

EXPLOP RABE

English Buyers Again Out in Force.

READY TO TAKE SURPLUS

A strong export demand has sprung up in the hop market, the numerous orders have been received by dealers of the state, it is said, to take care of all the surplus supply of good quality left in Oregon. English buyers are showing an attractive enough to cause much of a scramble to sell on the part of growers. The best figures reported to have been offered yesterday, was 6c. Among the buyers in the market with export orders are E. C. Herren, Jack Carmichael, Henry L. Bents and Kola Nels.

There is a disposition in some quarters to believe that the revival in the English demand is due to the belief that a duty will be put on hops imported in England and that the merchants in this country are looking up now to anticipate it. This factor may, in measure, have some influence on buyers, but it is more than probable that the real cause of the demand can be found in England's crop prospects. The reduction in the English acreage is placed at over 5000 acres, and in addition to this the crop is known to be coming on poorly. Therefore, the American acreage promises a crop of some 70,000 bales under last year's.

The latest English papers contain reports of hop picking and demonstrations at Ashford and Worcester, where resolutions were adopted calling on the government to impose a 40c duty on American hops, and other important hops. At Ashford, the proceedings were entertained by a parade of farmers' wagons, many of which were dressed in crapes and others decorated with wreaths of protest. One of these mottoes read: "And shall hops plucked by Chinamen Make England's hop trade die? Here's 50,000 Kestrels, and a Wholly know it as Ashford why?"

The resolutions adopted at Ashford were as follows: "This meeting of hop pickers, agricultural laborers and others interested in hop growing, held at Ashford, views with alarm the continuous and increasing importation of English hop acreage, and call upon the government to take immediate action to reduce the importation of hops from other countries to the extent of 50,000 bales, and to preserve remunerative employment and a healthful living for the thousands of the English working classes during the month of September every year. This mass meeting, which was held at Ashford, respectfully requests the Select Committee to enquire into the hop trade, and to report to the House of Commons, and to report as quickly as possible to the House of Commons. The Hoppickers' Defense Association has planned a demonstration in London on May 16, "Hop Saturday," when it is expected to march 35,000 growers, pickers and laborers to Trafalgar Square, where speakers will denounce the Pacific Coast hop growers for their ability to produce hops cheaper than the Englishmen can.

BOARD OF TRADE MARKETS FIRMER.

Wheat, Oats and Barley Show an Upward Tendency—Receipts of Produce.

The attendance of the grain men at the Board of Trade yesterday was large. The receipts of wheat, oats and barley were also in the line of a blue stamp at 92c. There was also an inquiry for gray milling oats at an advanced price. On the quotation board, feed barley and white oats were raised 20c per ton. The following offers to buyers were posted: 200 cubes extra creamery butter, 22c; 200 tons No. 1 blue stem, 92c; 100 tons No. 1 blue stem, 92c; 100 tons No. 1 blue stem, 92c.

NEW COMMISSION BASIS

Produce receipts of the 24 hours, ending 11 A. M. yesterday, are as follows: 34 boxes apparatus, 107 boxes butter, 33 boxes cherries, 30 boxes chickens, 1 coop turkeys, 130 cases eggs, 78 boxes, 40 muttons, 104 cases, 3 boxes, 41 sacks peas, 3 boxes peas, 1291 crates strawberries, 43 crates tomatoes, 6 crates vegetables, 4 crates dressed poultry, 25 crates pineapples, 94 boxes lemons.

BOARD OF TRADE RATIFIES 10 PER CENT AGREEMENT.

Will Become Effective June 1—Regular Produce Calls Will Be Inspected Next Week.

The produce members of the Board of Trade held a very well attended meeting last night and in the short space of an hour transacted a considerable volume of business. Much of the time was spent in discussing the proposal to raise the commission rate on country produce to 10 per cent. A motion was carried unanimously to put the new rule into effect on June 1. On and after that date, 10 per cent commission will be charged for handling all consigned commodities, except creamery butter manufactured by creameries engaged in the buying of cream. On that article the commission will remain at 5 per cent.

MONTANA GROWERS TO HOLD WOOL.

There May Be No Contracting and a Single Sale. Helena, Mont., May 14.—(Special.)—At recent meetings here of the executive committees of the Montana Woolgrowers' Association and the Montana Woolgrowers' Commission Company, it was decided to send out notices to all members, requesting them to hold their wool clip for what they considered a fair price, and not to be beaten down by the buyers. Some of the Helena growers say that wool should be worth 20c this year, other flockmasters say 18c will likely be a top figure. It is stated there will be the most no contracting in Montana this year, and indications are that the transfer of clips will be sluggish, owing to the difference of opinion between buyers and growers. The clip this year is estimated at 35,000,000 pounds.

SKILLED HANDS

Stock Prices Advanced in Regular Rotation.

TOTAL SALES VERY LARGE

NEW YORK, May 14.—The list of securities dealt in on the Stock Exchange today was one of the largest in the history of the market. The total sales were valued at \$1,214,400,000, the largest since the beginning of the year.

Rise in One Part of the List Is Taken Advantage of to Sell at Good Profit in Another Quarter.

The regularity and precision of the movement disclosed the skilled operations of professional and habitual speculative leaders. There were sharp gains shown by the opening prices, but they were mostly among the stocks of secondary importance. The whole list, however, was higher, and trading was unusually brisk. Union Pacific, Great Northern preferred, Amalgamated Copper, Anaconda and Pacific Mail advanced large fractions.

Additional slight advances in the railroad stocks brought out enough stock to check the rise in the whole, and it was not until Reading began to be purchased on an advance of 1/4 that the standard stocks hardened again. Meanwhile there was a large accumulation of number one specialties which gave animated appearance to the dealings. Many stocks were quoted a point or more above yesterday's closing.

The advance in Reading and some of the metal and mining stocks proceeded to marked length. Shon Steel Steel rose 1/2; Federal Mining preferred 3/4; Republic Steel 1/2; Western Union and Reading 3/4. The buying movement shifted again to the standard and metal stocks, which afforded an opportunity for the speculators. The broadening of the market was a feature of the day. Total sales, par value, \$1,214,400,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

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Hay Market Is Firm.

With supplies of hay becoming low, the market has stiffened up materially. The best grades of Eastern Oregon timothy are now quoted at \$20 per ton, and No. 1 Valley timothy is worth from \$17 to \$18. Very little hay is left in the Valley and offerings from Eastern Oregon are becoming light.

Fine Sugars Quoted Lower.

Fruit and berry sugar declined 10c per hundred yesterday. The reason given for the change is that the blank brands, which were quoted under it, are now practically out of the market and a readjustment of prices was necessary. As the season of heaviest consumption is now coming on, a "readjustment" of another kind may be looked for.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK MARKET.

Prices Quoted Locally on Cattle, Sheep and Hogs.

Advance in Chicago Wheat Prices Late in Day.

BREAK EARLY IN SESSION

Final Strength Is Due to an Estimate of Decreased Shipments From Argentina This Week.

Corn in Demand.

CHICAGO, May 14.—The advance in wheat occurred during the last half of the session and was based largely on an estimate of the amount of wheat to be shipped from Argentina this week. The amount was much smaller than had been generally expected. The close was strong. July opened 1/8 higher at 90 to 90 1/2, declined to 88 1/2, and then advanced to 90 1/2. The close was 90 1/2.

QUOTATIONS AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Prices Paid for Produce in the Bay City Market.

Table with columns: Name, Price. Includes Apples, Butter, Eggs, etc.

Grain and Produce at New York.

NEW YORK, May 14.—Flour—Receipts, 24,700 barrels; exports, 10,000 barrels. Market steady, but quiet.

Grain at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14.—Wheat—Firm, barley—easier.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, May 14.—The market for evaporated apples continues quiet, but holders are firm in their views, with fancy quoted below nominal.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, May 14.—Coffee—Futures closed steady at 10c 1/2 for No. 1.

London Wool Sales.

LONDON, May 14.—A superior selection of 1,600 bales was offered at the wool auction held today.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, May 14.—Cotton futures closed steady at 14c 1/2 for No. 1.

DAILY CITY STATISTICS

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BRIEF NEWS BY TELEGRAPH

SAN FRANCISCO—The bill of Mrs. Isabelle J. Martin on the charge of dynamiting Wall Street, unchanged, 37c 1/2.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

B. M. Lombard and wife to Charles Bay, lots 24 to 28, block 25, Fairview Addition to Mount Tabor.

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