

APPLE SALES LARGE Trade on Front Street Is Heaviest of Season.

BUYERS WANT CHEAP FRUIT Bulk of Stock Disposed of Will Be Retained at \$1—Small Inquiry for Higher-Priced Apples.

The effect of the apple selling campaign, which will be inaugurated today, was seen on front street yesterday in a material increase in the movement of the fruit. For several days apples have been going to the retail trade in good quantities, but yesterday the volume of the business was heavy. The total sales of the day probably exceeded those of any week heretofore this season.

The demand was mainly for the cheaper grades of fruit, such as could be sold at retail around \$1. These grades of apples were taken in quantities at 75 to 85 cents. There was a fair inquiry for fruit up to \$1, but not much call for higher priced stock.

Front-street dealers have been enabled to make a good clearance of cheap apples, but they believe that ample stocks are still available in the country, and they do not look for much change in price during the remainder of the season.

Oranges were heavy and less neglected yesterday, but the supply on hand was not large and the market was firm in sympathy with the strength of the California market.

Among the vegetable arrivals was a shipment of cucumbers from Illinois, which were quoted at \$2.50 a dozen. California cucumbers were sold at \$2 lettuce and good variety were scarce, but a car of celery, for bananas, five cars of which are due today.

Locally, demand for mohair is fairly good, but supplies of domestic are very well sold up and stocks of foreign in dealers' hands are not heavy. Prices are readily maintained on a very firm basis as previously reported.

The improvement recently noted in the English market for mohair, and the demand at retail prices, the turnover, both in Turkey and Cape has been moderately good and is said to be due to the demand for rovings from the Continent and for raw materials for America.

Advises from the Cape show no particular change, the market, except for winter kids' hair, being well cleaned up. At Constantinople some further lots are reported sold, but the business is of more modest proportions than recently.

Local receipts in cars were reported by the Merchants Exchange as follows: Wheat—Wheat, Flour, Oats, Hay, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Year ago, Season to date.

Offers for Growers' Hops. There was a moderate inquiry for hops on the local market yesterday, and offers were made to growers in the Silverton section, but so far as could be learned no deals were closed.

Bank Clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows: Portland, Seattle, Tacoma, Spokane.

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NEW YORK COTTON MARKET. NEW YORK, March 5.—Cotton—Spot closed quiet. Mid-upland, 12.70; do Gulf, 12.85; do West India, 12.90.

NEW YORK WOOL SALES. LONDON, March 5.—Wool—Auction sales continued today with offerings of 11,800 bales. The selection was in better condition and the demand animated at firm.

DAIRY AND COUNTRY PRODUCTS. POULTRY—Hens, 16¢; broilers, 22¢; turkeys, 18¢@20¢; dressed, choice, 24¢@25¢.

BEAR ATTACKS FAIL Prices Move Definitely Upward in Wall Street.

BUYING MORE AGGRESSIVE Scarcity of Offerings Makes Raising of Bids Necessary—Coppers Benefited by Active Foreign Demand for Metal.

NEW YORK, March 5.—Although trading was not on a large scale, there was aggressive buying at times today of the 20-vote stocks, especially Reading, Steel and Amalgamated. There was no sign of the heaviness which developed late yesterday. Bear traders attempted to bring about a further decline in the early session, but were unable to make headway.

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BREAK AT MINNEAPOLIS European Demand Small and Argentine Prices Decline With Predictions of Larger Shipments.

CHICAGO, March 5.—Wheat—Butter steady. Creameries, 33¢@34¢. Eggs weak. Receipts 15,500 cases; at market included, 16,000; ordinary fancy, 17¢; firsts, 18¢.

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DAILY CITY STATISTICS Births, Deaths, Marriages.

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