

THE COMMERCIAL WORLD

EASTERN HAMS DOWN A HALF

Quotations Decline to Meet Local Prices.

Lard Drops a Quarter--Butter Is Scarcer on Account of the Freeze.

The packed meat market underwent another change in quotations today. The decline in the price of lard as reported exclusively in the Journal of yesterday forced the Eastern packers to action, and today the quotations on their product will show a decline. Eastern hams are down a half cent, and lard is quoted at a quarter lower, cost-packed meats and lard are unchanged today.

SUGAR IS QUIET. There is very little business being transacted in the sugar line at present. Dealers are wary and do not intend to be caught in a declining market. They are purchasing only enough stock to tide them over for a few days. No large sales of sugar have been reported since the decline of 50 cents last week. Jobbers, too, are wary, and do not know which way the market will jump next. They say that before the last decline the market looked quite favorable for a steady advance.

BUTTER SCARCER. A prominent butter man said today that the butter market was stronger. Receipts are somewhat smaller on account of the cold snap during the past few days. Although there is a scarcity to be noticed throughout the butter market, the price is too high now to admit of any further advances in quotations. The best grades of creamery are selling today at 30 cents a pound.

POULTRY WANTED. Receipts of poultry were slow today, and the market is about bare of stock. The demand continues quite strong, but no higher prices are anticipated. Eggs continue about the same as reported yesterday, with receipts and demand about equal. Fresh Oregon eggs are today quoted at 30 cents a dozen, or 2 1/2 cents a unit, which way the market will jump next. Today's quotations, as revised, are as follows:

PORTLAND WHOLESALE PRICES. Wheat--Winn, Flour and Feed. 60@61; Valley, 70@75; 80@81; 90@91; 100@101; 110@111; 120@121; 130@131; 140@141; 150@151; 160@161; 170@171; 180@181; 190@191; 200@201; 210@211; 220@221; 230@231; 240@241; 250@251; 260@261; 270@271; 280@281; 290@291; 300@301; 310@311; 320@321; 330@331; 340@341; 350@351; 360@361; 370@371; 380@381; 390@391; 400@401; 410@411; 420@421; 430@431; 440@441; 450@451; 460@461; 470@471; 480@481; 490@491; 500@501; 510@511; 520@521; 530@531; 540@541; 550@551; 560@561; 570@571; 580@581; 590@591; 600@601; 610@611; 620@621; 630@631; 640@641; 650@651; 660@661; 670@671; 680@681; 690@691; 700@701; 710@711; 720@721; 730@731; 740@741; 750@751; 760@761; 770@771; 780@781; 790@791; 800@801; 810@811; 820@821; 830@831; 840@841; 850@851; 860@861; 870@871; 880@881; 890@891; 900@901; 910@911; 920@921; 930@931; 940@941; 950@951; 960@961; 970@971; 980@981; 990@991; 1000@1001.

38c; T. & B. 53c; Spear Head 43c; Star 44c; Fine cut chewing--Golden Thread 53c; Pa. 54c. Fruits and Vegetables. Potatoes--55@56c, sweet, 51.75@2.25 cwt. Onions--Oregon, 75@90c; garlic, 5c lb. Fresh fruits--Apples, 15@18 cwt; Oregon, 75c@1.50; cooking, 50@75c box. Oranges, navals, 1.75@2.00 box; California, 1.50@1.75 box; bananas, 12.00@2.75 bunch. Fall pears, 55c@1.25 box; pomgranates, 1.50@2 box; cranberries, 11 barrel, huckleberries 10 lb.

Meats and Poultry. Fresh meats--Beef, 7@7 1/2c; hams, 35@40c; corn, 4 1/2c; pork, 4 1/2c; veal, 8@8 1/2c; mutton, 2 1/2c@2 3/4c; dressed, 1 1/2c; lamb, 7@7 1/2c. Hams, Bacon, etc.--Portland pack (local) hams, 12 1/2c; picnic, 10 1/2c; breakfast, 10 1/2c; light sides, 12c; backs, 12 1/2c; dry salted sides, 12c; dried beef sets, 1 1/2c; insides and knuckles, 1 1/2c. Eastern packed hams, under 18 lbs, 12 1/2c; over 18 lbs, 13 1/2c; fancy, 15c; picnic, 12 1/2c; shoulders, 11 1/2c; dry salted sides, unsmoked, 12 1/2c; breakfast bacon, 15c; fancy, 17 1/2c; butts, 12@13c. Lard--Oregon, 17 1/2c; 10 lb tin, 15c; 5 lb tin, 15c; 2 1/2 lb tin, 15c; steam rendered, 10c; 12 1/2c; 5 lb tin, 10c, 12 1/2c. Eastern lard--Kettle leaf, 10-lb tin, 13 1/2c; 5 lb tin, 13 1/2c; 2 1/2 lb tin, 13c; steam rendered, 10c; 12 1/2c; 5 lb tin, 10c, 12 1/2c. Fish--Rock cod, 10c; flounders, 7c; halibut, 8c; ling cod, 8c; salmon, 10c; herring, 10c; razor clams, 10c; red snappers, 8c; black cod, 8c; striped bass, 8c; salmon, 10c; sole, 10c; sea bream, 10c; lobsters, 12 1/2c; shrimp, Puget Sound, 15c lb.

TOOK POISON

St. Paul Woman Drank From the Wrong Bottle.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 12.--"Oh, John, see what I have taken. Run for a doctor!" exclaimed Mrs. Georgia Devereux, as she staggered to the sitting-room of her home at 330 Glenwood street, holding a large bottle of carbolic acid in her hand. As she screamed to her husband, John F. Devereux, a mail carrier, she fell to the floor writhing in pain, and half an hour later, in spite of the efforts of a doctor, she was dead. Mrs. Devereux had gone to the pantry to take a dose of carbolic medicine. She mistook the carbolic acid bottle for her medicine bottle, and she drank a deep draught of the poison. Mrs. Devereux suffered from a severe cold for several days. Mr. Devereux spent the evening at home and about 10:30 o'clock they prepared to retire. Both were partly undressed when Mrs. Devereux thought of her cough medicine and she left the bedroom to go to the pantry for it. She took no light. The cough medicine was a compound of rock candy and brandy, and was in a half-pint whiskey bottle. Near the bottle on the shelf was another one of the same size and shape containing carbolic acid, which she mistook for her cough medicine. Mrs. Devereux got hold of the acid bottle. She placed it to her mouth and took a big swallow before she realized what it was. She ran for the sitting-room, and as her husband ran from the room to the bedroom door, she screamed to him to get aid, and then she fell to the floor. Mr. Devereux was in his night clothes, but a brother of Mrs. Devereux, John T. Fisher, 15 years of age, who had not yet gone to bed, ran for a doctor, while Mr. Devereux cared for his wife.

A NEW LIFEBOAT.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.--There was an official test of a new lifeboat, the invention of Capt. Youdemar Engshardt of Copenhagen, at the Navy Yard in Brooklyn Thursday. The trial took place on the salt order of the Secretaries of the Navy, the Army and the Treasury. The boat is 30 feet long, 10 feet wide, and is made of white pine, covered with varnished canvas. It is six inches deep and consists of a broad frame filled with layers of cork and contains compartments stuffed with cotton of kopski. It could be stored away on the deck of a man-of-war and would not have to be thrown away before an action as is the case with the present splinterable lifeboats. Capt. Engshardt, the inventor, was on board through several evolutions so as to test its strength, buoyancy and carrying capacity. It was opened and collapsed repeatedly in quick time and dropped from a height of nearly 20 feet, landing on the bottom without injury. Although 24 men got in it, its draught did not seem to be perceptibly increased. Both the Navy and Army men seemed to look upon the invention with favor, and it is further thought as satisfactory as that of Thursday. Its adoption by the government will probably be recommended.

EMPLOYED CHILDREN.

BERLIN, Jan. 12.--The cry of the children still goes up in Germany. The Chamber of Commerce in Plauen has issued a remarkable report. In Saxony, it states, of 99,500 school children, no less than 27,531, or 27.6 per cent, are employed in trade. More than half of these children--namely, 74,508--are employed in the textile industry. In some industries even children under 10 years of age are employed. The majority of whom are puny, delicate little old men and women, sitting all day in a vitiated atmosphere for a few pence, and never knowing what it is to play and be children. They do not obtain proper food, for their parents are so poor that they can only afford to give them bread and potatoes. A petition will shortly be laid before the Reichstag praying for legislation on the matter.

RETURNED THE SHOES.

Otto Grissler yesterday forgot where he usually traded, walked into one of Ed Rosenthal's two shoe stores with a pair of loggers' shoes which he had purloined from the other and was promptly arrested. Grissler's story about a stolen friend was worth a cent in the judge's eyes and six months in jail was awarded to the absent minded beggar.

TEARS OVER TAMALES.

Two of three boys captured by Detectives Kerrigan and Snow and arraigned on a charge of larceny before Judge Hogue pleaded guilty in the Police Court yesterday afternoon and were held for the grand jury. Harry Wilkens gave his age as 17 and Al Clark said he was 16, and the latter, in virtue of his tender years, went copiously when informed that it was just as wicked to steal 50 tamales as to make away with \$5. Wilkens preserved a stolid demeanor and was apparently not much disturbed when he was examined. The third of the trio, Charles Boggs, was fixed with a lawyer and will be examined tomorrow for stealing a revolver from the Log Cabin saloon.

THE APPRAISERS ARE BUSY

Large Variety of Chinese Goods at Custom House. The force in the appraisers' warehouses at the custom house is working under very discouraging difficulties. Since the arrival of the Indrapura from the Orient the rooms are crowded with Chinese and Japanese goods which are brought there for inspection before being sent to their consignees. The work is progressing very slowly on account of the condition of Seventh street which is being paved and is impassable at the present. Truckmen removing the goods are obliged to carry them by hand half a block to Flannery street, which is the nearest point they can get to the warehouses until the street grading work is completed. This necessarily makes a tedious work and from present indications all the freight will not be removed for some time to come. There is a miscellaneous assortment of goods, but a big portion of them consist of fireworks which will shortly be in great demand by the Chinese residents of the United States on account of the near approach of their New Year festivities. Some of them are for Portland merchants, but a large portion goes to Chinese business men in various Eastern cities. There are also large consignments of vegetables, wardrobes, medicines, etc., peculiar to the nationality of the Flowery Kingdom.

CASH WHEAT CHANGES HANDS

Heavy Selling in the Chicago Pit.

Discreet Liquidation the Feature of Rather Dull Stock Market.

CHICAGO, Jan. 12.--The Record-Herald says: A good deal of cash wheat changed hands yesterday, as much as 160,000 bushels of No. 1 Northern here. The seaboard export sales were reported by Johnke as 64 loads, and the Harris-Gates figures were 77 loads. The seaboard said most of its business was to the continent, including some to Lisbon from Philadelphia, and sales from Guano to Havana. Of the 160,000 bushels No. 1 Northern said here, the millers took about 50,000 bushels and shipping houses took the balance from the various commission houses which have been carrying it. The business was at 1-4 to 3-8 cents under May in store. Nothing was done from here with the seaboard or with the other side except in wheat at the seaboard.

There was a sale of 25,000 bushels of No. 1 Northern wheat at Boston on the basis of 2 cents under the Chicago on all rail. But the transfers of No. 1 Northern in this market were in part from the speculative hands to the cash, putting the latter in a position to do business. It looked in provisions yesterday if the shorts in ribs, irrespective of their opinions, were anxious to get out. There was continued Armour buying, and those who have been bearish are not anxious for a fight over the price. There was covering of ribs, and in some cases shorts were put out in lard instead. The hogs are not coming any faster and they are not coming any heavier. Last week's hogs here, while materially lighter than a year ago, were 19 pounds under the average of two years ago, and 22 pounds under 1902.

THE SEQUOIA.

The steam schooner Sequoia, which has been at Supple's wharf several days, will be taken on the way today. She will be pulled out of the river under her own steam with the assistance of eight horses. The boiler for the Government tender being built at Nagasaki was for a milling firm at Nagasaki. Two hundred and twenty-one packages of exhibits for the Japanese Exposition at Osaka are also on the Indrapura. The balance of the cargo consists of 150 boxes of apples, 100 boxes of salt fish, 100 boxes of bran, 68 boxes of salt fish, one box of fruit trees, one box of bones and several other miscellaneous items of minor importance.

MARINE NOTES.

The steamer Despatch has cleared for San Francisco with 500,000 feet of lumber, which was loaded by the Eastern & Western Lumber Company. The George W. Elder sailed last night for San Francisco with a full cargo, among it being 1,500 sacks of flour and Chinese goods. The American barkentine Gleaner cleared yesterday at Astoria for San Francisco with 500,000 feet of lumber. The steamer Victorina, which has been lying idle for several months at Tacoma, has been purchased by the Victoria Terminal Railway & Ferry Company. The same company is negotiating with Hale & Kern for the purchase of the bark Victorina.

The large fleet which has been delayed for some time in the lower harbor by a rough bar was diminished yesterday afternoon by the Klek, Managassar and the O. A. N. The steam schooner Lakme arrived from Eureka yesterday with 200,000 feet of redwood for Nicolai Bros., the planing mill men. The Norma has shifted from the stream this morning to Columbia dock No. 1.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Strait of Juan de Fuca, Washington. Notice is hereby given that Point Wilson Buoy No. 6, a first-class nun, is reported, January 8, as having gone adrift from its position off the point ground off Point Wilson. It will be replaced as early as practicable. This notice affects the Log of Beacons and Buoy, Pacific Coast, 1902, page 73. By order of the Lighthouse Board. G. C. CALKINS, Commander, U. S. N. Lighthouse Inspector. Portland, Ore., Jan. 12, 1903.

A PIONEER RESTS.

The funeral of W. C. Wilkes took place this afternoon at his home on his farm near Rockwood, the Columbia Slough, at 1 o'clock. Mr. Wilkes died Sunday, of double pneumonia, and had reached his 80th year. He came to Oregon in 1844. His wife and a number of adult children survive him. Interment was had in Powell Cemetery.

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THE INDRAPURA HAS CLEARED

Sailed Last Evening With a Big Cargo for Orient.

The Oriental liner Indrapura cleared yesterday afternoon for China and Japan with a mixed cargo valued at \$174,117. The principal items on the ship's manifest was flour, 46,836 barrels being consigned to Yokohama, Kobe, Tamsui, Hakodate, Moji, Nagasaki, Hong Kong and Shanghai. The cargo consists of 7,456 sacks of wheat for a milling firm at Nagasaki. Two hundred and twenty-one packages of exhibits for the Japanese Exposition at Osaka are also on the Indrapura. The balance of the cargo consists of 150 boxes of apples, 100 boxes of salt fish, 100 boxes of bran, 68 boxes of salt fish, one box of fruit trees, one box of bones and several other miscellaneous items of minor importance.

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APOSTLE SMOOT NOTLY OPPOSED Letters of Protest Pour Into Salt Lake.

President Roosevelt Denies Interference in Utah Senatorial Contest.

(Journal Special Service.) SALT LAKE, Jan. 13.--The fight against the election of Apostle Reed Smoot to the United States Senate is assuming national scope and is centering here. Members of the Utah Legislature have received communications, signed Lillian M. Stephens, president National Women's Christian Temperance Union, vigorously protesting against the election of Smoot. This petition represents 300,000 women. Every mail brings similar protests from all over the country. In an interview today Smoot declared that no amount of intimidation could force him to abandon his fight. "I shall not resign the Apostleship on account of my Senatorial candidacy," said Smoot. "I am in this race now and I intend to stay. My friends have signified their intention of standing by me and so long as they are with me I shall not desert them. I do not for a moment believe that President Roosevelt intends to take any hand in this fight, which is purely local and one not at all calling for the interference of the nation's executive."

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.--Representative Sutherland of Utah after an interview with the President concerning the Utah Senatorial situation, said today that the President denied the published statement that he had raised his official voice against the election to the United States Senate of Apostle Smoot. The President's expressions were purely personal and were not intended as an official utterance.

EVERY WOMAN

Advertisement for Every Woman's Marvel Whirling Spray, featuring an illustration of a woman and text describing its benefits for various ailments like rheumatism, sprains, and chest colds.

THEY STICK OUT

Advertisement for Ballard & Lee Advertising Agency, featuring an illustration of a man and a woman, and text describing their services.

RAN AWAY FROM HOME MANY TIMES Small Boy Who Would Not Be Good Is Captured. Milo Reed is a lively small boy, who thinks that running away from home is more fun than going to school. But Milo hasn't been very successful in keeping away from those who search for him. Yesterday Officer Hawley escorted him from the City Prison to the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society, where he will have to be good for a while. Young Reed is only 13 years old, and was at one time a newsboy of Minneapolis. When he was 10 years old he came so unruly that he had to be sent to the State Reform School. He escaped from the school five times in three years. He was finally paroled when his folks moved to Oregon, but on arrival here he decamped again. Officer Hawley found him and took him to the prison until arrangements could be made to place him in charge of the society.

IN AID OF LIBRARY FUND.

Milton W. Smith has had prepared a bill for passage by the Legislature, which will be introduced some time during the week by a member of the Municipal delegation, and which has as its object a slight increase in the tax levy of Portland. This will be for the purpose of raising money in aid of the library fund, which is insufficient at the present time. A bill will also be presented to the Legislature prepared by W. L. Brewster to authorize smaller cities to levy sufficient taxes for support of libraries.

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