DRAG ON MARKET

Low Offers in East Keep Hop Prices Down.

EIGHT CENTS THE LIMIT

Grain Trading Checked by Unsettled Conditions at Chicago—Rolled Barley Is Higher—Eggs Likely to Decline.

All efforts on the part of local holders to get the hop market above the 8-cent level have been unsuccessful. In view of the very limited supply of hops remaining this occasions much surprise. The undertone of the market is firm enough, but there is a drag on it somewhere that prevents the advance that should take place. Not only in Oregon, but in California as well, is 8 cents the best price that buyers in general can offer. Late New York letters report that dealers having Pacific hops on hand, consigned and otherwise, are offering them to brewers at 8 and 10 cents delivered. Under the circumstances, the trade here is not in a position to compete with these Eastern dealers.

The only transactions in Oregon hops reported yesterday were the purchase by Joseph Harris of two lots from Molett, of Mount Angel, 40 bales of 1908s at 7½ cents and 70 bales of 1907s at 8 cents.

A 40,000 pound contract was made with an Independence grower at 11 cents for three years.

The discouraging position of the English hop grower is shown in the following editorial of the Kentish Observer:

Extensive grubbing of hop plantations has again taken place in Kent and in the West-Midland counties. Many acres that had grown hops in East Kent for years past have been ploughed up and planted with other crops, and a similar tale comes from Mid-Kent and the Weald. The acreage that will remain under hops this season will be the smallest that has been known for many years, and unless something is done very shortly to save the industry it must be irretrievably ruined. Naturally American growers and dealers are hilarious over England's decadence as a hop-producing country; they are laughing up their sleeves at our idiotic fiscal policy which allows them to dump their enormous surplus here, and there is likely to be a considerable extension of the hop acreage on the Pacific Coast, especially if Paul Horst succeeds in getting rid at a small profit of the big stocks he holds in London. We are assured by those in the know that there is certain to be a tremendous import of Pacifics in the coming season.

Of market conditions, the Observer says:

There is a good demand for English copper hops, but trade is somewhat restricted from the difficulty in finding samples good enough for consumers' requirements, most of the growths having been already picked over more than once. Continental hops of good quality are inquired for, but without finding anything like an ample supply. Pacific Coast hops are in rather more demand, but prices asked for the best qualities are very difficult to obtain.

WHEAT TRADING IS NOT ACTIVE.

Buying Not so Free in View of Unsettlement East.

The unsettled position of the Eastern wheat market operates against free trading in the local market. Buyers have become few, but sellers still maintain firm views and offer no concessions. While trade is, therefore, dull, prices remain as formerly quoted.

Oats and barley continue firm, but are not as active as earlier in the week. An advance of $1 a ton in rolled barley was announced yesterday.

There has been a fair local business in flour since the recent advance. The export movement is of small proportions.

Bid and asked prices were posted at the Board of Trade as follows:

WHEAT.

	Bid.	Asked.
March	$1.07½	$1.08
April	1.08	1.09

OATS.

March	1.80	1.82½
April	1.81¾	1.85

BARLEY.

March	1.45	1.46
April	1.46½	1.47½

Receipts in cars were reported by the Merchants Exchange as follows:

Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
Feb. 27-28	43	5	36	4	10
March 1	38	5	9	6	10
March 2	28	1	12	8	9
March 3	9	3	2	1	2
March 4	21	4	17	3	11
March 5	23	1	9	1	4
Total this week	162	19	85	23	46
Total last week	205	28	85	17	64

ANOTHER VIEW OF POTATO QUESTION

San Francisco Interests Undertake to Enlighten the Public.

The bulls and bears in the San Francisco potato trade are at it vigorously now, trying either to boost or break the market as suits their interests. The latest literature on the subject is a huge circular "published by order of San Francisco Potato Shippers," which gives a long list of reasons why prices will have to decline. The general tenor of the circular is that the Coast still has an immense surplus and no adequate market for it. The stock on the Coast is estimated at 1,000,000 bags, distributed as follows:

	Sacks.
California	500,000
Oregon (900 cars)	270,000
Washington and Vancouver	100,000
Nevada, Utah and Idaho	125,000

Of the supply in Oregon the circular says: These reports show that on March 1, there was in Oregon over 900 cars, or about 270,000 sacks of potatoes. Of this amount, about 400 cars, or 120,000 sacks, will be required for home consumption and seed, leaving 500 cars, or 150,000 sacks, for export, and as California is the only state and the only market that Oregon must look to for the disposition of her surplus potatoes, viz.: 150,000 sacks, this must all be marketed within the next 70 days, as by that time, May 15, Los Angeles and Alameda and Santa Clara Counties will be ready with their crop of new potatoes.

ALL ALASKA EGG ORDERS FILLED.

Trade Looks for an Easier Market in the Coming Week.

The Alaska demand for eggs, which has helped to keep the market cleaned up all the week, is about satisfied, and the trade in general looks for some decline in prices in the coming week. The last shipment of supplies to the Far North during the closed season, it is said, will go on the steamer leaving Seattle Monday. Should the outside inquiry entirely cease, prices will very likely drop fast. Most of the business on the street yesterday was reported at 25 cents.

The demand for poultry was sufficient to keep prices steady and nothing was carried over.

The butter supply is still short of requirements, notwithstanding that production is showing some increase, and the market is, therefore, quoted firm.

POOR ONIONS ALL DISPOSED OF.

And the Choice Stock Left Is in Small Supply.

The onion growers of this state see no reason why prices should not advance from now on. The poor stock has all been worked off and the good onions that are left are in small supply.

Reports made at the meeting of the Confederated Onion growers' Association, yesterday, showed 10 cars shipped in the past week and three more are to go out tomorrow. In addition to these carlots, numerous small lots were disposed of. Good onions sold during the week at 2 cents and 1¾ cents was paid for seconds. A car to go from Tualatin the middle of the coming week sold at $2.16.

ASPARAGUS IN GOOD SUPPLY.

Increasing Demand for All Kinds of Early Truck.

Early California vegetables are arriving in increased quantities and as prices decline to a more reasonable level, the demand grows larger. The most plentiful article of this kind on the street yesterday was asparagus. The white variety dropped to 12½@14 cents, while fancy green asparagus was quoted at 20@22½ cents. Celery is almost cleaned up and only about two more cars will arrive.

A car of oranges was received and prices were firm. There is a moderate supply of apples on hand which move fairly well.

Fall Grain in Linn County.

ALBANY, Or., March 6.—(Special.)—Fall grain in Linn County is in ideal condition. The heavy snowfall in January helped the grain and it is now making a splendid growth. Indications point to a good yield. A fortunate circumstance in view of this condition is that the acreage of Fall grain in this county this year is much larger than usual.

Conditions are not so favorable for a good yield of Spring grain, however. The continued wet weather has prevented seeding and the season is becoming advanced for hill soil. Farmers on the prairies will yet have time for seeding if good weather prevails during this month.

Bank Clearings.

Clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$ 946,285	$ 55,485
Seattle	1,479,023	256,299
Tacoma	682,378	29,233
Spokane	1,344,179	193,524

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

	Portland.	Seattle.	Tacoma.
1909	$7,705,611	$ 9,193,306	$5,005,005
1908	6,427,114	7,697,602	3,654,669
1907	8,128,688	9,441,981	4,501,942
1906	5,457,270	10,051,670	3,901,489
1905	5,825,975	4,902,994	2,714,597
1904	3,296,096	4,157,076	2,222,483
1903	2,980,956	3,607,277	2,146,783
1902	2,832,494	3,145,464	1,129,556
1901	2,202,058	2,489,551	961,747

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

BARLEY—Feed, $20 per ton.

WHEAT—Track prices: Bluestem, $1.16@1.18; club, $1.08; red Russian, $1.01; Valley, $1.05.

FLOUR—Patents, $5.65 per barrel; straights, $4.65; exports, $4.10; Valley, $5.10; graham, 4bs, $5.20; whole wheat, quarters, $5.40.

OATS—No. 1 white, $38 per ton.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $26@26.50 per ton; middlings, $33; shorts, $29@30; chop, $20@23; rolled barley $21@32.

HAY—Timothy, Willamette Valley, $13@15 per ton; Eastern Oregon, $16@18; clover, $12 @13; alfalfa, $14.50@15; grain hay, $13@14; cheat, $13.50@14.50; vetch, $13.50@14.50.

Dairy and Country Produce.

BUTTER—City creamery, extras, 36c; fancy outside creamery, 32@35c per lb.; store, 18@20c. (Butter fat prices average 1½ cents per pound under regular butter prices.)

EGGS—Oregon ranch, 25c per dozen.

POULTRY—Hens, 15½@16c; broilers, 20@ 25c; fryers, 18@20c; roosters, old, 11@12c; young, 14@15c; ducks, 20@22c; geese, 10c; turkeys, 18@20c.

CHEESE—Fancy cream twins, 16½@17c per lb.; full cream triplets, 16½@17c; full cream, Young American, 17½@18c.

VEAL—Extra, 10½@11c per pound; ordinary, 7@8c; heavy, 8c.

PORK—Fancy, 9½c per lb.; large, 8@8½c.

Vegetables and Fruit.

FRESH FRUITS—Apples, 75c@$2.75 box

POTATOES—Buying price, $1.25@1.35 per hundred; sweet potatoes, 2½@3c per pound.

SACK VEGETABLES—Turnips, $1.25 per sack; carrots, $1.25; parsnips, $1.50; beets, $1.50; horseradish, 10c per pound.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, navels, $2 @2.75 per box; lemons, $3@4; grape fruit, $4.25@4.75 per box; bananas, 5½@6c per pound; pineapples, $2.75@3.25 per dozen; tangerines $1.75 per box.

ONIONS—Oregon, buying price, $1.75@1.90 per hundred.

VEGETABLES—Artichokes, 90c doz.; asparagus, 12½@22½c per pound; beans 25c; cabbage, 2½@3½c per pound; cauliflower, $2 per crate; celery, $4.50 per crate; cucumbers, $1.75@2.25 per dozen; lettuce, hot house, $1.25 @1.50 per box; lettuce, head, 75c@$1 per dozen; onions, 40@50c per dozen; parsley, 30c per box; sprouts, 12½c per lb.; tomatoes, $2@$4.50.

Groceries, Dried Fruits, Etc.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 8¼c per lb.; peaches, 7½@8c; prunes, Italians, 5¼@6½c; prunes, French, 4@6c; currants, unwashed, cases, 9½c; currants, washed, cases, 10c; figs, white fancy, 50-lb. boxes, 6¼c; dates, 7¼@7½c.

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

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

RICE—Southern Japan, 4¾c; head, 6¼@ 7c.

NUTS—Walnuts, 12@13c per pound by sack; Brazil nuts, 16c; filberts, 15c; pecans, 7c; almonds, 13@14c; chestnuts, Italian, 11c; peanuts, raw, 5¾@6c; pinenuts, 10@ 12c; hickory nuts, 10c; cocoanuts, 90c per dozen.

SUGAR—Granulated, $5.75; extra C, $5.25; golden C, $5.15; fruit and berry sugar, $5.75; plain bag, $5.55; beet granulated, $5.55; cubes (barrels), $6.15; powdered (barrels), $6. Terms: On remittances within 15 days, deduct ¼c per pound; if later than 15 days and within 30 days, deduct ¼c per pound. Maple sugar, 15@18c per pound.

SALT—Granulated, $13 per ton, $1.90 per bale; half ground, 100s, $7.50 per ton; 50s, $8 per ton.

BEANS—Small white, 6¼c; large white, 5½c; Limas, 5c; pink, 3½c; bayou, 4c; Mexican red, 5¾c.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1909 contracts, 10@10½c per pound; 1908 crop, 7@8½c; 1907 crop, 3@4c; 1906 crop, 1½c.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, contracts, 16c per pound; Valley, 15@16½c.

MOHAIR—Choice, 20@21c per pound.

HIDES—Dry hides, No. 1, 16@17c pound; dry kip, No. 1, 14@15c pound; dry calfskin, 17½@18c pound; salted hides, heavy, 9@10c; light and cows, 9@9½c; salted calfskin, 14@15c pound; green, 1c less.

FURS—No. 1 skins: Angora goat, $1 to $1.25; badger, 25@50c; bear, $5@20; beaver, $6.50@8.50; cat, wild, 60c@$1; cougar, perfect head and claws, $2@10; fisher, dark, $7.50@11; pale, $4.90@7; fox, cross, $3 to $5; fox, gray, 60c to 80c; fox, red, $2.25 to $4; fox, silver, $35 to $100; lynx, $10@ 15; marten, dark, $8@12; mink, 75c@$4.50; muskrat, 10@15c; otter, $7; raccoon, 45c@ 60c; sea otter, $1@2.50, as to size; skunks, 50@75c; civet cat, 10@15c; wolf, $2@3; coyote, 70c@$1.10; wolverine, dark, $5@8; wolverine, pale, $2@2.50.

CASCARA BARK—Small lots, 4½@5¼c; old in carlots, selling at 7¼@8c.

Provisions.

BACON—Fancy, 21c per pound; standard, 18c; choice, 17c; English, 15½@16c; stripa, 13c.

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 12 lbs., 14½c; 14 to 16 lbs., 14c; 18 to 20 lbs., 14c; hams, skinned, 14c; picnics, 9½c; cottage roll, 11c; shoulders, 11c; boiled hams, 19½@20½c; boiled picnics, 12c.

LARD—Kettle rendered: Tierces, 12½c; tubs, 13¾c; 50s, 13¾c; 20s, 13¾c; 10s, 14¼c; 5s, 14¾c; 3s, 14½c. Standard pure: Tierces, 9½c; tubs, 12¾c; 50s, 12¾c; 20s, 12¾c; 10s, 12¾c; 5s, 13¾c; 3s, 12½c. Compound: Tierces, 8c; tubs, 8¼c; 50s, 8¼c; 20s, 8¼c; 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.

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, $20; pig snouts, $12.50; pig ears, $12.50.

Oils.

COAL OIL—Pearl and astral oil, cases, 18¾c per gallon; water white, iron barrels, 11c; eocene and extra star, cases 21½; headlight oil, cases, 20c; iron barrels, 18c; elaine, cases, 30c.

GASOLINE—Union and Red Crown, barrels, 15½c; cases, 22½c; motor, barrels, 16½c; cases, 23½c; 86 degrees, barrels, 30c; cases, 37½c; engine distillate, barrels, 9c; cases, 16c.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, barrel lots, 67c; in cases, 73c; boiled, barrel lots, 69c; in cases, 75c.

OIL MEAL—Ton lots, $37.

ON THE LONG SIDE

Stock Operators Speculate on a Coming Advance.

FUNDS FOR INVESTMENT

Minor Railroad Issues Are Firm on Rumors of Probable Combinations—Prospects of Gold Exports Soon.

NEW YORK, March 6.—The speculative fraternity operated on the long side of the stock market today, but on a moderate scale. They seemed to draw favorable conclusions from the action on yesterday's market of the Kansas City Southern stocks and Canadian Pacific group, based in one case on rumors of coming control by E. H. Harriman and on the other on an absorption of Wisconsin Central into the system. The effect was seen in the favor shown today to stocks of minor systems which might be merged to advantage in larger systems. The confidence with which several such stocks were pushed forward was not at all impaired by the fact that the Kansas City Southern itself was quite violently reactionary under the weight of profit-taking sales, while the Canadian Pacific group was neglected and inclined to be heavy. Outside of the rather obscure stocks to which the speculation turned, the market operations were not on an important scale. The evidence that funds are again accumulating in banks' hands induced an expectation of a renewal of pressure for investment which has shown some signs of flagging, and especially in the tone of the recent market. The supply of funds available in the money market is growing so abundant again that the prospects of a further outgo of gold is viewed with equanimity.

The trivial price changes at the close of the day reveal the inconclusive character of the dealings.

The decrease in the cash holdings of the banks was unexplained by the known movements of money, but the matter has little importance in view of the soft tone manifested by all departments of the money market.

Bonds were firm. Total sales, par value, $1,410,000. United States 4s, coupon, advanced ¼ per cent on call during the week.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Amal Copper	17,100	69½	68¼	68¾
Am Car & Foun.	1,400	49¾	49	49
do preferred				110½
Am Cotton Oil	900	53	52¾	52¾
Am Hd & Lt pf.	200	38	37¾	38
Am Ice Securi	18,500	30¾	28½	29¾
Am Linseed Oil				13
Am Locomotive	1,100	52	51½	51¾
do preferred				111¾
Am Smelt & Ref	5,500	83¾	82¼	82¾
do preferred				103½
Am Sugar Ref				128¾
Am Tobacco pf	200	91¾	91½	91½
Am Woolen				28
Anaconda Min Co.	1,000	41¾	40¾	40¾
Atchison	7,100	104½	103½	103¾
do preferred	600	102½	102¼	102¼
Atl Coast Line				118
Balt & Ohio	900	107¾	107¼	107¾
do preferred				93¼
Brooklyn Rap Tran	2,700	72¾	71¼	71¾
Canadian Pacific	800	167¾	167¼	166½
Central Leather	200	28	27¾	28
do preferred				101
Central of N J				225
Ches & Ohio	5,600	66	65¼	65¾
Chicago Gt West	900	7	6¾	6¾
Chicago & N W				176
C M & St Paul	5,100	142¾	142	142
C C C & St L				77½
Colo Fuel & Iron	1,200	33	32¾	32¾
Colo & Southern				62¾
do 1st preferred	200	82	81½	82½
do 2d preferred				79½
Consolidated Gas	900	128½	127¾	127¾
Corn Products	700	18¼	18	17¾
Del & Hudson				173
D & R Grande	2,500	45	43½	44½
do preferred				85
Distillers' Securi				35
Erie	5,500	25¾	25¼	25¾
do 1st preferred				40
do 2d preferred				31½
General Electric				153
Gt Northern pf	1,600	141	139¾	140¾
Gt Northern Ore	100	68¼	68¼	67¾
Illinois Central	100	141	141	140
Interborough Met	900	15¾	15	14¾
do preferred	800	42¾	42¼	41¾
Int Paper				16
do preferred				80
Int Pump	500	36¾	36	36
Iowa Central	600	29¾	28¾	29
K C Southern	39,200	47¼	45¾	45¾
do preferred	400	74½	73¼	73¼
Louis & Nashville	200	128½	128½	128
Minn & St Louis	900	52¼	52	52
M, St P & S S M	500	144½	144	143½
Missouri Pacific	1,400	68¼	67¾	67¾
Mo, Kan & Texas	17,100	41¾	39¾	41¾
do preferred	900	75	73¾	73½
National Lead	600	75¼	74¼	75¼
N Y Central	1,300	123½	123¼	123
N Y, Ont & West	1,300	45½	45	44¾
Norfolk & West	900	87¾	86¾	87½
North American				85½
Northern Pacific	1,300	136¼	136¼	136½
Pacific Mail	1,000	35¼	29¼	29
Pennsylvania	1,700	129¾	129	128¾
P, C C & St L				89½
Pressed Steel Car				26
Pullman Pal Car				168
Ry Steel Spring	1,500	40	36	36
Reading	2,800	124¾	123¾	123½
Republic Steel				19½
do preferred	400	72	71¼	71¾
Rock Island Co	800	23¾	22¾	22¾
do preferred	400	63¼	61¼	62
St L & S F 2d pf				37
St L Southwestern				21½
do preferred				51
Sloss-Sheffield	700	72¾	72¼	72½
Southern Pacific	5,200	117¾	117¼	117¾
do preferred	200	122	121¾	121¾
Southern Railway	1,500	24¾	24¼	24¾
do preferred				62¼
Tenn Copper	300	38	37¾	38
Texas & Pacific	600	32	31¾	31¾
Tol, St L & West	1,600	44½	43¾	46
do preferred	1,000	69¼	68¼	68½
Union Pacific	24,800	175¾	174¾	174¾
do preferred	300	98¾	95¼	95¼
U S Realty				39
do 1st preferred				102¼
U S Steel	31,900	45½	44¾	44¾
do preferred	1,100	112¾	111	111
Utah Copper	1,000	41	40¾	40¾
Va-Car Chemical	200	42¾	42¾	43
do preferred				117
Wabash				17¾
do preferred	1,800	44¾	43¾	44
Westinghouse Elec	200	78	78	77
Western Union				65¼
Wheel & L Erie				9
Wisconsin Central	1,500	51	49¾	49½
Am Tel & Tel	600	128½	128¾	128¾

Total sales for the day, 262,400 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, March 6.—Closing quotations:

U. S. ref. 2s reg.	101	D & R G 4s	97¾
do coupon	101½	N Y C G 3½s	93
U. S. 3s reg.	100¾	North Pacific 3s	74¾
do coupon	101	North Pacific 4s	103¾
U S new 4s reg.	128	North Pacific 4s	102¾
do coupon	120½	Wiscon Cent 4s	94¼
Atchison adj 4s	105¾	Japanese 4s	85¾

Stocks at London.

LONDON, March 6.—Consols for money, 84⅛; do for account, 84⅛.

Anaconda	8⅝	N. Y. Central	128
Atchison	106¾	Norfik & West	88⅛
do pref	104¾	do pref	89
Balt & Ohio	110¼	Ont & West	45¾
Can Pacific	171½	Pennsylvania	66½
Ches & Ohio	66⅜	Rand Mines	7⅞
Chi Grt West	7⅛	Reading	63¾
C. M. & S. P.	145½	Southern Ry	24⅝
De Beers	12⅝	do pref.	62¼
D & R G	44⅛	South Pacific	125⅜
do pref	87½	Union Pacific	179⅝
Erie	26	do pref	97
do 1st pf	41	U. S. Steel	65¼
do 2d pf	31	do pref.	118⅜
Grand Trunk	18¾	Wabash	18
Ill Central	145½	do pref	45¼
L & N	132	Spanish 4s	93⅞
Mo. K & T	40¼	Amal Copper	70¾

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, March 6.—Money on call nominal. Time loans easier; 60 and 90 days, 2¼@2¾ per cent; six months, 2¾@ 3 per cent.

Prime mercantile paper, 3½@4 per cent.

Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.86@4.8610 for 60 days and $4.8810@4.8815 for demand. Commercial bills, $4.84¾@4.84¾.

Bar silver—50¼c.

Mexican dollars—44c.

Government bonds—Steady; railroad bonds firm.

LONDON, March 6.—Bar silver—Quiet, 23¼d per ounce.

Money—2¼@2¾ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 3⅝ per cent; for three months' bills, 2¼@2 3-16 per cent.

Silver bars—50¾c.

Mexican dollars—45c.

Drafts—Sight, 5c; telegraph, 7¼c.

Sterling—60 days, $4.86¾; sight, $4.88¾.

Daily Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, March. 6.—Today's statement of the Treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve shows:

Available cash balances, $140,087,745.

Gold coin and bullion, $41,358,408.

Gold certificates, $48,234,080.

Eastern Mining Stocks.

BOSTON, March 6.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	8	Mont C & C	23
Allouez	39	Nevada	17¼
Amalgamated	68	Old Dominion	49½
Ariz Com	35½	Osceola	129
Atlantic	13	Parrot	28½
Butte Coal	23	Quincy	88
Cal & Ariz	102	Shannon	14
Cal & Hecla	620	Tamarack	81
Centennial	29	Trinity	13½
Copper Range	76	United Copper	12¾
Daly West	9½	U S Mining	40½
Franklin	13	U S Oil	29
Granby	95	Utah	39⅛
Greene Cananea	9¼	Victoria	47
Isle Royale	28⅝	Winona	5
Mass Mining	5¼	Wolverine	148
Michigan	10½	North Butte	69⅛
Mohawk	63		

NEW YORK, March 6.—Closing quotations:

Alice	200	Little Chief	10
Brunswick Con.	3	Mexican	60
Corn Tun stock.	25	Ontario	375
do bonds	15	Ophir	105
C C & Va	54	Standard	150
Horn Silver	65	Yellow Jacket	35
Leadville Con	4		

SEATTLE CHEESE HIGHER

PRICE OF EASTERN MARKED UP A CENT.

Large Receipts of Oregon Eggs Weaken the Market—Potatoes Are Firmer.

SEATTLE, Wash., March 6.—(Special.)—While Seattle dealers today advanced the price of Eastern cheese one cent, they made no change in the price of Oregon brands. Dealers say there is not enough Oregon cheese available to warrant any general advance.

Large quantities of Oregon eggs arrived today, and, although they came too late to be distributed, they weakened the market materially. Dealers had difficulty in getting more than 28 cents today.

Potatoes are firmer everywhere. A shipment of 1000 sacks will be made to Alaska before Monday night.

Fish prices are lower, due largely to increased receipts following better weather on the Sound and on the Alaska coast.

Good veal is scarce and selling as high as 14 cents. Poultry receipts were heavier yesterday and today, but stocks are well cleaned up tonight.

Brokers here estimate the supply of canned salmon of all kinds on Puget Sound at not to exceed 200,000 cases.

THREATEN TO SHIP WOOL EAST.

Umatilla Sheepmen Not Satisfied With Prices Offered by Buyers.

PENDLETON, Or., March 6.—(Special.)—Because local sheepmen will not agree to the dates set by the buyers for the holding of wool sales days and because the buyers will not offer prices for wool considered equitable by the growers, there is a possibility that this year's Umatilla County clip will be shipped direct to the Chicago storage warehouses. This is the threat that is being made by the local growers and as they are well organized they are in a good position to carry out their threat. As the shearing season will soon be on the crisis must be reached within a very few weeks.

From present indications this year's clip will be one of the best ever turned out. With a better class of sheep in general, they have come through the Winter in excellent shape, being fatter in many instances than when they were brought in last Fall. More care has also been taken in keeping the sheep clean and as the Winter and Spring have been free from last year's dust storms, the prospects are that the fleeces will be cleaner than ever before. The number of sheep to be sheared in the county this season is probably less than last, but the amount of wool per sheep will be greater.

Pendleton Mills to Close Down.

PENDLETON, Or., March 6.—(Special.)—This city's two large flouring mill plants will be compelled to close down for lack of wheat within a very few weeks. The Walters mill is nearly out now and while the Byars plant has considerable wheat on hand it will be used up long before the harvest season comes. It is estimated that there are less than 50,000 bushels remaining unsold in the county and all of this is considered unfit for milling purposes.

While seed wheat has been selling for $1 a bushel for some time the highest price reported to have been paid here for merchantable grain was 97½ cents. That remaining to be sold will probably bring less than that amount, as it has all been injured by smut or in some other manner.

QUOTATIONS AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Prices Paid for Produce in the Bay City Markets.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 6.—The following prices were quoted in the produce market today:

Potatoes—Oregon Burbanks, $1.75@1.90; sweets, $1.75@1.90.

Onions—$2 per cental.

Millstuffs—Bran, $28.50@30; middlings, $33.50@35.50.

Vegetables—Garlic, 10@12½c; green peas, 10@15c; string beans, nominal; asparagus, 6@12½c; tomatoes, $1@1.50; egg plant, 25c.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 35c; creamery seconds, 33c; fancy dairy, 31c.

Cheese—New, 14@15c; Young America, 15@16½c; Eastern, 17½c.

Eggs—Store, 23c; fancy ranch, 24c.

Poultry—Roosters, old, $4@5; young, $7 @9; broilers, small, $4.50@5; broilers, large, $5.50@8.50; fryers, $5.50@7.50; hens, $5@9; ducks, old, $4.50@5.50; young, $6@8.

Wool—Spring, Humboldt and Mendocino, 16@19c; Mountain, 5@8½c; Nevada, 9@14c.

Hay—Wheat, $12@17; wheat and oats, $21@24; alfalfa, $15@19; stock, $15@19; straw, per bale, 50@75c.

Fruits—Apples, choice, $1.50; common, 60c; bananas, $1.25@3.50; limes, $7.50@8; lemons, choice, $3; common, $1; oranges, $1.50@3; pineapples, $2@3.

Receipts—Flour, 10,912 sacks; wheat, 775 centals; barley, 4390 centals; beans, 1000 sacks; potatoes, 4210 sacks; bran, 200 sacks; hay, 433 tons; wool, 18 bales; hides, 1230.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, March 6.—The market for evaporated apples is nominally unchanged; fancy 8¼@9¼c; choice, 7¼@7¾c; prime, 6½@7c; common, 5@6c.

Prunes in fair demand on spot, with quotations ranging from 3¾@7½c for the new crop California fruit up to 40-50s, and from 6¾c to 9c for Oregons, 40-50s to 20-30s.

Apricots are in light supply, with prices firmly held; choice 9¾@9¾c; extra choice 9¾@10c; fancy 11¼@13c.

Peaches are quite active on spot, but quotations show little disposition to respond to the advancing tendency reported on the Coast. Choice 5½@6c; extra choice 6@ 6¾c; fancy 7@8½c.

Raisins continue quiet; loose Muscatel, 4@5c; choice to fancy seeded, 4¾@6¼c; seedless, 3¾@5¼c; London layers, $1.20 @1.30.

Dairy Produce in the East.

CHICAGO, March 6.—Butter—Creamery, 22@25c; dairy, 20@25c.

Eggs—Steady at mark, cases included 19c; firsts, 19½c; prime firsts, 20½c.

Cheese—Firm; daisies, 15½c; twins, 14¾ @15c; Young Americas, 16@16½c.

NEW YORK, March 6.—Butter—Fancy, fresh creamery, steady; other grades dull; process common to special, 18@24c.

Cheese—Firm, unchanged.

Eggs—Steady.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, March 6.—Spot cotton closed quiet, mid-uplands, 9.85c; mid-Gulf, 10.10c.

Futures closed steady: March, 9.45c; April, 9.46c; May, 9.46c; June, 9.87c; July, 9.25c; August, 9.33c; September and October, 9.25c; November and December, 9.21c; January, 9.20c.

Wool at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, March 6.—Wool, unchanged; territory and Western mediums, 18@23c; fine mediums, 16@20c; fins, 11@16c.

BUYING BY SHORTS

Chicago Market Recovers Part of Friday's Loss.

SUPPORT IS GIVEN MAY

Market Is Firm All Day, but Volume of Trading Is Not Large—New High Mark in the Corn-Pit.

CHICAGO, March 6.—Buying by shorts who had sold on yesterday's sharp break caused firmness in the wheat market today. At the close, prices showed a net gain for the day of ⅝ to ¾c.

Leading bulls gave the May delivery moderate support at various times, but the principal demand came from those who had sold short yesterday. The volume of trading, however was not large. Many traders were inclined to hold aloof today in consequence of the forthcoming report of Government experts, which will be made public Monday, and which will show the amount of wheat in farmers' hands on March 1. Throughout the day, prices fluctuated over a range of ⅝@1c, May selling between $1.15⅝ and $1.16¾. The market closed strong at almost the top with May at $1.16¾@1.16¾, and July at $1.04⅝@1.04⅝.

New high records for the season were established in all deliveries of corn, May selling at 68¾c, and July at 67⅝c. The market was bullishly affected by light country acceptances, strengthened by the forecast of unsettled weather for the corn belt. The close showed net gains of ¾ to 1c, May being at 68¼@68¾c and July at 67⅝@67⅝c. Realizing by country holders caused moderate weakness in oats at the start, but the market rallied early and continued firm. At the close prices were ⅜ to ½c higher, May being at 58¾c and July at 50½c.

Provisions were strong all day and closed at net gains of 15@17½c to 37½c.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

WHEAT.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
May	$1.16	$1.16¾	$1.15½	$1.16¾
July	1.04	1.04¾	1.03¾	1.04¾
Sept	.97¼	.98	.97	.98

CORN.

May	.67⅞	.68¼	.67⅝	.68¼
July	.66⅞	.67⅝	.66¾	.67⅜
Sept	.66⅛	.67⅛	.66⅛	.67⅛

OATS.

May	.54	.54¾	.53⅞	.54¼
July	.50¼	.50¾	.50¼	.50¾
Sept	.41	.41⅝	.41	.41⅝