ADDS NEW FEATURE

Merchants' Exchange Will Provide Sample Market.

FOR THE GRAIN TRADE

To Take Care of the Department, Exchange Will Move Into New Quarters in the Board of Trade Building.

The Merchants Exchange will next month begin the thirtieth year of its existence in new and modern quarters in the Board of Trade building at Fourth and Oak streets, Manager E. W. Wright yesterday signing a five-year lease for the new quarters. While the remarkable increase in the shipping business of the port has increased the work of the marine department of the Exchange to such an extent that more desirable rooms were a necessity, the immediate cause of the change was the demands of the grain trade for facilities for handling a sample market, such as is a feature of the grain exchanges in other parts of the country. For this cash grain trade, tables for samples will be provided, and an opportunity afforded buyers and sellers to meet and inspect offerings and make trades.

The San Francisco grain business out of this port has reached such large proportions that a large number of coasting vessels are in the trade almost constantly, and by combining the shipping and buying features of the business in one exchange so that shippers, ship agents and owners can have a suitable meeting place each day, the business of all parties will be facilitated. The Exchange will continue, as it has for the past 29 years, to supply the grain trade in the city and country with accurate market quotations and statistics regarding the grain trade of the world.

The Merchants Exchange, which is now covering a wider field than ever before, was established in November, 1879, W. S. Ladd, John McCracken, William Wadhams, D. J. Malarkey, D. P. Thompson, M. S. Burrell, D. F. Lehigh, James Steel, P. Wasserman and Charles Sweeny appearing as incorporators. The latter, who is now best known as the millionaire mining man of Spokane, was the first secretary and manager of the Exchange, and J. McCracken, who was then a prominent grain shipper, was the first president. A year later, D. F. Lehigh became president and W. J. Lehigh secretary. The Exchange was managed by the Lehighs until 1897. Since that time it has been under the management of E. W. Wright, and for the past eight years, Fred J. Clark has been secretary.

The Exchange, through its statistical grain, lumber and shipping reports, has an established reputation not only in this country, but in the foreign grain markets, and now that its scope of operations has been widened, it will have an increased value as one of the factors in Portland's grain, lumber and shipping trade. The standing of the Exchange in the community is pretty well reflected in the list of members, for it includes ten who have remained with it since December, 1879, and a dozen others who have been members for from 15 to 26 years, with some of the country members on the list for the past 15 years.

The coming of the North-Bank road to Portland will make this city pre-eminently the greatest grain market on the Pacific Coast and with the wonderful increase in shipping, the Merchants Exchange in its enlarged field today has a brighter future than at any time in its 29 years' existence.

CALIFORNIA INQUIRY FOR OATS.

But Bids Made Are Below the Prices Current Here.

The grain markets were very quiet yesterday and prices were unchanged. There was some demand from California for oats, but the prices offered were too low to permit of business being marked.

Receipts for the week as reported by the Board of Trade:

	Wheat. Cars.	Oats. Cars.	Barley. Cars.	Flour. Sacks.	Hay. Cars.
Monday	128	9	15	2508	23
Tuesday	45	10	9	988	10
Wednesday	75	8	3	560	5
Thursday	36	6	12	300	22
Friday	35	2	6	0	7
Saturday	82	3	5	....	9
Total	411	36	44	4356	76
Week Oct. 17	418	51	41	3596	70
Week Oct. 10	566	61	57	7079	70
Week Oct. 3	501	58	51	6370	45
Week Sept 26	740	63	80	2225	69
Week Sept 19	689	67	45	4355	90

FIRMER PRICES IN FRUIT MARKET

Everything Except Apples and Local Concords Held Stiffly.

There was not very much fruit on hand yesterday, and prices on the whole were quite firm. Apples were more plentiful than anything else and sold at a wide range of from 60c to $2. The demand for peaches was better than it has been and the price moved up to 60@75c.

Grapes were the firmest feature of the market. Tokays and muscats sold at $1.25 and Cornichons at $1.10@1.15. Local concords ranged from 12½@15c. Eastern concords are entirely cleaned up, but another car will be on sale Tuesday.

Western cranberries have advanced to $10.50 per barrel in sympathy with the higher prices now quoted by Eastern growers.

ONION GROWERS HOLDING FIRMLY

With the Crop Short They Will Not Force Supplies on the Market.

Oregon onion growers are inclined to take a more bullish view of the future. Sales have been fairly large in the past week, but the tendency now is to hold back for better prices. The California market, which a week ago was quoted at 50@60c, has now advanced to 65@75c, and buyers on the Sound and other Western Washington points, which have been getting their supplies in the South, are now turning their attention to Oregon.

With the reduced crop in this state—estimated at 50 to 60 per cent of last year's yield—the growers are not disposed to push their holdings on the market.

SOME MOVEMENT IN HOPS.

Holders of Inferior Grades More Anxious to Find a Market.

A little more activity in the Salem hop market was reported yesterday, Kola Neis and Catlin & Linn being the buyers. The following purchases have been made by the J. W. Seavey Hop Company, of this city: Roy Morley lot of 219 bales at Marquam, the W. A. Yergen lot of 49 bales at Butteville, the F. S. Bradley lot of 35 bales at Butteville, the E. C. Friday lot of 78 bales and the S. C. Inkley lot of 39 bales, also of Butteville.

Holders of choice hops are not pressing them on the market, but there is more disposition to seek buyers for the lower grades.

CHEESE MARKET VERY STRONG.

Heavy Buying by California and Good Demand From the North.

The cheese market is very firm and an advance in the near future is probable. The demand from California at this time is very heavy and there is also some inquiry from the North. Local stocks are small and the Coast factories have their normal supply on hand. The plants are beginning to close down and by the middle of next month all of them will be idle.

Butter holds steady, with the supply and demand running about even.

CHICKENS SELL AT 15 CENTS.

Market Closes at the Top Price of the Week.

The poultry market closed at the top price of the week. The receipts of chickens were fair for a Saturday, but the demand was strong enough to take up all of them at full prices, hens selling at 15 cents and Springs at 15@16 cents.

Eggs held at 40 cents for fresh ranch, but there were some signs of weakness in the market. Receipts, however, are too light to permit prices to drop back much.

Weekly Produce Receipts.

Weekly receipts of produce as reported by the Board of Trade: Apples, 4137 boxes, 4 cars; berries, 82, crates; bananas, 653 bunches; cranberries, 165 barrels; cherries, 9 boxes; grapes, 2061 crates, 3269 baskets, 1 car; grape fruit, 31 crates; lemons, 562 boxes; limes, 6 boxes; pears, 69 boxes; prunes, 9 boxes; peaches, 1716 boxes; pineapples, 11 crates; persimmons, 5 boxes; quinces, 77 boxes; pomegranates, 46 boxes; artichokes, 20 boxes; cabbage, 1 car, 80 crates; celery, 85 crates; carrots, 26 sacks; cucumbers, 42 boxes; egg plant, 32 crates; casabas, 2 cars; onions, 288 sacks; peppers, 64 boxes; potatoes, 1788 sacks, 2 cars; sweet potatoes, 6 cars; tomatoes, 92 crates; vegetables, 1 car; turnips, 31 sacks; clams, 257 boxes; crabs, 71 boxes; crawfish, 20 boxes; fish, 641 boxes; oysters, 391 sacks, 29 boxes; shrimps, 19 boxes; frog legs, 2 tubs; butter, 687 cases; cheese, 1003 cases; eggs, 2591 cases; cream, 22,946 gallons; milk, 4681 gallons; chickens, 423 coops; ducks, 18 coops; geese, 9 coops, turkeys, 9 coops; pigeons, 2 coops; hogs, dressed, 738; veal, 849; mutton, 80; lard, 2 cars; meat, 14 cars; honey, 149 cases; hops, 968 bales; bark, 29 sacks; walnuts, 1 car; almonds, 1 car.

Bank Clearings.

Clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$ 972,343	$ 63,814
Seattle	1,217,139	107,583
Tacoma	746,106	26,957
Spokane	1,082,992	69,605

Clearings of Portland, Seattle and Tacoma for the past week and corresponding week in former years were:

	Portland.	Seattle.	Tacoma.
1908	$6,741,517	$ 9,039,238	$4,722,114
1907	8,591,303	11,820,711	5,038,231
1906	5,932,247	10,314,982	4,548,561
1905	5,280,286	6,690,253	3,724,772
1904	4,509,770	5,541,880	2,897,586
1903	3,764,103	4,847,753	2,135,836
1902	4,013,446	4,986,257	2,065,419
1901	3,150,131	3,628,613	1,271,257

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Bluestem, 93@94c; club, 83c; fife, 83c; red Russian, 86c; 40-fold, 90c; valley, 90c.

BARLEY—Feed, $26@26.50 per ton; rolled, $27.50@28.50; brewing, $26.50.

OATS—No. 1 white, $31@31.50 per ton; gray, $30@30.50.

FLOUR—Patents, $4.80 per barrel; straights, $3.85; exports, $3.70; Valley, $4.45; ¼-sack graham, $4.40; whole wheat, $4.65; rye, $5.50.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $26.50 per ton; middlings, $33; shorts, country, $31; city, $30; U. S. mill chop, $22.

HAY—Timothy, Willamette Valley, $14 per ton; Willamette Valley, ordinary, $11; Eastern Oregon, $16.50@17.50; mixed, $13; clover, $9; alfalfa, $14; alfalfa meal, $19.

Vegetables and Fruit.

FRESH FRUIT—Apples, 60c@$2 per box; peaches, 60@75c per box; pears, 75c@$1.25 per box; grapes, 75c@$1.25 per crate; local Concords, 12½@15c per half basket; Eastern Concords, 35@40c per basket; huckleberries, 9@10c lb.; quinces, $1@1.25 per box; cranberries, $10.50 per barrel; nutmeg melons, $1.25 per box; casabas, 2½c per pound.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, Valencia, lates, $4.00@4.50 per box; lemons, fancy, $4.50@5.00 per box; choice, $3.50@4.00; standard, $2.75 per box; grapefruit, $4@4.75 per box; bananas, 5½@6c per pound; pomegranates, $1.75@2 per box; pineapples, $2@2.50 per dozen.

POTATOES—Buying price, 80@90c per hundred; sweet potatoes, 2@2½c per pound.

ONIONS—Oregon, $1.25 per 100 pounds.

ROOT VEGETABLES—Turnips, $1.25 per sack; carrots, 85c; parsnips, $1.25; beets, $1.25.

VEGETABLES—Artichokes, 75c per doz.; beans, 10c per pound; cabbage, 1¾c per pound; cauliflower, 75c@$1 per dozen; celery, 40@75c per dozen; cucumbers, $2 per box; egg plant, $2 per crate; lettuce, 75c@$1 per box; parsley, 15c per dozen; peas, 10c per pound; peppers, $1.75@2 per box; pumpkins, 1@1¼c per pound; radishes, 12½c per dozen; spinach, 2c per pound; sprouts, 8½@10c per pound; squash, 1¼c per pound; tomatoes, 40@50c.

Dairy and Country Produce.

BUTTER—City creamery, extras, 35@36c; fancy outside creamery, 32½@35c per pound; store, 17@20c.

EGGS—Oregon selects, 38@40c; Eastern, 27@32½c per dozen.

POULTRY—Hens, 14@15c per lb.; Spring 15@16c; ducks, old, 12@12½c; young, 14@15c; geese, old, 8@9c; young, 9@10c; turkeys, 16@17c.

CHEESE—Fancy cream twins, 15c per pound; full cream triplets, 15c; full cream Young America, 16c.

VEAL—Extra, 8½@9c per pound; ordinary, 7@7½c; heavy, 5c.

PORK—Fancy, 6½@7c per pound; large, 5½@6c.

Provisions.

BACON—Fancy, 22c per pound; standard, 20c; choice, 19c; English, 17@18c; strips, 15c.

DRY SALT CURED—Regular short clears, dry salt, 12c; smoked, 13c; short clear backs, heavy, dry salted, 12c; smoked, 13c; Oregon exports, dry salt, 13c; smoked, 14c.

HAMS—10 to 13 lbs., 16c; 14 to 16 lbs., 15½c; 18 to 20 lbs., 15½c; hams, skinned, 16c; picnics, 10c; cottage roll, 11½c; shoulders, 11½c; boiled ham, 22c; boiled picnic, 17c.

LARD—Kettle-rendered: Tierces, 13¼c; tubs, 13¼c; 50s, 13½c; 20s, 13⅝c; 10s, 14c; 5s, 14⅛c; 3s, 14¼c. Standard pure: Tierces, 12¾c; tubs, 12½c; 50s, 12½c; 20s, 12⅝c; 10s, 13c; 5s, 13⅛c; 3s, 13¼c. Compound: Tierces, 8c; tubs, 8¼c; 50s, 8¼c; 20s, 8⅜c; 10s, 8⅝c; 5s, 8¾c.

SMOKED BEEF—Beef tongues, each, 70c; dried beef sets, 16c; dried beef outsides, 15c; dried beef insides, 18c; dried beef knuckles, 18c.

PICKLED GOODS—Barrels: Pigs' feet, $13; regular tripe, $10; honeycomb tripe, $12; pigs' tongues, $19.50; lambs' tongues, $32.

MESS MEATS—Beef, specials, $11 per barrel; plate, $14 per barrel; family, $14 per barrel; pork, $21 per barrel; brisket, $23 per barrel; S. P. beef tongues, $29; pig snouts, $12.50; pig ears, $12.50.

Groceries, Dried Fruits, Etc.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 7½c per pound; peaches, 11@12½c; prunes, Italians, 3@6½c; prunes, French, 3@5c; currants, unwashed, cases, 9¼c; currants, washed, cases, 10c; figs, white, fancy, 50-pound boxes, 6¼c.

COFFEE—Mocha, 24@28c; Java, ordinary, 17@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; good, 16@18c; ordinary, 12@16c per pound.

RICE—Southern Japan, 5¾c; head, 8c; imperial Japan, 6½c.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $2 per dozen; 2-pound talls, $2.95; 1-pound flats, $2.10; Alaska pink, 1-pound talls, 95c; red, 1-pound talls, $1.45; sockeyes, 1-pound talls, $2.

SUGAR—Granulated, $6.05; extra C, $5.55; golden C, $5.45; fruit and berry sugar, $6.05; plain bag, $6.05; beet granulated, $5.85; cube (barrels), $6.45; powdered (barrel), $5.85. Terms: On remittances within 15 days deduct ½c per pound; if later than 15 days and within 30 days, deduct ¼c per pound. Maple sugar, 15@18c per pound.

NUTS—Walnuts, 14@15c per pound by sack; Brazil nuts, 16c; filberts, 16c; pecans, 16c; almonds, 13@14c; chestnuts, Ohio, 25c; peanuts, raw, 6¾@8¼c per pound; roasted, 10c; pinenuts, 10@12c; hickory nuts, 10c; cocoanuts, 90c per dozen.

SALT—Granulated, $14.50 per ton, $2 per bale; half ground, 100s, $10 per ton; 50s, $10.50 per ton.

BEANS—Small white, 5½c; large white, 4c; pink, 3⅝c; bayou, 3⅝c; Lima, 6c; Mexican red, 4⅛c.

HONEY—Fancy, $3.50 per box.

CEREAL FOODS—Rolled oats, cream, 90-pound sacks, per barrel, $7; lower grades, $5.50@6.50; oatmeal, steel-cut, 45-pound sacks, $8 per barrel; 9-lb. sacks, $4.25 per bale; split peas, per 100 pounds, $4.25@4.50; pearl barley, $4.50@5 per 100 lbs.; pastry flour, 10-pound sacks, $2.75 per bale; flaked wheat, $2.75 per case.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—Oregon, 1908, 7@8c per pound; 1907, 3@4c; 1906, 1@1½c.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, average best, 10@14c per pound, according to shrinkage; Valley, 15@16c.

MOHAIR—Choice, 18c per pound.

HIDES—Dry hides, No. 1, 12@13c pound; dry kip, No. 1, 13c pound; dry calfskins 16c pound; salted hides, 6½@8c pound; salted calfskins, 12@13c pound; green, 1c less.

FURS—No. 1 skins: Bear skins, as to size, No. 1, each, $5@10; cubs, each, $1@3; badger, prime, each, 25@50c; cat, wild, with head perfect, 30@50c; house, 5@20c; fox, common gray, large prime, each, 40@50c; red, each, $3@5; cross, each, $5@15; silver and black, each, $100@300; fishers, each, $5@8; lynx, each, $4.50@6; mink, strictly No. 1, each, according to size, $1@3; marten, dark northern, according to size and color, each, $10@15; marten, pale, according to size and color, each, $2.50@4; muskrat, large, each, 12@15c; skunk, each, 30@40c; civet or polecat, each, 5@15c; otter, for large, prime skin, each, $6@10; panther, with head and claws perfect, each, $2@5; raccoon, for prime large, each, 50@75c; wolf, mountain, with head perfect, each, $2.50@5; prairies (coyote), 60c@$1.10; wolverine, each, $6@8.

CASCARA BARK—Small lots, 5c; car lots, 6c per pound.

Lumber.

ROUGH—Dimensions, 2x4 to 14x14 to 32 feet, $10; 34 to 40, $11; 42 to 50, $13; 52 to 60, $17; 1x8 to 1x12 rough, $11; 1x4 com. sls., $10; 1x8 com. sls., $11; cull, 1x6 and wider, sls., $7; cull, 1x4, sls., $6; cull, 2x4 to 2x12 sized, $7; ship lap, com., $12; cedar, com., $12.

FLOORING—1x4 No. 1 V. G., $27; No. 2 V. G., $22; No. 3, $14; No. 2 slash, $18; 1x6 slash, $18; 1¼-inch flooring, $4 extra.

RUSTIC—1x6 and 1x8 No. 1, $25; No. 2 V or chan., $18; No. 2 special pattern, $20; No. 3, all patterns, $14.

CEILING—1x4 and 1x6 No. 1, $25; No. 2, $28; No. 3, $15.

LATH—1¼-inch, $2; 1½-inch, $1.75.

MOULDINGS—2 inches wide and under, per linear foot, ½c; over 2 inches in width, per linear foot, each inch in width, ⅜c.

DOOR JAMBS—Up to 12-inch, No. 1, $32; No. 2, $20; No. 3, $14.

STEPPING—Up to 12-inch, No. 1, $32; No. 2, $18; No. 3, $12; 1x3, No. 2, $16; No. 3, $12; ¾-inch, $2 less.

Fresh Fish and Shell Fish.

FISH—Halibut, 7c lb.; black cod, 7@8c; black bass, 20c; striped bass, 18c; herring, 5½c; flounders, 6c; catfish, 11c; shrimp, 12½c; perch, 7c; sturgeon, 12½c; sea trout, 15c; tom cod, 10c; salmon, 6@7c.

OYSTERS—Shoalwater Bay, per gallon, $2.25; per sack, $4.50; Toke Point, $1.60 per 100; Olympia (120 lbs.), $6; Olympia, per gallon, $2.25.

CLAMS—Little neck, per box, $2.50; razor clams, $2 per box.

CLEAN UP OF PRODUCE

FRUIT PRICES STIFFEN IN SEATTLE MARKET.

Higher Butter Prices Predicted in the Coming Week—Eggs Move Slowly.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—There were no dealings on the Grain Exchange today and prices remained practically unchanged, with bluestem at $4@94½c; barley at $25.50@26 and oats at $30.50.

The scarcity in local potatoes keeps the market stiff. Locals are bringing from $20 to $22 per ton and Eastern Washington from $22 to $25.

Today's produce sales were heavy and the street was the best cleaned up tonight that it has been since the opening of the strawberry season last Spring. Apples are stiffening slightly. Local apples bring from 50 cents up and Eastern Washington from 75 cents up, with $1.50 the top price on fancy stock. Peaches have almost disappeared from the market. Only a few boxes were put on sale today and these readily commanded $1. Some fancy Kiefer pears brought $1.50 this afternoon. There is a strong demand for grapes and $1 was the low price on good stock Tokays and Muscats.

The egg market holds weak. Only a few cases of ranch eggs were moved at the reduced prices and dealers expect a still further drop. The dealers will quote 41 cents as their buying price to the farmers next week and expect to sell for 44 cents Monday.

Butter and cheese remain unchanged, although dealers predicted a rise in butter prices early last week.

QUOTATIONS AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Prices Paid for Produce in the Bay City Markets.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24.—The following prices were quoted in the produce market today:

Millstuffs—Bran, $29.50@31.50; middlings, $33.50@35.50.

Vegetables—Cucumbers, 60c@$1; garlic, 7@8c; green peas, 6@8c; string beans, 3@6c; tomatoes, 15@40c; eggplant, 65@85c.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 31c; creamery seconds, 28c; fancy dairy, 28c; dairy seconds, 26c.

Cheese—New, 12@12½c; Young America, 13@14½c; Eastern, 17c.

Eggs—Store, 47c; fancy ranch, 52c; Eastern, 26c.

Poultry—Turkey gobblers, 23@25c; hens, 23@25c; roosters, old, $3.50@4.50; roosters, young, $5@7; broilers, small, $3@3.50; broilers, large, $3.50@3.75; fryers, $4@4.50; hens, $3.50@9; ducks, old, $4@5; young, $6@7.

Wool—Spring, Humboldt and Mendocino, 15@18c; Mountain, 4@7c; South Plains and San Joaquin, 7@9c; Nevada, 9@12c.

Hay—Wheat, $16@21.50; wheat and oats, $15@19; alfalfa, $11@14; stock, $10@12; straw, per bale, 50@75c.

Potatoes—Salinas Burbanks, $1.25@1.60; Oregon Burbanks, $1.25@1.35; sweets, $1.50@1.65.

Fruits—Apples, choice, $1; common, 40c; Receipts—Flour, 2410 quarter sacks; wheat, 50 centals; barley, 3670 centals; oats, 1375 centals; beans, 7291 sacks; potatoes, 8079 sacks; bran, 795 sacks; middlings, 35 sacks; hay, 375 tons; wool, 78 bales; hides, 1[illegible].

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK MARKET.

Prices Current Locally on Cattle, Sheep and Hogs.

There is a steadier feeling in the hog market, because of the improvement in the East, but it is not sufficient to affect prices here. Cattle continue the weakest feature of the market. Packers are well stocked up, as a result of the recent large receipts, and the supply is likely to be augmented by a heavy run of cattle next week. Sheep, lambs and calves continue steady. Arrivals yesterday were 130 cattle and 180 hogs.

H. F. Swaggart, proprietor of the Eastern Oregon Jack farm at Lexington, according to the East Oregonian, is jubilant over a shipment of mules to Canada, which he has arranged, having sold a car and a half of stock to a prominent breeder just over the line in Alberta. The deal is the result of Mr. Swaggart's showing at the district fair at Pendleton, where the mules made a great impression on the Canadian buyer. Mr. Swaggart looks for the development of a market in that district through the introduction of his stock.

According to the breeder, one of Mr. Swaggart's yearlings sold on the street Saturday for $150 and the incident serves to recall the first sale of mules that veteran made in Umatilla County. Mr. Swaggart has been breeding jacks for 20 years and his first sale was made in Athena, where is was necessary to advertise a second time before a span could be auctioned off. It then brought but $63, although the mules were likely animals.

The following prices were current on livestock in the local market yesterday:

CATTLE—Best steers, $3.75@4; medium, $3.25@3.50; common, $3@3.25; cows, best, $2.75@3; medium, $2.50@2.75; common, $2@2.50; calves, $3.50@4.50.

SHEEP—Best wethers, $3.50; mixed, $3; ewes, $2.50@2.75; lambs, best trimmed, $4@4.25; untrimmed, $3.50@3.75.

HOGS—Best, $6@6.25; medium, $5.25@5.75; feeders, not wanted.

Eastern Livestock Markets.

CHICAGO, Oct. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, about 800; market, about steady. Beeves, $3.15@7.50; Texans, $3.25@4.50; Western, $3@5.65; stockers and feeders, $2.60@4.45; cows and heifers, $1.50@5.10; calves, $6@8.

Hogs—Receipts, about 1600; market, weak to 5c lower. Light, $4.90@5.40; heavy, $5.10@5.90; mixed, $5.15@5.95; good to choice heavy, $5.35@5.95; rough, $5.15@5.35; pigs, $3@4.80; bulk of sales, $5.30@5.70.

Sheep — Receipts, about 1500; market, steady. Natives, $2.30@4.25; Western, $2.40@4.50; yearlings, $4.25@5; lambs, $3.75@5.65; Western, $3.75@5.75.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 500. Stockers and feeders, $2.80@4.75; bulls, $2@3.40; calves, $3@6.50; Western steers, $3.30@4.60; Western cows, $2.40@3.65.

Hogs—Receipts, 5000; market, 5c lower. Bulk of sales, $5.10@5.75; heavy, $5.50@5.75; packers and butchers, $5.30@5.65; light, $5.15@5.60; pigs, $3.75@5.

Sheep—Receipts, none; market, steady.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—The market for evaporated apples shows continued strength with sales reported for November delivery at 6¾c; prime new-crop fruit quoted at 6¾@7c on spot; 1907 crop, 4½@7c according to grade.

Prunes unchanged at 4¾@13c for California and at 6¼@7½c for Oregon fruit.

Apricots remained steady, with choice at 8@8½c; extra choice, 8¾@9c and fancy, 9½@10½c.

Peaches quiet, with choice at 7@7½c; extra choice, 7¾@8c, and fancy, 8½@9c.

Raisins dull; loose muscatel are quoted at 5½@6½c; choice to fancy seeded, 6½@7¾c; seedless, 4¾@6c, and London layers, $1.60@1.65c.

Wool at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 24.—Wool unchanged; Territory and Western mediums, 17@20c; fine mediums, 15@17c; fine, 12@14c.

INTEREST IS LIGHT

Brokers More Concerned in Cup Race Than Stocks.

PRICE CHANGES SMALL

Railroad Equipment Shares Firm on Increase in Orders for New Supplies—Decrease in Number of Idle Freight Cars.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—Interest in the automobile race for the Vanderbilt cup was responsible for a large reduction in the usual number of brokers on the floor of the Stock Exchange today. The effect on the rate of activity which has prevailed lately was illustrative of the professional character of the market. The withdrawal of so large a number of the professional traders left little to the market.

Accounts were largely closed out yesterday afternoon, preliminary to the departure for the racing grounds. Some repressive influence is attributed to the furious activity in the political campaign which is looked for next week. The price movement today was sluggish and hesitating in agreement with the slight interest in the market.

The railroad equipment stocks were firm in response to the reports of increasing disposition to place orders for equipment by the railroads. That group was favorably affected by the further decrease of 18,758 in the number of idle freight cars reported by the American Railway Association as for the two weeks ending October 14, bringing the total down to 115,036. The report gains additional force from the fact that a large decrease has occurred also in the number of "bad order" cars by taking them from the repair shops and putting them back into service. The first stage of the reduction of surplus cars was accompanied by increases in "bad order" cars, showing that surplus cars were being drawn on simply to defer repairs on cars in use. The present condition places beyond dispute the substantial improvement which is occurring in the amount of railroad traffic.

Bonds were firm. Total sales, par value, $1,404,000. United States registered have declined ¼ per cent on call during the week.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Amal Copper	21,700	80	78¾	79¾
Am Car & Foun.	4,100	42	41	41½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	102½
Am Cotton Oil	200	35	34¾	34½
Am Hd & Lt pf.	.....	.....	.....	24
Am Ice Securi	2,700	23	21	23¼
Am Linseed Oil	.....	.....	.....	10½
Am Locomotive	1,000	50⅛	49¾	49⅝
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	105
Am Smelt & Ref.	6,000	91¼	90¾	90⅝
do preferred	300	104⅝	104⅝	104⅜
Am Sugar Ref	500	133	132½	132⅜
Am Tobacco pf	.....	.....	.....	93¾
Am Woolen	.....	.....	.....	22½
Anaconda Min Co	2,200	46½	45½	45⅞
Atchison	2,100	91½	91	91⅛
do preferred	100	95½	95½	95
Atl Coast Line	.....	.....	.....	92
Balt & Ohio	500	98⅛	97⅞	97⅞
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	88
Brook Rap Tran.	1,100	49⅝	49¼	49¼
Canadian Pacific	400	174⅞	174⅛	174⅝
Central Leather	200	24¾	24¾	24¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	95½
Central of N J	.....	.....	.....	208
Ches & Ohio	100	42¾	42¾	42⅞
Chicago Gt West.	200	7	7	7
Chicago & N W	100	161	161	161
C, M & St Paul	7,500	143¼	142⅝	143
C, C, C & St L	.....	.....	.....	53
Colo Fuel & Iron	2,200	37	36⅝	36⅝
Colo & Southern	1,500	42½	41⅞	42
do 1st preferred	400	66	65⅝	66½
do 2d preferred	200	59	58⅝	58⅝
Consolidated Gas	200	144	144	144
Corn Products	.....	.....	.....	17
Del & Hudson	.....	.....	.....	167
D & R Grande	.....	.....	.....	28
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	68
Distillers' Securi	700	30¾	30½	30¼
Erie	2,700	31¼	30⅝	30⅝
do 1st preferred	.....	.....	.....	43½
do 2d preferred	.....	.....	.....	35¾
General Electric	.....	.....	.....	140
Gt Northern pf	3,200	132¾	132	132¼
Gt Northern Ore	200	61	61	59
Illinois Central	100	139	139	139¼
Interborough Met	.....	.....	.....	10
do preferred	200	29	29	29¼
Int Paper	.....	.....	.....	9½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	50
Int Pump	1,200	29⅝	28⅞	28⅝
Iowa Central	200	24⅞	24	24
K C Southern	.....	.....	.....	28
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	61½
Louis & Nashville	1,400	109⅛	109	109⅛
Minn & St L	.....	.....	.....	37
M, St P & S S M	.....	.....	.....	122¼
Missouri Pacific	300	56½	56	55⅞
Mo, Kan & Texas	.....	.....	.....	30½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	64
National Lead	500	83¾	83	82⅞
N Y Central	600	105½	105½	105⅛
N Y, Ont & West.	.....	.....	.....	40⅞
Norfolk & West.	.....	.....	.....	74⅛
North American	.....	.....	.....	64½
Northern Pacific	3,900	143⅝	142⅞	142⅞
Pacific Mail	400	25½	25	25
Pennsylvania	5,800	126⅛	125⅜	125⅝
People's Gas	.....	.....	.....	96
P, C C & St L	.....	.....	.....	76
Pressed Steel Car	200	33½	33	33⅛
Pullman Pal Car	.....	.....	.....	162
Ry Steel Spring	100	38	38	37
Reading	21,500	132⅞	132¼	132¼
Republic Steel	.....	.....	.....	22½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	78
Rock Island Co	800	19⅝	19⅝	19½
do preferred	3,200	46½	46	46⅛
St L & S F 2 pf.	400	30	29¾	29¾
St L Southwestern	.....	.....	.....	18¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	40½
Sloss-Sheffield	300	65½	65	65
Southern Pacific	28,800	108⅜	107	107⅝
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	118
Southern Railway	400	21½	21¼	21⅛
do prefered	500	53½	52⅞	53⅜
Tenn Copper	2,200	45	44⅜	44⅛
Texas & Pacific	.....	.....	.....	25⅜
Tol, St L & West.	.....	.....	.....	30½
do preferred	200	58⅛	58	57⅞
Union Pacific	29,800	169⅛	168½	168⅞
do prefered	.....	.....	.....	88⅛
U S Rubber	100	33	33	33
do 1st preferred	.....	.....	.....	99½
U S Steel	15,300	47⅝	47⅜	47⅜
do preferred	1,300	110⅛	110⅛	110⅛
Utah Copper	500	43⅝	43	43⅛
Va-Caro Chemical	300	32⅛	32	31⅛
do prefered	.....	.....	.....	11
Wabash	.....	.....	.....	12¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	27
Westinghouse Elec	1,200	81	80	81
Western Union	100	60¼	60¼	60¼
Wheel & L Erie	.....	.....	.....	8½
Wisconsin Central	.....	.....	.....	27¼

Total sales for the day, 190,200 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—Closing quotations:

U S ref 2s reg.	103½	N Y C G 3½s	92¾
do coupon	104	Nor Pacific 3s	73⅜
U S 3s reg.	100¼	do 4s	102¼
do coupon	101	So Pacific 4s	91¼
U S new 4s reg.	120¾	Union Pacific 4s	102⅝
do coupon	122	Wis Central 4s	85¾
Atchison adj 4s	94¼	Japanese 4s	80
D & R G 4s	96		

Stocks at London.

London, Oct. 24.—Consols for money, 84¾; consols for account, 84⅞.

Anaconda	9½	N Y Central	108¼
Atchison	93⅞	Norfolk & W	46
do pref	98½	do pref	83
Balt & Ohio	100¾	Ontario & W	41⅝
Can Pacific	179¾	Pennsylvania	64⅝
Ches & Ohio	44	Rand Mines	6⅜
Chi Grt West	7½	Reading	67⅜
C M & St P	146	So Railway	22⅜
De Beers	13¾	do pref	55½
D & R G	29	So Pacific	110¼
do pref	70½	Union Pacific	172⅝
Erie	32⅛	do pref	90
do 1st pfd	45¼	U S Steel	49
do 2d pfd	37	do pref	113¾

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—Money on call nominal. Time loans very dull and heavy; 60 days, 2¾@3 per cent.; 90 days, 3½ per cent; six months, 3¾ per cent.

Prime mercantile paper, 4@4¾ per cent.

Sterling exchange easier, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8465@4.8475 for 60-day bills and at $4.8650@4.8655 for demand. Commercial bills, $4.84¼@4.84½.

Bar silver—51⅝c.

Mexican dollars—45c.

Bonds—Government steady; railroad firm.

LONDON, Oct. 24.—Bar silver steady at 23 11-16d per ounce; money, ½@⅝ per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is ½@⅝ per cent; the rate of discount in the open market for three months' bills is 2 1-16 per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24.—Silver bars, 51⅝c; Mexican dollars, nominal; sight drafts, 5c; telegraph drafts, 7½c.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—Coffee futures closed steady, net unchanged to five points lower. Sales were reported of 10,250 bags, including December at 5.20c; March, May and July, 5.10c. Spot coffee quiet; No. 7 Rio, 6⅝c; No. 4 Santos, 8c. Mild coffee dull; Cordova, 9¾@12½c.

Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining, 3.58@3.59c; centrifugal 96 test, 4.06@4.09c; molasses sugar, 3.31@3.34c; No. 8, 4.70c; No. 9, 4.65c; No. 10, 4.55c; No. 11, 4.50c; No. 12, 4.45c; No. 13, 4.40c; No. 14, 4.35c; confectioner's A, 5.00c; cut loaf, 6.00c; crushed, 5.90c; powdered, 5.30c; granulated, 5.20c; cubes, 5.45c.

Daily Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.—Today's statement of the Treasury balances in the general fund exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve shows:

Available cash balance	$168,299,149
Gold coin and bullion	29,046,402
Gold certificates	40,269,590

Dairy Produce in the East.

CHICAGO, Oct. 24.—On the Produce Exchange today the butter market was steady. Creameries, 20@26c; dairies, 18@23c.

Eggs—Steady at mark, cases included, 16@20c; firsts, 24c; prime firsts, 25c.

Cheese—Steady at 12½@13½c.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—Butter and eggs strong, unchanged.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—Cotton futures closed easy. October, 9.10c; November and December, 8.84c; January, 8.70c; February, 8.68c; March, 8.67c; May, 8.64c; June, 8.59c; July, 8.57c.

NET CHANGES ARE SMALL

LIGHT DEMAND ON NEW YORK FOR CROP-MOVING FUNDS.

Increase in Surplus Reserve Is Shown by the Weekly Statement.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—The Financier will say:

The statement of the Associated Banks of New York City for the week ending October 24 showed no changes of consequence. There was a slight increase of $676,500 in cash, this despite the continued small movement of money to the interior. The demand for funds on account of the crop movement continues almost negligible. Loans for the week, taking the statement of actual conditions as a basis, decreased $3,806,800, and there was a corresponding decrease of $3,389,600 in the reserve. Surplus reserve for the week increased $1,649,650 and now stands at $33,241,950.

In contrast, it may be stated that, just one year ago this week the banks reported a deficit in surplus reserves and that within a period of four weeks following, or on November 23, this deficit in surplus reached the figure of $54,130,600 and that it was not until the January following that the banks again reported a surplus of money above the legal requirement. The highest point touched in the matter of surplus during the present year was on June 27, when over $66,000,000 of idle funds were concentrated in the New York clearing-house institutions.

The summary of state banks and trust companies in Greater New York not reporting to the clearing-house showed last week a gain of $5,074,000 in loans and over $7,231,600 in net deposits, these changes being accompanied by a trifling gain of only about $500,000 in cash.

The statement of averages of clearing-house banks for the week shows that the banks hold $32,880,000 more than the requirements of the 25 per cent reserve rule. This is an increase of $1,408,875 in the proportionate cash reserve as compared with last week. The statement follows:

	Amount.	Increase.
Loans	$1,338,426,900	*$ 6,400
Deposits	1,418,132,400	1,484,500
Circulation	53,195,900	*113,500
Legal tenders	81,122,900	482,300
Specie	306,290,200	1,297,700
Reserve	387,413,100	1,780,000
Reserve required	354,533,100	391,125
Surplus	32,880,000	1,408,875
Ex-United States deposits	35,197,050	1,412,600

*Decrease.

The percentage of actual reserve of the clearing-house banks at the close of business yesterday was 27.51.

The statement of banks and trust companies of Greater New York not members of the clearing-house shows that these institutions have aggregate deposits of $1,081,917,800; total cash on hand, $101,494,200, and loans amounting to $973,547,100.

Eastern Mining Stocks.

BOSTON, Oct. 24.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	7.75	Parrot	28.00
Allouez	37.00	Quincy	23.00
Amalgamated	79.87½	Shannon	15.00
Atlantic	17.50	Tamarack	73.50
Cal & Hecla	660.00	Trinity	11.00
Centennial	34.50	United Cop	10.50
Cop Range	75.75	U S Mining	39.50
Daly West	9.12½	U S Oil	26.75
Franklin	13.25	Utah	40.50
Granby	101.00	Victoria	4.75
Isle Royale	22.50	Winona	8.25
Mass Mining	5.25	North Butte	83.75
Michigan	13.50	Butte Coal	26.75
Mohawk	65.00	Nevada	17.00
Mont C & C	.40	Cal & Ariz	120.00
Old Dominion	59.75	Ariz Chemical	33.25
Osceola	116.00	Greene Can	10.62½

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—Closing quotations:

Alice	350	Leadville Con	55
Breece	5	Little Chief	8
Bruns Con	10	Mexican	65
Com Tunnel	22	Ontario	400
Com T Bonds	10	Ophir	175
Con Cal & Va	55	Standard	190
Horn Silver	80	Yellow Jacket	42
Iron Silver	80		

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—The metal markets were more or less nominal in the absence of cables. Tin was reported easy at 29.37½@29.45c. Copper is firmly held, with lake quoted at 13.62½@13.75; electrolytic, 13.25@13.50c and casting at 13.00@13.25c. Lead remained firm at 4.25@4.30c. Spelter, 4.80@4.85c. Iron was nominally unchanged.

Imports and Exports.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—Imports of merchandise and dry goods at the port of New York for the week ending October 17 were valued at $11,296,082.

Imports of specie were $71,100 silver and $493,254 gold. Exports of specie were $949,717 silver and no gold.

HEAVY SNOWFALL EARLY

Herders Forced to Hurry Sheep From Blue Mountains.

WESTON, Or., Oct. 24.—(Special.)—The heaviest snows ever known at this season of the year have fallen in the Blue Mountains near Weston. Twelve miles back in the timber the snow is 12 to 18 inches in depth, and local stockmen are preparing to take their herds off the Wenaha reserve a month earlier than usual. Grass is abundant on the river breaks, but the herders fear a further snowfall.

Deer are being driven out of the mountains by the early snow to seek feeding grounds. One was seen yesterday on the foothills within two miles of town, but escaped into a canyon before a gun could be secured by the astonished farmer who found it in his potato field.

GIVEN 50-YEAR SENTENCE

Wallace Murderer Sent to Prison. Another Slayer Gets 25 Years.

WALLACE, Idaho, Oct. 24.—Sentences of 50 and 25 years in the state penitentiary were passed this morning by Judge Woods of the District Court on William Tripplett and Emilie Wicksan, respectively, both of whom had entered pleas of guilty of murder in the second degree. While in a state of delirium tremens, Tripplett shot and killed a bartender named John Olson, at Enaville, Idaho, in August last. Wicksan is a Montenegrin, and in a race dispute with George Sousinich, an Austrian, drew a gun and killed his opponent under slightly extenuating circumstances in August.

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RANGE IS NARROW

Chicago Wheat Market Dull, but Weak.

SENTIMENT IS BEARISH

Good Crop Weather in the West and Southwest — Prospects for Large Increase in the Visible Supply.

CHICAGO, Oct. 24.—The wheat market was a narrow affair, both in regard to the amount of business transacted and in the range of prices. Throughout the entire day the price of all deliveries held within a ½c range. Although the market closed steady, sentiment during the greater part of the session was bearish, owing chiefly to the weather conditions which prevailed in the West and Southwest. The weather Bureau reported rain over the entire Winter wheat belt and the predictions were for continued wet weather in many sections. News from Argentina also was more optimistic, several dispatches claiming that the damage to the new crop by frosts would be only slight. Prospects of a further liberal increase in the visible supply of wheat in the United States and Canada for the week furnished an additional motive to sellers. The principal bullish influence of the day was a continued excellent demand for flour at Minneapolis. Cash wheat here was steady at unchanged premiums and no export business was reported. The seaboard also reported no sales for export.

The corn market closed firm, with prices a shade to ⅛@¼c higher, May at 62⅝c.

Trade in oats was quiet and the market was steady. Cash oats were steady and Eastern demand was said to be poor. The market closed steady, with prices unchanged to ⅛c higher, compared with the previous close.

Provisions were rather weak early in the session. After the first selling furore was over offerings dwindled to small proportions and a firmer tone developed. At the close prices were 5c to 17½c higher.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
Dec.	$ .99⅛	$ .99¼	$ .98⅝	$ .99
May	1.02¼	1.02¼	1.02	1.02⅛
July	.97⅛	.97⅛	.96⅝	.97
CORN.				
Dec.	.63⅝	.63⅝	.63⅛	.63½
May	.62⅝	.63	.62⅝	.62⅝
July	.62⅛	.62⅜	.62¼	.62¼
OATS.				
Dec.	.47⅝	.47¾	.47½	.47⅝
May	.49⅝	.49⅝	.49½	.49⅝
July	.44⅞	.44⅞	.44⅞	.44⅞
PORK.				
Oct.	13.45	13.65	13.45	13.65
Jan.	15.25	15.57½	15.25	15.52½
May	15.20	15.42½	15.20	15.42½
LARD.				
Nov.	9.55	9.57½	9.55	9.55
Jan.	9.22½	9.27½	9.22½	9.27½
May	9.25	9.32½	9.22½	9.32½
SHORT RIBS.				
Oct.	8.40	8.55	8.40	8.55
Jan.	8.17½	8.25	8.17½	8.25
May	8.27½	8.37½	8.27½	8.35

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour—Steady. Winter patents, $4.40@4.80; straights, $4.20@4.65; Spring patents, $5.25@5.50; straights, $4@4.85; baker's, $3@4.

Wheat—No. 2 Spring, $1.02@1.03; No. 3, 95c@$1.04; No. 2 red, 98@99½c.

Corn—No. 2, 79@79½c; No. 2 yellow, 78c.

Oats—No. 2, 47½c; No. 2 white, 49½c; No. 3 white, 48@48½c.

Rye—No. 2, 75c.

Barley—Good feeding, 52½@53½c; fair to choice malting, 55@60c.

Flax seed—No. 1 Northwestern, $1.25.

Timothy seed—Prime, $3.77½.

Clover—Contract grades, $8.50.

Short ribs—Sides (loose), $8@9.

Pork—Mess, per bbl., $12.62½@13.75.

Lard—Per 100 lbs., $9.55@9.57½.

Sides—Short, clear (boxed), $9.50@9.75.

Whisky—Basis of high wines, $1.37.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	26,900	40,100
Wheat, bu.	167,000	247,700
Corn, bu.	124,800	22,200
Oats, bu.	289,500	298,700
Rye, bu.	3,000	3,900
Barley, bu.	89,000	88,100

Grain and Produce at New York.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—Flour—Receipts, 22,800 barrels; exports, 17,400 barrels. Market dull but steady. Minnesota patents, $5.35@5.75; Winter straights, $4.50@4.60; Minnesota baker's, $4.20@4.65; Winter extras, $3.50@3.90; Winter patents, $4.50@4.90; Winter low grades, $3.30@3.50.

Wheat—Receipts, 236,000 bushels; exports, 136,100 bushels. Spot irregular; No. 2 red, $1.07⅝@1.08⅛ elevator, and $1.08@1.08⅛ f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 Northern Duluth, $1.12⅝ f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 hard Winter, $1.08⅝ f. o. b. afloat. Options opened ⅛c lower under lower cables and better weather reports, declined ⅛c more under local pressure and rallied on covering, closing barely steady and ⅜c lower. December closed $1.08⅜ and May at $1.09⅛.

Hops—Quiet. State common to choice, 1908 crop, 11@14c; 1907 crop, 8@7c; Pacific Coast, 1908 crop, 9@11c; 1907 crop, 4@7c.

Hides—Quiet. Bogota, 18¼@19¼c; Central America, 19¼c.

Wool—Steady. Domestic fleece, 20@32½c.

Petroleum—Steady. Refined, New York, $8.50; Philadelphia and Baltimore, $8.45; do in bulk, $4.95.

Grain at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 24—Wheat—Steady.

Barley—Firm.

Spot quotations: Wheat—Shipping, $1.62½@1.67½ per cental; milling, $1.67½@1.70 per cental.

Barley—Feeding, $1.36¼@1.40 per cental; brewing, $1.40@1.45 per cental.

Oats—Red, $1.50@1.80 per cental; white, $1.60@1.72½ per cental; black, $2.25@2.60 per cental.

Call board sales: Wheat, no trading. Barley—December, $1.41½@1.41⅝ per cental; May, $1.43¼ per cental.

Corn—Large yellow, $1.85@1.90 per cental.

European Grain Markets.

LONDON, Oct. 24.—Cargoes dull and inactive; no buyers; Walla Walla, prompt shipment, 37s 6d; California, prompt shipment, 38s.

English country markets quiet but steady; French country markets slow.

LIVERPOOL, Oct. 24.—Wheat—December, 7s 7⅝d; March, 7s 5⅝d; May, 7s 5⅝d. Weather in England today showery.

Wheat at Tacoma.

TACOMA, Wash., Oct. 24.—Wheat weaker, but quotations unchanged. Milling: Bluestem, 95c; club, 91c; red, 90c. Export: Bluestem, 95c; club, 87c; red, 85c.

Oregon Lumber Prices Higher.

SEATTLE, Wash., Oct. 24.—Washington lumbermen are not getting as good prices for their product this Fall as are lumbermen in Oregon. This is shown by the October lumber bulletin, compiled by officers of the Forest Service in Seattle. No reasons for the difference in prices are made in the Forestry Bulletin, but lumbermen are unanimous in saying the low prices quoted in this state are due to price-cutting by some firms.

Church Where Pools Were Sold.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—When a suburban town arises on the site of the famous Brighton Beach track a church will occupy the corner where for many years was the location of the mutual pools. The company which has purchased the track and is cutting it up into building lots has given an option for the lots on the old corner to Charles E. Overton, who announces that he will build a Free Church there and give it to the denomination which he considers has done the most for Long Island. While the mutuals have not been used at Brighton for many years, there was a time when they outbid the "books" for popularity with the betting crowd and with these days in mind, Mr. Overton has chosen their former site as a most appropriate place to build his church.

Hinky Dink to Conduct Funeral.

CHICAGO, Oct. 24.—The "Cough-drop man," as he was known to thousands of persons in Chicago, was found dead yesterday in the doorway of a Clark-street lodging-house.

Richard Connors was the name given the decedent when they christened him 50 years ago in Buffalo, N. Y. He had been a familiar character in Clark street for a quarter of a century, during which time he eked out an existence by peddling cough drops. In the Winter season he visited the large office buildings, selling his "incomparable" cough drops and he got to be known to the tenants as the "Cough-drop man."

Although he died penniless, Connors will have a "swell funeral," to quote Alderman Mike Kenna. He was a member of the First Ward Democratic Club, and the auxiliary, which was incorporated at Springfield, only a week ago, will take charge of the funeral arrangements.

Fishes Eat Hearty Meal.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24.—By throwing into the sea 1052 cases of so-called egg yolk the Collector of Customs has decided the long-standing controversy between importers and the Government. A great quantity of this material has been imported into this country from China for a number of years. It is used in making custards, pies and other products of bakeries. Three years ago a large consignment was held up by the authorities under the pure food law on the claim that excessive quantities of borax were used in it as a preservative. Since then none has been allowed to land. The importers fought the department decision, but the city health department has now condemned the egg yolk held in storage here and it has been fed to the fishes.

Announce Appointment Soon.

TOKIO, Oct. 24.—Baron Yoshir Sakatani, who was Minister of Finance in the late Cabinet, and whose reappointment to that post, now administered jointly with the Premiership, by Premier Katsura, has been predicted, arrived in Tokio this afternoon. It is believed that his appointment will soon be announced.

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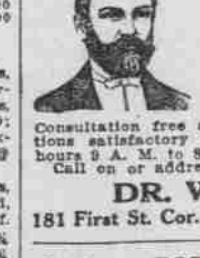

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