TODAY'S MARKETS

Turkey Shippers Should Notify Their Commission Men at Once About the Amount of Birds They Expect to Send

GOOD PRICE FOR TURKEYS

Better Prospects for Excellent Values — Shipping Trade Is Excellent.

Produce market features:
Turkeys likely to sell well.
Another millfeed advance.
Local wheat is 1c advanced.
Flour trade is nominal.
Continued demand for hops.
Fine pineapples from south.
Apple market is dull again.
Cheese holds better for best.
Eastern hide markets very dull.
Too many local eggs coming.
Chicken market remains good.
Onion trade is slow again.

Turkeys Likely to Sell Well.

While it is impossible at this time to absolutely forecast what is going to happen in the turkey market, conditions at this time tend toward liberal purchases and prices during the Christmas trade. The trade has less than a week to get stocks to market and make shipments to the outside. At this time few turkeys are coming and demand is quite liberal, with prices showing an advance. It is believed now that turkeys will sell even higher than first expected. Best turkeys will not likely range under 18c and from that figure the price will likely rule to 20c. Commission men say that the trade has better prospects than for several seasons. The demand is just as heavy as it was a year ago, while fewer turkeys are in sight. Shipping orders are beginning to come at a lively rate and many have been turned down by the dealers because they did not know about the amount they would have to sell. This brings the thing back to the recent statement made in this report that shippers would receive better returns for turkeys if they would let the commission trade know how many they have to sell, so that receivers could take orders in advance.

Orders at Market Price.

Practically all the orders taken for turkey shipments by the local trade are at the market price on the day of shipment, so it matters little to receivers what the market will be—they have the orders and only need the birds to sell them. Unless shippers notify the trade what to expect there is a big chance for a slump in prices at the end of the trade, providing receipts should be larger than expected. The lower prices would be due entirely to the lack of business direct of the shippers, because they forced the local trade to turn down orders because the former did not take the trouble to let his commission man know what stocks to expect.

The shipping trade is especially warned against sending "cull" stock to market, for the buyers want the best and are willing to pay the price. "Cull" stock would only cause lower prices on the best goods.

Too Many Local Eggs Coming.

Receipts of local eggs are too heavy for a good, healthy market. At this time the receipts are showing an increase and leading handlers say they are having some difficulty in moving all that come at 50c. Some expect the market to break to 32½c during the next few days. Weather conditions are not yet against receipts.

Chicken market is healthy, although arrivals are still crowding buyers some what. Prices about the same as usual.

Eastern Hide Markets Are Dull.

Because of the dissatisfaction with local hide prices some large hide handlers are trying to do business direct with the east. Some of them have received returns that will no longer cause them to stray away from home. The following quotations are given in a late issue of the Chicago Drovers' Journal and include freight charges and other cost of handling:

"Holles & Rogers quote following prices for hides delivered in Chicago, weighed and sorted here:

No. 1 steers, 60 lbs. and up	6¼c to 5¼c
All weights, cows	5¾c to 4¼c
Calf skins	9¾c to 8¼c
Kip	5¾c to 4¾c
Bull hides	4½c to 3¾c
Horse hides	$2.50 to $1.50
No. 1 tallow	4¾c
No. 2 tallow	3¾c

"One half cent less for hides delivered at our branches: Quincy, Omaha, Sioux City and Minneapolis. Three fourths cent less for hides delivered at Huron, South Dakota, Fargo, North Dakota, and Sioux Falls."

Brief Notes of the Trade.

Nearly 150 crates of excellent pineapples were brought in from Hawaii by a local house. Four dollars a dozen.

Apple market is dull again, with cheap stock the only kind showing any movement at all.

Onion trade is somewhat slower again owing to the very liberal shipments from here to the south during the past 10 days.

Dressed meats are still in very good demand at former prices. Best call for small veal.

Front street prices:

Grain, Flour and Feed.

GRAIN BAGS — Calcutta, t., large lots; small lots, 9½c.

WHEAT — Track prices—Club, 81c; red Russian, 79c; bluestem, 83c; valley, 81c.

CORN—Whole, $32; cracked $33 ton.

BARLEY—New—Feed, $27@27.50 per ton; rolled, $30@31; brewing, $29.

RYE—$1.55 per cwt.

OATS—New—Producers' price—No. 1 white, $28.00 per ton; gray, $27.50.

FLOUR—Eastern Oregon patents, $4.95; straights, $4.50; exports, $3.90; valley, $4.30@4.50; graham, ¼s, $4.50; whole wheat, $4.75; rye, 50s, $5.50; bales, $3.00.

MILL STUFFS—Bran, $23.00 per ton; middlings, $29.00; shorts, country, $27; city, $26.00; chop, $17@21.

HAY—Producers' price—Timothy, Willamette valley, fancy, $15.00; ordinary, $11.00; eastern Oregon, $17.00; mixed, $10.00@$10.50; clover, $10.00@12.00; grain, $10.00@12.00; cheat, $10.00@12.00.

Butter, Eggs and Poultry.

BUTTER FAT—F. o. b. Portland—Sweet cream, 36c; sour 34c.

BUTTER—Extra fancy creamery, 37½c; fancy, 35@37½c; storage, 35c; store, Oregon, 19@20c.

EGGS—Extra fancy, candled, 35c; eastern storage, 25@30c.

CHEESE — New — Full cream, flats, 16@16½c per lb; Young Americans, 17@17½c per lb.

POULTRY — Mixed chickens, 12c per lb; fancy hens, 12½c per lb; roosters, old, 9c; fryers, 12½c; broilers, 12½c; ducks, 13c; geese, old, 9@10c lb; turkeys, live, 15c lb; dressed, 18@19c lb; squabs, $2.50 doz.; pigeons, $1.25 doz; dressed poultry, 1@1½c per lb higher; wild geese, $6 doz.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS — Contracts— 1906 crop, (—). 1907 crop, choice, 7@8c; prime to choice, 7c; ordinary, 5@6c; 1906, choice, 5c.

WOOL—1907 clip—Valley, 16@18c, eastern Oregon, 12½@18c.

MOHAIR—New 1907—29@29½c.

HIDES—Dry hides, 12@12c lb; green, 4@5c; calves, green, 5@7c lb; kips, 5c lb; bulls, green salt, 3@4c lb.

SHEEPSKINS — Shearing, 15@20c each; short wool, 25@40c; medium wool, 50@$1.00 each; long wool, 75@$1.25 each.

TALLOW—Prime, per lb, 3@4c; No. 2 and grease, 2@2½c.

CHITTIM BARK—7c.

Fruits and Vegetables.

POTATOES — Fancy, 70@85c selling, buying while 50@60c per cwt, sweets, 2½c per lb.

ONIONS — Jobbing price — Oregon, $2.25, buying, spot, $1.60@1.75; garlic, 7c lb.

APPLES—Fancy, $2.75@3.00; choice, $1.50; ordinary, $1.00@1.25; culls, 75@85c.

FRESH FRUITS—Oranges, new, $2@$2.50; bananas, 5c lb; lemons, $4@5 box; limes, Mexican 100 in 100; pineapples, $4 a dozen; grapes, $1.50@1.65; pears, 75c@$1.00; peaches, $1.25 @1.75; ordinary, 75c@$1 a box; tangerines, $1.75 a box, Jap oranges, 65@ 75c box; persimmons, $1.50.

VEGETABLES—Turnips, new 90c@$1.00 sack; carrots, $1.00 per sack; beets, $1.00@1.10 per sack; parsnips, $1; cabbage, 55@$1; tomatoes, California, $1.50; beans, 12c; cauliflower, 75@85c lb; peas, 10c; horseradish, 8c lb; artichokes, $1.25 dozen; green onions, 15c doz; bell peppers, 12½@15c; hothouse lettuce 90c@$1.25 box; cucumbers, hothouse, $2 box; radishes, 15c doz. bunches; eggplant, 18c lb; celery, 70@85c; cranberries, eastern, $11.50, local, $7@8 per barrel; sprouts, 8@9c lb.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

SUGAR—California and Hawaiian—Cube, $5.95; powdered, $5.85; berry, $5.60; dry granulated, $5.60; XXX granulated, $5.40; conf. A, $5.60; extra B, $5.10; golden C, $5.00; D yellow, $4.90; beet granulated, $5.40, barrels, 10c; half barrels, 25c; boxes, 50c advance on sack basis.

(Above prices are 30 days net cash quotations.)

HONEY—$3.60 per crate.

COFFEE—Package brands, $15.88@16.63.

SALT—Coarse—Half ground 100s, $13.50 per ton; 50s, $14.00; table, dairy 50s, $19.00; 100s, $18.75; bales, $2.50; imported Liverpool, 50s, $20.00; 100s, $19.00; 4s, $18.00; extra fine barrels, 2s, 5s and 10s, $4.50@5.50; Liverpool lump rock, $20.50 per ton; 50-lb rock, $13.50, 100s, $12.00.

(Above prices apply to sales of less than car lots. Car lots at special prices subject to fluctuations.)

RICE—Imperial Japan, No. 1, 6c; No. 2, 5½@5¾c; New Orleans, head, 7c; Ajax, 5c; Creole, 5¾c.

BEANS—Small white, $4.25; large white, $4.10; pink, $4.10; bayou, $3.90; Limas, $6.50; Mexican reds, 4½c.

NUTS—Peanuts, Jumbo, 8¾c per lb; Virginia, 7¾c per lb; roasted, 9@9½c per lb; Japanese, 7c; roasted, 7@9c per lb; walnuts, California, 17½c per lb; pine nuts, 14@15c per lb; hickory nuts, 10c per lb; Brazil nuts 18c per lb; filberts, 16c per lb; fancy pecans, 18@20c per lb; almonds, 19c.

Meats, Fish and Provisions.

FRESH MEATS—Front street—Hogs fancy, 6@6½c per lb; large, 6c per lb; veal, extra, 8½@9c per lb; ordinary, 7½@9c per lb; heavy, 7c per lb; mutton, fancy, 8@9c per lb.

HAMS, BACON, ETC.—Portland pack (local) hams, 10 to 12 lbs, 13½c per lb; 14 to 16 lbs, 13c per lb, 18 to 20 lbs, 13c; breakfast bacon, 15½@22½c per lb; picnics, 9½c per lb; cottage roll, 11c per lb, regular short clears, smoked, 12c per lb; unsmoked, 12½c per lb; clear barks, unsmoked, 11½c; smoked 12½c. Union butts, 10 to 13 lbs, unsmoked, 12c per lb; smoked, 13c per lb; clear bellies, unsmoked, 12c per lb; smoked 14c per lb, shoulders, 12½c per lb; pickled tongues, 70c each.

LOCAL LARD—Kettle leaf, 10s, 13c per lb; 5s 13¼c per lb; 50-lb tins, 12½c per lb; steam rendered, 10s, 12c per lb; 5s, 12¼c per lb; compound, 10s, 9¾c per lb.

FISH—Rock cod, 7c per lb; flounders, 6c per lb; halibut, 9c per lb; striped bass, 15c per lb, catfish, 11c per lb; salmon, fresh, 9@11c; frozen, 8c; herrings, 5c lb; soles, 6c lb, shrimps, 10c per lb; perch 6c per lb; tomcod, 7c per lb; lobsters, 25c per lb; fresh mackerel, 8c per lb; crawfish, 25c per dozen; sturgeon, 12½c per lb; black bass, 20c per lb; silver smelt, 7c per lb; Columbia smelt, 15c lb; black cod, 7½c lb; crabs, $1.00@1.50 dozen.

OYSTERS—Shoalwater bay, per gallon, $2.50; per 100-lb. sack, $5.00; Olympia, per gallon, $2.40; per 100-lb. sack, $6.00@6.50; Eagle, canned, 60c can; $7 dozen; eastern in shell, $1.75 per hundred.

CLAMS—Hardshell, per box, $2.40; razor clams, $2.00 per box; 10c per doz.

Paints, Coal Oil, Etc.

ROPE—Pure manila, 14c; standard, 12¼c; sisal, 10¼c.

COAL OIL—Water white, tanks 12½c, cases 18½c, headlight, cases, 20c; Elane, cases, 28c, Eocene, cases, 21½c gallon.

GASOLINE—86 deg., cases, 24½c per gal; iron bbls, 18c per gal.

BENZINE—63 deg., cases, 25c per gal; iron bbls, 23c per gal.

TURPENTINE—In cases, 96c per gal; wood bbls, 93c per gal.

WHITE LEAD—Ton lots, 7¾c per lb; 500-lb lots 8c per lb; less lots, 8½c.

WIRE NAILS—Present basis at $3.20 per keg.

PRICES TODAY AND THOSE OF YEAR AGO

	—Dec. 18—	
Club wheat, bu	$ .82	$ .64
Bluestem, bu	.84	.68
Pat. flour, bbl	4.95	2.90
Best butter, lb	.35	.35
Ranch eggs, doz	.35	.37½
Hops, choice, lb	.07½	.13½
Potatoes, producer	.60	.95
Onions, producer	1.75	.75
Turkeys, dressed	.18	.20½

DEMAND IS GREATER THAN THE SUPPLY

"The demand for dressed turkeys is greater than the supply just at the present time, but the condition of the market for the Christmas holidays is problematical, owing to a great exent to the big slump that occurred at Thanksgiving. Present indications, however, are that better prices will prevail with much lighter supplies. Dealers hesitate to vouchsafe any opinion in regard to the turkey market, as most of them were badly mistaken Thanksgiving and are simply waiting to to see what will happen.

"Other poultry is just holding steady at current prices, although dressed geese and ducks should be in better demand for next week's trade.

"Dressed hogs are in more request than for some time, and the demand for fancy veal greatly exceeds the supply."—H. W. Graham, of Templeton & Graham.

STOCKS RISE; HEAVY BUYING

Afternoon Session Shows Some Spirited Trading in the New York Market.

STOCK MARKET GAINS.

Amalgamated	⅛	Erie	¼
Sugar	⅝	Locomotive	⅛
A. Smelter	1⅛	L. & N.	1⅜
Anaconda	⅞	N. Y. Central	⅛
B. & O.	¼	N. P.	½
Canadian	1¼	Penna.	⅝
St. Paul	⅝	Peoples' Gas	¾
C. & O.	½	Reading	2
Colo. Fuel	½	Rock Island	⅝
S. P.	¾	U. S. Steel	⅝
S. Railway	1⅛	do pfd.	½
U. P.	1⅝	Denver	½
G. Northern	⅞		

STOCK MARKET LOSSES.

Brooklyn	⅝	Missouri Pac.	¼
P. Steel Car	¾	Wabash pfd.	¼

(Wire of Downing-Hopkins Co.)

New York, Dec. 18.—The market opened rather hesitatingly and faltering with sales in small volume. The morning session was very irregular, and price fluctuations within a narrow range, the market moving up on down, as the room crowd shifted from one side to another, and with the exception of a two-point break in Missouri Pacific, the early trading was void of feature. The annual reports of the Harriman Pacifics will be made public shortly. The Union Pacific statement is understood to be an especially strong document, and is expected to show that this issue earned in the last year in the neighborhood of 18 per cent. Southern Pacific will probably show to have actually earned about 13 per cent on the common stock. During the afternoon session, the market gave an exhibition of strength with periods of heavy buying, characterized by sharp advances. Reading rose 2¾ points and Union Pacific 2 points over the early low. This late movement was generally regarded as a well-planned and well-executed drive against the short interest. Top prices were generally shaded somewhat on realizing, but the close was strong.

Today's range.

DESCRIPTION.	Opens.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Amal. Copper	43	43¾	42	43¼
Am. Sugar	95½	97¼	94½	96¼
Am. Smelter	68½	70¼	68	69⅝
Am. Cotton Oil				28
Anaconda M. Co	26⅝	27⅛	26⅝	27⅛
Atchison, c	70¾	71	69¾	70⅛
Balt. & Ohio	80	80¾	79⅞	80¾
Brooklyn R. T.	38	38⅞	37⅝	37¾
Cana. Pacific, c	149½	149¾	149½	149¾
Cen. Leather				15
C. M. & St. P.	101⅛	102½	101⅛	101⅞
Ches. & Ohio				29½
Colo. Fuel, c	19			19
Erie, c	16	16⅛	16	16
Am. Locomotive				35¼
Louis. & Nash.	89⅝	91	89½	90½
Mo. Pacific	48	48½	46	47⅝
N. Y. Central	93¾	94¼	92⅞	93⅞
North Pac. c	114	115⅝	113¾	114¾
Ont. & Western	31⅝	31⅞	31½	31⅞
Penna. Ry	110½	113¾	110¼	111¼
People's Gas	78	78¼	78	78¼
Reading Ry., c	90	93½	89⅝	92¾
Rock Island, c	14½	14¾	14¼	14⅝
So. Pacific, c	72	73¼	71¾	72½
So. Railway, c	13⅞	13¾	13⅝	13¾
Union Pacific, c	114½	116¾	114⅛	115½
U. S. Steel, c	25⅝	26	25⅝	25⅝
do pfd	86½	87⅛	86¼	86⅞
Wabash, pfd	17½	18	17⅜	17¾
Denver	19⅝	19¾	19⅝	19¾
Pressed Steel				19
Soo Com				113⅞

Total sales, 750,000 shares.

Monday opened 12 per cent, high 12 per cent, low 3 per cent, closed 3½ per cent.

PROSPEROUS SEASON FOR APPLE GROWERS

Review of the Past Year at Hood River Shows Very Good Quotations.

Hood River, Dec. 18.—Complete returns from Hood River's 1907 apple crop show that it will receive in round numbers $200,000 for its product, notwithstanding the money trouble, car shortage and reduced crop. This is approximately what the Hood River crop brought last year when it was in the neighborhood of 20,000 boxes more, and it is accounted for by the fact that the apples brought a much larger average price.

The entire crop is now placed at 110,000 boxes, about 75,000 of which were handled by the Davidson Fruit company. Their purchase from the Hood River Apple Growers' union amounted to 52,313 boxes, for which they paid that organization the goodly sum of $91,724.29. Or an average price for the lot of $1.81 per box for everything. The average last year was $1.40, so that growers in the union received 41 cents more per box for their apples this year than last, which almost equals the entire cost of production.

In addition to the union crop, the Davidson company handled 25,000 boxes from other growers and about 30,000 boxes were shipped by independent growers and the union, who sold in the neighborhood of 10,000 boxes of fancy fruit included in the latter figure, none of which went for less than $2.25 f. o. b. at Hood River.

With everything taken into consideration, the season here is looked upon as far and away the most prosperous ever experienced at Hood River, and it is learned from the sale slips of the Davidson company that the least that Hood River apples have brought in the New York markets this year was $2.20 per box, which was for a five-tier apple running $1.85 to the box and which are not ordinarily sent to eastern markets. With this as the lowest the Hood River product brought as high as $5.00 per box.

In speaking of the sale of Oregon fruit in the markets of the great eastern metropolis one of the members of the Davidson Fruit company said today:

"I have received several letters and have seen several newspaper stories saying that a statement of this kind is entirely without foundation. I know this from our own sales and also from those which have been made by others who have shipped Hood River fruit to the east. In the first place, it is not possible for the sales of Hood River apples to become public property, as they have all been made in private. In fact, the fruit has been sold before it left Hood River. The prices mentioned I have noticed myself, and they were given for apples sold at public auction. The sales sheets stated that they were from Oregon, whether they were or not I couldn't say, but I am ready to back up my statement that they were not from Hood River and think it is only justice to us that the public at large should know it."

Muskmelons at Christmas.

Pendleton, Or., Dec. 18.—R. A. Dozier, living at Nolin, eight miles west of this city, has just brought to market here a few winter muskmelons, which are well flavored, well preserved and excellent in every way. They will be one of the Christmas dainties on Pendleton tables.

LOCAL WHEAT A CENT HIGHER

Small Amount of Trade Reported at the Advance—Millstuffs Up Again.

Wheat Is a Cent Higher.

An advance of 1c a bushel is today shown in the local wheat market. While the volume of business is small, millers are again in the market for some stock. Exporters are likewise buying small amounts but will likely increase their demand after the turn of the year. All through the present season Portland grain buyers have been paying from 1c to 2c a bushel more for their wheat than have buyers on the sound, because more than ever Portland traders are demanding the best.

Another advance of $1 was shown in the millstuff market during the past 24 hours, making a total rise of $2 for 48 hours. This is the sharpest rise ever shown in this market for this product. It indicates that supplies of millfeeds are smaller than expected and that demand is unusually great.

Millers say the shortage in millstuffs is the greatest in years. They attribute this condition to the smallness of the oriental flour trade thus far this season. While there was a small spurt of oriental flour buying at the start of the season, the total sales to date do not compare favorably with those of other seasons.

Most of the mills of the north coast have been either idle or running but half or quarter time since the present season started. This is more especially true of the larger mills, which sell most of their product to the orient. The smaller mills, which just supply the needs of their own section, have operated more regularly than have the larger plants.

Demand Greatly Increased.

Demand for millfeeds has been greatly increased this season by reason of the high prices for oats and barley. With a large per cent of the north coast's crop this season sold to the east and middle west, there has been an actual shortage in both these products and therefore prices have been unusually stiff and severe.

The flour market is very quiet, both for the domestic and export product. Practically no business is reported from the orient and the general market assumes a holiday character throughout. Millers say they do not expect any further concession in the oriental flour price, but it is quite probable that flour for local use will go a fraction down, because the latter has not followed the course of the wheat price.

WHEAT LOST 2 CENTS WITHIN HALF HOUR

Market Starts Low but Advanced Sharply—Profit Taking Hurts.

CHICAGO WHEAT VALUES.

	Dec. 18.	Dec. 17.	Loss.	1906.
May	104⅞	105⅛	⅜	78½
July	98	99	1	77⅞

Chicago, Dec. 18.—While the wheat market started low, dull and somewhat weak, there was a very spirited advance early, then profit-taking, and then again some loss from last night's closing. At the end of the session May was ⅝c and July 1c under yesterday. Every day shows a wider spread between the May and July options, the lead today being increased ⅜c.

While there was a very sharp advance in Liverpool, both at the opening and the closing, this was merely a follow of what happened in this market yesterday upon the receipt of damage news from Argentine. After the first showing of weakness here the market began to strengthen, and reached the high point about an half hour before the close. At that time May was 1¾c above yesterday, while July had an advance of 1c. Suddenly the profit-taking began, and with liquidation lasting until the close all the day's gain was lost and some of the price of yesterday.

The coarse grain list was not firm at any time during the day, and both oats and corn closed sharply lower. Provisions lacked support, with a loss of about 2½c in both options.

(Range by Downing-Hopkins Company.)

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close
WHEAT				
May	105	107	104⅝	104⅞
July	99	100	98	98
CORN.				
May	59⅛	59¼	58⅛	58¼
July	58⅛	58¼	57⅛	57⅛
OATS.				
May	53⅛	53¼	52½	52½
July	46¼	46½	45⅝	45⅝
MESS PORK.				
Jan.	....	....	....	1265
May	1305	1312	1300	1310

Walla Walla Wheat.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Walla Walla, Wash., Dec. 18.—With the exception of several smalls lots picked up by mills, the local wheat market is practically at a standstill. Buyers say they have instructions to keep out of the market until the surplus wheat piled up at Portland and Tacoma can be loaded aboard ships. It is estimated that less than 30 per cent of the 1907 crop remains in the hands of Walla Walla farmers. About 55 per cent of the crop has already been shipped to tidewater.

Northwest Crop Weather.

Western Oregon and Western Washington—Fair tonight and Thursday; northeasterly winds.

Eastern Oregon, Eastern Washington and Northern Idaho—Fair tonight and Thursday.

Southern Idaho—Fair tonight and Thursday, warmer east portion.

Chicago Barley Market.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—Barley, cash, 82@96c.

Liverpool Wheat Advanced.

Liverpool, Dec. 18.—May wheat opened 7s 11½d. Closed 8s ⅛d, a net gain of 2½d from last night.

Tacoma Wheat Market.

Tacoma, Wash., Dec. 18.—Wheat, export: Bluestem 82c, club 80c.

Galloways Are Coming.

The 19 head of Galloways bought by J. C. Sabin of Harrisburg, Oregon, at the international sale last week were loaded on the cars this morning and started on their long journey to the Pacific coast, says the Chicago Drovers' Journal of December 9.

Mr. Sabin's purchase of these cattle made him the most liberal buyer attending any Galloway sale for the past five years. They are all of the best breeding and were all shown at the international last week, many of them taking prizes. One of the cows in the lot was imported by Swigert in 1904, another is out of the cow shown by C. E. Clarke at the St. Louis exposition, and several others are out of cows from the famous Martin herd of Canada. The entire bunch is picked out of the best Galloway herds in the country, such as the McCrary, Cramer and Premier stock farm herds.

Secretary Charles Gray says he thinks it is as good a bunch as has ever been bought in Chicago. There is not a cull in the lot, and they are good enough to go up against any herd in the country. It is Mr. Sabin's intention to show them at the fairs in the Pacific coast states. He has enough animals and of the right ages to enter any show class, including get of sire and produce of cow.

RECEIPTS OF HOGS TAKEN BY PACKERS

Arrivals Are Better Again but All Supplies Move Off Quite Well.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN.

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Sheep.
Today	287	145	110
Week ago	386	155	230
Year ago	175	125	250
Prev. year	280	151	172

Portland Union Stockyards, Dec. 18.—Receipts of hogs were better this morning but cattle and sheep were not plentiful. However, there is a rather dull tone in all lines at this time. Prices are being maintained but that is all. Packers are taking care of all the hogs that come at $5.25 for best stuff. Cattle are holding their own while sheep are unusually dull for this time of year.

A year ago today all lines were steady except cattle; latter were dull and slow at unchanged figures.

Official yard prices:

Hogs—Best eastern Oregon, $5.25, china fats, $4.75@5.00.

Cattle—Best eastern Oregon steers, $3.75@4.00, best cows and heifers, $2.75@2.85, bulls, $1.75@2.00.

Sheep — Best wethers, $4.25@4.50; mixed and best ewes, $4.25, lambs, $4.25@4.50.

HOP BULL AND BEAR LOGIC IN VERSES

As I walked out one day on the public square
I saw a great row with a bull and a bear.
The bear was mad and was snapping his chops,
And I knew that the row had commenced about hops.

Then came the bull with a terrible roar
I don't want to hear your false logic more—
And he boxed himself up majestically grand
Can you beat the old law of supply and demand?

"I don't care," said the bear, "for your logic or laws,
I can live forty days by sucking my paws."
"Suck your paws," said the bull with another great roar,
"That will make you more weak and worse than before."

As the bull, a proud victor, was turning away,
The crowd cried out, "Bully, you're king of the day".
While the bear on his haunches, with a grin and a frown,
Raised his two arms up for to pull the hops down.

I would like to see a hopgrowers' association strong and wide, wide enough to take the Pacific coast and strong enough to give a reasonable price for hops. How this may be done I am willing for the other men to suggest.

M. J. EGAN.

Gervais, Oregon.

Northwest Bank Statement.

PORTLAND.

Clearings today	$ 737,643.95
Clearings year ago	1,036,518.55
Balances	81,827.00
Balances year ago	87,587.86

TACOMA.

Clearings	750,166.00
Balances	23,157.00

SEATTLE.

Clearings	1,420,062.00
Balances	128,223.00

Bulls Hit Bears.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Chicago, Dec. 18.—The bulls had a merry time in the wheat pit today. They shot the price of May to $1.07 and forced the bears to help the upward movement by buying to cover short interests. J. Brandt Walker, the meteoric plunger, is said to have been hard hit, as well as the Armour brothers. James Patton and the Bartlett-Frazier-Carrington crowd are the leaders in the movement. All the advance was lost just before the close.

BIG EXCURSION TO UMATILLA OPENING

Special Trains to Carry People From All Eastern Oregon Towns Some Day Next Spring.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Pendleton, Or., Dec. 18.—The people of Umatilla county and the government engineers are planning a monster celebration and excursion to Hermiston some time in the early spring on the occasion of the opening of the headgate of the big reservoir of the Umatilla irrigation project. The reservoir is now about 50 per cent completed and it is thought that by May 15 the work will have been finished and the project made ready for settlers.

Plans are now in formation for excursions from all eastern Oregon towns and a monster celebration at the reservoir, with Governor Chamberlain and the entire congressional delegation present.

There are about 20,000 acres in the project and over $1,000,000 is being expended.

SURVEYORS ON SITE OF ALBANY DEPOT

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Albany, Or., Dec. 18.—Although the railroad commission has granted the Southern Pacific an extension of time in which to begin active construction work on the new depot ordered at this city, the railroad surveyors are now only laying out the grounds. The road has asked an extension of 20 days beyond the limit fixed by the commission and to this the mayor of Albany has assented.

The depot will be of sufficient capacity to handle the business of all roads centering in Albany. The old Corvallis & Eastern depot will probably be altogether abandoned.

Soon Leaves for East.

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 18.—Lieutenant-Commander Thomas Francis Rullm, United tSates navy, superintending naval construction of the battleship Nebraska, will leave Seattle for New York within a few days. He has been ordered to report for duty at the Brooklyn Navy yard.

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Imported Smoked Norway Sardines, 10c a can; $1.10 a dozen.

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CONGREGATION TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS

Beth Israel Members Will Soon Announce Plans for Ensuing Year.

Sigmund Sichel, state senator of Oregon and a director in many Portland commercial bodies, unanimously elected president of the congregation Beth Israel, succeeds Adolphe Wolfe, who retires after five years of hard work, in which the congregation has been successfully managed. Mr. Sichel enters upon his duties with the best good will of the congregation.

"The office of president," said Mr. Sichel this morning, "is largely an executive office. The rabbi is the spiritual head of the society, and the board of officers consists of the president, first and second vice-presidents, treasurer and secretary and six trustees. I know that financially the congregation is in a prosperous condition. There are certain matters pertaining to improvements in buildings and in the Jewish cemetery which will probably first have attention.

"Next April is the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Temple Beth Israel and we hope to celebrate it in some fitting way—in some way that will be of lasting benefit to the city and to the people. There is a possibility that Rabbi Stephen Wise will come out for the celebration."

Mr. Sichel has been associated with the progress of Portland and of Oregon for many years. He was born in Germany, but has made Portland his home for 35 years. He is one of the board of governors of the Commercial club and also of the Concordia club, vice-president of the Hebrew Benevolent society, a correspondent of the National Jewish Immigration bureau, a member of the American Jewish committee of fifty, with headquarters at New York, and a trustee of the chamber of commerce.

The other officers of the congregation Beth Israel are: First vice-president, Philip Lowengart; second vice-president, M. Sichel; treasurer, Sigmund Frank; secretary, Julius Kraemer.

Christmas and New Year's cards, albums and art calendars. Finest assortment in the city at the Postal Shop, 124 Fifth street, near Washington.

HEAT AND LIGHT PLANT AT AGENCY

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Pendleton, Or., Dec. 18.—Supervising Engineer Pringle of the Indian department, who has been at the Umatilla agency for the past week examining the facilities for heating and lighting the buildings of the agency, will recommend, it is understood, the erection of a one-story brick structure, 40x70 feet, in which a complete electric lighting and heating plant will be installed. It is desired that the building shall be completed for the opening of school next year.

RECEIVER FOR GLENDALE BANK

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Roseburg, Or., Dec. 18.—In the circuit court yesterday Judge Hamilton appointed a receiver for the Glendale State bank of Glendale, Oregon, which institution failed to open its doors for business after the holidays closed. J. L. Winchell was appointed, with bonds at $20,000. The receiver was appointed upon petition of E. E. Redfield and R. A. Jones, who allege that the bank is solvent but cannot meet present demands.

Tomorrow and Friday positively the last days for discount on east side gas bills. Portland Gas company

NORTHERN EXPRESS STATIONS ROBBED

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Aberdeen, Wash., Dec. 18.—William Maughn, the Northern Express agent here, has received word that the express offices at Elma and Satsop, two stations on the line east of here, had been entered some time during Monday night and robbed. Express packages and clothing were taken, but so far as learned no money was secured.

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Tests for Plumbers.

A master plumber's examination is being conducted at the city hall today by Plumbing Inspector William Hey. Only two men are trying for the examination. They are G. A. Gantenbein and F. Jordan.

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