COMMERCIAL.

The Wheat Situation Badly Mixed at the Present Moment.

Purchases of Barley Continue of Light Order—Trade in Oats Slow, at Easy Rates.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 19th.

The Wheat situation at the moment is badly mixed, owing to complications in Call Board transactions. The quotation of 95@97½c ₱ ctl as a range for good to choice Shipping Wheat must therefore be considered nominal. It is hoped that matters will be straightened out before the day is over, when figures will become better established. Purchases of Barley continue of light order, with no change in values. Trade in Oats is slow, at easy rates.

The Vegetable market is steady, with moderate supplies. Asparagus and Rhubarb are easier. Potatoes are weaker at quotations. Onions are more plentiful.

The market for Fresh Fruits is quiet. Oranges are in moderate supply, but prices are weak.

There are no further reductions in Butter. Eggs are dull, with steady prices.

The Poultry market is overstocked and prices are weak. Game is in light demand.

Produce Market.

FLOUR—Net cash prices for Family Extras, $3 25@3 35 ₱ bbl; Bakers' Extras, $3 15@3 25; Superfine, $2 40@2 60.

WHEAT—Good to choice shipping, 95@97½c; Milling Wheat is firmly held at $1 02½@1 06¼. ₱ ctl.

BARLEY—Feed, 70@72½c ₱ ctl for fair to good quality, and 73¾@75c for choice bright; Brewing, 80@87½c ₱ ctl.

OATS—Milling, $1@1 10; Surprise, $1 17½@1 25; fancy feed, $1 12½@1 15; good to choice, $1 02½@1 10; poor to fair, 80@95c; Black, nominal; Red, nominal; Gray, 95c@$1 05 ₱ ctl.

CORN—Quotable at 90@95c ₱ ctl for Large Yellow, 90@92½c for Small Yellow, and $1 07½@1 11½ for White.

BRAN—$16@17 ₱ ton.

HAY—Wire-bound Hay sells at $1 ₱ ton less than rope-bound Hay. Following are wholesale city prices for rope-bound Hay: Wheat, $9@13 50; Wheat and Oat, $8@12 50; Wild Oat, $9@11 50; Alfalfa, $8@10; Barley, $9@10 50; compressed, $8@11 50; Stock, $7@8 ₱ ton.

STRAW—60@75c ₱ bale.

HOPS—15½@17½c ₱ lb.

RYE—92½@96¼c ₱ ctl.

BUCKWHEAT—$1 15@1 20 ₱ ctl.

GROUND BARLEY—$16 50@17 50 ₱ ton.

POTATOES—Sweets, 75c@$1 50 ₱ ctl; Early Rose, 40@50c; River Burbanks, 30@50c; River Red, 30@35c; Salinas Burbanks, 75@90c; Oregon Burbanks, 60@85c; Oregon Garnet Chiles, 50@65c ₱ ctl.

ONIONS—$1 50@2 25 ₱ ctl.

BEANS—Bayos, $1 90@2 05; Butter, $1 75@1 90 for small, and $1 95@2 for large; Pink, $1 30@1 62½; Red, $2@2 25; Lima, $2 10@2 15; Pea, $2 25@2 35; Small White, $2@2 15; Large White, $2@2 12½ ₱ ctl.

VEGETABLES—Cucumbers, $1@2 per dozen; Asparagus, 8@10c ₱ lb for the ordinary run; 10@12½c for fancy; Mushrooms, 10@15c ₱ lb for common, and 20@25c for good to choice; Rhubarb, 5@6c ₱ lb; Green Peas, 4@5c ₱ lb; String Beans, —c ₱ lb; Marrowfat Squash, $15@17 50 ₱ ton; Green Peppers, 25@50c ₱ lb; Tomatoes, $1@2 ₱ box; Turnips, 75c ₱ ctl; Beets, 75c ₱ sack; Parsnips, $1 25 ₱ ctl; Carrots, 35@40c; Cabbage, 50@55c; Garlic, 1½@2½c ₱ lb; Cauliflower, 60@70c ₱ dozen; Dry Peppers, 10c ₱ lb; Dry Okra, 15c ₱ lb.

FRESH FRUIT—Apples, $1 25@1 75 ₱ box for good to choice, and 50c@$1 for common to fair; choice Mountain Apples, $1 50@2 ₱ box.

CITRUS FRUIT—Fair to choice Navel Oranges, $1 50@2 25; seedlings, $1@1 25; Mandarin Oranges, 40@50c; Mexican Limes, $4@4 50 ₱ box; California Limes, $1@1 50 ₱ small box and $2 50@3 25 ₱ large boxes; Lemons, Sicily, $4@5; California Lemons, $1@1 25 for common and $1 50@2 50 for good to choice; Bananas, $1 50@2 50 ₱ bunch; Hawaiian Pineapples, $2 50@3; Mexican Pineapples, $3@4 ₱ dozen.

DRIED FRUIT—Apples, 5½@6c for quartered, 5½@6c for sliced and 8@9c for evaporated; Pears, 4@5c ₱ lb for bleached halves and 3@5c for quarters; bleached Peaches, 7@9c; sun-dried Peaches, 5@6c; Apricots, Moorparks, 11½@12½c; do Royals, 10@12c for bleached and 6@7c for sun-dried; Prunes, 4½c for the four sizes, 4½@4½c for the five sizes and 2½@4c for ungraded; Plums, 4@4½c for pitted and 1½@2c for unpitted; Figs, 3@4c for pressed and 1½@2c for unpressed; White Nectarines, 7@8c; Red Nectarines, 6@7c ₱ lb.

RAISINS—London Layers, 75c@$1 15; loose Muscatels, in boxes, 50@75c; clusters, $1 50@1 75; loose Muscatels, in sacks, 2¼@2½c ₱ lb for 3-crown and 2c for 2-crown; dried Grapes, 1½@1¾c ₱ lb.

BUTTER—Fancy Creamery, 19@20c; fancy dairy, 17@18c; good to choice, 16@16½c; common grades, 14@15c ₱ lb; store lots, 11@15c ₱ lb.

CHEESE—Choice fancy, 11@12c; fair to good, 9@10½c; Eastern, ordinary to fine, 11@14c ₱ lb.

EGGS—California ranch, 15@16c; store lots, 13@14c ₱ dozen.

POULTRY—Live Turkeys—Gobblers, 9@10c; Hens, 11@12c; dressed Turkeys, 8@11c ₱ lb; Roosters, $3 50@4 for old, $5 50@6 50 for young; Broilers, $3 50@5; Hens, $3 50@5 50; Ducks, $4 50@6; Geese, $1 50@2 ₱ pair; Pigeons, $2 25@2 50 ₱ dozen for old and $2 50@3 for young.

GAME—Gray Geese, $1 50; White Geese, 40@50c; Brant, 50c@$1; Honkers, $2 50@3; Hare, 50@75c; Rabbits, $1@1 25 ₱ dozen.

Meat Market.

Following are the rates for whole carcasses from slaughterers to dealers:

BEEF—First quality, 5½@6c; second quality, 4½@5c; third quality, 3½@4½c ₱ lb.

CALVES—4@5c for large, and 5@8c ₱ lb for small.

MUTTON—5½@6½c ₱ lb.

LAMB—Yearlings, 6@7c; Spring, 12½c ₱ lb.

PORK—Live Hogs, on foot, grain fed, heavy and medium, 4¾c; small Hogs, 5¼c; stock Hogs, 4½c; dressed Hogs, 7@7½c ₱ lb.

Eastern and Foreign.

CHICAGO, March 19th.

Wheat closed at 57⅝@57¾c to-day, the lowest it has ever finished for May, showing a loss of ⅜c since Saturday, a decrease in the visible less than was expected. Lower cables, good crop prospects and increase in the quantity of wheat and flour on passage are responsible for the decline. The working off of 240,000 bushels for export steadied the market at the close, but it finished near the bottom. May closed unchanged. March, 55¾c; May, 57¾c; July, 59½c.

NEW YORK, March 19th.

WHEAT—March, 59⅞c; May, 61⅜c; July, 63½c; August, 64½c; September, 65½c; December, 68¾c.

LIVERPOOL, March 19th.

WHEAT—Dull; demand poor; holders offer moderately. No. 1 California, 5s 1d@5s 2d; low Red Western winter, 4s 10d@5s.

SACRAMENTO MARKET.

Trade Quiet Yesterday in Local Produce Circles.

SACRAMENTO, March 19th.

The blustery weather seemed to have a very bad effect on trade in local circles. In the first place, the wind was very hard on vegetables, causing them to shrivel up and present an almost unsalable appearance. Again, people did not care to venture out in the cold and dust unless compelled to. Some good samples of Cucumbers were on sale to-day, retailing at two for 25 cents for large, and three for 25 cents for small. Asparagus was not so plentiful to-day, and prices were firmly adhered to.

Following are the retail prices for the various articles mentioned:

GREEN FRUIT—Apples, 5-tier, $1 25@1 50; 4-tier, $1 50@2; Cranberries, 12½c ₱ quart.

DRIED FRUIT—Apricots, 10@12c ₱ lb; Apples, 8@10c; Peaches, 12@16c; Plums, 12@14c; Prunes, 8@16c; Pears, 8@9c; Nectarines, 12@16c; Grapes, $1 ₱ box; Figs, 5@8c ₱ lb.

CITRUS FRUITS—Limes, 15c ₱ doz. Lemons—Common, 20c ₱ dozen; Santa Paula, 35c ₱ doz. Bananas, 25@40c ₱ doz; Cocoanuts, 10@15c each. Oranges, Seedlings, $1 ₱ box, 10@25c ₱ doz; Navels, $1 85@2 50 ₱ box, 20@50c ₱ doz; Pineapples, 65c each; Dates, 5c ₱ lb; White Figs, 12½c ₱ lb; Black, 6c.

NUTS—New crop soft-shell Almonds, 20c ₱ lb; do Walnuts, 15c; Pecans, 15c; Filberts, 15c; Peanuts, 8c.

DAIRY PRODUCE—Butter—Valley, ₱ roll, 40c; pickle roll, fair, 40c; fancy, 50c; fancy Petaluma, 55c; fancy creamery, 55c; Eastern packed, 20c; firkin, 20@23c. Cheese—California, 15c ₱ lb; Young America, 14c; Eastern Creamery, 20c; Limburger, 20c; genuine Swiss, 40c; American, 25c; Martin's Creamery, 20c; Neufchatel, 10c each; fancy cream, 25c each.

EGGS—Fresh ranch, 15@17½c ₱ dozen.

POULTRY—Turkeys—Live Hens and Gobblers, 17c; dressed, 18c. Chickens—Hens, $6@6 50 ₱ dozen, 60c each; springs, $5 ₱ dozen, 50c each; broilers, $4 ₱ dozen, 40c each; Tame Ducks, $7 50 ₱ dozen, 75c each; Geese, $1 35 each.

VEGETABLES—Onions, 5c ₱ lb; Cabbage, 1½c; Dried Peppers, 17½c; Red Cabbage, 10c each; Celery, 10c; Cauliflower, 10c; Squash, Hubbard, 2c; Lettuce, 12½c; Green Onions, 12½c; Radishes, 12½c; Turnips, 12½c; Carrots, 12½c; Beets, 12½c; Oyster Plant, 12½c; Leek, 12½c; Garlic, 6c; Chickory, 3 for 10c; Spinach, 5c ₱ lb; Kale, 10c ₱ lb; Savory, 10c ₱ lb; Asparagus, 12½c ₱ lb; String Beans, 30c; Rhubarb, 12½c; Artichokes, $1 ₱ dozen; Peas, 8c; Sprouts, 8c ₱ lb; Tomatoes, 15c; Chives, 15c ₱ bunch; Egg Plant, 25c; Green Peppers, 30c; Cucumbers, large, two for 25c; small do, three for 25c.

POTATOES—River Reds, 50c ₱ sack; Early Rose, 65@75c; River Burbanks, ¾c ₱ lb; Salinas, do, $1 10 ₱ ctl; Sweets, 85c ₱ 100 lbs; new, 10c ₱ lb.

MEATS—Beef—Prime Rib Roast, 12½@15c; Chuck Roast, 10c; Rump, 8c; Brisket, 8c; Corned Beef, 8c; Porterhouse Steak, 15@18c; Loin Steak, 12½@15c; Round Steak, 10c; Chuck, 10c; Veal—Loin and Rib Chops, 15c; Roast Veal, 12c. Mutton—Leg, 11@12½c; Loin and Rib Chops, 12½c; Mutton Stew, 8c; Shoulder Chops, 8c. Pork—Roast or Chops, 15c; Corned Pork, 15c; Sausage, 12½c; Vienna Sausage, 15c; Bacon, 14@16c; Ham, 16@20c.

BREADSTUFFS—Flour, $4 ₱ bbl, $1 for 50-lb sacks, $2 for 100-lb sacks; Oatmeal, 10-lb sacks, 40c; Cornmeal, 10-lb sacks, 25c; Cracked Wheat, 10-lb sacks, 35c; Hominy, 10-lb sacks, 40c; Graham Flour, 10-lb sacks, 30c; Buckwheat, 10-lb sacks, 30c; Rye, 10-lb sacks, 35c.

HAY AND GRAIN—Oat Hay, 70c ₱ cwt; Wheat, 70c; second quality, 60c; Alfalfa, 65@70c; Barley, 95c; Ground Barley, $1 05; Feed Oats, $1 40@1 60; Middlings, $1 10; Bran, $1; Straw, 65@75c.

SAN FRANCISCO STOCK MARKET.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 19, 1894.

MORNING SESSION.

Andes	35@30c	H. & N.	60c
Bullion	35c	Mexican	1 60@1 50
B. & B.	1 75	Ophir	2 75@2 50
Belcher	80c	Overman	20@15c
C. Point	60@55c	Potosi	95@90c
Caledonia	15c	Savage	50@45c
Challenge	50@45c	Seg. Belcher	20c
C. & C. Va	3 25@3 10	S. Nev	1 25@1 20
Confidence	1 85	Union	90@85c
Chollar	50c	Y. Jacket	80@70c
G. & C.	80c		

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Mexican	1 60	S. Nevada	1 20
C. C. Va	3 20@3 15	S. B. & M.	20c
Savage	45c	B. & B.	1 75
Potosi	90c	Challenge	50c
H. & N.	60c	Ophir	2 50
C. Point	55c	Bodie	15c
Belcher	80c		

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Alta	10c	Mexican	1 55
Belcher	80c	Mono	5c
B. & B.	1 65	Ophir	2 55
Bodie Con	10c	Potosi	90c
Chollar	50c	Savage	45c
C. & C. Va	3 05	S. Nev	1 20
C. Point	60	Union Con	85c
G. & C.	75c	Utah	5c
H. & N.	60c	Y. Jacket	75c

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

"Paper and Press" (Philadelphia) for February did not reach us until this date. It is so valuable a journal that we regret any delay in its delivery. We know of no monthly relating to printing, engraving, paper or book-making superior to this beautiful quarto. Wm. M. Patton makes it not only a journal of varied and of technical information, but an address also to the artistic taste. For as a work of fine art it is entitled to and does hold a high place. "Paper and Press" treats of economics in all relation to the printing and publishing trade; to color and plain printing, to all process, engraving, collotypy, half-tone, photogravure and other methods of reproduction of pictures; of book-binding, styles, history and advance; of blank-book work, calendar work, type-setting by machinery and otherwise, stationery manufacture, plate printing, stereotyping, electrotyping, presses, lithography, etc.

The "Social Economist" for March (New York) has these papers: "Sound Economics in Congress," "The Census Distribution of Wealth," "Triumphs for Eight Hours," "The Social Ministry of Wealth," "From Desert Herding to Intensive Farming," "The Political Crisis in Japan," "State Banks of Issue," "Editorial Crucible," "Economics in the Magazine." Mr. Gunton, the accomplished editor, makes the "Economist" a journal of high value—one that is a distinct benefit to the thought of the day.

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FAILURES OF A MONTH.

Decrease in Business Collapses During the Month of February.

The Bradstreet Mercantile Agency reports 106 failures in the Pacific Coast States and Territories for the month of February, 1894, with assets $399,080 and liabilities $640,658, as compared with 131 for the previous month, with assets $1,006,751 and liabilities $1,964,662, and 73 for the corresponding month of 1893, with assets $204,054 and liabilities $502,178. The failures for the past month are divided among the States and Territories as follows:

STATES.	No.	Asssets.	Liabilities.
California	84	$354,260	$556,908
Oregon	15	26,800	55,800
Washington	7	18,020	27,950
Totals	106	$399,080	$640,658

The following are the causes assigned for the failures: Incompetency 31, inexperience 13, inadequate capital for the business undertaken 48, injudicious crediting 4, neglect of business and bad habits 2, excessive competition 1, unfavorable circumstances, floods, fires, etc., 4, fraud 3.

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