MOREWHEATBUYING

Extreme Prices Offered and Paid in the Interior.

STRONG MEXICAN DEMAND

Barley Will Also Be Shipped to the Southern Country — Contracting the New Wool Clip.

A considerable amount of wheat buying in the interior in the last few days has come to light. Some of the operations were in sections supposed to be entirely bare of wheat, which shows how high prices will bring supplies out of unexpected corners. So strong appears to be the demand and so firm are holders that extreme prices are readily obtained. The stock of bluestem in the Northwest has run very low and club is also getting scarce. A report from up the country notes an offer on bluestem equivalent to $1.15 here. In the local market bluestem is quoted at $1.10, but there do not appear to be sellers at this figure. For f.o.b. club around 96 to 97 cents is quoted, while a sale of Sherman County club has been made at $1. A small lot of red wheat was sold yesterday for local milling purposes at $1.

The demand for wheat now is mainly for shipment to California and Mexico. An inquiry was received yesterday from San Antonio for red wheat for Mexican account.

The steamer Katanga is due here in a few days to load for Mexico. She will carry 45,000 tons of wheat and fill the remainder of her space with barley. It is understood the shippers contemplate loading a second steamer here for the same ports.

Bid and asked prices were posted at the Board of trade as follows:

WHEAT.	Bid.	Asked.
February	$ .98	$ .99
March	1.00	1.02
OATS.		
February	1.67½	1.70
March	1.70	1.71½
BARLEY.		
February	1.38½	1.41½
March	1.40	1.42

Receipts in cars were reported by the Merchants Exchange as follows:

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
January 30-31	43	8	17	1	18
February 1	16	3	4	1	8
February 2	16	4	10	6	20
Total last week	56	..	38	8	54

SALES OF TERRITORY WOOL IN EAST

Deadlock in the Contracting Movement in Montana.

The latest mail advices from Boston report a quieter movement in territory wools. Most of the sales reported are small lots of 10,000 to 25,000 pounds each. A few of larger size have been closed, including some of 50,000 to 100,000 pounds each. About 100,000 pounds Montana wool in the original bags sold principally at 21c and 50,000 pounds Montana half blood at 25c. The scoured cost of the latter is 63c, the same as reported on a similar transaction last week. A few hundred thousand pounds of clothing stock, Utah, Wyoming, Nevada, Idaho, etc., sold on the scoured basis of 55 to 58c, principally for fine and fine medium. Fine Nevada sold at 60c, clean. Small lots of medium of various kinds sold at 21 to 23c.

The New York Journal of Commerce says of the contracting movement:

The situation in the producing sections was rapidly becoming very excited when trading between buyers for Eastern firms and growers came to a halt because of the extreme high prices demanded by sellers and which even the most daring speculators were disinclined to pay. There has been a deadlock the past few days in several sections, notably Montana, where growers have refused to contract except at 22 cents or more. It is said that 21 cents has been paid in a few instances and that for a choice clip 21½ cents was bid and refused. Several million pounds have been contracted at 20 cents. A Boston firm secured the J. B. Long clip of about 1,500,000 pounds at that price. In all it is estimated that between 25,000,000 and 30,000,000 pounds have been contracted to date, the heaviest in quantity having been in the Triangle section at prices ranging from 17 to 20 cents.

FOREIGN HOP MARKET CONDITIONS.

Better Feeling in the London Trade—Continental Markets Quiet.

Hop market conditions in England are reported by the Kentish Observer of January 21 as follows:

The steady demand for useful copper hops continues, and there is some disposition on the part of brewers to fill their requirements for the season. Prices are consequently firm for all healthy hops, and even the very lowest in color are selling where quite free from disease. Continental markets are somewhat quiet, but there is no alteration in prices of best sorts. Pacific Coast hops continue to arrive, but few are offered, arrivals being to fill previous contracts.

The latest circulars of the London trade says in part:

Wild, Neame & Co.—The low level of values has induced a rather better inquiry and the expectation of a fair volume of business to be transacted in the next few weeks has imparted a somewhat firmer tone to our market.

W. H. and H. Le May—The principal inquiry is for the lowest-priced English hops suitable for copper purposes, consumers availing themselves of the opportunity to cover their requirements below the cost of production. Yearlings and old olds are also being taken, the low prices ruling for them being very tempting.

Exchange and Hop Warehouses—Now that nearly all the best hops are cleared from off the market, business is fairly quiet, only a steady small demand for middle and lower classes continuing, prices obtainable for which are exceedingly low. A few lots of yearlings have been sold during the week, but there is little activity in these. Very little business is being transacted upon the foreign market.

TEN CARS OF ORANGES ROLLING.

Because of Washout, Potato Buyers Operate Less Freely.

There will be plenty of oranges in the local market in a short time, as 10 cars are known to be in transit to this city. The fruit holds fairly firm. Apples continue to arrive freely from the country and move at steady prices. Vegetable receipts from the South included a car each of cauliflower and sweet potatoes.

There was no material change in the potato situation yesterday. In view of the reported washout in Northern California, buyers were not disposed to operate so freely. The onion market was firm.

Bank Clearings.

Clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$ 900,527	$ 79,656
Seattle	1,473,849	183,487
Tacoma	584,563	38,437
Spokane	1,173,038	141,704

Eggs Continue to Decline.

Egg prices continued to work lower yesterday because of the slow buying by retailers. Oregons were quoted on the street at 42½ to 45 cents, and Eastern and California stock at 40 to 45 cents.

Very little poultry came in and the market was firm at the old prices. Small receipts of chickens are looked for from now on.

The butter market holds very steady. Supplies of all kinds clean up promptly.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Groceries, Dried Fruits, Etc.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 8½c per lb.; peaches, 7¼@8c; prunes, Italians, 5¾@6¼c; prunes, French, 4@6c; currants, unwashed, cases, 9½c; currants, washed, cases, 10c; figs, white fancy, 50-lb. boxes, 6¼c; dates, 7¼@7½c.

COFFEE—Mocha, 24@28c; Java, ordinary, 17@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; good, 16@18c; ordinary, 12½@16c per pound.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $2 per dozen; 2-pound talls, $2.95; 1-pound flats, $2.10; Alaska pink, 1-pound talls, 95c; red, 1-pound talls, $1.45; sockeyes, 1-pound talls, $2.

RICE—Southern Japan, 4½c; head, 6¼@7c.

NUTS—Walnuts, 12@13c per pound by sack; Brazil nuts, 16c; filberts, 15c; pecans, 7c; almonds, 13@14c; chestnuts, Italian, 11c; peanuts, raw, 5¾@6c; pinenuts, 10@12c; hickory nuts, 10c; cocoanuts, 90c per dozen.

SUGAR—Granulated, $5.95; extra C, $5.45; golden C, $5.35; fruit and berry sugar, $5.95; plain bar, $5.75; beet granulated, $5.75; cubes (barrels), $6.35; powdered (barrel), $6.20. Terms: On remittances within 15 days, deduct ¼c per pound; if later than 15 days and within 30 days, deduct ¼c per pound. Maple sugar, 15@18c per pound.

SALT—Granulated, $13 per ton, $1.00 per bale; half ground, 100s, $7.50 per ton; 50s, $8 per ton.

BEANS—Small white, 6c; large white, 5c; Lima, 5¼c; pink, 3¾c; bayou, 4c; Mexican red, 5¼c.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

BARLEY—Producers' prices: Feed, $28 per ton.

WHEAT—Track prices: Bluestem, $1.10; club, 97c@$1; red Russian, 93@94c; turkey red, 97@98c.

FLOUR — Patents, $5.25 per barrel; straights, $4.20; exports, $3.90; Valley, $5; ¼-sack graham, $4.60; whole wheat, $4.85.

OATS—Producers' prices: No. 1 white, $34@34.50 per ton.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $26@26.50 per ton; middlings, $33; shorts, $28@30; chop, $22@25; rolled barley, $29@30.

HAY—Timothy, Willamette Valley, $16@17 per ton; Eastern Oregon, $17@18; clover, $12@14; alfalfa, $14@16; grain hay, $12@13.

Vegetables and Fruit.

FRESH FRUITS—Apples, $1@2.75 box; Spanish malaga grapes, $8 per barrel; persimmons, $1@1.25.

POTATOES—Buying price, $1@1.25 per hundred; sweet potatoes, 2½c per pound.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, navels, $2@2.75 per box; lemons, $3@4; grape fruit, $4.25@4.75 per box; bananas, 5@4½c per pound; pineapples, $2.75@3.25 per dozen; tangerines, $1.75 per box.

ONIONS—Oregon, buying price, $2 per hundred.

SACK VEGETABLES—Turnips, $1.25 per sack; carrots, $1; parsnips, $1.50; beets, $1.50; horseradish, 10c per pound.

VEGETABLES—Artichokes, $1@1.25 doz.; cabbage, 3c lb.; cauliflower, $2 per crate; celery, $4.50 per crate; cucumbers, $1.75@2.25 dozen; lettuce, $1.25@1.75 per box; parsley, 30c dozen; peas, 15c lb.; radishes, 30c per dozen; spinach, 2c per lb.; sprouts, 10c per lb.; squash, 2½c per lb.; tomatoes, $1.75@3.25.

Dairy and Country Produce.

BUTTER—City creamery, extras, 34c; fancy outside creamery, 32@34c per lb.; store, 18@20c.

EGGS—Oregon ranch, 42½@45c per dozen; California and Eastern, 40@45c.

POULTRY—Hens, 13@13½c lb.; Spring, large, 12½@13c; small, 13@20c; mixed, 12½@13c; ducks, 18@20c; geese, 10c; turkeys, 18@19c.

CHEESE—Fancy cream twins, 15½@16c per lb.; full cream triplets, 15½@16c; full cream, Young America, 16½@17c.

VEAL—Extra, 10@10½c per pound; ordinary, 7@8c; heavy, 5c.

PORK—Fancy, 8@8½c per lb.; large, 8@8½c.

Provisions.

BACON—Fancy, 21c per pound; standard, 18c; choice, 17c; English, 15½@16c; strips, 18c.

DRY SALT CURED—Regular short clears, dry salt, 12c; smoked, 13c; short clear backs, heavy, dry salted, 12c; smoked, 13c; Oregon exports, dry salt, 12c; smoked, 14c.

HAMS—10 to 11 lbs., 14½c; 14 to 16 lbs., 14c; 18 to 20 lbs., 14c; hams, skinned, 14c; picnics, 9½c; cottage roll, 11c; shoulders, 11c; boiled hams, 19½@20½c; boiled picnics, 17c.

LARD—Kettle rendered: Tierces, 13½c; tubs, 13¾c; 50s, 13¾c; 20s, 13¾c; 10s, 14¼c; 5s, 14¾c; 3s, 14½c. Standard pure: Tierces, 12½c; tubs, 12¾c; 50s, 12¾c; 20s, 12¾c; 10s, 13¼c; 5s, 13¾c; 3s, 13½c. Compound: Tierces, 8c; tubs, 8¼c; 50s, 8¼c; 20s, 8¾c; 10s, 8¾c.

SMOKED BEEF—Beef tongues, each, 70c; dried beef sets, 15c; dried beef outsides, 15c; dried beef insides, 18c; dried beef knuckles, 15c.

PICKLED GOODS—Barrels: Pigs' feet, $13; regular tripe, $10; honeycomb tripe, $12; pigs' tongues, $19.50.

MESS MEATS—Beef, specials, $11 per barrel; plate, $14 per barrel; family, $14 per barrel; pork, $21 per barrel; brisket, $25 per barrel; S. P. beef tongues, $20; pig snouts, $12.50; pig ears, $12.50.

Oils.

COAL OIL—Pearl and astral oil, cases, 13½c per gallon; water white, iron barrels, 11c; secene and extra star, cases 21½; headlight oil, cases, 20c; iron barrels, 18c; elaine, cases, 28c.

GASOLINE—Union and Red Crown, barrels, 15½c; cases, 22½c; motor, barrels, 16½c; cases, 23½c; 86 degrees, barrels, 20c; cases, 27½c; engine distillate, barrels, 9c; cases, 18c.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, barrel lots, 65c; in cases, 71c; boiled, barrel lots, 67c; in cases, 73c.

OIL MEAL—Ton lots, $37.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1908, 6@8c per pound; 1907, 2@3c; 1906, 1@1½c.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, average best, 19@14c per pound, according to shrinkage; Valley, 15@18½c.

MOHAIR—Choice, 29@31c per pound.

HIDES—Dry hides, No. 1, 14@15c pound; dry kip, No. 1, 14@15c pound; dry calfskin, 17½@18c pound; salted hides, heavy, 9@10c; light and cows, 9@9½c; salted calfskin, 14@15c pound; green, 1c less.

FURS—No. 1 skins: Angora goat, $1 to $1.25; badger, 25@50c; bear, $5@20; beaver, $6.50@8.50; cat, wild, 60c@$1; cougar, perfect head and claws, $3@10; fisher, dark, $7.50@11; pale, $4.90@7; fox, cross, $3 to $5; fox, gray, 60c to 80c; fox, red, $2.25 to $4; fox, silver, $35 to $100; lynx, $10@15; marten, dark, $8@12; mink, 75c@$4.20; muskrat, 10@15c; otter, $7; raccoon, 45@60c; sea otter, $1@2.50, as to size; skunks, 50@75c; civet cat, 10@15c; wolf, $2@3; coyote, 70c@$1.10; wolverine, dark, $3@5; wolverine, pale, $2@2.50.

CASCARA BARK—Small lots, 4½@5½c; old in carlots, selling at 7½@8c.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—London tin market was higher today, with spot at £129 2s 6d, and futures at £128. Locally the market was quiet, but a little higher, in sympathy with the foreign market. Spot was quoted at 27.65@27.85c.

The London copper market was higher, with spot quoted at £58 17s 6d, and futures at £59 16s 3d. The local market was steady in tone and much better demand was reported, although prices showed no improvement. Lake is quoted at 12.75@14c; electrolytic 12.25@12.50c, and casting at 12.12½@12.37½c.

Lead was quiet at £12 in the London market. The local market was dull and a shade lower at 4.10@4.15c.

Spelter was unchanged at £21 10s in London, while the market locally remained dull at 5.02½@5.07½c.

The English iron market was a little higher, with Cleveland warrants quoted at 48s 8d. The local market was unchanged.

Eastern Mining Stocks.

BOSTON, Feb. 3.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	$ 8.25	Mohawk	62.00
Allouez	39.00	Mont C & C	.20
Amalgamated	75.12½	Nevada	18.12½
Ariz Com	34.25	Old Dominion	312.00
Atlantic	14.50	Osceola	100.00
Butte Coal	24.00	Parrot	27.00
Cal & Ariz	106.00	Shannon	15.12½
Cal & Hecla	640.00	Tamarack	75.00
Centennial	312.00	Trinity	15.62½
Copper Range	73.75	United Copper	14.00
Daly West	9.75	U. S. Mining	42.25
Franklin	15.00	U. S. Oil	28.50
Granby	101.50	Utah	41.00
Greene Can	10.62½	Victoria	4.62½
Isle Royale	26.87½	Winona	5.75
Mass Mining	5.00	Wolverine	144.00
Michigan	10.75	North Butte	75.00

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—Closing quotations:

Alice	225	Little Chief	10
Brunswick Con	3	Mexican	85
Com Tun stock	23	Ontario	400
do bonds	19	Ophir	160
C C & Va	66	Standard	150
Horn Silver	70	Yellow Jacket	70
Leadville Con	5		

Wool at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 3.—Wool—Nominal; territory and Western mediums, 17@21c; fine mediums, 15@17c; fine, 12@14c.

Flaxseed at Minneapolis.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 3.—Flax closed at $1.09¾.

FEW ARE STRONG

Prices in the General Stock List Are Sustained.

BUT INTEREST NOT GREAT

Traders Are Disposed to Await Definite Developments in the Business World—Money Rates Are Higher—Bonds Are Firm.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—The strength of a few individual stocks had a sympathetic influence in sustaining prices in the general list today, but speculative interest was languid. The prevalent disposition is to await more definite developments in the business situation.

A good deal was made today of what was called an improvement in the copper trade situation, but reports on this subject are contradicted and the impression conveyed was confused. Directly conflicting reports were in circulation of large sales of copper on the one hand and of a hopeless stagnation of demand and sagging values on the other. The dealings in London copper warrants are said to be speculative transactions representing the successive transfers of the same holdings and at fictitious prices. Another claim was that substantial amounts of American copper had been placed in that way with foreign purchasers. The copper industrials followed the foreign lead upward at the opening, but afterward developed hesitation and unceptainty with the suspicion aroused by the opposite reports of trade conditions.

Another sustaining force in the dull market was the vitality of the belief in further important deals in the railroad world. Today's report pointed more directly to Missouri Pacific and to alleged further financing for that company to be undertaken by Harriman bankers.

The attention given the Japanese legislation by the Pacific Coast States is not ignored in speculative circles, although the apparent restraint of the National Government on the subject is reassuring.

Call loans late yesterday and today exceeded the recent 2 per cent maximum and time loans were firmer. Foreign exchange rates eased with the hardening of the money market.

The day's changes in stocks were mixed after the usual profit-taking had been concluded.

Bonds were firm. Total sales, par value, $6,596,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Amal Copper	36,700	76¾	75¼	75¼
Am Car & Found	700	50¼	49¼	49¾
do preferred	300	110½	110¼	110¾
Am Cotton Oil	1,700	52¾	52¼	52
Am Hd & Lt pf	400	41	40	40¾
Am Ice Securit	300	22¾	22	22
Am Linseed	1,500	14¾	13¾	14¼
Am Locomotive	2,600	56¾	56	55½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	111
Am Smelts & Refi	16,000	85¾	85	85¼
do preferred	1,200	103	102¾	102½
Am Sugar Refin	.....	.....	.....	130
Am Tobacco prf	300	91½	91¼	91¼
Am Woolen	.....	.....	.....	28¾
Anaconda Min Co	2,000	46¼	45¾	45¾
Atchison	3,700	100¼	99½	99½
do preferred	300	101¾	101¾	101¾
Atl Coast Line	200	109¼	109	109
Balt & Ohio	4,800	108½	107¾	108
do preferred	100	92	92	91
Brook Rap Tran	9,000	71¼	70¾	70¾
Canadian Pacific	2,600	174	173½	173¾
Central Leather	900	31¼	31	31¼
do preferred	200	102¼	102¼	102
Central of N J	.....	.....	.....	235
Chesp & Ohio	57,600	66½	66¼	66¼
Chi Great West	500	8¾	8	8
Chi & Nor West	700	178	176¾	176¼
Chi, M & St P	9,600	146½	145¾	145¾
C., C., C. & St L	100	70¼	70¼	70
Colo Fuel & Iron	1,300	40¾	39¾	39½
Colo & Southern	200	62½	61¾	61¾
do 1st pfr	300	84	83½	82½
do 2d pfr	500	80	79½	78½
Consolidated Gas	1,400	118½	117¼	117½
Corn Products	500	19	18¾	18¾
Delaware & Hudson	100	177	177	175½
Den & Rio G	24,300	45¾	43¾	45¼
do preferred	2,500	83½	82½	82¾
Dist Securities	.....	.....	.....	37¾
Erie	1,700	31¼	30¾	30¾
do 1st pfr	1,200	47	45½	46
do 2d pfr	.....	.....	.....	35½
General Elec	.....	.....	.....	152¾
Great North pfr	2,600	142¾	142	141¾
Gt Nor Ore	1,600	71½	71¼	71¾
Illinois Central	1,500	142½	142	142
Interboro-Met	300	15½	15¼	15
do preferred	800	42	41¾	41½
Inter Paper	.....	.....	.....	11
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	54
Inter Pump	300	38¾	38½	38¼
Iowa Central	400	30½	30¼	30¼
Kan City South	2,200	41¼	40¾	40¾
do preferred	100	72¼	72¼	72
Louis & Nash	600	124	123¼	123
Minn & St L	1,100	56	55	55½
M, St P & St M	500	142	141½	141¾
Missouri Pacific	700	71?	70½	70¾
Mo, Kan & Tex	400	42¾	42¼	42¼
do preferred	200	74	74	73¾
National Lead	700	18¼	18	17¾
New York Cen	4,600	128¾	127¾	127¾
N Y, O & West	3,100	47¾	47¼	47½
Norfolk & West	2,200	91¾	91	91¼
North American	200	81¾	81½	81½
Northern Pacific	2,700	138¾	138½	138½
Pacific Mail	200	30½	30¼	30½
Pennsylvania	4,400	132¼	131¾	131¾
People's Gas	2,900	108¾	108	108¼
P, C, C & St L	1,600	92½	91½	92
Press Steel Car	300	42	42	41½
Pullman Palace Car	300	171	171	170
Rail Steel Spring	400	47¼	47¼	46¾
Reading	27,900	133¾	131¾	132
Republic Steel	200	24¼	24¼	24¼
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	85
Rock Island Co	2,000	25	24	24½
do preferred	61,460	64¾	63	63¾
St L & S F 2d pf	1,000	41	40	40
St. L Southwest	100	22¾	22¾	22½
do preferred	200	52¼	52¼	52
Sloss-Shef S & I	.....	.....	.....	76½
Southern Pacific	11,500	119¼	118	118
do preferred	200	122¼	121¾	121¾
Southern Railway	500	25¾	25¼	25¾
do preferred	300	62	62	61¾
Tenn Copper	1,300	41	40½	40¼
Texas & Pacific	2,900	35¼	34¼	34½
Tol, St. L. & W	200	49	48	47½
do preferred	300	70	70	69½
Union Pacific	86,700	178¾	177½	177½
do preferred	500	95	95	94½
U S Rubber	.....	.....	.....	32
do preferred	300	102	101¼	101
U S Steel	23,100	53¾	52½	52½
do preferred	1,500	113¾	112¾	112¾
Utah Copper	1,700	44	43	44½
Vir Car Chem	2,100	46½	46	46
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	114
Wabash	800	18¾	18¼	19¼
do preferred	500	49¾	48¾	48¾
Westing Elec	500	80	80	80
Western Union	600	68	68	68
Wheel & Lake Erie	.....	.....	.....	19½
Wisconsin Central	200	28	28	28¼
Am Tel & Tel C	2,100	127½	126¼	126¾

Total sales for the day, 438,700 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—Closing quotations:

U. S. ref. 2s reg	102½	N Y C G 5½s	93¾
do coupon	102½	North Pacific 3s	74¾
U. S. 3s reg	100¾	North Pacific 4s	107¾
do coupon	100¾	South Pacific 4s	91¾
U S new 4s reg	119½	Union Pacific 4s	103½
do coupon	120½	Wisconsin Cent 4s	93¾
Atchison adj 4s	94½	Japanese 4s	82¼
D & R G 4s	98		

Stocks at London.

LONDON, Feb. 3.—Consols for money, 83¾; do for account, 83½.

Anaconda	9?50	N. Y. Central	131.25
Atchison	102.50	Norfk & Wes	93.50
do pref	104.00	do pref	90.00
Balt & Ohio	110.75	Ont & West	48.50
Can Pacific	177.62½	Pennsylvania	67.75
Ches & Ohio	66.50	Rand Mines	7.87½
Chi Grt Wes	9.00	Reading	68.25
C. M. & S. P.	130.00	Southern Ry	29.25
Del Reers	11.37½	do pref	53.00
D & R G	45.00	South Pacific	121.87½
do pref	84.00	Union Pacific	183.00
Erie	31.87½	do pref	99.00
do 1st pf	47.50	U. S. Steel	54.25
do 2d pf	37.00	do pref	117.75
Grand Trunk	18.75	Wabash	19.00
Ill Central	145.50	do pref	49.50
L & N	126.50	Spanish 4s	94.75
Mo, K & T	43.25	Amal Copper	78.12½

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—Prime mercantile paper, 3½@4 per cent.

Sterling exchange weaker, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8530@4.8535 for 60 days and $4.8760 for demand. Commercial bills, $4.85@4.85¼.

Bar Silver—32¼c.

Mexican Dollars—44c.

Bonds—Government steady; railroad firm.

Money on call easy at 2@2½ per cent; ruling rate and offered at 2 per cent; closing bid, 1¾ per cent. Time loans firm; 60 days, 2½ per cent; 90 days, 2½@2¾ per cent; six months, 3 per cent.

LONDON, Feb. 3.—Bar silver, steady at 24d per ounce. Money, 1½@2 per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 2 7-16 per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for three months' bills is 2 5-16@2¼ per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 3.—Silver bars, 52¼c; Mexican dollars, 45c. Sight drafts, 7½c; telegraph, 10c.

Sterling on London, 60 days, $4.85¾; sterling on London, sight, $4.88.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—No change is reported in the market for evaporated apples. Fancy are quoted at 8¼@9¼c, choice 7¼@7¾c, prime 6¾@7c and common to fair 6@6½c.

Prunes are still somewhat unsettled as a result of old crop offerings, but business is on a moderately active scale, with new crop at 4¼@7¼c for California prunes ranging up to 40-50s and from 6½c to 9c for Oregon prunes ranging from 40-50s to 20-30s.

Apricots are firm, with choice quoted at 9½@9¾c, extra choice 9½@10c, and fancy 11½@12c.

Peaches are in moderate demand. Choice 6½@7c, extra choice 7½@8c and fancy 8½@10c.

Raisins are dull and nominal. Loose Muscatel 4@5c, choice to fancy seeded 5@6c, seedless at 3¾@5½c, and London layers $1.50@1.60.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—The cotton market closed steady and prices were net one point higher to three points lower.

WHEAT SALES AT SEATTLE

LARGE LOT OF BLUESTEM CHANGES HANDS AT $1.12.

Hay Is Dull and Not Likely to Advance Much, Owing to Large Stocks.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Ten thousand bushels of No. 1 bluestem wheat sold here today at private sale at $1.12. One sale was reported at $1.12½. Oats have moved up to $35 in the country, unsacked.

Hay is dull. Dealers do not look for much higher prices, owing to the lateness of the season and the fact that there are still large qualities of hay in Eastern Washington.

Eggs dropped to 48 cents flat today for fresh. Two hundred cases of California eggs arrived. The eggs are sold already.

Potatoes were weak, but not materially lower.

Sack vegetables are very weak. Dealers are unable to get more than $1 a sack for prime stocks.

QUOTATIONS AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Prices Paid for Produce in the Bay City Markets.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 3.—The following prices were quoted in the produce market today:

Millstuffs—Bran, $28.50@30; middlings, $33.50@35.50.

Vegetables—Garlic, 8@9c; green peas, 5@10c; string beans, 10@15c; asparagus, 12@20c; tomatoes, $1@1.25.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 34½c; creamery seconds, 32½c; fancy dairy, 28c; pickled, nominal.

Cheese—New, 12½@13c; Young America, 15½@16½c; Eastern, 17c.

Eggs—Store, 40c; fancy ranch, 41c; Eastern, nominal.

Poultry—Roosters, old, $4@5; young, $7@9; broilers small, $4@5; broilers, large, $5@6; fryers, $6@7; hens, $5@9; ducks, old, $4@5; young, $6@8.

Wool—Spring, Humboldt and Mendocino, 16@19c; Mountain, 5@8½c; Nevada, 9@14c.

Hay—Wheat, $19@23; wheat and oats, $18@22; alfalfa, $15@18.50; stock, $13@16; straw, per bale, 50@85c.

Potatoes—Early Rose, nominal; Oregon Burbanks, $1.85@2; sweets, $1.50@1.75.

Fruits—Apples, choice, $1.25; common, 60c; bananas, 75c@$2.50; limes, $4@5; lemons, choice, $3; common, $1; oranges, $1.50@3; pineapples, $1.50@2.50.

Receipts—Flour, 4328 quarter sacks; wheat, 2340 centals; barley, 2745 centals; oats, 187 centals; beans, 960 sacks; corn, 600 centals; potatoes, 5596 sacks; bran, 160 sacks; middlings, 60 sacks; hay, 430 tons; hides, 275.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK MARKET.

Prices Current Locally on Cattle, Sheep and Hogs.

There was a strong and active demand for good cattle and sheep yesterday, and hogs also moved well. The inquiry was strongest for choice stock, of which the supply, however, was not large. A large proportion of the cattle and hogs now arriving are of inferior grade, but in the absence of anything better the dealers succeed in moving them. Receipts yesterday were 215 cattle and 277 hogs. Late representative sales were: 29 cows, 1000 lbs., $4.10; 25 steers, 1190 lbs., $5.25; 26 steers, 1190 lbs., $5.25; 27 steers, 1230 lbs., $5.25; 25 steers, 1250 lbs., $5.15; 30 steers, 973 lbs., $4.50; 12 steers, 970 lbs., $4.50; 3 steers, 1015 lbs., $4.00; 9 cows, 970 lbs., $3.75; 12 calves, 200 lbs., $5.50; 116 feeder hogs, 116 lbs., $6.00; 31 feeder hogs, 120 lbs., $6.50; 30 feeder hogs, 147 lbs., $6.15.

The current range of prices was as follows:

CATTLE—Best steers, $5@5.25; medium, $4.25@4.50; cows, best, $4; medium, $3.25@3.75; calves, $4.50@5.50.

SHEEP—Best wethers, $5.25@5.50; mixed sheep, $5.50@5.25; ewes, $4.50@4.75; lambs, $5.50@5.75.

HOGS—Best, $7; medium, $6.25@6.75.

Eastern Livestock Prices.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 3.—Cattle—Receipts, 7000; market, 5@10c lower. Native steers, $4.80@6.85; native cows and heifers, $2.25@6.75; stockers and feeders, $3.25@6.75; bulls, $3.20@4.75; calves, $3.50@6.50; Western steers, $4.50@6.35; Western cows, $3@5.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 17,000; market, 10@20c lower. Bulk of sales, $5.60@6.25; heavy, $6.10@6.20; packers and butchers, $5.60@6.25; light, $5.40@6.50; pigs, $4@5.25.

Sheep—Receipts, 500; market, 5@10c lower. Muttons, $4.50@5.40; lambs, $6.50@7.50; range wethers, $4@5.40; fed ewes, $3@5.20.

OMAHA, Feb. 3.—Cattle—Receipts, 4000; market, slow to 10c lower. Western steers, $3@5.50; Texas steers, $3@5; cows and heifers, $2.50@4.50; canners, $2@3; stockers and feeders, $3@5.25; calves, $3@7; bulls and stags, $3.75@4.75.

Hogs—Receipts, 11,300; market, 5@10c lower. Heavy, $6@6.50; light, $5.70@6; pigs, $4.50@5.50; bulk of sales, $5.80@6.05.

Sheep—Receipts, 6000; market, steady. Yearlings, $6@6.50; wethers, $5@5.25; ewes, $4@4.75; lambs, $5.60@7.50.

CHICAGO, Feb. 3.—Cattle, receipts, estimated at 28,000; market, mostly 10c lower. Beeves, $4.10@7; Texas steers, $4.20@5; Western steers, $3.90@5.50; stockers and feeders, $3.15@6.40; cows and heifers, $1.80@5.50; calves, $6@8.25.

Hogs—Receipts, estimated at 44,000; market, 10@15c lower; light, $5.80@6.35; mixed, $5.95@6.50; heavy, $6@6.50; rough, $6@6.15; good to choice heavy, $6.15@6.50; pigs, $4.75@5.65; bulk of sales, $6.20@6.40.

Sheep—Receipts, estimated at 18,000; market, 10c lower; native, $3.30@7.70; Western, $3.30@6.70; yearlings, $6@7; lambs, $5.50@7.65.

Dairy Produce in the East.

CHICAGO, Feb. 3.—Butter—Steady; creameries, 22@28c; dairies, 21@25c.

Eggs—Weak at mark, cases included, 28@31c; firsts, 37c; prime firsts, 32c.

Cheese—Firm; daisies, 15½c; twins, 14½c; Young Americas, 16c.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—Butter—Stronger; creamery specials, 30@30½c; other grades unchanged.

Cheese—Firm, unchanged.

Eggs—Lower, but closed steady. Western firsts, 32½c; seconds, 31@32c.

Marriage Licenses.

ROCKEY-DICKINSON—Fred C. Rockey, 26, city; Maude Dickinson, 25, city.

STANDISH-HAYES—J. C. Standish, 38, Halsey; Ruby A. Hayes, 30, city.

HYMAN-ROGOWAY—M. Hyman, 35, The Dalles; Minnie D. Rogoway, 34, city.

FARRAR-OSBORN—C. W. Farrar, 21, city; Martha E. Osborn, over 18, city.

MOLL-MEYER—Michael Moll, 28, Lents; Rose Meyer, 23, city.

MANNING-HARVEY—John Manning, 30, city; Sadie A. Harvey, 27, city.

CHANDLER-TITUS—John Ernest Chandler, 28, Snohomish, Wash.; Bertha May Titus, 25, city.

KOPP-OBERSTALLER—H. W. Kopp, 30, city; T. J. Oberstaller, 16, city.

JANSSEN-GERTZ—Peter F. Janssen, 21, Vancouver, Wash.; Anna M. Gertz, 21, city.

WALTER-TURBAN—Henry Walter, 24, city; Estelle Turban, 23, city.

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