POTATO CROP SMALL.

Dry Weather Has Affected the Oregon Yield.

ESTIMATE 75 PER CENT

Good Rain Soon, If Not Followed by Frost, Would Increase the Output of Late Potatoes. Market Prospects.

Oregon will have a small crop of potatoes this year, at best not over three-fourths of last year's crop. The early crop is figured at 75 per cent of that of last year, while the late-sown crop may be decidedly short. The size of the late crop cannot be figured closely now, as the ultimate result will depend on the weather in the next few weeks. A good rain soon would be most beneficial, that is, if it is not followed by a heavy frost.

Potato prices in the coming Fall and Winter should be on a better basis than last season, but growers should not expect very high prices, as there is nothing in the general conditions of the market, as far as can be seen now, to warrant hopes of extravagant values. Even with three quarters of a crop in Oregon there will still be plenty of potatoes for all home needs and a good surplus besides.

According to the latest advices, California has a pretty good crop of potatoes, but not so good as last year. The Middle West reports crops somewhat short of last year. Colorado has not been heard from yet. Idaho reports a good crop, as does Yakima. In the White River Valley conditions are about the same as in the Willamette Valley.

There has been no demand for Oregon potatoes in Alaska this year. The northern buyers bought only half as much as last year, and secured their supplies in White River and in Salinas.

The local market has been lightly supplied with potatoes for several weeks, but the farmers are again digging and offerings are freer. Several cars of California river Burbanks were purchased a short time ago and are now in transit to this city.

NEW HOPS SELL AT 15 CENTS.

Good Price Is Paid for Early Delivery. Prospects in California.

A carload of new Oregon hops was sold yesterday by A. J. Ray & Son to a New York dealer at 15 cents. The sale was made for early October delivery. It is the general opinion in the trade that when the market for new spot hops actually opens, it will be around 15 cents.

Several more of the smaller yards started picking yesterday and a number of the large yards will begin operations this morning.

It is now evident that the California crop will not come up to early expectations and the maximum estimate is now 70,000 bales. Picking is practically over in the Sacramento section. Some of the smaller American River yards have come down 50 to 60 per cent of last year. Many of the Sacramento growers will not have enough to fill their contracts. It will be a dealers' market in California this year, as the bulk of the crop has been tied up by contract.

The Waterville Times says of conditions in New York State:

Many have begun hoppicking and others will begin in a day or two, so that the harvest will be general next week. Picking has begun early this year on account of the fears that the blue mold and attack of vermin will injure the crop. Already some yards have become so badly affected that the owners will not go to the expense of picking them. From other counties come reports of yards injured by the same agencies as here, and there is not generally a very bright outlook over the situation. While this is true, there will unquestionably be some good quality of hops picked, as many yards are still unaffected by mold or other injurious visitation. All are hoping for the best. The early varieties have been picked and come down well in both quantity and quality.

Imports less exports of hops into Great Britain for the months of September to July, both inclusive, were 100,300 cwts., as against 161,779 cwts. during the same period a year ago and 223,781 cwts. two years ago.

LOCAL FRUIT MARKET IS TOPHEAVY

Peaches Not Coming in So Freely, But Market Is Still Weak.

There was not much improvement in the local fruit situation yesterday. The indications are that the movement of peaches has begun to fall off, but the market still continues topheavy and weak. The prices quoted by dealers were unchanged. Another car is due from Yakima today.

Worden grapes are beginning to arrive more freely, coming from Forest Grove and Yakima. Half baskets sold at 25 cents and full baskets at 50 cents. California crate grapes were weak at Tuesday's prices. Melons and other fruits were unchanged.

POULTRY RECEIPTS AGAIN LIBERAL

Prices of Chickens Are Shaded—Butter Cleans Up Closely.

There were liberal receipts of chickens again yesterday and it was necessary to shade prices in some quarters to keep stocks moving. Sales were reported of hens and springs at 16½ and 17 cents.

The egg market showed no change. There was a good demand for strictly fresh Oregons and not many offering.

Butter cleaned up closely and was firm at the former price.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$1,795,149	$333,658
Seattle	1,566,954	181,063
Tacoma	980,213	62,819
Spokane	693,533	87,695

Total bank clearings of Portland for August, 1910, were $41,549,702.94, as compared with $36,743,876.72 for August, 1909.

Portland clearings for the first eight months of the two years compare as follows:

	1910.	1909.
January	$ 28,053,508.78	$ 25,760,298.78
February	36,559,724.78	26,400,275.22
March	45,343,952.95	34,998,801.09
April	46,275,083.98	33,566,305.82
May	41,395,362.13	36,334,061.16
June	42,146,018.59	36,043,843.26
July	43,466,029.91	36,165,112.82
August	41,549,702.94	36,743,876.72
Eight mos.	$334,807,447.06	$241,907,324.88

Wheat Market Is Quiet.

There were no changes in local wheat market conditions yesterday. Business was reported quiet. The lower bid prices announced by exporters Tuesday were generally quoted throughout the country.

Local receipts, in cars, were reported by the Merchants Exchange as follows:

	Wheat.	Barley.	Flour.	Oats.	Hay.
Monday	68	—	14	28	8
Tuesday	21	1	5	3	14
Wednesday	48	2	7	10	14
Year ago	23	4	—	5	6
Season to date	790	67	410	216	441
Year ago	695	148	183	134	497

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Aug. 31.—Cotton—Spot closed quiet, 25 points lower. Middling uplands, 17.30c; middling gulf, 17.75c. Sales, 58,808 bales.

Futures closed steady, 3@10 points decline. September, 13.18c; October, 13.32c; November and December, 13.44c; January, 13.41c; February, 13.43c; March, 13.40c; May, 13.34c; June, 13.33c; July, 13.32c.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Bluestem, 95c; club, 87c; red Russian, 86c; Valley, 90c; 40-fold, 89c; Turkey red, 86@92c.

FLOUR — Patents, $5.35 per barrel; straights, $4.20@4.95; export, $4; Valley, $3.40; graham, $3; whole wheat, quarters, $3.20.

BARLEY—Feed and brewing, $21.50@22.50 per ton.

HAY—Track prices: Timothy, Willamette Valley, $18@19 per ton; Eastern Oregon, $20@21; alfalfa, new, $13@14; grain hay, $13@14.

CORN—Whole, $32; cracked, $33 per ton.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $29 per ton; middlings, $30; shorts, $21@22; rolled barley, $25@26.

OATS—New, $28@28.50.

Dairy and Country Produce.

EGGS—Oregon candled, 29@30c per doz.

BUTTER—City creamery, solid pack, 35@36c per pound; prints, 37½c per pound; butter fat, 36c per pound; country store butter, 24c per pound.

CHEESE—Full cream, twins, 17½@18c per pound; young America, 18½@19c.

POULTRY—Hens, 16½@17c; Springs, 16½@17c; ducks, white, 16½@17c; geese, 22½@25c; squabs, keys, live, 20c; dressed, 22½@25c; squabs, $3 per dozen.

PORK—Fancy, 13c per pound.

VEAL—Good, up to 140 pounds, 11c per pound.

Vegetables and Fruits.

GREEN FRUITS—Apples, new, 50@$1.25 per box; apricots, 75c@$1.00 per box; plums, 75c@$1 per box; pears $1.25@1.50 per box; peaches, boxes, 40@75c; logs, $1.10@1.25; grapes, $1@1.50 per box, 25@50c per basket.

MELONS—Watermelons, $1@1.25 per hundred; cantaloupes, $2.50@3 per crate.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, Valencias, $4.50@4.75; lemons, $7@8; grapefruit, $4@4.50 per box; bananas, 5½c per pound; pineapples, 6c per pound.

VEGETABLES—Beans, 3@5c pound; cabbage, 2½@3c pound; cauliflower, $1.50 per doz.; celery, 90c per dozen; corn, 12@15c per dozen; cucumbers, 25@40c per box; eggplant, 6c per pound; garlic, 8@10c per pound; green onions, 15c per dozen; peppers, 50c per box; radishes, 15@20c per dozen; squash, 40c per crate; tomatoes, 20@60c per box.

SACK VEGETABLES—Carrots, $1@1.25; beets, $1.50; parsnips, $1@1.25; turnips, $1.

POTATOES—New, $1.25@1.50 per hundred; sweet potatoes, 5c per pound.

ONIONS—New, $1.75 per sack.

Groceries, Dried Fruits, Etc.

DRIED FRUIT—Apples, 10c per pound; French, 4@5c; currants, 10c; apricots, 11@14c; dates, 7c per pound; figs, fancy white, 6½c; fancy black, 7c; choice black, 5½c.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $2.10 per dozen; 2-pound talls, $2.95; 1-pound flats, $2.25; Alaska pink, 1-pound talls, $1; red, 1-pound talls, $1.60; sockeye, 1-pound talls, $2.

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

NUTS—Walnuts, 15c per pound; Brazil nuts, 13½@15c; filberts, 16c; almonds, 17c; pecans, 19c; cocoanuts, 90c@$1 per dozen.

SALT—Granulated, $18 per ton; half-ground, 100s, $10.50 per ton; 50s, $11 per ton.

BEANS—Small white, 5½c; large white, 4½c; Lima, 5½c; pink, 7c; red Mexicans, 7½c; bayou, 7½c.

RICE—No. 1 Japan, 4½c; cheaper grades, $3.50@4.55; Southern head, 5½@7c.

HONEY—Choice, $3.25@3.50 per case; strained, 7c per pound.

SUGAR—Dry granulated, fruit and berry, $5.25; beet, $5.05; extra C, $5.75; golden C, $5.65; yellow D, $5.65; cubes (barrels), $5.65; powdered, $5.50; Domino, $10.40@$16.90 per case. Terms on remittances within 15 days deduct ¼c per pound, if later than 15 and within 30 days, deduct ⅛c per pound. Maple sugar, 15@18c per pound.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1909 crop, 10@12½c, according to quality; olds, nominal; 1910 contracts, nominal; 1910 fuggles, nominal.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, 13@17c pound; Valley, 18@20c per pound.

MOHAIR—Choice, 32@33c per pound.

CASCARA BARK—4½c per pound.

HIDES—Salted hides, 7@7½c per pound; salted calf, 13c; salted kid, 8c; salted stags, 5c; green hides, 1c less; dry hides, 16½@17c; dry calf, 17@18c; dry stags, 11@12c.

PELTS—Dry, 10½c; salted, butchers' take-off, $1.15@1.40; Spring lambs, 25@45c.

Provisions.

HAMS—10 to 12 pounds, 19½c; 12 to 14 pounds, 19c; 14 to 16 pounds, 19c; 18 to 20 pounds, none; skinned, 20c; picnics, 14c; cottage roll, 17½c.

BACON—Fancy, 29c; standard, 27c; choice, 26c; English, 21@22c.

SMOKED MEATS—Beef tongues, 75c; dried beef sets, 22c; outsides, 20c; insides, 23c; knuckles, 22c.

DRY SALT CURED—Regular short clears, dry salt, 16½c; smoked, 18c; backs, light, salt, 10½c; smoked, 18c; backs, heavy salt, 16c; smoked, 17½c; export bellies, salt, 17c; smoked, 18½c.

PICKLED GOODS—Barrels, pigs' feet, $16; regular tripe, $10; honeycomb tripe, $12; lunch tongues, $22; lambs' tongues, $16.

LARD—Tens; kettle rendered, 13½c; standard pure, 14½c; choice, 13½c; shortening, 12½c.

Oils.

LINSEED OIL—Pure raw in barrels, 90c; kettle boiled, in barrels, $1.01; raw, in cases, $1.04; kettle boiled, in cases, $1.06. Lots of 250 gallons, 1 cent less per gallon.

TURPENTINE—In cases, 88c; in wood barrels, 85½c.

COAL OIL—Water white in drums, iron white in drums or iron barrels, 14c; union kerosene in cases, 2-5s, 23c; oleum kerosene in cases 2-5s, 21c; Aurora kerosene in cases, 2-5s, 21c.

GASOLINE—Union gasoline in bulk, 18c; union gasoline in cases, 2-5s, 23c; union motor spirit in bulk, 18c; union motor spirit in cases, 2-5s, 23c; No. 1 engine distillate in iron drums, 8½c; No. 1 engine distillate in cases, 2-5s, 15½c; V. M. & P. naphtha in iron drums or barrels, 15c; V. M. & P. naptha in cases, 2-5s, 22c.

BENZINE—Union benzine in iron drums or barrels, 18½c; union benzine in cases, 2-5s, 23½c; union stove distillate in iron drums, 7c.

SEATTLE BUTTER HIGHER

WASHINGTON CREAMERY WILL ADVANCE 2 CENTS TODAY.

Wet Weather Demoralizes the Peach Market—Other Fruit Is Also Lower.

SEATTLE, Aug. 31. — (Special.) — Wet weather, coupled with heavy receipts, tended still further to demoralize the peach market today. While the top price on Elbertas was 50 cents, commission men did not let the price stand in the way of sales. Large quantities of peaches were shipped to Vancouver and Victoria and two carloads were diverted to Portland this afternoon. The tomato market has collapsed. The very outside price was 75 cents and the general price was 50 cents. Cantaloupes were in larger supply and lower, with the top $2.50.

Prunes dropped to 40 and 50 cents a box. Grapes were weak. Pineapples have declined to 7 cents per pound.

Trade still dragged in the dairy produce market, although dealers had no difficulty in disposing of all the fresh eggs that arrived. There was a tendency for poultry to accumulate.

Wheat receipts today aggregated 35 carloads, the largest of the season. Sixty-two carloads of hay also arrived. Wheat was weak, but not materially changed in price.

Butter dealers late this afternoon authorized a two-cent advance in the price of Washington creamery butter, effective tomorrow.

Dairy Produce in the East.

CHICAGO, Aug. 31.—Butter—Steady. Creameries, 24½@29c; dairies, 25@27c.

Eggs—Steady. Receipts, 8035 cases. At mark, cases included, 14@17c; firsts, 20c; prime firsts, 22c.

Cheese—Steady. Dalsies, 16@16¼c; twins, 15½@15¾c; Young America, 16½@16¾c; long horns, 16@16¼.

NEW YORK, Aug. 31.—Butter—Steady, unchanged.

Cheese—Steady. State whole milk, special, 15¾@17½c.

Eggs—Steady, unchanged.

Wool at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 31.—Wool—Steady. Territory and Western mediums, 18@20c; fine mediums, 17@20c; fine, 14@17c.

STOCK MARKET IDLE

Withdrawal of Funds a Bar to Speculation.

BUT UNDERTONE IS STRONG

September Disbursements Will Exceed Those of a Year Ago by Twelve Millions, Showing Prosperous Conditions.

NEW YORK, Aug. 31.—The month of August came to a dull and uninteresting close in the stock market today. The dealings lapsed into idleness and prices drifted listlessly.

The September payments amount to $92,483,000, according to the computation of the Journal of Commerce, and the details of the estimate show that the amount is $12,509,000 greater than in September of last year, with $8,549,000 of that amount on account of increased dividend disbursements. The growth of prosperous conditions thus implied had some effect in maintaining the firm undertone of the almost lifeless market. The remainder of the increase for interest account is due to the additions to bond and note issues since last year.

The strong current of the cash movement away from New York was a factor in the suspense in which the speculation in stocks was held. Subtreasury operations have taken from the banks since the last bank statement $6,480,000, and shipments to the interior and to Canada are being made on a large scale.

The effect is showing in the rates for time loans, which has been marked up a fraction, and in the call loan market, which is ruling appreciably firmer.

The private discount rate in Berlin declined, but the action of the London discount rate left opinion divided over the probability of an advance in the official rate of the Bank of England tomorrow.

Reading, Union Pacific and United States Steel again absorbed the bulk of the dealings. Aggregate sales of all stocks fell to a total of 160,000 shares and when from this is deducted the 96,100 shares of the three active stocks mentioned, the narrowness of the general market may be appreciated. There was a day in July, 1908, when the day's sales reached only 73,000 shares. The day's total was the smallest for any day since.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $1,252,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Allis Chalmers pf	.....	.....	.....	35
Amal Copper	3,500	65¾	64¾	64¾
Am Agricultural	500	45	44¾	44¾
Am Beet Sugar	800	37¼	36¾	36¾
American Can	100	8½	8½	8½
Am Car & Fdy	100	47¾	47¾	47¾
Am Cotton Oil	200	62½	62	61¾
Am Hide & Lt pf	3,200	31	27½	30¾
Am Ice Securi	.....	.....	.....	19¾
Am Linseed Oil	.....	.....	.....	11½
Am Locomotive	.....	.....	.....	35½
Am Smelt & Ref	2,200	68¾	67¾	67¾
Am Smelt & Ref pf	100	104	104	103
Am Steel Fdy	.....	.....	.....	44
Am Sugar Ref	100	119	119	119¾
Am Tel & Tel	1,700	136½	135½	135
Am Tobacco pf	.....	.....	.....	92½
Am Woolen	100	28¾	28¾	28
Anaconda Min Co	.....	.....	.....	39¾
Atchison	2,000	98½	97¾	98
do preferred	200	99¾	99¾	99½
Atl Coast Line	100	111½	111½	111
Balt & Ohio	500	104¾	104½	104½
Bethlehem Steel	.....	.....	.....	27
Brook Rap Tran	600	74½	74	74½
Canadian Pacific	.....	.....	.....	192¾
Central Leather	2,800	35½	34¾	35
do preferred	100	105½	105½	105½
Central of N J	100	255	255	250
Ches & Ohio	1,800	75¾	75½	75½
Chicago & Alton	.....	.....	.....	23½
Chicago Gt West	.....	.....	.....	24
do preferred	100	45½	45½	45
Chicago & N W	.....	.....	.....	143½
C M & St Paul	700	129½	129	129¼
C C C & St L	.....	.....	.....	75
Colo Fuel & Iron	.....	.....	.....	30
Colo & Southern	.....	.....	.....	32
Consolidated Gas	100	130	130	129¾
Corn Products	100	14	14	13½
Del & Hudson	.....	.....	.....	158
D & R Grande	100	39¾	39¾	39½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	76½
Distillers' Securi	.....	.....	.....	26½
Erie	500	25½	25½	25¼
do 1st preferred	100	42¾	42¾	42¾
do 2d preferred	.....	.....	.....	41½
General Electric	.....	.....	.....	142½
Gt Northern pf	900	124½	124	124
Gt Northern Ore	.....	.....	.....	53¾
Illinois Central	.....	.....	.....	129
Interborough Met	.....	.....	.....	17¾
do preferred	100	48½	48½	48½
Inter Harvester	200	97½	97	97
Inter-Marine pf	38,100	15½	15	15½
Int Paper	.....	.....	.....	10½
Int Pump	.....	.....	.....	39
Iowa Central	.....	.....	.....	17
K C Southern	.....	.....	.....	28
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	62
Lacle's Gas	600	101¾	101¾	101¾
Louisville & Nash	.....	.....	.....	143
Minn & St Louis	100	24½	24½	23
M St P & S S M	.....	.....	.....	128
Mo, Kan & Texas	200	32¼	32	31¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	61
Missouri Pacific	.....	.....	.....	52½
National Biscuit	100	113	113	112
National Lead	.....	.....	.....	57½
New Nat Rs 2d pf	2,400	31½	30¾	30¾
N Y Central	400	111¾	111½	111½
N Y Ont & West	400	40	40	39½
Norfolk & West	.....	.....	.....	96
North American	600	68½	68	67½
Northern Pacific	1,800	114¾	114	114
Pacific Mail	.....	.....	.....	27½
Pennsylvania	2,200	128¾	128¾	128¼
People's Gas	100	106¾	106¾	106
P, C C & St L	.....	.....	.....	94½
Pittsburg Coal	.....	.....	.....	16
Pressed Steel Car	100	34¾	34	34
Pullman Pal Car	.....	.....	.....	150
Ry Steel Spring	200	32	31½	30¾
Reading	40,800	142¾	141¾	141¾
Republic Steel	200	30	30	30¼
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	94
Rock Island Co	2,400	30½	30¼	30¾
do preferred	600	66½	66½	66½
St L & S F 2 pf	.....	.....	.....	92½
St L Southwestern	100	24	24	23½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	58
Sloss-Sheffield	.....	.....	.....	57½
Southern Pacific	3,400	113¾	113	113¼
Southern Railway	100	22½	22½	22¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	53
Tenn Copper	400	26¼	25¾	26¼
Texas & Pacific	.....	.....	.....	26
Tol, St L & West	.....	.....	.....	22½
do preferred	600	49¾	49½	49½
Union Pacific	28,300	167¾	166¾	166¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	91½
U S Realty	.....	.....	.....	70¾
U S Rubber	100	34	34	34
U S Steel	27,600	70¾	70¼	70¾
do preferred	100	116¾	116¾	116¾
Utah Copper	700	46¼	46¼	45¾
Va-Caro Chemical	200	58¼	58¼	57
Wabash	300	17¾	17	17
do preferred	2,000	37¾	36¾	36¾
Western Md	100	43¼	43¼	43½
Westinghouse Elec	.....	.....	.....	60
Western Union	1,200	64½	62½	62¾
Wheel & L Erie	.....	.....	.....	4

Total sales for the day, 160,000 shares.

Daily Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 31.—The condition of the Treasury at the beginning of business today was as follows:

Trust funds—	
Gold coin	$889,451,669
Silver dollars	485,939,000
Silver dollars of 1890	3,587,000
Silver certificate outstanding	485,939,000
General fund—	
Standard silver dollars in general fund	6,063,049
Current liabilities	100,588,895
Working balance in Treasury offices	27,716,846
In banks to credit of Treasurer of the United States	35,803,467
Subsidiary silver coin	20,050,492
Minor coin	954,430
Total balance in general fund	86,559,084

Money, Exchange, Etc.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 31.—Sterling, 60 days, $4.83½; sight, $4.86½.

Silver bars—52¾c.

Mexican dollars—44c.

Drafts—Sight, 2c; telegraph, 4c.

LONDON, Aug. 31.—Bar silver—Steady, 24¾d per ounce.

Money—2@2½ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 2 1-16@2¼ per cent; three months' bills, 2 1-16@2 3-16 per cent.

Consols—For money, 80 15-16; for account, 81 3-16.

CHICAGO, Aug. 31.—New York exchange, 20c discount.

NEW YORK, Aug. 31.—Money on call easy, 1½@2 per cent; ruling rate, 1¾; closing bid, 1½; offered at 1¾.

Time loans very dull and steady; 60 days, 3 @3½ and 90 days 4 per cent; six months, 4½ per cent.

Prime mercantile paper closed 5½@6 per cent.

Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8325@4.8350 for 60-day bills, and at $4.8640 for demand.

Commercial bills, $4.83@4.83½.

Bar silver, 52⅝c.

Mexican dollars, 44c.

Government bonds steady; railroad bonds irregular.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, Aug. 31.—Standard copper dull. Spot, August and September, 12.20@12.40c; October, 12.25@12.50c; November and December, 12.30@12.55c. London quiet. Spot, £55 15s; futures, £56 11s 3d. Arrivals reported at New York were 142 tons. Custom-house returns show exports of 27,976 tons so far this month. Local dealers report a quiet but steady market. Lake copper, 12.87½@13c; electrolytic, 12.62½@12.75c, and casting, 12.25@12.50c.

Tin easy. Spot and August, 35.50@35.70c; September, 35.52½@35.55c; October, 34.95@35c; November, 34.55@34.80c; December, 34.45@34.80c. Sales included ten tons September at 35.55c; 15 tons at 34.95c, and 50 tons October at Port of New York, 34.90c. London steady. Spot, £163; futures, £159 5s.

Lead quiet, 4.40@4.50c New York; 4.25@4.30c East St. Louis. London spot £12 11s 3d.

Spelter quiet, 5.37½@5.50c New York; 5.22½@5.27½c East St. Louis. London spot £22 15s.

Iron—Cleveland warrants, 49s 4½d in London. Locally iron was quiet. No. 1 foundry Northern, $16.25@16.50; No. 2, $15.50@16; No. 1 Southern and No. 1 Southern soft, $15.75@16.25.

GOOD STEERS SELL WELL

LOCAL CATTLE MARKET IS STEADY IN TONE.

Trade in General Is Quiet at the North Portland Yards. Receipts Small.

Yesterday was another slow day in the local livestock market. Nothing came in aside from cattle and the demand for these was light.

A small lot of steers were offered at $5, and cows went at $4. There were no sales in other lines.

The total receipts for the day were 255 cattle.

The shippers of the stock were H. R. Peacock, of Nampa, two cars of cattle; E. T. Cornell, of Deer Island, two cars of cattle, and J. E. Pelton, of Roseburg, five cars of cattle.

The day's sales were as follows:

	Weight.	Price.
13 steers	1079	$5.00
14 cows	943	4.00
1 bull	1450	3.50

Prices quoted on the various classes of stock at the North Portland yard yesterday were as follows:

Beef steers, good to choice	$5.00@$5.25
Beef steers, fair to medium	4.00@ 4.50
Cows and heifers, good to choice	3.75@ 4.00
Cows and heifers, fair to medium	3.25@ 3.50
Bulls	3.25@ 4.00
Stags, good to choice	4.00@ 4.25
Calves, light	6.00@ 6.75
Calves, heavy	3.75@ 5.00
Hogs, top	9.75@10.00
Hogs, fair to medium	9.25@ 9.75
Sheep, best Mt. Adams wethers	4.00@ 4.15
Sheep, best Valley wethers	3.25@ 3.50
Sheep, fair to good wethers	3.00@ 3.25
Sheep, best Valley ewes	3.00@ 3.50
Lambs, choice Mt. Adams	5.25@ 5.50
Lambs, choice Valley	5.00@ 5.25

Eastern Livestock Markets.

CHICAGO, Aug. 31.—Cattle—Receipts, estimated, 19,000; market, steady to shade higher. Beeves, $4.90@8.40; Texas steers, $3.75@6; Western steers, $4.25@7.10; stockers and feeders, $4.10@6.25; cows and heifers, $2.50@6.40; calves, $7@8.50.

Hogs—Receipts, estimated, 20,000; market, 5c higher. Light, $9.05@9.65; mixed, $8.65@9.45; heavy, $8.50@9.30; rough, $8.50@8.75; good to choice heavy, $8.75@9.30; pigs, $8.80@9.60; bulk of sales, $8.90@9.15.

Sheep—Receipts, estimated, 25,000; market, strong. Native, $2.75@4.70; Western, $2.85@4.70; yearlings, $4.65@5.75; lambs, native, $5.00@7.10; Western, $5@7.10.

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 31.—Cattle—Receipts, 12,000; market, steady to strong. Native steers, $4.75@8.25; native cows and heifers, $2.75@6.75; stockers and feeders, $3.25@6; bulls, $3@4.10; calves, $4.50@8.50; Western steers, $4.50@7.25; Western cows, $2.75@5.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 5000; market, 5c higher. Bulk of sales, $9.30@9.55; heavy, $9.20@9.40; packers and butchers, $9.30@9.55; light, $9.45@9.60.

Sheep — Receipts, 10,000; market, steady. Muttons, $4@4.60; lambs, $5.75@6.90; fed wethers and yearlings, $4@5.75; fed Western ewes, $3.50@4.50.

OMAHA, Aug. 31.—Cattle—Receipts, 12,800; market, steady to shade lower. Native steers, $5@8; cows and heifers, $3@6; Western steers, $3.75@6.75; range cows and heifers, $2.75@4.75; canners, $2.90@3.25; stockers and feeders, $3.25@6.25; calves, $3.50@6.50; bulls, stags, etc., $2.25@5.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 8500; market, 10c lower. Heavy, $8.70@9; mixed, $8.80@9; light, $9@9.30; pigs, $8@9; bulk of sales, $8.80@9.

Sheep—Receipts, 31,000; market, steady. Yearlings, $4.80@5.40; wethers, $3.80@4.40; ewes, $3.70@4.15; lambs, $6.20@6.85.

SAN FRANCISCO QUOTATIONS.

Produce Prices Current in the Bay City Markets.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 31.—The following prices were current in the produce market today:

Butter—Fancy creamery, 33c; creamery seconds, 30½c; fancy dairy, 28c.

Cheese—New, 14@15½c; Young America, 16@16½c.

Eggs—Store, 22c; fancy ranch, 36½c.

Poultry—Roosters, old, $4.50@5.50; roosters, young, $5.50@8; broilers, small, $2.25@3; broilers, large, $3@3.25; fryers, $4@5; hens, $4.50@10; ducks, old, $4.50@5; ducks, young, $5@7.

Vegetables — Cucumbers, 25@50c; garlic, 2½@3c; green peas, 2@4c; string beans, 3@6c; tomatoes, 40@75c; eggplant, 40@60c.

Hops—California, 11@15c.

Millstuffs—Bran, $23@25; middlings, $30@34.

Hay—Wheat, $7@13; wheat and oats, $8@11.50; alfalfa, $7@13; stock, $5@6.50; straw, 35@60c.

Fruit—Apples, choice, 65@85c; common, 35@50c; bananas, 75c@$3; Mexican limes, $3.50@4.50; California lemons, choice, $5.50; California lemons, common, $2.50; pineapples, $2@2.50.

Potatoes—Salinas Burbanks, $1.20@1.40; sweets, 2½@3c.

Receipts—Flour, 3276 quarter sacks; wheat, 1715 centals; barley, 11,175 centals; oats, 1115 centals; beans, 282 sacks; potatoes, 6530 sacks; bran, 117 sacks; middlings, 46 sacks; hay, 1435 tons; wool, 117 bales; hides 330.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, Aug. 31.—Evaporated apples steady, quiet. On the spot, fancy quoted at 10½@11c, choice at 8½@9c; prime 8@8½c and common to fair 6¾@7½c.

Prunes, quiet, firm. Quotations 3¼@10c for Californias up to 30-40s and 5@9½c for Oregons.

Apricots, quiet, firm. Choice, 10½@11¾c; extra choice, 11¾@12¼c; fancy, 12@12½c.

Peaches, firm. Choice, 7c; extra choice, 6¾@7¼c; fancy, 8@8½c.

Raisins, quiet, firm. Loose Muscatels, 5¾@5¾c; choice to fancy seeded, 4¾@6¾c; seedless, 4¼@5½c; London layers $1.20@1.25.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, Aug. 31.—Coffee futures closed easy. Sales, 31,750 bags. Private cables received from a prominent firm in Brazil reiterated a former crop estimate of 8,000,000 to 8,500,000 bags. Spot coffee firm. No. 7 Rio 10@10¼c; No. 4, 10½c. Mild coffee, firm. Cordova, 10½@12½c.

Raw sugar, steady. Muscovado, 89 test, 2.92c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4.42c; molasses sugar, 89 test, 3.67c. Refined, quiet. Crushed, 5.95c; granulated, 5.25c; powdered, 5.35c.

$23,691.72 PAID ON BONDS

City of Astoria Compelled to Borrow $9000 for 60 Days.

ASTORIA, Or., Aug. 31.—(Special.)—This morning, City Treasurer Prael paid out $22,691.72 as principal and interest on municipal bonds which will mature tomorrow.

This makes a total of $39,000 in the city's bonds that have been retired during the present year. In order to pay these bonds, the city was compelled to borrow $9000 for 60 days, but that indebtedness will be taken up on October 24, as taxes to a greater amount than that will have been paid in before that.

The population of the Dominion Republic is variously estimated to be between 400,000 and 500,000 scattered over an area quite as large as Vermont and New Hampshire, or about 30 to the square mile of territory.

LATE SWING UPWARD

Chicago Wheat, After Opening Weak, Turns Strong.

LAST PRICES ARE BEST

Kansas City Reports Selling Flour to Holland and Scotland—Export Wheat Sales at Atlantic Seaboard.

CHICAGO, Aug. 31.—During the last hour there was much new investment and no little reinstatement of wheat unloaded yesterday. Partly this course was due to the fact that the seaboard laid claim to considerable export business today. Moreover, Kansas City reported having sold flour to Holland and Scotland. Then, too, an improved milling demand for wheat was reported here. Previously the most of the news had been the other way, with values sagging accordingly. It was not until the final 35 minutes that the upward swing began in earnest. The tone at the end was firm, with the last sales at easily the best prices of the day. December ranged from $1.02⅞ to $1.03¼, finishing ⅝ to ½@¾c up at $1.03⅜ to $1.03⅝@1.03¾.

Corn suffered a severe decline early, but recovered later. December fluctuations were between 57⅛c and 57¾@57⅞c. Steadiness prevailed at the close, which was at a net decline of ¼c to ⅛@⅜c for December. The cash market was weak. No. 2 yellow closed at 59@59½c.

For oats lowest prices of the season were made, but there was a fair rally with other grains. December varied from 35⅝ to 36⅛c and at the windup was at the last named, the same as last night, to ⅛c higher.

Latest figures were unchanged to 7½c off for lard and at 2½ to 7½c decline for ribs.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
Sept	$ .98⅝	$ .99⅝	$ .98⅝	$ .99⅝
Dec	1.02⅛	1.03¾	1.02⅞	1.03¾
May	1.08⅝	1.09½	1.08¼	1.09⅜
CORN.				
Sept	.59½	.59½	.58½	.59
Dec	.57⅝	.57⅞	.57⅛	.57⅜
May	.60	.60¼	.59⅝	.60⅛
OATS.				
Sept	.32¼	.32¼	.32⅛	.32⅛
Dec	.36⅛	.36¼	.35⅝	.36⅛
May	.39⅝	.39⅝	.39⅛	.39⅝
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