

COFFEE GO UP

Effect on Tariff Legislation on the Market.

EXPORT DUTY PLAYS PART

General Advance in Spices as Result of the Changes in Payne Bill.

Local Grain Trade Quiet.

Foreign Hop News.

Coffee will not be entirely on the free list in the Payne tariff bill, as introduced in the house...

The following telegram was received yesterday by Closser & Devers, of this city, from C. K. Hickford & Co., of San Francisco:

"Congressman Neidham, of the ways and means committee, telegraphed here that the Payne bill provides that with any country imposing an export duty or charge upon coffee exported to the United States, a duty of 20 cents shall be levied in lieu of the 30 cent duty now in effect...

Not only does the coffee market feel the effect of the tariff change, but there has also been a general advance in spices. Everything in the way of whole spices, so far as stocks in the hands of Pacific Coast importers are concerned, has been advanced to an equivalent of the entire 30 per cent duty. Spice handlers in close touch with the leading importers state that spices can probably be bought now at an average advance of 12 to 15 cents over the prices of ten days ago, but there seems little doubt that when the tariff question is settled and before the law goes into effect, the importers will exact the whole 30 per cent duty.

An advance in teas has also been quoted by most of the jobbers equivalent to about 45 per cent of the proposed duty.

PINCUS BUYS THE MUECKE HOPS.

Large Lot at Aurora Is Sold at Seven and One-Half Cents.

The sale of 215 bales of Aurora hops by C. Muecke to Julius PinCUS at 7 1/2 cents was reported yesterday. This was the only business in spot hops done in the local market.

A California letter reported that market dull for spots and contracts. The roots are said to have wintered satisfactorily.

New York advices reported sales of state hops at 12 1/2 cents and one very choice lot at 14 cents. These hops are said to be practically cleaned up Schenhar County.

A cable from Iron Menger, of London, to Isaac PinCUS & Sons said: "Market dull, with only few buyers. No improvement anticipated in the near future. Common to medium hops, market has declined; good medium to prime hops, market firm but unchanged."

Kimber, Wolf & Netter's London cable said: "Market continues in very quiet state."

LOCAL GRAIN MARKET IS QUIET.

Prices Are Firm at the Previous Quotations.

The local grain market was quiet yesterday, but firm all around. The prices of the previous day were quoted.

Wheat and asked prices were quoted at the Board of Trade as follows:

WHEAT. March 1907 \$1.07 1/2 \$1.05

April 1907 1.08 1/2 1.09

March 1908 1.82 1/2 1.80

April 1908 1.85 1/2 1.82 1/2

March 1909 1.45 1.60

April 1909 1.30 1.35 1/2

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

Wheat Flour Flour Oats Hay

March 20-21 13 13 4 28

March 22-23 13 13 4 28

Total last week 60 13 05 8 61

Large Supply of Vegetables.

California vegetables, were in full supply yesterday and in some lines prices were lower. Rhubarb was especially weak at 23 cents per box, owing to the advance of the local article.

Asparagus sold freely at 30 to 32 1/2 cents. The steamer brought up artichokes, asparagus, rhubarb, radishes, lemons and pineapples. A car each of celery and lemons also arrived. The Florida tomatoes will be in Thursday night.

Butter Market Very Active.

At the reduced price of 24 cents the city butter market was very active and some of the creameries were unable to fill all their orders. California butter was quoted at 22 to 23 1/2 cents.

Egg receipts were very large, but all cleaned up at unchanged prices.

Poultry was scarce, active and firm.

Bank Clearings.

Clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

Portland Clearings Balance

Seattle 1,549,184 180,822

Tacoma 1,093,062 63,723

Spokane 1,093,062 63,723

PORTLAND MARKETS.

WHEAT—Track prices: Bluestem milling, \$1.19 1/2; club, \$1.08 1/2; red Russian, \$1.19 1/2; \$1.08; bluestem, shipping, \$1.19 1/2; \$1.10; Valley, \$1.10.

WHEAT—Valencia, \$1.05 per barrel; steaming, \$1.05; exports, \$1.10; Valley, \$1.05; cream, \$1.05; whole wheat, quarters, \$1.05.

MILLS—No. 1 white, \$4.00 per ton; No. 2, \$3.75; No. 3, \$3.50; No. 4, \$3.25; No. 5, \$3.00; No. 6, \$2.75; No. 7, \$2.50; No. 8, \$2.25; No. 9, \$2.00; No. 10, \$1.75; No. 11, \$1.50; No. 12, \$1.25; No. 13, \$1.00; No. 14, \$0.75; No. 15, \$0.50; No. 16, \$0.25; No. 17, \$0.00.

WHEAT—Timothy, \$1.00 per ton; No. 1, \$1.00; No. 2, \$1.00; No. 3, \$1.00; No. 4, \$1.00; No. 5, \$1.00; No. 6, \$1.00; No. 7, \$1.00; No. 8, \$1.00; No. 9, \$1.00; No. 10, \$1.00; No. 11, \$1.00; No. 12, \$1.00; No. 13, \$1.00; No. 14, \$1.00; No. 15, \$1.00; No. 16, \$1.00; No. 17, \$1.00; No. 18, \$1.00; No. 19, \$1.00; No. 20, \$1.00; No. 21, \$1.00; No. 22, \$1.00; No. 23, \$1.00; No. 24, \$1.00; No. 25, \$1.00; No. 26, \$1.00; No. 27, \$1.00; No. 28, \$1.00; No. 29, \$1.00; No. 30, \$1.00; No. 31, \$1.00; No. 32, \$1.00; No. 33, \$1.00; No. 34, \$1.00; No. 35, \$1.00; No. 36, \$1.00; No. 37, \$1.00; No. 38, \$1.00; No. 39, \$1.00; No. 40, \$1.00; No. 41, \$1.00; No. 42, \$1.00; No. 43, \$1.00; No. 44, \$1.00; No. 45, \$1.00; No. 46, \$1.00; No. 47, \$1.00; No. 48, \$1.00; No. 49, \$1.00; No. 50, \$1.00; No. 51, \$1.00; No. 52, \$1.00; No. 53, \$1.00; No. 54, \$1.00; No. 55, \$1.00; No. 56, \$1.00; No. 57, \$1.00; No. 58, \$1.00; No. 59, \$1.00; No. 60, \$1.00; No. 61, \$1.00; No. 62, \$1.00; 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