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steamer stuff, a car of bananas and other miscellaneous produce yesterday kept the commission-house portion of Front street busy nearly all day. Aside from this, there was the usual amount of Monday business, with no features of special in terest in the situation. The wheat mar-ket was fairly steady in the East, at shade higher on an improved demand in San Francisco. Butter is weak again, and eggs opened the week unchanged, with receipts pretty heavy and some indications of lower prices later, although no cut was made yesterday. Poultry was all cleared up Saturday, and the outlook is for a continuance of last week's good prices,

Bank Clearings.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Etc. The wheat market in the Northwest seems to be largely in the hands of the the present time, as the foreign market does not seem to justify the prices that are paid for milling purposes. Exporters are quoting around 55 and 1552 cents for Walla Walla, and a good article for milling purposes will undoubtedly command more money. The freight market is unchanged, with some tonnage ob-tainable at 40 shillings, about 60 days ahead, but with only a moderate amount of tonnage in sight in time for Spring

Wheat-Walla Walla, 55656c; Valley, nominal; bluestem, 5715c per bushel. Floor-Best grades, \$2 8992 40 per barrel: graham, \$2 00.

Oats-White, 445745 per bushel; gray, 42 Harley-Feed, \$16 00@16 50; brewing, \$16 00

Milistuffe-Bran, \$16.00 per ton; mid-dlings, \$21.50; shorts, \$18.50; chop, \$16.00. Huy-Timothy, \$12 00@12 10; clover, \$7 00 69 50; Oregon wild hay, \$6 00@7 00 per

Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Etc. Butter-Fancy creamery, Oregon,

50c; do California, 409,45c; store, 2092714c er roll. Eggs-Oregon ranch, 14c per dozen,

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$3.50; hens, \$4.500/5.00; dressed, 110/12c per pound; ducks, \$5.000/6.00; geese, \$6.000/7.00 per dozen: turkeys, live, 10glic; dressed, 12g Cheese-Full cream, twins, 136135c;

Young America, 135/2014c per pound.

Vegetables, Fruits, Etc.

Vegetables-Parsnips, Sc; turnips, 75c; carrots, 75c sack; onions, \$3 5064 00; cabbags, \$1 65arl 75 per cental; potatoes, 45fr per sack; sweet potatoes, \$1 65 per 100 mds; celery, 800,00c per dozen; Cali-

formia tomatoes, \$2.50 per box. Fruit-Lemons, choice, \$2.60; fancy, \$2.500;2.75; oranges, \$1.75@2.50 for navel; ples, \$4 00@4 50 per dozen; bananas, \$2 50 63 00 per bunch; Persian dates, 696% per pound; apples, Ze9\$1 25 per box. Dried fruit-Apples, evaporated, 5006c per pound; sun-dried, sucks or boxes, 2014c; pears, 809c; prunes Italian, 507c sliver, extra choice, 567c; filgs, California blacks, 5c; figs, California white, 587c; plums, pitless, white, 76% per pound.

Ment and Provisoins.

Muston-Gross, best sheep, wethers, \$4.75; ewes, \$4974.50; dressed, 614970 per Hogs-Gross, choice heavy, \$565 25; light, 14 mas; dressed, 6675c per pound. Veal-Large, 7675ac per pound; small,

814994c per pound.

Provisions - Portland pack (Shield brand), hams, smoked, are quoted at 124c per pound; plenie hams, he per pound; breakfast bacon, 14%6154c; bacon, 10%6 6f114c; bucks, 104c; dry salted sides, 94% loc; dried beef, lic; lard, five-pound paths, 10-pourd palls, 10%e; pound; Eastern pack (Hammond's) Hams, large, 124c; medium, 124c; small, 13c; piente hams, 94c shoulders, She; breakfast bacon, 13%9;

15%c; dry salted sides, 95,010%c; bacon sides, 105,011%c; backs, 11%c; butts, 10%c; lard, pure leaf, kettle-rendered, 5s, 11%c; los, 11c; dry salted, bellies, 10%011%c; bacon bellies, 11%012%c; dried beef, 15%c. Gross, top steers, \$4 50914 75; cows. \$4074 50; dressed beef, 7678c per pound,

Hops, Wools, Hides, Etc. Hops-12614c per pound; 1899 crop, 627c. Wool-Valley, 18614c; Eastern Oregon,

86 ile; mohair, El622c per pound. Sheepskins Shearings, 15630c; short-wool, 25635c; medium-wool, 29610c; longwool, 600281 each.

do veni, 10 to 14 pounds, 7c; do calf, under 10 pounds, 7@Sc; green (unsaited), 1c per pound less; culls (bulls, stags, moth-eaten, badly cut, scored, hair-slipped, weather-

beaten or grubby), one-third less, Helis-Bearskins, each, as to size, \$605; cubs, each, Min; badger, each, 25c; wildcat, Zerac; housecat, 5825c; fox, common gray, 40c931; do, red, \$1 7593 50; do, cross, \$293; lynx, \$294 50; mink, 40c91 75; marten, dark Northern, \$5510; do, pale pine, \$253; muskrat, \$612c; skunk, 25950c; otter (land). \$458; panther, with head and zinws perfect, \$163; raccoon, 25639c; wolf, mountain, with head perfect, \$3.506%; prairie welf or coyote, 60575c; welverine, E 50056; benver, per skin, large, \$007; do medlum, per skin, \$405; do, small, per akin, \$162; do kits, per skin, \$162.

Coffee-Mocha, 23@28c; Java, fancy, 26@ 2c; Java, good, 20@24c; Java, ordinary, 18620c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18620c; Costa Rica, good, 16@18c; Costa Rica, ordinary Rica, good, 18918c; Costa Rica, ordinary, 18912c per pound; Columbia, reast, \$12 75; Arbuckie's, \$11 75; Lion, \$11 25 per case, Rice—Island, 6c, Japan, 5½c; New Or-leans, 4½65½c; fancy head, \$767 56 per

Sugar-Cube, \$6 45; crushed, \$6 70; now Bered, \$6 05; dry granulated, \$5 %; extra C, \$5 35; golden C, \$5 35 net, half barrels We more than barrels; maple, 15@16c per

Salmon - Columbia River, one-pound talls, \$1 50%2; two-pound talls, \$2 25%2 50; fancy one-pound flats, \$3%2 25; %-pound fancy flats, \$1 10@1 30; Alaska talls, \$1 40@ 1 60; two-pound talls, \$1 90@2 25.

Nuts-Peanuts; 64-67c per pound for raw, he for roasted; cocoanuts, She per dozen; walnuts, 100711c per pound; pine nuts, 15c; hickory nuts, 7c; chestnuts, 16c Brazil, He; filberts, 15c; fancy pecans, 1249 14c; almonds, 159171/c per pound. Benns-Small white, 64c; large white, ic; bayou, 35c; Lima, 64c per pound. Grain bags-Calcutta, 3695 124c per 100

for spot. Coal off-Cases, 195c per gallon; bar-rels, 155c; tanks, 135c. Stock salt-50s, \$11.50 per 100, 100s, \$11.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

Opening Exhibitions of Strength Followed by a Sudden Relapse.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25 .- The sock market made a remarkable exhibition this morning of spasmodic strength followed by a sudden relapse and a period of undeviating duliness and dropping prices up to the close. The principal influence in the opening bulge were the rumors and commercial accounts of the alleged details of the steel merger and the terms of exchange of the proposed new secur-

The distribution of a large amount of tiles for the existing stocks of the steel teamer stuff, a car of bananas and other companies. This accumulation of conjectures was supplemented by the re-ports of the proceedings of brokers up own during the three days' interval while the stock exchange was closed, The prices bid by some of these brokers for blocks of the steel stocks and the sales made according to report about the two hotels were calculated to excite

speculative cupidity. The excited bidding which was thus attracted in the opening dealings sent prices of the steel stocks up like a rocket. Tin Plate was the most notable in the width of its fluctations. The stock was rushed up 15 points in a few minutes, and after dropping back was lifted again almost to the top level, but it ultimately gave way to the whole market. The other steel stocks, including both the common and the preferred, were up from 1 to nearly 6 points. These prices brought in heavy realizing sales from the start. The professional room traders were obviously disposed to let the group alone, not caring to compete with in-siders in pretensions to accurate knowledge of the value of the stock. Besides this influence, which whipped the steel stocks into effervesence, the interval since Thursday has seen the publication of the favorable bank statement of Sat-

Traders bought stocks according to their invariable rule on the showing of an increase in the surplus reserve. Last week's gain in cush was a good deal of a relief to the apprehension regarding the money market. The check of the recent heavy increasing tendency in the loan item was superficially regarded as favorable, but the conviction that it was due to the calling in of loans placed in the stock market led to some later apprehension that the process would be continued in further preparation for cor-poration financing operations. London ent higher prices under the favorable influence of the success reported for the British arms in South Africa. These influences caused some advances in the railroad list of from one to two points. A good demand developed later in the day for Southern Railway stocks, and there were some isolated instances of strength among some of the less important railroad stocks. All other considerations, however, yielded to disappoint-ment over the still further postponement of the official announcement of the terms of the steel merger, and to growing skepticism as to the accuracy of re-

ports already current. With the reactionary tendency thus developed there came renewed apprehen-sion over the effect on the money mar-ket of the steel merger. Gains in the railroad list were, with a few exceptions, wiped out, and some of the most im-portant of the steel stocks fell back below Thursday's level, Steel & Wire falling 4 points lower than Thurday's close, National Steel 2, and National Tube 1%. Tin Plate reacted 12 points from the top, and closed with a net gain of only 5 points. Agerican Hoop rose to the best at the end with a net gain of 6 points. There was some stiffening in the group on short covering at the close, but there was nothing left of the early buoyancy. Pacific Mail lost 6% on Friday's disaster off the Golden Gate. The bond market was inclined to weaken in the afternoon, but retained a part of the morning advance. Total sales par value, \$3,185,000. United States preferred 3s advanced 1/4 and the 3s 1/4 per cent on the last call. The new 4s declined 1/4c.

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Dound, Hides—Dry bides, No. 1, 16 pounds and
upward, 14015c; dry kip. No. 1, 5 to 16
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under 5 pounds, 14015c; dry-salted, onedirect less than dry filnt; salted hides

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New York Cent. 143%, National Biscuit
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L 43% National Biscuit 38
46% do pref 37
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Foreign and Financial News. NEW YORK, Feb. 25 .- Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram: Business on the markets was inpeded

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Board of Trade and Stock Exchange Brokers

> GRAIN **PROVISIONS** STOCKS and COTTON

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settlement. The news of Colonel Plumer's victory over General Dewet served to strengthen Kaffirs, but falled to stimulate them into much activity and had little effect on the other departments. Americans advanced quickly in the early dealings on the favorable bank 25% 625%c. statement published in New York last Provision Saturday, but although New York at had a firm first accepted the higher prices, in the subsequent transactions the influence of New York was adverse, Union Pacific especially weakening. In this, however, there was a rally all around, influenced by the receipt of better quotations from London. There is no present symptom of a cheapening of money rates, as heavy calls are due for the coming settlement.

New York Stocks. These quotations are furnished by R. W. McKinnon & Co., members of the Chicago Board of Trade:

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Steel Hoop pfd	33	84%	82%	83%
Tin-Plate com	65	75	65	84%
Tin-Plate pfd	100	100%	96	85%
Itimore & Ohio com	83%	83%	23%	83%
Itimore & Ohio pfd	84%	84%	74%	84%
Ok. Rapid Transit	77%	77%	75½	75%
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Ind. & L. com	31	31	25%	25%
Burl. & Quincy	145%	145%	144	144%
A. & St. P. com	148	145%	147%	148
Ind. & L. & Pacific	137%	144	123	123%
V Jersey Central	156	155%	155%	156%
Sapeake & Ohio	25	25%	35%	33%
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Money, Exchange, Etc. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25,-Sterling on London, 60 days, \$4 85%; sterling on London, sight, \$4 88. Mexican dollars, 504@5ic.

Drafts-Sight, 174c; telegraph, 224c.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25 .- Money on call, steady, at 2 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 34,644 per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at \$4.57% for deplains, mand, and at \$4.55% 64.84 for 60 days: 10611c. posted rates, \$4 84%64 85 and \$4 8864 88%; commercial bills, \$4 834. Silver certificates, 614663c.

Mexican dollars, 494c. Government bonds strong; state bonds inactive; railroad bonds firm. LONDON, Feb. 25.-Consols, 97%. Money,

Stocks in London. LONDON, Feb. 25.—Atchison, ISc; Ca-nadian Pacific, Sc; Union Pacific pre-

ferred, 50c; Northern Pacific preferred, 85c; Grand Trunk, 7c; Anaconda, 9c.

THE GRAIN MARKETS. Prices for Cereals in European and

American Ports. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25. - Wheat, easier on call, and strong in the spot market. Barley futures inactive; spot,

Wheat-Shipping No. 1, %c; choice, %c; milling, 1814-6\$1 024. Barley-Feed, 70@7214c; brewing, 774-9 Oats-Black for seed, \$1 224@1 234; red,

Call board sales: Wheat—Easier; May, 994c; December, \$1 944; cash, %c. Barley-Inactive: May, 68c. Corn-Large yellow, \$1 15@1 17%.

New York Grain and Produce. NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—Piour—Receipts, M,219 bbls; exports, 27,198 bbls. Market, inactive but steady.

Wheat—Receipts, 50.400 bushels; exports, 289,186 bushels. Spot, firm; No. 2 red, 81%c f. o. b. afloat; 75%c elevator. Options opened firm at a net rise of %c and further improved, but then dropped back under local selling. Finally closed steady at net unchanged prices to %c advance. March closed 75%c; May closed, which the steady of the stead 80%c; July, 80c.

Visible Grain Supply. NEW YORK, Feb. 25.-The visible supply of grain Saturday, February 23, as compiled by the New York Produce Exchange, is as follows: Wheat, 57,536,000 bushels; decrease, 146,000

Corn. 18,218,600 bushels; increase, 187,000 Oats, 19.587,000 bushels; increase, 205,000

Rye 1,156,000 bushels; decrease, 18,000 Barley, 1,650,000 bushels; decrease, 19,000

Chicago Grain and Produce. CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Corn was an active and somewhat imposing market today. The market was mostly a professional one governed by sentiment rather than any deductions from the news. The bull and the bear leaders worked vigorously for some time with success perching on one banner, and then on the next, while crowd followed. May opened unchanged to %c higher, at 41%c to 41%c, and quickly touched 41% 94% under good commission buying, led by outsiders. The bull leader took in half a million bushels of May on the rise, but the commencement of building and short selling by bears liquidation and short selling by bears forced the market back to 41%c. The mar-ket then rallied, but broke immediately to

40%c. At the close May was easy, %c Under the influence of steadiness at Liverpool and bullish statistics, wheat opened the market firm May a shade to be higher, at 75% to 76%. There was a fairly active trade for a few minutes, but when outside orders were filled, the mar-ket became a featureless local affair and lost some of its strength, May dropping to 764-8754c. The strength developed by corn caused covering by shorts on the decline, and May railled to 764c. Heavy derione, with prices about 15 points lower of those who are financially interested in

selling sent the market back to 76%c. The close was steady, May 14c higher at 7614 Oats were fairly active in appearance but the volume of business transacted was

light. May closed a shade lower, at Provisions were quiet, but the market had a firm undertone, based on light hog receipts and higher prices at the stock yards. May pork closed 5c higher, lard 24/65c up, and ribs 24/c improved. The leading futures ranged as follows:

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754,6764c, No. 2 corn, 334c; No. 2 yellow, 334c, No. 2 coats, 244,6274c; No. 2 white, 254,628c; No. 2 white, 274,6234c. No. 2 rye, 524c. Barley, fair to choice maiting, 48655c. No. 1 flaxseed, \$1 63; No. 1 Northwest-ern, \$1 65. Prime ilmothy seed, \$4.40. Mess pork, per bbl., \$14914.05. Lard, per 100 ibs., \$7.5097.325c.

Short ribs sides, loose, \$7.05@7-30. Dry salted shouders, boxed, \$6.25@6-50. Short clear sides, boxed, \$7.05@7-60. On the produce exchange today, the butter market was active; creamerles, 1462 221/2c; dairies, 18679c. Cheese, quiet, 10%@11%c.

Eggs, quiet; fresh, 17%@18c. Eggs, quiet; fresh, 152018C.

Receipts Shipm'ts.
Flour, barrels 38,000 17,000
Wheat, bushels 30,000 188,000
Corn, bushels 312,000 214,000
Atts, bushels 337,000 224,000
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European Grain Markets. LONDON, Feb. 25.—Wheat cargoes on passage rather firmer; cargoes Walla, Walla, 28s 5d. English country markets,

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 25,-Wheat and flour n Paris, dull. French country markets,

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 25.-Wheat-Spot duil; No. 1 California, 6s 2d; No. 2 red Western Winter, 5s 114d; No. 1 Northern Spring, 6s 24d. Futures quiet; March, 5s 11%d; May, 6s %d, Corn-Spot, American mixed, new, steady, 3s 11d; do old steady, 4s. Futures quiet; March, 3s 9%d; July, 3s 10%d. Flour-St. Louis fancy Winter, steady,

"Irago Grain Gossip. F. G. Logan, of Chicago, wires R. W.

McKinnon & Co., as follows: Wheat averaged firm throughout the session in spite of the disappointing cables. There was some selling of long wheat by local traders, who have been working the bull side, and on very poor foreign demand. On the hard spots, it appears as though some powerful interest prevents the market from advancing, and, on the soft places, wheat is bought in volume sufficient to prevent further de-cline. The action of the market is decidedly opposed to the news, but we are inclined to think the tendency is towards higher prices. The visible showed a small decrease and is now 57,536,000 bushels, as compared with 53,544,000, the same date in 1990. Estimated cars for tomorrow, 115.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKETS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25.-Wool-Spring—Nevada, 11@13c; Eastern Oregon, 10@13c; Valley Oregon, 14@15c, Fall—Mountain lambs, 9@10c; San Joaquin plains, 9@7c; Humboldt and Mendocino, Hops-Crop of 1900, 15@20c.

Hay-Wheat, \$9613 50; wheat and oats, 19@12 50; best barley, \$7@9 50; alfalfa, \$7@ 10; compressed wheat, \$9@13 per ton; straw, 35@47%c per bale. Potatoes-River Burbanks, 25656; Salinas Burbanks, 756651 15; Oregon Burbanks, 6561 66; Early Rose, 60675c;

sweets, 500@\$1. Onlons-\$4 50@5 per cental. Vegetables-Green peas, 5@7c; string beans, 10@15c per pound; asparagus, 250

Citrus fruit-Mexican limes, \$7 5068 00; common California lemons, \$0c; choice, #2 M; navel oranges, Word 25 per box; pineapples, #2 5063 per dozen.

Bananas—50c@1 75 per bunch. Poultry—Turkeys, gobblers, 10@11c; do hens, 12@13c per pound; old roosters, \$3.50 @4 per dozen; young roosters, \$4 50@5; fryers, \$4@5; hens \$1 50@4 50 per dozen; small broilers, \$393 50; large do, \$494 50; old ducks, \$495; geese, \$1 7592 per pair. Green fruit—Apples, choice, \$1 25 per box; common, 30c per box. Butter-Fancy creamery, 19c; seconds,

17c; fancy dairy, 18c; do seconds, 13c. Cheese-California, full cream, 18c; Young America, 12c; Eastern, 15@16c. Eggs-Selected, 14c; ranch, 15c. Receipts-Flour, 1700 quarter sacks; do Oregon, 2900 quarter sacks; wheat, 212,700 centals; barley, 70,700 centals; oats, 230 centals; beans, 260 sacks; potatoes, 5150

sacks; do Oregon, 1700 sacks; hay, 500 tons; hides, 4780

EASTERN LIVESTOCK.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.-Cattle-Receipts, 16,500, including 600 Texans. Good to choice steers, strong to 10c higher; common and medium steady. Good to prime steers, \$4.95@6; poor to medium, \$3.50@4.90; stock-ers and feeders, \$2.75@4.50; cows, \$2.60@ 4 30; heifers, \$2 60@4 50; canners, \$2@2 55; buils, \$2 40@4 30; calves, \$4@6 40; Texas fed steers, \$4@4 90; grassers, \$3 35@4; buils,

Hogs-Receipts today, 30,000; tomorrow, 23,000; left over, 2500. Market 5@10c higher; top, \$5.90. Mixed and butchers, \$5.40%5.90; good to prime heavy, \$5.50%5.80; rough heavy, \$5.35%5.45; light, \$5.35%5.55; bulk of sales, \$5 50625 55.
Sheep-Receipts, 15,000. Sheep strong to

10c higher. Lambs steady to strong, Good to choice wethers, \$4@4 65; fair to choice mixed, \$3 60@4 10; Western sheep, \$4@4 55; Texas sheep, \$2 50@2 65; native lambs, \$4 35 65 35; Western lambs, \$565 35.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 26.-Cattle-Recelpts, 6000; market, strong; Texas steers, \$3.7064 50; Texas cows, \$2.6563 60; native steers, \$4.4065 60; native cows and helfers, \$2 50@4 50; stockers and feeders, \$3 60@4 85; bulls, \$3 00@4 50. Hogs-Receipts, 8000; market, 5@10c high-

er; bulk of sales, \$5 35@5 45; packers, \$5 35 65 45; mixed, \$5 30675 45; lights, \$5 20675 40; Yorkers, \$5 15@5 35; pigs, \$4 60@5 10. Sheep—Receipts, 600; market, strong and lambs, \$4 75675 10; muttons, \$3 75

OMAHA, Feb. 25.—Cattle-Receipts, 2400; market, slow and steady; native beef steers, \$495.30; Western steers, \$3.70@4.50; Texas steers, 1963 50; cows and heifers; 1864 15; canners, 1963; stockers and feed-ers, 13 2564 60; calves, 1467 25; bulls and stags. \$2 60@4 15. Hogs-Receipts, 4000; market, 5674c higher; heavy, \$5 37465 40; mixed, \$5 306 light, \$5 321496 3714; bulk of sales,

Sheep—Receipts, 7100; market, strong; fair to choice yearlings, \$4 2565 47%; fair to choice Westerns, \$464 40; common and choice sheep, \$3 6563 85; lambs, \$4 2565. The Metal Markets. NEW YORK, Feb. 25.-The local mar-

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London, caused the decline here, the mar-ket closing easy at \$25.75@25.87%, with sales reported at the former rate. The

close at London was £121 5s for spot and £116 10s for futures. Domestic fron markets were dull and featureless again today, and prices were nominally unchanged at 49 506 10 50 for plg iron warrants; Northern foundry, \$15@16 50; Southern foundry, \$14 50@15 75, and soft Southern, \$13@14 75. Copper was somewhat lower in London, spot closing at £70 17s 5d and futures at £71 8s 5d, but the local situation remains practically unchanged. The nominal basis at the close today was IIT for Lake Superior, and \$16 62% for casting and elecrolytic.

Lead and spelter ruled dull and unchanged at \$4 37% and \$3 97%@4 62%, respectively. Bar silver, 61%c.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25.-Bar silver, 61%c.

LONDON, Feb. 25.-Bur silver, 2814d.

Coffee and Sugar. NEW YORK, Feb. 25.-Coffee-Options closed steady in tone, with prices net un-changed to 15 points higher; sales, 94,750 bags, including March \$6 20; April, \$6 20; May, \$6 25@6 30; July, \$6 30@6 35. Spot Rio firm; No. 7 Invoice, 75c. Mild steady, Cordova, 8@12%c.

centrifugal, 96 test, 44c; refined quiet.

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The Lakes of Killarney.

PORTLAND, Feb. 25 .- (To the Editor.)-In addition to my reply to Mr. Dillion's note, which appeared in the issue of The Oregonian of February 22, and which was a sufficient answer to any and all statenents contained therein. I may say that the Lakes of Killarney are owned, trolled, surrounded and infested by a gang of the most persistent and shameless "grafters" that I met during my entire

than the previous day's close, was not active. A lack of speculative interest, together with depressing information from and particularly the American tourists. During my sojourn in England a became current that the Lakes of Killarney had been, or were about to be, sold to an American company. You cannot imagine the joy which this intelligence brought to the hearts of all, and partie ularly to the traveling public. Of course the people of Kerry County, not the "grafters," are most lovable and excelent characters. I know not and care but little, as to whether Mr. Dillon's father is a landlord or a "begtrotter." This has nothing to do with the case, ism is the curse of Ireland, and the good people of that beautiful country are try" in as easy and as practicable a man ner as possible. I hope I have made my. self understood without giving offense WILLIAM FOLEY.

WE SHALL SEE.

Mr. Morgan Is Sure We Shall Have

PORTLAND, Feb. 25 .- (To the Editor.)-Your editorial of today, "Direct Primaries Betrayed," is apparently based on miscon, House bill 188, which possed both houses, is emphatically a direct pri-mary bill. Under its provisions there will be no county convention and no con-vention within the limits of any division within the county, and all delegates from the county or any district within the same to conventions, such as state and congressional conventions must be chosen at the same time as are made the nominations for county, municipal and other offices within the county. So far as can be made applicable to a county, House bill 188 embodies every feature shown in the draft of a bill which was printed by The Oregonian on December 17 last, and it is as drastic in its reforms as can be conceived, in the light of present in formation and experience. Further, this bill is not open to constitutional objec-tion, as local legislation or otherwise, There was no question out that it was mpossible to secure any legislation of this character for the entire state, and this bill presents the best that could be attained from this Legislature.

Senate bill 191, which also passed both ouses, is not assumed to be direct primary legislation. It was framed by friends of the direct primary bill, and is so constructed as to make it consistent with the direct primary bill. It will not be operative where the direct primary

A candid judgment must concede, after full information, that the Multnomah delegation came remarkably near fulfilling every ante-election pledge. If every pub. Ilc officer were to do as well, we would rapidly approach good government.
CHARLES M. MORGAN.

Tortured by New Jersey Mob. NEW YORK, Feb. 25.-An excited mob in Matteawan, N. J., last night hanged Charles Herbert, a resident of that place, in an effort to make him confess that he and started a fire which destroyed the susiness portion of the town, January 27, Herbert protested his innocence. He was atrung up a second time and when low-ered again asserted that he was guilty. This time the torture ceased and the man was taken to tall. Last night a dwelling and after the flames were extinguished it was discovered that the stairway in the house had been soaked with kerosene. Suspicion pointed to Herbert, and his arrested and torture followed.

HELENA, Mont., Feb. 25,-The Suprem Court today reversed the action of Judge Ciancy, of Butte, in appointing E. H. Wil-son receiver for the Minnie Holly mine, a rich copper property in litigation between F. A. Heinze and the Boston Montana Company. Heinze procured the appoint-ment and it was claimed by the Boston & Montana Company, which owns the adjoining property, that the receiver was

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