# MR. BURKE REPLIES

Collector Answers Criticisim of Report on Fishermen.

FIRM STAND ANNOUNCED

Customs Official Advises Secretary of Union to See Laws Obeyed, Lights Carried and Channel Kept Free for Liners.

Replying to criticism directed against him at Astoria, because of his action in reporting facts to Washingother fishermen.

with other fishermen.

The letter is as follows:

Tour letter of May 11 to the Asterian was elipsed and malied to me with a note signed "Fishermen's Friend." In it you wrongfully quote me as saying that "The fishermen at Asteria have ruled things for years and they must be taught to releganize the rights of others. Large ships which come in there cannot suffer from such losses as they have been to."

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GATTLE MARKET FIRM

Quotation is Explained.

I don't recall ever using such language. although it applies fairly well. What I have said is: "If the channel of the river is made dangerous or difficult at any point by fishing boats and nets, the millions expended by the Government in removing natural obstructions have been spent in vain." I said further that "foreign ships have been held outside the bar all night, and last week the American and the Santa Coceila went to ground in the fear of endangering life and property by holding to the channel clogged with nets and boats in the vicinity of Astoria."

MATERIAL.

Pulp-Fed Steers Are Taken at \$8.15,

Prices Steady in Other

Lines.

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I also said this: The importance of this fishing industry is recognized and sympathy is general for the individual fisherman, but commerce has the "ight of way" on the river, and the Government will go to any extent necessary to keep the channel clear for the free passage of commercial ships."

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"Order" is Act of Congress,

The 'order" you complain of, and which you say was issued from this office, is a Federal law that has been in force since 1807. It is my duty to enforce it and therefore I must and will. At one time I asked authority to relax this law in a part of this district where shipping is unimportant, if not entirely absent. Following is my letter to the Department and the reply:

"Portland, Or., July 18, 1913.—The Honorable, the Secretary of Commerce—Sir: I have the hour to transmit herewith pelition of citizens of Alsea Bay and River requesting that the carrying of lights on fishing boats he waived.

"Alsea Bay is a small bay on the coast south of Yaquina Bay and vessels cannot enter on account of the shallow bar, and the only hours used there are fishing boats and gasoline inurches.

"This petition is submitted for your con-"This petition is submitted for your consideration. Respectfully,

Respectfully, "THOMAS C. BURKE, "Collector of Customs."

The day's sales were as follows:

Wt. Price

3 heifers, 1945 \$5.75
2 cows., 1420 0.50
1 steer., 1140 0.50
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2 steers, 1040 7.00
2 cows., 0.35
3 cows., 0.35 Reply Probibits Change.

"Department of Commerce, Office of the Secretary, Washington, D. C., July 30, 1913.

Thomas C. Burke, Collector of Customs, Portland, Or. Sir. Your letter of the Ishinatant transmitting petition of clitzens of Alsea Bay and River, received.

"The act of June 7, 1897, provides that the following regulations for preventing collision shall be followed by all vessels navigaling all harbors and rivers and luinnd waters of the United States, etc., and Article I provides Tules concerning laws shall be compiled with in all weathers from sunset to sources, and during such time no other lights which may be mistaken for the prescribed lights shall be exhibited. Article 9 provides, all vessels when troiling, dredging, or fishing with any kind of a drag net shall exhibit from some part of the vessel Reply Prohibits Change. "You may inform the applicants that the Department is not authorized to walve the above cited act of Congress, "Respectfully, "Assistant Secretary."

Advice to Obey Law Given, Advice to Obey Law Given,

The above reply should make it clear to you that it is a law of the United States and applies to inland waters everywhere, and not an "order" from this office such as you complain of as being directed against the Columbia River whereby the fishermen thore, as you are pleased to say, "are pre-vented from use of their vision at nights, thereby making them practically helples during the dark hours."

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Friend," Mr. Lornsten, you will advise them to obey the laws of the country which permit them to occupy its navigable waters unmolested and, as you say, "earn a living for themselves and their dependents" by fishing therein so long as they adhere to the regulations prescribed and do not obstruct commerce.

Regulation Example Cited,

For about 25 miles down from the mouth of the Willamette the fishermen are aiding this office most cheerfully and everybody is happy. For example, on the first drift down from the Willamette, George Beaver is captain of the drift, and his busienss is to see that every beat on that drift is fully equipped with lights and otherwise, and the ship channel is kept clear for passing boats; and so on down for about the distance stated the drifts are handled in the same way. Boats drift in their order and every fisherman has an equal chance, for there are no poachers slipping along in the dark and life and property are not endangered.

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would recommend some such plan to yo In having the fishermen around astoria cooperate with this office by keeping the river
channel unobstructed for the passage of
commercial boats and otherwise obeying the
laws and regulations of the Government. In
this way you can prove yourself to be in
fact "The Fishermen's Friend."

### PERSONAL MENTION.

W. H. Eccles, of Baker, is at the Ore-H. J. Slusher, of Astoria, is at the Sections, according to a communication which was received from that department yesterday by Dr. Calvin S. White, state health officer. The com-Perkina.

Imperial.

J. W. Bailey, of Spokane, is at the

L. A. Ruben, of Russell, N. D., is at October. J. A. Smith, of Hood River, is at the Multnomab.

W. Kelly, of Hood River, is at C. M. Crandall, of Vale, is registered

J. L. White, of Canby, is registered at the Seward.

J. H. Choate, Jr., of Ashland, is at

are at the Portland.

C. F. Stone, of Bay City, is regis-tered at the Perkins. R. H. Cowden, of Silverton, is registered at the Portland. Mrs. J. S. Vilas, of Medford, is reg-istered at the Cornellus.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Poster, of Corval-Mr. and Mrs. John D. Coughell, of Market Too Uncertain for J. E. Robertson, of Hood River, is registered at the Imperial. Speculation. Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Huston, of Cor-

W. St. Martin, of Carson, Wash., is registered at the Carlton.

car; Cottonwood Milling Co., Cottonwood Idaho, two cars; W. H. Ruggs, Washougal

with sheep—Pelton & Hanson, Rosebur two cars; C. H. Farmer, McCoy, five cars. With mixed leads—Peterson Bros., Fore Grove, one car cattle and sheep; J. E. Mor head, Goldendale, one car cattle and hog W. W. Smith, Corvallis, one car hogs ar

Omaha Livestock Market.

The day's sales were as follows:

B. F. Laughlin, of The Dalles, is registered at the Perkins. Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Miller, of Glendale, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. French, of No Sales on Exchange, but Lim-Corvallis, are at the Seward. ited Trading on Curb-Con-Ben C. Coughill and Edward Dugdale, of Medford, are at the Nortonia. tinued Movement of S. J. Clausen and family, of Clear Wheat to East.

Replying to criticism directed against him at Astoria, because of his action in reporting facts to Washington regarding the obstruction of the channel by fishing boats, resulting in the New York liners, Santa Cecilia and American grounding while trying to avoid running down the boats, Collector of Customs Burke has written an open letter to H. M. Lornisen, secretary of the Columbia River Fishermen's Protective Union. In it he sets forth comment he made on the situation, also his attitude and what success has been attained on the river between Astoria and the Willamette with other fishermen.

At the Nortonia.

Mrs. C. A. Daugherty and Miss Helen Daugherty for South Bend, Ind., are chants Exchange vesterday, but 5000 bushels of prompt bluestem changed hands on the curb at \$1.19. This is close to the price that has been current during the latter h

PRICES

There has been a continued demand for good beef cattle this week, which has put the market in a very firm position. This was demonstrated yesterday at the stockyards when a load of pulp-fed steers changed hands at \$8.15. The best price heretofore on this class of stock was \$8. Other loads of steers were sold at \$8.05 and \$7.95. Butcher cattle sold at good prices throughout. 487 bushels of corn.

out.

The hog market maintained a steady front at \$8.15 for top grade light weights with only a moderate supply offered.

In the sheep division Thursday's prices again prevailed. Lambs soid at \$8.50 off again prevaied. Iamos soid at \$8.00 off cars.

Receipts were 118 cattle, 415 hogs and 1013 sheep. Shippers were;

With cattle—F. W. Burke, Cornish, Utah, two cars; S. Lind, Cornish, two cars.

With hogs—Albion Jenson, Goldendale, one

REFUSE TO SEND POTATOES HERE Minnesota Shippers Vind Better Markets

of marketable Oregon potatoes,
From now on the local trade will prob

From now on the local trade will probably have to depend on the East for old potatees, and they will cest more money. Minnesota shippers have given notice that they will send no more cars here, as the returns have been unsatisfactory and better markets have been found elsewhere. The Wisconsin stock brought in was poor, and the dealers will have no more of it, so it is likely they will have to call grade on Min.

TURPENTINE—in tanks, 60c; in cases. likely they will have to call again on Min- 67c; nesota and pay the prices asked,

TRADE

Murphy Lot Is Taken at 10 and 1014 Cents 

\$1.00 to \$1.00. Vegetable receipts were light and prices RABIES FIGHT IS TO BEGIN were generally unchanged. Federal Hunters Are to Cover East-Poultry Prices Continue Low ern and Southern Part of State.

Poultry continues to come in plentifully, but at the low prices the demand is good. Pressed meat supplies have been The United States Department of throughout the week and the market is Agriculture has taken steps to assist very stoady. In the destruction of coyotes in Eastern and Southern Oregon to put an supply and the demand about equal. Butter end to the epidemic of rables in those and cheese are moving well at unchanged

prices. Hay Market Is Stendy. Hay prices are holding steady all along to line. The market is in healthy shape George Marsh, of Dallas, is at the erkins.

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H. C. Keyser, of Jefferson, is at the mperial.

C. B. Williams, of Dallas, is at the mperial.

N. J. Blagen, of Hoquiam, is at the full to be a select and start the hunters to work. Unfortunately the pressure of work at this season is so great that it is necessary for Mr. Sans to leave this work soon after June 1. However, he will and is likely to continue so during the re-mainder of the season. Receipts are not large, but just about enough hay is coming in to supply the demand,

yesterday were as follows: | Citarings Balances | St.440,416 | \$1.24.558 | \$1.24.558 | \$1.24.558 | \$1.24.558 | \$1.24.559 | \$4.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24.559 | \$6.24. soon after June 1. However, he will resume work against coyotes on more extensive lines in Eastern Oregon in PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS

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TAX EXEMPTION DEMANDED Son Insists Weyerhacuser Estate in

OLYMPIA, Wash., May 14.—Fredorick Weyerhaeuser, son of the great
the Cornelius.

J. H. Choate, Jr., of Ashland, is at
the Multinomah.

Arthur Larson, of Baldwin, N. D., is
at the Cariton.

J. Dalton, of Scattle, is registered
at the Imperial.

H. W. Harris, of Bond, is registered
at the Noctonia.

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Washington Is Not Liable.

alley timothy, \$12@12.50; grain hay, \$10@ 2; alfalfa, \$12.50@12.50. Fruits and Vegetables.

Local jobbing quotations: TROPICAL FRUITS — Oranges, navels, \$2.25@325 per box; Mediterranean aweets, \$2.25@2.50; lemons, \$5.50@4.75 per box; bauanas, 44.@5c per pound; grapefruit, \$4.25

balanne, the soc per pound; 25.75.
VEGETABLES—Cucumbers, Oregon, 75c@ \$1.25 per dozen; artichokes, 75c dozen; formatoes \$5 per crate; cabbage, 24.05 he per pound; celery, \$3.50@4 per crate; head lettuce, \$2.25 per crate; apinach, 5c per pound; rhubarh, 1911; per pound; asparagus, 75c@\$1.25; eggplant, 25c per pound; pens, 707 he per pound; beans, 10@12c per pound. OUNIONS—California, yellow, \$1.50; white, HOLDING STEADY \$2 per crate.
SACK VEGETABLES—Carrots, \$1.50@2
per sack; beets, \$2@2.25 per sack; turnips,
\$1.50@2 per sack.

Dairy and Country Produce.

Local jobbing quotations:
EGGS—Fresh Oregon ranch, case count.
18½-919c; candled, 10½-920c per dozen.
POULTRY—Hens, 12½-913½-9; flive, 1869
20c; ducks, cld. 3-212c; young. 18-920c;
geeine, 8220c.
BUTTER—Creamery, prints, extras, 25c
per pound in case lots; %c more in less than case lots; cubes, 21½-92½-0;
CHESE—Oregon triplets, jobbers' buying price, 14c per pound, f. o. b. dock, Portland;
Young America, 15c per pound.
VEAL—Fancy, 10-916½-c per pound.
PORK—Block, 10-216½-c per pound.
PORK—Block, 10-216½-c per pound. Dairy and Country Produce.

Staple Groceries.

lowered 1½ cents, but elsewhere throughout the list, offered prices were the same as the day before, except in the case of club and fife, where bids were t to 2 cents higher. Oats bids were unchanged, but barley bids were raised 25 to 50 cents.

The uncertainty that is hanging over all commodity and speculative markets is having a deterrent effect on wheat trade here. The whole business public is waiting to see the outcome of the negotiations with Germany, while the wheat trade 's also watching the progress of operatic s in the Dardanelies. In the meantime there is no disposition to speculate in the market either way.

California demand, which promoted a little activity recently, was not so much in evidence yesterday. Some Eastern business have been sold for shipment East and a good part of this has already gone forward. Braistreet's estimates shipments this week at 6,750,000 bushels of wheat and 686, 487 bushels of corn.

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WOHAIR-New clip, 32 4 #330 per pound, CASCARA BARK-Old and new, 4 # 4 150

HAMS—All sizes, 174 @ 184c; skinned, 17 @ 18c; picule, 12c; cottage roll, 184c; D'18c; picnic, broiled, 19@28c. minesota Shippers Find Better Markets

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Stocks of Oregon potatoes are now practically cleaned up. A shipment of 10 cars
and bas been made by McKinley Mitchell to
California. These potatoes are wanted there
for seed, and a total of about 20 cars have
lately gone forward for that purpose. This
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TURPENTING--in tanks, 60c; in cases, c; 10-case lots, to less.

7.25 INDEPENDENCE HOP CROP SOLD WAR DEVELOPMENTS HAVE NOT CHANGED SPITEATION.

> Larger Railroad Traffic Shown by Notable Decrease in Number of Idle Cars Reported.

NEW YORK, May 14.-R. G. Dun & Co.'s the purchaser. A part of the crop brought the cents and the remainder 10 cents. It new proof of the essential stability and nower of the financial and business stru There appears to be no demand for con-tracts. Reports as to the growth of the coming crop are conflicting. that may arise.

Kansas Miller's Report on Crops.

1. M. Yost, president of the Yost Milling Company, of Wilson, Kan., was in the city yesterday. He is on his annual business trip to Oregon, and reports that the crops made a fine appearance along the line all the way from Utah.

As for the Kansas wheat crop, Mr. Yost says it will exceed that of last year, which he declares was even larger than the Government's final estimate. He says there is plenty of wheat still left in the state, and he looks for much lower prices.

Berry Supply Is Lighter.

The supply of berries on the street yeaterday was not large, the rain and cold weather holding back the crop. The supply was sufficient, however, as the demant was not heavy. The best berries sold at \$1.00.571,438, an locrease of 22.6 per cent of the rade. Work is an order of the street of the state, and the looks for much lower prices.

More Trade in the stock, cotton and other equally sensitive markets, the effect of the equality sensitive markets, the equality sensitive markets.

MORE TRADE IN WOOL AT BOSTON Market Stimulated by Strength of Values at London.

BOSTON, May 14.—The Commercial Bulletin will say tomorrow:
Rather more business has resulted this week, no doubt due in some measure to the strength of the market at London, where crossbreds have mractically regained their opening decline and merinos are a bit firmer. The bulk of the week's trade has been in foreign wools, for which prices have been firm.

Domestic wool sales have been limited in mber and quality, but prices are steady, Scoured basis Texas, fine 12 months, 65 88c; fine 8 months, 688 69c. California — Northern, 62 65c; Middle courty, 58 60c. Southern, 55 55c. Oregon Eastern No. 1 staple, 68 670c; stern clothing, 64 65c; Valley No. 1, 57 59c. ### Bank Clearings.

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London Wool Sales.

London. May 14.—The efforings at the wool auction sales today amounted to 7500 bales. A fine selection of merinos brought out animated competition between French. Russian and home buyers, and rates hardened. Lambs' wool was firm at the last auction rates.

All days to shear the Jackson flocks.

This year the wool is unusually clean, and is weighing nine pounds to the fleece.

Clarke Berries Are Ripening.

RIDGEFIELD. Wash, May 14.—(Special.)—The strawberries in the western section of Clarke County are ripening fast and

Wall Street Market Declines in Orderly Manner.

WAR STOCKS SUFFER MOST

able, but Anxiety Over Outcome of International Situation Is Dominant Factor.

outcome of the international situation, more particularly the tense relations between this country and dermany, was the all-pervading feature of today's stock market. Prices fell 3 to 5 points in the representative group and 5 to 10 points in these issues which have come to be designated as "war stocks." Lowest quotations were made in the final hour with only the most meager recoveries. Some comfort was extracted from the fact that selling was at all times moderate and unattended by any of the excitement which accompanied recent declines.

Actual news developments, so far as they affected domestic credits, were mostly favorable, but these elements were overshald dowed by the restraint which affected all circles. Bankers and other substantial interests commonly assumed to be in close touch with all phases of the foreign situation counseled extreme caution. To such an extent was this policy observed that some of the more conservative brokerage houses not only advised their clients to close out speculative accounts, but in some instances refused to engage in new purchases of this character except for cash.

One plausible reason advanced in explanation of the day's moderate business was that large amounts of stock could not be disposed of without serious depression of prices. It was regarded as eignificant also that banks were scaling down values of special stocks offered in loans. In line with this attitude, a firmer tone was noted for all time maturities, even though call money was in free supply. free supply. Fotal sales of stocks amounted to 720,000 Francs fell to a new low record in the exchange market and Italian re-

estis bank clearings made favorable operison with a year ago, local banks ning decidedly over this period of the Bonds were weak with total sales par value of \$2,250,000. United States and Pan-ama bonds declined from 15 to 1 per cent on call. CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS

saka Gold... 11,200
mal Copper 200
m Beet Sugar. 3,700
nerican Can... 21,500
n Sm & Refg. 4,800
do pfd. 600
n Sugar Refg. 1,000
ner Tobacco 600
aconda Min. 9,700
chilen 6,200 Sales. High. 11,200 31% 200 65% 3,700 48% 21,500 38 4,800 64% 600 105%

West.

Nor Pacifics ... 3,400 10415 10215 102 Pacific Mall ... 19 Pac Tel & Tel ... 200 20 25 28 Pennsylvania 2,300 100 5 105 105 Hay Cons Cop ... 15,700 2215 21 21 5 Reading ... 4,000 1325 130 5 141 5 Rep Ir & Scel ... 240 Bock 1sl Co ... 200 15 15 Stl.&SF 24 pfd ... 200 15 15 urd. 200 3,300 1,300 43,600 600 12,000 1,800 7,400 Pacific.

do pfd. 1.800 10.5 % 104 % 104 What Copper 1.400 85 % 60 % 61 Wabash pfd 1.000 15 15 15 10 Western Union 400 65 64 % 63 Westing Eiec. 36,500 85 % 83 % 84 Montana Power, 500 47 48 45 Total sales for the day, 720,000 shares. BONDS. U S Bet 2s, reg. 97 | Nor Pac 3s, ... 65% do coupon... 97 | Go 4s ... 91 U S 3s, reg. ... 190% Union Pac 4s, b.95% do coupon... 100% S P Conv 5s... 98% U S N 4s, reg. 100 | C M & F P C 58.102 do coupon... 110 | Pa Conv 4%s... 102 N Y C G 3%s, b 79%;

Money, Exchange, Etc. NEW YORK, May 14 .- Mercantile paper,

4.7025.

Bar sliver, 50c.

Mexican dollars, 38%c.

Government and railroad bonds, weak.

Time loans, firmer: 60 days, 3 per cent;

0 days, 3% per cent; six months, 3% per cent. cent.
Call money, steady; high, 2 per cent; low, 1% per cent; ruling rate, 2 per cent; last loan, 2 per cent; closing bid, 1% per cent; offered at 2 per cent.

LONDON, May 14.—Bar silver, 23%d per ounce, Money, 14.61% per cent. Discount rates—Short bills, 2% per cent; three months, 2% per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO PRODUCE MARKETS Prices Current in the Bay City on Fruits, Vegetables, Etc.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14. — Butter — Frosh extras, 24c; prime firsts, 23c; frosh Eggs—Fresh extras, 25 Me firsts, 21c; sec-mids, 20c; pullets, 20 Me. Cheese—New, 8 B 11c; Young Americas, 2 Me; Oregon, 13 Me. Vegetables — Celery, 50c \$1.25; peas, 15 M 2 Me. Cucumbers, 75c \$51; asparagus, 1.75 Me 2.50; string beans, 3 & 5c; wax beans, 14 Me 2.50; string beans, 3 & 5c; wax beans, Gle. Onions-California, 65@75c; Oregon, 80@ Fruit — Lemons, \$1.50@2.25; grapefruit, \$1.50@2; oranges, \$1.75@2.75; bananas, Hawalian, \$1.50@2.25; pineapples, Hawalian, \$0.50; apples, California Pippina, Pointoes—Oregon, nominal: Idaho, \$1,500, 1.90; now; 903140; sweets, \$202.25; garnetz, 2524c; Eastern, \$1,200,170.
Receipts Flour: 10,654 quarters; barley, 31,324 centals; potatoes, 2038 sucks; hay, 60 tons.

700 sheep are bendled daily and it takes six days to shear the Jackson flocks.

RIDGEFIELD. Wash. May 14.—(Spe-ial.)—The strawberries in the western sec-ion of Clarke County are ripening fast and re selling around the city for 10 cents a three days arrived just in time, Large

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Naval Stores. SAVANNAH, Ga., May 14.—Turpentine, quiet: 41%c. Salin. 40; receipts. 455; shipments. 670; stocks. 22,072.
Rosin, quiet. Bales. 335; receipts. 085; shipments. 355; stocks. 62,199. Quote: A B. \$2,90; C D. \$3,07; E. \$3,17%; F. \$3,20; G H. \$3,35; I K. \$3,45; M. \$4; N. \$5; WG. \$5,40; WW. \$5:50.

Stocks Uncertain at London. LONDON, May 14.—Uncertainty was apparent in the American section of the stock market, where the dealings were half-hearted. Canadian Pacific weakened in the afternoon and the rest of the list dropped and closed uncertain.

## **EXPORT BUSINESS STOPS**

SHARP DECLINE IN WHEAT PRICES AT CHICAGO.

Bearish Official Crop Report From Texas Adds to Weakness-Course Grains Are Lower.

CHICAGO, May 14.-Export business, ap CHICAGO, May 14.—Export business, apparently at a standatili for the time being on acquent of uncertainties growing out of the American note to Germany, lended to bring about a sharp decline today in the price of wheat. The market closed unsettled at 1% to 1% omits under last night. Other leading stupies, too, finished at a net loss, corn % to 1%c, cats % to 1% and provisions 7% to 10c.

The Texas official report was said to be the most flattering ever issued as to conditions in that state. On the other hand, an earlier private report from a leading authority said the chance of a bumper crop this year in Kanzas was gone. year in Kaneas was gone.

Although corn at first was inclined to hold steady, the market laier gave way with wheat. News regarding the progress of planting counted somewhat against the bulls.

Absence of important cash sales pulled down cats. Besides, field conditions were said to be excellent, especially in the South-Provisions suffered from unloading ascribed to Eastern holders. Higher prices for hogs falled to have a lasting effect.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

WHEAT High Low Clone, \$1,55 \$1.52 \$1.52 % 1.31% 1.37% 1.27% CORN. .74 .7634 OATS. 100% 100% MESS PORK 18.15 17.77 17.83 18.59 18.15 18.17 LARD. July ..... 9.75 Sept. .... 9.77 SHORT RIBS. July ..... 10.67 10.67 10.45 10.45 Sept. ..... 10.85 10.85 10.70 10.72 Sept. .....10.85 10.85 10.70 10.72 Cash prices were: Wheat—No. 2 red, nominal; No. 2 hard, Wheat-No. 2 red, nominal; No. 2 naro, \$1.55% \$1.56. Corn-No. 2 yellow, 75\$75%c; No. 4 yel-low, 74\$74%c.

low, 74@74%2.

Byc-No. 2. nominal.

Bariey-72@79c.
Timothy-85@50.
Clover-85.50@12.75.
Primary receipts-Wheat, 607,000 vs. 272,000 bushels: coru, 374,000 vs. 248,000 bushels:
oats, 235,060 vs. 424,000 bushels.
Shipmanus-Wheat, 286,000 vs. 696,000
bushels: corn, 472,000 vs. 455,000 bushels:
oats, 835,000 vs. 579,000 bushels:
carances-Wheat, 250,000 bushels: corn, 214,000 bushels; oats, 663,000 bushels; flour, 10,000 bushels; oats, 663,000 bushels; flour,

Foreign Grain Market. LONDON, May 14.—Cargoes on passage; Wheat, Id lower; corn, unchanged,

Minneapolis Grain Market MINNEAPOLIS, May 14.—Wheat May, 81.50%; July, \$1.65%; No. 1 hard, \$1.57%; No. 1 Northern, \$1.52% @1.57%; No. 2 North-ern, \$1.47% @1.51%. Barley-96-0074c.

Kansas City Grain Market, KANSAS CITY, May 14.—Cash wheat,

Puget Sound Grain Market. Puget Sound Grain Market.

SEATTLE, May 14.—Wheat—Bluestem,
\$1.15; forty-fold, \$1.10; club, \$1.08; fife,
\$1.05; red Bussian, \$1. Barley, \$21 per ton,
Yenterday's car receipts: Wheat 12, barley
1, hay 15, flour 11.

TACOMA, May 14.—Wheat—Bluestem,
\$1.18; forty-fold, \$1.13@1.15; club, \$1.13@
1.13; red fife, \$1.09@1.10. Car receipts:
Wheat 8, barley 1, cats 3, hay 6.

Grain at San Francisco. Grain at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 14.—Spot quotations: Walla Walla, \$2.10@112%; Red Russian, \$2.05@2.10; Turkey red, \$2.10@2.15; Diuestem, \$2.10@2.20; feed barley, \$1.15@1.17%; white outs. \$1.75@1.77%; bran. \$28.50@27; middlings, \$328.33; shorts, \$28.50@27; Call board.—Barley, December \$1.13 bid, \$1.20 asked.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, May 14.—Copper, firm licetrolytic, 18c; casting, 18,50g 18.75c.

The New York Metal Exchange quotes in quiet and easy; five-ton lots offered t 38.75c. Metal Markets. Iron, quiet and unchanged.
The Metal Exchange quotes lead quiet.
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Spolter, not quoted. Cotton Market. NEW YORK, May 14.—Spot cotton, quiet. Midding uplands, 9,70c. No sales. New York Sugar Market.

NEW TORK, May 14.—Raw Sugar, quiet. Centrifugal, 4.89c; molasses sugar, 4.12c. Refined, steady. Wool at New York. NEW YORK, May 14.-Wool, steady,

Dried Fruit at New York.
'NEW YORK, May 14,-Evaporaples, quiet; peunes, firm; peaches, Duluth Linseed Market.
DULUTH, May 14.—Linseed, cash \$2; Ma \$2, July \$2.01.

Light Company Rates Investigated. WALLACE, Idaho, May 14 .- (Spe-dal.)-Arriving last night the state

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quantities of berries are gathered almost Public Utilities Commission, composed overy day in spite of the wet weather. of A. P. Ramstedt, John Graham and Senator Freehafer, will devote the next two days here listening to the case of the city against the light company.

Lents Bible Class Pays Tribute.

Celebrating the 64th birthday of Ru-dolph Heyring, the Bible class of the Lents Methodist Episcopal Church, "The Overcomers," met at Mr. Heyting's home Thursday night. He was presented with a lounging chair, and many pretty speeches of felicitation were made. The evening was passed in song and Bible study.

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