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MARKET REPORT.

These prices are for Portland and represent wholesale rates from producers or first hands.

WHEAT:— Valley, \$1.35@1.36 per cental. Walls Walla, \$1.27 1/2
FLOUR:— Standard, \$3.75 per bbl.
BARLEY:— \$1.10@1.12 per cental.
OATS:— 43@45c per bushel.
MILL FEED:— Middlings, \$22@25 per ton. Bran, \$12@13 per ton.
PROVISIONS:— Hams, 10@11c per pound. Shoulders, 6@7c per pound. Sides, firm at 7@8c per pound. Lard, Eastern pairs, 10@11c per pound. Oregon, in tins, 8@9c per pound. In half barrels, 10@11c per pound.
CHEESE:— California, 15c per pound. Oregon, 14c per pound.
HONEY:— In comb, 18@20c per pound. Strained, in 5 gallons, 10 1/2@11c per lb.
GREEN FRUIT:— Apples, 50@60c per bushel.
POULTRY:— Chickens, \$2.50@3 per dozen. Turkeys, live weight, 10@12c per lb. Ducks, \$5@6 per dozen.
VEGETABLES:— Potatoes, old, 50@70c per bushel. Onions, 1c per pound.
FRESH MEATS:— Pork, live weight, 3c; fat, 3 1/2c per lb. Pork, dressed, 4@4 1/2c per pound. Beef, on foot, 3@3 1/2c per pound. Mutton, 2 1/2c per pound gross weight. Veal, 8@11c per pound. Tallow, quote 6c per pound.
BUTTER:— Common, 20@25c per pound. Choice rolls, 22 1/2@27 1/2c per pound.
EGGS:— Fresh laid 20@25 cents per dozen.
WOOL:— Eastern Oregon, 16@23c per pound. Valley, 20@24c per pound. Umpqua, range a trifle higher.
HAY:— Baled \$10@12 per ton.
GRASS SEED:— Timothy, 7 1/2@8c per pound. Red clover, 15@16c per pound.
HOPS:— Quote 20@24c per pound.
RICE:— China No. 2, 4@5c per pound. Sannwich Island, 5@6c per pound.
TEAS:— Japan, 36@40c per pound. Black, 40@75c per pound. Green, 65@75c per pound.
COFFEE:— Costa Rica, 12@15c per pound. Java, 20@22c per pound.
SUGARS:— D, in bbls, 4 1/2c per pound. C, in bbls, 5 1/2c per pound. Extra C, in bbls, 5 1/2c per pound. Crushed, etc., in bbls, 6 1/2c per pound. In half-bbls 4c more.
SYRUP:— Five gallon kegs, 70c per gallon.
OILS:— Ordinary grades of oil, 25@26c per gal. Boiled Lined oil, 80c per gallon. Raw lined oil, 77c per gallon. Turpentine, 70c per gallon. Pure lard oil \$1.30 per gallon.
SALT:— Stock, bay, \$16 per ton. Carmel, brand, \$18 per ton. Coarse Liverpool, \$20 per ton. Fine quality, \$18@25 per ton.

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Portland, Dec. 30, 1886.

Foreign reports of the condition of the wheat market are quite satisfactory just now. We find a firmer feeling prevails. The shortage reported some time since in the Liverpool and London market is fully shown and will appear more so after the first of the year. Just now there is nothing doing in the Portland market, and prices remain about as quoted last week. In Salem the price net to farmers is 69c for storage wheat and 71c per bushel from wagons, and a dull market. The high waters that prevail in the Willamette have caused the Salem mills to partially shut down, but they will be grinding again in a few days. The river is navigable and consequently steamboats are carrying much grain down the river. The price of tonnage is fluctuating so far as the state commerce is concerned, but freight rates are decidedly in the producers favor. See our editorial on this subject on the 4th page. Foreign quotations have reached the highest figure for the whole season, viz: 38s 3d. Portland quotations are \$1.36 to \$1.38 for this valley and \$1.27 1/2 for Walls Walla.

Shippers claim \$1.35 as a fair rate, but more is paid for good lots. Our market is in sympathy with Eastern markets which have advanced 1c to 1 1/2c a bushel.

Late in November H. Cairns Jackson, a high authority on the grain market, published in Donnbush's grain journal his views on the situation. His review of the seasons business shows that supplies so far purchased fall greatly below

the average of recent years, owing to caution on part of buyers and absence of speculation. While purchases had been light stocks on hand were below the average, and his advice to English millers was to lay in their stocks before cold weather. He showed plainly that the world's supply is not large; that January will show exactly what that supply is and might cause an excited market and advance of prices during the season. This view has been confirmed by the course the market has taken since he wrote. With almost certainty of a light supply of bread stuffs and the possibility of a great European war; farmers may expect an improving market all the season.

Tonnage figures up about as follows: Tonnage in sight and to arrive 57,500, and quoted at 40c. San Francisco is quoted dull.

Oats have ruled slightly easier, buyers, except of small parcels, naming 43@44c for good of choice feed. Extra choice sold up to 45c. Better San Francisco advices at the close are noted, and there is a possibility that the market here will improve.

Limited business doing in potatoes at old prices of 95c@1.05 for a good quality. San Francisco continues in good feeling.

Not much doing in poultry since Friday last, Chickens steady at \$2@3, supplies and requests being very even. Turkeys dull at 10c. Ducks and geese in light dealing at \$4@5 and \$6@7.

Butter.—Choice to extra choice local roll in very fair supply, orders being filled at 30@32 1/2c. Some choice California sold out at 30@32 1/2c. California pickled 24c. Local common grades in some neglect, with the wide range of 15@22 1/2c.

Provisions and dried fruit are quoted the same as last week. Quotations of which will be found in our standing market, although the demand is good and at firm figures.

Hops show no improvement and quotations are unchanged, and San Francisco and New York are flat—a dull market.

The Australia Wheat Crop.

San Francisco, Dec. 27.—The recent hot weather, though it has had a forcing influence on growing crops, has not been favorable to filling out the wheat heads, and in some districts in the north, the accounts to hand of wheat on the plains are far from favorable. On the irrigated lands the yield will be large but the average computed in the latter is the small difference of four bushels to the acre on dry land, to thirty-five and forty on irrigated, which indicates what can be done. Some symptoms of rust have appeared. Grasshoppers are numerous, but the crops are too far advanced as a rule to suffer much from the infliction. From South Australia the accounts promise a six-bushel average. The Queensland wheat crop is a complete failure, rust having destroyed all hopes of a yield, and farmers are now cutting their crops for hay.

California Wheat.—The Amount Shipped and to be Shipped to Europe.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—The quantity of wheat in the State that will be available for export on January 1 is shown as follows: It may be said that the estimates of this season's crop, which six months ago were as high as 60,000,000 bushels and over, still widely differ, some asserting that it will be 40,000,000 bushels, while others equally competent authorities are positive it will not exceed 30,000,000. As the closest calculators lean toward the lower figures the estimate of the crop is here placed at 31,000,000 bushels. Old crop on hand July 1, 2,600,000 bushels; present season's crop, 34,000,000; total, 36,600,000 bushels. Deduct shipments to Europe and other countries between July 1 and December 15, 14,000,000 bushels; the quantity that will be shipped between December 15 and December 31, 1,500,000 bushels; required for home consumption, seed and carry-over, 11,500,000 bushels; balance available for shipment, 9,600,000 bushels. The continent this year has taken twenty-five per cent of our European shipments, something unheard of before. Last year during the same period it took only three thousand bushels. Our shipments to Europe are considered large because they are compared with last year which were unusually small.

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Puget Sound Rainfall.

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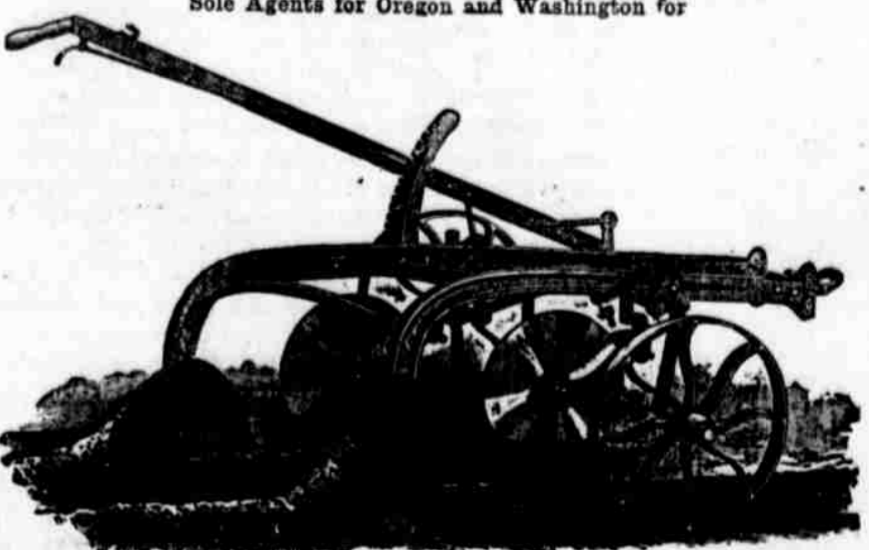
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