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LARGE PURCHASES OF BARLEY, OATS AND HAY.

Markets Strengthened by the Orders—Fancy Oregon Burbanks and Onions Sell at Top Prices.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—(Special.)—In reference to the reported large Oriental inquiries for grain and flour in this market, it was definitely announced today that 3000 tons of barley have been sold for shipment here, and that 1000 tons of oats and nearly 2000 tons of hay were taken for the same purpose.

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Advertisement for EAST VIA SOUTHERN PACIFIC, listing routes to various cities like Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Portland.

Advertisement for COMMISSION STOCK BROKERS, offering services for grain and stock trading, with contact information for various locations.

Advertisement for COLUMBIA RIVER SCENERY, featuring the Regulator Line Steamers and listing routes along the Columbia River.

Advertisement for THE GREAT NORTHERN, listing routes and services for various destinations, including Seattle and Portland.

Advertisement for UNION PACIFIC, detailing train schedules and services between major cities like Portland, Seattle, and San Francisco.

Advertisement for THE GREAT NORTHERN, providing information on train routes, fares, and services for the Pacific Northwest.