

GOOD AS YEAR AGO

Satisfactory Movement in Fresh Produce Trade.

SUPPLIES NOT EXCESSIVE

Much Country Creamery Butter Comes to Portland—Northern Demand Keeps Down—Accumulation of Eggs.

The movement in the produce trade since the opening of the year has been highly satisfactory to the firms on Front street, and the returns show no falling off in the volume of business when comparison is made with the same period last year.

There has been a shortage of desirable sizes of oranges, but the street is now better supplied, as these cars were received from the South yesterday. Among the offerings are new Redlands oranges, which command the top quotations on the market.

COUNTRY BUTTER MORE PLENTIFUL

Entire Output of Some Creameries Sent to Portland.

Prices of city creamery butter in the local market continue to show a spread of 2 1/2 cents. The supply is reported inadequate in some quarters, while in others there is an accumulation on Front street.

Member of Board of Tea Experts.

George W. Chawell, of San Francisco, has been reported a member of the United States Board of Tea Experts. The board, which meets bi-monthly in San Francisco, will convene this year on January 27.

STEADY TRADING IN HOP MARKET.

Movement is Slow in New York State at Present.

Some business is passing in the hop market all the time, but no particular pressure is shown, either to buy or sell. One of the latest shipments reported was the purchase by Ernest Wells of the Bernard Vanover lot of 120 bales at Forest Grove.

Wheat Market Very Firm.

A considerable amount of what buying was reported yesterday. The market was quoted very firm. Oats and barley were steady at the previous prices with but little doing.

Bank Clearings.

Clearings of the Northwest cities yesterday were as follows: Clearings, balances: Seattle, \$1,144,734; Portland, \$7,210; Tacoma, \$71,819; Spokane, \$1,900,687.

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