COMMERCIAL WORLD.

NEW FREIGHT RATES.

On January 10 the Southern Pacific will advance its eastbound freight rates on the following commodities, formerly carried at the rate of 50 and 60 cents a hundredweight in carload lots to 75 cents a hundredweight: Beans (formerly 50 cents), borax (formerly 50 cents), canned goods (formerly 60 cents), glue formerly 60 cents), infusorial earth (formerly 60 cents), wine in barrel, quicksilver, rice, tallow, barley, wheat, boneblack and mustard seed. The price on practically all these commodities will advance to the present figures less than four months ago. Other commodities advanced in hundredweight rates on carload lots are: Brandy in barrel, 85 cents (formerly 60 cents), bitters in glass, $1 (formerly 75 cents), wine in glass, $1 (formerly 50 cents). These advances will apply to such freight sent east to New Orleans and to New York by way of the Sunset route and by way of Galveston and the Mallory line.

OUR FOREIGN TRADE.

Regarding the foreign trade of the United States the statistics of the Treasury Department show the value of the exports of the domestic goods for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1897, exceeds those of last year by $16,577,166. An analysis of the exports show that those of the products of agricultural decreased from 78 per cent to 66 per cent, while manufactures increased from 15 per cent to 26 per cent. A note is made of the fact that silver has become one of the most important items of export.

THE WEATHER BUREAU.

(130th Meridian—Pacific Time.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 27, 5 p. m.

The following are the seasonal rainfalls to date as compared with those to the same date last season:

Stations—	This Season.	Last Season.
Eureka	45.37	17.82
Red Bluff	6.06	10.67
Sacramento	4.28	6.10
San Francisco	4.07	10.14
Fresno	1.30	3.72
San Luis Obispo	1.55	6.66
Los Angeles	2.52	3.37
San Diego	1.42	3.15
Yuma	0.33	1.25

San Francisco data—Maximum temperature 59 degrees; minimum, 45; mean, 52.

The pressure still continues high over the Rocky Mountain region and the southern half of the Pacific Slope. There has been a rapid fall in pressure over the northwestern portion of the country. An area of low pressure lies over Northern Washington and Vancouver Island. Heavy rain, with high southerly winds, is reported from the northern stations.

The temperature has remained nearly stationary over California, Arizona, Nevada and Utah. It has risen rapidly over Idaho, Montana, Washington and Northern Oregon.

The following heavy rainfalls are reported in the past twelve hours: Tatoosh Island, 1.04; Fort Canby, 1.56.

The following maximum wind velocities are reported: Tatoosh Island, 40 miles an hour from the south; Fort Canby, 32 south; Portland, 44 south.

Forecast made at San Francisco for 30 hours ending midnight, Dec. 28, 1897:

For Northern California—Cloudy and unsettled weather Tuesday, with showers in the extreme northern portion; southerly winds.

For Southern California—Fair Tuesday; continued warm weather; northeasterly winds.

For Nevada—Cloudy Tuesday.

For Utah—Cloudy Tuesday; warmer north.

For Arizona—Fair Tuesday.

For San Francisco and Vicinity—Increasing cloudiness Tuesday; light northerly, changing to easterly, winds.

Special report from Mt. Tamalpais taken at 5 p. m.—Weather, clear; wind, northeast, 12 miles an hour; temperature, 50 degrees; maximum, 58.

ALEXANDER McADIE,
Local Forecast Official.

EASTERN MARKETS.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The only active interest in to-day's market was manifested by professional traders and they devoted themselves almost altogether to the recent speculative favorites of the market, which are comprised in one group, known as the specialties, and also the stocks of local corporations and traction companies. The tone of trading was unsettled, at times feverish. The strength of speculatives caused a strong opening and upheld prices in the general market so far as there was any movement. A general movement to realize, due to the continued stiffness of money and to some extent to the expressed apprehension over the threatening developments in the far East carried prices to last week's level, where they remained, in the case of many stocks, until the close. To-day was a holiday in London and there were no quotations for British consols. The situation in the money market hinged on the Union Pacific payment and the Pacific bond redemption. The sub-Treasury's debit balance at the clearing house to-day was $4,357,983, and this about represented the Government checks for redeeming the Pacific bonds, which have come through the banks. More was coming and the Government is still sending out checks from Washington for the further payment. But money from this source had not come back into the market with sufficient freedom to prevent its feeling the payment to-day of the Union Pacific payment to the Government of about $5,500,000, although $7,000,000 of this is left by the Government on deposit in New York. There was considerable calling of loans to-day and the rate paid to replace these ranged from 2½ to 4½ per cent, with the majority at 4 per cent. There was a rise also in the rates of sterling exchange to-day which precludes the idea of immediate further gold imports. In the final dealings there was some sharp reductions in the specialties and the coalers, which wiped out all the previous gains and in some cases left prices materially lower. Manhattan was a notable exception, closing nearly the top at a net gain of 2%. Most gains and losses in the general list were rather narrow and mixed.

The tone of the bond market was firm and in some cases sharp gains were shown. Total sales, $1,600,000. United States old registered were ⅛ lower.

The total sales of stocks to-day were 287,400 shares, including: Chesapeake & Ohio, 9193; C., B. & Q., 27,896; Louisville & Nashville, 5106; Manhattan, 87,225; Metropolitan Street Railway, 9617; Northern Pacific preferred, 5730; Reading, 4330; Rock Island, 6545; St. Paul, 9134; American Tobacco, 14,500; Chicago Great Western, 14,506; Sugar, 44,000; T., C. & I., 9900; Western Union, 81,150.

NEW YORK GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—FLOUR—Receipts, 47,250 bbls; exports, 15,155. Neglected and nominally unchanged. City mill patents, $3 65@5 40; city mill clears, $3 40@3 50; Minnesota patents, $5 15@5 45; Minnesota bakers', $4 25@4 50; winter patents, $4 35@5 15; do straights, $4 50@4 65; do extra, $3 40@4; do low grades, $2 80@3.

WHEAT—Receipts, 229,575 bu; exports, 9900. Spot easy; No. 2 red, $1 01. Opened firm on European war rumors, but turned weak under general local realizing, and after a dull, unsatisfactory day, closed ⅛@¾c net lower. No. 2 red, May, 94⅞@95⅝c; closed 95⅝c.

HOPS—Steady; state, common to choice 1895 crop, 4@6c; '96 crop, 7@12c; '97 crop, 16@18c; Pacific Coast '95 crop, 4@6c; '96, 7@9c; '97, 16@18c.

WOOL—Steady; flour, 27@30c.

PETROLEUM—Dull; United, no market.

PIG IRON—Warrants closed dull at $6 65@6 75; lake copper quiet at $10 85@10 95.

TIN PLATE—$12 60@13 70.

LEAD—Quiet but firm at $3 70@3 75. The firm fixing the selling prices for miners and smelters in the West continues to call the lead market strong at $3 50.

COFFEE—Options closed steady.

SUGAR—Raw strong; fair refining, 3c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4⅛c; refined strong; mold A, 5⅛c; standard A and refiners', 5⅛c; cut loaf and crushed, 5⅞c; powdered and cubes, 5⅛c; granulated, 5⅛c.

BUTTER—Receipts, 5,497 packages. Firm; steady at a decline. Western creamery, 15@22c; Elgin, 22c; factory, 12@17c.

EGGS—Receipts, 2695 packages. Very firm. State and Pennsylvania, 21@24c; Western, 20@24c.

DRIED FRUITS.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—California dried fruits quiet.

EVAPORATED APPLES—Common, 5@7c; prime wire tray, 8⅛c; wood dried, prime, 8¼@8½c; choice, 8½c; fancy, 9@9½c.

PRUNES—3@8c.

APRICOTS—Royal, 7@8½c; Moorpark, 9@11c.

PEACHES—Unpeeled, 7@10c; peeled, 12@20c.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—Wheat opened firm at from ¼c to ⅝c decline of the closing price of Friday, in initial sales ranging 94½c to 94⅝c, with a few sales a moment later at 94¾@94½c. An active trade was done for an hour, and the market for that length of time maintained the appearance of strength. May sold as high as 94⅝@94¾c. Subsequently trade slackened and the price weakened slowly within half an hour from the close. Apparently the only reason for the strength was the new European war scare, as nothing else of a bullish character was contained in the early news. There were several bearish features in the day's news, chief of which was an estimate made in a cablegram from Buenos Ayres, making the surplus of wheat for export from Argentina 40,000,000 bushels. Foreign markets were closed on account of the Christmas holidays, but the receipts of some buying orders for futures on European account were reported, and at least 150,000 bushels were bought in the pit there on an order from Liverpool. The Liverpool Corn Trade News estimated the world's shipments of last week at 6,488,000 bushels, exclusive of other shipments.

The United States' contribution to last week's total was 4,557,000 bushels. The visible supply increased 1,051,000 bushels, compared with an increase of 620,000 the year before. The heavy receipts here and at the Northwest points caused considerable realizing and short selling by professionals. May closed at 94c.

Corn selling in the earlier part of the session was active, with an increased outside interest. Wheat traders were in the pit bidding for corn and shorts are also active buyers. Prices held firm to the end. The market closed ¼c higher at 20½c.

Oats were almost a counterpart of corn. The market started very firm and active. The war talk was a factor. May closed ⅝c higher at 22⅝@22¾c.

Provisions were quite active and firm during the morning. Later in the day the advance was all lost, the close being easier. May pork closed 5c lower, May lard unchanged, and May ribs 2½c lower.

Articles.	Open	High.	Low.	Close
Wheat No. 2—				
December	99	99	97½	98½
January	93¼	93¼	94⅝	94½
May	94⅝	94⅝	93⅝	94
Corn No. 2—				
December	26¾	27⅛	26¾	27¼
January	27	27¼	27	27¼
May	29¾	30⅛	29¾	20⅛
July	30⅛	31⅛	30⅝	31⅛
Oats No. 2—				
December	22¾	22¾	22	22⅞
May	23½	23¾	23⅜	23¾
Mess pork, per bbl—				
December	.....	.....	.....	7 00
January	8 00	8 05	8 00	8 05
May	8 02½	8 05	8 00	8 02½
Lard, per 100 lbs—				
December	.....	.....	.....	4 45
January	4 32½	4 37½	4 32½	4 35
May	4 70	4 75	4 70	4 72½
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs				
December	.....	.....	.....	4 40
January	4 22½	4 42½	4 40	4 40
May	4 45	4 57½	4 50	4 55

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour, fairly steady. No. 2 spring wheat, 89@90c; No. 3 spring wheat, 83@84c; No. 2 red, 93½c; No. 2 corn, 27¾c; No. 2 oats, 23½@23¾c; No. 2 barley, f. o. b., 28@40c; Mess pork, per bbl, $7 70@7 75; lard, per 100 lbs, $4 35@4 37½; short ribs sides (loose), $4 35@4 70; dry salted shoulders (boxed), 4⅝c; short clear sides (boxed), 4¾c; whisky, distillers' finished goods, per gal, $1 19; sugars, cut, loaf, unchanged.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	16,000	24,000
Wheat, bu	14,000	284,000
Corn, bu	237,000	12,000
Oats, bu	8,000	4,000
Rye, bu	224,000	48,000
Barley, bu	77,000	10,000

On the Produce Exchange to-day the butter market was: Creameries, 13@21c; dairies, 12@18c; cheese quiet, 8@8½c; eggs, firm, fresh, 21c.

WHEAT MOVEMENTS.

Receipts. Bushels.	Cities.	Shipments. Bushels.
821,720	Minneapolis	124,320
119,512	Duluth	8,248
38,900	Milwaukee	1,300
237,248	Chicago	7,854
15,976	Toledo	14,420
120,000	St. Louis	38,000
8,102	Detroit	1,231
120,700	Kansas City	49,300
1,490,430		244,883
	Tidewater.	
16,744	Boston	80,150
239,575	New York	99,890
85,900	Milwaukee	1,300
62,641	Baltimore	.....
.....	New Orleans	45,000
363,860		226,418

Paris Futures.

Holiday.

Liverpool Wheat Futures.

Holiday.

MONEY MARKET.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Money on call, firm at 3@4 per cent. Money on call, 3@3½. Prime mercantile paper, 3½@3¾ per cent. Sterling exchange, firm. Business in bankers' bills at $4 84¼@4 84½ for demand and $4 81½@4 81¾ for 60 day; posted rates, $4 82½@4 83, and $4 85½@4 88; commercial bills, $4 81; silver certificates, 57@58c; bar silver, 47c; Mexican dollars, 45¾c; Government bonds, easier; railroad bonds, strong.

CLOSING STOCKS.

Atchison	12½	St Paul	93¼
Do pref	26½	Do pref	142
Balt & Ohio	13	St P & Om	78
Can Pac	19½	Do pref	148
Can South	52½	So Pacific	28¾
Cent Pac	11½	So Railway	8¾
Ches & Ohio	22¾	Do pref	37⅞
Chi & Alton	161	Tex & Pac	11
C B & Q	89⅞	Union Pac	26½
Chi & E Ill	53½	U P D & G	6¾
C C C & St L	84⅝	Wabash	7½
Do pref	80	Do pref	18⅛
Del & Hud	114½	Wheel & L Ex	2
Del L & W	165½	Do pref	10
Den & R G	11¼	Express Companies—	
Do pref	45⅝	Adams Ex	158
Erie (new)	14¾	American Ex	115
Do 1st pref	38¼	United States	38
Ft Wayne	160	Wells Fargo	112
G Nor pref	130	Miscellaneous—	
Hocking Val	5	A Cot Oil	22¾
Ill Cent	100¾	Do pref	75
L E & W	16	Amn Spirits	7
Do pref	71	Do pref	18¾
Lake Shore	170	Am Tobacco	88
Louis & Nash	56¼	Do pref	111
Manhattan con	131½	Peoples Gas	99⅞
Met Traction	131½	Con Gas	181½
Mich Cent	102¾	Com Cab Co	170
Minn & St L	26	Col F & Iron	24¾
Do 1st pref	88	Do pref	75
Mo Pacific	23⅞	Gen Elec	33¾
Mob & Ohio	28	Illinois Steel	47
Mo K & T	12¾	Laclede Gas	44½
Do pref	35¾	Lead	37⅛
C Ind & L	8½	Do pref	105
Do pref	30	Nat Lin Oil	17
N J Cent	97½	Or Im Co	17
N Y Cent	106⅞	Pacific Mail	29¾
N Y C & St L	12¼	Pullman Pal	171
Do 1st pref	65	Silver Cert	57
Do 2d pref	32	Stan R & T	3½
Nor West	14	Sugar	139½
No Amer Co	4¾	Do pref	113½
No Pacific	21½	T C & Iron	26¼
Do pref	59¼	U S Leather	7
Ontario & W	16	Do pref	63
Or R & N	36	U S Rubber	16
Or Short Line	18	Do pref	64
Pittsburg	168	West Union	90¼
Reading	23	C & N W	121¼
Rock Island	91⅛	Do pref	163¼
St L & S F	7¾	R G & W	23
Do 1st pref	66¾	Do pref	61
Do 2d pref	26¼	Chi & G W	15¼
St P M & M	122		

CLOSING BONDS.

U S new 4s reg	123¼	N J C 5s	111¾
Do coup	123¼	N Carolina 6s	125
U S 4s	112¾	Do 4s	103
Do coup	114⅞	No Pac 1sts	118
Do 2ds	99½	Do 3s	69¾
U S 5s reg	114½	Do 4s	95¼
Do 5s coup	114½	N Y C & S L 4s	106¾
Dist 3 65s	109¾	Nor & W 6s	124½
Ala class A	108	Northwestern con	144
Do B	108	Do deb 5s	117
Do C	100	O Nav 1sts	115¼
Do Currency	100	O Nav 4s	98¾
Atchison 4s	89¾	O S Line 6s tr	128¼
Do adj 4s	58¼	O S Line 5s tr	98¾
Can So 2ds	107	O Imp 1sts tr	101¾
Chi Term	45⅝	Do 5s tr	46
C & N P tr 6s	118	Pac 6s of 95	108¼
C & Ohio 5s	111¾	Reading 4s	86¼
C H & D 1st 5s	104⅝	St P C 1st	88¼
D & R G 1sts	108¼	S L & I M C 5s	119
D & R G 4s	91¾	S L & S F G 6s	88½
East Tenn 1sts	110	St P Con	141
Erie Gen 4s	71¾	S P C & P 1sts	122
F W & D 1sts tr	69½	Do 5s	118
Gen Elec 5s	100¼	S Carolina non-f	¾
G H & S A 6s	106	So Ry 5s	94¾
Do 2ds	100	Stan R & T 6s	58¾
H & T C 5s	112¼	Tenn new set 3s	91
Do con 6s	108	T P L G 1sts	97½
Iowa C 1sts	99	Do reg 2ds	28¾
K P con tr	84	Union Pac 1sts	102¾
K P 1st D tr	115	U P D & G 1sts	48½
La new con 4s	101½	Wab 1sts 5s	107¾
L & N Un 4s	87½	Do 2ds	89¾
Missouri 6s	100	W Shore 4s	111
M K & T 2ds	63¾	Va Centuries	69¼
Do 4s	86	Do deferred	3½
N Y Cent 1sts	119¼		

MINING STOCKS.

Chollar	32	Ontario	2 50
Crown Point	21	Ophir	55
Con Cal & Va	1 15	Plymouth	08
Deadwood	1 00	Quicksilver	1 00
Gould & Curry	45	Do pref	9 00
Hale & Norcross	1 25	Sierra Nev	58
Homestake	37 00	Standard	1 50
Iron Silver	40	Union Con	20
Mexican	23	Yellow Jacket	30

BOSTON.

BOSTON, Dec. 27.—Atchison, 12⅞; Bell, 264; C., B. & Q., 93⅞; Mexican Central, 5¾; Oregon Short Line, 18⅛.

EASTERN LIVESTOCK MARKET.

CHICAGO, Dec. 27.—CATTLE—Sales were on a basis of $3@4 for most lots up to $4 50@5 for strictly choice to fancy Cattle, the bulk of the sales being at $4 25@4 50.

Feeding Cattle, $3 80@4 25. The most important sale of Cattle was that of a lot, mostly Polled Angus, at $5 30. The range of prices was from $3 60@5 75.

HOGS—Sales were at an extreme range of $3 45@3 55 for Culls to prime lots of Hogs, with the bulk of the transactions at $4 50.

SHEEP—Were wanted at $2 50@3 for inferior to common, up to $4 65@4 70 for choice flocks, with fed lots predominating and selling at $3 60@4 65. Lambs were active at $4@4 75 for the commonest lots, up to $5 75@5 85 for prime, a few $5-pound Lambs selling at that price. Yearling sold at $4 40@5 90.

Receipts—Cattle, 15,000; Hogs, 23,000; Sheep, 16,000.

OMAHA.

OMAHA, Dec. 27.—CATTLE—Receipts, 1500. Market active. Native beef steers, $3 80@4 90; westerns, steers, $3 60@4 20; Texas steers, $3@3 60; cows and heifers, $3@4; canners, $2@2 90; stockers and feeders, $3 60@4 40; calves, $4@6; bulls and stags, $2@3 60.

HOGS—Receipts, 2400. Meat 5c higher; heavy, $3 20@3 35; medium, $3 20@3 30; light, $3 35@3 45; bulls, $3 25@3 35.

SHEEP—Receipts, 500. Market steady. Fair to choice natives, $3 50@4 40; fair to choice westerns, $3 80@4 25; common and stock sheep, $3@4.

KANSAS CITY.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 27.—CATTLE—Receipts, 7000. Meat stronger. Texas steers, $3@3 45; Texas cows, $2 25@3 25; native steers, $3 50@4 95; native cows and heifers, $1 75@3 90; stockers and feeders, $3@4 40; bulls, $2@4 75.

HOGS—Receipts, 6000. Market strong to 5c higher. Bulk of sales, $3 50@3 55; heavy and packers, $3 30@4 45; mixed, $3 30@3 42; light, $3 25@3 42; yorkers, 3 40@3 42; pigs, $3@3 25.

SHEEP—Receipts, 1000. Market firm. Lambs, $3 75@5 50; muttons, $2 50@2 55.

VISIBLE GRAIN SUPPLY.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—The statement of the visible supply of grain in store and afloat December 25, as compiled by the New York Produce Exchange is as follows:

Wheat, 36,619,000 bushels; increase, 1,054,000 bushels.

Corn, 30,149,000 bushels; decrease, 390,000 bushels.

Oats, 12,772,000 bushels; decrease, 1,611,000 bushels.

Rye, 3,710,000 bushels; increase, 65,000 bushels.

Barley, 4,789,000 bushels; increase, 1,054,000 bushels.

NORTHERN WHEAT MARKET.

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 27.—There was not much activity in the local wheat market today on account of the fact that Christmas holiday was still being celebrated in Liverpool and London. Buyers were out for everything that was offering, though at varying prices. 75 cents being about the top quotation for Walla Walla and 78 to 78½ cents for Valley and Blue Stem.

WASHINGTON.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 27.—Wheat, No. 1 Club, 75c; No. 1 Blue Stem, 78c.

PORTLAND'S BUSINESS.

PORTLAND, Or., Dec. 27.—Exchanges, $425,063; balance, $85,596.

LOCAL MARKETS.

EXCHANGE AND BULLION.

Sterling Exchange, 60 days	—	$4 82½
Sterling Exchange, sight	—	4 85½
Sterling Cables	—	4 86
New York Exchange, sight	—	15
New York Exchange, telegraphic	—	17½
Fine Silver, per ounce	—	57
Mexican Dollars	—	47 47½

WHEAT AND OTHER GRAINS.

WHEAT—The Vincent takes for Cape Town 68,098 ctls, valued at $103,100; Invermay, for Cork, 58,474 ctls, at $89,200.

Chicago was weak, probably owing to an increase of 1,054,000 bushels in the visible supply, and this market was easy, but subsequently recovered.

Tidewater quotations are as follows: $1 42½ for No. 1 and $1 42½ for choice and $1 45@1 47½ per ctl for extra choice for milling.

CALL BOARD SALES.

Informal Session—9:15 o'clock—No session.

Second Session—No session.

Regular morning session—May—2000 ctls, $1 40¾.

Regular Afternoon Session—May—200 ctls, $1 40⅝; 6000, $1 41; 8000, $1 41¼; 54,000, $1 41⅛.

BARLEY—The market is of a holiday character, and there is very little going on.

Feed, 82½@86c for dark to good and 87½@90c for choice; Brewing, 90c; High Grade for No. 1 and 92½@97½c per ctl for dark Coast.

CALL BOARD SALES.

Informal Session—9:15 o'clock—No session.

Second Session—No session.

Regular Morning Session—May—6000 ctls, 83c.

Regular Afternoon Session—May—2000 ctls, 80c.

OATS—As usual at the close of the year there is very little doing. Fancy Feed quotable at $1 15@1 20 per ctl; good to choice, $1 07½@1 12½; common, $1 02½@1 05; Surprise, $1 20@1 30 per ctl; Red, $1 35@1 40; Gray, $1 12½@1 17½; Milling, $1 07½@1 12½; Black, for seed, $1 35@1 50. Clipped Oats sell at $1@2 per ton over the raw product.

CORN—Quotations for all kinds remain undisturbed. Small Round Yellow, $1@1 02½ per ctl; Large Yellow, $1@1 02½; White, 90@92½c.

RYE—$1@1 02½ per ctl.

BUCKWHEAT—$1 35@1 50 per ctl.

FLOUR AND MILLSTUFFS.

FLOUR—Net cash prices are: Family extras, $4 15@4 65; Bakers' extras, $4 30@4 40 per bbl.

MILLSTUFFS—Prices in sacks are as follow, usual discount to the trade: Graham Flour, $5 per 100 lbs; Rye Flour, $2 50 per 100; Rice Flour, $5 75; Cornmeal, $4 25; extra cream do, $3; Oatmeal, $2 50; Oat Groats, $4; Hominy, $3 10@3 30; Buckwheat Flour, $3 25@3 50; Cracked Wheat, $3 25; Farina, $4 50; Whole Wheat Flour, $3 25; Rolled Oats (bbls), $5 75@6 50; in sacks, $2 75; Pearl Barley, $4; Split Peas, $3 50; Green do, $4 25 per 100 lbs.

HAY AND FEEDSTUFFS.

Hay opened the week very firm, but no advance in prices was reported. Feedstuffs were unchanged.

BRAN—$17@18 per ton.

MIDDLINGS—$22@23 50 per ton.

FEEDSTUFFS—Rolled Barley, $20@21 per ton; Pilcake Meal at the mill, $28 50@29 50; Jobbing, $29@30; Coconut Cake, $19@20; Cottonseed Meal, $29@30 per ton.

HAY—Wheat, $12 50@14 50 per ton; Wheat and Oat, $12@14; Oat, $10@12 50; Barley, $10@12; compressed, $12@13 50; Alfalfa, $8 50@10; stock, $8@10; Clover, $8 50@10 per ton.

STRAW—30@40c per bale.

BEANS AND SEEDS.

Quotations are firm but unchanged. The demand is fair.

BEANS—Bayos, $2 90@3; Small Whites, $1 25@1 40; Large Whites, $1 15@1 35; Pinks, $1 45@1 50; Reds, $1 40@1 65; Blackeye, $2 50; Butters, $1 40@1 50; Pea, $1 30@1 50 per ctl.

SEEDS—Brown Mustard, $3 per ctl; Yellow Mustard, $2@2 50; Flax, $1 80@2; Canary Seed, 2¼@2¾c per lb; Alfalfa, 6¼c; Rape, 2@2¼c; Hemp, 3c; Timothy, 5½c.

SPLIT PEAS—Niles, $4 25; Green, $4 20@4 40 per ctl.

POTATOES, ONIONS, VEGETABLES.

Potatoes and Onions remain about the same as last quoted. Los Angeles Vegetables are firm.

POTATOES — Early Rose, 50@55c; River Reds, 35@40c; River Burbanks, 50@60c (per sack); Oregon Burbanks, 50@75c; Salinas Burbanks, 70@80c; Sweet Potatoes, 50@65c per ctl for Rivers and 80@90c for Merced; new volunteer Potatoes, 2½@2¾c per lb.

ONIONS—$2@2 15 per ctl; cut Onions, $1 25@1 50 per sack.

VEGETABLES—Mushrooms, nominal; Marrowfat Squash, $8@10 per ton; Hubbard Squash, $8@10 per ton; Dried Peppers, 5@6c per lb; Green Peas, —; String Beans, —; Dried Okra, 15c; Cabbage, 90@75c per ctl; Carrots, 25@90c per sack; Garlic, 3@3½c per lb; Tomatoes, 25@50c per box.

Los Angeles Green Peas, 7@10c; String Beans, 15@20c; Tomatoes, 75c@$1 25; Green Peppers, 6@8c per lb; Summer Squash, 8@10c; Egg Plant, 15@20c per lb.

POULTRY AND GAME.

Two cars of Eastern sold at 11@12½c for Turkeys, $4 50@5 for Ducks and Hens, $4 50 for Roosters, $3 50 for Fryers and $3 for Broilers. One more car is at hand.

Local stock was nominal, with no receipts of consequence.

Game was very hard to sell, even at the low prices.

POULTRY—

Live Turkeys, 13@14c for Gobblers and 13@14c for Hens; dressed Turkeys, — per lb; Geese, per pair, $1 25@1 75; Ducks, $4@5 50; Hens, $4@5; Roosters, young, $4@4 50; do old, $3 50@4; Fryers, $4@4 50; Broilers, $4 for large and $3@3 50 for small; Pigeons, $1 50@1 75 per dozen for young and $1 for old.

GAME—Quail, per dozen, $1; Mallard, $2@2 50; Canvasback, $4 50@5; Sprig, $1 25; Teal, 75c; Widgeon, 75c; Small Duck, 75c; Gray Geese, $2@2 50; White, 75c@$1; Brant, $1 25@1 50; Honkers, $4@4 50; English Snipe, $2; Jack Snipe, $1; Hare, 75c; Rabbits, $1 25@1 50 for Cottontails and 75c@$1 for small.

BUTTER, CHEESE AND EGGS.

While there is no particular decline in Butter and Eggs, the market is easy and some dealers are shading the quotations to sell. Others, however, make no concessions. Stocks are still limited.

BUTTER—

Creamery—Fancy creameries, 25@27½c per lb; seconds, 22½@24c.

Dairy—Choice to fancy, 20@22½c; lower grades, 17½@20c per lb.

CHEESE—Choice mild new, 11@12c; common to good, 8@10c; Cream Cheddar, 10@11c; Young America, 11½@12½c; Western, 11@12c; Eastern, 12½@13½c per lb.

EGGS—Ranch Eggs, 30@35c per doz; store Eggs, 22½@25c; Eastern, 15@17c for cold storage.

DECIDUOUS AND CITRUS FRUITS.

Fancy Navel Oranges are doing rather better, but Seedlings are still dull and weak. The Apple market is very quiet and well stocked. Persimmons are neglected.

DECIDUOUS FRUITS—

Cape Cod Cranberries, $8@9 50 per bbl; Jerseys, $8@9 50; Coos Bay, $1 75@2 per box.

Pears, Winter Nellis, 50c@$1; common kinds, 25@50c per box.

Apples, 25@40c per box for common, 50@75c for good to choice and $1@1 25 for fancy; Lady Apples, $1@1 50 for large boxes.

Grapes, in boxes, 30@60c for all kinds. Crates sell about 10c higher than boxes.

Persimmons, 25@60c per box.

CITRUS FRUITS—Navel Oranges, $1 75@2 75; Seedlings, 50c@$1 25; Mandarins, 75c@$1; Grape Fruit, $3 50@5 50 per box; Lemons, 50c@$1 for common and $1 50@2 for good to choice; Mexican Limes, $2@3 per box; California Limes, in small boxes, 25@30c; Bananas, $1@2 per bunch; Pineapples, $3@4 per dozen.

DRIED FRUITS, RAISINS, NUTS, ETC.

DRIED FRUITS—There is no change, nor is any expected until after the close of the year. Quotations are as follows: Prunes, carload lots, 4@4½c for 40-50's, 3½@3¾c for 50-60's, 3@3¼c for 60-70's, 2½@2¾c for 70-80's, 2@2¼c for 80-90's, 1½@1¾c for 90-100's; Peaches, 3@4½c; fancy, 5@5½c; peeled, 10@12½c; Apricots, 4@6c for Royals and 7@8½c for good to fancy Moorparks; evaporated Apples, 6@7c; sun-dried, 3¾@4½c; black figs, in sacks, 2@3c; Plums, 3½@4½c for pitted and 1@1½c for unpitted; unbleached Plums, 5c; Nectarines, 4@6c for prime to fancy; Pears, 2@2½c for quarters and 2½@3½c for halves, according to color, etc.

RAISINS—New Raisins, 2½@3c for two-crown, 4c for three-crown, 5c for four-crown, 5½c for Seedless Sultanas and 3l 10@3l 15 for London layers; dried Grapes, 2¾c.

NUTS—Chestnuts are quotable at 8@10c per lb; Walnuts, 6@7c for hardshell and 6½@7½c for softshell; Almonds, 5@6c for hardshell and 6½@8½c for paper-shell; Peanuts, 4@5c for Eastern and 4c for California; Hickory Nuts, 3@6c; Pecans, 9@10c; Filberts, 9@9½c; Brazil Nuts, 8@9c per lb; Cocoanuts, $4 50@5 per 100.

HONEY—New Comb, 10c for bright and 7@9c for lower grades; new water-white extracted, 4½@4¾c; light amber extracted, 3¾@4c per lb.

BEESWAX—23@25c per lb.

PROVISIONS.

CURED MEATS—Bacon, 8½c per lb for heavy, 9c for light medium, 10c for light, 10½c for extra ligt and 12c for sugar-cured; Eastern sugar-cured Hams, 10½@11c; California Hams, 9@9½c; Mess Beef, $8 50 per bbl; extra mess do, $9 50; family do, $11@12; salt Pork, $8@8 50; extra prime Pork, $9 50; extra clear, $16; mess, $14 50; Smoked Beef, 11½@12½c per lb.

LARD—Eastern tierces quoted at 8½c per lb for compound and 6c for pure; pails, 7c; California tierces, 5c per lb for compound and 6c for pure; half-bbls, 6¼c; 10-lb tins, 7c; do 5-lb, 7½c per lb.

COTTOLENE—Tierces, 5¾@6½c; packages, less than 300 lbs—1-lb pails, 60 in a case, 8¾c; 3-lb pails, 20 in a case, 8¾c; 5-lb pails, 12 in a case, 8½c; 10-lb pails, 6 in a case, 8½c; 50-lb tins, one or two in a case, 7¾c; wooden buckets, 20 lbs net, 7¾c; fancy tubs, 80 lbs net, 7⅝c; half-bbls, about 110 lbs, 7½c per lb.

HIDES, TALLOW, WOOL AND HOPS.

HIDES AND SKINS—Culls and brands sell at 1c under sound stock. Heavy salted steers, 10@10½c per lb; medium, 9c; light, 8½@9c; Cowhides, 8½@9c; Stags, 5½c; salted Kip, 9c; 15@15½c; culls and brands, 12@12½c; dry Kip 15@15½c culls and brands, 12@12½c dry Kip and Veal, 14c; dry Calf, 18c; culls, 12c; Goatskins, 20@35c each; Kids, 3c; Deerskins, good summer, 35c per lb; medium, 30c; winter, 10c; Sheepskins, shearlings, 10@25c each; short wool, 35@60c each; medium, 60@80c; long wools, 80c@$1 each.

TALLOW—No 1 rendered, 3@3½c per lb; No. 2, 2@2½c; refined, 5c; Grease, 2@2½c.

WOOL—Fall clip—Middle counties—free, 10@12c; do defective, 10@11c; San Joaquin, defective, 7@9c; Southern Mountain, 8@11c; free Northern, 12@13c; do defective, 9@11c; Humboldt and Mendocino, 13@15c; Eastern Oregon, 9@13c; Valley Oregon, 16@18c.

HOPS—Old crop, 2@6c for poor to fair and 8@19c for good; new crop, 10@14c per lb.

GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

BAGS—Calcutta Grain Bags, 1898 delivery, 5⅞@5¾c; Wool Bags, 27@30c; Fruit Bags, 5½c, 5¾c and 6c for the different sizes.

Wellington, $8 per ton; New Wellington, $8; Southfield Wellington, $7 50; Seattle, $5 50; Bryant, $5 50; Coos Bay, $4 75; Walsend, $7 00; Cumberland, $14 00 in bulk and $16 in sacks; Pennsylvania Anthracite Egg, $15; Cannel, $9 per ton; Rock Springs, Castle Gate and Pleasant Valley, $7 50; Coke, $13 per ton in bulk and $13 in sacks.

CORDAGE—New prices are as follows: Manila—1¼-inch, 6¾c; 12-thread, 7¼c; 6 and 9 thread, 7¾c; bale rope, 6¾@7¼c. Sisal—1¼-inch, 5¾c; 12-thread, 6¼c; 6 and 9 thread, 6¾c; bale rope, 5¾@6¼c.

SUGAR—The Western Sugar Refinery Company has advanced its prices and now quotes, terms net cash: Cube and Crushed and Fine Crushed,