

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS

The wheat market continued firm yesterday. The night falling off in Chicago at Wednesday's closing was more than repaid at the opening yesterday morning. Cables showed the foreign market to be steady, and local prices were not affected by Chicago. But farmers who still have wheat are not disposed to sell just now, when they think they can see a promise of materially better prices, so no considerable sales are reported. Shippers in Central Washington have materially improved the wheat prospect there.

There has been a little export flour movement in the past 16 days, but the price of unsatisfactory flour is 10c per barrel, and there is a tendency to wait for better figures.

Butter went off 2 1/2c yesterday, and the top price for the top quality is now only 20c. This will keep the home market for the home product.

Receipts of chickens yesterday were small, and among them were a few of extremely tender fowls from Lin County. Some of these fowls had not fully developed, some for feathers, and they were entirely unsuitable for the market. They were disposed of where they will be fed a few weeks before being offered to consumers.

Oranges went up 2 1/2c a box. The fruit is scarce, and advancing prices are expected for some time.

Potatoes held very firm. A Portland house yesterday sold 35 tons of the tubers and half a carload of eggs to Dawson, Yukon Territory, the expectation of the buyer being that the Yukon River would be free of ice between White River and Dawson by the time the shipment could reach the railroad terminus.

Portland house has supplied a large part of the produce sent to the Yukon country since the stampede of 1901, most of it has gone to the hands of Portland house dealers. Direct shipments are steadily increasing, however, as the Yukon merchants learn how they will eliminate the profits of at least one middleman.

Bank Clearings. Exchanges. Balances. Portland, \$25,000; Seattle, \$25,000; Tacoma, \$25,000; Spokane, \$25,000.

PORTLAND MARKETS. Grain, Flour, Etc.

Wheat—Normal: Walla, 64c; 65c; Bluestem, 66c; Valley, 65c.

Barley—Feed, \$2.00; 2 1/2c; 2 1/2c; 2 1/2c.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.10; 2 1/2c; 2 1/2c; 2 1/2c.

Flour—Best grade, \$2.50; 2 1/2c; 2 1/2c; 2 1/2c.

Grain—Wheat, \$1.10; 2 1/2c; 2 1/2c; 2 1/2c.

Hay—Timothy, \$1.10; 2 1/2c; 2 1/2c; 2 1/2c.

Potatoes and Onions.

Potatoes—Best Burbank, \$1.10; 2 1/2c; 2 1/2c; 2 1/2c.

Onions—\$1.10; 2 1/2c; 2 1/2c; 2 1/2c.

Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Etc.

Butter—Wheat, Creamery, 15c; 15c; 15c; 15c.

Eggs—15c; 15c; 15c; 15c.

Poultry—15c; 15c; 15c; 15c.

Meats and Provisions.

Veal—8c per pound.

Mutton—8c per pound.

Pork—8c per pound.

Beef—8c per pound.

Lard—8c per pound.

Butter—8c per pound.

Eggs—8c per pound.

Poultry—8c per pound.

Meats—8c per pound.

Provisions—8c per pound.

Vegetables, Fruit, Etc.

Tomatoes—8c per pound.

Cauliflower—8c per pound.

Peas—8c per pound.

Beans—8c per pound.

Onions—8c per pound.

Potatoes—8c per pound.

Carrots—8c per pound.

Celery—8c per pound.

Spinach—8c per pound.

Broccoli—8c per pound.

Asparagus—8c per pound.

Green Beans—8c per pound.

Peas—8c per pound.

Onions—8c per pound.

Potatoes—8c per pound.

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FOREIGN FINANCIAL NEWS.

Activity at London Reduced by Hith in Peace Negotiations.

NEW YORK, April 17.—The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: Stock market activity was greatly reduced today by a reported hitch in the peace negotiations. Interest centers in the new cable news. It is understood that the issue has been applied for 20 hours.

American stocks were brisk and cheerful. Southern Railway and Louisville & Nashville, which had been in the market for some time, were active. The market for gold was strong. New York sold the last-named stock at the opening, and then turned and bought. In the street, the market was very active. American stocks were very strong.

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Money, Exchange, Etc. SAN FRANCISCO, April 17.—Sterling on London—62 1/2; 62 1/2; 62 1/2; 62 1/2. Silver bars—62 1/2; 62 1/2; 62 1/2; 62 1/2. Mexican dollars—62 1/2; 62 1/2; 62 1/2; 62 1/2.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKETS. LONDON, April 17.—Wheat—No. 1 standard California, 62 1/2; 62 1/2; 62 1/2; 62 1/2. No. 2 standard California, 62 1/2; 62 1/2; 62 1/2; 62 1/2.

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Northern Duluth, 64 1/2c f. o. b. about; No. 2 hard Manitoba, 64 1/2c f. o. b. about. As rain did not materialize in the southwest today, wheat shorts developed a bad scare, advancing prices 1/2c per bushel. At noon, however, profits were taken, and a decline started that ended during the afternoon into a severe break, but was followed near the close by a second advance that left final prices 1/4c net higher. May 79 1/2c; September, 79 1/2c; closed 80 1/2c; December, 80 1/2c; closed 81 1/2c.

Chicago Provisions. CHICAGO, April 17.—Provisions showed improvement after yesterday's liquidation. Strength in grains and the small run of hogs influenced fair buying. May pork closed 10c higher, lard 2 1/2c up and ribs 10c higher.

Cotton. NEW YORK, April 17.—The cotton market closed steady and unchanged to 2 points lower.

America Buying Steel Abroad. NEW YORK, April 17.—The purchase of steel in Great Britain and on the Continent for use in America has maintained great proportions, says a Herald dispatch from London. The markets of Great Britain and London are being stripped of all their products. A considerable quantity is purchased in Germany. The purchases are not of the finished product, but in the shape of slabs and billets.

European Grain Markets. LONDON, April 17.—Wheat—Carson on passage quiet; No. 1 standard California, 22s 4d. English country markets firm.

LIVERPOOL, April 17.—Wheat—No. 1 standard California, 62 1/2; 62 1/2; 62 1/2; 62 1/2. No. 2 standard California, 62 1/2; 62 1/2; 62 1/2; 62 1/2.

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