



Commercial.

MARKET REPORT.

HOME PRODUCE MARKET. These quotations are for Portland. The following represent wholesale rates...

GENERAL MERCHANDISE. RICE—China No. 2, 54; Sandwich Islands, 52...

COMMERCIAL.

PORTLAND, THURSDAY, JAN. 10. The weather continues mild and news from all parts give accounts of good crop prospects...

SALEM MARKETS.

SALEM, Jan. 10, 1884. During the past week we have talked with prominent farmers in all sections of this county...

well up. Mr. D. M. Morris, of Turner, some twelve miles south of this city, concurs in all the above and says the rule is not local but general throughout the county.

THE HOP MARKET.

PORTLAND, Jan. 3, 1884. DEAR SIR:—During the last few days there has been more inquiry for hops and though prices could not be quoted higher the market is firmer.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

San Francisco Markets. SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 9. Freights—Market dull, quotations nominal. An exporting firm estimates the stock of wheat in California at 430,000 tons...

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Jan. 9. February options—Wheat—Higher, 91 1/4@91 3/4. Pork—Lower, \$11.32 1/2. Lard—Higher, \$8.90. Ribs—Higher, \$7.42 1/2. Short ribs—Lower, \$7.65.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

London, Jan. 9. Floating cargoes—Slow. Cargoes on passage and for shipment slow. Mark Lane—Dull. Red Winter, off coast, 41s. Red Winter, prompt shipment, 40s 9d.

New York Wool Market.

The following is from Manger & Avery's monthly wool circular, dated Dec. 21th. We have but little change to report in the condition of the wool market since our November circular. The demand for wool has been more or less strong, according to the quality and staple and condition of the wools.

Mark Lane Review.

LONDON, Jan. 7.—The Mark Lane Express, in its weekly review of the British grain trade, says: The weather is damp, foggy and mild, and growing crops stand unusually well. Sales extended downward, and even the lowest is not yet reached for English wheats. Flour is weaker. Barley is improving. Foreign wheat is more lifeless than ever, and the stock is heavy. Flour is dull and rather

weaker. Maize is cheaper. Linseed is a shilling dearer. Other articles are in favor of buyers. Cargoes of wheat off coast are in small supply, and inquiry for them has almost ceased. There have been four arrivals; two cargoes were sold and one was withdrawn. Cargoes on passage for shipment remain unimproved. Quotations remain nominal. Sales of English wheat for the week were 35,136 quarters, at 39s per quarter, against 28,486 at 40s 7d per quarter the corresponding week last year.

California Crops and Markets.

From the San Francisco Commercial Herald of December 27th, we glean the following: "During the week under review there has been plenty of rain and plowing and sowing can be carried on successfully by the farmers. There is now on the berth 53,500 tons against 60,000 tons a year ago. The disengaged fleet 141,000 tons; same time 1882, 59,000 tons. The fleet to arrive within five months, 160,000 tons, same time 1882 190,000 tons; do 1881, 281,000 tons. The wheat market has undergone considerable of a decline during the last fortnight, yet at the decline there does not seem to be any special inquiry, shippers preferring to wait until the incoming new year before extending their operations. Flour sympathizes with the decline in wheat, with a fair outward movement of both. Oats are in the limited request, with liberal stocks and free arrivals. Bran and middlings are in fair request. Potatoes arrive freely, causing low prices to rule, excepting for sweets, which are scarce and high. The butter market is weak and prices in favor of the buyer. Cheese is scarce, while eggs are in liberal supply and prices a shade off. Hops are quiet; the steamer for Australia carried 140 bales, and overland shipments in November exceeded 1,000,000 pounds. Wool is quiet. It is very pleasant reading to contrast the encouraging reports of California wool in the New York Commercial Bulletin with those of the Economist. The latter is constantly digging at what they call our trashy wool, while the former speaks greatly in its favor by manufacturing. The fact is that California blankets and flannels for their excellency, which ought to silence the chronic croaking of the Economist. Overland shipments of wool in November aggregate 4,336,840 pounds.

The Recent Murder of Mr. Fisher.

A reporter of the Portland News has gained the following concerning the recent murder of Jacob Fisher, last Saturday, the 5th of January. The son's version is as follows: My father's name was Jacob Fisher. He was born in Baden, and was 51 years and some months old. Mother and father, two sisters and three brothers, besides myself, form our family. The old folks are divorced, and they haven't lived together for some weeks. Father and I lived down here in this house, and mother with my sisters and brothers lives in a little house up the hill. That evening, mother, carrying a lantern, sister Mary and Bill Bloxam, came down and called father out. Mother said that she wanted the chickens that were in the barn, and father answered that she couldn't get them in the night time, or she must come over in the daytime, or let him know. The old man commenced to scold and said that he did not want them on his place. They jawed back at him and father took his pistol in his hand and pointed it, uncocked, at Bloxam. Bloxam jumped back and fired his pistol, a self-cocker, at father. Father then tried to fire, but his pistol snapped the first time. There are only two shots emptied out of my father's pistol. Bloxam then emptied his revolver, but did not hit father. Bloxam went back to the house, where mother lives, and father went toward mother, and they had a scuffle.

The boy continued: "Mother tore father's shirt and coat and forced him to the ground. Bloxam then came out with a Winchester rifle in his hand, and stood behind a tree. Between the time of the pistol firing and father's scuffling with mother, I went into the house where father and I live, and got an old shotgun and came out again. I wanted to scare them with it. It was old and worn out, and the tube was broken and rusty. I don't think it was loaded. I finally got father and mother separated. This was the time when Bloxam came out of mother's house and stood behind the tree. As father was coming down the hill towards our house Bloxam called out, 'are you ready, old man?' Father turned around and said that he was. Bloxam then fired one shot. Father yelled 'murder and fire' and saying 'I am shot through the breast,' fell and died within a minute. Father's temper is slow, but when he gets riled he loses his senses. Mother and sister Mary turned and went into their home, and Bloxam shouldered his gun and went towards Mrs. Malone's, leaving me alone with my father's dead body."

The finest candies of domestic manufacture at Amos Strong's, Commercial street, Salem. Ornaments for Christmas trees, toy candies, etc. Recent rains in California cause a general feeling of satisfaction in that State. H. B. Payne (the Standard Oil Company's candidate) is the Democratic nominee by caucus to succeed Pendleton to the U. S. Senate from Ohio. Wall street keeps up its attacks on the Villard stocks and holds them down still. Dewid Graham Adre is appointed commissioner to the Sandwich Islands to arrange matters lately in dispute. Seattle had \$5,000 in the city treasury more than enough to pay all city liabilities. The whole city tax for 1882, was \$45,000 of which \$6,000 is delinquent.

Is it the Garden Toad? A subscriber to the FARMER writes that he has seen toads in his garden in Clackamas county. Now is our friend sure they are the garden toad that was so common in the East? Are not those he speaks of a sort tree toad, having a slimy look, with a bright skin, and of a dark green color? The toad seen in the East has a dark lead color, short legs and heavily built, living under porches and steps, from under which they came out at evening and in thunder storms, the little ones hopping about in large numbers, till one wondered where they all came from so quickly.

MARRIED.

At Dixie, Polk county, on Tuesday, January 1, 1884, by Rev. J. S. McCain, of Dallas, at the residence of Mr. Samuel Orr, Mr. J. B. Nesmith and Miss Charlotte Orr, were united in holy matrimony. We are glad to congratulate Jim on the event. He has "turned over" a new leaf in good shape.

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