TRANSACTIONS IN THE FINANCIAL WORLD

'FRISCO DEALERS **BOOST POTATOES**

WANT TO GAIN CONTROL OF THIS MARKET IN ORDER TO UNLOAD POTATOES IN THE BAY CITY-ONIONS ARE ADVANCING.

Front Street, Feb. 16 .- The principal items of interest in the Portland wholesale market today were:

Frisco dealers boost potatoes, Unnatural prices being paid. Onions selling at advance. More trouble breaks out in salt, Eggs are weaker.

Poultry very slow in coming. Flour advance is likely. Feed market strong.

A few smelt come to market. Coffee is weaker,

Dealers Boost Potatoes.

The efforts of the San Francisco produce merchants to control this market are causing them to boost the local quotations much beyond the figures where there will be a profit for the handlers. One of the San Francisco tirms in particular is desirous of driving out all competition, for it is paying as high as \$1.10 and \$1.15 for potatoes up the country when the same stocks are sold in the California market at about the same figure. It costs about 29 cents to ship each hundred pounds of potatoes into San Francisco and at the present rate of buying the 'Frisco men lose about 20 cents a hundred on every lot of potatoes they buy here. The purpose of the San Francisco men not to make any money on the stocks bought in this market, but to keep the their river stocks in the Bay City mar-These stocks were purchased at the first of the season at very low figures and if the speculators can sell them at present quotations they can afford to y a few hundred sacks of Oregon po-

tatoes, paying a higher price than they can sell them for in order to keep the market up here and enable them to stop shipments to the south and thereby sell their own stocks when the market is at its highest point. The prices now being offered for potatoes are not being actually paid, only offered. The plan of the 'Frisco men is to send out large irculars to the potato growers telling them of large auvances in prices which they expect later in the season., This es the farmer to hold, and to the conditions even more stiff the San Francisco men go out in the country and purchase a few sacks in widely scattered sections. Only a very few purchases are made at this figure, the buyers getting out of that section as

The demand from California, Arizons and Texas points continues good. The only section which still has good supplies of onions is Oregon. Washington is not entirely sold out and has to depend on this state for supplies. California has no onlons and all sections turn to Oregon for relief.

More Troubles in Salt.

A late report from southern California says that the Imperial Salt company and the Amalgamsted Salt company are again cutting prices and the prospects for peace are not so bright as they were several days ago. The report says the Imperial company has two mills grinding while the Amalgathey were several days ago. The report says the Imperial company has two mills grinding while the Amalgamated has only one. San Francisco trade papers are looking for lower prices, although the present prices in that section

are below the cost of production. Eggs Are Weaker.

The receipt of 150 cases of California eggs, which were divided among four of the local merchants, has caused a further weakness in the market and prices today are ruling from 27 to 27% cents. Receipts from the local territory are growing a trifle larger. The

tions. Fresh salmon is just as scarce as ever. Small salt water fish of all kinds are scarce on account of the stormy weather off the coast. Coffee Is Weaker.

The coffee market dropped quite a number of points in New York yesterday and still lower figures are antici-

pated in package goods.

Opinions on Today's Market. W. B. Glafke company-Butter situ-

ation shows no change from its previous weakness. Bell & Co .- Car oranges and car of

celery came in today.

Mark Levy & Co.—Car sweet pointoes arrived; market is very well supplied with oranges, but demand is rather stocks are in better condition. Chatterton & Co .- Fresh meats of all kinds are slow in coming with the demand firm; this is true especially in pork and veal; looks like former will go

higher; eggs fair demand, with poultry showing few arrivals.

W. H. Dryer-Market on both potatoes and onlons is firm; now a de-mand for onlons from the north; Washington crop sold out.

G. S. Smith company-Potatoes, onlous and eggs in good demand; hows and veal are both in excellent demand.

Malarkey & Co.—Few smelt came in

very weak except for the choicest per lb; steam-rendered 10s, 10½c per lb; 5s, stocks; Chinese are heavy buyers of ducks and all poultry would sell on ar-

THEIR LARGE STOCKS OF CHEAP figures.

McKinley Mitchell—Onlors are firmer

hops are very quiet.

Toft, Hine & Co.—Block hogs find ready sale at the top; no changes in veal quotations; chickens remain the same; eggs are showing a weaker feel-

Today's quotations, as revised, are as

PORTLAND WHOLESALE PRICES.

Grain, Flour and Feed.

WHEAT-Walla Walla, 75@76c; bluestem,

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BARLEY—Feed, \$20.00; roised, \$21.00@22.00; lowering, \$22.00@22.00.

OATS—No. i white, \$24.00@25.00; gray, 824.00@25.00 per ton; price to farmers, white, \$22.00@25.00 per ton; price to farmers, white, \$22.00@25.00; gray, \$22.50 per ton, FLOUR—Eastern Oregon; Patents, \$4.10@3, 4.40; straights, \$3.60; valley, \$3.75@3.85; graham, \$a. \$3.40; 10s, \$3.70.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, \$19.00 per ton; middillings, \$28.00; shorts, \$20.00; chop, \$18.50.

HAY—Timothy, \$15.00; Eastern Oregon, \$10.60@16.50; mixed, \$18.00@13.50; clover, \$11.00@12.00; wheat, \$12.00@12.50; cheat, \$12.00@13.00; ed. \$12.00@12.50;

Mops, Wool and Mides.

HOPS—New. 27c for choice; 24@25c for rime; poor quality, 18%@20%c; contract, 190s, 17(418c. WOOL. Valley, coarse to medium. 16(2161/4c; fine, 16(2161/4c; Eastern Oregon, 10(215c; mohair, nominal, 25(220c. SHEEPSKINS—Shearing, 10(220c; short wool, 20(230c; medium, wool, 30(250c; long wool, TALLOW-Prime, per lb, 4@5c; No. 2 and

TALLOW—Prime, per lb, 4@5c; No. 2 and grease. 2@23c.
HiDES—Dry hides, No. 1, 16 ibs and up, 14c per ib; dry kip, No. 1, 5 to 15 lbs, 12c; dry calf, No. 1, under 5 lbs, 15c; dry saited, bulls and stags, 1-3 leas than dry flint; saited hides, steer, sound, 60 pounds or over, 6@7c; 50 to 60 lbs, 6c; under 50 lbs and cows, 5@6c; stags and bulls, sound, 4c; kip, sound, 15 to 30 lbs, 6c; sound, 10 to 16 lbs, 6c; calf, sound, under 10 lbs, 8c; green (unsaited), 1c per lb less; culls, 1c per lb less; horse hides, saited, cach, \$1.25@1.75; dry, cach, \$1.00@1.50; colts' hides, cach, 20@35c; goat skins, common, each, 10@15c; Angora, with wool on each, 25c@\$1.00.

Butter, Eggs and Poultry. BUTTER FAT—Sweet, 29630c; sour, 27628c. BUTTER—Creamery, extra fancy, 296230c; ordinary, 22% 627%; cold storage, 24c; case; ern, 25c; renovated, 196230c; dairy, 166217%; ra, 196121/c. tore, 196121/c. EdGS—rresh Oregon, 2766271/c; cold storage

EGGS—resh Oregon, 27@27½c; cold storage, 24c; bazers', 23c.
CHEESE—Full cream, twin, 12@13½c; Young America, 14½c.
POULTRY—Chickens, mixed, 12@12½cper lb; hens, 12½ @12½ per lb; roosters, 10½c per lb; broilers, 12@12½c per lb; fryers, 12@15c per lb; ducks, old, 12c per lb; roosters, 12@15c per lb; getse, 8c per lb; turkeys, 15@16c per lb; dressed, 17c per lb.

Pruits and Vegetables.

POTATOES -05c@\$1.15; buyers' prices for shipping, 85@95c cwt; ordinary, 70@85c mack; buying, 70c; sweets, 2½c per ib; new, 4c per

buyers getting out of that section as soon as they spread the reports of high prices and make one purchase at those figures. The 'Frisco men expect the Portland buyers to go out in the country to compete with them, but in this they are foiled, for he local buyers have found out their little scheme and will not help to cut their own throats.

Onions Ranging Righer.

There is indeed a scarcity of onions and farmers are holding on tighter than ever. The offers of 2 cents a pound, which are being freely offered by local buyers for stocks out in the country, are turned down and the receipts in this city of late have been very small. There is now a large demand for onions from the sound and British Columbia points. The demand from California, Arizons and Texas points continues good. The

Groceries. Muts, Etc.

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SUGAB—"Sack basis"—Cube. \$5.60. powdered. \$5.50. dry granulated. \$5.50. dry granulated. \$5.50. bet granulated. \$5.50. dry granulated. \$5.50. bet granulated. \$5.50. dry granulated. \$5.50. bet granulated. \$5.50. bet granulated. \$5.50. bet granulated. \$5.50. dry granulated. \$5.

There is very little poultry coming into the market and prices generally are ruling higher. The Chinese New Year has created a larger demand for stocks of all kinds. Higher prices than those printed are ruling.

Flour Likely to Advance.

The high prices now being quoted in the wheat market is causing the flour market to stiffen and miliers are expecting an advance of the state of

market to stiffen and millers are expecting an advance in prices within the next few days. There was no change in the quotations on wheat today.

A Few Smelt Arrive.

A few smelt came in late last night and were put on the market this morning. They were sold at higher quota-

Paints, Coal Oils, Etc.

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COAL OIL—Pearl or Astral—Cases, 22c per gal; water white, fron bbis, 18%c per gal; wooden, —; headlight, cases, 25c per gal; headlight, iron bbis, 18%c per gal.

LINSEED OIL—Pure raw, in bbis, 47c per gal; cases, 52c per gal; genuine kettle boiled, cases 54c per gal, bbis 39c per gal; ground cake, car lots, \$25,00 per tca; leas than cars, \$28,00 per ton.

GASOLINE—86-deg., cases 32c per gal, iron bbis 26c per gal; stove, cases 24%c per gal; iron bbis 18c per gal.

BENZINE—68-deg., cases, 22c; iron bbis, 15%c. 15 %c. PAINT OIL—Raw, bbis 33c per gal, cases 38c per gal; boiled. cases 40c.

TURFENTINE—in cases, 88c per gal, wooden
btls, 84½c per gal, iron bbis 32c per gal, 10-lb
case lots, 87c per gal.

WHITE LEAD—506-lb lots 6½c per lb, less

Meats and Provisions. FRESH MEATS — Inspected — Beef, prime, 12 Mai/4c per lb; cows, 5626c per lb; mutten, ressed, 6½67c per lb; lambs, dressed, 7½c per FRESH MEATS-Front street-Beef steers, FRISH MEATS—Front street—Beef steers, 5½,65½c per lb; pork, block, 6½,66½c per lb; cows, perkers, 66,65½c per lb; cows, perkers, 66,65½c per lb; mutton, dressed, 6½ ger lb; mutton, dressed, 6½ ger lb; mutton, dressed, 6½ ger lb; veal, small, 8½,65½c per lb; large, 6½,67½c per lb; veal, small, 8½,65½c per lb; large, 6½,67½c per lb; hams, 10 to 14 lbs, 12c per lb; 14 to 16 lbs, 12c per lb; 10 to 20 lbs, 12½c per lb; lottage, 6½,6 per lb; pfrulc, 8½c per lb; breakfast bacon, 14½,17c per lb; regular short clears, unsmoked, 10c per lb; smoked, 1c per lb; claid butts, 10 to 18 lbs, unsmoked, 8c per lb; smoked, 9c per lb; Malarkey & Co.—Few smelt came in last night from the Columbia and prices are higher.

Davenport-Thompson company — Car sweet polatoes arrived for various dealers.

Everding & Farrel—Hogs are in active demand; so far receipts of veal are not enough to supply the trade; onlons are booming with fancy prices being paid; only thing that is not booming is creamery butter, and that market is

ducks and all poultry would sell on arrival.

Page & Son—Eggs are weaker and lower on account of large receipt of California stocks; poultry is scarce; so are all kinds of fresh meats.

D. E. McIkle—Onions are very firm with San Francisco merchants unable to buy in Japan as they usually do to supply their Manila contracts, thus they are forced to buy in this market at high figures.

McKinley Mitchell—Onions are firmer with supplies being rapidly cleaned uppotatoes are too high in this market for what they can be sold in 'Frisco; hops are very quiet.

Above packing-bonse prices are net cash, 15 days, 125 per 1b; talls, \$1.00, 1-1b talls, \$1.75; 2-lb talls, \$2.40; fancy 1-lb oval, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.40; fancy 1-lb dats, \$1.00, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.40; fancy 1-lb dats, \$1.00, \$2.40; balls, \$2.40; fancy 1-lb dats, \$1.00, \$2.40; balls, \$2.40; fancy 1-lb dats, \$1.00; balls, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$1.75; 2-lb talls, \$2.40; fancy 1-lb dats, \$1.00, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, \$1.50; 1-lb talls, \$2.60; alaska talls, pink, 80

PRODUCE RING MUST

San Francisco, Feb. 16 .- The California Fruit

rower says; From all appearances the wholesale commis-From all appearances the wholesale commission merchants' association in San Fiancisco is getting from one difficulty into quother. Since the frombles with the harbor commission in tegard to the sale of preduce on the wharf commenced the association has found itself juit to an expense for legal advice and the necessary adjuncts and has been forced to levy an assessment on members to cover these metters. This has not been taken kindly by the smaller deniers who are not so much interested in the fight is the large houses and there is considerable talk of disruption. Members of the commission metchants' association who are not conceined with the present difficulties to any great extent protest atrougly against this assessment and some are advocating a wholesale withdrawai.

Must Sell Small Quantities.

The latest trouble in commission circles is the order issued on Wednesday by the hariar commission, which compels dealers to sell potatoes and onlons on the wharf in small quantities. It has previously been the custom of commission men to sell on the wharf in lots of not less than 50 sacks of potatoes and 25 sacks of onlons, they desiring to do only a wholesale business on the docks. The harbor commission has, however, issued the following order, which reduces the size of the lots to 10 sacks of potatoes and 5 sacks of onlous; "Holders of permits to sell perishable products on the wharves and other state property under the jurisdiction of the board of harbor commissioners must, on demand, sell to purchasers on such wharves and other state property potatoes in lots as small as 10 sacks and onlons in lots as small as 5 sacks." Must Sell Small Quantities.

The San Francisco Produce association, otherwise known as "the ring," is composed of the large potato and onion desilers of that city. A short time ago several of the firms were refused permission to sell potates on the wharfs, of that city by order of the board of harbor commissioners on account of what that body considered trust measures in throttling competition. Welf & Sons, one of the largest firms in the combine, have a branch house in this city.

WHEAT AND CORN ARE SHOWING A DECLINE

Furnished by Overbeck, Starr & Cooke Co.) Chicago. Feb. 16.—Wheat is lower today. fay opened at 97%c, was high at 98c and low t 96%c. The close was 96%c, a drop of %c aring the day. July opened at 89%c, touched 0%c and 88%c as the high and low and closed t 88%c, a drop of 4%c during the day's session.

W nent-				
May\$ July	Open. .97% .89%	High. \$.98 .1901/2	\$.96¼ .88¼	\$.96% .88½
May July Onts-	.531/4	.58%	.54% .52%	.54%
May July Pork-	30%	.44%	.42% .39%	.42% .39% I
July Lardy	15.15 15.00	15.20 15.02	14.70 14.65	14.72 14.65
Mny July Ribs	7.70 7.87	7.80 7.87	1.60 7.70	7.62 7.70A
May July	7.20	7.27 7.40	7.07	7.10 7.20

ALL LIVESTOCK STEADY.

Portland Union Stockyards, Feb. 16,—Receipts if investock in the local yards during the past 4 hours were quite small and all livestock is rm with the following quotations ruling: Hogs—Best, 54,20; medium, 5c.

Cattle—Best, \$4.50; medium, \$4.00@4.25, Sheep—Best, 3%@4c; medium, 3%c.

PORTLAND CLEARING-HOUSE REPORT. The report of the Portland clearing-house for

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New York	bout t	16.—The	figures a	Cooke Co. market close s yesterday follows:
SECTION AND	Open.		Low.	
ebruary				12.39624
arch	12.65	12.90	12.34	12.54@5
gril.	13,00	13.09	12.67	12,67617
BY	12.92	13.23	12.65	12.84628
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	12.90	13,34	12,75	12,93429
ugust		12.83	12.26	12.406:4
ptember.		11,90	11.55	12.61@6
ctober		11.35	11.05	11,0600
ovember	11.00	11,00	10.95	10.7562N
ecember	10.90	11.00	10.80	10.65@8

NEW YORK METAL CLOSE,

New York, Feb. 16.—Metal close: Copper—Firm. Lake, \$12.586312.75; electro, \$12.374@12.624; casting, \$12.37@12.624;. Rilver—504c asked; London, 275d. Tin—Quiet. Spot, \$28.50@29.00; February, \$28.25@28.75, Lead—Quiet. Spot, \$4.45@4.50.

BOSTON COPPER CLOSE.

Boston, Feb. 16 .- Copper close;

CONTRACTOR STORY CONTRACTOR STORY	Bld.	Ask
Phoenix	214	23
Osceola	57	58
Victoria	314	4
Michigan	5	6
Massachusetts	4	41
Copper Range	4074	41
Centennial	1762	18
Calumet		448
Bingham	15.64	
Arendian	40.74	16
Adventure	****	25
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CHICAGO LOCAL ST	OCKS.	
FORTEST ASSAULT FORTEST		
Chicago, Feb. 16,-Local ato-	cks were:	
	Bid.	Ask
American Tin Can	3%	4
American Tin Can, pfd	3416	351
National Carbon	2716	28
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SAN FRANCISCO GRAIN. San Francisco, Feb. 10.—11:30 s. m.—Wheat—
May, \$1.40%.
Barley—May, \$1.07%; December, \$1.02%.

States senate is degenerating, but we do wish that senators would shun indictments.

ACTIVE BUT WEAK

THE NEW GRADE WAS IRREGULAR BUT JULY AND SEPTEMBER SOLD ABOUT ONE CENT UNDER OTHERS AT CLOSE - CORN FOLLOWS WHEAT-OATS CLOSE DOWN.

(Furnished by Overbeck, Starr & Cooke Co.) Chicago, Feb. 16.—Logan & Bryan ad-ise: The new grade of wheat was ir-SELL SMALL LOTS regular, but the July and September were about 1 cent under the other and the close. It was a very active and very weak market. The cables did not respond to the strength of yesterday. City merchants. Our markets showed some steadiness after the opening, but soon began to ease off under large offerings of long stuff. The pit felt that not only Armour, but other large local holders were free sellers. General outside trade has accumulated quite a long line of wheat on the recent advance, and the local speculative situation is less strong in consequence. A reaction was certainly due, closing heavy and almost at the low point for the day. A nervous and unsettled market favorable at least to scaling operations is likely. scalping operations is likely.

Early Strength Lost, The action in wheat was about duplicated in corn. There was some good buying early, but the strength of liquidation set in, which carried prices off. There is no change in conditions of sup ply and demand, and they are little regarded. The fact, however, is that the offerings of off grades are selling at a We are inclined to think there will be two sides to the market for the immediate future.

Oats Close Lower. brokers made some show of supporting him. prices on the weakness today, but its effect was not apparent. Supply and demand have been largely obscured by recent manipulation and enormous speculative operations.

Liquidation in Provisions. The provision market ruled strong early, but met with free selling by the packers and later the weakness in grain

BROKERS' OPINIONS ON NEW YORK STOCKS Monies assaulted the man from the Orient, pushing him out of the window

Logan & Bryan, New York: The stock market was firm early on light offerings and some covering by shorts, but the improvement was mainly lost before the close and the result is but little change. Money is a little easier in New York. The strong feature of the market is the tenacity with which long stocks are held. A stock of patience seems needed.

DESCRIPTION,	Open	Bigh	Low	Closing Bid
Amal. Copper Co	40%	4014	4814	48%
Atchison, com do preferred	89%	88 89%	67 1/2 89 %	89%
Am. Car & Found.,	com. 1944	19%	1912	195
do preferred	88	68		68
Am. Sugar, com	125 1/2	128%	125	125 %
Am. smelt., com.,	49	49	48	471/
Raitimore & Ohio	com 77%	91	90%	90%
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Brooklyn Rapid Tra	nsit. 43%	4414	379.55	491
Canadian Pacific, o Chi. & Alton, com. do preferred	om 117	117%	117	117
Chi. & Alton, com.	371/4	371/2	3716	375
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Chi. & North., con	n 164	164	163	1631
Colo. South., com.	14	14	1314	134
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Delaware & Hudson	160	180%	160	160
firie, com	4215	491	491/	424
do 1st preferred.	84	6414	623	935
Illinois Central	128	1281	128	127 4
Louisville & Nushvil Metro. Traction Co	le 104	1281/4 1041/4	104	1045
Metro. Traction Co		1194	118	118
Manhattan Elevated	[14336]	43561	42 16	422%
Mexican Central R Minn., St. P. & Ste.	N 93	104	10%	10%
do preferred	Ma. 1 00	90.78	04.73	190
do preferred Missouri Pacific	90%	90%	89%	89%
M., B. & I., com.	***** 16 m	1656	4656	1654
New York Central.	115	115%	11446	114%
Norfolk & Western,	com. 58	98 1/4	08	
do preferred		*****	****	88
N. Y., Out. & Wes	2114	2134	91	20 %
Pennsylvania By	114%	115%	11454	1144
P. G., L. & C. Co.	904	100 %	9935	99
North American N. Y., Ont. & Wes Pennsylvania By P. G., L. & C. Co. Pacific Mail Steam. Reading com	Co., 28	281/2	28	28
Reading, com do ist preferred.	42%	4236	42%	4214
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do preferred		100	38	4416
Rock Island, com.	22%	23%	22%	224
do preferred Rock Island, com do preferred Southern Ry., com do preferred	62	62	61	61
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		82 471/4	811/4 46%	814
Southern Pacific St. L. & S. W., con	15	15	1414	14%
do professed	94	3.43	44.74	57.79

People's Gas, Light & Coke company ex-dividend of 1½ per cent.
Total sales for day, 254,000
Money, 1½ per cent.

CHICAGO CASH WHEAT. Chicago, Feb. 16.—Cash wheat at noon was:

Bid. Ask.

So. 2 red. \$ 97 \$1.03

No. 3 red ... 95 1.02

No. 2 hardwinter, river ... 99 93

No. 3 hard winter, river ... 82 31

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No. 3 red. 95
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No. 3 hard winter, river 82
No. 1 Northern apring 95
No. 2 Northern spring 90
No. 3 spring 95
No. 3 spring 85 PRIMARY RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS.

Chicago, Feb. 16.—The primary receipts show:
Today. Year ago.
Bunhels. Bushels.
Wheat 685,000 435,000
Corn 890,000 473,900
Shipments were:
Wheat 383,000 176,000
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BRADSTREET'S GRAIN REPORT.

Chicago, Feb. 16.—Bradstreet's report shows: Wheat—East of the Rockies, decreased 583,-00 bushels; Europe and affoat, increased 800,-00 bushels; total increase, 217,000 bushels, Corn—Decreased 181,000 bushels, Oats—Decreased 386,900 bushels. CLOSE OF LIVERPOOL GRAIN. Liverpool, Feb. 16.-Close: Whest-Un-

PRENCHMAN CHARTERED. The French bark Dupleix, 1,706 tons,

has been chartered to load general cargo at Hull for Portland by Balfour, Guthrie We would not hint that the United States senate is degenerating, but we

GOVERNMENT HAS OVERLOOKED THIS PACT, SAY PORTLAND SHIP-PERS, AND BY PATRONIZING SAN

Portland potato shippers are up in srms over the action of the govern-ment in ignoring the claims of this section as a potato-producing state.

In the matter of government con-tracts all bids call for San Francisco delivery and this places the local shippers at a disadvantage of about 20 cents a hundred in their bidding—the cost of the shipment from Portland to that city

The government a short time ago let a contract for a large amount of potatoes to a San Francisco firm and has since that time been buying large quantitles, but in small lots, from the Bay

The Portland dealers protest against this and say that they are able to furnish the government with a better grade of stock at a cheaper price than their competitors.

Another contract is soon to be let, but the Portland shippers say that unthe government changes its points of delivery, making it optional with the shipper as to the point of delivery on the coast, they will be unable to com-

COURT WILL NOT BE DICTATED TO

"Well, if you object you can just step outside of the courtroom, for I am going to ask the witness all the questions I see fit 'co," remarked Municipal Judge Hogue this morning to A. King Wilson, who was acting as attorney for R. J. McMonies, a harness maker who is being Oats closed 1/4 to 11/4 cents lower. The sued by Chin Joe on the charge of asprimary weakness was in May. The sault and battery. The case was settled market has shown the effect of the Pat- by Judge Hogue ordering McMonies to by Judge Hogue ordering McMonles to ten selling for some days past. Patten pay The Chinese the amount claimed by

Before the case was tried Judge Hogue asked Mr. Wilson if he would admit Mr. McMonies owed the Chinese \$2.50. "We will not admit anything," replied Mr. Wilson. Judge Hogue then addressed Mr. McMonies, asking him if he would ad-

mit that he owed Chin Joe \$2.50. "I object to the court asking my client any questions," stated Mr. Wilson. Judge started liquidation througout the list. Hogue at once informed the attorney Outside traders are still holding the that the court would ask as many questions as it wanted to.

Chin Joe stated on the witness stand that he had gone to the home of Mr. Mc-Monies to get \$1.50 that he said was due. A row ensued in which Mr. Mcblown away. and injuring him.

Mr. McMonies stated that the Chinese had come out on the evening of February 19 and demanded money and

COULD NOT MOVE FOR EIGHTEEN DAYS

Coming up the coast from San Fran cisco the schooner Andy Mahony, which reached port yesterday, experienced one of the roughest passages in her history She was 30 days making the run to the mouth of the Columbia river. Aside from losing several suits of sails no material damage resulted. Shortly after leaving the bay city a

calm was encountered, and for 18 days the Mahony lay as though in a dream. Not a breeze stirred during that time, the stillness becoming oppressive.

When the spell was finally broken a succession of gales set in, which finally terminated in a cyclone. Nearly all the

sails were stripped from the masts. Ex-

tre ones were hoisted in their place, and the balance of the voyage was completed without further incident.

The Mahony will load lumber at the Inman-Poulsen mill for the return trip.

VESSELS CHARTERED.

Exporters received word yesterday that four sailing vessels lying at San Francisco have been chartered in the last day or two. Several of them had been on the market for Portland loading. They are as follows: French bark Bonchamp, French bark Earmount, Gerto carry wheat from the Bay City to the United Kingdom, the other two to load lumber at Puget sound for Callao. ears that lie back properly Several years ago the Zinita went ashore near Gray's Harbor, but escaped practically undamaged. She was towed to a little powder behind the ears to pre Victoria and from there to Portland, vent chaffing. reaching here in time to save a charter.

MARINE NOTES.

(Journal Special Service.)
Astoria, Feb. 16.—Arrived at 6:30 and left up at 9 a. m., steamer Aurelia, from San Francisco. Left up at midnight,

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schooner J. M. Weatherwax. Arrived at 9:15 a. m., a three-masted French ship. Outside at 9 a. m., a three-masted bark. Spoken, February 12, French bark Armen, from Antwerp, 30 miles west Gray's Harbor, with main royal yard

San Francisco, Feb. 16.-Sailed at 8 last night, steamer Charles Nelson, for Columbia river. Arrived at 11 a. m.,

Astoria, Feb. 15 .- Sailed at 11 a. m., barkentines Encore and Gleaner, for San Astoria, Feb. 16 .- Condition of the bar

at 8 a. m., rough; wind northwest;

weather cloudy. INDRAVELLI IS DUE ON MARCH

On March 1 the Oriental liner Indravelli is due to arrive at Portland from velli is due to arrive at Portland from
Yokohama, having sailed from the latter
port on February 13. Word of the sailing was received at the local office of
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the company this morning. The steamship Clavering, under charter to the Portland-Asiatic line, is expected to reach here about February 20. She is coming from Salinas Cruz, Mexico, by way of San Francisco. Her arrival at the Bay City has not yet been reported. J. V. C. Comfort, general manager for the China Commercial Steamship company at San Francisco.

will be a passenger to Portland. The Clavering will probably be loaded and bound for the Orient before the Indravelli puts in an appearance. Full cargoes of flour and lumber are await-

Protruding Ears. Protruding ears, which are always ugly, can be prevented if a mother takes a little trouble when her child is young. Bonchamp, French bark Earmount, Ger- Care should be taken not to allow him to man ship Octavia and the British bark lie on his side with his ears doubled over, Zinita. The two first named were fixed and when his hat is put on, that they If this treatment has not resulted in ears that lie back properly, try bandag-ing the ears closely to the head at night;

-DEVERS-

put it in place quite tightly and sprinkle

vent chafing.

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