

TODAY'S MARKETS

SUGAR MARKET IS 15 CENTS UP

Advance in Values in Line With
East and Absence of Beet
Competition.

FRUIT INSPECTOR IS STILL AMONG MISSING

Overabundance of "Call" Apples
Hurts Trade of Fancy Stocks, and
of Course Prices Suffer—Fancy
Potatoes Are Weakening.

Front Street, Jan. 5.—The principal features of the Portland wholesale markets today are: Sugar 15 cents higher.
Four apples hurt trade.
Overstocks of celery.
Potatoes still firm.
Onions continue dull.
Salmon continues better.
Vegetables are higher.
Carrots; several cars bananas.
Barley, 15 cents higher.
Oats and wheat very firm.

Sugar Up Fifteen Cents Higher.
In line with recent advances in the market for the east and the west, the market for sugar today was the highest market to date, sugar 15 cents being quoted all along the line. The following are the new prices that rule on a scale basis: Oats, \$0.30; potatoes, \$0.30; flour, granulated, \$5.75; granulated, 35.75; confectioners, 35.75; flour, \$0.30; flour granulated, \$0.30; oats, C, \$0.30; golden, C, \$0.30; D, \$0.30; yellow, \$0.30. The usual discount for cash are quoted.

Four Apples Hurt Trade.

The trade in apples is considerably hurt by the lack of inspection along Front street. Culls are far in the majority among the arrivals, and we there is an overabundance of them. Good prices are very hard to obtain.

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They secured good apples when they paid for them, and not half a box of culls and worms while the others were fair. These days the inspecting is done, and the inspection is by the shippers that do not care whether they ship good stocks or not. They always seem to give preference to ships anything that will allow them to ship anything that will not have sufficient money to carry on the work. This is denied by those on the inside, who say that the inspector used bad business methods, and that he was not doing his duty. In the channels he used all that for the city at a time when inspection was hardly needed.

Overstock of Celery.

There is an overstock of celery in the Front street markets and all sorts of prices are running.

Celery also shows many prices, but there are finding a ready sale at the prices near the top.

A car of oranges and several cars of bananas were sold at the market. The oranges are in better shape. Fruit ripens and demand seems better. Prices stiffer.

On account of the late frosts in California most kinds of vegetables were advanced. The new price of vegetables were advanced.

Tomatoes are a drug on the market and vegetable prices are ruling.

Fancy Potatoes Are Firm.

More firmness is shown in fancy potatoes today than for several weeks. Supplies are now more abundant and evidence of a certain part of the trade is willing to pay the slight advance asked in the price for that grade. Standard stocks are finding a little better.

The onion market continues a dull affair with practically no movement to the market. No immediate prospects.

Eggs and Poultry Firm.

There is a firm feeling in both eggs and poultry. Eggs are in short supply and are readily bringing the top figures. Geese and ducks likewise, with prices at the top. Turkeys are slow sale with small receipts.

Receipts of eggs continue small, and most of the new flocks were sold.

What's the Matter With Chesees?

What is the matter with the cheese market? Every one knows it is dull, but the reason for the lack of call is a mystery. Receipts of cheeses are not large, not even liberal, but the stockists are holding out but poor demand, with the very top for stale cheese.

Creamery butter is quoted firm with 22¢, the top price for the city creamery product. Country store butter is demand at former figures.

Barley Market Looks Higher.

There is a firm feeling in both grain and flour. The market is in line with what is wanted and are readily bringing the top figures. Geese and ducks likewise, with prices at the top. Turkey is slow sale with small receipts.

The trade pays the following prices to Front street for choice quality in round lots. Price paid producers are as specified:

Geese, Pairs and Flock.

WHEAT—New crop, red Russian, \$6.00; black, \$6.00; white, \$6.00; yellow, \$6.00; straight, \$6.00; export, \$6.00; \$6.00; val.

BARLEY—Feed, \$6.00; rolled, \$6.00; brewing, \$6.00.

CORN—White, \$6.00; cracked, \$6.00 per bushel.

RYE—\$6.00 per bushel.

OATS—Producers' price—No. 1 white, \$6.00; No. 2, \$6.00; No. 3, \$6.00.

FLOUR—New eastern Oregon wheat, \$4.25; straight, \$4.25; export, \$4.25; \$4.25; val.

WHEAT—White, \$6.00; graham, \$6.00; rye, \$6.00; whole wheat, \$6.00.

MILLET—White, \$1.75 per bushel, \$1.75 per bushel, \$1.75; shorts, country, \$1.75 per bushel.

HAY—White, \$