LATEST NEWS OF WORLD'S MARKETS

BANANAS ARRIVE AFTER DELAYS

Four Cars Unloaded This Morning—Should Have Come Last Tuesday.

Four cars of bananas arrived today for Front street after being a week overdue.

Stocks were generally overripe and will result in considerable loss to local commission houses.

Arrivals should have reached this market last Tuesday, but were held up by the striking switchmen on the Northern Pacific, but after considerable delay were transferred to the Union Pacific and brought to the city over the O. R. & N.

Not only will this demoralize the trade here, but it will cause difficulty among country merchants in getting bananas for their Christmas trade unless the next arrivals are in fairly ripe shape and available for immediate delivery.

This latter condition, however, seldom occurs, for whenever the trade would like a shipment to come in green, it therefore follows that the supplies are overripe and vice versa, when the opposite thing is wanted.

Because of today's overripe stuff, hawkers are very happy and secured many wagon loads along Front street at about what the fruit cost in New Orleans. Hawkers have had very slim picking recently because fruit has been so high and scarce, and therefore those who wanted to buy were forced to pay the regular price.

TURKEYS AT HIGH MARK

Front Street Price Ranges Between 25@27c Pound—Few Coming.

Turkey market is now at a very high point along Front street and consumption is being stifled.

Prices along the street range from 25 to 27c a pound, with most dealers asking 26c. Receipts are not heavy and this is aiding the price.

Every effort is being made by certain parties to bear down the price of turkeys for the Christmas trade by talking of heavy importations from the east. There is always talk of greater importations than are actually received; therefore the rumors must be taken with grains of salt.

It is quite likely that not more than two cars will be received altogether from the east; probably not more than one.

HALIBUT GOES TO 11 CENTS

Highest Price on Record Reached Here for Fresh Stock Today.

Halibut is selling today in the local fish market at the highest price ever reached here, 11c a pound.

Only one house has any fresh halibut at all to offer, and even a higher value would have been obtained were sellers so inclined.

"While we have the only fresh halibut in the city today," says Joseph O'Connor of Malarkey & Co., "still we are not taking advantage of the trade. We probably could get a higher price, but to tell the truth, we are ashamed to ask more."

There is also a scarcity of other varieties of fish, especially silver smelt.

CHICKENS DOWN CENT TODAY

Price Begins to Suffer Because of Very Liberal Shipments Here.

Chicken market is 1c a pound lower on Front street.

This action had been expected because of the increased offerings during the past week and the very high values in effect. Chickens are selling today higher than ever before at this time of the year. At this season values are generally around the low mark because of the great supplies and the smaller demand occasioned by the increase in the call for turkeys. Turkeys are scarce and that is the sole reason why chickens have remained high for this long a period.

Egg market is steady with no change in price.

IN FRONT STREET MARKETS

Notes of Various Lines of Trade in the Wholesale District.

Hop trade is very quiet.

California steamer brought in fresh supply of vegetables.

Tangerines are selling better. Getting sweeter.

Dressed meats are firm, with prices maintained.

California grapes in larger supply. Demand limited.

Sugar market firm at advance quoted Saturday.

Salt prices are firmer; no change today.

FRONT STREET QUOTATIONS

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS—1908 crop, choice, 17c; prime to choice, 16c; prime, 15½c; medium, 15c; 1909 choice 23c; prime, 20@21c; medium, 18@19c.

WOOL—Nominal. 1909, Willamette valley, 20@21c; eastern Oregon, 20@23c.

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

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

CHITTIM BARK—Nominal, 4@4½c.

MOHAIR—1909, 23@24c lb.

HIDES—Dry hides, 17@18½c lb; green, 9½@10½c lb; bulls, green salt, 7c lb; kips, 10@10½c; calves, green, 16@18c per lb.

Butter, Eggs and Poultry.

EGGS—Local, candled, select, 42½@43c; ordinary run, 42@43c; seconds, 32c; local storage, 28@30c; eastern storage, 28@35c.

BUTTER FAT—Delivery f. o. b. Portland—sweet cream, 37½c; sour, 35½c.

BUTTER—Extra creamery, 39@40c; fancy, 37@38c; store, 25c.

CHEESE—Fancy full cream, 13½c; triplets and daisies, 13½c; Young Americas, 19½.

WILD GAME—Large ducks, $4.50 per dozen; teal, $2.50 dozen; geese, $5.

POULTRY — Mixed chickens, 14c; fancy hens, 15c; roosters, old, 11c; springs, 15c; geese, 11c; ducks, 16c; turkeys (nominal) alive, 17@20c; dressed, 22½@25c; pigeons, squabs, $2 per doz.; dressed chickens, 18c.

Grain, Flour and Hay.

BARLEY — Producers' price—1909—Feed, $29@29.50; rolled, $30@31; brewing, $29.50.

WHEAT—Track, Club, $1.05; bluestem $1.15@1.17; red, $1.01@1.03; forty-fold, $1.08@1.10; Turkey red, $1.03@1.05; Willamette valley, $1.03@1.05.

MILLSTUFFS — Selling price—Bran, $30; middlings, $32; shorts, $26@27.50; chop, $22@29; alfalfa meal, $21 per ton.

FLOUR—New crop, patents, $6.15; straight, $4.95; bakers, $4.95@5.15; Willamette valley, $3.70 bbl.; export grades, $4.50; graham, $4 sk.; whole wheat, $5.20; rye, $4.50; buckwheat, $2.60.

HAY—Producers price—New timothy, Willamette valley fancy, $18; ordinary, $17; eastern Oregon, $20; mixed, $14@15; clover No. 1, $14@15; wheat, $14@15; cheat, $13@14; alfalfa, $15.

OATS—Spot delivery, new, producers' price—Track—No. 1 white, $27.50; gray, $26.50.

CORN—Whole, $26; cracked, $27 ton.

Fruits and Vegetables.

FRESH FRUITS—Oranges, New navels, $2.75; Valencias, $3.25@3.75 box; bananas, 5@5½c lb; lemons, $5.50@6.50 box; grape-fruit, $4; pears, $1@2 box; grapes, $1.50; huckleberries, 12c.

POTATOES—Selling, new, $1.00@1.10.

BARLEY BUYERS PAY UP TO $30

Highest Price of Season Is Paid at Dayton, Wash., Basis Coast.

RAINFALL FOR WHEAT.

	Inch.		Inch.
Portland	.12	Walla Walla	.12
Pocatello	.12	Baker City	.32
Roseburg	.22	Boise	.26
Spokane	.08	Lewiston*	T.

*Trace.

Northwest Crop Weather.

Oregon and Washington—Fair tonight and Tuesday; light west wind.

Idaho—Fair tonight and Tuesday.

Barley Market Advanced.

Barley holders are so firm in their views and offerings so light that a few lots have been sold as high as $30 a ton. Several transactions are reported at Dayton, Wash., on a basis of $30 a ton tidewater and it is stated that no more could be purchased at that point at the price.

Oats trade is firmer although dull at the moment because growers are not willing to let go at any great quantity.

Wheat and flour trade is firm with no change in prices.

NEW YORK COTTON HAS GREATEST RECOVERY

(Furnished by Overbeck & Cooke Co.)

New York, Dec. 13.—There was a very sharp break in the cotton market at the opening because of the big decline at Liverpool, where prices fell off 14 to 22 points at the closing. This sent this market 15 to 36 points lower at the opening. All of this decline was regained early in the day and the close was sharply higher than Saturday.

Official cotton market range:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan.	1490	1505	1475	1502@03
Feb.	....	....	....	1512@22
March	1520	1542	1516	1539@41
April	1525	1525	1525	1546@48
May	1548	1572	1540	1568@70
June	1520	1525	1520	1559@61
July	1546	1576	1540	1572@74
Aug.	1525	1560	1520	1553@55
Sept.	1378	1409	1378	1402@03
Oct.	1315	1343	1315	1342@43
Dec.	1469	1494	1468	1473@74

buying, eastern Multnomah and Clackamas, 60@65c; Willamette valley, 55c.

ONIONS—Jobbing, $1.40@1.50 per cwt; garlic, 10@12c per lb.

APPLES—$1@3.50.

VEGETABLES—New turnips, Oregon, 90c sack; beets, $1.25; carrots, 80@90c sack, cabbage, local $1.00; tomatoes, fancy, $1.50 crate; beans, 10@12c per lb.; cauliflower 90c@$1 per dozen; peas, 10@12c lb; horseradish, 10c; green onions, 10c dozen; peppers, bell, — lb.; head lettuce, 20c doz.; hothouse, $1.25 box; radishes — doz. bunches; celery, 50@85c doz.; egg plant, 15c lb.; sweet potatoes, $1.75; sprouts, 8@9c.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

SUGAR—Cube, $6.35; powdered, $5.95; fruit or berry, $5.95; dry granulated, $5.95; conf. A, $5.75; extra B, $5.25; golden C, $5.35; D yellow, $5.25; best, $5.75; barrels, 15c; half barrels, 30c; boxes, 55c advance on sack basis.

(Above quotations are 30 days net cash quotations.)

RICE—Imperial Japan No. 1, 5¾c; No. 2, 5¼c; New Orleans head, 6¾@7c; Creole, 5¼c.

SALT—Coarse—Half ground, 100s, $9.50 per ton; 50s, $10; table dairy, 50s, $17; 100s, $16.50; bales, $2.25; extra fine barrels, 2s, 5s and 10s, $4.50@5.50; lump rock, $20.50 per ton.

HONEY—New, 13½c per lb.

BEANS—Small white, $5.50; large white, $4.50; pink, $4.25; bayou, $5.75; Limas, $5.00; reds, $7.50.

Meats, Fish and Provisions.

DRESSED MEATS — Front street hogs, fancy, 10c; ordinary, 9@9½c; veals, extra, 12c; ordinary, 10@11c; extra heavy, 300 lbs., 5@6c; mutton, 7c; lambs, 7c.

HAMS, BACON, ETC.—Portland pack (local) ham, 17½c; breakfast bacon, 18½@26c; boiled ham, 25@26c; picnics, 14c; cottage roll, 15c; regular short clears, smoked, 16½c; backs, smoked, 16½c; pickled tongues, 60c each.

LOCAL LARD — Kettle leaf, 10s, 18c per lb.; 5s, 18½c per lb.; 50 lb. tins, 17½c per lb.; steam rendered, 10s, 17c per lb.; 5s, 17½c per lb.; compound, 10s, 11¾c per lb.

CLAMS—Hardshell, per box, $2.40; razor clams, $2 box.

FISH — Nominal — Rock cod, 10c; flounders, 6c; frozen halibut, 7c; striped bass, 15c; catfish, 10c; salmon, steelhead, 8½c; silvers, 7½c lb.; fall salmon, 8c lb.; soles, 6c lb.; shrimps, 12½c lb; perch, 6c lb; tom cod, 8c per lb; lobsters, 25c per lb; fresh mackerel, (—) per lb; crawfish, 35c per doz.; sturgeon, 12½c per lb; black bass, 20c per lb; Columbia smelts, (—) per lb.; silver smelts, 6½c per lb.; black cod, 7½c per lb.; crabs, $1@1.50 per doz.

OYSTERS—Shoalwater bay, per gallon, $2.25; per 100 lb sack, $5; Olympia, per gallon, $2.75; per 100 lb. sack, $7@7.50; canned eastern, 55c can, $6.50 doz.; eastern in shell, $1.75 per 100.

Paints, Coal Oil, Etc.

BENZINE—86 degrees, cases, 19c per gal.; iron bbls, 11½c per gal.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, bbls., 75c; cases, 80c; boiled, bbls., 77c; cases, 82c per gallon lots of 250 gallons, 1c less; oil cake meal, $40 ton.

ROPE—Manila, 8c; sisal, 7½c.

TURPENTINE—In cases, 76c, barrels, 69c per gallon.

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

COAL OIL—Pearl, astral and star, 19c per gallon; eocene, 22c gallon; elaine, 23c gallon; headlight, 26½c gallon; extra star, 22c gallon; water white, 11½@15½c per gallon; special water white, 15c gallon.

GASOLINE—Red crown and motor, 16@23c gallon; 86 gasoline, 30@37½c gallon; V. M. & P. naphtha, 13½@20½c gallon; engine distillate, 9@16c gallon.

NORTHWEST BANK STATEMENT

Portland Banks.

Clearings today	$2,060,469.17
Year ago	1,876,766.64
Gain today	$ 683,702.53
Balances today	$125,606.04
Year ago	180,672.06

Tacoma Banks.

Clearings today	$1,164,172
Balances today	126,853

Seattle Banks.

Clearings today	$3,435,165
Balances today	451,950

St. Louis Wheat Market.

St. Louis, Dec. 13.—Wheat—December, $1.12¾; May, $1.17¼.

IMPORTANT MEETING OF COMMERCIAL CLUB

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 13.—An open meeting of the Vancouver Commercial club will be held at the club house on Wednesday evening, December 15. At this meeting steps will be taken to place before congress reasons why a federal building should be erected in Vancouver. Arrangements will also be made for the winter's pool and billiard tournament.

TODAY'S MARKET SUMMARY.

Local Produce.

Bananas arrive nearly week late.
Turkeys reach higher point.
Cut of a cent in chickens.
Fresh halibut to 11c pound.
All fish remain very scarce.
Eggs are dull but steady.

Grain and Flour.

Local wheat and flour firm.
Barley forced higher again.
Oats holders ask advance.
Chicago wheat market gains.
Sharp advance in Liverpool.

Livestock.

Cattle arrive for big show.
Prize cattle filling yards.
Should hold cattle back.
Hogs are firm at former top.
Sheep and lambs quoted firm.

Financial.

Liverpool cotton 14 to 22 higher.
Sharp advance in New York cotton.
Steel not to be listed in Paris.
New financing for the B. & O.
London irregular for Americans.

CATTLE MARKET WELL SUPPLIED

Shippers Would Help Market by Taking a Vacation Until After Christmas.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK RUN.

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Calves.	Sheep.
Monday	557	665	120	247
Saturday	240	...	...	265
Friday	...	...	...	509
Thursday	462	876	...	97
Wednesday	311	289	1	601
Tuesday	...	28	...	115
Week ago	406	323	83	361

Portland Union Stockyards, Stockdale, Dec. 13.—Christmas cattle are arriving for the show tomorrow and it is safe to say that the Portland pens are holding a better class of stuff than ever before; not even excluding the opening when a very fancy lot of stuff put in appearance.

The judging will be done in the morning session and the stock will be auctioned off later in the day. The prizes to be awarded are as follows:

Best car steers, not less than 20 head, first prize, $150; second prize, $75.

Best car cows not less than 20 head, first prize, $150; second prize, $75.

Best single steer, first prize, $25; second prize, $15.

Best single cow, first prize, $25; second prize, $15.

Shippers Should Hold Back.

To all outward appearances it would be better for shippers to hold back their supplies of cattle until after Christmas because with the liberal showing for tomorrow's prizes, packers will have about all the good stuff they will need during the holidays and they already have plenty of poor stuff.

"I believe that it will pay shippers to keep their cattle off the market awhile," says A. F. (Dad) Hunt of Hunt & Lacey. "So far as can now be judged all the cattle wants of the killers will be fully supplied after tomorrow's show. They have been filled up with poor stuff for some time and if shippers persist in sending supplies that are not actually needed it might result in forcing the price lower. This is not what they want just now; although such a condition would be favorable to buyers."

Cattle Prices Are Maintained.

In the early transactions of the cattle market today, former values were maintained. There were sales of steers as high as $4.75, but these were not of the class that will be in tomorrow's show. Cows and heifers sold as high as $3.75. Run of cattle for the day was quite heavy; a total of 665 head being received over Sunday. However, some of these will not be sold until tomorrow.

Market for calves remains firm in the Stockdale yards. There was a fair run over Sunday and prices remained stationary.

No Top Hogs Are Sold.

Sale of hogs was made in the yards this morning up to $8.50, but this was not for extra select quality. Hog market is just as firm as when a sale was made at $8.60 and sellers agree that the market has prospects of still higher values.

Run of hogs over Sunday was 557 head compared with 240 Saturday, none Friday, 462 Thursday, 311 Wednesday, none Tuesday and 406 head a week ago today.

While there were some sheep in the yards over Sunday, none were offering this morning. Market holds very firm with no apparent change in quotations.

Today's run of livestock compares with this day in recent years as follows:

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Sheep.
1909	557	665	247
1908	261	256	...
1907	175	295	635
1906	100	450	100
1905	...	105	...

A year ago today there was a firm tone in all lines of livestock with no change in prices.

Those Who Supply the Market.

J. H. Thirman brought two loads of cattle from Shaniko.

M. R. Marlet had two loads of hogs from Nampa, Idaho.

T. J. Brown, the "regular" from Baker City, was in with four loads of cattle.

Baker City Packing company sent in a car of cattle from Union.

W. I. Dishman brought forward 5 loads of cattle from Wallowa.

R. L. Kidwell shipped in 2 loads of cattle from Haines; also one load of hogs.

H. L. McFadden sent in a mixed load of cattle and calves from Junction City.

S. L. Overton represented Brownsville on today's market. He had a load of cattle and hogs.

A. S. Milne sent in a car of hogs from The Dalles.

A. L. Demaris had two loads of cattle and calves and one load of sheep from Loidine, Wash.

J. M. Evans of Boise came in with a load of calves.

W. H. Harris was another Boise shipper to the local market. He had four cars of cattle.

George Chandler was in with a load of cattle from Baker City.

J. L. Baker was offering a car of cattle from Caldwell, Idaho.

William Snyder of Boise shipped in two mixed loads of cattle and calves.

The following is the general range of livestock values in the yards:

CATTLE—Best steers, weighing 1300 pounds, $4.75; medium steers, $4.50; best cows, $3.75; fancy heifers, $3.75@3.85; medium cows, $2.50; bulls, $2.00@2.75; stags, $2.50@3.00.

HOGS—Best east of the mountains, $8.50@8.60; fancy, $8.25@8.50; stockers, $6.00; pigs, $6.00@7.00.

SHEEP—Best wethers, $5.00; ordinary, $4.75; spring lambs, $6.00; straight ewes, $4.25@4.50; mixed lots, $4.25@4.50.

CALVES—Best, $8.00@8.25; ordinary, $2.00@4.50.

ROSELAIR MURDER TRIAL IS BEGUN

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Hillsboro, Or., Dec. 13.—The Roselair murder trial was called today. 36 jurors had been permanently accepted at noon.

NO STEEL FOR PARIS BOURSE

With Selling by French Bankers Idea to List Security Is Given Up.

New York, Dec. 13.—It is officially confirmed that the French bankers have sold out their U. S. Steel stock at a profit of about 27 points and that the plan to have Steel listed on the Paris Bourse had been abandoned.

Steel stock acted with considerable strength today and a sharp advance in price resulted. General market was rather firm with a few specialties from 1 to 2 points higher than Saturday.

London was irregular for American shares and some signs of weakness were noted although there was no great depression in any of the leading securities.

Principal movement during the day was in Rock Island, Northern Pacific, Amalgamated Copper, American Smelter, U. S. Steel, common, and Missouri Pacific. Rock Island held the greatest advance at the close of the day, being nearly 4 points higher than Saturday.

Utah Copper had a good gain early but lost it all except a fraction but American Smelter, common, was within a fraction of 2 points higher than Saturday. Northern Pacific's gain was 2 points and Great Northern 1 point.

Steel common's early advance was being cut toward the close and it ended the day with a net rise of 1 point.

Range of N. Y. prices, furnished by Overbeck & Cooke company:

DESCRIPTION.	Open.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Amal. Copper Co.	87⅝	....	....	88
Am. C. & F., c.	72½	....	....	72½
do pfd	....	....	....	117¾
Am. Cot. Oil, c.	68⅞	....	....	69
Am. Loco., c	61¼	....	....	61½
Am. Sugar, c.	124⅛	124¼	124	123½
Am. Smelt., c.	101	102¼	101	101⅝
do pfd	111	111⅝	110¾	111
Ana. M. Co.	49½	....	....	49¾
Am. Woolen, c.	....	....	....	37
Atchison, c	122⅝	....	....	122¼
do pfd	....	....	....	104⅞
Bal. & Ohio, c.	117⅝	....	....	116¾
do pfd	....	....	....	91
Brook. R. T.	80½	....	....	80½
Can. Pac., c	....	....	....	180¼
Cent. Leather, c.	47	....	....	46⅝
do pfd	....	....	....	106½
C. & G. W., c.	21	21½	20⅝	21¼
C., M. & St. P.	157⅝	157	157	157⅞
C. & N. W., c.	....	....	....	180
Ches. & Ohio	87⅝	....	....	87⅝
Colo. F. & I., c.	51⅞	....	....	52
Colo. Southern, c.	56½	56½	56¼	56¼
do 2d pfd	....	....	....	80¼
do 1st pfd	81½	81½	81¼	81¼
Corn Products, c.	23¼	....	....	23
do pfd	....	....	....	85
Del. & Hudson	183	183¾	183	182½
Den. & Rio G., c.	50½	....	....	50¾
do pfd	....	....	....	86⅝
Erie, c	34⅝	34⅝	34⅛	34⅛
do 2d pfd	....	....	....	41
do 1st pfd	50½	50¾	50¾	50
G. Northern, pfd.	143¼	144⅝	143¼	143⅞
Illinois Central	....	....	....	148
Int. Metro., c	24½	....	....	24⅝
do pfd	62	....	....	61½
Louis. & Nash.	152	153¼	152	153
Manhattan Ry.	....	....	....	140½
M., K. & T., c.	49⅝	....	....	49⅝
do pfd	....	....	....	74⅞
Distillers	39¼	....	....	37
Ore Lands	81⅝	82⅝	81⅝	82
Mo. Pacific	71	....	....	72
National Lead	87¼	....	....	88
N. Y. Central	124¾	....	....	124½
N. Y., O. & W.	49½	....	....	49⅞
N. & W., c.	100¼	100¾	100	100¼
do pfd	....	....	....	88
N. American	87	....	....	85½
N. Pacific, c.	144¼	....	....	146
P. M. S. Co.	42	....	....	41
Penn. Ry.	134½	135	134¼	134⅝
P. G., L. & C. Co.	....	....	....	114¼
P. S. C., c	....	....	....	52½
do pfd	....	....	....	105¼
Reading, c.	171⅝	171⅞	171⅛	171¼
do 2d pfd	....	....	....	99¾
do 1st pfd	92	92	91¾	91¾
R. I. & S., c.	46⅞	47	46⅛	46½
do pfd	106½	106¾	106½	106½
Rock Island, c.	43⅞	45¼	42⅝	45⅛
do pfd	90½	92	90⅝	92⅛
St. L. & S. F., 2d p	60	....	....	59¾
do 1st pfd	73	73	73	73
St. L. & S. W., c.	34	34⅛	33¾	33¾
do pfd	80¼	80⅞	79⅞	80⅝
So. Pacific, c.	131⅝	....	....	131⅝
Southern Ry., c.	31⅞	....	....	32
do pfd	69⅝	....	....	72
Texas & Pac.	35¾	36	35¾	35¾
T., St. L. & W., c	53	53	53	53
do pfd	....	....	....	70½
Union Pac., c.	202½	....	....	202⅝
do pfd	102¾	102¾	102½	102½
U. S. Rubber, c.	53	53¼	52⅝	53
do pfd	117½	117½	117¼	117¼
U. S. Steel Co., c	92	92½	91	91¾
do pfd	125½	126	125¼	125½
Wabash, c	21¼	21⅜	21⅛	21⅜
do pfd.	58¼	58½	57	57¾
W. U. Tel.	....	....	....	57¾
Wis. Cen., c	....	....	....	48
Westinghouse	....	....	....	83¾
Beet Sugar	47⅝	....	....	....
Utah Copper	63¼	63¼	61⅝	61¾
Third Ave.	13⅝	14	12⅝	12⅝
Pittsburg Coal	....	....	....	27
Cons. Gas	152½	152¼	151⅝	....
Big Four	77⅝	78¾	77¾	77¾
Ry. Springs	....	....	....	51½
do pfd	....	....	....	104
Va. Chemical	....	....	....	50⅝
do pfd	....	....	....	121¼
K. C. Southern	44¼	....	....	43⅝
Allis Chalmers	15½	15½	15⅝	15¼
do pfd	....	....	....	53½
Am. Can.	14½	....	....	14⅝
do pfd	....	....	....	84¼
Alton Com.	....	....	....	67½
do pfd	....	....	....	70

Total sales, 844,300 shares.
Call money, 4½@4¾ per cent.

INSTALLATION OF REV. WILLIAM PARSONS

Services will be held Tuesday evening December 21 at 7:45 o'clock at the Third Presbyterian church, corner of East Thirteenth and East Pine streets, for the purpose of installing the new pastor, Rev. William Parsons, D. D., late of Beaver Falls, Pa. Rev. E. Nelson Allen, moderator, will preside and propound the questions, and Rev. E. M. Sharp, D. D., will preach the sermon. The charge to the pastor will be delivered by Rev. E. G. McGaw, D. D., and the charge to the people by Rev. Harry Pratt of Forbes Presbyterian church of this city. Mrs. Edward Werlin will sing a solo. Later a reception will be held in the church parlors and refreshments will be served.

A Smile or Two.

Heiress—Tell me truly, Arthur, is it your love or your reason prompts you to marry me?

Arthur—Just as you like, dearest.—Meggendorfers Blaetter.

Witness—At the time of the accident my maid was in my boudoir arranging my hair.

Lawyer—Yes; and where were you?

Witness—Girl—Boston Transcript.

"You will admit that woman suffrage is a great cause," said the London suffragette.

"Yes," answered the member of parliament; "a great cause of annoyance."—Washington Star.

A Boston firm of building wreckers has brought out a circular saw that will cut through nails and bolts as well as through wood, enabling them to cut into regular sizes second hand lumber that otherwise would be valueless.

SHORTS COVER IN WHEAT PIT

Chicago Advances 1 5-8 to 3 1-8c a Bushel Today—Liverpool Higher.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—Closing prices on wheat today were 1⅝ to 3⅛c a bushel higher than Saturday.

Short covering on an extensive scale pulled the December sharply higher and forced it 3⅛c above Saturday at the closing of today's market. May closed 2⅛c and July 1⅝c higher.

Foreign markets were encouraged to the bull side, and after opening ⅛d higher, Liverpool closed with a net gain of ½ to 1¼d over the previous session.

Argentina news was again a factor of importance in shaping the world's price of wheat today. Advices from there continue to tell of damage to the wheat as well as the corn crop.

Wheat on passage decreased 1,900,000 bushels, while corn increased 765,000 bushels. World's shipments of wheat were 9,945,000 bushels and corn 1,222,000 bushels. Russian shipments of wheat were 459,000 bushels, Danuban 264,000 bushels.

Opening prices for wheat showed the changed conditions into which the trade had drifted. December opened 1⅝c higher at $1.11. May and July opened ½c higher at $1.09½@99⅝c respectively.

Range of Chicago prices furnished by Overbeck & Cooke Co.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
Dec.	111	113⅛	110¾	112½
May	109½	111⅛	109½	111⅛
July	99⅝	100½	99⅝	100½
CORN.				
Dec.	62	64⅛	61⅞	64⅛
May	66⅝	67	65½	67
July	66	66⅝	65⅞	66⅝
OATS.				
Dec.	44¼	44¾	44	44¾
May	45	45¾	45	45⅜
July	42½	43	42½	43
PORK.				
Jan.	....	2235	2175	2232
May	2140	2197	2130	2197
LARD.				
Jan.	1287	1305	1280	1305
May	1190	1207	1198	1205
RIBS.				
Jan.	1187	1200	1170	1197
May	1130	1157	1117	1152

LABOR TO FIGHT THE STEEL TRUST

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 13.—Results of the greatest importance to the industrial world are expected to follow the conference which was begun here today by officials and leaders of the American Federation of Labor and the various organizations affiliated with it. The purpose of the conference, as outlined in the official call which was issued by the Toronto convention last month, is to plan a course of action against the alleged "open shop" policy of the United States Steel corporation, commonly known as the steel trust.

The threatened conflict promises to develop into one of the greatest fights in the history of the labor movement in America. A victory over the steel trust, which, according to the declaration of the recent federation convention, is "the most formidable enemy" of the organized labor movement, would have a tremendous moral effect in labor warfare elsewhere and for this reason those who will conduct the campaign are preparing to expend every energy to make the fight successful.

As one of the steps in the campaign to be waged against the big industrial combination it is proposed to have the building trades department of the American Federation of Labor refuse to engage in any building operations where the steel used is not made in union mills. It is admitted that this would result in a serious tieup of the building industry.

JIM SING GONE; SAM BOUE HAPPY

Circuit Judge Gantenbein this morning dismissed the case against Sam Boue, a Chinese cannery worker, who was charged with shooting Jim Sing, another oriental. The shooting took place February 17, 1909, and the case has been continued several times. Deputy District Attorney Page informed the court that the complaining witness has disappeared and a search of two weeks by the officers has been fruitless.

Deputy District Attorney Hennessy says that Jim Sing was allowed to go to Oregon City on the representation that he had work there. A friend of Sing's told District Attorney Cameron that Sing would prosecute the case, and said he would look after him. Since his departure Sing has not been heard of, and the case was dismissed for that reason.

Medicine Company Incorporates.

Vancouver, Wash., Dec. 13.—Articles of incorporation for the Washougal Herb Medicine company were filed Saturday with the county auditor. The firm has a capital stock of $5000, and is organized for 50 years, the principal place of business to be Washougal. The incorporators are W. Steenson, B. S. Davis and G. P. Larson, all of Washougal.

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ALONG THE WATERFRONT

Work on the steamer Louise is progressing at the Supple shipyards, and it is expected that she will be off the ways in about 10 days. She is having 15 feet added amidships and new gasoline machinery installed.

The steamer Santa Clara, which put back into San Francisco a few days ago with her machinery disabled, sailed again from the latter place for Portland this morning.

In tow of the Port of Portland tug McCraken the schooner Mabel Gale arrived at Prescott yesterday afternoon. She will load lumber there for the Loop Lumber company in San Francisco.

The towboat Ocklahoma is on the way up the river with the schooner E. K. Wood in tow, and will be expected to arrive at Inman-Poulsen's mills this afternoon.

The French bark La Rochejacquelein was moved to the stream from the Pacific Coast elevators yesterday, preparatory to leaving down for the sea with a cargo of wheat for the United Kingdom.

One of the Shaver Transportation company's steamers shifted the British ship Glenalvon around at the Oceanic dock yesterday. The towboat also moved the steam schooner St. Helens from Oak street dock to the North Bank dock.

In ballast from Nanaimo the British tramp steamer Knight of St. George arrived off the mouth of the Columbia this morning. She will take out a cargo of lumber and flour for the orient for the Portland & Asiatic Steamship company in place of the Norwegian steamer Selja.

With passengers and freight, the San Francisco & Portland liner Rose City will be due at Ainsworth dock tonight from the Bay City.

The steamer Breakwater, Captain Macgenn, will be due to arrive tonight from Coos Bay.

Captain Bugault, master of the French bark General Faidherbe, who was left here with typhoid fever when the ship sailed, will start for Nantes, France, tomorrow, having entirely recovered.

When the tug McCraken arrived at Ash street dock this morning she had a large albatross aboard, which was a present from the captain of the schooner Mabel Gale to the United States local inspectors of steam vessels. The albatross was captured by those aboard the schooner, mounted and now decorates the office of the inspectors. It is said to measure 12 feet from tip to tip of its wings.

A telephone switchboard at Erie, Ill., is effectively handled by a blind operator, who depends upon touch and hearing to make connections.

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