Dull Season in All the Markets in the State.

Very Little Movement in Produce, th Markets Being Well Supplied and the Demand Not Very Encouraging.

There is nothing doing in the produce markets, there being very little demand from outside cities, and the receipts of farm produce has materialremain unchanged and the indications are that there will be no change this work, with wool on, 250@1.00.

Grain Products, Food. Wheat-Walls Walls, 82c; Valley, Be; bluestem, 86c.

Oats-White, \$27@28; gray, \$27 Harley-Browing, \$33; feed, \$22.50. Hay-Timethy, \$14015; clover, \$11 \$12; cheat, \$11@12; alfalfa, \$11.

Milletuffs-Barley, rolled, \$28.50; middlings, \$24@26; chop, \$16@18; bran 190 @ 11; shorts, \$25@ 26. Flour-Hard wheat, straight, \$4.150

6.80; hard wheat patents, \$4.75@4.90; Valley, \$4.30@4.75; graham, \$4; rye \$5; whole wheat flour, \$3.90.

Produce.

Butter-Fancy creamery, 27% @30c; dairy, 13@13%c; cooking, 10@11c. Cheese—Young American, 16c; Ore-gon full cream, 15c. Eggs—Oregon ranch, 26%26c.

Poultry-Mixed chickens, per pound, 11%c: spring, pounds, 12@12%c; hens, 11@12%c; geese, 109%c; turkeys, live 15@17c; turkeys, dressed, 20c; ducks, old dozen, \$9; spring ducks, \$9@9.50, \$6@7.

Honey-Dark, 10%@11c; amber, 12@ 18c; fancy white, 15c.

Wild Game.

Wild geese, \$4@4.50; mallard ducks. ducks, \$1.50.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Tropical Fruits-Lemons, fancy, \$3.2 2.75, choice, \$2.75@3.00; oranges, \$1.75 \$2.00; cananas, 5c per pound; pineapples, \$3.50@4 per dozen.

Potatoes, Oregon, 100 pounds, 90e@ \$1.00; tomatoes, California, per crate, \$2.00; turnips, per sack, 60@70c; cabbages,per pound, 1% @1%c; carrots, per pound, 1% @1%c; carrots, per sack, 40@75c; potatoes, \$1.50@1.75 per 100 pounds; cauliflower, per dozen, 750@\$1; celery, per denen, 55@45c.

Oils and Lead. Goal Oil-Pearl or antral oil, cases. 21c per gallon; water white oil, iron tarrels,15%c; wood barrels,none; cocene ell, cases, 25c; elaine oil, cases, 25c; extra star, cases, 26c; headlight oil 175 degrees, cases, 24%c; fron barrels 18c. (Washington state test burning except headlight, 14c per gallon olls. higher.)

Linseed Oil-Pure raw, in barrels, 520; genuine kettle-boiled in barrels, 54e; pure raw oil, in cases, 57e; genuine kettle-boiled in cases, 59c; lots of 250 gallens, le less per gallon. Benzine-Sixty-three degrees, cases,

22c; iron barrels, 15%c. Turpentine-In cases, 85c per gal-

Gasoline-Stove gasoline, 24160; Iron barrels, 18c; 86 degrees gasoline, cases, 32c; iron barrels or

drums, 26c. Lead-Strictly pure white lead and red lead in ton lots, 7%c; 500-pound lets, 8c; less than 500 pounds, 8%c.

Fresh Meats and Fish. Fresh Meats-Veal, 316@8c; pork

5406%c; beef, \$@5c; mutton, 4@6c Fish-Crabs, per dozen, \$1.25; Shoalwater Bay oysters, per sack, \$4; oysters, gallon, \$2.25; halibut, 7c; black ced, 7c; salmon, Steelheads, 81/c; sliversides, 5%c; hering, 5c; flounders 5c; catfish, 7c; lobsters, per pound 1214e: silver smelt, 5c; shrimp, 10. perch, 5c; aturgeon, 7c; Columbia river smelt, 3c; bass, 12%c.

Groceries, Provisions, Etc.

Sugar-Golden C, \$5.55; powdered, \$6.25; patent cube, \$6.85; cane, D. G. \$6.15; fruit sugar, \$6.15; beet sugar, \$5.95; extra cwt. 10c; kegs, cwt., 25c; boxes, cwt., 50c (less 1/c per pound, if paid for in 15 days).

Salt-Bales of 75-2s, bale \$1.50; bales of 50-3s, bale \$1.50; bales of 40-4s, bale \$1.50; bales of 15-10s, bale \$1.50; bags. 50s, fine, ton, \$9.50; bags 50 lbs., genuine Liverpool, ton, \$17; bags 50 lbs., 1/2 ground, 100s, tons, \$5.25; R. S. V. P., 20 5-1b. cartons, \$2 25; R. S. V. P., 24 3-lb cartons, \$1.75; Liverpool lump,

Coffee-Mochs, 25@28c; Java, fancy, 25@32c; Java. good, 20@24c; Java, ordinary, 17@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18 @20c; Costa Rica, good, 16@18c; Arbuckles, \$15,25 per 100 pounds; Lion,

Nuts-Walnuts. No. 1, soft shell. 18%c; No. 1, hard shell, 18%c; Chile,

13c; almonds, 17@18c; filberts, 14@15c; Brazils, 16c; pecans, 18% @15c; hickory, Sc; Virginia peanuts, 8@814c; Jumbo Virginia peanuts, 9c; Japanese peanuts, 5% 96c; chestnuts, Italian, 14c; chestnuts, eastern, drum, \$4.50; occanuts, dozen, 96c.

Rice-Imperial Japan, No. 1, \$5.37%; No. 2, 84.85; Carolina head, \$c; broken with Paul. He was very nice about head, 4c,

Provisions—Hams, to size, 12%c: "So Mr. Leslie thinks you are not

hams picnic, \$c; bacon, regulars, 11c; bacon, breakfast, 14018c; dry salt sides, 10c; backs, dry sait, 9%c; lard. keitle rendered, tierced, 9%c. Figs-White, pound, 5%fb6c; black,

Dates-Golden, 60-lb. boxes, 8@7c; 1-lb packages, Sc: Fard, 15-lb boxes,

Hops Wool, Hides, Etc. Hides-Filnt dry cow and steer, 14 @15c; fint dry salf, 14@15c; salted. 7%@5%c; green and grubby, 5@7c;

Wool-Valley, 20021c; Eastern Oregon, 14@18c.

Tallow-Prime, per pound, 31/2 04c; No. 3 and grease, 214 @3c.

Cattle-\$3.00@4.25; hogs, \$4.50@5.50; sheep, \$4.25@4.50.

LOCAL PRODUCE.

Prices Furnished by Rose, Higgins & Company The following are the retail prices on local produce yesterday:

Eggs, per dozen, 30c; butter, best, per roll, 70c; chickens, dressed, per pound, 18c; mallard ducks, pair, \$1; apples, box, 75c@\$1.25; oranges, box 12@2.25; potatoes, sack, \$1.50; turnips, sack, 90c; carrots, sack, \$1.

Aunt Mary, Banker

By James Cleary

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When the First National bank of \$3@3.50; widgeon ducks, \$2@2.25; teal | Olivet was organised, capital \$50,000. Aunt Mary Hilliard became a stockholder to the amount of \$10,000. She was a wealthy widow, past middle age, and could have furnished the full amount had she so desired.

The balance of the stock was taken by the business men of Olivet and farmers thereabouts, and in due time the bank opened for business. When the stockholders met to elect a board of directors they figured on leaving Aunt Mary out, though she was one of the largest stockholders. She was a woman, they said, and she knew litwell content to draw her dividends and

leave the active management to men. "Don't make any mistake about me," cautioned Aunt Mary as she settled her bonnet on the back of her head and stood up. "T've been doing business ever since my husband died, fif teen years ago, and I think I've learned a thing or two, even about banking. I not only want to be a director, but I shall drop in here quite often to see how things are going."

Aunt Mary was made a director. It was that or trouble. Then the five directors elected a president, secretary and cashier, and four of them smiled paternally as the woman claimed the honor of making the first deposit. The president was a newcomer in the town, but he had money and had been cashier of a bank in Buffalo. The secretary and cashier were old residents.

The First National secured a large business at once, and as time passed on Aunt Mary dropped in occasionally to keep posted. People who thought she was old fashioned in her business notions or that her limit was selling butter and eggs had to acknowledge their mistake. She was quite up to date on finance, and she knew a good investment from a doubtful one as well as the president did.

Things were being managed in good shape all around, and the bank was looking ahead to fair dividends at the end of the year, when Paul Hazzard, nephew to Aunt Mary and a young man of twenty-two, appeared on the scene. That is, he appeared at Aunt Mary's house, two miles out of town, for a visit of a month or two. As he

came from a good ramily and had just finished at the university and was about to study for the law the barshest critic could have found little fault with him in that regard. Aunt Mary let it be known that he was the apple

of her eye and her heir as well, It wasn't the fact that Paul came to visit his aunt that shook the First National to its foundations later, but that he promptly met and fell in love with Kittle Leslie, daughter of the bank's president. It so happened that his own aunt made the introduction in the directors' room of the bank, introducing him to the father at the same time, and so the young man found himself properly vouched for. Mr. Leslie appeared to look upon him with favor, and Kittle was well liked by Aunt Mary, and thus the love match started off well. In a month there was an understanding between the two. Trees, shruha and burdocks grow faster in a country town than in a big city, and perhaps love does the same.

Gossip had it that it was all settled

between Paul and Kittle when the

girl's fatter stepped in to misettle things. He had no objections to Paul on general principles, but he, had other views regarding Kittle. In fact, he was planning a certain combination of love and finance. He had his eyes and ears open, and when he thought the firtation had gone far enough he put his parental foot down. He had a talk

good enough for his daughter, eh? Aunt Mary queried when the news had been broken. "Well, this is not stricttomorrow and have a few words with him. Seems to me his head is getting too big for his hat."

Aunt Mary dropped in and had a talk Mr. Leslie was suave, but be didn't want Paul Hazzard for a son tolaw. He said all sorts of good things as an offset, but he was firm on that one point. It wasn't policy for him to antagonize one of the largest stockbolders in the bank, and he tried his best to smooth over things and send Aunt Mary away in a friendly spirit.

"Well, I've seen him," she remarked on returning home. "If he has his way about things you'll never marry Kit-

Paul grouned "But he won't have his way," she continued. "On the contrary, I'll have mine. You and Kittle be patient for a few weeks and there'll either be a marriage or your Aunt Mary will admit that she doesn't know rabbits from woodchucks."

The shares of the First National were valued at \$110, with none for sale. All men will sell, however, at a price. That very day Aunt Mary began hunting up the small stockholders, buying stock and pledging them to secrecy. She paid fifteen, twenty and twenty-five bonus but she got what she was after. In a month she had a controlling interest, and the stock was duly transferred on the books. There was considerable speculation as to what was up, but no one surmised the truth until the first annual meeting came around. Aunt Mary was present, and it was noticed that ber jaw was set.

"We will now vote to elect a board of directors," softly announced the secretary when the meeting had been called to order.

Aunt Mary had a ticket of her own to vote, and she speedily voted the old board out. In answer to their looks of consternation she said:

"This afternoon the directors will elect officers. I shall be president and my nephew cashier."

"But, my dear Mrs. Hilliard"- began Mr. Leslie.

"I am within my legal rights, sir," she interrupted. "I have never run a bank yet, but I think I can do so. That is. I shall do so unless'

The pause was dramatic. All had s suspicion of what was wrong, and Mr. Leslie knew that he was in a trap. -

"Unless what?" he finally asked, with a rather pale face.

"Unless my nephew should get married soon. In that case he would not want to act as cashler. Did any one

No one had. In fact, no one wanted to adjourn until things had been set "I think your nephew had better ge married," observed Mr. Lesile as he stared into vacancy.

"Very soon?" queried Aunt Mary. "I think Kittle will be ready within s

"Well, if that's your opinion, I'm quite agreeable. Would it be against the law to hold a new election for directors?"

"You seem to be the law yourself." "Then I'll call a new meeting and cast my votes for the old board, and as a director I vote to re-elect the old executive board. I have a little more stock than I want, and if any of you hear of anybody who wants a few hundred at \$110 please send them to me."

Tommy Had Help. "Tommy, I've talked to you until I'm hoarse!"

"Don't blame me for all of it, mamma You know you talked a lot to papa before he left this morning!"-Yonkers Statesman.

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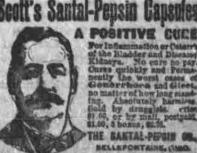
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