COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS

Aside from the breaking of the long-expected storm in sugar, there have been but few changes in prices in the local market during the past week. The extent of the sugar trouble is difficult to forecast, but most of the dealers seem to think that the big trusts will patch up their difficulties before the consumer has much of an opportunity to profit by their battle for supremacy. There were no further changes in prices yesterday, but buyers are holding off hoping that the end is not yet. In the produce markets there has been considerable strength in some lines, but prices have suffered in others. Oats, potatoes and veal are easier, and poultry, butter and cheese are firmer. San Francisco is depended on just at present for the most of the garden truck that is used in this market, and the arrivals by steamer have found a good market at full prices. There are plenty of Oregon apples in the market, but they are selling at advanced prices for best stock. Oranges are now nearing the height of the season, and the quality of the offerings is good, and prices are moderate.

Hops are still reaching for higher figures, and for the first time in many years the growers who hold on the longest are securing the best prices. There is nothing doing in wool, but the outlook continues favorable for good prices. Potatoes have weakened on a slackening in the shipping demand, and onions are firmer on an improved demand. The grain markets have showed but little activity, but there is firmness all along the line except in oats, which are slightly weaker in sympathy with a decline in San Francisco.

WHEAT—The dragging market, which has been in evidence for the greater part of the time since the turn of the year, is still with us, although prices show a hardening tendency. But one small ship, and that one for special business, is the only charter reported in over two weeks, although ships are plentiful and are offering at the lowest rates quoted at any time in the past four years. This remarkable condition of affairs indicates a closing down of business at a much earlier date than usual. The crop is not yet all shipped out of the country, but a much larger proportion of it has been moved than of the 1900 crop at a corresponding date last year, and that which remains is in the hands of men who are financially able to hold it until the price suits them, or until the demands of the mills necessitate the payment of higher prices. South of Snake River, the wheat has been shipped out so thoroughly that nearly all that remains will be needed by the mills, leaving a very small amount for export or for a carry-over. Idaho has also been pretty well cleaned out, and the Big Bend country has a larger proportion of the crop still unsold than is held anywhere else in the Northwest.

The Willamette Valley crop has been cut down so often since it first started off around 5,000,000 bushels, that it is now getting down to small proportions. With over seven months of the cereal year gone, exports of Valley wheat are still under 350,000 bushels. A liberal estimate for feed, seed and home consumption in the Valley would be 1,600,000 bushels, and it will require very diligent search for any one to find 1,000,000 bushels of wheat, in addition to the amount still needed for feed and seed in the Willamette Valley. Prices for the past week have ranged from 63½c to 65½c for Walla Walla, the latter figure being something in excess of the export value, and yet but little more wheat can be purchased at 65c and better than can be purchased for 63½c or 64c. Some buyers are not making any discrimination in favor of bluestem when fancy prices are being quoted, but bluestem will ordinarily command a premium of at least a cent. Valley mills continue to keep stocks in the country by offering nearly as much at interior points as it would command at tidewater. A fair nominal quotation at this port would be about 64@65c per bushel. February shipments, which for a time promised to be very heavy, will be cut down by the delayed arrival of a number of ships, which had been chartered to arrive, but which have failed to put in an appearance.

Freights continue weak and tending lower. In the absence of any recent transactions, it is a difficult matter to ascertain the exact value of a ship, but one or two of the disengaged vessels are offering as low as 27s 6d, and are not receiving any encouragement. It is probable that an offer for 26s 3d for most any of the disengaged ships in the Northwest would not be refused unless there should be a sharp upward movement in wheat in Europe. Disengaged tonnage at San Francisco, Portland and Puget Sound has now reached a total of over 40,000 tons net register, with a number of disengaged ships near at hand. Under such circumstances, the outlook for the shipowner is far from pleasing, and it is altogether probable that some of the extravagant profits made in the business during the past four years will again be distributed among the wheatgrowers.

The growing crop is not far enough along to give much of an idea of what condition it will show when it takes a start in the Spring, but there are differing opinions regarding the freezing out reported a few days ago. There may have been some trouble of this nature, but the extent cannot yet be determined. The American markets have not developed very much strength during the past week, and quite naturally the foreign markets take advantage of the excuse offered, and quote lower prices.

Beerbohm, under date of January 27, says:

The English wheat market has been weak during the past week, with about 9d per quarter (2¼c per bushel) decline, due chiefly to reaction in American markets. Late shipments have been by no means large, and supplies in the United Kingdom have been far from excessive. It is, moreover, credibly reported that the Argentine surplus estimates have been lowered, owing to disappointing threshing results, and it is a fact that the offers for shipment from that country remain very limited. Indeed, it might be supposed that 29s@29s 6d would be a sufficiently attractive price if there were much wheat forthcoming. The second sale we have noted this crop year in the London market of the new Argentine wheat was early this week at 30s, or 90c per bushel; since then the offerings have been held at 30s 6d for steamer sailings within 30 days, which price delivered in Europe of 91½c per bushel compares with 88¾@90c per bushel for spot American No. 2 red Winter and American No. 1 Northern Spring.

OATS AND BARLEY—The San Francisco firms that loaded up with oats with the expectancy of securing the Government contract, and then failed to get it, are now unloading on a market that does not seem able to absorb everything without some show of weakness. The Portland market has also shown some weakness in sympathy, and prices have receded from the highest point, and $1 25 was quoted as an extreme figure yesterday. Barley is steady on account of a continuation of the Eastern demand, which has made a pretty thorough clean-up of stocks in some sections. No business is doing on export account, the local demand taking up everything that is offering at better prices than can be paid by exporters. The California market is very firm on dubious prospects for the coming crop. Advices from San Francisco regarding the market are as follows:

The market for barley, as is generally the case at this time of year, has been lately and still continues to be decidedly sensitive to weather influences, values tending upward or downward, as the prospects appear unfavorable or favorable for the coming crop. The changes, however, have been more in the tone of the market than in quotable values for spot offerings. Not much barley is being presented for sale, and especially are feed descriptions being offered sparingly, as compared with demand for the same and requirements of local consumers. Prices for feed barley were, in consequence, better sustained relatively than on brewing and export grades. Values on call board fluctuated considerably, but did not average materially lower than during the preceding week.

POTATOES—The demand for potatoes is easier, and some dealers are predicting lower prices. The shortage reported in some sections in the East has been more than offset by big crops in other localities. In Michigan there was a very large acreage, with a minimum yield of 200 bushels to the acre, while in some sections the yield ran up as high as 400 bushels to the acre. The higher prices in the East have also had the effect of checking consumption, and Colorado's big crop is going into Texas, Arizona and California, where last year Portland shippers were operating to good advantage. Best Burbanks are now quoted at $1 25 per cental in this market, and an occasional fancy lot will bring 5@10c more, but the bulk of the business is handled at lower figures. San Francisco advices, under date of February 8, report as follows:

Spot stocks are heavy, as compared with the immediate demand, and have been lately steadily on the increase. It is estimated that supplies now in this center are sufficient for all probable requirements for the next three months, after which time it will be extraordinary to have any great demand from any quarter for old potatoes. The expected demand from the East is not being realized, cheaper potatoes being obtained elsewhere. Local consumers are not taking hold freely, owing to the high prices. The market is decidedly heavy, and indications are that it will become worse instead of better as the season advances.

BUTTER—The butter market is wavering between 27½c and 30c for best creamery. It is the same old story of a shortage of a few select brands which would command, in a limited way, 30c per pound, but would not establish the market price at that figure. While the supply of all brands of choice creamery is not heavy, there is a sufficiency to meet all demands at about 27½c per pound, and, except in a few cases, that figure is a fair quotation for the top of the market. Store butter is in limited supply, but prices show no change. Some creameries are increasing the output slightly, and it is generally believed that the high prices for the season have been reached.

EGGS—With eggs down to a figure where some of the "small-profit" retailers can sell two dozen for 45c, there has been a decided increase in the demand for home consumption, and prices have steadied up a little at 20c and 21c per dozen. At these figures they were moving all right yesterday, with some sales as high as 22c, and while the market can hardly be termed strong, no further decline is expected for a few days. The recent bulge cleaned up about all of the job lots of Eastern, cold storage and pickled stock that have been hanging over the market, and it is now in fairly good shape.

POULTRY—The poultry market is strong on chickens, weak on ducks and geese, and steady for turkeys. Chickens are cleaning up as fast as they arrive, with best stock selling readily at $5 and $5 50 per dozen, and ordinary at $3 50 and $4 per dozen. The Chinese demand for ducks has been satisfied, and they have dropped back to $5 and $6 per dozen, the latter an outside quotation. Geese are dull at quotations, and turkeys sell in limited numbers at 12½c and 13c, live, and 14@16c, dressed.

Portland Bank Clearings.

Clearings $513,398
Balances 53,779

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Etc.

Wheat—Nominal; Walla Walla, 65c; bluestem, 66c; Valley, 64@65c.

Barley—Feed, $19@19 50; brewing, $20@20 50 per ton.

Oats—No. 1 white, $1 15@1 25; gray, $1 10@1 20.

Flour—Best grades $2 80@3 40 per barrel; graham, $2 50@2 80.

Millstuffs—Bran, $19 per ton; middlings, $21; shorts, $21 50; chop, $17 50.

Hay—Timothy, $12@13; clover, $7 50@8; Oregon wild hay, $5@6 per ton.

Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Etc.

Butter—Creamery 25@27½c; dairy, 18@20c; store, 13@15c.

Eggs—20@21c for Oregon.

Cheese—Full cream, twins, 13@13½c; Young America, 14@15c; factory prices, 1@1½c less.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, $3 50@4 50; hens, $4 50@5 50 per dozen, 10@12c per pound; Springs, 11c per pound, $3@4 per dozen; ducks, $5@6 per dozen; turkeys, live, 12½@13c; dressed, 15@16c per pound; geese, $6@7 per dozen.

Vegetables, Fruits, Etc.

Tomatoes, $1@1 25; turnips, 65@75c; carrots, 65@75c; beets, 80@90c per sack; pumpkins, $1@1 25; squashes $1@1 25 per 100 pounds; cauliflower, 75@85c per cental; celery, 75c per dozen.

Green fruit—Lemons, $2@3; oranges, $2@2 50 per box; bananas, $2 25@3; pineapples, $5 per dozen; apples, 50c@$1 50; cranberries, $11@12 per barrel.

Dried fruit—Apples, evaporated, 7@8c per pound; sun-dried sacks or boxes, 4@5c; apricots, 11½@12c; peaches, 8@11c; pears, 6@8c; prunes Italian, 3@4c; figs, California blacks, 3½@4c; do white, 5c; plums, pitless, white, 6c.

Potatoes and Onions.

Potatoes—Best Burbanks, $1@1 25 per cental; ordinary, 75@85c per cental; growers' prices; sweets, $1 75@2 per cental.

Onions—$1 50@2 25 per cental, growers' prices.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

Coffee—Mocha, 23@28c; Java, fancy, 26@32c; Java, good 20@24c; Java, ordinary, 18@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; Costa Rica, good, 16@18c; Costa Rica, ordinary, 10@12c per pound; Columbia roast, $11; Arbuckle's, $11 75 list; Lion, $11 25 list; Cordova, $12 63 list.

Rice—Imperial, Japan No. 1, 5¾c; No. 2, 5½c; New Orleans 5@7c.

Salmon—Columbia River, one-pound tails, $1 85; two-pound tails, $3; fancy one-pound flats, $2; ½-pound fancy flats, $1 25; Alaska tails, 95c; two-pound tails, $2.

Sugar—Cube, $5; crushed, $5; powdered, $4 70; dry granulated, $4 75; extra C, $4 30; golden C, $4 15; net per sack; beet sugar, $4 65 per sack; half barrels, ¼c more than barrels; sacks, 10c per 100 less than barrels; maple, 15@16c per pound.

Honey—12½@15c per pound.

Grain bags—Calcutta, $6 12½@6 25 per 100 for July-August.

Nuts—Peanuts, 6½@7c per pound for raw, 8@8½c for roasted; cocoanuts, 85@90c per dozen; walnuts, 10½@11c per pound; pine nuts, 10@12½c; hickory nuts, 7c; chestnuts, $3 50@5 per drum; Brazil nuts 7c; filberts, 15@16c; fancy pecans, 14@14½c; almonds, 12½@15c.

Coal oil—Cases, 20½c per gallon; barrels, 16c; tanks, 14c.

Stock salts—50s, $19 75; 100s, $19 25; granulated, 50s, $28; Liverpool, 50s, $28; 100s, $27 50; 200s, $27.

Meats and Provisions.

Mutton—Gross, 4c per pound; dressed, 7@7½c per pound.

Hams, bacon, etc.—Portland pack (Shield brand) hams, 13@13½c; picnic, 9c per pound; breakfast bacon, 15½@16½c per pound, bacon, 14c per pound; backs, 11½@12½c per pound; dry-salted sides, 11c per pound; dried beef, setts, 16c; knuckles, 18c per pound; Eastern pack hams, large, 12¾c; medium, 13c; small, 13½c; picnic, 9½c; shoulders, 9¾c; breakfast bacon, 14@15½c; dry-salted sides, 11¼c; bacon sides, 12½c; backs, unsmoked, 11¼c; smoked, 12¼c; butts, 9¾@10¾c per pound; dried beef, 15@17¼c per pound; dry-salted bellies, 11½@12¼c; bacon bellies, 12½@13¼c per pound.

Hogs—Gross, 5¾c; dressed, 6½@7c per pound.

Veal—8@9c per pound dressed.

Beef—Gross, cows, 3½@4c; steers, 4@4½c; dressed, 6½@7½c per pound.

Lard—Portland (Shield brand), 5s, 13c; 10s, 12¾c; 50s, 12½c; tierces, 12¼c; Eastern, pure leaf, kettle rendered, 5s, 12½c; 10s, 12⅜c; 50s, 12¼c.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

Hops—11@13c per pound.

Wool—Nominal; Valley, 13@15c; Eastern Oregon 8@12½c; mohair, 21@21½c per pound.

Sheepskins—Shearings, 15@20c; short wool, 25@35c; medium wool, 30@60c; long wool, 60c@$1 each.

Tallow—Prime, per pound, 4@4½c; No. 2 and grease, 2½@3c.

Hides—Dry hides, No. 1, 16 pounds and up, 15@15½c per pound; dry kip, No. 1, 5 to 15 pounds, 15c; dry calf, No. 1 under 5 pounds, 16c; dry-salted, bulls and stags, one-third less than dry flint; salted hides, steers, sound, 60 pounds and over, 8@9c; 50 to 60 pounds, 7½@8c; under 50 pounds and cows, 7c; stags and bulls, sound, 5@5½c; kip, sound, 15 to 30 pounds 7c; veal, sound, 10 to 14 pounds, 7c; calf, sound, under 10 pounds, 8c; green (unsalted), 1c per pound less; culls, 1c per pound less; horse hides, salted, each, $1 50@2; dry, each, $1@1 50; colts' hides, each, 25@50c; goat skins, common each, 10@15c; Angora, with wool on, each, 25c@$1.

Pelts—Bear skins as to size, No. 1, each, $5@20; cubs, $2@5; badger, each, 10@40c; wildcat, 25@30c; house cat, 5@10c; fox, common gray, each, 30@50c; do red, each, $1 50@2; do cross, each $5@15; do silver and black, each, $100@200; fishers, each, $5@6; lynx, each, $2@3; mink, strictly No. 1, each, 30c@$1 25; marten, dark Northern, $6@12; marten, pale, pine, according to size and color, $1 50@3; muskrats, large, each, 5@10c; skunk, each, 25@35c; civet or polecat, each, 5@10c; otter, for large prime skins, each, $5@7; panther, with head and claws, perfect, each, $2@5; raccoon, for large prime, each, 30@35c; wolf, mountain, with head perfect, each, $3 50@5; wolf, prairie (coyote), with head perfect, each, 40@60c; wolf, prairie (coyote), without head, each, 30@35c; wolverine, each, $4@7; beaver, per skin, large, $5@6; do medium, $3@4; do small, $1@1 50; do kits, 50@75c.

BRAZIL COFFEE CROP.

Next Crop Promises to Be Smaller Than the Present One.

The Brazilian Review of January 7 reports the following:

"The last number of O Cafe publishes a letter from an important planter in the district of Valenca, State of Rio de Janeiro, which reads as follows: 'I can assure you the next crop will be smaller than the present one. Only the new and some middle-aged trees which were well cared for in August will bear fruit. The injury in cold districts like ours is not caused as much by drouth, because here dry weather is rather beneficial than otherwise, as by cold, such as we experienced at the flowering period. Flowerings were splendid, but we had plenty of rain, and in October and November the cold was as intense as in June. During the day the sun was hot, but at night the temperature fell to an extraordinary degree. This explains how it was that trees in weeded ground gave the best results, because the earth, being heated during the day, protected the trees against the cold at night. By what I have seen I am led to the conclusion that the next crop will be very small, because in the warm districts fruit is only to be found in ravines or narrow valleys (grotas) or on northern lands most protected from the sun; and in cold districts, as I have already said, only in places where the ground was well weeded (which are few, as for this money and labor are needed), and in new plantations, because they are prepared for the planting of beans, and therefore well weeded. In my plantation the yield is 50 per cent less on unweeded ground than on weeded. Of the present crop, I believe there is only 25 per cent to export, as three-quarters must have been sent away already. In this district no one has held back any coffee.'

"With regard to the statement made in our number of December 24, that so far we did not know the effects of the rain on the future crop, O Cafe says such a remark leads to the supposition that these rains might bring about an increase in the next crop. The effect of these rains is simply beneficial to the tree, which little by little revives. It is indispensable for the proper formation of the fruit. If in January a prolonged drouth were again felt the existing berry would again suffer serious damage. If rain, however, continues regularly, the most favorable estimate will be realized. But these rains can in no manner contribute towards the increase of the next crop. They are absolutely necessary, as without them the trees would be seriously affected, the berry would be badly formed and cereals would be lost, thereby producing serious economic difficulties for the planter. But if everything goes smoothly the product of the next crop is already on the trees."

SAN FRANCISCO MARKETS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12.—Wool—Spring—Humboldt and Mendocino, 15@16c; Nevada, 10@12c; Eastern Oregon, 10@13c; Valley Oregon, 13@15c. Fall—Humboldt and Mendocino, 10@12½c; mountain, 8@9c; south plains and San Joaquin, 6@8c; lambs, 6@8c.

Hops—New crop, 11@15c.

Hay—Wheat, $10@13 50; wheat and oat, $10@13; best barley, $8@10; alfalfa, $9@10 50; clover, $7@8 50 per ton; straw, 45@60c per bale.

Vegetables—Green peas, 5@8c per pound; string beans, 15@20c per pound; tomatoes, $2@3; cucumbers, 50c@$1 25 per box; garlic, 1½@2½c per pound; onions, $2@2 65; egg plant, 20@25c; okra, 13@14c.

Millstuffs—Middlings, $19 50@21; bran, $18 50@19 per ton.

Potatoes—Early Rose, $1 50@1 75; River Burbanks, $1 10@1 35; River Reds, $1 50@$1 60; Salinas Burbanks, $1 50@1 85; Oregon Burbanks, $1 30@1 70; sweets, $1 40 per cental.

Poultry—Turkey gobblers, 13@14c; do hens, 14@15c per pound; old roosters, $4 50@5 per dozen; young roosters $5@6; small broilers, $3@4; large broilers, $4@5; fryers, $4 50@5 50 per dozen; hens, $4 50@5 50; old ducks, $5@5 50; young ducks, $6@7.

Eggs—Ranch, 20c.

Bananas—$1@2 75 per bunch.

Citrus fruit—Common California lemons, 50c; choice, $2 50; Mexican limes, $4@5; oranges, navel, $1@2 90.

Apples—Choice, $1 25; common, 30c per box.

Pineapples—$3@4.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 27c; do seconds, 22c; fancy dairy, 25c per pound; do seconds, 17c.

Cheese—Young America, 11½c; Eastern, 13@15c; new, 11½c; old, 11c.

Receipts—Flour, 12,896 quarter sacks; do Washington, 8682 quarter sacks; wheat, 8470 centals; barley, 1925 centals; Oregon oats, 570 centals; beans, 710 sacks; corn, 1160 centals; potatoes, 1196 sacks; bran, 460 sacks; do Washington, 3460 sacks; middlings, 180 sacks; hay, 320 tons; wool, 132 bales; hides, 48.

EASTERN LIVESTOCK.

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—Cattle—Receipts, 20,000. Market slow and lower, except for fancy beeves. Good to prime steers, $6 10@7 25; poor to medium, $4@6; stockers and feeders, $2 50@4 70; cows, $1 25@3 25; heifers, $2 25@5 25; canners, $1 25@2 25; bulls, $2 85@4 90; calves, $2@7 60; Texas fed steers, $4 25@5 75.

Hogs—Receipts today, 52,000; tomorrow, 43,000; left over, 12,000. Market for heavy, steady; light, weak. Mixed and butchers, $5 90@6 40; good to choice heavy, $6 30@6 47½; rough heavy, $6@6 25; light, $5 80@5 90; bulk of sales, $5 90@6 25.

Sheep—Receipts, 16,000. Market for sheep and lambs steady. Good to choice wethers, $4 75@5 25; fair to choice mixed, $3 80@4 60; Western sheep and yearlings, $4 25@5 85; native lambs, $3 75@6 65; Western lambs, $5 25@6 65.

Money, Exchange, Etc.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12.—Sterling on London—Sixty days, $4 85¼; sight, $4 88.

Mexican dollars—45@45½c.

Drafts—Sight, 12½c; telegraph, 15c.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Consols for money, 94 11-16; do for account, 94 13-16. Money, 2½@2¾ per cent.

European Grain Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 12.—Wheat steady; French market closed. Weather in England frosty.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Wheat cargoes on passage, more inquiry; Walla Walla, 29s 1½d. English country markets quiet.

Stocks at London.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Closing quotations:

Anaconda	6⅝	Southern Pacific	63¼
Atchison	86¾	Union Pacific	104⅜
do pfd	101	do pfd	93
Can. Pacific	118⅝		

Daily Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Today's statement of the Treasury shows:

Available cash balances $175,419,393
Gold $87,477,776

Silver.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 12.—Bar silver, 55⅜c.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Bar silver, steady, 25⅝d per ounce.

STOPPED THE BORDER PLAY

Frank James Secures Injunction Against Theater Manager.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 12.—Judge Teasdale, in the Circuit Court here today, granted the application of Frank James for an injunction to stop the production of "The James Boys in Missouri," a drama depicting the James boys as train-robbers and bank looters, which has been playing at a local theater. James' petition alleged that the play was harmful to the youth of the country in that it glorified outlawry and made heroes of outlaws and said that it unjustly revived a reputation that he had been trying to live down for 20 years.

Judge Teasdale instructs that James furnish a bond of $4000 to indemnify the theater people against loss in case the decision is overturned by a higher court, and until the bond is given the play will go on. The injunction will prohibit the production of the play anywhere in Missouri. The right of privacy was the principal point of law under which Judge Teasdale granted the injunction. In passing upon it he decided a new legal question, which, if sustained by the Supreme Court, will prove far-reaching. The point with the right of a private individual to live in privacy and not have his person portrayed upon the stage without his consent. Judge Teasdale cited decisions on the point rendered under the laws of New York, which, he said, were similar to those statutes of Missouri, wherein it had been held that a man has the right to prohibit the public exhibition of a statue of himself and that a photograph of a private individual could not be used as a trade mark without his consent. Continuing, he said:

"The question in the case now before this court is: Can a private person be portrayed upon the stage without his consent? I can see no distinction between this exhibition of a photograph or statue or dressing up and taking the name of a person and portraying that person upon the stage. The principle involved here is old, but the question is new. I can find no decisions at all that have any bearing on the case, at least in recent years. Under the view of it that I have taken, the injunction will be granted."

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DAILY CITY STATISTICS.

Marriage Licenses.

C. A. Brickman, 28, Washington County; Minnie Johnson, 22.

Charles Anderson, 36; Madge R. Cramer, 18.

Herbert Schaeffer Ward, 20; Sarah Amelia Loomis, 17.

Birth Returns.

February 6, boy to wife of C. D. Jellison, 31 East Glisan.

February 10, boy to wife of John R. McMonies, 530 East Everett street.

February 4, girl to wife of R. M. Young, Thirty-first and Glisan.

Contagious Diseases.

Emma Leonhardt, 350 Seventeenth street; scarlet fever.

Leroy Bevis, 454 East Eighth street; scarlet fever.

Mrs. Ida Stuarhoff and son, 503 Williams avenue; diphtheria.

Building Permits.

George Lawrence, four-story brick building, southeast corner First and Oak streets; $50,000.

W. Esash, two-story dwelling, southwest corner Ross and Cherry streets; $4500.

J. N. James, two-story dwelling, corner East Sixth and Broadway; $2800.

Real Estate Transfers.

Margaret A. Stevens to George Moore and wife, N. ½ lot 3, block 253, Portland...$5750

S. E. Joseph and wife to C. N. Rankin, lot 2, block 188, East Portland 1000

Sheriff, for R. McKenzie, to R. L. Macleay, lot 13, block 15, Lincoln Park Annex 5

Thomas W. Clagett and wife to Edwin T. Coman, lot 2, block 19, Woodstock; lots 6, 7, block 7, Ivanhoe; lots 10, 11, block 78, Sellwood 1

George Williams et al. to Kate Michels, lots 2, 5, 7, block 1, Troutdale 300

Baker Loan & Investment Co. to Margaret H. Jennings, lot 5, block 201, city 3250

Seneca Smith and wife to Seth Riggs, 22.83 acres, sec. 20, T. 1 S., R. 2 E.... 2283

Scottish-American Investment Co. to Geo. W. Larner, lot 28, block 16, Willamette Heights Add 3500

Alice M. Tomasini to D. G. Tomasini, lots 25 to 28, block 1, Albina 1

Annie Bennett and husband to E. A. Moses, lots 7, 8, block 58, Portland Homestead 5

John H. Middleton and wife to Lenore S. Gregory, lot 3, block 4, Center Add...... 1

W. R. Wesley and wife to Margaretta G. Black, lots 5, 6, block 216, Holladay's Add 4000

Abstracts, and title insurance, by the Pacific Coast Abstract Guaranty & Trust Co., 204-5-6-7 Failing building.

Paterson's Insurance.

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—A preliminary meeting of insurance company representatives has been held to arrange settlements of the losses in the great Paterson fire. Instead of 50 or 60 companies being concerned, it was found that there are over 100. Edwin Quackenbush, secretary of the Underwriters' Association of Paterson, after many conferences with insurance adjusters, the owners of burned property, and an examination of insurance maps, said the loss to insurance companies would aggregate about $4,600,000. The insurance men found that the burned district was more heavily covered by fire than they at first thought. They estimate the loss at about $6,000,000, and the insurance 70 per cent of the total. The estimate of $6,000,000 is from $2,000,000 to $4,000,000 less than the figures fixed upon by official and leading business men of Paterson.

Murder Broke Up a Carnival.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 12.—Willis Cooper, who shot and killed William Perry and Mrs. Faraba Russell at Amite City, La., was brought here hurriedly and lodged in the parish prison, to escape being lynched by an infuriated mob. While a carnival procession was passing in the city Cooper and Perry renewed a previous difficulty, Perry being the aggressor. Cooper drew his pistol and fired four shots, not only killing Perry, but also Mrs. Russell, an aged lady who was witnessing the parade.

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