

APPLE MARKET NOW IMPROVING

Widespread Attention Attracted to Commercial Orchard Districts by Displays at Chicago—Crowds in Attendance Prospective Investors.

Sgobel & Day write as follows under date of New York, December 12: Glad to report a better state of things in Liverpool as per cable just received from L. Connolly & Co., advising that today four-tier sold at 7s 3d, and although that is only 5d up from our last, still it is an advance, which is something. No cables in from London, and we doubt if the Saturday steamers got there in time to sell today, owing to the bad weather on the ocean.

The shipments of box apples last week were: To Liverpool, 15,100; to London, 16,900; to Glasgow, 5,000, and the continent 2800.

The offerings at auction here today covered six cars from Oregon and Washington, as follows: Hood River, Or.—Northern Spy, average, \$1.44; Greening, \$1.39; Klieklat, \$1.51; Walbridge, \$1.37.

Selah, Wash.—Spitzenberg, \$1.65; Spitzenberg, \$1.57; Winesap, \$1.82; Rome Beauty, \$1.54.

Roseburg, Or.—Newtowns, \$1.47. We do not consider that any of these apples were of the highest grade, although of course there was some fine fruit in the Hood River car. Not a great many cars for private sale on the wharf today and the actual figures are just about as follows: Hood River Spitzenbergs, \$2.25-2.50; Spitzenbergs, \$2-2.25; Rome Beauty, best, \$2-2.25; others, \$1.75-1.90; Black Twig (slow sale), \$1.75-2.00; Newtown Pippin, Oregon or Washington, \$2.00 top; Ben Davis, \$1.50; Canos, \$1.75-2.00.

The second snow storm which came yesterday and filled up our streets upset carting and stopped any advance in the market. The bad feature today was the fact that frozen apples came out of a few of the cars which had suffered en route or had been laying somewhere during bitterly cold weather and the apples were certainly frosted.

Weather today clear and cold.

The Mail Tribune want ads bring results.

RED FRUIT UP GREEN DECLINES

Snow Storm Hampers Market in the East, But Conditions Improve, Due to Greater Demand—Little in Cold Storage in Country.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The apple market was subject to another overhauling this week in the process of which prices on red fruit advanced, while those on green kinds fell with some precipitation. Receipts were light in consequence of shippers obtaining better terms for their holding on track from southern and southwestern accounts than they could in any other manner at present. The movement was somewhat hampered by the snowstorm, but the demand for fancy marks at all times exceeded the supply. Greenings showed but little change from last week, although the undertone was easier as a result of increased supplies. The weakness in Greenings was one of the most notable features of the market. Prices ranged from \$3 to \$4.50 per barrel.

Baldwins, when fancy, moved briskly at \$4.50 and occasionally \$5, but most of the sales were made at \$3 to \$4 per barrel. Not only was there an active demand for this fruit in New York, but reports from all over the country showed that Baldwins were in high favor and scarce. Advice from western New York stated that the amount of apples in cold storage there is considerably less than last year's supply. In the immediate vicinity of Le Roy the amount is 25,000 barrels below last year's holdings, figuring the box apples as barrels. The quantity of barreled apples is very much below normal, and similar conditions, it is said, exist in other sections of the western New York fruit belt. There is practically nothing in common storage, as the farmers are entirely cleaned up.

Box apples did a little better. Far western Jonathans brought \$1.50 to \$1.75; Spitzenbergs and Pearmain, 25 to \$2.50; Baldwins, \$1.00 to \$1.50; Ben Davis, \$1.00 to \$1.55; Missouri Pippin, \$1.20 to \$1.75; Greenings, \$1.25 to \$2.00, and Winesaps, \$1.05 to \$2.25 per box.

Want-advertise the property—for home-hunters pay scant attention to unadvertised real estate.

GRANTS PASS TO VOTE ON LIQUOR

Special Election Called—First Municipality in State to Invoke Home Rule—Election Will Be Held December 31.

GRANTS PASS, Dec. 17.—Grants Pass will be the first municipality in the state to hold an election under the home rule amendment passed at the last election.

In response to a petition signed by 84 registered voters the city council passed an ordinance calling a special election on December 31 on the question whether or not the council should license saloons. The ordinance was passed to third reading by suspension of the rules and was passed unanimously.

Because of the fact that there never had been a dissenting vote recorded in the present council Councilman Riggs explained his vote in the affirmative that while he was opposed to the proposition, yet he would vote in favor of it because he did not wish at the last regular meeting to break the record of the council in never having had a dissenting vote cast on any proposition.

Auditor Opdycke was the only one who apparently had any kick coming. The passage of the ordinance calling the election for the last day of the year necessitated his posting notices of election before midnight last night in order that the required time might elapse between the posting and the election.

The petition was hurriedly prepared Thursday. It was generally understood that the liquor interests would wait until the new council came in before any steps were taken to invoke home rule. What caused a change in supposed plans of the wet people is not known.

If the proposition carries at the special election it will be up to the incoming council to determine how many licenses shall be granted and what restrictions shall be placed about the business.

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