COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

There was more business in the whole-nle district yesterday than is usually a evidence Monday, and one good feature of the trade situation was an improvement in the wheat market. Produce receipts, as usual on the first day of the month, were light. The poultry markets, by heroic efforts, were pretty well cleaned up last Saturday, but there was no demand yesterday, and the few coops of chickens which came in rested neglected on the sidewalks. The egg market is weakening under more liberal receipts and a growing damand for the Eastern stock. There have been some very choice East-ern eggs in the market lately, and as they averaged up better than the Oregon stock as it comes from the country. gon stock as it comes from the country, consumers are unwilling to pay the fancy prices which have ruled for the past month. Sales were made yesterday at 20½c, and some dealers were intimating 30c, the letter figure undoubtedly being near the value today, if receipts are as heavy as gesterday. Butter continues earr firm, and a further advance is not improbable.

Bank Clearings.

Exchanges, Balances, \$477,280 \$100,202 228,465 226,000 496,230 104,401 206,180 34,868

PORTLAND MARKETS. Grain, Flour, Etc.

.A small decrease in the visible supply and a heavy decrease in the world's ship-ments gave the wheat markets a better tone yesterday, the improvement being noticeable in a number of directions. In the local market dealers have been buy-ing on the basis of some of their cheap ships, and as there has been a pause in the recent decline in freights, they are not forcing matters, but are still quoting Editable. These figures are bringing out enough wheat for all present needs, and for some ships which will not reach here

whill next year.

Wheat-Walin Walla, 526554c; Valley, frominal; bluestem, 5565c per bushel; Flour-Best grades, \$2 906240 per barrel; graham, \$2 60. Onts-White, 430745c per bushel; gray, Sarley-Feed. \$15@15 50; brewing. \$16@

#16 50 per ton.
Millstuffs-Bran. \$15 50 per ton; middlings, \$21; shorts, \$17; chop, \$16.
Hay-Timothy, \$126812 50; clover, \$76
\$.50; Oregon wild hay, \$667 per ton.

Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Etc. Butter-Fancy creamery, 50055c; store 56224c per roll. Eggs-Eastern, 2346274c; Oregon ranch

2016e per dozen. Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$2 75@\$ 50; bens, \$3 50@\$; ducks, \$1 50@\$ 50; geese, \$6@\$ per lozen; turkeys, live, \$600c; dressed, 10@12%c per pound. Cheese—Full cream, twins, 11@12%c; Toung America, 12%@15c per pound.

Vegetables, Fruit, Etc.

Vegetables—Parsnips, Ne; turnips, Ne parrots, Ne sack; onlone, \$1 256:1 50; cab bage, \$1 256:1 50 per cental; potatoes, 500 GC per sack; sweet pointors, \$1,4001 50 per cental; celery, 600050 per dozen. Fruit-Lemons, \$2,7804; oranges, \$4 per box; pineapples, \$4,5000 per dozen; bananas, \$2,5000 per bunch. Persian dates, \$6 per pound; pears, Tocost per box; applies.

ples, focast per box; grapes, Muscat, 20c gri; Tokay, 31 per box.

Dired fruit—Apples, evaporated, 5@5c per pound; sun-dried, sacks or boxes, 25%c; pears, 85%c; prunes, Italian, 5@7c; silver, extra choice, 5@7c; figs, California black, bc; figs, California white, 5@7c; hums, nitess, white, 5@5c per pound. black, 5c; figs, California white, 50 plums, pitiess, white, 76fc per pound.

Ments and Provisions.

Mutton-Gross, best sheep, wathers and
ween sheared 35 for dressed, 55,67c per
pound, Spring lambs, 15,0 per pound
grass: dressed, 76716.

Hogs-Gross, choice heavy, \$5,6065 %;
light, \$5, dressed, 51,600c per pound.

Vasi-Large, 64,67c per pound; small,
\$5554c per pound.

Beef-Gross, top steers, \$5,5084; cows,
\$551 50; dressed beef, 667c per pound.

Provisions - Portland pack (Shield
brand): Hams, smoked, are quoted at
\$572c per pound; picnic hams, \$5,0 per
pound; breakfast bacon, 134,505c; bacon,
104,6911Mc; backs, 164c; dry-salted sides. pound: breakfast bacon, 134,945c; bacon, 134,9414c; backs, 164,c; dry-salted sides, 284,400c; dried beef, 15c; lard, five-pound pails, 165,c; 10-pound pails, 165,c; 162,c; 10-pound pails, 164,c; 162,c; 162,c; 163,c; 164,64,c; 164,64,c 10s, 1016c; dried beef, 15c.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

Coffee-Mocha 23628c; Java. fancy, 259 2c; Java, good, 20624c; Java. ordinary. S@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; Costa 18570c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18570c; Costa Rica, good, 165715c; Costa Rica, ordinary, 19571c per pound; Columbia roast, \$12 13; Arbuckle's, \$13 13; Lion, \$13 13 per case. Sugar-Cube, \$5 25; consed, \$5 80; powdered, \$5 35; golden C. \$5 15 net; half barrels, \$6 more than barrels; maple, 156015c per pound.

Salmon-Columbia River, one-pound talls, \$1 5002; two-pound talls, \$2 2562 56; one-pound flats, \$292 %; 4-pou flats, \$1 10@1 30; Alaska, one-pound \$1 40@1 60; two-pound talls, \$1.90@

Nuts—Peanuts, 64407c per pound for raw, Sc for roasied: cocoanuts, Sc per dozen: wainuts, 10541c per pound; pine nuts, 15c: bickory nuts, 5c; chestnuts, 15c; Brazil, Mc. diberts, 15c; fancy perans, 12 614c; almonds, 1561174c per pound. Beans—Small white Ger large white, 5464c; bayou, 34c; Lama, 5c per pound, Grain bags—Calcuttu, 3666-1234 per 100 for spot.

for spot.
Coal oil—Cases, 18½c per gallon; bar-nels, 16½c; tanks, 13c.
Rice-Island, 6½c; Japan, 5½c; New Or-lbans, 6½65½c; fancy head, \$7@7 50 per

,Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc. "Hops-New crop. 12@14c per pound; 1890

Wool-Valley, 13@16c; Eastern Oregon, 0912c; mohair, 25c per pound. Sheepakins-Shearlings, 15@20c; short-sool, 25@25; medium-wool, 30@59c; longwool, Segisi each. Tallow-ic; No. 2 and grease, 203c per

pound.

Hides—Dry hides. No. 1, 16 pounds and upward, 14015c; dry kip, No. 1, 5 to 15 pounds, 15c per pound; dry calf. No. 1, under 5 pounds, 15016c; dry-salted, one-third less than dry filmt; salted hides, shird less than dry filmt; saited hides, sound steers, 60 pounds and over, 788c; do 50 to 60 pounds, 7½c; do under 50 pounds and cows, 7c; kin, 13 to 20 pounds, 7½c; do daff, under 10 pounds, 7½c; do daff, under 10 pounds, 7½c; green (unsaited), lo per pound less; culls (bulls, stags, meth-esten, hadly out, scored, hair-slipped, weather-beaten or grubby), one-third less.

Pelts—Bearshins, each, as to size, 350; iii; subs, each, \$165; badger, each \$50;

pubs, each \$165; badger, each 50c; ident. E675c; houseost 5675c; for, earnord gray 40-61; do red. \$1 7565 50; dross, \$2 5966; lynx, \$264 50; mink, 40c 1 75; marten, dark Northern, \$56710 ine, \$564; muskrat, \$612c; skupk, otter (land), \$468; panther, with gsgc; wolf, mountain, with head perfect, is 5005; wolverine, \$2 5006; beaver, per skin, large, \$607; do medium, per skin, \$605; do small, per skin, \$162; do kits, per skin, \$162. head and claws perfect, \$160: raccoon, 25

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

features of great activity and strength which gave it character on different days

neife Mail Advances on Prospects for Ship Subsidy Legislation. NEW YORK Dec. 3.—Speculative ac-tivity continued rather depressed in rocket today. Business was on a dimin-shing scales, and lacked even the isolated

last week, when the tendency to contract d. aling was already manifest. The open-ing of Congress and presentation of the President's message are looked to by tra-dition to supply motives for moving prices, but it can hardly be said that any general influence was exercised on prices by those today. The message was made a device by professional traders to effect some movement in the steel stocks. That is to say, alarmist rumors were current hefore its appearance on the stand taken on the "trust" question. The stocks proved vulnerable to the bear attack, and the decline brought out considerable of-ferings of long stock, effecting a decline at one time in Tennessee Coal of 4% and in Steel & Wire of 3%. These were the weskest stocks, and they railled on short covering 1% and 1% respectively. On the other hand, Sugar was fairly buoyant, President's message are looked to by traother hand, Sugar was fairly buoyant, rising at one time 3% and closing with a net gain of 2% per cent. In the outside market also Standard Oil sold at 810, leavmarket also Standard Oil sold at \$10, leaving all previous records far behind it. The upward rush of over 6 points in Pacific Mail was made at the opening, and was prompted by the general concurrence in the views reported from the party leaders in Washington as to the preminent place given the ship subsidy bill in the party programme for the session.

Notwithstanding the reduced activity, there was a sharp hardening in the call. there was a sharp hardening in the call

oney market to 6 per cent late in the The absorption of bonds continued large and important, and prices were generally higher. Special features were Chicago, & Alton 34s. Kings County Elevated is and the 4 per cent issues of Norfolk & Western, Union Pacific and Reading. To-Tal sales, par value. \$4,505,000. United States new is declined & per cent on the last call.

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The total sales of stocks today were 614,800 shares. The closing quotations were: Atchison 39% Wabash 8%

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Money, Exchange, Etc. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 1.—Sterling on London, 60 days, 14 87%; sterling on Lon-don sight, 14 86%; drafts, sight, 5; tele-

NEW YORK Dec 3-Money on call. 34.96 per cent: last loans, 4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 494% per cent: Sterling exchange, firm, with actual businew in bankers bills at \$4.5% for demand and at \$4.51% 64.51% for 60 days. Posted rates, \$4.51% 64.50% Commercial bills, \$4.50% 64.51%. Silver certificates, 640.65; bar silver, 64%. Mexican dollars, 50. Government bonds, weak, state bonds, inactive; railroad bonds, strong.

75; silver bars, 64%; Mexican dol-

LONDON, Dec. 2.-Money, 2 per cent. Bar sliver, 3%d.

Foreign Financial News.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram

The markets here were fairly active and firm today, the Kaiser's snub of Kru-ger having a favorable influence. London was rather despondent over the increase of loans shown in the New York bank statement, but New York checked sales, statement, but New York checked sales, causing a see-saw. Money was very plentiful for the turp-over. The market repaid a large sum due the bunk. The bank lost £200,000 gold to Egypt. The steamer Almeda salis from Sydney today for San Francisco with £300,000 in sovereigns.

THE GRAIN MARKETS.

Prices for Cereals in European and SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 2.-Wheat and

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GRAIN **PROVISIONS** STOCKS and COTTON

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barley, inactive on call, and firmer in the

pot market. Oars, firmer. Spot quotations were: Wheat—Shipping, No. 1, 26%c; choice, 26%c; milling, 1861-65%. Barley-Feed, 70@72%c; brewing, 77%9

Outs-Gray, nominal: black, for seed, \$1 23461 36; red, \$1 3061 40. Call board sales: Wheat-Inactive, May, \$1 04%; cash,

Bariey-No sales. Corn-Large yellow, \$1 1L.

Chicago Grain and Produce. CHICAGO, Dec. 3.—Wheat was firm and fairly active. January opened %8%c over Saturday, at 70%671, under the influence Saturday, at 704,971, under the influence of an advance at Liverpool, world's shipments of 2,00,000 bushels less than estimated, the amount being only 5,855,000 bushels, and a decrease of 300,000 bushels on passage. Commission houses and shorts were buyers. The heavy Northwestern receipts caused selling during the foreneon, and January reacted to 704,c. Offerings were well taken, however, and no further decline took place. Later the visible decrease of \$2,000 bushels in Snow's estimate, reducing the Argentine Snow's estimate, reducing the Argentine exportable surplus to \$7,509,690 bushels, and reports of export inquiries at New York, where the market showed considerable strength, resulted in a rally to filly for January. On the buige trade became dull, and on profit-taking January reacted to 70%c, but closed firm, %c higher, at 70%@71c.

higher, at Negric.

Corn was firm and in moderate demand and a fair improvement in price. Country offerings were small, and the weather threatened to curtail the movement from first hands still further. January closed strong, 4c up, at 36%@38%c. The oats market was fairly active dur-ing the first hour, but prices were on the down grade. May closed Willichigher, at

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Lard-\$767 021/2 per 100 pounds. Short rib:—Sides (loose), \$6 5067. Short ribs—Sides (toose), 36 Nog.; Shoulders—Dry salted (boxed), 55,965%; Sides—Short clear (boxed), 36 Nogs 65. Clover—Contract grade, 316. On the produce exchange today, the butter market was quiet. Creamery, 156 de: dairy, 15000c.

Cheese—Active: 10%6114c. Eggs—Quiet; fresh, 23c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—The visible sup-ply of grain Saturday, December 1, as complied by the New York Produce Exchange, shows the following changes: Wheat, 62,174,000 bushels; decrease, 83,-000 bushels Corn, 9,422,000 bushels; increase, 738,000

Oats, 11,519,000 bushels; decrease, 450,000 Barley, 3,418,000 bushels; decrease, 314,000

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Flour—Receipts, 0,565 barrels; exports, 15,664 barrels; market, quiet.
Wheat-Receipts, 29,135 bushels; exports, 171.098 bushels; spot, firm; No. 2 red, 78%e f, o. b.; options, 78%c elevator. Options had a good undertone all day, with a fairly active trade, including a good demand from shorts. The market closed firm at 146%c higher. January closed 77%c: March, 19%c; May, 19%c; Decem-

EASTERN LIVESTOCK.

Hops-Dull,

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.-Cattle-Receipts, 18,-600 head; market generally active and strong, to 10c higher. Butchers' stock slow. Good to prime steers, \$2.4995; poor to medium. \$1.1094.25; selected feeders, stronger, \$3.5094.25; mixed stockers, steady, \$2.2599.90; cows, \$2.6094.25; helfers, choice stronger, \$2 6564 65; canners, \$2572 50; bulls \$2 5054 25; calves, steady, \$3 5065 50; Texano, fed steers, \$4664 50; grass steers, \$7 2064 15; bulls, \$2 5067 25. Hous-Receipts today, 43,000 head; yesherday, 27,600 head; left over, 4000 head. Market, 21,555 lower. Top, 34 574. Mixed and butchers, 34 5094 874; good to choice heavy, \$4 5564 St. rough heavy, \$4 4064 50; light, \$4 5064 St. bulk of sales, \$4 6564 50. Sheep-Receipts, 20,000 head. Sheep and lambs, active, 196tHe higher. Good to choice wethers, \$484 40; fair to choice mixed, \$3 7564 10; Western sheep, \$484 55; native lambs, \$465 50; Western lambs, \$4 7565 50.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKETS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 3.-Wool-Spring, Nevada, 11613c; Eastern, Oregon, fountain lambs, 2010c; San Joaquin lains, 8@8c; Humboldt and Mendocino, Hops-1900 crop. 131/4617c.

Receipts-Flour, 27,973 quarter sacks; o Oregon, 11,595; wheat, 12,300 centals; do Oregon, 3450 centals; barley, 3435 centals: do Oregon, 3300 centals: oats, 550 centqls: beans, 4555 sacks; corn, 550 centals; potstoes, 5664 sacks; do Oregon, 182 sacks; bran, 2374 sacks; middlings, 1824 sacks; hay, 512 tons; wool, 185 bales; hides, 530.

Stocks in London. LONDON, Dec. 2.—Atchison, 41: Cana-dian Pacific, 875: Union Pacific preferred, 84%; Northern Pacific, 85%; Grand Trunk, 6%; Anaconda, 10%.

Russia and the Czar.

The Chautauquan. The present Crar has been something of a pussle to world. Much was expected of him by the friends of Russian pected of him by the friends of Russian progress, because of his known inclination toward liberalism. His course has been somewhat, but not wholly, disappointing. A considerable influence has been retained by Pobedonostzeff, whose views have already been teferred to. The Russian National party has grown in transith until revolution and Specialism. strength until revolution and Socialism, it they exist, are lost in greater movements and are heard of no more. The good un-derstanding with France continues, being based on the solid ground of financial self-interest. The general peace policy inaugurated by Alexander III has been emphasized by an attempt to reach a basis of universal peace through the

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peace congress at The Hague. The initia-tion of this movement by Russia has been the subject of heated controversy as been the subject of heated controversy as to the Russian motive. It may have been due in part to the enlightened views of the Czar, but its promotion by Russia was unquestionably dictated by self-interest. It is to be noted that Russia is now at the highest point of prosperity that she has yet attained, and is putting forth strenuous efforts to extend and consolidate her yest empire. Peace is the solidate her vast empire. Peace is the need of the Russian Nationalists—a peace that will enable them to negotiate with China for Manchuria, and to utilize their wealth in the building of railroads and in promoting unity in other ways. They do not wish to be disturbed in the Rusgifi-cation of Finland and the other prov-inces, which is an important part of the Nationalist scheme.

CHANNEL TO THE SEA

Combined With "Common-Point," Will Make Portland Secure.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Nov. 28 .- (To the Editor.)-I have been much interested in the discussion lately in your columns as to whether Portland's gate should be opened or remain closed. I have waited patiently for statements as to how Oregon would be injured by opening said gate; but thus far the nearest approach to such a showing is to be found in Mr. Bills G. Hughes' efforts, and he only seems to believe that Portland herself would be injured, were common point rates extended to Astoria. Having lived in Portland and Astoria for a number of years and endeavored to discover the great and ever-increasing resources of each place, I may possibly have a more unprejudiced knowledge of Portland's true interests than Mr. Hughes. At ah true interests than Mr. Hughes. At ah events, I differ with him in thinking that Portland or Oregon would or could be injured were common-point rates extended to Astoria. On the contrary, such opening of the Portland gate, would at once make the Columbia River the preferred highway for the greatest portlon of that immense Oriental trade which all thinking men. thinking men agree is very shortly to come to our Pacific shores. Portland's gate, being opened, will cause all Ore-gon's and much of Eastern Washington's products to pass through our great West's natural gateway, the mouth or the Columbia River, to the sea, and on to the Orient. With a 40-foot channel to Astoria, a 25-foot river to Portland, and common rates to Astoria, ships will come to Portland when business justifies, and Spring wheat, or grouper.

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said: "You surely do not rate the entrances difficult in those proportions." Captain Alexander replied that he assuredly did, and went on to explain his reasons, completely satisfying the Governor that his (Alexander's) statement was justified by the conditions existing at the three piaces, with all of which he was thoroughly and particularly familiar. I remember he dwelt especially upon the fact that in approaching the Columbia River he never had the least difficulty in knowing when he was getting within four or five miles of the outer buoy by observing the color of the water, and soundings, if foggy, while it was very difficult, often impossible, to get his bearings near Cape Flattery or the Golden Gate, for, as a fact, fogs laid over the entrance to the Sound 10 days and over the Golden Gate Sound 10 days and over the Golden Gate b days during the year for one day over the mouth of the Columbia. Also, that there was a rock-bound coast at Flattery, with unknowable currents, very much the same at Golden Gate, while there was a sloping sand beach for 15 miles north and south of Columbia River. Remember this opinion of an accomplished captain was

made before the Government jetty was started. There existed two channels of 18 feet depth, both crooked and changeable, while now there is one broad, straight channel, with an anticipated depth of \$60 feet. Captain Alexander's ship could not more easily and safely enter the Columbia River of those days than will the mammoth steamers of Mr. Hill, with a 40-foot channel, which will be ready for them by the time such ships are taking cargo on our Coast.

With Portland's matchless position, at the mouth of the great Willamette Vai-ley and on the only low-grade road from grain field to ocean, directly on the line of greatest trade, she can well afford to open her gates to Western trade, for thereby she promotes the growth of Ore-gon, and proportionately she must and

Mr. A. B. Hammond has said that if common-point rates were extended to As-toria, he would at once extend the As-toria & Columbia River Railroad to the toria & Columbia River Railroad to the forests of Nehalem Valley and Tillamook County. To my mind, this would open a large and valuable trade to Portland. Of course, Astoria would be benefited, and so would Salem—in fact, all Oregon—just what Oregonians are after. The time was when common-point rates by rail to Astoria might have been detrimental to Portland's growth, but that time passed

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away when Portland took charge of mak-ing a 35-foot channel to the sea. Now her growth and pre-eminence lies in allowing, yes, encouraging development in every portion of Oregon. Open the Port-iand gate and let us have done with talk-ing about "water being cheaper than rail carriage." Seaports and scaports, engicarriage." Scaports and scaports, engineers and experts. Let business be done as the people engaged in it choose. Espe-cially let us keep on "raising things" and affording more room for a whole lot of new people to do likewise, in our great and productive Oregon. JOHN ADAIR.

OF NOBLE DESCENT.

Scion of Great Cayuse Chief Languishes in Arts of Civilization.

Pendleton Tribune.

Poor, reckless and dissipated Jack Weet
Soot, a large part of whose time is spent is the city jail for drunkenness, and whose chief fame in this community is owing to the suit for damages he brought several years ago against the Indian Court, for cutting his hair, which broke it up, comes of distinguished Indian an

Jack's father was a Cayuse Indian Chief, named Mis-ta-kai-en, who rendered important service to the whites during the Indian wars of 50 years ago. Who he was is made apparent from the following interesting letters from Colone! Steptoe, which the Tribune obtained through the courtesy of Lee Moorhouse, of this city:

Fort Walla Walla, Dec. 13, 1855. Mis-ta-kai-yen, the bearer of this and living on the Umatilla, must not be molested, nor his property interfered with: I will not permit any one to take his horses. All persons are warned to let him alone as he is under my protection and at present employed by me to give useful information, respecting the movements of Indians.

Bt. Col. U. S. A., Com'g Post.
Step-ka-yo-wa or Mis-tad-kalen, the husband of the bearer, a Cayuse woman.

died on the Umatilla reservation on August 14, 1871. N. A. CORNOYER,
United States Indian Agent.
Fort Walin Walia, W. T., November

23, 1852.

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