

NEW YORK HOP MARKET IS QUIET

Reports From England Show the Yield Is Way Below Average

The market has shown little, if any, change in the general features during the past week. We hear of a few transactions on the local market for poor Pacifics at 12 to 13c, but no general movement and very few spot goods offering. On the Pacific coast 20c is reported having been paid in several instances, although buying at that figure is limited to one or two concerns. We hear of a transaction between dealers involving 700 bales of 1906 Yakima hops at 17 1/2 @ 18c. There is still considerable complaint from Oregon and Washington that the continued warm and dry weather has cut down the yield somewhat, but estimates vary a great deal. Reports from Oregon are that picking will not become general until the first week in September as the crop is somewhat slow in ripening. On New York state the crop is rapidly ripening and picking has commenced in some of the late yards. Reports from the Waterville section are that the crop is coming down heavier than expected. While there is complaint from other sections that the crop is very light. The few early seedling hops have been pretty well picked up at generally 23c.

The English Crop.
Reports from the plantation seem on the whole, rather worse this week, although the best gardens, of which there are few, are doing as well as could be expected. In the Borough higher prices have been quoted by holders for good medium grades, but the range of values is still from 75s. to 100s. Hops are getting exceedingly scarce, and bids are often made without success, since it is generally expected that the market will at no distant date move to a higher level in view of the bad crop prospects.

It is now perfectly certain, writes a correspondent, that the proportion of grounds that will never have a bin put in them is considerably larger than has been estimated. These grounds, added to those that will not produce more than two pockets an acre, represent three-fourths of the acreage in England, the average for which will be under two cwt. per acre. Even the better gardens, it is now apparent, will not produce nearly as many as had been estimated, there being an enormous quantity of fruitless bine. Never, perhaps, did the plant so quickly succumb to an attack of aphids. This year, had it not been for the improved appliances and means of extermination, would have compared unfavorably with the memorable blight of 1882. Some growers aver that they washed the same grounds 15 times.

Notes.

The Schoharie Republican, Aug. 23rd, says: Picking of the Humphreys and other early varieties which begun last week will be completed very generally this week. The yield has been equal to, and in some yards exceeds, that of last year. The quality is choice. The high temperature which has prevailed the past week in this section has hastened the clusters and Canadas to maturity and growers are preparing for an earlier harvest than usual. Next Monday will see the pickers in the late yards generally. A choice quality is sure to be shown as the vines and hops are clean, bright and healthy. It is extremely unlikely that the quality will be affected by weather conditions. The rain which fell on Monday evening and Tuesday proved beneficial. Offers of 20c have been refused, and it is said 23c has been offered a Schoharie grower, who declined it. Dr. J. Hotelling, of Gallupville, has been offered 25c for his crop of Humphreys.

The Earlville Standard, Aug. 23rd, says: Hop picking will begin this week and the crop will be one of the best in quality harvested in years. The price continues to advance, and with the discouraging reports of the crop in England it is quite generally believed that 30c will be received for the crop this year.

The Oneonta Herald, Aug. 23rd, says: Many hop growers began picking this week and practically everybody will begin on Monday. The hops thus far are generally in fine condition, but a few yards are showing indications of fire blight, and fear of this hastens the work. Nothing is doing in the market, the difference being too wide between

grower and dealers. There is no vermin as yet.

The Cobleskill Index, Aug. 23rd, says: All eyes are turned toward the hop fields just at this time, where picking will be in full swing after Monday next. We hear of many authentic offers to buy at 20c, and reports of still higher figures, which cannot be verified, however. The crop is still looking first class, although the frequent rains and intense heat will have a tendency to cause some damage if continued another week. Messrs. Arthur H. Alley, of the Massachusetts Breweries company, and H. Loewl, of New York, are examining yards in this vicinity. J. S. Hutt has ten boxes of pickers at work harvesting his early hops in the Charles Rose and other yards this week. He will begin the harvest of his late hops August 28.

The Cooperstown Farmer, Aug. 24th, says: No transactions worth mentioning are reported in the local market this week. In several early yards the picking began the middle of the week, but it is not possible to give an accurate estimate of how they will turn out. Forty-five boxes are at work at Uncas farm, the summer home of Adolphus Busch, the St. Louis brewer.

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BAND PROGRAM.

At the Pavilion Monday Evening, September 10.

The Salem Military band under the direction of H. N. Stoudemeyer, will render the following program next Monday evening in the pavilion at the fairgrounds:

1. March, "Gloria".....Losey
2. Concert waltzes, "Wedding of the Winds".....Hall
3. Trombone solo, "Romance".....Bennett
- Oscar Steelhammer.
4. Overture, Morning, Noon and Night".....Suppe
5. (a) "Yester Thoughts"; (b) "Punchinello".....Herbert
- Intermission.
6. March, "Chicago Tribunes".....Chambers
7. Peer Gynt Suite No. 1 and 2, "The Morning," "Ase's Death."
8. Musical comedy, "Burgomaster".....Luders
9. Spanish dance, "La Rose de Costello".....Reiter
10. March, "American Republic".....Thiele

Portage Commissioners Meet.

The state board of portage commissioners held its monthly meeting yesterday afternoon. Nothing was done except the transaction of routine business. The monthly report of Superintendent L. S. Cook shows that the principal work done during August was the sand. The canal constructors, Smyth and Jones have the work in good shape and are going to build the wall of cement 35 or 40 feet higher.

The earnings for August are:

Mdse., 28,147 pounds	\$ 15.70
Switching 11 cars	22.00
Use of engine	123.50
Sale of piling	13.30
Telephone	9.40
Total	\$183.90

The disbursements were as follows:

Maintenance of way	\$458.13
Maintenance of equipment	137.57
Con. trans	201.58
Total	\$797.28

Anniversary of Great Crime.

Canton, O., Sept. 6.—Five years ago today, in the late afternoon of September 6, 1901, President McKinley was shot and mortally wounded by Leon Czolgosz, an ignorant fanatic of anarchistic tendencies, while attending a public reception at the Temple of Music, on the grounds of the Pan-American exposition in Buffalo. President McKinley died of his wound on September 14 at the residence of Mr. John G. Milburn, president of the exposition, whose guest he was during his visit to the fair. The scenes at the time of the assassination, the anxious days of the fatal illness of the martyr President, the grief caused by his untimely death throughout the country will never be forgotten by the people of this country, who loved McKinley as a man, full of human kindness, honest and upright and inspired by a deep love for his country. Many large and costly monuments, erected in large and small cities throughout the country, to honor the memory of McKinley speak eloquently of the love and esteem which the American people bore their ill-fated magistrate.

The magnificent monument, which will commemorate the martyr President in this, his home city, is not yet completed, but it is expected that next year, on September 14, the anniversary of McKinley's death, the national monument will be unveiled and dedicated. The monument will cost \$500,000 and a fund of an additional \$100,000 is now being raised to form an endowment for the purpose of keeping the monument in repair. The imposing monument in Buffalo is completed and so are scores of other monuments in other cities, less pretentious, perhaps, but no less eloquent tokens of the people's love for the departed soldier-statesman.

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Dividend Announcement

INDUSTRIAL

The Company has just declared a cash mortuary dividend on Policies over 5 years in force which have matured and shall mature in 1906. To all death claims on Policies over 5 years in force it adds 5 per cent.; to all death claims on Policies over 6 years in force, 6 per cent.; and an additional 1 per cent., for each year of duration. Thus the dividends on claims under Policies over 10 years in force is 10 per cent.; over 15 years, 15 per cent.; over 20 years, 20 per cent.; over 25 years, 25 per cent.; 1879 (the earliest issue), 27 per cent. The cost of this dividend payable during the current year is approximately

ONE MILLION TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS.

In addition to this the immediate benefits (payable during the six months after date of issue) on adult Industrial Policies, excepting Term and Endowment, issued during 1906 have been doubled. Certain increases have also been made in the benefits on infantile Endowment Policies during the first year. The cost of these, which will operate as a dividend on all claims maturing during this year, on the issue of this year, is approximately.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS.

These dividends are over and above the dividends declared on Industrial Policies January 1 last, which was a quinquennial cash dividend, amounting to about 20 per cent. of the premium for a year, declared on all Policies (except Increasing Life and Endowment Policies, which by their terms carry benefits increasing yearly after the third year) issued in 1881, 1886, 1891, 1896, and 1901. The amount appropriated for this dividend was about

SIX HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS.

Thus the Company THIS YEAR has declared and IS PAYING dividends on Industrial Policies amounting to

Over Two Millions of Dollars

Everyone of these Policies is non-participating, promising a definite sum only at maturity, without dividends. The payment of the dividend is PURELY VOLUNTARY. Dividends have been actually paid without promise for many years by the Metropolitan. The total amount now approximates

Ten Millions of Dollars

In 12 years. Included among these Policies are hundreds of thousands of Policies issued by other companies and assumed by the Metropolitan.

INTERMEDIATE

Intermediate Policies for \$500 each have been issued by the Metropolitan for 10 years past. They are Policies designed for such of the Industrial class as can afford to pay annual, semi-annual or quarterly premiums instead of weekly. As the plan was new there was no actuarial experience to guide the Company as to the mortality cost. The Company promised to pay, if earned, dividends after five years and annually thereafter. This year the Company set aside over

Six Hundred and Twenty Thousand Dollars

to be paid in dividends on Intermediate Policies during 1906. Payment of these dividends has brought the cost of the Policies very nearly down to the non-participating rates of this and other Ordinary companies.

ORDINARY

The Ordinary Policies issued by the Company for the last 15 years have been practically all written on non-participating rates—plain business contracts for plain business men, which tell their whole story upon their face, leave nothing to the imagination, borrow nothing from hope, require definite conditions and make definite promises in dollars and cents. The rates therefore, are low. The Company has in force, however, a considerable, though, compared with its total business, a very small percentage of participating business. Some of the policies were issued on annual dividend and some on deferred dividend plans—many of the latter having been issued by other companies and assumed by the Metropolitan. Upon these Policies the Company has this year declared and is paying a dividend equal to the excess premium charged by mutual rates over the non-participating rates charged in its current business. The amount of this dividend is nearly TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS, which is a voluntary extra dividend.

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