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COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS

of April 5:

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tical about these prices holding very long, while others are of the opinion that the re-

mainder of the season will witness a much better market than has thus far been in evi-

and good prices are obtainable for anything

Bank Clearings.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Etc.

The last steamer took down a much

The weather for the past few days has been | past week has been in new-crop contracting, nfavorable for either work on the farms or for hauling to market. This has retarded busis in some lines to a certain extent, but the Spring trade on the whole has been so much better than in former seasons that no com-plaint is heard. There were no features of ocial interest in the market situation yesterday, aside from a firmer feeling in potatoes, to light receipts. Butter was still weak, but public quotations remain unchanged. continued inactive, with no sales reported. Oats are not coming in very freely, out in the absence of any special demand, prices refuse to rally. The high prices asked by the mohair men prevent much business in that product, and the inclemency of the weather has postponed anything like early shearing, o the wool situation remains quiet. Hops continue very firm, with no new transactions in

ald crop reported. In the grocery market, sugar continues the object of interest, but is not rewarding the watchers with any display of either strength weakness. The advance of 10c per 100 a few days ago was strictly a local affair, and the great questions which brought on the conflict are still unsettled.

WHEAT-With steam freights to Europe by way of the Suez cut to 26s 3d, and sail tonnage bininable at at least a shilling less, the akness in the foreign wheat market is carcely felt in the Pacific Northwest. Strictly eaking, there is not much "weakness of the oreign market," the frequent sagging over being almost wholly a reflection of the weakness in Chicago. The foreign market has good undertone of strength, and only awaits the slightest encouragement from this side to good enough to command from \$1 up to \$1 30 ove to a materially higher level. When per cental. There has been a sharp falling off America ceases to throw her wheat at the foreigners at any old price, there will be a bulga may reach surprising proportions. For Walla Walla wheat, 64c is the general quotaion, and very little is selling at that figure. some was offering vesterday at 65c, and one t could have been secured for 64%c. The amount of business just at present is, in the aggregate, of very small proportions, and for the remainder of the season will be largely of "cleaning-up" nature.

With so little remaining of the old crop, increst has shifted to a considerable extent to ects for new crop, price of bags, charters, East of the mountains, prospects connue very favorable for a good crop, but in the Valley more sunshine and less rain is need-There has been so much rain that farmers have had no opportunity for plowing, and nless there is an improvement in the weather very soon, the acreage of Spring grain will be very small. Present prospects throughout the three state, while less favorable than a year ago, are still sufficiently good, if favored with good weather from this time on, to turn off a crop above the average for the past 10 years, although not as large a yield as was produced last year. In the East crop conditions have nged by little.

McIntyre & Marshall's special grain letter

The visible supply of wheat is about 5,000,000 ushels less than at this time a year ago. This, with a small movement coming from first hands und stocks in the Northwest elevators only 2300,000 bushels, against 4,000,000 bushels last year, and 6.700,000 hushels two years ago, makes wheat look cheap at present prices. Furthermore, we believe in our own crop expert's advices on the condition of the crop Kansas, Oklahoma and Indiana. From this iter information there is no reason to expect present anything like an average crop Southwest. As soon as navigation is opened, the visible supply will melt away very rapidly, as the foreigners are still good buyers of cash wheat, and they will continue to be so for the balance of the crop year.

The Liverpool Corn Trade News, under date of March 24, prints the following regarding rop conditions in three of the world's big

Russia-A telegraphic report received by the condon Standard yesterday announced a hard rost following a period of very mild weather. The exact significance of this news is difficult imate correctly. On the one hand, it can eded that severe weather at this time is capable of doing immense damage, but then if such had bggn caused or was feared it would hardly be left to a newspaper corre-spondent to announce the fact, and it is not so long ago that a similar report from a simi-lar source turned out to be quite unfounded. It must be remembered to the the correct

It must be remembered, too, that the crops have hitherto developed satisfactorily, and the

Sige for reasted; coccanuta, 55@90c per domen; walnuta, 1015@11c per pound; pins nuta, 10@ 1215c; hickory nuta, Tc; chestnuta, \$3 50@6 per drum; Brazil nuta, Tc; fiberts, 15@16c; fancy pecana, 14@14%c; almonda, 12%g@15c. Coal oil-Cases, 20%c per ghilon; barrels, 16c; tanka 14c; and even this has been on a limited scale, comtanks, 14c.

Stock malt-50s, \$20 65; 100s, \$20 15; granu-lated, 50s, \$25; Liverpool, 50s, \$28 60; 100s, \$29 20; 200s, \$27. pared with operations earlier in the season. Most of the dealers are now offering 12c and 12%c for new-crop contracts, but occasionally 12%c is paid. It is estimated that 17,000 bales Hops, Wool and Hides,

of the 1902 crop has already been contracted for, some of it as low as 9c, but the bulk of Hops-125/814c per pound. Wool-Nominal: Valley, 18815c; Eastern Ore-gon. 88125c; mobair, 22928c per pound. Sheepskina-Shearings, 15620c; short wool, 25635c; medium wool, 30650c; long woel, 60c8 the contracts being- around 11c and 12c per pound. The situation in the East is thus reviewed by New York mail advices, under date \$1 each. Tallow-Prime, per pound, 4@4%c; No. 2 and

of April 5: Offerings of state hops were decidedly limit-ed, due to the scant supplies in dealers' hands, and prices were firm, with choice quoted at 15% 919%. Brewers, it was stated, found it necessary to pay from 19%19% for such sup-plies of choice grades as they purchased. Fu-cifics were in better supply than states, and were quoted at 17% 918% of or choice. No new developments were provided un the state hop Tailow-Frime, per pound, egy-Mc; No. 2 and grease, 24,93c. Hides-Dry hides, No. 1, 16 pounds and up, 156/15/jc per pound; dry kip, No. 1, 5 to 15 pounds, 16c; dry calf, No. 1 under 5 pounds, 16c; dry salted, bulls and stags, one-third less developments were reported up the state hor The Waterville Times of April 1 says of hops:

10c: dry salted, bulls and stags, one-third less than dry finit; salted bides, steers, sound, 80 pounds and over, 5600; 50 to 60c pounds, 7540 Sc: under 50 pounds and cows, 7c; stags and bulls, sound, 56054;; ktp, sound, 15 to 30 pounds, 7c; veal, sound, 10 to 14 pounds, 7c; calf, sound, under 10 pounds, 8c; green (un-salted), 1c per pound less; culls, 1c per pound less; horse hides, salted, each, \$1 5002; dry, each, 5101 50; coits' hides, each, \$1 5002; dry, each, 5101 50; coits' hides, each, \$5002; goat skins, common each, 10015c; Angora, with wool on, each, 25c0\$1. The Waterville Times of April 1 says of hops: "The market is positively dead as far as transactions are concerned. The few remain-ing lots in this vicinity are being held for higher prices, and offers of 17c, it is reported, have no effect on the holders. Grubbing has begun in some yards towards Deansboro, but the ground is not in proper condition to work successfully. Fole-setting is also in progress in some yards." The Otsego Republican of April 2 says that the Dorrance Talbot lot of 24 balse hops grown in New Lisbon, one of the best lots of last year's crop, was sold here Monday at 174;c; possibly better. The terms were private, but this is about the price. POTATOES AND ONIONS-The pointo mar-ket scared up to new heights yesterday morn-

Polts-Hear skins as to size, No. 1, each, \$5 Folse-mear mains as to size, No. 1, escol, 40 (20); cuts, \$20(5); hadger, sach, 10(400; wild-cat, 25(930c; house cat, 5(910c; fox, common gray, sach, 50(950c; do red, each, \$1 50(92); do cross, each, \$5(915; do silver and black, each, \$100(9200); fishers, each, \$5(86); lynx, each, \$26(9); mink, strictly No. 1 each, 30c(9\$1 25; marten, dath Victory as a sector. dark Northern, 50912; marten, paie, pine, ac-cording to size and color, \$1 5093; muskrats, large, each, 5610c; skunk, each, 25835c; civet or polecat, each, 5697; panther, for large prime skins, each, \$597; panther, with head and claws, perfect, each, \$295; recoon, for large prime such 30025c, such sector prime sight ing, and for choice stock \$1 40 per cental was prime, each, 2003. gaps, recoon, in a with head perfect, each, \$350g5; wolf, mountain, with head perfect, each, \$350g5; wolf, prairie (coy-ote), with head perfect, each, \$0690c; wolf, prairie (coynte), without head, each, 30685c; wolverine, each, \$467; beaver, per skin, large, \$560; do medium, \$594; do small, \$16150; do kirs Moerze. off-fred, with about everything that came along in receipts, and an attendant bracing up of prices. Some dealers are inclined to be skep-

do kits, 50@75c. GRAIN MARKETS.

Chicago Wheat Was Active and Closed 5-8c Up.

Closed 5-8c Up. CHICAGO, April 8.—Speculation in wheat was better than for some days past, Condi-tions favored the buils from the start. Cables were higher; primary receipts were very small, and clearances were nearly double all receipts. There was a decided sentiment that the market was on the upturn, and good general buying set in. There were continued reports of de-creasing stocks, and Bradstreet's showed the world's supply decreased \$2,000,000 bushels, whereas it was increased \$2,000,000 bushels, whereas it was increased \$2,000,000 bushels, and dry. At times there was profit-taking that brought reactions, but heavy buying orders smaller shipment than usual, and the next one to sail will have a still lighter shipment Onions are steady, with the best stock still around \$2 per cental, although as usual some of the fancy selects sell for more money. BUTTER-The market continues weak with lower prices almost certain within a few days. Receipts are very heavy, and despite the fact that the greater part of the sales of fancy creamery are made at 22%c, instead of the regular quotation of 25c, stocks are accumulating. California butter has been shut out of the local and dry. At times there was prodictating that brought reactions, but heavy buying orders from the Southwest, where it seems crop con-ditions are becoming bad, brought rallies. Ex-port bids, however, were out of line, and the cash trade was not very good. May opened 48% c higher, at 71% 72c, sold to 72% c, ensed to 71% 977% c, and then spuried to 72% c, closing from be us at 71% 972%. market by the recent reduction in prices here, but stocks in San Francisco are reported to be ulating, and it is probable that prices will be cut in order to make a clean-up. Any reduction in the price of butter in San Francisco will naturally be followed by lower prices in this city and 20c for fancy creamery is not EGGS-The receipt of some liberal orders for

to 71% 071% c. and then spuried to 72% c. closing firm. % c up, at 72% 072%. Corn started out strong. Receipts were very small, and reports from the South were bullish. Kannas City and St. Louis did good buying, and shorts covered freely. The late rally in wheat helped materially. May closed steady, % c up, at 85% c. shipment to Alaska, coming right on top of pretty free buying for cold storage, has infused Sc up, at 86%c. Oats were quiet, but were alded somewhat by the strength in other grains. Some support was given on the news that much of the Illi-nois crop would have to be re-seeded. May sold as low as 42%c, and closed %c higher, at 42%c. Provisions held firm against the depressing influence of a weak has market miderable life into the egg market, and while they were obtainable in a small way at 14c yesterday morning, the price advanced quickly to 15c, and they were very firm at that

figure last evening, with the street almost bars of stocks. Large quantities have gone into cold storage at 13, 13% and 14c, and as riorisations hand hirm against the depressing influence of a weak hog market. Lard and ribs were in good demand on a supposedly im-proved cash situation. Pork at times showed weak spots, but the whole list was supported by packers. May pork closed 5 points up, ribs Two advanced, lard steady and unchanged at closing prices. they are going into storage at about the same figures in the East, it is hardly probable that prices will be permitted to fall below those figures, no matter how heavy receipts may be. POULTRY-Receipts of poultry are light, closing prices.

LARD.

SHORT RIBS.

Cash quotations were as follows:

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58% 50% 58%

42% 34 20%

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The leading futures ranged as follows: WHEAT.

that comes along. Old chickens are in excep-Opening, Highest, Lowest, Closing tional demand, and fancy slock sells up as high as \$5 50 and \$6 per dozen. For Springs of the vintage of 1962 there is an excellent demand, and where they are of good size they CORN. will sell as high as old chickens. Ducks are in good demand at quotations, and with so 50% 50% 5634 5834 5834 much strength in the chicken market, gee are doing a little better. Turkeys are wanted May 424 July 33% September ... 28% 42% 34 20% 42% 38% 25% in limited numbers at quotations, but the de-mand is light at this season of the year, chick-MESS PORK. ens being in more favor than any other kind

May 9 50 July 0 60 September ... 9 72%

them was so strong that they were getting their mocey's worth. While there was no actual news accompany-ing the movement, there was an abundance of rumors, which centered mostly about Louisville & Nashville, which was again the leader of the market in point of activity and sustained strength. The rumors reached the stage of an alleged formation of a community-of-interest project for the whole Southern Reil-would supposedly take in the Southern Reil-would be announced policy on the part of the Louisville & Nashville to extend into new terting lines entering Chicago. None of these rumors could obtain any official countenance. There was some credence for a suggestion that the marketing of the new stock just announded had involved the creation of a large short in-terest in the market for the relief of which new

terest in the market for the relief of which new stock will not be available as a delivery until the formalities of listing on the Stock Exchange have been complied with. This explanation would not apply to the nota-ble broadening of the speculative movement

today into other quarters of the market. Louisville itself, while occasionally reactionary, Louisville itself, while occasionally reactionally, forged up to the top level, 5 points over inst night, in the final dealings, and closed within a shade of that. The Southern Railway stocks were also lifted forcibly to the top level at the inst. The rest of the account showed the effect

first of realising at the last, and some important stocks closed with net losses, notably New York Central, Manhattan, Chicago & North-western stocks and Rock laland. Some of the minor railroad stocks which have recently ad-vanced were also sufferers. While a large vanced were also sufferers. While a large number of important stocks were included in the advance, the movement was by no means universal, and many prominent stocks were neglected and sluggish. United States Steel stocks still complexously so. There was also the usual assortment of violent movements in high-priced industrials, which are closely hold by concentrated interests. The electrical stocks and New York Air Brake made wild advances and New York Air Brake made wild advances. The and almost equally sensational relayses. The rise of 65 in New York & New Haven was un-explained. American Snuff's T-point gain was practically all of it made on one sale.

Some of the active speculative bonds were affected by realizing and the market generally was irregular. Total sales, \$5,535,000. United States 4s advanced 14, and the 3s cot clined 14 per cent on the last call.

Closing Stock Quotations.

DESCRIPTION. do pfd Canadian Pacific Canada Southern Chesspeake & Ohlo Chicago & Alton... do pfd do pfd Chicago, Ind. & Louis. Go pfd Chicago & Eastern III. Chicago Great Western. de A pfd do B pfd. do B pfd. Chicago & N. W. Chicago R. L. & Pac. Chicago Term. & Tran. do pfd C. C. C. & St. Louis. Colorado Scuthern do lat pfd. Delaware & Hores. Delaware & Hudson.... Del. Lack & Western Denver & Rio Grande. do pfd do 1st pfd... 12%. do ad ptd. Great Northern pfd... Hocking Valley do pfd Illinois Central Iowa Central Lake Eric & Western. do pfd Onto-reed, \$1 25:501 43:55; white, \$1 27:501 45; black, \$1 1501 30. Call board sales: Whent-Firmer; May, \$1 08%; December, \$1 00%; cash, \$1 08%, Barley-Strong; May, 60c. Lake Erie & Western. do pfd Louisville & Nashville. Manpattan Elevated Metropolitan Street Ry. Mezican National Minncapolis & St. L. Missouri Facific Mo., Kaunas & Texas. do pfd New Jork Central. New York Central. New York Central. Corn-Large yellow, \$1 37461 45. CHICAGO, April 9.-Cattle-Receipts, 14,500. Market strong to 10c higher and closing weak. Good to prime steers, \$5 00%7 40; poor to me-dium. \$4 5026 50; stockers and feeders, \$2 50%
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plant should be in good share to withstand the effects of any ordinary frosts. Writing on March 19, our Odessa correspondent says he hus heard no complaints from the interior, and it is generally admitted that the crops have wintered well. Shipments inst week were quite moderate of wheat, but the movement of maize keeps liberal. There is little doubt that the aceps liberal. There is little doubt that the quantities will keep small until fresh supplies reach the ports, and navigation on the Sea of Axoff gets into full swing, and this may be retarded by the cold weather. The first barges had just arrived at Odessa at date of our last

report. India-The Viceroy reports that showers have fallen in the drouth-stricken Funjab and north-west provinces. Good rains have fallen in Bengni and Behar. Crop prospects have slight-ly improved, but this must refer to native food grains. A second official general memo-randum on the wheat crop which has just been received indicates that this season's area for reaging will be one of the smallest on rec-ord. At date of reports, about Pebruary 25, the irrigated lands of the Punjab and the northwest promised to give a fair yield, and The irrigated mands of the Fundab and the northwest promised to give a fair yield, and the same could be said for Sind, central prov-inces and Bengal, but elsewhere the yields will be very short. On unirrigated land in the Pun-jab crops have been destroyed. France-The weather has been most favorable for the Winter groups and Sories most favorable

or the Winter crops and Spring seedings. Satisfaction with crop conditions is generally pressed, complaints being few and of a 1 pressed, comparing being rew and of a local character. Offers on country markets recently have been very light, and the opinion is ex-pressed that small growers have sold out, whilst large farmers, who still have good quantities, are holding their grain in the hope of still heave solve. of still higher values. This scarcity of plies has forced the market upward, in spite of a very poor millers' demand and good crop

FREIGHTS-There is very little business in freights at the present time, shipowners and exporters not being in accord regarding values. wenty-five shillings is a fair nominal quotation for spot sail tonnage, but experters object to paying anything above San Francisco figares, which are about 23s. A large steamer was offering yesterday at 26s 3d for either Portland or Tacoma, but found no takers, and unless there is an improvement in the foreign market which will warrant higher prices for wheat, exporters, like owners, "prefer to wait," There is some business doing in new-crop charters, but the rates domanded are above the ideas of most of the operators, and a large roportion of the charters already made are lieved to be speculative.

WOOL AND MOHAIR-The wool market is rather quiet, but there is some activity in mohsir, the season for this product being well monnir, the season for this product being well advanced, and numerous sales reported. Prices have advanced in sympathy with other markets, and while one inree pool is reported to have sold at 25c, the ruling quotations are around 25c. No wool is being taken off yet, and un-less there is a change in the weather, the sea-son will be late. The Eastern market shows no change in quotations and is thus exclosed hange in quotations, and is thus reviewed he New York Journal of Commerce, under of April 5. inte of April 5;

date of April 5: Little of interest has transpired in the local wood market during the week past. Business has been decidedly small, and inquiries few and far between. This is mainly due to the fact that mills have no very pressing needs at the present time, and only operate on the market when obliged to fill in on some special

In some quarters business is reported as fail-ing short of last week's sales, but, notwithing short of last week's sales, but, notwith-standing this, prices are just as firm, and con-cessions are an almost unknown quantity. Sell-ers have not advanced their prices, but they are in a more or less independent position, and are not pressing wool for sale at the present time, as supplies in the market are sufficient to take are not be probable sources. time, as supplies in the market are sufficient to take care of the probable requirements of manufacturers for the time being; but there is a more pronounced disposition to await further developments in the direction of a fuller busi-ness. The chief business in domestics has been in publied wool and territories. Foreign wools have been full here, but in other markets have sold more freely in fine grades. Chinas remain quiet, with recent ar-iticals of moderate axient only. Carnet wools

ent ar-t wools erste. ivale of moderate extent only. Carpet w stops-The only business in hops for the

Wheat-Nominul; Walls Walls, 64@654c; luestem, 65@65%c; Vailey, 64@65c. Barley-Feed, \$20621; browing. \$21621 50 per Oats-No. 1 white, \$1 15@1 22%; gray, \$1 10@ ir-Best grades, \$2 \$5@5 40 per barrel; Flour-Heat grants, graham, \$2 5062 80. Millstuffe-Bran, \$18 per ton; middlings, \$20; shorts, \$20; chops, \$16 50. Hay-Timothy, \$12013; clover, \$7 5025; Ore-\$1 75. gon wild hay, \$596 per ton. Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Etc. Butter-Weak. Creamery, 22%@25c; dairy, 18@20c; store, 13@15c. HURSON C Eggs-14%@15c here-isiguioc. Dheese-Full cream, twins, 1881814c; Young merica, 14815c; factory prices, 1814c less. Poultry-Chickens, mixed, \$3 5084 50; hens. \$565 50 per dozen, li@11%c per pound; Springm, li@11%c per pound, \$364 per dozen; ducks, 5567 per dozen; turksym, livo, l30;18c; dressed, l4@16c per pound; geeze, \$6 50@7 per Potatoes and Onions. Potatoes-Bes Burbanks, \$1 1561 40 per cen-tal; ordinary, \$1; Early Rose, \$1 5092 per cental, growers' prices; sweets, \$2 2562 50 per

Onions-\$1 50@2 10 per cental, growers' prices,

Ments and Provisions. Mutton-Gross, 4c per pound; dressed, 7@714c

Mutton-Gross, 4c per pound; dressed, 7@7%c per pound. Hams, bacon, etc.-Portland pack (Shield brand) hams, 12%c; picnic, 9%c per pound; braktast bacon, 15%g016%c per pound; bacon, 1c per pound; hacks, 10%g018%c per pound; dry-snited sides, 11%02%c per pound; dried beef, setts, 16c; knuckles, 15c per pound; dried beef, setts, 16c; knuckles, 15c per pound; Bastern pack hams, large, 12%c; medium, 15c; small, 15%c; picnic, 9%c; shoulders, 9%c; breakfast bacon, 16%16%c; dry-snited sides, 11%c; bacon sides, 12%c; backs, unamoked, 11%c; smoked, 15%g017%c per pound; dry-salted bellies, 11%g0 15%c; bacon bellies, 12%g018%c per pound; Moga-Gross, 5%c; dressed, 6%7c per pound. Moga-Gross, 5%c; dressed, 6%7c per pound. Moga-Gross, cows, 3%g04c; steers, 4%4%c; Bert-Grons, cown, 3% 645; steers, 4@4140; dressed, 6% 67% oper pound. Lard-Portland (Shield brand), 5s, 18c; 10s, 13% of 50s, 12% of theres, 12% of Eastern, pure leaf, kettle rendered, 5s, 13% ilo; 10s, 18c; 30s,

Vgetables, Fruits, Etc.

per barrel.

Tomatoes. \$4.50 per crats for Mexican; tur-nips, 656756; carrots, 656756; beets, 806900 per sack; caulifiower, 75685c per cental; celery, 75c per dosen; peas, 7c per pound; asparagus, Se per pound. Sc per pound Green fruit-Lemons, \$2 5063; oranges, \$2 50 63 25 per box; bananas, \$3 2563; pineapples, \$5 per dosen; apples, \$163 25; cranberries, \$11612

ower. Dried fruit-Apples, evaporated, 768c per

pound: sun-dried sacks or boxes, 4656; apri-coats, 1146126; peaches, 85116; pears, 6956; prunes Italian, 9540; fas, California biacks, 34646; do white, 50; plums, pitiess, white, 80;

Grocerles, Nuts, Etc.

Grocerles, Nuts, Etc. Coffse-Mocha, 250256; Java, fancy, 25025; Java, good, 200246; Java, ordinary, 150206; Costa Rica, fancy, 15020c; Costa Rica, good, 160316; Costa Rica, ordinary, 100312e per pound; Columbia ronst, \$11; Arbuckle's, \$11 75 list; Lion, \$11 25 list; Cordova, \$12 65 list. Rice-Imperial, Japan No. 1, 5%c; No. 2, 5%c; New Orleans, 567c. Baimon-Columbia River, one-pound talla, \$4 55; two-pound talls, \$3; fancy one-pound fata, \$2; %-pound talls, \$4; fancy one-pound fata, \$4; %-pound fancy fata, \$4; 80; powdered, f4 50; dry gramulated, \$4; 85; estina C, \$4; 10; golden C, \$3; 75 net per sack; beet sugar, \$4; 80;

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gouden C, do lor her per saca: over sugar, p4 30 per mack; haff barreis, Sic more than barreis; sacks, 10c per 100 less than barreis; maple, 18G33c per pound. Honsy--234@16 per pound. Grain bags-Caloutta, 46 12560 25 per 100

Flour-Firmer Wheat-No. 3 Spring, 65@71c; No. 2 red, 78 Oats-No. 2. 424/642%c; No. 2 white, 44%0 45c; No. 3 white, 42%c, Ryc-No. 2, 50%c, Earley-Fair to choice maiting, 80@08c, Flaxseed-No. 1, \$1 65; No. 1 Northwestern, Timothy serd-Prime, \$7. Mess. pork-\$16 45@16 50 per bbl. Lard-95 5500 574 per cwt. Short rfbs sides-Loose, \$8 5068 20. Dry salted shoulders-Boxed, \$9 2560 35. Clover-Contract grade, \$9. Butter-Easy; creamerica, 23829%c; dairies, se--Steady, 12@13c. Eggs-Firm; fresh, 15c.
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 Flour, barrels Wheat, bushels Corn, bushels Oats, bushels Rye, bushels Barley, bushels New York Grain and Produce. NEW TORK, April 9.-Flour-Receipts, 14,081 arrels; exports, 10,538 barrels. Market active and firmer in tone. Wheat-Receipts, 17,750 bushels; exports, Whoat - Receipts, 1. 100 Ounsris, exports, 108,422 bushels; spot firm; No. 2 red. 84% c ele-vator; No. 2 red. 806 f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 Northern Duluth, 82% c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard Mamitoba, 84% c f. o. b. afloat. It was a bull day in wheat, except for a orief midday reaction under profit-taking sales brief midday reaction under profit-taking sales. The Southwest proved a heavy huyer for short account: Northwest receipts were small; cables steadier, crop news less favorable and offerings light as a ruie. The market closed firm at %G1emet advance. May, TI 13-106785%c, closed 75%c, July, TT%@T8%, closed T5%c; September, Ti 11-1067T5%c, closed T5%c; Depember, T85%G T9%c, closed T9%c. Mane. Mark. Hops-Firm Hides-Steady. Wool-Quiet.

Available Grain Supplies.

Available Grain Supplies. NEW YORK. April 9.-Special cable and tele-graphic advices received by Bradstreet's show the following changes in available supplies since the last report: Wheat-United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, decreased 2,022,000 bushels, affoat for and in Europe decreased 300,000 bushels, Corn-United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, decreased 641,000 bushels. Oats-United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, decreased 641,000 bushels.

European Grain Markets.

LONDON, April 9 .- Wheat-Cargoes on pas-sage steadier; cargoes Walla Walla, 28s 3d. English country markets some higher; som

LIVERPOOL, April 9.-Wheat firm. Wheat and flour in Paris quiet. French country mar-kets steady. Weather in England fair and

MELBOURNE, April 9 .- It is officially announced that the wheat area sown is the smallest in three years. The production is estimated at 8,012,762 bushels.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

Western Men Engaged Actively in Speculation.

NEW YORK, April 9 .- There was a notable NEW ICERS, April 9.-There was a notable speculative movement in the stock market to-day, which was universally attributed to the operations of an important combination of wealthy Western men, who were important factors in the constituent companies going to make up the United States Steel Corporation before it was organized. In the ordinary ac-ceptance of the ierm there was no news to per sacks, the per pound. Honey-12% 90160 per pound. Grain hags-Calcutta, \$6 12% 96 25 per 100 Nuts-Peanuts, 6% 970 per pound for raw, 86 Nuts-Peanuts, 6% 970 per pound for raw, 86 On such a scale, and also that the faith in

Stocks at London.

LONDON, April 9 .- Closing quotations:

Consols for money, 98 15-16; do for 04 11-18.

Foreign Financial News.

Foreign Financial News. NEW YORK, April & --The Commercial Ad-vertiser's London financial cablegram says: The stock market was dile but firm today, Americans were firm, closing at the top. The settlement disclosed hardly any bulls. The general contango began at 45 and eased off to 34, with even less in St. Paul, Canadian Pa-cifde, L & N. and Southern Pacifie. New York gave special attention to the two last-named stocks, bidding up Louisville & Nash-ville 2 points in 10 minutes on the street. Copper advanced 7-16 to fib5% per ton, and Rio underground railroad stock has been strong during the last few days. A clique is buying and it is reported that the Speyers are now backing Yerkes.

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, April 8 .- Money on call firm,

EASTERN LIVESTOCK.

KANSAS CITY. April 2.-Cattle-Receipts, 7000. including 500 Texans. Market steady. Native steers. \$4 5006 10: Texas cows, \$3 50 66; mative cows and helters, \$2 5006 50: stock-ers and freeders, \$3 5005 35: bulls, \$3 5005 25; calves, \$4 5006.
Hogs-Receipts, 7000. Market steady: bulk of sales, \$6 0005 00. Heavy, \$5 85007: packers, \$6 5005 90: medium, \$6 7596 35: light, \$009 6 75; Yarkers, \$6 0006 75; pics, \$5 35067. Sheep-Receipts, 3000. Market steady. Mut-tons, \$5 2505 85. lambs, \$6 4000 85; range wethers, \$5 4065 85; ewes, \$4 9005 30.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, April 8.-London cables report-ed that the market for the was about un-changed, spot closing at f125 5s and futures at f124. But the local market declined about

at f124. But the local market declined about 60 points under selling pressure, spot closing at \$27 50@27 60. Copper was steady here, and generally un-changed. Lake and spot closed at 12@124;c, electrolytic at 12@124;c and casting at 12c. one in a million is lost. Denver or St. Paul.

London was 7s 6d higher, with spot at £58 5s and futures at £55 7s 8d.

Lend was steady, but unchanged all around. The local price was 4%c. London closed at £11 % 94.

Bpelter was unchanged, with spot at \$4 45 and London at \$17 10s 3d. The local iron market was steady at old The local from market was steady at old prices. Fig iron warrants nominal; No. 1 foundry Northern, \$10%20; No. 2 foundry Northern, \$18@10; No. 1 foundry Southern, \$17 30%18; No. 1 foundry Southern soft, \$17 50 %15, The English markets were firm. Glus-gow closed at 53s 3d and Middlesboro at 47s 3d.

Bar silver, 53%c. SAN FRANCISCO, March 9.-Bar ellver,

LONDON, April 9.-Bar silver dull, 24%d.

Coffee and Sugar.

Coffee-Spot Blo dull; No. 7 involce, 5%c; mild quiet; Cordova, 5%212c. Sugar-Baw weak; fair refining, 215-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 81-16c. Molasses sugar, 211-16c; refined quiet.

Coffee futures market closed net unchanged to 5 points lower. Total sales, 29,000 bags in-cluding May, \$5 25; July, \$5 45; September, \$5 65; November, \$5 80; December, \$5 85@5 90.

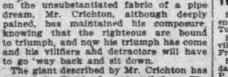
Cotton.

NEW YORK, April 9.-Cotton closed firm and 5@14 points higher.

HUMAN GIANT HERE:

Crichton's Mountain of Flesh Outclasses All Giants of History.

The unjust and unfounded suspicions of the numerous friends of E. W. Crichton, based on some of the stories he told on his return from a recent visit to British Columbia, have caused him much mental anguish and some sleepless hours. Because he said that a saloon-keeper in some town of Brilish Columbia closed his saloon during the noon hour while he went to luncheon, and told of seeing a man of gigantic stature over there, he has been accused of patronizing a Swipes Nir-vana at Victoria, and it has been more than hinted that his stories were based on the unsubstantiated fabric of a pipe dream, Mr. Crichton, although deeply pained, has maintained his composure knowing that the righteous are bound to triumph, and now his triumph has come



arrived in Portland, and called at The Oregonian office yesterday in a furniture



