

HOPS.
Progress of Hopgrowers—Indications for the Coming Crop Good.
The weather conditions have never been more favorable for a successful year in hop growing. Much interest in the business is taken by some who have grown lukewarm owing to the demoralized condition of the hop trade in past years, and some of the abandoned yards which have not been plowed up will be brought under cultivation this year. Many growers are setting poles and some have purchased twine, notwithstanding that supplies are higher than last year.
Altogether the outlook in Polk and Marion counties are flattering. The roots are in fine condition and when warm weather does set in the plants will rush right along. Hopmen generally realize that thorough cultivation and training and diligent spraying is of more importance than any other expenditure in the production of fine hops. This added to careful curing and supervision of picking is the key-note to successful growing.

A GROWERS EXPERIENCE.
ST. PAUL, March 17.—A gentleman of Aurora was in our Burg last week contracting hops, the crops of 1897, '98 and '99. He made a favorable impression among the hop raisers and made several contracts at 8¢ cents per pound.
One year ago last fall the writer consigned hops to a Salem firm with 4 cents advance on sample, two weeks after, his agent came to receive said hops he cut into two bales and said they were good; the third bale he condemned. I told him I would not allow any such proceedings. He left and in a short time came back to try the balance of the bales of hops. In his absence I changed the bale he had condemned so as to show the side that was not cut into. He tried it, and pronounced it all right. He then tried twenty-two bales and condemned two. He then told me to send the hops to Salem and he would receive them in that proportion, 2 out of 23, and would give 4 cents and 3¢ at Salem. He condemned about one-half of the 80 bales and I only got 3¢ cents all round, and one bale of 112 pounds I got nothing for, and as I had \$200 to meet that day in the First National bank, I let the hops go at 3¢ cents, except the bale of 112 pounds I got nothing for.
JOHN W. SMYTH.
An Eastern review, coming through by mail from New York, contains the hop market on the Atlantic side:
Business is unimproved. Brewers still show stolid indifference and seem to have much less interest in the course of the market than usual. This is undoubtedly due to the fact of their having such large stocks of old hops. It should be remembered that the present method of carrying hops in cold storage helps to prevent their aging, and in many a brewery today there are '95 goods that are intrinsically worth about as much as the '96 crop. This makes brewers less dependent upon each season's hops. Stock was so cheap last year that unusually heavy supplies were put away in this way. The trading here between dealers is of small consequence.
The inability to increase the movement checks any disposition to add to present holdings. Export demand is less of a factor, though shippers are still making some inquiries and take an occasional lot of choice Pacifics at about 13c. That grade is held fairly steady, but the feeling is somewhat weaker on all other qualities, particularly medium and low grades of State. Fair to choice, 1896 crop. 8 @ 12.
Stocks in San Francisco are in the hands of jobbers. About 120 bales went forward the past week per steamer to Australia. Business on local account is of small volume. Wholesale values remain nominally as last noted. Jobbers are asking an advance of 2@3c. over these figures but choice Pacific coast hops are steady and in fair demand, all low grades are easy. New York hops are quiet. 1896 choice hops are 12¢ per lb; good to prime, 10@11c.; common to fair 7@9c.; Pacific coast, 1896, choice, 12@13c.; good to prime 10@12c.; common to fair, 8@10c.; State and Pacific coast, 1895, choice, 7c.; common to prime, 4@6c. and old olds, 2@4c.
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