

FROSTED APPLES

Values are lowered by sale of Frozen Fruit.

LOW PRICES ARE REALIZED

Heavy Shipments to Date, Together With Large Reserve Stock, Have Effect on Eastern Buyers.

A slight improvement in the demand for apples was reported by local jobbers yesterday, but the sales were mostly culls and jumble pack stock of various varieties at prices ranging from \$1.10 to \$1.50.

On the better grades prices were unchanged. One car of Oregon was added to the already large supply.

Shipments of Oregon apples Saturday were 87 cars. For the season to date the northwest has shipped 24,254 cars.

This is 7156 cars more than were shipped in the corresponding period last year.

The heavy movement, together with the large unshipped stock, having effect on the eastern markets, where sales have been made at no better than the f. o. b. shipping price.

Much frosted stock is also arriving on the eastern markets and this is not helping any. At the New York auction yesterday Oregon and Washington apples were sold at \$2.50 per box.

At \$2.50 per box, the best offering, fancy sold at \$2.00 per box, while the extra fancy sold at \$1.50 per box.

Staysman, slightly frosted, all sizes, fancy, at \$2.75; Homes, fancy, large, at \$3, slightly frosted at \$2.50 per box.

Arkansas Blacks, extra fancy, car run, at \$2.50; extra 2.00, and Wisconsin, extra fancy, poor quality and condition, car run, at \$2.00.

Commenting on the marketing of frosted apples, trade advices from New York, received by mail, say:

"The most serious phase of the deciduous market is the frost damage which has shown up in box apple shipments from the northwest. A continuation of this is apt to prove a menace to the market for some time to come.

Zero temperatures have prevailed in the Pacific northwest and many trains have come through low temperatures while in transit.

Some of this fruit has been sacrificed below the expected price, due to frost defects. Apples were not properly stored in many places and the extreme weather has ruined or damaged large quantities.

Details have not yet been received of the extent of the damage, but considerable apprehension prevails, as the temperature at some points was down to 32 degrees below zero. It will take a month or more to get the market rid of the injured fruit.

"Transit damage is offset to some extent by the added freight rate which is paid to insure the shippers against loss. Two winters ago, when the weather records were broken, the railroads inaugurated an optional rate of about 10 per cent over the regular tariff where frost insurance was desired.

Last year, during the mild winter, the railroads were the beneficiaries, but this season it looks as if the shippers might be on the other foot.

"Box apples sell up to \$3 on fancy varieties like Spitzenbergs, with frosted and jumble pack down to the dollar figure."

FLOUR PRODUCTION HOLDING UP

Decline of Million Barrels in Exports for Season to Date.

The 54th weekly bulletin, covering the wheat and wheat flour movement throughout the United States for the week ending December 28, in comparison with figures for the same period a year ago, follows:

Wheat receipts from 1919, 1918. Farms, bushels, 9,663,000, 7,339,000. Total receipts from 1919, 10,240,000, 10,227,000.

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Bank Clearings.

Table with columns for City, Amount, and Date. Includes entries for Chicago, St. Paul, and other cities.

PORTLAND MARKET QUOTATIONS

Table listing market quotations for various commodities like flour, feed, and oil.

Dairy and Country Produce.

Table listing prices for dairy products such as butter, cream, and milk.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Table listing prices for various fruits and vegetables.

Staple Groceries.

Table listing prices for staple grocery items like sugar, coffee, and flour.

Hides, Pelts and Furs.

Table listing prices for hides, pelts, and furs.

Hops, Wood, Etc.

Table listing prices for hops, wood, and other commodities.

Oil.

Table listing prices for various types of oil.

San Francisco Produce Market.

Table listing prices for produce in San Francisco.

Seattle Feed and Hay.

Table listing prices for feed and hay in Seattle.

CALL MONEY DECLINES

LOWER RATES FACTOR IN STOCK ADVANCE.

Steels, Oils and Motors Object of Bear Pressure—Foreign Bonds Are Active.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—The low ratio of reserves reported by the federal reserve bank, another supreme court decision sustaining war-time prohibition, progress of the railroad bill in the senate and ease of demand loans constituted the main factors of today's irregular stock market.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

Table showing closing stock quotations for various companies.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Jan. 5.—Copper, steady. Electrolytic, spot and first quarter, 19 1/2@19 3/4.

NEW YORK SUGAR MARKET.

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