenty of time for all sorts of disaster to oventake the Argentine crop, but it is suffisome effect on the market, while the Australian crop will soon be near the stage where it will be out of danger, The Cincinnati Price Current, in reviewing its crop correspondence for the week ending last Saturday, says:

The bulk of the Winter wheat gron to now in the ground, and much of it is growing nicely, having a good stand. Weather conditions since seeding com-menced have been mostly favorable. The presence of fly in some of the early sown fields of Ohio and Indiana causes some apprehension, and it may or may not prove serious later on. The crop averages several weeks later than usual; the eage will probably be not far from . that which was sown a year ago. In the Northwest the week was again favorable for threshing and moving

wheat, and this is being reflected in the increased receipts at primary markets. The movement of grain generally has been of fair proportions during the past week HOPS-The hop market is firm at full prices, with a fair amount of business reported. Up to date the highest price reported is 15% cents per pound, which was paid by a brewer, but dealers have generally placed their limits around 15 dered, 5s, 10%c; 10s, 10%c; dried beef, 15c. and 151/2 cents per pound. Growers who have a choice article are not selling so freely as they were a short time ago, but the crop is moving at a rate sufficiently speedy to assure a thorough clean-up by the turn of year or very soon afterward. The New York Journal of Commerce has the following regarding the situation in

Locally the market remains exception ally quiet for this time of the year, brewers hesitating to pay, until compelled by actual necessity, the present prices, which at this time last year. From the coun try, however, came reports of continued activity at full prices. Private advices from Waterville, N. Y., today report heavy sales in that vicinity at 15 cents.

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In its issue of the 18th inst. the wille Times has the following:

The market this week seems to be a little quieter than last. Sales are being at 15 cents, which is the made, however, at 15 cents, which is the average price. A few sales have been effected at a little more and a few at a little less. Growers are still hempered about setting their hope pressed on account of lack of cloth. The most of them, especially the holders of large choice lots, are very strong in their demands. When samples of their growths are called for they say they are not in the market and therefore there is no use sampling their growths. Peter Foley has sold recently \$3 bales at 15 cents; J. A. hett, 16 at 15 cents; Charles Stedman, E at 14 cents; Joseph Jones, 30 at 15 cents; ph Ritz, 35 at 15 cents.

WOOL-The market is very quiet pending the election. There is very little inquiry from the East, and growers in this state are so firm in the belief that better prices will prevail after election that they will not accept the prices which dealers can new offer. There is a large amount held in the state, and if there should be

siderable money at a season when it is

not usually expected from this industry. POTATOES. The shipping demand for potatoes is slightly easier this week, and prices are being shaded somewhat, but the weakness is believed to be temporary, as the quality of the yield is the best on record and there will undoubtedly be a good denmand later on. Sales are generally made around 50 and 60 cents, with something fancy occasionally bringing a

FRUIT-There is a fairly good demand for choice Northern Spy and Bellflower apples at \$1 to \$1 25 per box, but for ordinary stock there is not much sale An unusually large amount of common varieties of apples have appeared on the market this month, and some of them sell as low as 40 and 50 cents per box. Grapes are still in good supply. Bananas are now received at regular intervals, and the demand is good. Cranberries from Cape Cod, Wisconsin and Ilwaco are plen-

BUTTER-The butter market has not yet recovered from the severe joit it received when a carload of two of Eastern butter was dumped in on a market that was already so heavy that it was about to-tumble of its own weight. The select brands are still selling at 50 cents, but there is an enormous amount of very fine stock that can be obtained for less money. Now that the rainy season has set in, it is believed that receipts will slacken, and that no further declines will take place

EGGS-Any dealer fortunate enough to have a few cases of Oregon eggs , (not Eastern eggs in Oregon cases) could undoubtedly secure 30 cents or perhaps more for them, although not much of an effort is being made to secure more than 2714 cents. Oregon eggs were never so scarce at this season of the year, and the demand is quite liberal. The scarcity is said to be due to the high prices for chickens which prevailed last Spring, an unusually large number of hens being sold at that time which should have been kept for egg-producers. The shortage in the Oregon stock makes a good market for Eastern eggs, but they are in such plentiful supply that prices have not yet advanced beyond 22% cents, and some are still selling as low as 20 cents per dozen.

POULTRY-The market for large-sized Spring chickens in good order is much better this week, but there is still an oversupply of poor stock, which moves slowly at any price. Ducks and geese are fairly steady at quotations, and there is a limited demand for turkeys in good

Bank Clearings. - PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grafn, Flour, Etc. Wheat-Walla Walla, 52@525c; Valley, nom-Flour-Best grades, \$2 90@3 40 per barrel; Oats-White, 42@43c per bushel; gray, 40@

Barley-Feed, \$15615 50; brewing, \$16616 50 per ton.
Millstuffs—Bran, \$15.50 per ton; middlings,
\$21; thoris, \$17; chop. \$16.
Hay—Timothy, \$120/15; cloyer, \$707 50; Ore-gon wild hay, \$607 per ton.

Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Etc. Butter-Fancy creamery, 45@50e; store, 25@ Eggs-Eastern, 20@22%c; Oregon ranch, 25@

Vegetables, Fruit, Etc. Vegetables, Fruit, Etc.

Vegetables-Parships, 56c; turnips, 75c; carrots, 75c per sack; onions, 75c § 1; cabbags, \$1 25 @ 1 50 per cental; pétatoes, 500 goc per sack; tomajoes, 25c per box; corn, 75c per sack; sweet potatoes, 1%c per pound in sacks; cetery, 50@55c per dozen.

Fruit-Lemons, 440,450; oranges, 5000 per box; pineapples, \$4 50@6 per dozen; bananas, \$2 50@6 per bunch; Persian dates, 7c per lb.; pears, 75c@\$1 per box; apples, 50c @\$1 per lb.;

pears, Theggi per hor; apples, 50c f \$1 per box; grapes, Muscat, 70655c; black, 70685c; Tokay, \$1; Compords, 25gnoc per basket. Dried fruit - Arpies, evaporated, 765c per pound; swn-dried, sacks or boxes, 565c; pears, sun and evaporated, 5 6 do; plums, pitless, 869c; prunes, Italian, 5 6 7c; silver, extra choice, 567c; firs, California black, 5c; do

ahite, Two per pound. Ment and Provisions. Mutton — Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, sheared, \$3 50; dressed, 69,07c per lb.; Spring lambs, 5%c per pound gross; dressed, 7 67%c.

Hogs-Gross, choice heavy, \$5 00605 75; light,

Stylessed, 660% per pound.

Veal-Large, 6467% per pound; amail, 80 for per pound.

Beef-Gross, top steers, \$3 5064; cows, \$35 50; dressed beef, 667c per pound.

Provisions — Portland pack (Shield brand): Hams, smoked, are quoted at 11½c per pound; picnic hams. Sic per pound; breakfast bacon, 13½@15c; bacon, 10½@11½c; backs, 10½c; dry smit sides, 9½@10c; dried beef, 15c; lard, 5pound pails, 10%c; 10-pound pails, 10%c; 50s, 10%c; tierces, 10c per pound. Eastern pack (Hammond's): Hams, large, 11%c; medium, 11%c; small, 12c; picnic hams, 5%c; shoulders, Sc; breakfast bacon, 134@154c; dry salt sides, 94@104c; bacon sides, 104@114c; backs, 104c; butts, 12c; lard, pure leaf, kettle ren-

Groceries, Nuis, Etc.
Coffee-Mocha, 22325c; Java, fancy, 20332c;
Java, good, 20324c; Java, ordinary, 18820c;
Costa Blea, fancy, 18820c; do good, 16918c; do ordinary, 10912c per pound; Columbia, roast, \$18 12; Arbuckle's, \$14 15; Lion, \$13 13 per case.

Sugar - Cube, \$6 85; crushed, \$6 85; pow

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> GRAIN **PROVISIONS** STOCKS and COTTON

BOUGHT AND SOLD FOR CASH OR CARRIED ON MARGINS

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pound.

Balmon—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, \$1 20 62; 2-pound talls, \$2 2562 50; fancy 3-pound fairs, \$202 25; M-pound fairs, 6488, \$1 106 1 30; Alaska, 1-pound talls, \$1 4061 60; 2-pound fails, \$1 9082 25.

Nuts—Peanuts, 54675 per pound for raw, 9c for roasted; coccanuts, 80c per dosen: walnuts, 10 3 11c per pound; piec muts, 15c; hickory nuts, 7c; chestnuts, 15c; Brasil, 15c; filberts, 15c; fincy pecans, 12614c; almonds, 156174c per pound.

Beans—Sussil white, 4%c; large do, 3%64c; Sayou, 30c; Lina, 6c per pound.

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Beans—Small white, #jc; large do, 3%@4c; bayou, 3½c; Lima, 6c per pound.

Grain bags—Calcuita, 2000 12% per 100 for Coal oil-Cases, 18%c per gallon; barrels, 14%; tanks, 18c.
Rice-Island, 64c; Japan, 54c; New Gricans,
4%; 65%; fancy head, \$707.50 per sack.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

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Hops-New crop, 13@15%c per pound; 1800 crop, 76%c.

Wool-Valley, 13@14c; Eastern Oregon, 9@
12c; mohair, 25c per pound.
Sheepskins-Shearlings, 15 @ 20c; zhort-wool, 26@35c; medium-wool, 30@35c; long-wool, 60c@ 14 exch.

Tallow-ic; No. 2 and srease, 2@3c per lb.
Hides-Dry hides, No. 1, 1d pounds and upward, 14@15c; dry klp, No. 1, 5 to 16 pounds, 15@16c; dry salted, one-third less than dry finit; salted hides, sound steers, 80 pounds and over, 7@8c; do 50 to 60 pounds, 74c; do under 50 pounds and cover, 7@8c; do 50 to 60 pounds, 74c; do under 50 pounds and cover, 7@8c; do 50 to 60 pounds, 74c; do under 50 pounds and cover, 7@8c; do 50 to 60 pounds, 14c; do under 50 pounds and cows, 7c; ktp. 13 to 30 over, 785c; do 50 to 80 pounds, 74c; do under 50 pounds and cows, 7c; ktp. 13 to 30
pounds; 74c8c; do veal, 10 to 15 pounds, 74c;
do calf, ander 10 pounds, 74c; green (unsalted),
lc per pound less; culls (bulls, stags, motheiten, badiy eut, scored hair slipped; weatherpeaten or grubby), one-third less.

Pelts — Bearskins, each, as to size, \$5@15;
cubs, each, \$165; badger, each, 50c; wildcat,
25@15c; housecat, 5@25c; fox, common gray,
40c@\$1; do red, \$1 75@3 50; do cross, \$2 50@6;
kyrx \$284 50; mink, 40c@\$1 75; marten, dart

tynk, \$254 50; mink, 40cm 175; marten, dark Northern, \$3510; do pale, pine, \$254; musk-rat, \$6 18c; skunk, 50880c; otter (land), 4 68; panther, with heas and claws perfect, \$163; raccoon, 25689c; wolf, mountain, with head perfect, \$3 50 @ 5; wolverine, \$2 5060; beaver, per skin, large, \$667; do medium, per skin, \$465; do small, per skin, \$162; do kin, per skin, (108.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET. Railroad Deals and Rumors Produce

Some Lively Trading. NEW YORK, Oct. 24 .- Today's broad tions in prices offered excellent opportunities for speculation, and all class professional operators were busy all day. All the broadly defined movements which dominated the action of the whole market were themselves under control of powerful speculative oliques, and there were in-dications of co-operation between the pools which were manipulating different portions of the market. Following this effective leadership and busily occupied in bringing forward the less prominent stocks in the list to conform in prices to the changes in the leaders, was a host of small traders and board-room opera-tors, who were in and out of the market

many times during the day. The strictly commission-house brokers had the full share of the day's business, orders coming in large volume from various sources. The latter element offered the effective medium for the success of there was a very large selling of stocks during the day to this outside element became increasingly manifest as the day progressed. When the very active buying demand had been pretty well satisfied and many of the professional traders had sold out and taken their profits, they took advantage of the soft condition of the market, due to large holdings of stocks having passed to weaker hands, to put out short lines for a turn. The resulting decline in prices increased the pressure to realize, and the market closed active and weak, at a level materially below the best, but with some strik-

ing not gains nevertheless remaining. The backbone of the day's market con-sisted of the strength of the transcontinental group of railroads lying beyond the Missouri River. Many rumors were affect this morning, calculated to stimu-late the buying of these stocks. One story had it that Pacific Mail had gone to the Harriman-Vanderbilt control as a step to a formation of a great transcon-tinental line from the Atlantic seaboard to the Coast of Asia. There were also nebulous reports of the settlement of the ling controversy over the rights in the Clearwater territory, in which there has been a temporary truce between the Northern Pacific, Great Northern and Union Pacific. A lease of Northern Pacific by the Great Northern with a 4 per cent dividend guarantee on the Northern Pa-cific's common stock is an example of the character of the rumors which were heard. Northern Pacific and Great Northern themselves were sold to realize on an enormous scale, and the former stock, with the exception of a brief interval, was held below last night's level all day, but the other members of the group and Pacific Mall were very buoyant during

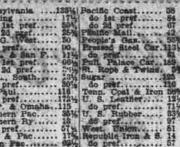
the early part of the day.
No official confirmation was forthcoming of any of the day's rumors, and representatives of the Huntington estate dising charges of control in Pacific Mail. That stock, after rising 314, broke 414 points, having no small influence in the weakness of the whole list in the late trading. Other leaders in the advance suffered to the extent of 1 to 1½ points. Of more substantial benefit was the news of the engagement of an additional \$1, 600,000 of gold for import. The \$1,000,000 withdrawn from the Bank of England today is not unlikely to find its destination

There were weak spots in the bond market today, and it did not share fully in the great activity of the stock market. Total sales, par value, \$2,935,000. United States Government bends were

all advanced % per cent on the last call. BONDS.

U. S. 2a, ref. reg. 104% Gen. Electric 5s., 120 de coupon 104% N. Y. Cent. 1sts., 108 do 3s, resg., 109% Northern Pac. 3s., 60% do de coupon 110 do new 4s, reg. 135% do 60 coupon 184% do 64s., 105% do 64s., 105% do 64s., 105% do 64s., reg. 115 do coupon 115 do coupon 115 do coupon 118 do coupon 118% St. Paul conkols., 170% do 65 F. deb. 0s. 122% St. P. C. & P. 1sts. 184 Atchison adj. 4s., 87% do 5s. F. deb. 0s. 120 Union Pacific 4s., 100% do 4s., 90 West Shore 4s., 42% STOCKS. BONDS.

STOCKS. The total sales of stocks today were 833,900 shares. The closing quotations were: ## Rederal Steel 30% | Western Winter, steady, 6a 1d; No. 1 | Minn & St. L. 61 | do pref 69% | 65% | do pref 69% | General Elec. 144 | Horning cassy 6a 4d; No. 1 | California, duil, 6a 5½d, futures easy; 15% | Mobile & Ohio 60½ | do pref 98% | Mr. & T. 10½ | Int. Paper 19% | do pref 82% | do pref 82% | National Biscuit. 35% | National Biscuit. 35% | National Biscuit. 35% | Sorth Fac. 57% | Mational Biscuit. 35% | Morth Fac. 57% | Mational Steel 20% | Morth Fac. 57% |



Advertiser's London financial cablegram says:

Excepting in the American department, markets here were very idle today, and inclined to weakness induced by the news of fighting on the Indian frontier, which in view of the withdrawais of troops for South Africa and China, is regarded as possessing ominous possibilities. The shipment of IN,000 gold in bars to America, also had a depressing effect. There are no supplies of gold now in the open market. London sold the Northern Pacific Issues, but held others. New York offered support, and the close was animated and strong, although there was no evidence of public support. Norfolk & evidence of public support. Norfolk & Western, Northern Pacific and St. Paul were source. Silver finished shaky.

Money, Exchange, Etc. SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24.-Sterling on ondon, 80 days, \$4 85; do sight, \$4 82. Drafts-Sight, foc; telegraphic, 1740.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24-Money on call, 64 per cent; last loans, 3 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 565 per cent; sterling exchange, weak, with actual business in bankers' bill at 24 85% for demand, and at H 3014 for 90 days; posted rates, 34 3140 4 83, and 4 814404 85; commercial bills, 14 794 64 80%.

Silver certificates—6414065140.

Mexican dollars-51c. Bonds - Government, Strong; state, steady; railroad, irregular.

LONDON, Oct. 24.-Consols, 98%.

THE GRAIN MARKETS. Prices for Cereals in European and American Ports.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24.-Wheat and barley, quiet; oats, strong. Spot quotations were:
Wheat-No. 1 shipping, 35c; choice, 55c;

milling, 98%c6\$1 02%. Barley-Feed, 10@72%c; brewing, 79%0 Oats-Black for seed, \$1 294@1 30; red, \$1 27461 35.

Call board sales: Wheat-May, \$1.00%; cash, 95c. Corn-Large yellow, \$1.22%.

Chicago Grain and Produce. CHICAGO, Oct. 24.-Wheat started active and under the influence of a decline of only 160%d at Liverpool in comparison with the drop of 1%c here yesterday. In addition to this, the weather in the Argentine was reported unfavorable, and Kansas and Ohio and North Indiana complained of the Hessian fly. Shorts covered freely early. December opened %c higher, at 73%6/73c, touched 73%c, and then recovered to 784c; 825,000 bushels of cash wheat were reported sold here, but this was at prices said to be 5e under December. The sample market was weak, a condition explained by the allegation that elevators are stuffed full to the eaves. . This weakness, combined the downward tendency in corn and the usual lack of outside support, led to liquidation by commission houses, and a moderate amount of short selling by traders under which December later gradually slumped to 72c. Here the market steadled on covering by shorts to secure profits. The close was 1/2 down, at 72% 9721/2 for

Dacember. Gorn was easy, with heavy selling by leading operator and continued liquidation by others. December closed %c down, at 35c.

Onts were quiet and easier. December closed %c lower, at 21%@21%c.
Provisions were generally weak, influenced by heavy receipts and a break in prices at the yards and sympathy with the grain weakness. There was heavy commission-house selling of lard early. The market rallied for a moment on buying by shippers, but eased off again, January pork closed 10c lower, lard 5c down, and ribs 214c depressed.

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Flour-Dull and easy, Wheat-No. 3 Spring, 65@724c; No. 2 red, 73577416 Corn-No. 2, 38%@39%c; No. 2 yellow, Oats-No. 2 white, 254@254c: No. 4

white, 24025c. Rye-No. 2, 47%c. Barley-Fair to choice maiting, 48@55c. Flax seed-No. 1, \$1 72½; No. 1 Northwestern, \$1 78.

Timothy seed—Prime, \$4 80.

Provisions—Mess pork, per barrel, \$11 25
@11 50; lard, per 100 pounds, \$5 8566 92½;
short ribs sides, loose, \$6 6066 80; dry saifed shoulders, bexed, \$1,65½; short clear sides, boxed, \$5 9046 35. sides, boxed, \$6 90/26 95. Clover-Contract grade, \$10@10 25.

On the produce exchange today, the but-ter market was firm; creamery, 15@22c; dairy, 15@18c. Cheese, firm; 10%@10%c.

Eggs, steady; fresh, 171/2c. Flour, barrels 40,000 23,000
Wheat, bushels 325,000 12,000
Corn, bushels 488,000 491,000
Cats, bushels 330,000 252,000
Rye, bushels 15,000 3,000
Barley, bushels 170,000 38,000

New York Grain, Produce, Etc. NEW YORK, Oct. 24.-Flour-Receipts. 22,824 barrels; exports, 10,330 barrels; mar-

Wheat-Receipts, 159,275 bushels; spot, weak; No. 2 red, 77c. f. o. b.; options opened 78c elevator. Options were irregular, but generally firm up to midday. In-the afternoon they declined under heavy liquidation and short selling, and closed weak at Wc net loss. March closed 30%c; May, 80%c; October, 15%c; December, 77c. Wool-Dull. Hops-Quiet. Hops-Quiet.

European Grain Markets. LONDON, Oct. M.-Wheat-Cargoes on passage, heavy and depressed, 3d lower; cargoes Walla Walla, 29s.

LIVERPOOL, Oct. 34.-Wheat and flour in Paris, weak. Wheat, spot, No. 2 red Western Winter, steady, 8s-1d; No. 1 Northern Spring, easy, 6s-4d; No. 1 Cal-

Downing, Hopkins & Co. OREGONIAN BUILD!

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1194; Ilinois Central, 123; Louisville, 784; Union Pacific, 78%; Northern Pacific, pre-ferred, 75; Grand Trunk, 8%; Anaconda, Bar silver, steady; 30 3-16d per ounce,

BOSTON WOOL MARKET. Trade Has Continued to Improve and Sales Are Larger.

BOSTON, Oct. M.—The American Wool and Cotton Reporter will say tomorrow: Trade in wool has continued to improve, and the business done is of a more satisfactory character. That is to say, holders of wool do not find it necessary to offer so many special inducements to intending purchasers. It is easier for them to get asking prices than it was a month ago. The sales of the week aggregate over 3,000,000 pounds, and this total would have been considerably increased if holders had consented to accept all offers made by consumers. The trade feels that the downward tendency has been arrested, and that a basis has been established on which a good business can be done when the demand shall increase. The market is in fact firmer. London sales continue along the basis of opening prices except for inferior merinos, which are weaker, but little is being offered suitable for America, and the purchases for the latter, therefore, have thus far been of moderate amount.

Orders for wool sent from this side at prices currently quoted at the opening have in several instances failed to secure wool. In the West, the situation is as firm as ever, and holders are determined not to part with their wool until after election. The sales of the week in Boston amounted to 2.899,000 pounds, domestic and 195,000 pounds foreign, making a total of 3,004,000 pounds, against a total of 3,314,-000 pounds for the previous week, and a total of 10,701,200 pounds for the corresponding week last year.

The sales since January 1 amounted to 107,535,800 pounds, against 249,645,300 pounds for the corresponding time last year.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKETS. SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24.-Wool-Spring, Nevada, 11@13c; Bastern Oregon, 10@14c; Valley, Oregon, 15@17c. Fail, mountain lambs, 2@10c; Humboldt and

Mendocino, 10@12c. Hops-1900 crop, 124@15c. Hay-Wheat, \$9613 50; wheat and oats, \$9312 50; best barley, \$9 50; alfalfa, \$760 \$ 50; compressed wheat, \$9613 per ton; straw, 509425c per bale, Millstuffe-Middlings, \$17 50@20 50; bran,

\$15 50@16-50 per ton: Potatoes - River Burbanks, 25@50c sweet, new, 50c@\$1 per cental; Salinas Burbanks, 90c@\$1 12½; Oregon Burbanks,

Vegetables - Green peas, 1402c per pound; tomatoes, 25@f0c a bex; asparagus, 75c@\$2 50; cucumbers, 20@35c. Butter-Fancy creamery, 25%@25c; do seconds, 24@25e; fancy dairy, 2314@24e; seconds, 18@23c. Citrus fruit-Mexican limes, \$464 (0)

common California lemons, \$1 25@2 25; choice, \$2 25@2 50; pineapples, \$2@3 per dozen. California fiats, 109704c per Young America, 10%@ilc; Eastern, 14@15c.

Green fruit-Apples, chalce, \$1 25 per box; common, 35c per box.
Poultry-Turkeys, gobblers, 14015c; do hens, 14615c per pound; old roosters, \$2.50 64 per dozen; young roosters, \$3.5064; small brollers, \$362.50; large do, \$363.50; fryers, \$263 50; hens, \$3,5065 per dozen; old ducks, \$364; geese, \$1 2561 50 per pair. Bananas-\$162 50 per bunch. Eggs-Store, 25000e; fancy ranch, 41c;

Receipts-Flour, 47,300 quarter sacks; wheat, \$2,100 centals; barley, 4660 centals; oats, 1100 centals; beans, \$600 sacks; do Eastern, 500 sacks; potatoes, 9200 sacks; A C bran, 700 sacks; middlings, 320 sacks; hay. A A W W 500 tons; wool, 245 bales; hides, 400.

EASTERN LIVESTOCK.

CHICAGO, Oct. 24.-Cattle-Receipts, 17,-000, including 2000 Westerns and 8000 Texans. Generally strong to 10c higher. Natives, good to prime steers, \$5 90@6; poor to medium, \$4 5075 50; selected feeders firm, \$3 7574 45; mixed stockers steady, \$2 50703 75; cows, \$2 8074 25; helfers, \$2 7570 4 75; canners, strong, \$2 0002 65; bulls, firm, \$2 0004 50; calves, strong, \$400 50. strong. Texas fed steers, \$4 00@4 90; grass steers. \$3 55@4 15; bulls, \$2 75@3 25. Hogs-Receipts, 30,000; tomorrow, 27,000; left over, 2000. Five to 10 cents lower, active, good clearance. Top, \$4 82\; mixed and butchers', \$4 50@4 82\; good to choice heavy, \$4 5564 80; rough heavy, \$4 40 64 50; light, \$4 3564 77%; bulk of sales,

Sheep-Receipts, 14,000, Sheep steady to strong; lambs, steady to 10c lower, Good to choice wethers, \$3 \$5@4 15; fair to choice mixed, \$3 4564; Western sheep, \$3 50 64 15; Texas sheep, \$2 5063 60; native lambs, \$4 2566 50; Western lumbs, \$4 756

OMAHA, Oct. 24 -- Cattle-Receipts 4400; market active and strong; native beef steers, \$4 25@5 65; Western steers, \$4@4 60; Texas steers, \$3@4; cows and helfers, \$3@ 3 75; canners, \$1 75@2 90; stockers and feeders, \$3 25@4 50; calves, \$3@6; bulls and stags, \$2 40/2/4.

stags, \$2 4024.

Hogs—Receipts, 6100; market 10c lower; heavy, \$4 45@4 57; mixed, \$1 50@4 52; light; \$4 50@4 55; bulk of sales, \$4 50@4 52.

Sheep—Receipts, 6200; market slow, about steady; fair to choice Westerns, \$3 65@4: common and stock sheep, \$3 25@ 3 75; lambs, \$4 25@5 25.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 24.-Cattle-Recelpts, 12,000; market, slow; Texas steers, \$2 30@4*80; Texas cows, \$2 00@2 90; native steers. \$5 25665 40; native cows and helfers, \$1 50@4 25; stockers and feeders, \$2 40 @4 30; bulls, \$2 50@3 50. Hogs-Receipts, 10,000; market, 5@10c lower; bulk o sales, \$4 50@4 60; heavy, \$4 50@4 67; packers, \$4 50@4 55; mixed \$4 55@4.02; lights, \$4 55@4 62; Yorkers, \$4 54

Sheep-Receipts, 7000; market, steady; lambs, \$3.50@4.90; muttons, \$2.40@4.20.

Coffee and Sugar. NEW YORK, Oct. M.-Coffee options closed steady, unchanged to 5 points lower. Sales, 21,000 bags, including November. 35 80; December, 36 36; March, \$7 10@7 15; May, \$7 25; spot. Rio. quiet: No.

Sugar-Raw, easy; fair refining, 4%c centrifugal, 96 test, 4%c; refined, weak. London Wool Auctions. LONDON, Oct. 24.- There was a good

attendance at today's session of the wool auction sales today. Business was brisk and prices firm. The number of bales offered was 12,548, half of which were and prices firm. The number of bales offered was 12,548, half of which were cross breds, and were well competed for. Good greasy Queensland wool was in active demand. No sales will be held on October II, owing to the home-coming of the City Imperial Volunteer Corps from

South Africa. The present sale is sched-

uled to close on November L. The Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, Oct. M.-There was a sharp break of about 65 to 70 points in tin, following advices enbled from Lon-don and the continued liberal offerings here, with the market finally very weak Lake copper ruled dull at \$16 75@17. Lead and spelter were both dull at \$4 37% and \$4 10@4 15, respectively, and pig-fron warrants, quiet and unchanged at \$9 50010. The brokers' price for lead was \$4 and for copper, \$16 87%. Har silver, 65c.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24.-Ber silver, LONDON, Oct. 24.-Bar sliver, 30 3-16d.

The Cotton Markets. NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—There was active liquidation in cotton today, after the market had opened at an advance of 3 to 7 points. On Liverpool-decline prices broke 25@30 points from the highest of the morning, extending the decline over since the reaction from the late bull ovement set in a few weeks ago. decline was arrested toward the close,

decline of 14 to 26 points.

and the market closed stendy at a net

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.-Lazard Freres have \$500,000 on the steamship Lahn, which salled from Southampton today. \$1,000,000 in gold on the steamship Teutonic, which sailed from Liverpool today. Total engagements for this firm since the present import movement began are \$1,500,000.

Peru Approves Extradition Treaty. LIMA, Peru, via Galveston, Oct. 24,-The Senate, in secret session last night, ap-United States with a slight amendment, fixing \$200 as the minimum limit of the sum allowing extradition. It is understood the government will appoint Charles G. Estanos Peruvian Con-sul-General at New York. He was form-erly Peruvian Consul at San Francisco.

Charged With Embessiement. CHICAGO, Oct. 24.-A warrant was isued today for the arrest of B. F. Davis, Chicago manager for H. Didisheim & Bros., of New York, manufacturers and importers of watches, charging him with embezzlement of \$19,000. Davis had been employed by the New York firm five years

and was trusted implicitly.

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