

TODAY'S MARKETS

COASTAL FISH GETTING SCARCE

Little Royal Chinook Salmon Is Being Received—Fishermen Offered Advance.

Today's market features: Columbia salmon is very scarce. Striped bass rather low. Mount Taber strawberries arrive. Gooseberries appear in markets. Milled situation in eggs. Flour with advance forecast. Millstuffs remain very firm. Very good tone in hay market. Easter feeling in chickens.

Columbia Salmon Is Very Scarce.

While the opposite result had been expected by the fish trade, the longer the season is open along the Columbia river the scarcer salmon supplies seem to be. It is very hard just now to get Columbia river fish salmon in the Portland market even at a point, the price prevailing for Royal Chinook in the fresh state. Packers are getting very disappointed over the catch thus far and few of them will accept new orders at any price. This seems to be the reason why no formal announcement has yet been made by the packers although they are billing out their product at an advance of 10c for one-pound flats, 10c for half-pound flats and 10c for one-pound flats. These figures are now generally in effect at this time, but they may be a still further rise in values before the formal opening announcement is made unless the pack show a strong tendency to increase in the meantime.

Strawberries Sell Rather Low.

Rather low values are ruling today in the strawberry market as a result of the arrival late last night of a train of smaller berries, which were early in the morning. The shipments were very heavy and some of the stock arrived in poor shape. California berries sold as low as \$1.25 with many sales of smaller berries at \$1.25 and \$1.50. Only a few dollars' worth were reported beyond that figure. Dealers here had a goodly quantity of berries, but their good condition and smaller arrivals. Dealers would generally during the day at \$1.75 per crate of 10 boxes.

Mount Taber Berries Are In.

The Portland market will soon see a goodly lot of the California berries for Mount Taber fruit has made its appearance and some is expected from Hood River very soon. The general run of Oregon berries at this time is not of best quality, but the price today held very well at 1 1/2c and 1 1/2c a pound box.

Several more cars of bananas arrived at the front during the past 24 hours in good condition. Plenty of shipping stock now.

California cherries are in heavier arrival with stock rather mixed as to quality. Some selling at \$1.25 a box but best start continues around \$1.75.

Potato market is steady with no change in prices. Some very fancy ones were displayed on the market this morning. Demand at 2 1/2c and 2 1/2c a pound. Better than the new Texas stock.

Butter, Eggs and Poultry.

BUTTER—Fair, 10c; b. Portland—Sweet cream, 21c; extra, 22c; standard, 20c; store, 18c.
EGGS—Extra fancy, candied, 17c; 18c; 19c.
POULTRY—New, full cream, flats, 10c per lb; young American, 8c; mixed, 9c; 10c; 11c.
POULTRY—Mixed chickens, 14c per lb; fancy hens, 10c per lb; roosters, 8c; 12c; 15c; 18c; 20c; 22c; 25c; 30c; 35c; 40c; 45c; 50c; 55c; 60c; 65c; 70c; 75c; 80c; 85c; 90c; 95c; 1.00; 1.05; 1.10; 1.15; 1.20; 1.25; 1.30; 1.35; 1.40; 1.45; 1.50; 1.55; 1.60; 1.65; 1.70; 1.75; 1.80; 1.85; 1.90; 1.95; 2.00; 2.05; 2.10; 2.15; 2.20; 2.25; 2.30; 2.35; 2.40; 2.45; 2.50; 2.55; 2.60; 2.65; 2.70; 2.75; 2.80; 2.85; 2.90; 2.95; 3.00; 3.05; 3.10; 3.15; 3.20; 3.25; 3.30; 3.35; 3.40; 3.45; 3.50; 3.55; 3.60; 3.65; 3.70; 3.75; 3.80; 3.85; 3.90; 3.95; 4.00; 4.05; 4.10; 4.15; 4.20; 4.25; 4.30; 4.35; 4.40; 4.45; 4.50; 4.55; 4.60; 4.65; 4.70; 4.75; 4.80; 4.85; 4.90; 4.95; 5.00; 5.05; 5.10; 5.15; 5.20; 5.25; 5.30; 5.35; 5.40; 5.45; 5.50; 5.55; 5.60; 5.65; 5.70; 5.75; 5.80; 5.85; 5.90; 5.95; 6.00; 6.05; 6.10; 6.15; 6.20; 6.25; 6.30; 6.35; 6.40; 6.45; 6.50; 6.55; 6.60; 6.65; 6.70; 6.75; 6.80; 6.85; 6.90; 6.95; 7.00; 7.05; 7.10; 7.15; 7.20; 7.25; 7.30; 7.35; 7.40; 7.45; 7.50; 7.55; 7.60; 7.65; 7.70; 7.75; 7.80; 7.85; 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