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COMMERCIAL.

SACRAMENTO MARKET.

SACRAMENTO, February 27th.

FRUIT—Lemons, Sicily, $6@6 50 ⅌ case; Limes, $1 75; Bananas, $2 25@3 50 ⅌ bunch; Pineapples, $6@9 ⅌ dozen; Cocoanuts, $7@7 50 ⅌ 100; Apples, 90c to $1 ⅌ box; Los Angeles Oranges, $1 50; Riverside do, $2@2 25; Navel do, $4@4 50.

PIE FRUITS—Assorted, 2½@3 cans, ⅌ doz, $1 50; assorted, gallon cans, $4; Peaches, 2½⅌ lb cans, $1 75; Portland Blueberries, 2-lb cans, $2; Whortleberries, $1 75; Capital Asparagus, $2 25 ⅌ dozen cans.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, sliced, 3½@4c ⅌ lb; do quartered, 3½@4c; Pears, peeled, 5@6c; do unpeeled, 4@5c; Plums, pitted, 9@10c; Peaches, 10½@11c; do peeled, 19@22c; Prunes, German and French, 7@10c; Blackberries, 10@11c; Figs, California, 5@6c ⅌ lb.

TABLE FRUITS—Assorted, 2½-lb cans, ⅌ doz, $2 10@2 15; Peaches, $2 50; Bartlett Pears, $2 40; Plums, $1 90@2; Blackberries, $2 15; Gooseberries, $1 90; Strawberries, $2 75; Apricots, $2 15; Muscat Grapes, $2; Red Currants, $2 40; Cherries, $2 60@2 75.

VEGETABLES—Potatoes, 85c@$1 50; Salt Lake Potatoes, $1 50; Early Rose do, $1 25 ⅌ ctl; Celery, 60c ⅌ dozen; Onions, $3@3 50; Cabbage, 60@75c; Carrots, 50@60c ⅌ 100; Turnips, 75c; bunch vegetables, 12½c ⅌ doz; Parsnips, 1c; Beets, 75c; Horse Radish, 6@8c ⅌ lb; Garlic, 8@10c.

BREADSTUFFS—Flour $4 75 ⅌ barrel; Oatmeal, $4 25 ⅌ 100 lbs; Cornmeal, yellow, $3 50@3 60; white, $2 15@2 40; Cracked Wheat, $2 15@2 40; Rye, $2 50; Buckwheat, $4 50 ⅌ 100 lbs.

POULTRY—Live Turkeys, 17@18c ⅌ lb; dressed, 20c; full-grown Chickens, $5 50@6 50 ⅌ dozen; young Roosters, $5 50@6 50 ⅌ dozen; Broilers, $4@5; tame Ducks, $6 50; Geese, $1 50@2 ⅌ pair; Eggs, choice lots, 20@22c ⅌ dozen.

GAME—Hare, $1 75@2; Rabbits, $1@1 50; Quail, $1@1 20; Mallard Ducks, $3@3 50 ⅌ dozen; Teal, $1@1 50 ⅌ dozen; Sprig, 22@2 50 ⅌ dozen.

DAIRY PRODUCTS—Butter, choice, 20@27c ⅌ lb; mixed lots, in rolls, 20@21c; Cheese, California, 12@13c; Western flats, 16@17c; Marin's Cream, 17@18c.

HAY, GRAIN AND FEED—Oat hay, $12@15 ⅌ ton; Alfalfa hay, $9@10 ⅌ ton; Bran, $14 ⅌ ton; Middlings, $16 ⅌ ton; Barley, whole, $1 ⅌ cwt; ground, $1 15; Wheat, $1 40 ⅌ cwt; Corn, $1 25@1 30 ⅌ cwt for choice.

MEATS—Beef, 7@10c; Mutton, 5½c ⅌ lb; Pork, 8@8½c; Veal, small calves, 9@10c; large, 8@9c.

MISCELLANEOUS — Seeds — Alfalfa, 16c; Timothy, Eastern, 6½@7½c ⅌ lb; Oregon, 6@5c; Pop Corn, 3½@4c ⅌ lb; Red Clover, 12@13c; Red Top, 7@8c. Nuts—English Walnuts, @9c; California Walnuts, 9½@10c; Almonds, 12@18c; Peanuts, California, 5½@6c; Lard (California), cans, 14c; Eastern, 14@15c; Hides, salt, light and medium, 7½c; heavy, 5c; dry, 16½c; Tallow, 5c; Hops, in the absence of any particular movement prices may be nominally quoted at 20@22c.

SAN FRANCISCO MARKET.

Produce Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 27th.

FLOUR—We quote: Best city extra, $4 37½@5; medium, $3 75@4 25; shipping, superfine, $2 75@3 75 ⅌ bbl.

WHEAT—The market is in a very bad shape. Exporters are seemingly not anxious to buy, though it is fair to assert that they would not refuse desirable offerings at $1 25 ⅌ ctl. Holders, however, are not disposed to accept this figure, and as no more can be obtained at the moment trade will have to drag along until some circumstance occurs to change the present monotony of the situation.

Call sales at the morning session embraced 500 tons, buyer season, at $1 35⅞, and 300 do at $1 35¾ ⅌ ctl.

Afternoon sales were:

Buyer season—100 tons, $1 35⅞; 500, $1 35¾.

Buyer 1885—200 tons, $1 41½ ⅌ ctl.

BARLEY—In the sample market trade is moderately active at steady prices. Choice Feed commands 95c, while a good article will bring 92½⅌ ctl. Less desirable stock changes hands at 87½@90c ⅌ ctl. Brewing is unchanged at $1 @1 10 ⅌ ctl.

At the morning call session there was active trading, though values were but moderately steady. Sales were as follows:

Buyer season—100 tons, 96¼c; 200, 96⅞c; 900, 96½c; 1,100, 96¾c; 1,200, 96⅞c; 300, 97c.

Seller season—300 tons, 91½c; 100, 91⅝c; 200, 91¾c.

Buyer 1885—100 tons, 99c; 100, 99¼c; 100, 99⅜c; 200, 99½c; 100, 99⅝c; 300, 99¾c; 100, 99⅞c ⅌ ctl.

Sales at the afternoon call session were as follows:

Buyer season—200 tons, 96⅞c; 200, 97c.

Buyer 1885—100 tons, 99⅞c; 100, $1 ⅌ ctl.

OATS—Trade is so slow that dealers occasionally shade on present low rates sooner than lose a sale. We quote as follows: Surprise and Milling, $1 35@1 40; No. 1, $1 15@1 20; No. 2, $1@1 10; off grades, 75c@$1; Black, $1@1 10 ⅌ ctl.

CORN—Offerings are in excess of immediate requirements. Quotable at $1 00@1 10 for large Yellow; small Yellow, $1 15@1 20; White, $1 10@1 15 ⅌ ctl. Poor lots are quotable at 90c@$1 ⅌ ctl. Nebraska is quotable at $1 10 ⅌ ctl.

SEEDS—We quote: Mustard, $2 25@3 for Brown and $2@2 25 for Yellow; Canary, 4@4½c; Hemp, 3½@3¾c; Rape, 2½@3c; Timothy, 5½@6c; Alfalfa, 15c ⅌ lb; Flax, $2 25@2 50 ⅌ ctl.

HAY—Alfalfa, $8@11; Wheat, $10@15; Oat, $8@12; Barley, $7@11; Mixed, $7@9 ⅌ ton.

HOPS—Buyers are still scarce. Quotable at 10@12c ⅌ lb.

RYE—Is less firm. Supply fair. Quotable at $1 05@1 10 ⅌ ctl.

Reported sale to-day of 70 tons good quality at $1 07½ ⅌ ctl.

BUCKWHEAT—No variation in rates. Quotable at $1 25@1 37½ ⅌ ctl.

POTATOES—Wharf rates are as follows: Early Rose, 85c@$1; River Reds, 75@90c; Petalumas, 95c@$1 10; Garnet Chile, 50@60c; Peerless, 80@85c; New, 2½@2½c ⅌ lb; Sweet, 75c@$1 ⅌ ctl; Humboldt Red, $1 10@1 15; Peachblows, $1 10 ⅌ ctl.

ONIONS—In good supply. The range of the market is given at $1 25@2 ⅌ ctl.

BEANS—We quote prices as follows: Bayos, $2 50@3; Butter, $1@1 35; Pink $1 60@1 70; Red, $3@2 12½. Lima, $1 50@1 60; Small White, $1 25@1 65; Pea, $1 50@1 60 ⅌ ctl.

VEGETABLES—Rhubarb and Asparagus are both in moderate supply. Tomatoes of good quality are wanted. Asparagus, 12@15c; Rhubarb, 11c ⅌ lb; Tomatoes, $1 50@2 ⅌ box; Sprouts, 2@3c ⅌ lb; Artichokes, 30c ⅌ dozen; Cucumbers, 50c@$1 50 ⅌ doz.; Carrots, 30@50c; Turnips, 50@60c ⅌ ctl; Beets, 40@60c ⅌ ctl; Parsnips, $1 ⅌ ctl; Cauliflower, 40@60c ⅌ dozen; Cabbage, 50@60c ⅌ ctl; Garlic, 6@8c ⅌ lb; Celery, 50c ⅌ dozen; Dried Peppers, 12@18c ⅌ lb; Green do, 10@12c ⅌ lb; Green Peas, 4@6c ⅌ lb; Dried Okra, 20@30c ⅌ lb; Marrowfat Squash, $8@10 ⅌ ton; Hubbard Squash, $8@8 ⅌ ton.

FRUIT—Trade continues quiet. We quote: Apples, 75c@$1 for common, and $1 25@2 ⅌ box for good to choice: Lemons—Malaga, $4 50; do Sicily, $5@5 50; do California, 80c@$1 25 ⅌ box for ordinary, and $2@2 25 for Sicily seed; Mexican Limes, $11 50@12; California do, 50c@$1 25 ⅌ box; Oranges, California, $1 25@1 40 ⅌ box for common, $1 75@2 for Riverside, and $3 50@4 25 for Navel; Bananas, $1 50@3 ⅌ bunch; Pineapples, $5@6 ⅌ dozen; Cranberries, $18@20 ⅌ bbl.

DRIED FRUIT—Sun-dried Apples, 2½@3c ⅌ lb for sliced and 2@2½c for quartered; Alden and Plummer, 4c; Apricots, 9c; Blackberries, 9c; Figs, 4c for pressed and 2c for unpressed; Smyrna do, 16c for layers, and 11½@12½c for kegs; Nectarines, 5c; Peaches, 14@15c for peeled, 7@8c for unpeeled; Pears, 4c for whole and 3@4c for sliced; machine dried, 8c; Plums, 7½c for pitted and 1½c for unpitted; German Prunes, 5c; French Prunes, 6c ⅌ lb; Raisins, new crop Layers, $1 75@2; loose Muscatelle, $1 50 ⅌ box.

HONEY—We quote: Comb, 7@8c; Extracted, 4@5c ⅌ lb.

BUTTER—Market abundantly furnished, and weak prices. Fancy, 2@22½c; choice, 21@21½c; fair to good, 18@20c; mixed store shipments, dull at 12@15c; pickled roll, good to choice, 16@18c; firkin, 18@20c for good to choice, and 15@16c for ordinary to fair; Eastern, 12½@15c ⅌ lb.

CHEESE—Unchanged. Quotable at 12@13c; inferior grades, 6@10c; Eastern, 17@18c; Western, 12½@15c ⅌ lb.

EGGS—Stocks are quite large. Quotable at 17@18c ⅌ dozen.

POULTRY—Turkeys sell at a shade advance. Ducks also show a small improvement. We quote prices as follows: Live Turkeys—gobblers, 12@13c; hens, 16@18c; dressed, 16@20c ⅌ lb; Roosters, $5 for old, and $6@6 50 for young; Hens, $6@7 50; Broilers, $5@5 50, as to size; Ducks, $6 50@8 ⅌ doz; Geese, $2@2 50 ⅌ pair.

GAME—We quote: Quail, 90c@$1; Hare, $1 25@1 50; Rabbits, $1 for small and $1 @1 25 for Cottontail; Mallard Ducks, $3@3 50; Canvasback, $8@3 50; Sprig, $1 25@1 50; Teal, $1; Widgeon, 75c@$1; small Ducks, 50@75c; Grey Geese, $2@2 50 ⅌ dozen; White Geese, $1@1 25 ⅌ dozen; Brant, $1@1 25 ⅌ dozen; Honkers, $3@4; English Snipe, $1 50@1 75; common do, 50c ⅌ dozen.

PROVISIONS—Eastern Hams quotable at 13@13½c for Four Ace, Dupee's and Whittaker's other brands, 12½@13c ⅌ lb. California, 11½@12½c for salt and sugar-cured. Eastern Breakfast Bacon, 13½@14c; California Bacon, 10½@11c for heavy and medium, and 12c for light medium, and 12½@13½c for light and extra light; Clear Sides, 11@12c; Pork, $15@15 50 for extra prime, $18@18 50 for prime mess, $19 50@20 for mess, $20@20 50 for clear, $22@22 50 for extra clear; Pigs' feet, $16@18; Mess Beef, $15 50@16 for bbls, $8 50@9 for hf bbls; Extra Mess Beef, $16@16 50 for bbls, $8@8 75 for hf-bbls; Family Beef, $18@19 ⅌ bbl; California Smoked Beef, 15@15½c ⅌ lb; Beef Tongues, $9 50@10 ⅌ dozen; Eastern Lard, 11@11½c for tierces, and 11½c ⅌ lb for pails; California do, 10 lb tins, 8@8½c; 5-lb tins, 9@9½c; pails, 10½@11c for 10-lb, 11@@11½c for 5-lb, and 11½@12c ⅌ lb for 3-lb pails.

WOOL—There is no business in progress. We quote Fall:

Northern, free, ⅌ lb	12@14c
Northern, defective	9@11
Mountain, free	9@12
San Joaquin plains	6@8
Southern coast	6@8
Eastern Oregon, fair to good	14@16

FRESH MEATS—Following are rates for whole carcasses from slaughterers to dealers: Beef—First quality, 8½@9c; second quality, 7@7½c; third quality, 6½@7c ⅌ lb. Veal—Quotable at 9@12c ⅌ lb. Mutton—Wethers are quotable at at 6½c ⅌ lb, and Ewes at 6c ⅌ lb. Lamb—Quotable at 12@15c ⅌ lb for Spring. Pork—Live Hogs, 4½@5½c for hard grain Hogs on foot; dressed do, 6¼@7½c ⅌ lb.

General Merchandise.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 27th.

BAGS AND BAGGING—The steamer from Hongkong brought a small consignment of Jute from Calcutta, presumably for the local mill, which resumed operations early in January. The first vessel with Wheat Bags from Calcutta is now due, being 117 days out. The market is said to be firm for June and July delivery at 6½@6¾c; Wool Bags, 35@40c; Potato Gunnies, 10½@11c apiece.

BOOTS AND SHOES—The opening trade sale of the season by Newhall's Sons & Co. will be held on March 23. The catalogue comprises 1,000 cases Boots, Shoes and Gaiters for men and boys, and 1,200 dozen similar goods for women and children. These goods are from the best local and Eastern factories, and will be offered on liberal credit.

BRICK—English Fire are jobbing at $32 50@35 ⅌ thousand; English Bath, 50c ⅌ dozen; California building descriptions, $6 50@11 ⅌ thousand.

BROOMS—A local manufacturer publishes his price list as follows: Common Patent No. 3, $1 75; do ring necks, $1 50; Extra Patent, $2 50 for No. 1, $2 25 for No. 2, and $2 for No. 3; Ladies' Delight, $3; Patent Cap (Eastern Brush), $4, $3 50 and $3 25 for the three numbers; Eureka, $3 50, $3 25 and $3 for the three numbers; Mill and Stable, $3 and $2 50; Ship, $1 50; painted handles, 25c extra; galvanized bands, 50c extra; Toy Brooms, $1 75; 1 and 2 string velvet tops, $1 50, 3 string velvet tops, $1 75; patent ferrule handle, $1 75 ⅌ dozen.

CANDLES—The product of the local Candle factories is quoted as follows: San Francisco Crystal Wax, 16½c for 16 oz, and 14½c for 14 oz; Stearic Acid, 14 oz, 13½c; Star, 14 oz, 13c; Eagle, 12 oz, 11c; Cincinnati, 12 oz, 11c; Mission Chemical Wax, 14 oz, 16c; do 16 oz, 17½c; solar sperm, 14 oz, 16c; do 16 oz, 16c; Adamantine, 12 oz, 12c; Eastern brands vary from 8c to 17c; Sperm, 50c; Paraffine, 17@18c ⅌ lb.

CEMENT—Invoices from ship both Eastern and foreign continue to be offered low. Following are the jobbing rates for this and kindred kinds: Eastern Cement, $2 15@2 25; foreign do, $3 25 to $3 50 ⅌ bbl. Golden Gate Plaster, $2 75@3; Wotherspoon Plaster, $3@3 25; Santa Cruz Lime, $1 50@1 75 ⅌ bbl; Land Plaster, $12 50 ⅌ ton; Fire Clay, $4 ⅌ bbl for American and $5 for kaolin, brick dust, $4@5 ⅌ bbl; Cattle Hair, 2½c; Goat's Hair, 4c ⅌ lb.

CHICORY—California, 3¾@6¼c; English and German, 6@6½c ⅌ lb.

CASE GOODS—A leading local canning firm quotes Jellies of all kinds in 2-lb tins at $2 25@2 50 per dozen; Assorted, Apricot, Plum, Pear, Peach, Gooseberry and Quince, Plums, 2-lb tins, $2 25@2 50; Blackberry and Currant Jams, $2 50@2 75; Raspberry and Strawberry Jams, $2 75@3 per dozen, 2-lb tins. The same firm quotes table fruits as follows, in 2½-lb tins:

Assorted	$2 00@2 25
Blackberries	2 25@2 50
Gooseberries	2 25@2 50
Raspberries	2 75@3 00
Strawberries	2 75@3 00
Black Cherries	2 25@2 50
White Cherries	2 75@3 00
Currants	2 25@2 50
Grape, Muscatel	2 00@2 25
Apples	1 75@2 00
Pears, Bartlett	2 75@3 50
Plums, Assorted	2 00@2 25
Coes G. Drop	2 00@2 25
Damson	2 00@2 25
Egg	2 00@2 25
Green Gage	2 00@2 25
Prunes, German	2 00@2 25
Apricots	2 00@2 25
Nectarines	2 25@2 50
Peaches, Y. F.	2 25@2 50
Quinces	2 25@2 50

COAL—Receipts the past week have been comparatively light, and prices continue low for this market, though relatively much higher here than in any Atlantic city. For the first 25 days of February the receipts were 63,000 tons. The San Francisco Gaslight Company is selling Coke at 50c ⅌ bbl by wholesale and 60c by retail. We quote coast Coals as follows: Coos Bay, $6 50@7; Renton and Seattle from ship's side or from Coal bunkers on wharf, $7 50; Cedar Mountain, $8@8 50 for Southfield Steam, and $9@9 50 for Southfield for domestic use; Wellington, $9 50@10.

COFFEE—The last steamer brought over 8,000 bags from Central America, the largest consignment of new crop this season. This will come on the market to-day. The previous steamer brought only a small quantity of Salvador, which induced dealers to take all of that description offered, say 2,000 bags, at 10c for good green unwashed, leaving only 1,700 bags in first hands at higher figures. There is a good demand for Guatemala for St. Louis. The range for ordinary to prime grades of Central American is 9@12½c.

CORDAGE—Sisal, 1¼ inch and upwards, 9½c; 12 thread, 10c; 6 and 9 thread, 10½c; Bale Rope, Tarred Rope, Lath Yarn and Shingle Yarn, Twine for Hop and for Grape Vines, 9½c; Twine for Paper and Bed Springs, 10½c; Manila, 1¼ inch and upward, and also Rope for the transmission of power, Bale Rope, Tarred Rope, Tarred Lanyard, Lath Yarn and Shingle Yarn, and Twine for Hop and Grape Vines, 10c; 12 thread, 15½c; 6 and 9 thread, 16c; Cables and Sand Pump Lines for Well-boring, and Twine for Paper and Bed Springs, 16c; all other kinds, 16½@17c. Discount on invoices of 10,000 lbs. Terms, 60 days, or 1½ per cent off for cash. Cartage on all deliveries.

DRY GOODS—Brown Drill, 30 inch goods, are jobbing at 8¼@9c; Brown sheetings, 36 inch, 7¾@8c; Brown shirtings, 30 inch, 6@7c; Apron and Furniture Check, 14@17c; bleached and colored Cambrics, 5½@6c; heavy Denims, 28 inch, 16@18c; Cotton Flannel, 8½@12c for light, and 14½@22½c for heavy; Hickory Stripes, 11@12c; Prints, 6½@7c; Kentucky Jeans, 19@30c.

FISH—Pacific Codfish 4¼c in 50 lb bdls; 5c in 100 lb cases and 6c for 50 lb boxes boneless. Canned Salmon $1@1 10; Eastern Codfish, 7@7½c ⅌ lb; Eastern Mackerel, $1 65@2 for No. 1 in 15 lb kits and $2 75@3 for Mess in 15 lb kits.

LEATHER—Sole, 27@30c for good heavy, 24@27c for good medium, and 22@24c ⅌ lb for good light; Buff, 14@15c ⅌ foot; Side, 14@16c ⅌ foot; Calf Sides, 60@75c ⅌ lb; Kip Skins, 45@55c ⅌ dozen; Harness Leather, 32½@35c ⅌ lb for heavy and 25@30c for No. 2.

LUMBER—Nothing doing in cargo lots and prices for same are $1 50 to $2 below the following rates, which are for retail lots:

Rough Pine, merchantable, per M feet	$18 50
Rough Pine, No. 2	14 50
Rough Redwood, No. 1	19 50
Rough Redwood, No. 2	15 50
1x6 T. & G. No. 1, Pine	28 00
1x6 T. & G. No. 2, Pine	23 00
1x4 and 1¼x4x6 T. & G. No. 1, Pine	29 00
1x4 and 1¼x4x6 T. & G. No. 2, Pine	24 00
Stepping, Pine	29 00
Surface Redwood, No. 1	35 00
1x4 T. & G Redwood, 12 ft. and over	33 00
1x6 T. & G. Redwood, 12 ft. and over	32 00
1x4 and 6 T. & G Redwood, No. 2	27 00
½ inch	30 00
Fancy Pickets	25 00
Rough Pickets	15 00
Rough Square	13 00
Shingles	2 00

MATCHES—Percussion, 32½c; Telegraph, 50c; Eastern Parlor, $1 65.

METALS—An invoice of 900 pigs Sydney Tin arrived on the 22d. The iron foundries were closed last week pending a strike against a reduction of 15 per cent. in wages. They have now resumed, but business is notably light. Clipper Gap (California) Pig Iron is quoted at $23@00 ⅌ ton. Nos. 1 to 4 we quote as follows for other kinds: Coke Tin, $5 25@5 50; Roofing Tin, $5 75; Charcoal Tin, $6 50@6 75 ⅌ box; Yellow Metal, 20@22c; English Cast Steel, 14@15c; Sheet Zinc, 8½@9c; Pig Lead, 4@4½c; Bar Lead, 5½@6c; Lead Pipe, 7@8c; Sheet Lead, 8@8½c; Bar Copper, 13c; Pig Tin, 19c ⅌ lb.

NAILS—Eastern factories report a rising tendency, and prices there are relatively higher than here. Our local factory is selling at $3 15 ⅌ keg for 10d to 60d.

OIL—China Nut, 63@65c; California Castor, $1 45 for No. 1 and $1 25 No. 2; refined Cocoanut, 45@50c; California Linseed, in single barrels, 55c for raw and 60c for boiled; Petroleum, 11c⅌, in cases, 17@21c; do, 150⅌, 24@30c; pure winter strained Lard, 75c, in barrels, and 80c in tins; Possel Olive, $4 50@4 50; Flagniol Olive, $3 25@3 50; Dured do, $5 10@5 15; extra fine kinds, $7@8 ⅌ dozen quarts. The Arctic Oil Works quotations are as follows: Sperm, Crude, 90c; Natural Winter, $1 08; Bleached do, $1 13; Whale, Coast, 54@55c; Natural Winter, 56c; do Spring, 58c; Bleached Winter, 61@62c; do Spring, 60c; Extra Bleached, Coast, 62c; do Northern, 63@64c ⅌ gallon.

PAINTS—Pioneer White Lead, product of local factory, 6@6½c.

PAPER—California Straw Wrapping, 80c, 90c, $1 and $1 10 ⅌ ream for the four styles.

QUICKSILVER—The price in London is £6 15s. Here the demand is very dull at $33 ⅌ flask.

RICE—The arrivals of new crop mixed China have thus far been light, and the quotations are $4 75@4 80 ⅌ two mats; old crop do, $4 50@4 60; No. 2 China, $4 25@4 50; No. 1 do, $4 80@5 25; extra No. 1 China, $6@6 20; Hawaiian, 5@6½c.

RUBBER GOODS—The net prices for three-ply and four-ply Rubber Hose are 7@19c for ¾ inch, 7@23c for ¾ inch, 16@31c for 1 inch, 20@39c for 1¼ inch, 24@47c for 1½ inch, 32@62½c for 2 inch, and 40c@$1 for 2 inch; Suction Hose, 37c@50c for 1 inch, 50@82½c for 1½ inch, and 75c@$1 50 for 2 inch; Steam Fire Engine Hose, 80c@$1 25. These are the prices of the Gutta Percha and Rubber Manufacturing Company.

SALT—Liverpool from warehouse is quoted at $22 50 for Higgins', $18 for Marshall's and $16 for all other brands; Carmen Island, $13@15 for coarse and $22@25 for fine; California, $16@12 for coarse and $14@16 for fine.

SOAP—We quote Pale at 6@6c, and Chemical Olive at 7@9c ⅌ lb.

SPICES—Cassia, 6@6½c; Cloves, 14½@15c; Nutmegs, 48@50c; Mace, 40@41c; Pepper, 15½@17½c; Pimento, 6½@6½c ⅌ lb.

STARCH—Kingsford's Pure, 7c in barrels and 7½c in boxes; Silver Gloss, 8½c in barrels and 9@9½c in boxes; Oswego Corn, 9@9½c. These prices are substantially the same as for other brands.

SUGAR—Since the reduction on the 7th the local refineries have been crowded with orders. Of course the larger refinery gets the most business. By way of protecting itself from a purely speculative demand, it has advanced its rates on Yellows ⅛c, and notified buyers that prices ruling on the day of delivery will be charged. This is to shut out orders ahead of the real consumptive demand. The other refinery is said to have followed suit on Yellows, but we have no confirmation of it from official sources, and so make no change. The feature of the week has been the arrival of large quantities of Hawaiian for the California Refinery, and a large cargo of Manila for the American Refinery. Since the 20th instant the ates in 25-bbl lots at both refineries have been as follows:

	American Refinery.	California Refinery.
Extra Fine Cube	7c	.....
(A) Patent Cube	.....	7c
(A) Crushed	7	7
(A) Loaves	8	.....
Fine Crushed	7	7
Powdered	7¼	.....
Extra Powdered	.....	7
Extra Fine Powdered	8	.....
Dry Granulated	6¾	6¾
Extra Granulated	.....	6½
XX Dry Granulated	6¼	.....
Confectioners' (A)	6½	.....
Extra C	5½	5¾
Golden C	5	5¼
El Dorado C	4¾	.....
Nonpareil C	4¾	.....
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SYRUP—The product of the local refiners is quoted as follows:

	American.	California.
Bbls	30c	35c
Hf. bbls	32½	37½
Kegs, 5 galls	40	42½
Tins, 1 gall	50	52½

TEA—Good medium grades of Japan are jobbing at 32½@37½c.

WOODENWARE—The price-list of the Coos Bay Stave and Lumber Company's product is in part as follows: Pails, painted, 3 hoops, $2 50 per dozen; varnished do brass hoops, $2 75; varnished do galvanized hoops, $3; White Pails galvanized hoops, $3@3 50; brass-bound, $6@7 50; Lard Pails covered, $2 25@2 50; Flour, $10, $7 50 and $5 50, for the three sizes; Feed and Stable, $5@6 50 for cedar, and $7 50@9 for oak; Deck Buckets, $5@5 50; Well Buckets, $7 50@10 50; Water Kegs, $4 50@5 per dozen; Tubs, painted, $9@20 per dozen, or $8 per nest; varnished do, $9@21; white do, $14@20 per dozen; Keelers, $2 50@6 for plain, and $5@9 per dozen for brass-bound; Family Washboards, $2; double zinc do, $3 50; laundry, $5 per dozen.

WOOLEN GOODS—Pioneer Blanketing is quoted as follows: Vienna and Brown, 72 inch, 32 oz., $2 50 ⅌ yard; Gray, same width and weight, $1 87½; Gray, same width, 24 oz., $1; Gray, 54 inch, 16 oz., 80c; White sluice, 60 inch, $2 50; Pioneer flannels, ¾ gray, or white twilled, 7 oz., 50c; same, 5 oz., 40c; Scarlet and dark blue, 6 oz and 40c ⅌ 4½ oz.; white, plain fulled, $1 10; 32 inch do, $1 25; 6-4 French plaids, $1 20; do ¾ extra heavy, 65c; Opera flannels, 35@37½c; Honeycomb flannels, $2 25@2 75 ⅌ yard.

EASTERN AND FOREIGN MARKETS.

NEW YORK, February 27th.

BREADSTUFFS—Flour is quiet and Wheat is unsettled and lower.

WOOL—California is steady at 9@10c for fall burry, and 12@18c for clean fall; spring burry, 10@15c; clean spring 16@25c; pulled, 35@55c.

HIDES—California are quiet and steady at 21c.

GOAT'S HAIR, 4c ⅌ lb.

CHICAGO, February 27th.

WHEAT—75¼c for February, 75¾c for March, 75½c for April, and 80½c for May.

BARLEY—No. 2, cash, 63@66c, nominal.

CORN—40⅞c for May.

PORK—$12 87½ for May.

LARD—$7 05 for May.

RIBS—$6 45 for May.

SHORT RIBS—$6 55 for March.

LIVERPOOL, February 27th.

WHEAT—Downward tendency. California spot lots, 6s 8d to 6s 11d off coast, 35s; just shipped, 35s; nearly due, 35s; cargoes off coast, few bids in market; on passage, depressed. Quantity of Wheat on passage to Continent, 370,000 qrs; Wheat and Flour to U. K., 2,800,000.

Education of Girls in Ireland.

The Board of Intermediate Education in Ireland has issued a new programme, in which it is proposed to remove Greek, Celtic, plane trigonometery and elementary mechanics from the girls' curriculum; also to lower the marks in Latin, chemistry and natural philosophy. The advocates for the proposed change base their argument on the ground that the vast mass of Irish girls are not anxious to compete in the higher studies. The Irish teachers are opposed to the change. They declare that "such a movement would be entirely of a retrograde character, and would undo the work of years." Meetings have been held by the Schoolmasters' and Schoolmistresses' Association, at which memorials were drawn up to present to the Intermediate Board, asking that they reconsider their determination. The Royal Irish University has a common course of study, regardless of sex. If these girls in the intermediate schools are prevented from attending elementary classes in certain studies, it will not be possible for them to pass with honors at the university examinations. This is one argument made in the memorial. Another is, that the proposed change will, if carried out, place Irish girls at a great disadvantage, compared with the English and Scotch girls who have passed through the full university curriculum. These will naturally have the first choice of situations or employment. If these memorials have no effect on the Commissioners of the Intermediate Board, it is proposed to apply to Parliament to prevent this radical change in the education of girls in Ireland.—[Exchange.

Roller Skating Flirtation.

Lying on the left side, "My heart is at your feet."

Lying on the right side, "I have money in the bank."

Standing on your nose, "I have no objection to a mother-in-law."

Jumping on your skates, "I'm afraid I can't trust you."

Lying on your back, "Assist me."

One leg in the air means "Catch me."

Two legs in the air means "Mashed."

One skate in your mouth, "Crushed again."

Hitting on the back of your head with your heel, "I am gone."

Suddenly placing your legs horizontally on the floor like the letter V indicates, "I am paralyzed."

Punching your neighbor in the stomach with your left foot, "I'm onto your little game."

A backward flip of the heels and sudden cohesion of the knees to the floor indicates "May I skate the next music with you?" [Norristown Herald.

THE FIRST INHABITANTS OF ENGLAND. We are sometimes much impressed when old cities are dug out of the dust of centuries, and the works of a people, whose very name has been lost for ages, are brought once more to the light of day. We regard with something akin to awe the remains of ancient halls where the soldiers and statesmen of a bygone age acted their various parts on the stage of common life. We speculate on the many centuries that have passed, and the great changes that have occurred, on this earthly scene; but the researches of our author carry us back to a period so remote that the earliest works of man are but as yesterday when compared with them, and to changes so great that we can scarcely realize them. At that time man had not yet appeared on the world; this island of ours had not yet been formed, at least in its present shape, and the place that it now occupies was inhabited by strange and weird forms of animal life. In fact, the kingdoms he describes to us are not those of men, but of reptiles, who at that time seemed to be the rulers of the earth. The earth, the air, the sea appear to have swarmed with unearthly-looking gigantic lizards, flying dragons, crocodiles, alligators, serpents, and other noxious and formidable animals. We can scarcely believe that these inhabitants of tropical and warm climates once dwelt where the island of Great Britain now stands.—[Cassell's Magazine.

Frederick the Great, having appointed a man of infamous character as Minister to England, sneeringly asked Hugh Elliott what they thought of him in London. "Digne representant de votre Majeste," answered Hugh Elliott bowing to the ground—a revenge, he said, that Satan might have envied.—[Temple Bar.

"BROWN'S Bronchial Troches" will relieve bronchitis, asthma, catarrh and throat diseases.

A DRUGGISTS' STORY.

Mr. Isaac C. Chapman, Druggist, Newburg, N Y., writes us: "I have for the past ten years sold several gross of DR. WILLIAM HALL'S BALSAM FOR THE LUNGS. I can say of it what I cannot say of any other medicine. I have never heard a customer speak of it but to praise its virtues in the highest manner. I have recommended it in a great many cases of Whooping Cough, with the happiest effects. I have used it in my own family; in fact, always have a bottle in the medicine closet ready for use." fe21-1y&w1y

The Story of Vesuvius.

A little more than eighteen centuries since the form of the mountain was totally different; its hight was probably some hundred yards less than at present, its outline a blunt, truncated cone, having a wide crater at the summit; no eruption in the memory of man had disturbed the peace of the district; scarce a tradition of such an occurrence appears to have lingered. The floor of the crater was overgrown with brushwood and trees; its walls were festooned with ivy and the wild vine. Once only does it become prominent in history, when the Capuan gladiators sheltered themselves for awhile in this natural hillfort, from which, under command of Spartacus, they escaped to begin the Servile War. In the year 79 of the present era there was a change; earthquakes agitated the neighboring district, and at last the imprisoned fires broke forth. From the crater of Vesuvius a huge dark cloud rose into the air, spreading itself out like a great pine tree; presently a hail of red-hot scoria came rattling down over the flanks of the mountain, and as night fell the cloud grew larger and darker, and the shower of stones became thicker, heavier and more widely spread. All night long the darkness for many a mile was rendered blacker still by the thickly-falling scoria, though illuminated at intervals by a lurid gleam from the mountain, and rendered yet more awful by the incessant earthquake shocks. Morning dawned at last, and later still the air cleared; half the ancient crater-wall had vanished, leaving the fragment which now bears the name of Somma, while beneath its ruins Herculaneum, Pompeii and Stabæ lay buried, and the ground, even at Misenum, was white as snow with the fallen ashes.—[Picturesque Europe.

Fast Time in an Ice Boat.

The ice boat Hope, of Burlington, N. J., carrying its owner, J. W. Fennimore, and Rufus G. Wilkins, of this city, made the excellent time of half a mile in 29 seconds on Thursday, and is said to have done even better on a former occasion.

"It was bewildering, whirling the wind out of us and into us at the same time," said Mr. Wilkins yesterday. "It takes a steady hand and quick eye to handle one of the machines when it blows hard, especially on a wind and over rough ice. One moment she is up on the leeward runner, and the next she cants to the windward, and then makes a fearful leap in the air and does not reach the ice again in a hundred feet. Sailing on the ice may be called the 'poetry of motion,' but there is a scared-to-death sort of ecstacy thrown in.

"Eighty miles an hour is claimed for a recent improved model—in fact, there is no limit to speed when approaching the wind, if the ice is suitable. The movements are peculiar, with conflicting sensations that hardly admit of explanation. The desire that some people have to leap from a giddy hight is doubtless the same. The Hope sailed from Burlington to Camden in 60 minutes, the first and only time an ice boat has been over the course, the ice being rough, with many obstructions. We expect to have another sail in a few days."—[Philadelphia Times.

IF IT WAS POSSIBLE TO GO THROUGH LIFE without once taking a cold,