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Every method of bread-and-cake raising has been exhaustively studied in this country and abroad.

The result is a perfect product in Royal Baking Powder. There is no substitute for it. The purity and efficiency of Royal Baking Powder have been commended by the highest authorities of the world.

These facts mean two important things to all housekeepers:

First; that Royal Baking Powder is healthful and makes wholesome food.

Second; that Royal Baking Powder makes food good to taste.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER ABSOLUTELY PURE

TURKEY FOR MILLION

Produce Market is in Unusually Good Shape.

Vegetables in Fancy Lines Somewhat Scarce Because of Heavy Buying by the Holiday Trade—Clams and Salmon Are Missing.

Portland, Dec. 23.—The tone of the produce market today was somewhat of a surprise to those who have been anticipating a shortage just before the holidays. Turkeys came in in good quantity and shipment of chickens from the country were heavier by far than was expected.

Eggs, too, are very weak, the country supply having been held for the local markets instead of being shipped to San Francisco, as is the usual rule.

To the disappointment of the ladies who have been expecting unexpected developments under the mistletoe, this growth is coming in in such small quantities that it is fair to fudge and use any old green thing. Mistletoe is almost unobtainable, and the price is correspondingly high.

Clams are still out of the market on account of the rough weather on the bars and at the mouth of the river, and salmon will continue to be short until the opening of the fishing season.

The vegetable market is in fair shape, but the fancy lines are being rapidly cleaned out, and it stands the provident housewife well to "get hers" early.

Grain Products, Feed.

Wheat—Walla Walla, \$1c; Valley, 87c; bluestem, 87c.

Oats—White, 28c; gray, 23c. Barley—Brewing, \$2.50; feed, \$2.10. Hay—Timothy, \$14.15; clover, \$11.12; cheat, \$11.12.

Millstuffs—Barley, rolled, \$33.50; middlings, \$24.25; chop, \$16.18; bran, \$20.21; shorts, \$23.25.

Flour—Hard wheat, straight, \$4.15; 4.30; hard wheat patents, \$4.75; 4.90; Valley, \$4.30; 4.75; graham, \$24; rye, \$4.75.

Produce.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 25@27 1/2c; dairy, 13@13 1/2c; cooking, 12@12 1/2c.

Cheese—Young America, 14 1/2@15c; Oregon full cream, 13@13 1/2c.

Eggs—Oregon ranch, 31@32 1/2c; eastern, 24@26c.

Poultry—Mixed chickens, per pound, 9 1/2c; spring, pound, 10@10 1/2c; hens, 10 1/2c; geese, 8@8 1/2c; turkeys, live, 17@18c; turkeys, dressed, 19@21c; ducks, old, dozen, \$4@5; spring ducks, \$6@7.

Honey—Dark, 10 1/2@11c; amber, 12@13c; fancy white, 15c.

Wild Game.

Wild geese, \$3; mallard ducks, \$5@5.50; wildgeon ducks, \$2@2.50; teal ducks, \$1.25@1.50.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Pears—\$1@1.25. Cranberries—Per barrel, \$10.

Apples—Oregon, 50c@1.50. Tropical Fruits—Lemons, fancy, \$3.25 @3.50; choice, \$3.25 per box; oranges, \$2.25@2.75; bananas, 5@5 1/2c per pound; pineapples, \$3.50@4 per dozen.

Fresh Meats and Fish. Fresh Meats—Veal, 1 1/4@7c; pork, 5 1/2@6c; beef, 2 1/4@6 1/2c; mutton, 2 1/4@4c.

Oils and Lead. Coal Oil—Pearl or astral oil, cases, 21c per gallon; water white oil, iron barrels, 16c; wood barrels, none; cocoon oil, cases, 25c; elaine oil, cases, 28c; extra star, cases, 28c; headlight oil, 17 1/2 degrees, cases, 24 1/2c; iron barrels, 18c.

Groceries, Provisions, Etc. Sugar—Golden C, \$5.55; powdered, \$6.35; patent cube, \$6.50; cane, D. G., \$6.15; fruit sugar, \$6.15; beet sugar, \$6.05; extra cwt, 10c; kegs, cwt., 25c; boxes, cwt., 50c (less 1/4c per pound, if paid for in 15 days).

Coffee—Mocha, 26@28c; Java, fancy, 26@32c; ava, good, 20@24c; Java, ordinary, 17 1/2@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18 @20c; Costa Rica, good, 16@18c; Arabuckles, \$15.25 per 100 pounds; Lion, \$15.25.

Nuts—Walnuts, No. 1, soft shell, 13 1/2c; No. 1, hard shell, 13 1/4c; Chile, 12c; almonds, 17@18c; filberts, 14@15c; Brazilia, 16c; pecans, 13 1/4@15c; hickory, 8c; Virginia peanuts, 8@8 1/2c; Jumbo Virginia peanuts, 9c; Japanese peanuts, 5 1/2@6c; chestnuts, Italian, 14c; chestnuts, eastern, drum, \$4.50; coconuts, dozen, 90c.

Rice—Imperial Japan, No. 1, \$5.37 1/2; No. 2, \$4.25; Carolina head, 6c; broken head, 4c, 11@13c per pound; Columbia roast, cases, 100s, \$13.25; 50s, \$13.50; Arbuticles, \$14.88; Lion, \$14.88.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc. Hops—28@30c. Wool—Valley, 20@21c; Eastern Oregon, 10@17c.

TIDE TABLE, DECEMBER

Table with columns for Low Water, A.M., P.M., High Water, A.M., P.M. and rows for dates from Thursday to Friday.

ed bulls and stags, a third less than dry flint; salted hides, steers, sound, 60 pounds and over, \$6@9c; 50 to 60 pounds 7@7 1/2c; under 50 pounds and cows, 4 1/2 @7 1/2c; stags and bulls, sound, 4@4 1/2c; kip, sound, 15 to 20 pounds, 7c; under 10 pounds, 8c; green (unsalted), 1c per pound less; culls, 1c per pound less; horse hides, salted, each, \$1.50; dry, each, \$1@1.50; colts' hides, each, 25@50c; goatskins, common, each, 13@15c; Angora, with wool on, 25c@31c; sheep pelts, as to wool, 10@60c each.

Livestock. Cattle—\$2@2.50; hogs, \$4.25@5.50; sheep, \$3.25@3.50.

POLICEMAN KILLED. Buffalo Mounted Policeman Found Slain, Lying in the Snow.

Buffalo, Dec. 23.—Frederick Schultz, mounted patrolman, 40 years old, was found lying dead in a vacant lot on the city's outskirts at 1:30 o'clock this morning. His horse was standing guard over the body. Whether Schultz was murdered or killed himself has not been determined.

Bankrupt Millionaire. Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 23.—Charles M. Reed of Erie, supposed to be a millionaire, was declared bankrupt by Judge Buffington in the United States district court today.

SUGAR CASE UP. Seven Years' Litigation Is to Be Re-opened. New York, Dec. 23.—It is stated that the famous sugar duty rebate case recently decided against the importers by the supreme court is to be re-opened.

BEAT BROTHERS. Clever Sharper Bilks Various Fraternal Organizations. Colorado Springs, Dec. 23.—T. J. Parker who is under arrest here on the charge of forging the name of the Cincinnati Trust Company's cashier to a certificate and passing the same on the Third National bank of St. Louis, is evidently a badly wanted man.

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