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HOP MARKET IS STRONGER

Numerous Orders in Hands of the Local Dealers Yesterday

ONE CONTRACT FOR 1903 CROP FILED YESTERDAY—THE PRESENT SUPPLY OF HOPS IN OREGON IS NOT ABOVE THAT OF FORMER YEARS.

There was a decided upward tendency in the local hop market yesterday. It was a kind of revival or bursting into life of a condition which has for a long time been stagnant.

Yesterday was blue Monday and there were no farmers or hop growers in the city, consequently no sales were made, and no hops were offered for sale, but this is getting to be an old story, as the farmers have decided that they will play into the hands of the bears no longer and have no hops to sell. They have adopted the policy of not offering their crop, to test the market, and of not even asking for quotations, and from now on, they say, the dealers will have to hunt them up when they want hops. Yesterday a number of dealers reported that they had orders and could buy hops at 18 cents and better, and some of them had several orders from different Eastern buyers. This is a satisfactory condition of affairs, as dealers declared during the latter part of last week that 17 cents was the highest price that could be paid for choice hops. One dealer reported that he had received a telephone inquiry from a Eugene hop dealer, saying that he had just received an offer of 18 cents for his crop, and asking for quotations.

Very little business is being done just at present in contracting the 1903 crop, as growers are not prone to take less than 16 cents per pound, and since the market has declined and seems to be in the hands of the bears, contracts have declined also, in sympathy. However, one contract was filed in County Recorder J. C. Siegmund's office yesterday, by the terms of which N. F. Cook, of St. Paul, sold to Benjamin Schwartz & Sons, of New York, 10,000 pounds of hops, to be delivered on board the boat at Champeque on or before October 31. The contract price is \$14 cents per pound, \$200 of which is to be advanced on May 1st, and \$500 on September 1st, for picking the crop.

Those Bear Reports.

Brewers and dealers continue to report that they are overstocked and do not want any more hops for this season's brew, and yet they admit that they have not purchased nearly as many hops this season as last, and in the same breath they admit that the consumption of beer is largely on the increase, which means that more hops will be used this season than ever before.

Last season was exceptionally cool and yet the consumption of beer was larger than the previous year, of warm weather, and if the coming summer is of average warmth, the consumption of beer and the consequent consumption of hops will be much larger than ever before. At present the visible supply of hops is small and there is still ahead over five months of the greatest beer consuming time, before the next season's crop is placed on the market, and it is a well known fact that beer cannot be made without hops. Some brewers have attempted this with the result that their product was rejected, and other brands substituted, hence no brewery with a reputation to sustain will use any less hops on account of the fact that the price is high, or because some dealers desire to pinch the farmers in order to save their own pocket-books from the calamity which has been threatening them. Brewers cannot be blamed for attempting to crowd down the market by reporting that they have all of the hops they need, as it means dollars and cents to them, but the growers must also protect themselves by untiring and standing firm until they can get the price they know their crops are worth at the present time, as demanded by the great law of supply and demand.

The fact that dealers say they don't need any more hops, and yet are trying to buy them all the time, sounds very queer. Reports from reliable sources say that Eastern warehouses are empty and that the supply of hops is on the Pacific Coast. They also say that no hops are wanted in England, and yet hardly a day passes but inquiries come to local dealers from England. Of course, English brewers will not buy on a declining market, believing they can buy them cheaper later. One of the best posted men on the hop situation, in Salem, said yesterday: "Brewers must have hops, and if growers will stand out of the market for two weeks, they will be compelled to buy. California has stopped selling altogether, and this is now the only source of supply."

The reports which have been continually given out from bear quarters to the effect that our supply of hops was enormous as compared with other years, and consequently very alarming, is somewhat amusing statement that there was never more than 4,000 bales on hand at this time of former years, is to state it mildly, untrue. The facts are that the present supply is no uncommon thing. Statistics show that in former years the number of bales on hand on July 1st, was as follows:

July 1, 1900 13,500
July 1, 1899 20,500
July 1, 1898 20,500
July 1, 1897 19,700

July 1, 1897 17,500
July 1, 1896 23,000
July 1, 1895 12,200

I. S. Hagenbacher, of New York, representing the hop dealing firm of Goldman & Co., of Chicago, is in the city looking over the situation and supply of hops. He is traveling on the Coast and just arrived from San Francisco. He takes a very pessimistic view of the prospects for higher prices, and reports that Eastern brewers have all of the hops they need for this season's brew, having secured large shipments from Germany. He said that just before leaving Chicago he purchased a few bales from a brewer who was overlanded with German hops. Mr. Hagenbacher gave a very interesting description of the peculiar conditions existing in New York on account of the recent high license law just passed, increasing saloon license 50 per cent. He thinks this will crowd many small saloons to the wall, and may have the effect of decreasing the consumption of beer. He does not see anything in the report that brewers will boycott New York state hops, as the reputation for their beer is built on the flavor from these hops, and they cannot afford to change. He says it is merely a slap at Republican legislation, but they would not carry it out if they could, as the largest hop producing county in the state is Democratic.

DENIES ALLEGATIONS

ESTER D. HAMILTON ANSWERS COMPLAINT FILED BY HER HUSBAND.

In the divorce proceedings recently instituted in Department No. 2 of the state circuit court for Marion county, by J. L. Hamilton against his wife, Ester D. Hamilton, the defendant yesterday, through her attorneys, John A. Jeffrey and R. J. Fleming, filed an answer denying all the allegations as set forth in the complaint, and, as a further and separate answer, the defendant alleges cruel and inhuman treatment on the part of the husband, and claims to be destitute of the common necessities of life, that she has no means with which to support herself, and had to borrow money to pay her way to her uncle's home in Nebraska; that she has no money with which to defend this suit. She therefore asks for an order of the court requiring the plaintiff to pay to the clerk of the court \$250 for the use of the defendant, and that all further proceedings in this suit be stayed and suspended until such payment is made. She also asks for a decree of the court dissolving the bonds of matrimony existing between herself and plaintiff, dismissing the plaintiff's complaint, and requiring the plaintiff to pay her the sum of \$25 per month alimony.

In the case of Maude E. Claggett, plaintiff, vs. Thos. F. Claggett, defendant, an action for divorce, Judge R. P. Boise yesterday rendered a decree in favor of the plaintiff, dissolving the matrimonial bonds existing between herself and the defendant, and awarding to the plaintiff the custody and control of their minor child, William E. Claggett. The decree was obtained on the grounds of desertion.

By an order of Judge Boise, Ladd & Bush and Hester & Horn are made parties defendant and are required to answer in the partition suit of Susan G. Cosgrove, plaintiff, vs. Mrs. Emeline Wagner, et al., defendants, as prayed for in the answer filed by William Hager, Joseph Poulade and Michael Murphy, defendants in the suit.

MCKINLEY SOUVENIRS

POSTMASTER EDWARD HIRSCH HAS RECEIVED SUPPLY OF FIRST EDITION.

Postmaster Edward Hirsch has received from the McKinley National Memorial Association a supply of the certificates which have been prepared for distribution to contributors to the monument fund as souvenirs of their participation in that great enterprise. The certificate is a beautiful work of art on which is given an excellent reproduction of Mrs. McKinley's favorite likeness of her husband, together with a picture of the McKinley home in Canton and of the White House. The wording below the illustration is as follows: "This certifies that has contributed to the fund for the erection of the national memorial at Canton, Ohio, in honor of William McKinley." The workmanship and artistic effects are of the very highest order, the great house of Tiffany & Co., New York, being the designers and manufacturers. The supply in the hands of Postmaster Edward Hirsch is a portion of the first edition of the certificates and is sent here to enable those who have not as yet contributed to do so. Parties who have already identified themselves with the movement will receive souvenirs direct from the office of the Association or through local committees.

AN IMMINENT ESTATE.

NEW YORK, April 25.—The estate of Marcus Daly, who died in 1900, has been appraised for assessment of the inheritance tax, and the report shows that Daly left personal property in this state valued at \$1,450,457. Daly's entire property is valued at \$11,000,000.

A TEXAS WONDER

HALL'S GREAT DISCOVERY. One small bottle of the Tex Wonder Hall's Great Discovery, cures all kidney and bladder troubles, removes gravel, cures diabetes, seminal emissions, weak and lame backs, rheumatism, and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder trouble in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment. Dr. Ernest W. Hall, sole manufacturer, P. O. Box 623, St. Louis, Mo. Send for testimonials. Sold by all druggists and Federmann & Haller, 904 Main street, Kansas City, Mo.

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MRS. LOUELLA WARD.

SAD SUICIDE AT SUBLIMITY

Theodore Odenthal Hung Himself During Fit of Temporary Insanity

WAS A PROMINENT FARMER AND REAL ESTATE DEALER, AND CITY RECORDER OF SUBLIMITY—PROMINENT MEMBER OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

The peaceful little town of Sublimity was rudely shaken last Sunday morning by the horrible discovery that one of her most prominent citizens and business men had taken his own life.

Coroner A. Clough, of this city, received a message from Sublimity about 8 o'clock in the morning, saying that a dead body had been found there, and he went at once. On his arrival he found that it was Theodore Odenthal, who had so suddenly ended his career on this earth. When Coroner Clough arrived upon the scene, he found the body suspended, by a piece of baling wire, from a ladder in Odenthal's barn. A jury was immediately summoned, consisting of the following gentlemen: H. Schellberg, Frank A. Bell, John A. Ditter, Philip Meier, Joseph Koerny, and Chas. Hottinger, and after thoroughly examining into the case, the jury returned the following verdict: "He came to his death on the 25th day of April, 1903, by strangulation by a wire with suicidal intent, during a fit of temporary insanity."

In the inquest it was learned that Odenthal went to Stanton late Saturday afternoon in company with his brother-in-law, Theodore Ripp, and while in Stanton he made some purchases and talked church matters for some time. On their return they passed through Sublimity at 3:30 o'clock p. m. Soon after they passed Mr. Ripp's home, where the latter left the buggy, and from there Odenthal drove home alone, and upon arriving at his barn put up the team, and then, instead of going to the house, it is thought he immediately secured a piece of baling wire and hanged himself to a rung of the ladder leading to the upper floor. The rung to which he was hung was so low that, when found, his knees touched the floor. The wire had been wrapped three times around his neck.

The family retired without searching for the husband and father, as they thought he had probably remained in town over night, hence the body was not discovered till next morning.

No cause for his action is known, as Mr. Odenthal was of a cheerful disposition, and had been in his usual frame of mind Saturday afternoon, and was not known to have had any trouble. While in town he had taken a few glasses of beer, but not enough to cause intoxication, hence it is thought he must have been taken with a temporary fit of insanity.

Theodore Odenthal was a native of Germany, aged 51 years. About one year ago he came from Nebraska and purchased the Ray Wrightman place near Sublimity, where he and his family have since resided. He conducted a real estate business in Sublimity and was recently elected city recorder, the people of Sublimity having placed their confidence in him, and he was a member of the Catholic Church.

He was rather a wealthy farmer, his estate being estimated at about \$20,000. A wife and seven children are left, the wife being in delicate condition.

No arrangements have so far been made for the funeral, as his people in Nebraska have been notified of his death, and a reply is awaited.

DYNAMITE CAP EXPLODED

CHESTER WILLARD LOST FOUR FINGERS WHILE PLAYING IN ROCK PIT.

Chester Willard, the 13-year-old son of Mrs. Joe Willard, who lives about one mile south of the county rock pit, south of Rural Cemetery, on Commercial street, met with a most distressing accident Sunday night, while playing with two other boys in the rock pit.

The men who had been blasting left a dynamite cap attached to a piece of fuse, lying in the pit. Chester Willard found the cap and set fire to the fuse, thinking to have a small celebration, but before he could drop it the cap exploded, striking the boy and badly injuring him. The first three fingers of the right hand and the third finger of the left hand were blown off and the boy was somewhat burned and bruised about the face.

He started toward town and was met by H. C. Fletcher, who noticed the boy's face and clothing covered with blood, and asked what the trouble was. The boy pulled his hands from his pockets, showing the mangled mass of flesh and blood. One or two fingers were still hanging to the hand. The boy had stuck them in his pockets and declared they didn't hurt a bit. He was taken to the Salem Hospital where Dr. W. H. Byrd dressed the wounds, and yesterday he was resting easily.

At first he declared he had been accidentally shot, but it was easily seen that this was not the case, and he afterward confessed the truth of the matter.

No permanent damage will result beyond the loss of the fingers, but it will be some time before the boy is ready for another lark.

The accident was especially unfortunate as the boy's mother is a widow and not able to meet the expenses caused by the boy's recklessness and the carelessness of the workmen in leaving a dangerous bomb where it could be found.

NEVER MONEY'S SERVANT

FORMER EMPLOYER OF JOHN HUGHES TESTIFIES TO HIS WORTH.

(From the Oregonian.)

PORTLAND, Ore., April 25.—(To the Editor).—I noticed in today's Oregonian the death of John Hughes, of Salem. John Hughes commenced working for me some time in December,

1892, on my farm four miles south of Salem, as a farm hand. He continued to work for me in that capacity for four years, during the time he enlisted in Captain Charles Bennett's company to fight the Indians. He was with Captain Bennett when the latter was killed. When I sold my farm and moved to Salem Mr. Hughes came to Salem and worked for me at painting for two years more, making six years in all that he worked for day's wages. Mr. Hughes was never money's servant, whether on the farm or with a gang of painters. He was always honest and faithful. When he quit work with me he had laid up over \$1000 to start in business for himself. John Hughes was a man I always admired and respected. Respectfully, C. A. REED.

FIGHT TO A FINISH

THE WESTERN UNION WILL NOT RECOGNIZE THE STRIKING MESSENGERS.

BUTTE, Mont., April 25.—The indications today point to a fight to a finish between the Western Union Telegraph Company and the striking messengers, backed by the unions of this city. The Western Union officials announce the union will not be recognized or treated with under any consideration. The Western Union people say the company's office in this city may be permanently abandoned.

Labor Trouble Brewing.

Sumpter, Ore., April 25.—Serious trouble is brewing in labor circles because J. B. Stoddard, of the Sumpter Lumber Company, has employed Jape to cut 4000 cords of wood. The Trades Assembly has declared the Sumpter Lumber Company unfair. Serious strike involving all the labor unions may follow.

CASEY'S
The Kid You Know
Bears the Signature of
Casey's

HER SCALP TORN OFF

MRS. ADAMS, OF GLAD TIDINGS, IS TERRIBLY INJURED IN A RUNAWAY.

WOODBURN, Ore., April 25.—Mrs. Adams, of Glad Tidings, Clackamas county, was terribly injured in a runaway in this city this morning. She had just arrived in Woodburn, and was in her buggy driving when a gravel train passed and frightened her horse. The animal whirled around, and Mrs. Adams was thrown out, her head being caught in the wheels. She was so badly cut on the forehead, the sides and top of her head, that the whole scalp could be raised. Both ears were nearly torn off.

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15c instead of 35c for a fine fast black, full seamless hose, high spliced heel and double sole. Two pairs to the customer only.	\$3 instead of \$10 For a Ladies' Tailored Suit of good cloth, dark colors, lined through.	\$5 instead of \$14 For a fine Oxford and light grey cloth Tailor-made suit, unlined, double skirt, short back coat.	98c For a Fine Chambray Gingham Shirt waist with six one inch stitched pleats up and down in front, tucked back, full sleeves above cuff. Colors, Pink, Blue, Grey, Green, Lavender for 98c
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Yours Truly,
Mrs. M. E. Fraser

DEBT TO BE REFUNDED.
ASTORIA, Ore., April 27.—An election was held on Saturday afternoon by the voters of Astoria school district to decide whether the school debt, soon to fall due and amounting to about \$37,000, should be refunded. Very little interest was taken in the election, and but twelve votes were cast, and all of these were in favor of the refunding of the debt.

END OF REVOLUTION.
NEW ORLEANS, La., April 27.—The steamship Breakwater, from Puerto Cortez, Honduras, brought the news today of a sensational climax to the revolution in that country. According to the information received at Puerto Cortez, ex-President Sierra was captured by the revolutionists on the Salvador frontier, and summarily executed.

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Regular 50 Cent Value.

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Is far-famed for wearing qualities. We carry them—25c a pair—plain and fancy colors. Our Two For a Quarter Men's Hose sell on sight—for they're excellent values. Black and tan shades. Our Three For a Quarter Hose in the same colors are also popular sellers.

Ask for Our Boys' 25c Hose, the best we've seen for hard service.

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