

UP TO EXPECTATIONS

Bradstreet's Declares the Spring Trade of '98.

EFFECT OF WAR NEWS

As an Uplifting Influence is Considered By Dun's.

New York, June 10.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say: Accompanying reports of a seasonable quieting down of the spring demand for and movement of merchandise, come proofs that the spring business of the year of 1898, with a few notable exceptions has largely met expectations. Particularly confirming this latter view of the case are the heavy totals of bank clearings, large earnings, heavy exports, and a total of failures well below the normal and exceptional steadiness in prices, following the notable advances registered some time ago. Weak or lower prices for a number of cereals during the past week, in the face of a heavy export business, point to the very good crop prospects for wheat and other grains, inducing holders toward parting with their stocks. Statistics of pig iron production point to a slight reduction in the output during the month just closed, due largely to shut-downs for repairs, but the failure of stocks to accumulate gives proof that the immense recent production has been met by an equally large consumptive demand. The leading feature of the week in the iron trade has been the collapse of the so-called "gentlemen's agreement" in the southern iron industry, and prices are lower as a consequence, but an advance in December pig is taken to indicate that the makers are getting in better shape to control the output than for some time past. The features of the iron and steel trade are the numerous small orders amounting to a fairly large aggregate for immediate delivery, and the booking of a number of orders for finished products for export, but new business on next season's account does not come forward very quickly. Following the little lull in the demand for raw wool, largely on army orders, has come a perceptibly less active demand for this staple at the east, and the unsatisfactory conditions in the manufacturing trades reflected in talk of curtailment of production. The tone of cottons remains fairly firm, and most makers of gingham have been advanced, but cuts in some makes of prints are announced to clear up stocks. Features of the price situation this week are the steadiness of nearly all classes of groceries, of raw cotton and prices of print cloths and of hides, leather and lumber, while decreases are reported in the cereals, lard, copper and steel rails. Cereal exports are slightly smaller than last week but are still far above the totals in the corresponding weeks of the previous years. Wheat exports this week aggregate 4,200,000 bushels, against 5,245,000 bushels last week; 1,500,000 bushels in the week a year ago; 2,822,000 bushels in 1896 and 1,801,000 bushels in 1895. Corn exports for the week are 4,774,000 bushels, against 5,667,000 bushels last week, 2,388,000 bushels in this week a year ago, 1,577,000 bushels in 1896 and 650,000 bushels in 1895. Business failures in the Dominion of Canada this week number 26, against 21 last week, 38 in this week a year ago, 33 in 1896 and 21 in 1895. Business failures this week number 221, an increase over the week of 42, but comparing with a total in this week last year of 256, in 1896 of 224, in 1895 of 222 and in 1894 of 227.



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ance to the United States on merchandise transactions and it will save speculators much trouble and loss to keep the fact in mind. Men talk as if wheat had gone down out of sight, but the collapse of the more evident that the outside world requires nearly if not quite all the wheat this country can spare. Last week Atlantic exports, four included, were 4,206,255 bushels, against 1,634,000 last year, and Pacific exports were 25,223, against 15,232 last year, and it is close to the end of the season. Over 29,000,000 bushels of wheat have already been exported, and almost 29,000,000 bushels of corn, 4,154,889 bushels during the past week, against 1,757,000 last year, and the market is justified in feeling that those who have gone so far beyond all precedent in defying current repairs are entitled to pay for it. Iron and steel production has declined because several establishments have stopped for repairs. Yet the weekly output June 1, 23,237 tons, against 23,163 May 1, with the usual stock, which decreased 15,142 tons during the month, indicate a consumption weekly of 23,370 tons, against 78,358 in April, so that the ablest iron journals are in error in saying that the apparent consumption does not keep with the production of one million tons monthly. Eastern markets are much more embarrassed than before, while the western are crowded beyond all precedent. But prices are not changing in either sections.

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BANK CLEARINGS

Table with columns for City, Clearances, Inc. Dec., and other financial data for various cities including New York, Boston, Chicago, Philadelphia, etc.

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READY TO BE SIGNED

War Revenue Bill Passes the Senate 43 to 22.

HAWAII IN THE HOUSE

Vote Will Be Taken on the Resolution Wednesday.

Washington, June 10.—Shortly after 4 o'clock this afternoon the conference report on the war revenue bill was agreed to by the senate, after a discussion lasting four hours. The debate on the measure was without special interest and was entirely devoid of acrimonious features. The bill as agreed-upon by the conference was reasonably satisfactory to everybody except as to the bond provision. The votes cast against the adoption of the report reflected the opinions of those senators who are opposed to any increase in the interest-bearing debt of the country. The report was agreed to by the decisive vote of 43 to 22. Every Republican voted for the measure, and their votes were supplemented by those of eight Democrats, one silver Republican, and one Independent. The Democrats who voted for the adoption of the report were Messrs. Caffery, Gorman, Lindsay, McEnery, Mitchell, Morgan, Murphy, and Turpie; the silver Republican was Mr. Mantle; and the Independent was Mr. Kyle. The vote against the report was cast by 18 Democrats, three silver Republicans and three Populists.

TWO BACHELORS OF ARTS

And Seven Pharmaceutical Chemists Graduated at Norman. Norman, O. T. June 10.—[Special.]—Last night marked a milestone in the progress of Oklahoma—an epoch in the history of the educational institutions of the territory. Being the annual commencement of the University of Oklahoma and the conferring of the first Bachelor of Arts degree upon graduates in the territory. The recipients of this honor were Carlton Ross Hume and Roy Phillion Sloops.

VOTE ON HAWAII'S ANNEXATION

Will Be Taken in the House Wednesday at 5 o'clock. Washington, June 10.—The feature of today's session of the house was the securing of an agreement to consider and vote upon the Newland's resolution to annex Hawaii. Beginning tomorrow the debate will proceed until 5 o'clock next Wednesday afternoon, when a vote will be taken. The annexationists came today determined to force consideration and for three hours the opposition filibustered. Consideration of the resolution today could have been prevented, as under the rules of the house, an approved article, generally would have been taken at 5 o'clock, but it was plain that the annexationists would win their victory tomorrow. Realizing this and knowing the resolution would pass and go to the country, involving a prominent issue, the opposition treated for liberal debate and their demands were granted readily. Eight Democrats voted with the annexationists in the movement today to force the consideration of the resolution. They were Messrs. Berry, (Ken), Davies (Col.), Livingston, (Ga.), Brucker, (Mich.), Cummings, (Iowa), and Volahge (N. Y.), and Cochran (Mo.). It is claimed that at least 20 Democrats will favor the passage of the resolutions.

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livered the annual address to the faculty and students before a large and demonstrative audience. The exercises culminated in the fine program of commencement day proper. The assembly hall was packed with people and resplendent with flowers and tasteful decorations. The graduating orations were uniformly fine, the music was inspiring and Bishop Brooks' address was superb—worthy to be written on the heart of every listener. His subject was "Higher Education and the Practical Side of Life." The degree of Bachelor of Science was conferred upon the seven graduates amid the friendly applause of the audience. Following is the program: 1. Oration. 2. Invocation. 3. Quinet, "Euterpe"—Lacombe. Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Swiler, Mr. Swiler. 4. "What Fools these Mortals Be"—Mr. Wilcox, Mr. Scott. 5. "The Democracy of Education"—John T. Clark. 6. Oration. 7. "The Scholar as a Citizen"—Augustus G. Ford. 8. Oration. 9. "Past, Present and Future"—Noris T. Gilbert. 10. "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"—Thomas J. Hartman. 11. "Our Utopia"—Emma H. Swapp. 12. "Crossing the Rubicon"—Millard. 13. "What Next?"—Mr. Wilcox, D. Wykoff. 14. Commencement Address—Mrs. Stevenson, Miss Thatcher. 15. "What Next?"—Mr. Wilcox, D. Wykoff. 16. "Our Utopia"—Emma H. Swapp. 17. "Crossing the Rubicon"—Millard. 18. Solo, "Ariel's Serenade"—Braga. 19. "America"—Mrs. Scott. 20. Benediction.

This closes the most successful year of the college. The prospects of the institution are bright indeed. Fifty new students were enrolled during the spring term alone. The regents at their current meeting, have accepted plans for the new building, and its construction will be under the direction of Architect Douglas of Oklahoma City. The building will be completed by the opening of the fall term, and as soon as it is finished funds practically unlimited are at hand to equip it. This will be a most popular and practical department of the college. The regents also provided for a department of music, which will be under the direction of Mrs. Stevenson of Stillwater. Two of the graduating class, Mr. Ford and Mr. Morris, were elected as second assistants in the departments of chemistry and physics, respectively.

GOVERNMENT COTTON REPORT

Average 6.8 Per Cent Less; Condition 2 Points Better. Washington, June 10.—The final reports of a governmental department on cotton planting make the area planted 24,824,344 acres, against 24,911,344 acres last year, a reduction of 1,831,000 acres, or 6.3 per cent. The average condition on June 1 was 69, compared with 83.5 at the corresponding date last year and with an average general condition for the last ten years of 64.1.

SPAIN ON HER PRAYER BONES

Interest of the queen regent, which might perhaps give fatal offense. Nevertheless, a decided opinion is held that the time for intervention is very near at hand, although a hesitation to take the first step is evident everywhere. The probability is that Russia will undertake the initiative within one or two days. It is known that the American government has become more approachable on the subject of intervention. With regard to the Philippines, no doubt exists in official minds in Vienna that the islands can not remain in the hands of America. The insurgents there reject all foreign aid, and moreover, it is scarcely conceivable that America could provide a sufficient force to enable her to take full possession of an extensive group of islands. The probability is that the powers will find a way out of the difficulty by establishing a sort of protectorate, which perhaps England might undertake. One fact, however, is incontrovertible, the united cabinets are agreed that the Philippines must remain in open market for the commerce of the world.

BASEBALL

Table listing baseball games and scores for various teams including Baltimore, Louisville, St. Louis, etc.

WESTERN LEAGUE GAMES

Table listing Western League games and scores for teams like Detroit, Kansas City, Minneapolis, etc.

WESTERN ASSOCIATION GAMES

Table listing Western Association games and scores for teams like Ottumwa, Rock Island, St. Joseph, etc.

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GOVERNMENT CROP REPORT

Wheat, 48,000,000 Acres; Average Condition of Spring 100.9, Winter 90.8. Washington, June 10.—Preliminary returns of the spring wheat acreage, with the two Dakotas in particular subject to revision, indicate a total area seeded of 48,000,000 acres, which, added to the acre in winter wheat, 25,500,000 acres, makes a total wheat acreage of 73,500,000, or rather over 1,500,000 acres greater than last year. There is an increase of 5 per

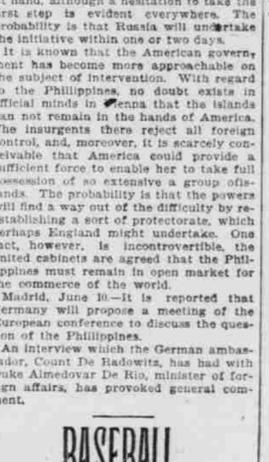
cent in Minnesota, 13 in Iowa, 10 in Nebraska, 11 in North Dakota, 8 in South Dakota, 8 in Oregon and 20 in Washington. The average condition of winter wheat is 80.8 as compared with 78.4 at the corresponding date last year, and 81.6 the corresponding average for the last ten years. The principal averages are as follows: New York 88, Pennsylvania 84, Maryland 84, Tennessee 83, Kentucky 80, Ohio 87, Michigan 87, Indiana 85, Missouri 84, Kansas 104, California 81. The average condition of spring wheat is the almost, if not entirely, unprecedented one of 100.9, as compared with 83.6 on June 1, 1897, and 82.5, the average for the past ten years. Nearly all the states of principal production report a condition exceeding that indicative of a full normal crop, North Dakota reporting 104, South Dakota 103, Nebraska 105, Iowa 100, Minnesota 100, Oregon 101 and Washington 97. The total reported acreage in oats is 1.6 per cent less than last year. There is a decrease of 5 per cent in New York, 1 in Indiana, 8 in Illinois, 8 in Wisconsin, 3 in Minnesota, 4 in Ohio and 2 in Missouri. On the other hand, there is an increase of 3 per cent in Pennsylvania, 1 in Kansas and 5 in Nebraska. The condition of oats is 88, as compared with 83.3 on June 1, 1897, and 85.5 the average for the corresponding date for the past ten years.

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