TO LIFT HOP PRICES

Durst Will Lay a Proposition Before Oregon Growers.

COMES HERE NEXT WEEK

Pledges His Heavy Holdings for the Movement—Local Market Shows More Activity—Conditions in Produce Trade.

HOPS—Californian will propose a plan to Oregon growers for improvement of market.
POTATOES—Slump may mark end of shipping season.
ONIONS—Seconds offered at 50c.
VEGETABLES—Two mixed cars arrive from Los Angeles.
EGGS—Market 1 cent lower.
POULTRY—Chicken prices demoralized.
BUTTER—Steady and unchanged.
MEATS—All kinds strong.

M. H. Durst, the Wheatland (Cal.) hop-grower, writes to The Oregonian that he will start for this state in a few days for the purpose of meeting the Oregon growers and laying before them a plan for the material improvement of the hop market. He is confident that the proposition he will make will prove effective, and believes it will be acceptable to the growers. He states that he stands ready to put in the Durst hops on the same basis as those of other growers.

The market for some time has been in a very evenly balanced position, and it has been apparent to all that it would not require much to start it off, either in an upward or downward direction. Mr. Durst's proposition, of course, is intended to elevate prices, and it is needless to say that the growers of this state will heartily indorse any project that will put the market where it should be.

Trading was quite brisk yesterday, but, as has been the case lately, most of it was between dealers, as it is exceedingly difficult to get hops out of first hands. The prices paid ranged in most instances from 9 to 9¾ cents. Some of the dealers look for a very active market in the coming week, as several of the short sellers, with February contracts on hand, are anxious to cover as soon as possible.

MAY END POTATO SEASON.

Some Dealers Think the Big Slump Will Wind Up Shipments.

Potato shippers are of the opinion that the big slump in the San Francisco market, which was reported on this page yesterday, marks the wind-up of the shipping trade this year, so far as the potato speculators are concerned. Later advices from San Francisco hold out no hope for the future, unless it be for a brief spell near the close of the season. If these facts are correct, it will not be pleasant news for the potato-growers, who are still carrying, according to some estimates, nearly half of the production of the state.

Shipments of some kind will, of course, be made, as long as there are potatoes to move, but no heavy business is looked for by the big dealers. It is said that the Sound markets are also in poor shape and will only take fancy offerings, as there are plenty of Yakimas left, also Oregons in storage. Shippers yesterday quoted the local market as practically nominal with 60 cents as about the value of the best stock. No price at all was made on common potatoes.

Onions continue weak and dull with jobbing prices ranging from 75 cents to $1.25, according to quality. Two or three cars were offering on the local market yesterday, some of the poorer lots at 50 cents a sack, with no takers. A number of poor cars are ready for shipment South and it is said that several of these have already been rejected.

EGGS GOING DOWN.

One Cent a Day Is the Present Rate of Decline in This Market.

The egg market continues to slide downward at a uniform gait. Twenty-four cents flat was the price at which jobbers held their stocks yesterday, but this reduction of 1 cent from the previous day's price was no temptation to buyers and trading was therefore very slow.

The chicken market was thoroughly demoralized. Good hens were nominally worth from 11 to 12 cents, and some sales were made in a small way at that price, but business was also transacted below the lower figure. Mixed coops were generally held at 10 cents. Ducks, geese and turkeys were also slow.

The butter market was steady and unchanged.

Celery and Cauliflower Arrive.

Two mixed cars of celery and cauliflower that were delayed by the Southern Pacific wreck reached town yesterday and found a good local and shipping demand. The inquiry for other lines of vegetables was also fairly good. Choice bananas are becoming scarce and no more are expected until Monday, when two cars should arrive.

Canned Tomato Situation.

Commenting on the tomato situation in the East, the American Grocer says: "The situation statistically is unusually strong. There are requirements to be met for five months' consumption, which are estimated at 3,000,000 to 3,500,000 cases. To supply this there are not in possession of the syndicate and outside holders 60 per cent of the quantity required; and as gallon tomatoes are practically out of the market there seems to be a clear track for the syndicate, which gives evidence of possessing brains, nerve and cash."

Dressed Meats in Demand.

The demand for all kinds of meats continued very brisk yesterday. Receipts of veal were large and a plentiful supply of pork also came in, but all moved off at top prices. Mutton and beef were scarce and firm.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$ 634,203	$ 92,170
Seattle	1,201,801	337,300
Tacoma	561,571	107,013
Spokane	512,962	78,072

PORTLAND QUOTATIONS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

FLOUR—Patents, $4.30@4.70 per barrel; straights, $3.80@4.10; clears, $3.65@3.80; Valley, $3.60@3.90; Dakota hard wheat, patents, $5.50@6; clears, $5; graham, $3.25@3.75; whole wheat, $3.75@4; rye flour, local, $5; Eastern, $5.25@5.35; cornmeal, per bale, $1.90@2.25.

WHEAT—Club, 71@72c; bluestem, 73@74c; red, 68@69c; Valley, 72c.

OATS—No. 1 white feed, $28; gray, $27 per ton.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, city, $17; country, $18 per ton; middlings, $24.50; shorts, city, $18; country, $19 per ton; chop, U. S. Mills, $17.50; linseed dairy food, $18; acalfa meal, $18 per ton.

CEREAL FOODS—Rolled oats, cream, 90-pound sacks, $6.75; lower grades, $5.25@6.50; oatmeal, steelcut, 36-pound sacks, $3 per barrel; 19-pound sacks, $4.25 per bale; oatmeal (ground), 50-pound sacks, $7.50 per barrel; 10-pound sacks, $4 per bale; split peas, $5 per 100-pound sacks; 25-pound boxes, $1.40; pearl barley, $4.25 per 100 pounds; 25-pound boxes, $1.25 per box; pastry flour, 10-pound sacks, $2.50 per bale.

BARLEY—Feed, $23@23.50 per ton; brewing, $23.50@24; rolled, $24@25.

BUCKWHEAT—$2.25 per central.

HAY—Eastern Oregon timothy, $13.50@14 per ton; Valley timothy, $9@10; clover, $7.50@8; cheat, $7@8; grain hay, $7@8.

Vegetables, Fruits, Etc.

DOMESTIC FRUITS—Apples, common, 75c@$1 per box; choice, $1.25@1.50; fancy, $2@2.50; pears, $1.25@1.50 per box; cranberries, $13@15.50 per barrel.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Lemons, $2@3.50 per box; oranges, navels, $2@2.75 per box; Japanese, 60c per single box; grapefruit, $2.75@3.25; pineapples, $4@4.50 per dozen; bananas, 5c per pound.

FRESH VEGETABLES—Artichokes, $1.25@1.50 per dozen; beans, nominal; cabbage, 2@2½c per pound; cauliflower, $2 per crate; celery, $3.50 per crate; cucumbers, $1.25@1.75 dozen; head lettuce, 35@40c dozen; hothouse, $1.25@1.50 box; peas, 12½@15c; bell peppers, 35c; pumpkins, ¾@1c per pound; radishes, 25c per dozen; tomatoes, $2.25@2.40 per crate; sprouts, 6½@7c per pound; squash, 1½@1½c per pound; parsley, 25c.

ROOT VEGETABLES—Turnips, 50c@$1 a sack; carrots, 65@75c per sack; beets, 85c@$1 per sack; garlic, 10@12½c per pound.

ONIONS—Oregon, No. 1, $1.10@1.25 sack; No. 2, 70c@$1.

POTATOES—Buying prices: Fancy graded Burbanks, 60c per hundred; ordinary, nominal; sweet potatoes, 2@2½c per pound.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 11@12c per pound; apricots, 12@12½c; peaches, 10½@12½c; pears, none; Italian prunes, 5½@6½c; California figs, white, in sacks, 5½c pound; black, 4@5c; bricks, 12-14 ounce packages, 75@85c per box; 58-ounce, $2@2.40; Smyrna, 20c per pound; dates, Persian, 5¾@6c pound.

RAISINS—Seeded, 12-ounce packages, 8@8½c; 16-ounce, 9½@10c; loose muscatels, 2-crown, 7@7½c; 3-crown, 7¾@7½c; 4-crown, 8@8½c; unbleached seedless Sultanas, 6@7c; Thompson's seedless unbleached, 8@8½c; Thompson's fancy unbleached, 12@12½c; London layers, 2-crown, whole boxes of 20 pounds, $1.75; 2-crown, $2.

Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Etc.

BUTTER—City creameries: Extra creamery, 30@32½c per pound. State creameries: Fancy creamery, 27½@32½c; store butter, 16@16½c.

EGGS—Oregon, ranch, 24c; Eastern, 20@22c per dozen.

CHEESE—Oregon full cream, twins, 14½@15c; Young America, 15½@16c.

POULTRY—Average old hens, 11@12c; mixed chickens, 10@10½c; broilers, 15@17c; young roosters, 10c; old roosters, 8@9c; dressed chickens, 13@14c; turkeys, live, 16@17c; turkeys, dressed, choice, 18@20c; geese, live, pound, 9@10c; geese, dressed, per pound, 12@14c; ducks, 16@18c; pigeons, $1@2; squabs, $2@3.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

COFFEE—Mocha, 26@28c; Java, ordinary, 18@22c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; good, 16@18c; ordinary, 19@22c per pound; Columbia roast, cases, 100s, $14.25; 50s, $14.25; Arbuckle, $16.25; Lion, $16.25.

RICE—Imperial Japan, No. 1, 5½c; Southern Japan, 5.25c; head, 7c.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $1.75 per dozen; 2-pound talls, $2.40; 1-pound flats, $1.85; fancy 1 to 1½-pound flats, $1.80; ½-pound flats, $1.10; Alaska pink, 1-pound talls, 90c; red, 1-pound talls, $1.25; sockeye, 1-pound talls, $1.70.

SUGAR—Sack basis, 100-pounds: Cube, $6.05; powdered, $5.80; dry granulated, $5.70; extra C, $5.25; golden C, $5.10; fruit sugar, $5.70. Advances over sack basis as follows: Barrels, 10c; ½-barrels, 25c; boxes, 50c per 100 pounds. Terms: On remittances within 15 days deduct ¼c per pound; if later than 15 days and within 30 days, deduct ¼c; sugar, granulated, $5.50 per 100 pounds; maple sugar, 15@18c per pound.

SALT—California, $11 per ton, $1.60 per bale; Liverpool, 50s, $17; 100s, $16.50; 200s, $16; ½-pounds, 100s, $7; 50s, $7.50.

NUTS—Walnuts, 15½c per pound by sack; ¼c extra for less than sack. Brazil nuts, 16c; filberts, 16c; pecans, jumbos, 16c; extra large, 17c; almonds, 14½@15c; chestnuts, Italian, 12½@16c; Ohio, 20c; peanuts, raw, 7½c pound; roasted, 8c; pinenuts, 10@12c; hickory nuts, 7½@8c; cocoanuts, $5@6c per dozen.

BEANS—Small white, 4c; large white, 3¼c; pink, 2½c; bayou, 4½c; Lima, 5½c; red Mexican, 5c.

Provisions and Canned Meats.

HAMS—10 to 14 pounds, 12½c pound; 14 to 16 pounds, 12½c; 16 to 20 pounds, 12¼c; California (picnic), 8c; cottage hams, 8½c; shoulders, 8c; boiled ham, 18½c; boiled picnic ham, boneless, 13½c.

BACON—Fancy breakfast, 18c per pound; standard breakfast, 16c; choice, 15c; English breakfast, 11 to 14 pounds, 14c; peach bacon, 15c.

PICKLED GOODS—Pork barrels, $18; ½-barrels, $9.50. Beef, barrels, $12; ½-barrels, $6.50.

SAUSAGE—Ham, 12c per pound; minced ham, 10c; Summer, choice dry, 17½c; bologna, long, 5½c; weinerwurst, 8c; liver, 6c; pork, 9@10c; headcheese, 6c; blood, 6c; bologna sausage, link, 4½c.

CANNED MEATS—Corned beef, pounds, per dozen, $1.25; two pounds, $2.25; six pounds, $7. Roast beef, flat, pounds, $1.25; two pounds, $2.25; six pounds, none. Roast beef, tall, pounds, none; two pounds, $2.25; six pounds, $7. Lunch tongue, pounds, $2.75. Roast mutton, six pounds, $8.50.

DRY SALT CURED—Regular short clears, dry salt, 10½c; smoked, 11½c; clear backs, dry salt, 10½c; smoked, 11½c; clear bellies, 14 to 17 pounds average, none; Oregon exports, 20 to 25 pounds average, dry salt, 11c; smoked, 12c; Union bellies, 10 to 18 pounds average, none.

LARD—Leaf lard, kettle rendered: Tierces, 10¾c; tubs, 10¾c; 50s, 10¾c; 20s, 10¾c; 10s, 11¼c; 5s, 11¼c. Standard pure: Tierces, 9¾c; tubs, 9¾c; 50s, 9¾c; 20s, 9¾c; 10s, 10¼c; 5s, 10¼c. Compound: Tierces, 6½c; tubs, 6¾c; 50s, 6¾c; 20s, 7¼c; 5s, 7¾c.

Hops, Wools, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—Oregon, 1905, choice, 10@11c; prime, 9½@9c; medium, 7@8c; olds, 5@7c.

HIDES—Dry hides: No. 1, 16 pounds and up, 16½@18c per pound; dry kin, No. 1, 5 to 11 pounds, 15@16c per pound; dry calf, No. 1, under 5 pounds, 17@19c; dry salted, bulls and stags, one-third less than dry flint; (culls, moth-eaten, badly cut, scored, murrain, hair-slipped, weather-beaten or damaged, 2@3c per pound less). Salted hides: Steers, sound, 60 pounds and over, 10@11c per pound; 50 to 60 pounds, 8½@10c per pound; under 50 and cows, 8@10c per pound; salted kip, sound, 15 to 30 pounds, 9c per pound; salted veal, sound, 10 to 14 pounds, 9@10c per pound; salted calf, sound, 10 to 14 pounds, 10@11c per pound; (green unsalted, 1c per pound less; culls, 1c per pound less). Sheepskins: Shearlings, No. 1 butchers' stock, 25@30c each; short wool, No. 1 butchers' stock, 40@50c each; medium wool, No. 1 butchers' stock, 60@80c; long wool, No. 1 butchers' stock, $1@1.50 each. Murrain pelts from 10 to 20 per cent less or 12@14c per pound; horse hides, salted, each, according to size, $1@1.50; colts' hides, 50c@$50c each; goatskins, common, 10@15c each; Angora, with wool on, 25c@$1.50 each.

FURS—No. 1, according to size: Bearskins, $8@30 each; cubs, half price; badger, 10@50c; wildcat, with head perfect, 15c@$1.25; house cat, 10@20c; fox, common gray, 50c@$1.25; red, $2@5.50; cross, $6@15; silver and black, $100@800; fishers, $3@10; lynx, $3@10; mink, according to size, $1.75@5; martens, dark, according to size and color, $2.50@10; muskrat, large, $@20c; skunk, $6@42; civet, or polecat, 10@25c; otter, $5@20; panther, $1@8; raccoon, 50c@$3.50; mountain wolf, with head perfect, $1.75@8; coyote, 50c@$1.50; wolverine, $4@9; beaver, $4@10.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon average best, 16@21c; Valley, 24@26c per pound.

MOHAIR—Choice, 30c per pound.

BEESWAX—Good, clean and pure, 20@22c per pound.

TALLOW—Prime, per pound, 3½@3¾c; No. 2 and grease, 2@3c.

CASCARA SAGRADA (chittam bark)—2½@3c, according to quality.

Oils.

TURPENTINE—Cases, 89c per gallon.

COAL OIL—Cases, 20c per gallon; tanks, 14½c per gallon.

GASOLINE—Stove gasoline, cases, 25½c; 72 test, 27c; 86 test, 35c; iron tanks, 19c.

WHITE LEAD—Ton lots, 7¾c; 500-pound lots, 8c; less than 500-pound lots, 8¼c. (In 25-pound tin pails, 1c above keg price; 1 to 5-pound tin pails, 1c above keg price; 1 to 5-pound tin cans, 100 pounds per case, 2½c per pound above keg price.)

LINSEED OIL—Raw, in barrels, 57c; in cases, 62c; boiled, in barrels, 59c; in cases, 64c; 250-gallon lots, 1c less.

Dressed Meats.

BEEF—Dressed bulls, 2@2½c per pound; cows, 3½@4½c; country steers, 4@5c.

VEAL—Dressed, 75 to 125 pounds, 8@8½c; 125 to 200 pounds, 4½@6c; 200 pounds and up, 3½@4c.

MUTTON—Dressed, fancy, 8@8½c per pound; ordinary, 4@5c; lambs, 7@7½c.

PORK—Dressed, 100 to 150 pounds, 7@7½c; 150 and up, 6@6½c per pound.

Dairy Produce in the East.

CHICAGO, Feb. 2.—On the Produce Exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 18@22c; dairies, 18@22c. Eggs firm at mark, cases included, 15c; firsts, 15½c; firsts, 16½c; extras, 18½c. Cheese steady, 11¾@12.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Butter, cheese and eggs firm.

PRICE RANGE WIDE

Constant Fluctuations in New York Stock Market.

CLOSING TONE IRREGULAR

Rumors Concerning Union Pacific and Coppers Play an Important Part in the Speculation. Money Continues Easy.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—It is rarely that prices fluctuate so widely and so constantly as was the case on the stock exchange today. Half a dozen times or more during the day the current of the market changed its course. Neither declines nor advances were long pursued. Transactions were large in a few active stocks, but the general list was comparatively dull. It was asserted that some large transaction on either side of the market in the prominent stocks were closed out within a brief time.

Great play was made upon the assumption that negotiations were in progress for a settlement of the long-standing disputes in the copper trade. Copper opened both upon the stock exchange and upon the curb with a continuance of the upward rush in force at the closing last night. The abrupt reactions due to the heavy unloading which met these advances dashed the speculative confidence. The reports were revived in all their variety, including an alleged plan for a wholesale merger of copper, smelting, mining and lead companies.

Reading was an active center of speculation, and moved as uncertainly as the coppers. The circulation of a report that a Congressional resolution was in prospect for information upon the Union Pacific control of the Southern Pacific was responsible largely for the early heaviness in that group. The Northwestern Pacifics were strong throughout. The United States Steel stocks made good resistance to the heavy selling early.

Money continued easy, and foreign exchange yielded further. The speculative taste for dealing in rumors asserted itself in the late buoyancy of the Pacifics and the irregularity of the market was maintained by renewed selling of Amalgamated Copper under cover of this movement.

Bonds were steady. Total sales, par value, $2,990,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing bid.
Adams Express	.....	.....	.....	240
Amalgam. Copper	220,700	116¾	114¼	114½
Am. Car & Foun.	7,000	45½	44¾	45
do preferred	4,500	103½	103	102½
Amer. Cotton Oil	700	39¼	38¾	39
do preferred	.....	E...	.....	92½
American Express	300	249	249	248
Am. Hid. & Lt. pf.	400	38½	38	39
American Ice	3,700	45¼	45¼	45½
Amer. Linseed Oil	1,000	26¼	25½	26¼
do preferred	1,000	48	48	48¼
Amer. Locomotive	1,700	75¾	74	75¼
do preferred	400	119	117	116½
Am. Smelt. & Ref.	64,900	169	164¾	167¾
do preferred	2,000	128	126½	127¾
Am. Sugar Refin.	69,500	148¾	147½	147¾
Am. Tobacco pfd.	500	106¾	106¼	105¼
Anaconda Min. Co.	37,300	282	276½	278
Atchison	12,700	91½	89¾	90¾
do preferred	300	104¼	103½	103¾
Atlantic Coast Line	300	163½	162½	163½
Baltimore & Ohio	13,800	116¼	115¼	116¼
do preferred	100	98¾	98¾	98
Brook. Rap. Tran.	24,200	88½	84	88
Canadian Pacific	1,000	173¾	171¾	173¼
Cent. of N. Jersey	.....	.....	.....	225
Central Leather	3,900	47¾	47	47½
do preferred	1,000	107¼	106¾	107
Chesapeake & Ohio	6,500	60¾	59½	59¾
Chicago & Alton	500	32¾	32¾	32
do preferred	10,000	.....	.....	75
Chi. Gt. Western	10,600	23	22¾	22½
Chi. & Northwest	3,900	236	231	234
Chi., Mil. & St. P.	56,600	188½	186½	187½
Chi. Term. & Tran.	200	16½	16½	16½
Colorado Southern	200	41	40	41
C., C., C. & St. L.	.....	.....	.....	104
Colo. Fuel & Iron	60,100	78¾	73¾	76½
Colo. & Southern	4,900	35¾	35	35¾
do 1st preferred	800	71¼	71	70¾
do 2d preferred	.....	.....	.....	53
Consolidated Gas	.....	.....	.....	179
Corn Products	9,900	19¾	19	19
do preferred	900	58	57¾	57½
Delaware & Hud.	900	219½	219	218
Del., Lack. & W.	.....	.....	.....	463
Denv. & Rio Grande	4,500	51	49¾	50¼
do preferred	100	90½	90½	90
Distillers' Secur.	1,800	53	52½	52¾
Erie	13,200	48¾	47¾	48¼
do 1st preferred	400	80¼	80	80
do 2d preferred	100	74	74	74
General Electric	600	176¾	176¼	176
Hocking Valley	.....	.....	.....	113¼
Illinois Central	300	174¾	174	174
International Paper	3,600	24¾	24¼	24½
do preferred	1,000	88	87½	87¾
International Pump	500	34¾	33¾	36
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	90
Iowa Central	.....	.....	.....	32
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	60½
Kansas City South.	900	39¼	38¾	31¼
do preferred	300	61¾	61	60¾
Louisv. & Nashv.	2,300	152¾	151¼	152
Manhattan L.	200	160¾	160	160
Met. Securities	500	72	72	71¾
Met. Street Ry.	7,300	122½	120X	121½
Mexican Centra.L.	13,800	25¼	24¾	24¾
Minn. & St. Louis	.....	.....	.....	80
Minn. St. P. & S.S.M.	1,400	158	155¼	158
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	116
Missouri Pacific	15,600	103¼	100½	102½
Mo., Kans. & Tex.	3,100	37¾	37	37¾
do preferred	300	71½	71½	71
National Lead	11,700	90¼	88¾	88¾
Mex. Nt. R. R. pf.	700	39	38¾	38¾
New York Central	15,000	151¾	150	151¾
N. Y., Ont. & W.	3,100	55¾	54¾	54¾
Norfolk & Western	12,400	93½	92¼	92¼
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	94½
Northern Pacific	14,100	216	215	208¾
North American	1,400	102¾	102	102
Pacific Mail	300	47¾	47¼	47½
Pennsylvania	133,600	144¼	143¼	144
People's Gas	900	100	99¼	99½
Pc., C., C. & St. L.	.....	.....	.....	85
Pressed Steel Car	2,400	62¾	62¼	62½
do preferred	1,300	105	104	104¾
Pullman Pal. Car	.....	.....	.....	240
Reading	171,800	144¾	140	143¾
do 1st preferred	300	94	94	93
do 2d preferred	600	101	101	101
Republic Steel	10,600	35¼	34¾	34¾
do preferred	2,500	107¾	107	107½
Rock Island Co.	20,200	26¾	26¼	26¾
do preferred	3,200	65¾	65¼	65¾
Schlosser Pack.	1,100	88¾	88¾	88
St. L. & S. F. 2 pf.	2,200	48	47¼	48
St. Louis Southw.	200	25½	25	25¼
do preferred	300	58	58	57
Southern Pacific	24,200	69¾	68¼	69¼
Southern Railway	300	118¼	118	118
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	102
Tenn. Coal & Iron	1,200	157½	155	156¾
Texas & Pacific	3,000	37¼	36½	36½
Tol., St. L. & W.	600	38	37¼	36¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	57
Union Pacific	231,700	158	154¾	157¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	97
U. S. Express	.....	.....	.....	132
U. S. Realty	200	90¼	90	89¾
U. S. Rubber	2,200	54¾	53¾	53¾
do preferred	1,000	111¼	109¾	110
U. S. Steel	157,600	46¼	44¾	46
do preferred	28,700	113	111X	112¾
Virg.-Caro. Chem.	4,100	50¾	50	50½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	115
Wabash	6,700	25	24	24
do preferred	2,400	46½	44¾	45¼
Wells-Fargo Exp.	.....	.....	.....	240
Western-Union Elec.	200	169½	167¼	167
Western Union	.....	.....	.....	93½
Wheel. & L. Erie	1,600	20¼	20¼	20¼
Wisconsin Central	100	29	29	29¾
do preferred	400	59	58¾	59

Total sales for the day, 1,666,100 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Closing quotations:

U. S. ref. 2s reg.	103	D. & R. G. 4s	100½
do coupon	102¾	N. Y. C. G. 3½s	99
U. S. 3s reg.	102¾	Nor. Pacific 3s	77½
do coupon	102¾	Nor. Pacific 4s	105¼
U. S. new 4s reg.	129¼	So. Pacific 4s	95
do coupon	129¼	Union Pacific 4s	105
U. S. old 4s reg.	103	Wis. Central 4s	93
do coupon	103	Jap. 6s, 2d ser.	100
Atchison Adj. 4s	96¾	Jap. 4½s, ser.	95

Stocks at London.

LONDON, Feb. 1.—Consols for money, 90¾; consols for account, 90 9-16.

Anaconda	14¼	Norfolk & West.	94¾
Atchison	96	do preferred	98
do preferred	107	Ontario & West.	34¾
Baltimore & O.	118¼	Pennsylvania	71¼
Can. Pacific	176¾	Rand Mines	7¼
Ches. & Ohio	61¼	Reading	72¼
C. Gt. Western	23	do 1st pref.	48¼
C. M. & St. P.	191	do 2d pref.	45¼
De Beers	18¼	So. Railway	42¼
D. & R. Grande	50¾	do preferred	104¼
do preferred	92¼	So. Pacific	56¾
Erie	49	Union Pacific	159
do 1st pref.	82¼	do preferred	106¼
do 2d pref.	74¼	U. S. Steel	45¾
Illinois Central	179	do preferred	113
Louis. & Nash.	155¾	Wabash	26¼
Mo., Kan. & T.	38¾	do preferred	47
N. Y. Central	154½	Spanish Fours	91¼

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Money on call, steady; highest, 5½ per cent; lowest, 3½; ruling rate, 4; last loan, 5½; closing bid, 3½; offered at 4. Time loans, steady; 60 and 90 days and six months, 4½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 4½@5½ per cent.

Sterling exchange, easy, closing steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.872@4.8725 for demand and at $4.8390@4.8395 for 60 days. Posted rates, $4.84@4.88. Commercial bills, $4.83¾.

Bar silver, 65½c.

Mexican dollars, 50½c.

Bonds—Government and railroad, steady.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 1.—Silver bars, 65½c.

Mexican dollars—Nominal.

Drafts—Sight, 10c; telegraph, 12½c.

Sterling—Sixty days, $4.84¾; sight, $4.88.

LONDON, Feb. 1.—Bar silver, steady, 30¼d per ounce.

Money, 4 per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short and three months bills is 3¾ per cent.

Daily Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—Today's statement of the Treasury balances in the general fund shows:

Available cash balances	$143,188,083
Gold coin and bullion	79,103,187
Gold certificates	30,683,329

WHEAT OPTION STRONGER

SAN FRANCISCO MARKET FOLLOWS CHICAGO.

Stocks of Grain in Exchange Warehouses—Hops Held Firmly, but Quiet—Potatoes Inactive.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 1.—(Special.)—Stocks of grain in regular warehouses of Merchants' Exchange February 1 are as follows: Wheat, 68,559 tons; barley, 26,254 tons; oats, 2936 tons; corn, 720 tons; bran, 1607 tons, and beans, 196,517 sacks. Compared with a month ago, the following decreases are shown: Wheat, 1047 tons; barley, 3453 tons; oats, 237 tons, and beans, 16,465 sacks. Corn increased 628 tons and bran 182 tons.

Wheat options locally were stronger, following Chicago, but there was little trade. Barley futures sympathized with wheat, and had a small gain. Cash prices for both cereals were easy, offerings exceeding requirements. Wheat arrivals from the North were heavy. Handlers of oats report a good demand and firm prices. Feedstuffs are quiet and steady.

Hops are firmly held at 8@12 cents, but trade is quiet.

Wool is inactive and nominal, pending the arrival of the Spring clip.

Receipts of oranges were much lighter, but the market was liberally stocked, chiefly with choice and fancy navels, from the recent free arrivals, and those grades were easy. Stocks of standards are small, and prices relatively firm. Small lemons are weak and large steady. Five carloads of Central American bananas arrived upon a well-stocked and easy market. Fancy apples are firm.

Potatoes and onions were inactive and depressed.

Fresh eggs were 18@19½ cents lower. Butter was steady and unchanged. California cheese was 1 cent lower. Receipts, 62,100 pounds butter, 11,200 pounds cheese, 21,270 dozen eggs.

VEGETABLES—Cucumbers, 75c@$1.50; garlic, 5@6c; green peas, 5@7c; string beans, 20c; tomatoes, $1@1.50.

POULTRY—Turkeys, 17@19c; roosters, old, $4.50@5; roosters, young, $@7; broilers, small, $2@3; broilers, large, $4@5; fryers, $5@6; hens, $4.50@6.50; ducks, old, $5@6; ducks, young, $6@7.50.

BUTTER—Fancy creamery, 31½c; creamery seconds, 24c.

EGGS—Store, 26@27c; fancy ranch, 30c.

CHEESE—Young America, 13@13c; Eastern, 15½@16c; Western, 14@14½c.

WOOL—South Plains and S. J., 10@12c; lambs, 9@16c.

HOPS—8@12c.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $19@20.50; middlings, $28@29.

HAY—Wheat, $11@16; wheat and oats, $9@14; barley, $8@11; alfalfa, $11@13.50; stock, $6.50@7.50; straw, per bale, 30@55c.

FRUIT—Apples, choice, $2; common, 40c; bananas, $1@2.50; Mexican limes, $5.50@6; California lemons, choice, $2.50; common, 75c; oranges, navel, $1.25@3; pineapples, $2@4.

POTATOES—Early Rose, $1.25@1.40; Salinas Burbanks, $1.25@1.65; sweets, 50c@$1.25; Oregon Burbanks, 70c@$1.05.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 7228 quarter sacks; wheat, 73,354 centals; barley, 3200 centals; oats, 675 centals; oats, Oregon, 900 centals; beans, 562 sacks; corn, 1900 centals; potatoes, 4400 sacks; bran, 470 sacks; middlings, 200 sacks; hay, 685 tons; wool, 22 bales; hides, 121.

LIVESTOCK MARKETS.

Prices Quoted Locally on Cattle, Sheep and Hogs.

The following livestock prices were quoted yesterday in the local market:

CATTLE—Good steers, $3.50@3.75; fair to medium, $2.75@3; cows, good, $3@3.25; medium, $2.50@2.75; calves, light, 150 to 175 pounds, $4.50@4.75; calves, heavy, $3@3.25.

HOGS—Best, suitable for packers, $6@6.25; fair to medium grades, $5.50; light fat weights, 120 to 140 pounds, $5@5.25.

SHEEP—Good fat sheep, $5@5.25; choice lambs, $5.50.

EASTERN LIVESTOCK.

Prices Current at Kansas City, Omaha and Chicago.

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Cattle—Receipts, 7500; steady; beeves, $3.85@6.25; stockers and feeders, $2.60@4.50; cows and heifers, $1.40@4.75.

Hogs—Receipts today, 30,000; steady; tomorrow estimated 28,000; mixed and butchers, $5.40@6.50; good to heavy, $5.55@5.70; rough heavy, $5.40@5.50; light, $5.10@5.60; pigs, $4.90@5.40; bulk of sales, $5.35@6.05.

Sheep—Receipts, 15,000; steady; sheep, $5.50@5.65; lambs, $5.40@7.50.

SOUTH OMAHA, Feb. 1.—Cattle—Receipts, 2500; market, higher; native steers, $3.25@5.50; cows and heifers, $2.75@4; canners, $1.75@2.50; stockers and feeders, $2.75@4.85; calves, $2.50@6; bulls and stags, etc., $2.25@3.65.

Hogs—Receipts, 12,000; market, strong; heavy, $5.42½@5.50; mixed, $5.45@5.47½; light, $5.35@5.45; pigs, $4.50@5.10; bulk of sales, $5.40@5.45.

Sheep—Receipts, 500; market, steady; Western yearlings, $5.50@6.10; wethers, $5.00@6.10; ewes, $4.50@5.15; lambs, $6.75@7.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 1.—Cattle—Receipts, 5000; market, steady to 10c higher; native steers, $4@6; native cows and heifers, $2.25@5; stockers and feeders, $3@4.75; Western cows, $2.50@4; Western steers, $3.50@5.50; bulls, $2.50@3.90.

Hogs—Receipts, 9000; market steady to 5c lower; bulk of sales, $5.35@5.37½; heavy, $5.50@5.37½; packers, $5.45@5.52½; pigs and light, $5.25@5.50.

Sheep—Receipts, 3000; market, steady; muttons, $4.25@5.75; lambs, $5.50@7; range wethers, $5.25@6.25; fed ewes, $4.50@5.25.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—The London tin market was higher again, with spot closing at £166 12s 6d, and futures at £166. Locally, the market was quiet; spot, 36.45@36.50c.

Copper was unchanged at £78 10s for spot in the London market, but futures were a shade higher at £77 5s. Locally, no change. Lake and electrolytic are more or less nominal, 18@18.50c, and casting, 18c.

Lead was unchanged at £