



Commercial.

MARKET REPORT.

HOME PRODUCE MARKET.

These quotations are for Portland. The following represent wholesale rates from producers or first hands. WHEAT—Walla Walla, \$1.35@1.40; Valley \$1.40@1.45 per cental. FLOUR—\$5.00@5.25, standard; superfine, \$5.75@6.00. BARLEY—\$1.10@1.25. OATS—47@48c. ONIONS—4c. MIDDINGS—\$25@30; shorts, \$22@25. BRAN—\$18@20. BACON—Sides, firm 12@13c; Hams 13c@17c; Shoulders, 10@11c. LARD—Eastern pails, 13@13 1/2; Oregon, in tins, 13@14c; in half barrels, 12@13c. CHEESE—Cal., 14c; Oregon, 18c @ lb. HONEY—In comb, 18c@20c; strained, in 5 gallons, 10 1/2@11c. APPLES—\$1.75@2.25 per box. DRIED FRUITS.—Apples, sun dried quartered, 10c; sliced, 14c; machine dried, firm, 15c; Peas, machine dried, 15c; Plums, sun dried, 16c; and machine dried, 16c. POULTRY.—Chickens, young \$2.50; old \$4.50; geese, \$8; EGGS.—25c. POTATOES.—Old \$1.10@1.25c per bush. BUTTER—20@25c. HOGS.—Live weight, 5 1/2c; ditto fat, 6 1/2c; dressed, 7 1/2@8c. BEEF.—4@5c on foot. SHEEP.—Gross weight, 4c on foot. VEAL.—9 to 10c. HIDES.—Butchers' hides, dry, 14c; country cured, dry, 15c; culls 1/2 off, green hides, salted, 7c; country ditto, 7c; Deerkins, dry, 30c @ lb; d sheep pelts each 15c@1.00; dry elk, 20c per lb. TALLOW—Quotable at 8c. per lb. HAY—\$17@18 for baled. WOOL.—Eastern Oregon, 16c@17c; Willamette Valley, 16@18c; Umpqua, 20@23c. HOPS—Can bring 15@18c. SEED—Timothy, 7 1/2@8c; red clover, 15@16c. GENERAL MERCHANDISE. RICE.—China No. 2, 5 1/2; Sandwich Islands, 6@6 1/2c. TEAS.—Japan, 36@40; Black, 40@75c Green, 65@80c. COFFEE.—Costa Rica 12@15c; Java, 20@22c. SUGARS.—Crushed A 10@10 1/2c; Golden C, 8 1/2; in barrels, 8 1/2c in halves; Dry Granulated 9 1/2@10c. SYRUP.—Five gallons 70c. RAISINS.—California, \$2.75 @ \$3.25 @ 25 lb box. CANDLES.—12@15c. SOAPS.—Good, 75c@81.75. OILS.—Ordinary brands of coal, 30c; high grades, Downe & Co., 37 1/2; Boiled Linseed, 80; ditto Raw, 77c; Salmou oil, 65c; Turpentine, 70c; Pure Lard, 1 1/2@1.30; Castor, \$1.25 @ \$1.40. BALT.—Stock, bay, \$10 @ ton; Carmen Island, \$12 1/2; Coarse Liverpool, \$15; Fine quality, \$15@20; Ashton's dairy, ditto, \$30

COMMERCIAL.

THURSDAY, July 31, 1884.

The truth is there is literally nothing doing in the markets either at Salem or Portland. Wheat has not begun to arrive fully yet. Harvesting is progressing under favorable circumstances and all that is needed is a continuance of the weather as it now is. There is a slightly better prospect for wheat in Liverpool. The unfavorable weather has caused an uneasy feeling on the market. Wool is extremely dull and nothing doing. Local dealers bid low. The eastern situation is fully explained below.

From Mauger & Avery's Philadelphia Monthly Wool Circular, we take the following:

There is but little change in the condition of the wool market during the past month compared with the preceding month, except a lower range of values. Business has been at a stand still. Purchases have been stopped on account of money facilities and sales have been only possible at steadily declining prices. The refusal of banks to furnish money to move the clip has probably proved of benefit to the market which otherwise would have become overstocked and wools would have been slaughtered. The stringency in money occurred at a time when wool dealers are strongest as regards their own capital and will have no worse effect on them than preventing them from carrying as much wool as usual at this time of year. We believe that wool should be held by the farmer until required for market, and possibly this season's experience may result in a change in the manner of buying in the West that will be of benefit to all interested. Oregon wools are quoted at 19c@25c per pound.

We quote as follows: Northern, good lots, 17@21c; inferior lots, 13@16c; Eastern Oregon, good lots, 17@18c; inferior lots, 14@16c; Valley Oregon ranges from 16@21c.

Regarding the Hop market, we find little of interest. The surplus left over from last year is limited. Regarding the report of bad weather in Europe and its effect on the hop crop we find some truth in the report. It is thought by conservative parties, however, that England will gather 300,000 centals, or just about half enough for her uses the coming year. Of this deficit it is thought America can make good two thirds, while the Continent is called on to furnish the remainder. Under these circumstances there is no reason to be otherwise than cheerful, the prospect for

good prices during the year being excellent. This coast will raise 160,000 bales or about 12,000,000 pounds and we predict that Oregon and Washington will supply fully 3,000,000 pounds exclusive of the Puyallup fields. The price cannot yet be given as there is none to sell.

The stringency of the money market will work hardship upon many farmers and we would not be surprised to hear of some of Oregon's milling interest let lie idle. The banks have no money on hand to loan. The mortgage tax is showing itself and the fruits thereof. Groceries and provisions are unchanged, butter and eggs are in good demand at old prices. Green fruit is abundant and is being sent over the Northern Pacific in large quantities. The prices obtained were are unable to give. Hay is selling for \$10 to \$12 for good timothy delivered; oat hay is worth only \$5 to \$7 per ton. The crop is both light and inferior in quality.

Markets by Telegraph.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 30. Wheat—Spot market firm with a good demand; No. 1 shipping, \$1.37 1/2@1.40; futures, No. 1 white, seller year, \$1.38 1/2; buyer the year, \$1.43 1/2; buyer season, \$1.49. Flour—Oregon and Walla Walla dull at \$4; California City Mills choice and extra choice jobbing at \$4.00@4.50. Barley—No. 1 feed, seller season, 82 1/2; buyer year, 87 1/2; buyer season, 92c. Oats—Supplies are larger than the demand and prices favor buyers. 1.32@1.40 Grain Bags—Standard size are quoted at \$7.12 1/2@7.25 spot, \$7.37 1/2@7.50 July. Wool—Eastern Oregon, 16@18 1/2; market dull and prices are against sellers. Eggs steady at former quotations. Butter—Quote same as before.

CHICAGO, July 30.—The market closed weak and lower. Wheat, 81 1/2c for cash July, 82 1/2c for August, 83 1/2c for September. Oats, 29 1/2c for July, 29 1/2c for August, 26c for September.

BEERHOIM'S FOREIGN BREADSTUFFS REPORT.

LONDON, July 23. Floating cargoes—Quieter. Cargoes on passage and for prompt shipment—Wheat and maize rather quiet.

Mark Lane—Slow. English and French country markets—Steady. Imports into U. K. past week, wheat, 290,000 to 295,000 qrs. Imports into U. K. past week, flour, 110,000 to 115,000 barrels.

Mark Lane Review.

LONDON, July 28.—The Mark Lane Express, in its weekly review of the British grain trade, says: The weather last week, owing to heavy thunder storms and cold nights, was detrimental to the wheat crop generally. Nevertheless there are some splendid fields of wheat, which show the finest appearances still, in favor of an average yield. Sales of English wheat the past week were 27,495 quarters, at 37s 1d, against 28,734 quarters, at 42s 1d, the corresponding week last year. The foreign trade is stagnant, and prices are unchanged. In the off coast trade there is little doing. Eight cargoes arrived during the week, five cargoes were sold, six were withdrawn and nine remained. Sixteen cargoes are due. The broken weather imparted steadiness to the trade. Flour is less depressed, Barley is quiet and steady. Maize, especially American, is firm. Oats are dull and weaker.

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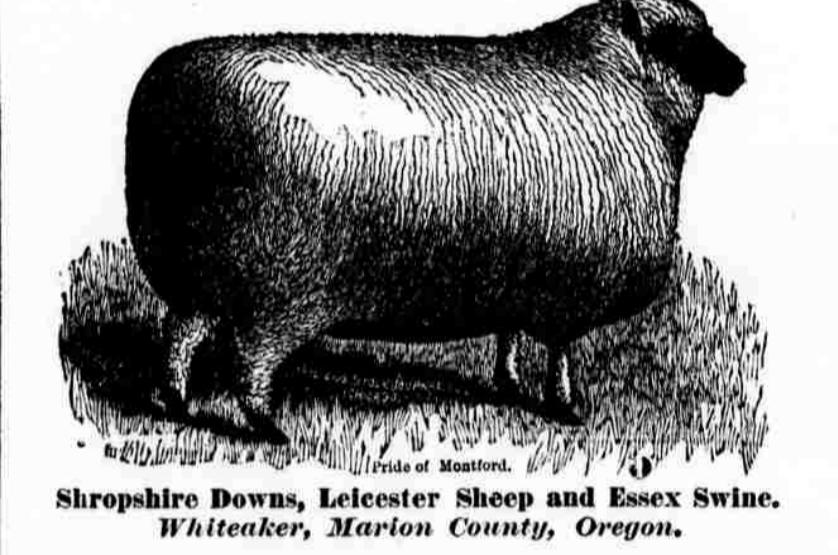


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