TODAY'S MARKETS

There Never Was a Time Nor Never an Egg, No Matter Where, That Showed Better Quality Than Oregons Are Now

SALMON SALES AT ADVANCES

While No Formal Opening Prices Are Named Deals Are Made at 10c Rise.

Wholesale market features:
Salmon prices still unopened.
Strawberries are held back.
Potato demand is increasing.
Beet and blank sugar lower.
Put up jar cap prices.
Eggs are slightly higher.
Red onions selling lower.
String beans in larger supply.
Hop sales to Europe.
Dressed meats move at price.
Another car Cochella onions arrives.

Salmon Prices Still Unopened.

Although a full month has passed since the spring-summer salmon season started along the Columbia river and its tributaries, no formal opening values have thus far been announced by packers. However, the following prices are generally ruling on the 1908 pack:

	Per Doz.
One-pound talls	$1.75
Half-pound talls	1.15
Pound flats	1.85

These prices compare with the 1907 prices as follows:

	Per Doz.
One-pound talls	$1.65
Half-pound talls	1.05
Pound flats	1.75

This is an advance of 10c per dozen all the way through. In 1906 the prices stood:

	Per Doz.
One-pound talls	$1.50
Half-pound talls	1.00
Pound flats	1.60

Prices of Former Seasons.

In former years the opening price on pound talls has been quoted by Columbia river packers for first-class chinooks as follows:

1905, $1.45; 1904, $1.45; 1903, $1.35; 1902, $1.35; 1901, $1.50; 1900, $1.60; 1899, $1.25; 1898, $1.05; 1897, $1.05.

It will be noted, therefore, that in the past 12 years the price of Columbia chinook salmon in cans has advanced 70c per dozen in pound talls, an average rise each season of over 5c. The advance on Columbia river canned salmon has not kept pace with the rise in fish from other streams simply because the packers along the Columbia have never asked any higher figure. The fact that annually they have orders for more canned salmon than they are able to pack indicates quite fully that the market would easily stand for still higher figures.

Catch Is Nominal.

The catch of salmon to date this season has been so small that but little packing is reported. At periods during the past month the catch has not been sufficient to supply even the fresh fish trade, not alone giving the packers and cold storage operators their requirements.

The canned salmon market everywhere is in a very firm position, owing to the very scant supplies held. First hands have had none of the old pack to offer for some time and second hands are looking anxiously to the packers in order to refill their deserted warerooms.

Beet Sugar Is Lower.

A decline of 10c a hundred pounds is shown in the price of beet and blank brands of sugar in the local market today. This follows the decline of an equal sum yesterday in fruit and berry grades. Advices from California and local sections state that the prospects could scarcely be better for the beet yield than at this time.

Hop Sales to Europe.

European speculators are still buying some of our hops at low prices. The better grades are bringing a small premium because of the scant supplies—in fact the holdings of hops in this state by producers at this time are very small. For this reason the short sellers are making much ado over the present activity. Their purchases, however, are at such low figures generally that they are quite safe in speculating upon the future.

Potato Trade Is Increasing.

As has been told in The Journal recently, the demand for potatoes is increasing and purchases during the past 24 hours have been made at the advance of 10c to 15c quoted in this report yesterday. California and Arizona are the principal purchasers in western Oregon at this time, but eastern Oregon and eastern Washington are selling to Texas and far southern points.

California red onions are not giving much satisfaction to the trade and supplies are again being offered at lower prices. Another car of Cochellas came in this morning in good shape. Because of the excellent quality prices are being maintained.

An advance of ½c is noted in the local egg market, with smaller supplies. Local quality could scarcely be better, despite the knocking of those who have eastern eggs to sell. Top sales today at 19c, with most of the business at 18½c.

String beans are in larger supply and the price is down 1c.

Dressed meats are moving at the price quoted.

Strawberries were in good supply from the south today, with prices maintained, but local fruit was very slow in coming.

Front street sells at the following prices. Those paid shippers are less regular commissions:

Grain, Flour and Hay.

WHEAT—Board of Trade—Club, 89c; bluestem, 91c; red, 86½c; Willamette valley, 89c bushel.

FLOUR—Eastern Oregon patents, 4.65; straights, $3.85; exports, $3.45@$3.60; valley, $4.45; graham, ⅛s, $4.15; whole wheat, $4.40; rye, 50s, $5.50; bales $3.

MILLSTUFFS—Board of trade—Bran, $26; middlings, $30.50; shorts, $27@28.50; chop, $27.50 per ton.

HAY—Producers' price—Timothy, Willamette valley, fancy $15; ordinary, $12.50@13; eastern Oregon, $16@17; mixed, $10@10.50; clover, $10@12; grain, (—); cheat, (—); alfalfa, $11@12.

BARLEY—Board of Trade—Feed, $24.50; rolled, $27@28; brewing, $26.

OATS—Board of Trade—No. 1 white, $27.50@28; gray, $27 per ton.

CHITTIM BARK—Nominal.

Butter, Eggs and Poultry.

BUTTER FAT—Delivery f. o. b. Portland; sweet cream, 22½c; sour, 20½c lb.

BUTTER—Extra creamery, 24c; fancy, 22½c; ordinary, 20@21½c; store, 18c.

EGGS—Extra fancy, candled, 18½@19c.

CHEESE—Full cream, flats, 14@14½c; half skimmed, 13c lb; Young Americas, 15½c per lb; California Young Americas, 15c; flats, 14c lb.

POULTRY—Mixed chickens, 14@14½c lb; fancy hens, 14½@15c; roosters, old, 10c per lb; fryers, 20@25c lb; broilers, 20@25c lb; geese, old, 8@9c lb; turkeys, alive, 15@17c per lb; dressed, 19@20c lb; squabs, $2.50 dozen; pigeons, $1.25 dozen; dressed poultry, 1@1½c per lb. higher.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS—1907 crop, first prime, 5½c; prime, 4½c; medium to prime, 4c; medium, 3@4c lb; 1906 crop, ½@1½c lb; contracts, 1908, 8@8½c lb.

WOOL—1908—Willamette valley, 10@12c.

MOHAIR—1908—Nominal, 18c.

HIDES—Dry hides, 12@13c lb; green, 4@5c; calves, green, 6@7c; kips, 5c lb; bulls, green salt, 2½@3½c lb.

SHEEPSKINS—Shearing, 10@15c each; short wool, 25c@40c; medium wool, 50c@$1 each; long wool, 75c@$1.25 each.

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

Fruits and Vegetables.

POTATOES—Select, 75c, selling; buying, Willamette valley, 50@55c; eastern Multnomah and Clackamas, 60@65c per cwt; sweets, 3¾@4c; new potatoes, 44c.

ONIONS—Bermuda, $2.50 per 50 lb crate; 5 crate lots, $2.40 per crate; California red, $2.75@3 per cwt; garlic, 25c lb.

APPLES—Select, $3; fancy, $2.25@2.50; choice, $2.00; ordinary, $1.50.

FRESH FRUITS—Oranges, $3.00@$3.50; bananas, 5½c per lb; crated, 6c; lemons, $3@3.75 box; grapefruit, $2.50@3.50; pineapples, $4.50@5.50 doz; strawberries, California, $1.25@1.65 per 15-box crate; Oregon, 10@15c box.

VEGETABLES—Turnips, new Oregon, 12½c bunch; beets, $1.00 sack; parsnips, 85c@$1; cabbage, $1.50@2; tomatoes, Florida, $4.00@4.50; Mexican, $2.50@2.75; beans, 11@12c; cauliflower, Oregon, (—) per doz; peas, Oregon, 7@8c; California, 5@6c; horseradish, 8@10c lb; artichokes, 60@75c doz; green onions, 12½c doz; peppers, bell, 25c; Chile, 15c lb; hothouse lettuce, 75c@$1.25 box; head lettuce, 25@30c doz; cucumbers, hothouse, local, $1@1.50 doz; radishes, 15c doz. bunches; rhubarb, Oregon, 2¾; celery, (—); cranberries, eastern, $9@10.50; sprouts, 8c lb; asparagus, Oregon, 70@75c doz bunches; Walla Walla $1@1.25 box; spinach, 80@85c box; gooseberries, 15c.

CAPS ARE ADVANCED TO CAP THE CLIMAX

To cap the climax of recent sharp advances in fruit jars, manufacturers and jobbers are today quoting an advance of $1 a gross in the value on jar caps. Porcelain caps that formerly sold at $2.50 a gross are now selling at $3.50. In recent years the price on caps has never gone beyond $2.25 until a short time ago. This advance, coupled coupled with the rise of 40 to 50 per cent in the price of fruit jars a short time ago, makes home fruit preserving much more expensive. However, no advance has yet occurred in jar rubbers.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

SUGAR—California & Hawaiian Refinery—Cube, $6.80; powdered, $6.65; berry, $6.45; dry granulated, $6.45; XXX granulated, $6.35; conf. A., $6.45; extra B., $6.06; golden G., $6.50; D., yellow, $5.75; beet granulated, $6.25; barrels, 15c; half barrels, 30c; boxes, 55c advance on sack casis.

(Above prices are 30 days net cash quotations.)

HONEY—$3.60 per crate.

COFFEE—Package brands, $16.50.

SALT—Coarse—Half ground, 100s, $11.00 per ton; 50s, $11.50; table, dairy 50s, $16.50; 100s, $16.00; bales, $2.35; imported Liverpool, 50s, $20.00; 100s, $19.00; 4s, 18.00; extra fine carres, 2s, 5s and 10s, $4.50@5.50; Liverpool lump rock, $20.50 per ton.

(Above prices apply to sales in 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, 7¾c; Ajax, (—); Creole, 5¾c.

BEANS—Small white, $4.75; large white, $4.75; pink, $3.85; bayou, $3.85; Limas, $5.85; Mexican reds, (—).

NUTS—Peanuts, Jumbo, 7c per lb; Virginia, 6¼c per lb; roasted, 9c per lb; Japanese, 6¼@6½c; roasted, 8½c per lb; walnuts, California, 16c per lb; pine nuts, 15c per lb; hickory nuts, 10c per lb; brazil nuts, 15c per lb; filberts, 15c per lb; fancy pecans, 18@20c per lb; almonds, 16c.

Meats, Fish and Provisions.

DRESSED MEATS—Front street—Hogs, fancy, 8c lb; ordinary, 7@7½c; large, 5@6c; veal, extra, 7½@8c per lb; ordinary, 7c per lb; heavy, 6½@7c per lb; mutton, fancy, 8@9c per lb; spring lamb, with pelts, 10c; without pelts, 11@14c.

HAMS, BACON, ETC.—Portland pack (local) hams, 10 to 12 lbs., 15c per lb.; 14 to 16 lbs., 14½c per lb.; 18 to 20 lbs., 14½c; breakfast bacon, 14@22c per lb; picnics, 10c per lb; cottage roll, 11c lb; regular short clears smoked, 11½c per lb; unsmoked, 10½c per lb; clear backs, unsmoked, 10½c; smoked, 11½c; Union butts, 10 to 13c lb; unsmoked, 12c per lb; smoked, 13c per lb; clear bellies, unsmoked, 13c per lb; smoked, 14c per lb; shoulders, 11c per lb; pickled tongues, 70c each.

LOCAL LARD—Kettle leaf, 10s, 12¾c per lb; 5s, 12⅞c per lb; 50-lb tins, 12¾c per lb; steam rendered, 10s, 11¾c per lb; 5s, 11¾c per lb; compound, 10s, 8¾c per lb.

FISH—Rock cod, 12½c lb; flounders, 6c lb; halibut, 5@6c per lb; striped bass, 15c per lb; catfish, 11c per lb; salmon, chinook, 9c per lb; steelhead, 7c per lb; herrings, 5c per lb; soles, 7c per lb; shrimps, 10c per lb; perch, 6c per lb; tomcod, 11c 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, 6@7c per lb; sturgeon, 12½c lb; black cod, 7½c lb; crabs, $1.00@1.60 doz; shad, 2½c; roe shad, 6c; shad roe, 12½c lb.

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, 13c; standard, 11½c; sisal, 9½c; L. B. sisal, 8¾c.

Coal Oils—

	Iron Bbls.	Cases.	Wood Bbls.
Water White	16½c	.....	14½c
Pearl Oil	.....	18 c	.....
Head Light	12½c	19½c	.....
Eocene	.....	21 c	.....
Special W. W.	14 c	.....	18 c
Elaine	.....	28 c	.....
Extra Star	.....	21 c	.....

Gasoline—

	Iron Bbls.	Cases.
V. M. and P. Naphtha	12½c	19½c
Red Crown Gasoline	15½c	22½c
Motor Gasoline	15½c	22½c
86 per cent Gasoline	30 c	37½c
No. 1 Engine Distillate	9 c	16 c

BENZINE—86 deg., cases, 19½c per gal; iron bbls, 12½c per gal.

TURPENTINE—In cases, 72c per gal; wood bbls, 69c per gal.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, bbls 49c; cases 55c; boiled, bbls 51c; cases 57c a gal; lots of 250 gallons 1c less.

WHITE LEAD—Ton lots, 7¾c per lb; 500-lb lots, 8c per lb; less lots, 8¼c.

WIRE NAILS—Present basis at $3.10.

PRODUCE IN SAN FRANCISCO.

Eggs Are Up ½c, and a Better Tone Is Ruling in Onions.

San Francisco, May 15.—Butter (per pound)—California fresh, extras, 23½c; firsts, 22½; seconds 22c; packing No. 1, 20c; No. 2, 19c.

Eggs (per dozen)—California fresh, including cases, extras, 21c; firsts, 19½c; seconds, 16½c; thirds, 16c.

New cheese (per pound)—California flats, fancy, 11½c; firsts, 11c; seconds, fancy, 13½c; firsts, 13c; eastern Oregon, fancy, 14c; Young America, fancy, 14½c; storage, eastern fancy, New York, 16c; Oregon, 14c.

Potatoes (per cental)—Oregon Burbanks, $1@1.25; river whites, fancy, 40@85c; new potatoes, $1.50@2 per cental; sweet potatoes, $3.50 per cental.

Onions—Bermudas, $1.50@1.60 per crate; Australian browns, $4@4.50 per crate; red onions, $1.25@1.50.

Oranges (per box)—Navels, fancy, $2.75@3.00; standards, $2.25@2.50; tangerines, $1.50@2.00.

Oyster Raising a Success.

Aberdeen, Wash., May 15.—The Grays Harbor Oyster company is so pleased with the success of its experiment in raising the bevalve on the harbor that it has made arrangements to plant more seed. Six hundred barrels have been ordered from the east which will arrive about May 25, and will be planted in the south bay beds belonging to the company. San Francisco epicures are buying the output of this company.

Yukon Gold Shares.

New York, May 15.—Curb, Yukon gold, 4¼.

BARLEY CROP NOT SO HEAVY

Acreage Around Condon Is Reduced—Spring Wheat Needs Much More Rain.

H. B. Stickler of the Condon Warehouse company says the barley acreage of that locality is not as heavy as a year ago and that the fields need a heavy downpour of rain in order to make an average crop.

"The fall wheat is in fine shape," says Mr. Stickler, who was a visitor on the board of trade today, "but spring wheat needs much more rain in order to get it started right. When I left Condon yesterday there had been no rain, but I hear of some today."

D. A. Patullo of Balfour, Guthrie & Co. has received advices of a downpour all through the Walla Walla county, including Eureka Flat.

C. H. Clark, president of the Seattle Dairy exchange, was a visitor on change today.

J. Lippitt of Lippitt Bros. of Colfax, grain men, was also a visitor today. He has just returned from a trip through California and reports the grain crop to be in bad shape. An advance in the price of white oats in San Francisco was made today in consequence.

Produce receipts for the 24 hours ending 11 a. m. today were:

94 boxes asparagus, 110 boxes butter, 49 boxes beans, 5 crates cabbage, 1 box cheese, 41 boxes cherries, 58 coops chickens, 1 box cucumbers, 4 coops ducks, 197 cases eggs, 1 coop geese, 57 hogs, 61 mutton, 121 sacks peas, 9 boxes poultry, 5 boxes rhubarb, 1,458 strawberries, 30 tomatoes, 3 coops turkeys, 73 veal, 5 sacks vegetables.

MAY WHEAT POUNDED.

Loses 1½c Today After Opening a Fraction Lower.

CHICAGO WHEAT VALUES.

	Open.	Close.	May 15.	Loss.
May	102	100⅝	102⅛	1½
July	89½	89½	90⅜	⅞
Sept.	86	86⅛	87	⅞

Chicago, May 15.—The wheat market started under pressure, with May option ½c under yesterday. Lower cables and good reports of the growing crop brought out a very heavy line of selling, and at the close May was 1½c under yesterday. July closed at 89½c and September at 86⅛c, net losses of ⅞c and ⅞c, respectively.

Range by Downing-Hopkins Co.:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
May	102	102	100¼	100⅝
July	89½	90	89⅜	89½
Sept.	86	86⅜	86	86⅛
CORN.				
July	64⅞	65⅞	64⅝	65⅞
Sept.	63	63⅝	63	63⅝
OATS.				
July	44⅞	45⅝	44⅞	45⅝
Sept.	37¼	37⅝	37¼	37⅝
MESS PORK.				
July	1335	1345	1335	1340
Sept.	1362	1367	1362	1365

GRAIN IN SAN FRANCISCO.

San Francisco, May 15.—Merchants Exchange prices:

Wheat — May, $1.66½; December, $1.57.

Barley — May, $1.48; December, $1.33¾.

Cash wheat—White Walla Walla, $1.70; red Russian, $1.67½; turkey red, $1.75; bluestem, $1.73¾.

Cash barley—No. 1 bright, $1.50; brewing, $1.60.

Cash oats—No. 1 white, $1.33¾.

Millstuffs—Bran, $31.50; middlings, $34; shorts, $32.50 per ton.

Liverpool Wheat Market.

Liverpool, May 15.—July wheat opened at 7s 7⅛d, closed at 7s 6⅝d, a net loss of ⅛d from yesterday.

Chicago Cash Barley.

Chicago, May 15.—Cash barley, 65@74c.

Tacoma Wheat Market.

Tacoma, May 15.—Wheat—Export: Club, 86c; bluestem, 88c; red, 84c.

BOSTON COPPER MARKET.

(Furnished by Overbeck & Cooke Co.)

Boston, May 15.—Official bid prices:

Adventure	2	Cal. & Hecla	660
Allouez	29¾	Giroux	3¾
Atlantic	14¾	Old Dom.	36¾
Cop. Range	74	Shannon	13⅝
Daly West	9¼	Tamarack	60¼
Dom. Copper	1⅛	Victoria	3⅝
C. Ely	8¾	Winona	5¾
Gold Hill	⅝	Wolverine	136
Greene	9¼	Butte Coala	24¼
Michigan	10¼	Trinity	15
Mohawk	55¾	United	7¾
Nevada Cons.	12¼	Parrot	22¼
No. Butte	64½	Nippissing	⅞

Northwest Bank Statement.

PORTLAND.

Clearings today	$ 917,082.28
Year ago	1,352,842.09
Balances today	87,318.85
Year ago	158,721.79

SEATTLE.

Clearings	$1,141,161.00
Balances	157,830.00

TACOMA.

Clearings	$ 711,844.00
Balances	30,018.00

FIRMER TONE PUTS EGG PRICES HIGHER

"Eggs are firmer and higher on increased demand. Receipts seem quite liberal, however, and it is difficult to forecast the future.

"Butter, while in large supply, is firmer and higher. Quality at this time of the year is of the best and at prices now ruling buyers seem willing to take hold freely.

"Poultry has had a good week with a firm market for hens and large young roosters, and at fine prices. Broilers and fryers are also in very firm request and any young ducks of fair size (they should be not less than three pounds each) meet with a good reception. Growers should get off more early ducks and chickens—birds that are of fair size in April and May—for in them is to be made the big money in the poultry line. I look for a good poultry market the coming week.

"Veal is not in such liberal supply, and while prices are about the same, there is a better request. This applies to strictly fancy. Small and medium pork is in firm request and at fine prices."—Tom Farrell of Everding & Farrell.

MARKET IS HURT BY POOR SHEEP

General Price Down 25c Today With Some Stock Too Poor to Give Away.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN.

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Sheep.
Today	360	142	720
1907	206	832	1455
1906	26	80	173
1905	100	225	750

Portland Union Stockyards, May 15.—As was predicted of late in this report, sheep values are showing a loss of 25c today. Receipts are heavy, but it is the poor quality that had more to do with the dropping of quotations today than anything else. Too much poor stuff is arriving—some of it being of such inferior quality that killers do not want it at any price.

"A large portion of the present sheep arrivals," says Assistant Manager Gould, "consists of yearlings that seem all hide and bones. The killers do not want this class of stuff and you can hardly give it away. The entire market is hurt by sending this class of stock to the yards and lower prices are ruling today in consequence."

Hogs and cattle are quoted firm at the moment, with arrivals in the former line fair for the day.

A year ago today there was much weakness in cattle and sheep, with value 25c lower in each line. While showing weakness for this day a year ago, hogs were holding at former prices.

Official yard values today:

Hogs—Best stuff, $6.25@6.35; China fats, $6@6.25; feeders, $5@5.25.

Cattle—Fancy eastern Oregon steers, $5; medium, $4.50@4.75; best cows, $3.50@3.75; bulls, $2.50@3; stags, $3@4.

Sheep (sheared)—Best wethers, $4.50@4.75; spring lambs, weighing 75 pounds, $5.50@5.75; ewes, $4@4.25; mixed, $4.25@4.50.

HOGS SHOW A LOSS.

Market Opens Slow but Loses 5c at the Closing Today.

Chicago, May 15.—Hogs, 23,000; cattle, 2,000; sheep, 5,000. Hogs slow at yesterday's average. Left over, 7,400. Mixed, $5.20@5.52; heavy, $5.15@5.52½; rough, $5.15@5.30; light, $5.20@5.50. Cattle, dull; sheep steady.

Hogs closed 5c lower than yesterday. Cattle and sheep closed steady.

Kansas City, May 15.—Receipts: Hogs, 11,000; cattle, 3,000; sheep, 4,000.

NEVADA MINING STOCKS.

San Francisco, May 15.—Noon closing prices:

GOLDFIELD.

Sandstorm 80c, Red Top Ext. 13c, Columbia Mt. 18c, Jumbo Ext. 33c, Silver Pick 19c, Black Butte Ext. 2c, Atlanta 20c, Great Bend 33c, Florence $3.67½, Diam. B. B. Cons. 18c, Comb. Fraction 53c, F. Mohawk 15c, Red Hill 21c, Lou Dillon 3c, Yellow Tiger 10c, Yellow Rose 1c, Col. Mt. Ext. 2c, Goldf. Cons. $5.65.

BULLFROG DISTRICT.

Lige Harris 1c.

TONOPAH DISTRICT.

Ton. Nevada $7.80, Ton. Montana $1.60, MacNamara 26c, Ton. Belmont $1.10, Ton. North Star 12c, Jim Butler 28c.

MANHATTAN DISTRICT.

Little Joe 2c, Granny 6c, Jumping Jack 4c.

SCATTERED DISTRICTS.

Nevada Hills $2.17½, Pittsburg Silver Peak $1.25, Eagles' Nest 12c.

FORCE STOCKS HIGH AFTER AN EARLY DROP

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

New York, May 15.—After showing an early loss of 1 to 2 points, the stock market advanced by main force, Union Pacific making another high record for this movement. The recovery in prices was made a short time before the closing of the market, Union Pacific making a net advance over yesterday of 1½ points. While the general market showed mixed values at the end of the day, the closing was strong enough to stop the bears from taking themselves too seriously.

Money rates ruled easy around 1½ and 1¾ percent during the trading.

Range by Downing-Hopkins Co.:

DESCRIPTION.	Open.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Alam. Copper	68⅝	68⅝	66⅝	67⅞
Sugar	121	131⅝	130⅝	131
Col. Fuel & Iron	29	29⅞	27⅞	28⅞
Brooklyn	50⅞	51⅛	49⅞	50⅝
People's Gas	92	92⅞	91⅞	92¼
U. S. Steel, c.	38⅞	38⅝	37⅞	38¾
do pfd.	102⅝	102⅞	101⅞	102⅞
Atchison	82⅝	83⅞	82⅝	83⅞
Balt. & Ohio	91⅞	93⅞	91⅞	93⅞
Canadian Pac.	160	160	158⅞	160
Erie	20⅝	20⅞	20⅛	20¾
Louis. & Nash.	109⅛	109⅞	108¼	109
Missouri Pac.	51⅝	51⅞	49⅞	51¼
Pennsylvania	121⅝	122	120⅜	121¾
Reading	116⅝	117⅞	115⅞	117⅛
Rock Island	18⅝	18⅝	18⅛	18⅞
Southern Pac.	86⅝	87⅞	85⅞	87⅛
St. Paul	134⅝	135⅛	132⅞	134⅝
Union Pac.	143⅞	144⅞	141⅞	144⅞
Am. Smelter	77½	78	76⅝	77⅞
N. Y. Central	105⅞	106½	105⅛	106⅛
Northern Pac.	137⅞	137⅞	135⅝	137⅛
Anaconda	45⅛	45⅝	43⅝	45⅛
Southern Ry.	17⅞	18¼	17⅛	18¼
Great Nor.	132⅞	.....	.....	131⅞
Ches. & Ohio	43⅞	45¾	42¾	45⅝
R. I., pfd.	39⅝	.....	.....	38⅝
Wabash, pfd.	24	24⅝	23⅝	24⅛
Smelter, pfd.	99⅝	99⅝	99¼	99⅝
Soo, pfd.	135	.....	.....	135
do com.	113	114¼	113	114
Am. Loco.	50⅛	.....	.....	50⅝
Cotton Oil	31⅞	.....	.....	30⅞
Central Leather	27⅞	.....	.....	27
Ontario	41⅝	.....	.....	41¾
Denver & R. G.	26¼	27	26¼	27
Norfolk	.....	.....	.....	71½
Am. Woolens	.....	.....	.....	22

Total sales, 1,301,200 shares.

Money opened at 1¾ per cent, high, 1¾ per cent; low, 1½ per cent; close, 1½ per cent.

Latest News of Oregon Crops

OFFICIAL WEATHER FORECAST.

Western Oregon and western Washington—Showers tonight and Saturday; westerly winds.

Eastern Oregon and southern Idaho—Cloudy with probably showers tonight and Saturday.

Eastern Washington and northern Idaho—Cloudy with probably showers tonight and Saturday; cooler tonight.

Warm weather is badly needed by the berry growers and fruit men in general throughout the Pacific northwest. While the rains of the past 48 hours have been beneficial to the parched wheat fields of eastern Oregon and Washington; the downpour will pull down to a considerable extent, the output of berries and other small fruits.

While there are only occasional reports coming from isolated sections regarding the appearance of vermin in the hop yards, present weather conditions are against the 1908 yield, and some of the leading operators are at this time estimating a crop of about 100,000 bales for this state.

The following are the latest advices regarding crop conditions in California:

Press advices from Biggs, California, say the alfalfa hay crop is good and yielding well. Grain crops of barley, wheat and oats, about three-fourths of the usual yield, as the lack of rain has had a bad effect on all kinds of grains. The rice crops are looking fine. The beet and bean crops are in fine shape, while all kinds of vegetables in the colonies, where they can be irrigated, are looking well and indicate large crops. Small fruits and berries will all yield an average crop.

Press advices from Woodland, Yolo county, California, May 8, state: Opinion is as much divided as ever in regard to the crop outlook. Farmers of many years' experience insist that there will be more grain than there was last year. Other farmers of equal experience say that it is now too late for rain to do any good, that summer fallow grain will be short and that the winter sown grain will not pay to cut.

Lack of grain will also cut the sugar beet crop short.

In the meantime the weather continues cool and grain is developing wonderfully. If there should be no more hot winds and south breezes should prevail the yield will no doubt be surprising.

The fruit crop is now so far advanced that nothing short of an unusual wind storm could prevent a big yield.

Klamath Falls, Or., May 15.—Very little damage is reported from various parts of the county on account of the recent frost. Sections on the other side of the mountains and in California have suffered more than Klamath county. An average yield in all crops is anticipated.

La Grande, Or., May 15.—The seeding of approximately 2,300 acres of beets and 2,200 acres of small grain by the Amalgamated Sugar company has just been finished, and for a time at least the thinning of the beets will be the principal work of the large crews which the company maintains. Around the headquarters of the Union ranches are many little villages of tents and temporary quarters, occupied by the Germans and Japs who have been imported to the Grand Ronde valley to eventually displace oriental labor.

Today's Metal Market.

New York, May 15.—Metal prices: Copper—Lake, 12⅝@12¾c; electrolytic, 12½@12⅝c; castings, 12¼@12½c.

FALLS ON KNEES TO WIFE IN COURTROOM

(United Press Leased Wire.)

San Francisco, May 15. — A scene worthy of a melodrama was enacted in Judge Graham's court today during the progress of the divorce suit of Margarita Dolcibelli, a handsome black-eyed Sicilian, against her husband, Gaspard.

As the wife stepped from the stand the defendant, with tears streaming down his cheeks, dropped to his knees and with hands outstretched and a voice choking with emotion, he begged his wife to forgive him and to come back to him.

"I will treat you not only as a wife, but as a queen," he said.

The wife, moved by the appeal, seemed on the verge of relenting, but took her seat without replying to her husband.

She accused him of being extremely cruel and insanely jealous.

The plaintiff's father gave the proceedings a touch of humor when he testified that he called on the defendant's mother to protect him against the wife's mistreatment.

"She said to me," testified the father, "that in Sicily a man may club his wife and she must still treat him with respect."

The case was taken under advisement.

SENATORS ADOPT FINANCIAL BILL

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, May 15.—The senate this afternoon adopted the amended Aldrich financial bill as a substitute for the Vreeland measure passed by the house Thursday. The matter now goes to a conference between the two branches of congress.

BAILEY ACCUSED BY CAPTAIN OLSON

Action of Master of Tatoosh Toward the Disabled Steamer Alliance.

After waiting 20 minutes for a tardy stenographer, the hearing of the Alliance-Tatoosh case was begun before local Inspectors Edwards and Fuller this afternoon. A dozen witnesses are present from Astoria, including Captain Bailey of the tug Tatoosh, who is accused of conduct unbecoming a licensed mariner.

The hearing was to have been taken up at 9 o'clock this morning, but a postponement to 1 o'clock was taken because of the inability to secure the presence of an important witness.

Captain B. W. Olson of the Alliance, who filed the charges against Captain Bailey, was the first witness called. He recited briefly the incidents of the exciting voyage of the Alliance from Coos Bay last winter when the steamer lost her rudder and part of her propeller blades, leaving her partly disabled.

December 2 the Alliance was off the mouth of the river and the Tatoosh came out and wanted to tow her into port. Captain Bailey dickered for a long time and finally stood off saying: "D—n you, stay there and drown," according to Captain Olson's testimony.

Captain Olson testified further that the steamer was moving along satisfactorily with one blade of the propeller, and most of the time he had her under control. He had been making about 3½ miles an hour on the course from Coos while the jury rudders lasted, but they broke three times, he said, and at such times the vessel had to be hove to. She was, however, under perfect control December 2 off the Columbia river. It was 4:30 when the Tatoosh crossed in and Captain Olson said he did not see him again until the following morning, when the Tatoosh came out over the bar to near the lightship, where the Alliance was riding in good shape.

"When the Tatoosh came close to us, Captain Bailey asked if I was ready for a tow," so the witness testified. "I told him 'No,' that I did not need him. He steamed away again saying: 'Well, I ain't going to hang around any longer.' But the Tatoosh came back and after lying around for about an hour and a half a heaving line was thrown from the tug to the forecastle head of the Alliance. I told my crew not to take the line. It was then finally, that Captain Bailey said, 'Take the line there is a telegram attached to it from your owners.' I then ordered the line taken and found the telegram from my owners instructing me to accept a tow."

The telegram was offered in evidence and identified by Captain Olson as the one thrown to the Alliance on the heaving line.

It is believed that the hearing will be concluded this afternoon. Among the witnesses for the O. R. & N. Co., by whom Captain Bailey is engaged to tow at the mouth of the Columbia, is Captain Conway, superintendent of the company's water lines in this district.

EVANS SAYS HE IS RECOVERING RAPIDLY

(United Press Leased Wire.)

Washington, May 15.—"I can be ready for duty inside of a week, declared Rear Admiral Evans after he arrived here from San Francisco.

The old sea warrior expressed dissatisfaction over the reports of his health that were sent from the Pacific coast.

"Judging from the way those newspaper fellows out west have been writing about my condition, the people of the east must have thought I looked like Shaw's 'Last Hope.' I am not surprised at all that you were worried about me."

Admiral Evans said that he expected to make Washington his home hereafter.

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