COMMERCIAL WORLD.

SUMMARY OF THE MARKETS.

Silver unchanged.
Wheat about the same.
Barley continues unsettled.
Oats very strong.
Corn and Rye unchanged.
Hay advanced 50c.
Bran and Middlings unchanged.
Beans rule firm.
Potatoes weak and Onions firm.
Vegetables continue to decline.
Poultry steady. Game firmer.
Apples and Oranges steady.
Butter and Eggs easy.
Honey crop in doubt.
Provisions unchanged.
Hogs weak but no lower.
Smaller exports of specie.

EXPORTS OF SPECIE.

Exports of specie from this port during the first two months of the year were $3,955,765, against $11,458,303 during the same time in 1898, and consisted of $378,866 in silver bullion, $242,248 in Mexican dollars, $20,749 in silver coin, $7,704,155 in gold coin and $9752 in bonds and currency. The destinations were as follows: China, $1,206,904; Honolulu, $300,000; Mexico, $19,775; New York, $7,429,086.

PUBLIC MONEY IN SAN FRANCISCO.

Julius Jacobs, assistant treasurer of the United States at San Francisco, reports cash on hand February 28 as follows:

United States notes	$ 526 00
Treasury notes of 1890	1,187 00
National bank notes	395 00
Gold certificates	205,280 00
Silver certificates	132,221 00
Gold coin	6,313,326 18
Standard silver dollars	26,161,643 00
Subsidiary silver coin	389,097 23
Minor coin	10,455 94
Total	$33,314,131 35

Shipments of silver coin from the same office in the month of February, 1899, were as follows:

Standard silver dollars	$78,500
Subsidiary silver	52,260
Total	$130,760

OUR IMMENSE TRADE.

American manufacturers seem likely to make their greatest record in the fiscal year which ends four months hence. The reports of the Treasury Bureau of Statistics covering seven months of the fiscal year show that the exportation of domestic manufactures is $23,500,000 greater than the highest record ever before made in the corresponding months of the fiscal year. During the seven months ended February 1, 1899, the exports of domestic manufactures amounted to $182,336,503, or an average of $1,000,000 a day for every business day of that period. Not only are the manufacturers increasing their sales in foreign markets, but they are evidently supplying to a greater extent than ever before the home market. The imports of manufactures in the seven months under consideration amount to only $147,200,972, or $35,000,000 less than the manufactures exported. The exports of manufactures during the past seven months have been nearly 25 per cent greater than the imports of manufactures. Comparing conditions with those of a decade ago, the evidence of gain by our manufacturers is even more striking. In the seven months ended February 1, 1899, the exports of manufactures were $78,751,933; in the seven months ended February 1, 1899, they were $182,336,503, an increase of 131 per cent. On the other hand, imports of manufactures in the decade have fallen 23 per cent, despite the fact that the consuming population has meantime increased 20 per cent. The imports of manufactures in the seven months ended February 1, 1899, were $194,996,778, against $148,200,972 the corresponding seven months ended February 1, 1899.

THE HAY MARKET.

The circular of Somers & Co. says of Hay: "A careful study of the hay market at the present time shows a peculiar and rather uninteresting state of affairs. It is a well established fact that the weather has great influence over all produce markets, an excellent example of which is being demonstrated on the San Francisco Produce Exchange at the present time with grain, more particularly barley, which is perhaps more especially a cereal of local production and interest. With every cloud barley futures weaken, and we find the market a particularly sensitive one.

"This is always a critical season of the year and one would naturally think that with the continued dry weather and rather discouraging crop prospects that everything (as well as all kinds of grain) would be stiffening in price daily, but the converse of this has been true.

"Hay has been coming to market slowly, 1650 tons for the last six days ending to-day, a rather light supply. The explanation of the continued depression is simply that light as the supply has been the demand has been still lighter. A good rain may improve trade by inspiring confidence, yet we would encourage the farmers to let go their holdings. To sum up the situation, we give it as our opinion that if we have rain immediately prices will weaken some; if it continues dry we will probably see hay go no lower, but may look for the market to be regulated from day to day, according to the receipts and the demand.

"Ordinarily we would state that dry weather would cause hay to jump, but the poor condition of trade here seems to militate against any advance in prices."

WEATHER REPORT.

(120th Meridian—Pacific Time.)
SAN FRANCISCO, March 8, 5 p. m.

The following are the seasonal rainfalls to date, as compared with those of same date last season, and rainfall in last twenty-four hours:

Stations—	Last 24 Hours.	This Season.	Last Season.
Eureka	0.24	23.92	26.81
Red Bluff	0.04	13.32	12.07
Sacramento	0.00	7.93	8.55
San Francisco	0.02	8.02	7.32
Fresno	0.00	3.74	3.45
San Luis Obispo	0.00	7.20	5.15
Los Angeles	0.00	2.92	4.32
San Diego	0.00	3.71	3.18
Yuma	0.00	1.34	1.23

San Francisco data: Maximum temperature, 57; minimum, 48; mean, 52.

WEATHER CONDITIONS AND GENERAL FORECAST.

A slight barometric depression has moved rapidly in from the ocean during the day and is this evening central in Western Washington. This has caused light showers along the coast as far south as San Francisco and in the interior to the upper Sacramento Valley. Light rain has fallen over Oregon and Washington.

The pressure has again begun to rise along the coast.

The temperature has fallen over California and Nevada.

Conditions are favorable for scattered light showers in Northern California Thursday.

Forecast made at San Francisco for thirty hours ending midnight, March 9, 1899:

Northern California—Scattered light showers Thursday; fresh west wind.

Southern California—Cloudy Thursday; fresh west wind.

Nevada—Showers Thursday; cooler.

Utah—Showers, cooler Thursday.

Arizona—Fair Thursday.

San Francisco and vicinity—Scattered light showers Thursday; fresh west wind.

G. H. WILLSON,
Local Forecast Official.

EASTERN MARKETS.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

NEW YORK, March 8.—The stock market was dull most of the day, except at the closing, when there was considerable activity. The interest largely centered in the coalers, which made some handsome advances, and a number of the specialties went up over a point, while fractional advances were the rule in many other stocks. The published report of a combination of practically all the coalers was the ground for the strength in those properties. Much interest attached to the declaration of the regular dividend in Sugar. The market waited until it was announced and then moderate activity appeared. Sugar, after opening higher and then losing more than the earlier gain, rose about 4 points for the day. The large payment which the Government was to make to the Southern Pacific on the claim allowed by Congress lent strength to that property. The stagnation which prevailed the greater part of the session, with fluctuations of only ⅛ or so, was dispelled in the final dealings, when the coalers were marked up and there were sympathetic rises elsewhere. Lackawanna and Reading first preferred led the coalers with an advance of 3 points each. Among the standard stocks St. Paul gained a point.

Bonds were very active at a higher level for the leading issues. Total sales, $4,600,000.

United States 4's and the 5's declined ¼ in the bid price.

The total sales of stocks to-day were 642,800 shares, including: Atchison, 5485; do preferred, 29,510; Central Pacific, 11,300; Burlington, 25,980; Reading first preferred, 74,500; Missouri Pacific, 3400; Missouri, Kansas and Texas, 5000; do preferred, 3500; New Jersey Central, 11,500; Northern Pacific, 5600; Reading, 20,380; Rock Island, 5200; Union Pacific, 6485; do preferred, 8700; St. Paul, 17,115; Southern Pacific, 10,890; Paper, 7450; Tobacco, 7100; Bay State Gas, 14,265; Federal Steel, 14,000; do preferred, 4800; Consolidated Gas, 5440; Brooklyn Transit, 14,170; Sugar, 80,165; T. C. and I., 12,890.

CLOSING STOCKS.

Atchison	22⅛	St L & S F	11¾
Do pref d	62½	Do pref d	70¾
Baltimore & Ohio	70	Do 2d pref d	28¼
Canada Pacific	89⅝	St Paul	128⅝
Canada Southern	57⅝	Do pref d	169¼
Cent Pac	29½	St P & Om	93½
Ches & Ohio	27⅛	Do pref d	170
Chi & Alton	172	So Pacific	34½
Chi B & Q	139⅝	So Railway	12⅝
Chi & E Ill	66	Do pref d	48¾
Do pref d	126	Texas & Pacific	24
Chi G W	5⅝	Union Pacific	46⅝
Chi Ind & L	9	Do pref d	75⅛
Do pref d	44	U P D & G	12
Chi & N W	147¾	Wabash	8¼
Do pref d	191	Do pref d	22
C C C & St L	57⅝	Wheel & L E	11⅛
Do pref d	96½	Do pref d	32
Del & Hudson	116½	Express Companies—	
Del L & W	166½	Adams Ex	112
Den & Rio G	21¾	American Ex	140½
Do pref d	72¼	United States	55
Erie new	14⅝	Wells Fargo	125
Do 1st pref d	39⅝	Miscellaneous—	
Ft Wayne	178	A Cot Oil	35
Gt Nor pref d	184	Do pref d	91¼
Hocking Val	5¾	Amn Spirits	13⅛
Illinois Cent	115¼	Do pref d	39¼
Lake Erie & W	18½	Am Tobacco	195½
Do pref d	66	Do pref d	148
Lake Shore	200	Cons Gas	218¾
Louis & Nash	64½	Com Cable Co	185
Manhattan L	110¾	Col F & Iron	33⅝
Met St Ry	239	Do pref d	94
Mich Cent	118	Gen Electric	119½
Minn & St L	53½	Haw Coml Co	76¾
Do 1st pref d	99¼	Brooklyn R T	95⅞
Mo Pacific	45¾	Intnl Paper	34½
Mobile & Ohio	47½	Do pref d	86½
Mo K & T	14¼	Laclede Gas	81⅛
Do pref d	34⅝	Lead	33¾
N J Central	113	Do pref d	112¼
N Y Central	135¾	Nat Lin Oil	4½
N Y Chi & St L	13½	Pacific Mail	46⅝
Do 1st pref d	66	People's Gas	112¾
Do 2d pref d	32	Pullman Pal	218
Nor West	171½	Silver Cert	59½
No Amer Co	8¾	Standard R & T	9¾
No Pacific	52⅛	Sugar	142
Do pref d	78⅞	Do pref d	115
Ontario & W	25½	T C & Iron	46¼
Or R & Nav	45	U S Leather	15½
Or Short Line	42½	Do pref d	71⅝
Pac Coast 1st pfd	83	U S Rubber	49
Do 2d pref d	34	Do pref d	115½
Pittsburg	178	West Union	94⅛
Reading	24⅞	Fed Steel Co	52
Do 1st pref d	67⅝	Do pref d	88
R G W	36	Or Nav pref d	70
Do pref d	75½	Pac Coast	48
Rock Island	117⅛	Colo Southern	6¾
St L & S W	8⅞	Do 1st pref d	73
Do pref d	28	Do 2d pref d	20½

CLOSING BONDS.

U S 3s	107	N Y Central 1sts	114½
U S new 4s reg	128	N J C 5s	118
Do coup	128	N Carolina 6s	130
U S 4s	111	Do 4s	104
Do coup	112½	No Pac 1sts	110
Do 2ds	99½	Do 3s	68
U S 5s reg	111¾	Do 4s	103⅛
Do 5s coup	111¾	N Y C & St L 4s	107¼
District 3.65s	117	Nor & W 6s	130½
Ala class A	110	Northwestern con	143½
Do B	110	Do deb 5s	122
Do C	100	O Nav 1sts	111
Do Currency	100	O Nav 4s	101½
Atchison 4s	103	O S Line 6s tr	128½
Do adj 4s	83¾	O S Line 5s tr	111¼
Can So 2ds	109	Reading 4s	90
C & O 4½s	93¾	R G W 1sts	94⅝
Chi Term 4s	91¾	St L & I M con 5s	111
C & Ohio 5s	118¼	St L & S F gen 6s	122½
C H & D 4½s	104⅝	St P Con	165
D & R G 1sts	108½	St P C & P 1sts	120
D & R G 4s	100¾	Do 5s	121
East Tenn 1sts	104¾	So Ry 5s	105⅞
Erie Gen 4s	73¼	Stand R & T 6s	86
F W & D 1sts tr	84	Tenn new set 3s	97½
Gen Elec 5s	114⅞	Tex Pac L G 1sts	112½
G H & S A 6s	111	Do Rg 2ds	52½
Do 2ds	110	Union Pac 4s	104½
H & T C 5s	110	U P D & G 1sts	88½
Do con 6s	110	Wabash 1st 5s	114¾
Iowa 1sts	107¼	Do 2ds	94¼
La new con 4s	109¾	W Shore 4s	112⅞
L & N Uni 4s	95½	Va Centuries	84
Mo Pac con 6s	118¼	Do deferred	8¼
M K & T 2ds	65⅞	Wis Cent 1sts	66¼
Do 4s	93	Colo Southern 4s	87½

MINING STOCKS.

Chollar	40	Ontario	5 50
Crown Point	23	Ophir	1 00
Con Cal & Va	1 70	Plymouth	10
Deadwood	70	Quicksilver	2 00
Gould & Curry	35	Do pref d	5 00
Hale & Norcross	35	Sierra Nevada	1 20
Homestake	50 50	Standard	2 30
Iron Silver	69	Union Con	55
Mexican	70	Yellow Jacket	22

BOSTON STOCKS AND BONDS.

Money—		Wis Cent	1⅝
Call loans	3 @3½	Gen Elec pref d	138
Time loans	3½@4	Atch pref d	62
Stocks—		Bonds—	
Atch Top & St Fe	22¼	Atchison 4s	100
Amer Sugar	141¾	Mining Shares—	
Do pref d	115	Allouez Min Co	11¼
Bay State Gas	10-16	Atlantic	26½
Bell Tel	346	Boston & Mont	358
Boston & Albany	245	Butte & Boston	90
Boston & Maine	170	Calumet & Hecla	780
Boston L	86½	Centennial	52½
Chi Bur & Q	139⅝	Franklin	25
Fitchburg	114¼	Old Dominion	40½
Gen Electric	118¼	Osceola	89½
Federal Steel	52	Quincy	160
Do pref d	88	Tamarack	225
Mexican Central	6	Wolverine	47
Old Colony	201	Parrott	44
Rubber	49	Humboldt	2½
Union Pac	46½	Winona	18½
West End	94½	Adventure	14½
Do pref d	112	Union Land	8¼
Westingh Elec	103¼		

THE LONDON MARKET.

NEW YORK, March 8.—The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: The markets here were quiet and firmer in tone to-day, though investment securities were dull, in anticipation of a big budget deficit. Americans closely followed New York and little was done here. They were firm until the afternoon, when New York bought the coalers heavily. The close was at the best. The general contango rate was rather stiffer. Coppers were good; the Tintos were 39¼; Utahs, 8⅝@9; Bostons, 2¼.

CLOSING.

LONDON, March 8.—Canadian Pacific, 92½; Northern Pacific preferred, 81¼; Union Pacific preferred, 81½; Grand Trunk, 8⅞; bar silver, 27 7-16d per ounce; money, 1½@1¾ per cent.

NEW YORK GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

NEW YORK, March 8.—FLOUR—Receipts, 21,383 barrels; exports, 3381. Extremely dull, weak; quoted lower.

WHEAT—Receipts, 92,800 bushels; exports, 119,685. Spot weak; No. 2 red, 82⅝c f.o.b. to arrive. Options opened easier and continued weak all of the session under heavy selling for both accounts. Cables were lower, crop news favorable, seaboard clearances small and interior movement liberal. Near the close liquidation became pronounced and final prices were ⅞@1c net lower, with the tone weak. March, 81⅛@82⅜c, closed 81⅝c; May, 75⅛@76c, closed 75⅛c; July, 73⅝@74½c, closed 73⅝c.

HOPS—Steady.

HIDES—Firm.

WOOL—Firm.

METALS—While the quotations for metals in no department of the market showed material changes, the feeling was firmer. According to the Metal Exchange platiron warrants closed unchanged at $9 75 nominally; lake copper, unchanged at $17 75 nominal; tin, firmer at $23 65@24; lead, firm, at $4 30@4 35, an spelter unchanged at $6 30@6 37½. The brokers called the market steady for copper at the close at $18 and for lead $4 10.

COFFEE—Spot closed steady, unchanged, to five points higher. Sales, 16,250 bags, including April, $5 15; May, $5 20; July, $5 35@5 40; September, $5 50; December, $5 75@5 80; December, $5 85@5 90.

SPOT COFFEE—Rio dull; No. 7 invoice, 6⅛c; No. 7 jobbing, 6⅝c. Mild, quiet; Cordova, 8@11c.

SUGAR—Raw, firm; fair refining, 3⅞c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4⅝c; molasses, 5⅜c; refined, firm.

BUTTER—Receipts, 5432 packages. Firm; Western creamery, 15½@20c; Elgins, 20c; factory, 12@14½c.

EGGS—Receipts, 5686 packages. Steady; State and Pennsylvania, 22c; Western, 20c; Southern, 21½c.

DRIED FRUITS.

NEW YORK, March 8.—California dried fruits firm.

EVAPORATED APPLES—Common, 7@8¼c; prime wire tray, 6¾@9c; choice, 9½c; fancy, 9¾@10c.

PRUNES—4@10c.

APRICOTS—Royal, 12@14c; Moorpark 13@17c.

PEACHES—Unpeeled, 9@11c; peeled, 25@28c.

EASTERN LIVESTOCK MARKET.

CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, March 8. — CATTLE—Ruled stronger to a shade higher. Fancy cattle, $5 70@5 90; choice steers, $5 35@5 65; mediums, $4 65@4 95; beef steers, $3 90@4 60; stockers and feeders, $3 40@4 70; bulls, $2 60@4 10; cows and heifers, $3 30@4; Western fed steers, $4 20@5 60; Texas steers, $3 50@5; calves, $3 50@7.

HOGS—Were 5c higher. Fair to choice, $3 80@3 95; heavies, packing lots, $3 60@3 77½; mixed, $3 62½@3 82½; butchers', $3 65@3 82½; light, $3 65@3 85; pigs, $3 20@3 75.

SHEEP—Were steady and prime lambs 10c higher. Poor to prime sheep, $2 75@4 65; largely $3 70@4 45; yearlings, $4 40@4 60; lambs, $4@5 10, largely $4 80@5.

Receipts—Cattle, 12,500; hogs, 23,000; sheep, 15,000.

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

CHICAGO, March 8.—The weight of accumulating stocks at a season when they ought to be diminishing made wheat weak from the start. The Daily Trade Bulletin showed in its report for the beginning of the present month the world's visible stocks to be 11,000,000 bushels larger than a year ago and 5,500,000 bushels more than at the beginning of February. May opened ⅝c lower at 71¼@71⅜c and made a decline of ¼@¾c inside the next minute. Liverpool and Foreign markets ruled weak at a sharp decline. A dispatch from Buenos Ayres denied that serious damage had been done in wheat in Argentine by the heavy rains, claiming that wheat was for the most part under shelter. Liquidation became general and May slipped off to 70⅝c. Some covering of short wheat caused a slight temporary rise. The price soon had another slump, which took it as low as 70½c. Advices from California said that the crop in the southern valleys had been completely burned up. The market firmed up a little on that, May recovering to 70⅞c. Just at the end of the session a message was received from San Francisco saying it looked like rain. That caused more selling and a further decline to 70¼c, the closing figure being 70¼@70⅝c.

Light offering strengthened corn. There was very little pressure on the market. May left off unchanged.

Oats were steady within a narrow range. The close was ⅛c lower.

Diminishing receipts of hogs and a good cash meat demand strengthened provisions. Trading was chiefly in the way of changing. Pork and ribs advanced 2½c each and lard 2½@5c.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat No. 2—				
May	71⅝	71⅝	70¼	70⅝
July	70⅛	70⅛	69¾	69¾
Corn No. 2—				
May	35¾	35⅞	35½	35⅝
July	36⅛	36¼	36	36
September	35⅝	36¼	36½	36⅜
Oats No. 2—				
May	27⅝	27½	27¼	27⅜
July	25½	25⅝	25½	25½
Mess Pork, per barrel—				
May	9 25	9 35	9 25	9 27½
July	9 42½	9 50	9 42½	9 45
Lard, per 100 pounds—				
May	5 40	5 45	5 40	5 42½
July	5 52½	5 57½	5 52½	5 55
September	5 62½	5 67½	5 62½	5 67½
Short Ribs, per 100 pounds—				
May	4 72½	4 80	4 72½	4 77½
July	4 87½	4 92½	4 87½	4 90
September	5 02½	5 02½	5 00	5 02½

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour, dull and neglected; No. 2 spring wheat, 67@69c; No. 3 spring wheat, 63@67c; No. 2 red, 70½@71½c; No. 2 corn, 34½c; No. 2 oats, 27¼c; No. 2 white, 30@30½c; No. 3 white, 29½@29¾c; No. 2 rye, 55c; No. 2 barley, 42@52c; No. 1 flaxseed, $1 15; prime timothy seed, $2 40; mess pork, per barrel, $8 15@9 20; lard, per 100 pounds, $5 30@5 32½; short rib sides, loose, $4 50@4 70; dry salted shoulders, boxed, 4¼@4⅜c; short clear sides, boxed, $4 90@4 95; whisky, distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 26.

Articles—	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels	12,000	33,000
Wheat, bushels	71,000	10,000
Corn, bushels	483,000	236,000
Oats, bushels	395,000	760,900
Rye, bushels	9,000	4,000
Barley, bushels	49,000	17,000

On the Produce Exchange to-day the Butter market was steady; creameries, 14@15½c; dairies, 11½@17c. Eggs, steady; fresh, 17½@18c. Cheese, steady, unchanged.

WHEAT MOVEMENTS.

Cities—	Receipts. Bushels.	Shipments. Bushels.
Minneapolis	224,250	32,560
Duluth	164,247	8,017
Milwaukee	33,600	9,150
Chicago	71,250	13,280
Toledo	17,052	24,500
St. Louis	11,000	11,000
Detroit	13,522	15,915
Kansas City	36,500	43,500
Totals	561,421	152,922
Tidewater—		
Boston	36,215	.....
New York	.....	119,689
Philadelphia	800	26,420
Baltimore	8,378	.....
Richmond	.....	36,493
New Orleans	47,096	168,000
Totals	185,289	350,602

LIVERPOOL FUTURES.

Wheat—	March.	May.	July.
Opening	5 7	5 7⅜	5 7
Closing	5 7	5 7⅛	5 6¾

PARIS FUTURES.

Flour—	March.	May.
Opening	43 50	44 25
Closing	43 35	44 50
Wheat—		
Opening	20 80	21 15
Closing	20 60	21 00

BOSTON WOOL MARKET.

BOSTON, March 8.—The American Wool and Cotton Reporter will say to-morrow: The wool market is very quiet. But few manufacturers have been in and they have purchased very sparingly. The sales of heavy-weight goods have thus far been disappointing, and falling to receive the orders they anticipated earlier in the season they naturally felt disinclined to buy very liberally of wool. The dullness is also intensified by the announcement of the formation of the worsted trust, which has been the all-absorbing topic of conversation in manufacturing circles and in the wool trade.

Prices are generally unchanged, although dealers show more disposition to meet the view of manufacturers.

The sales of the week in Boston amounted to 2,612,000 pounds domestic and 710,000 foreign, making a total of 3,322,000, against a total of 3,263,000 fo rthe previous week and a total of 1,237,000 for the corresponding week last year. Sales since January 1, 1899, amount to 36,802,500 pounds, against 36,019,480 last year at this time.

LONDON WOOL SALES.

LONDON, March 8.—The second day's session of the present series of the wool auction opened up with a full attendance of buyers and a better selection than that offered yesterday. Medium low stock ruled irregular. Shabby stocks showed a drooping tendency and sold 10 per cent lower. Scoured merinos were eagerly bid for by the German and Yorkshire buyers at hardening rates. Victoria greasy merinos were well represented and sold readily to France and Germany. Lambs were well represented and were strongly competed for.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, March 8.—Consols, 110 7-16; silver, 27 7-16d; French rentes, 103f 12½c; wheat cargoes off coast, nothing doing; cargoes on passage, easier and neglected; cargoes No. 1 standard California, 28s 6d; English country markets, steady.

LIVERPOOL, March 8.—Wheat, steady; wheat in Paris, dull; flour in Paris, dull; French country markets, weak.

COTTON—Uplands, 3 15-32d.

CLOSING.

WHEAT—Spot, steady; No. 1 red Northern spring, 6s 11½d. Futures closed quiet; March, 5s 7¾d; May, 5s 7½d; July, 5s 6¾d.

CORN—Spot, steady; American mixed old, 3s 7¾d. Futures quiet; March, 3s 5⅝d; May, 3s 5d; July, 3s 5¼d.

PORTLAND'S BUSINESS.

PORTLAND, March 8.—Clearances, $289,641; balances, $48,514.

NORTHERN WHEAT MARKET.

PORTLAND, March 8.—WHEAT—Engaged tonnage has been fairly well provided for and prices are weaker. Walla Walla, 59c; valley, 59@60c; bluestem, 62c.

Cleared—British ship Achuashire, for Queenstown, with 147,184 bushels wheat.

WASHINGTON.

TACOMA, March 8.—WHEAT—Club, 58½c; bluestem, 61½@62½c.

LOCAL MARKETS.

EXCHANGE AND BULLION.

Sterling Exchange, 60 days	—	$4 84½
Sterling Exchange, sight	—	4 86½
Sterling Cables	—	4 87
New York Exchange, sight	—	15
New York Exchange, telegraphic	—	17½
Fine Silver, per ounce	—	59½
Mexican Dollars	—	47½@48

WHEAT AND OTHER GRAINS.

WHEAT—Quotations remain about the same, with a dull market.

Spot Wheat—Shipping, $1 13½@1 15; milling, $1 17½@1 20 per ctl.

CALL BOARD SALES.

Informal Session—9:15 o'clock — December—2000 ctls, $1 19; 2000, $1 19⅛; 2000, $1 19¼.

Second Session—May—4000 ctls, $1 16⅞; 2000, $1 16½; 6000, $1 16¾. December—2000, $1 18½.

Regular Morning Session—May—10,000 ctls, $1 17⅛. December—4000, $1 18¾.

Afternoon Session—May—2000 ctls, $1 16¾.

BARLEY—The fickle aspect of the skies keeps the market unsettled and irregular, without any particular change in quotations.

Shipment of 9000 ctls to Sydney.

Feed, $1 25@1 28¾; Brewing, nominal.

CALL BOARD SALES.

Informal Session—9:15 o'clock—Seller '99, new—10,000 ctls, $1 04; 4000, $1 03⅞; 6000, $1 03¾; 10,000, $1 03½.

Second Session—Seller, 1899, new—2000 ctls, $1 03¼; 4000, $1 03; 14,000, $1 02¾.

Regular Morning Session—Seller, 1899, new—16,000 ctls, $1 03¾; 6000, $1 03½; 2000, $1 03⅜; 6000, $1 03¾.

Afternoon Session—Seller, 1899, new—2000 ctls, $1 02½; 4000, $1 03; 4000, $1 02¾; 8000, $1 02⅞.

OATS—The market is very strongly held, but quiet.

Fancy Feed, $1 40 per ctl; good to choice, $1 35@1 37½; common, $1 32½; Surprise, $1 45@1 50; Gray, $1 32½@1 35; Milling, $1 37½@1 40 per ctl; Red, nominal; Black, nominal.

CORN—Small round 4 Yellow, $1 25; Eastern large Yellow, $1 10@1 12½; White, $1 10; mixed, $1 07½@1 10 per ctl; California White, $1 12½.

RYE—$1 10@1 12½ per ctl.

BUCKWHEAT—Nominal.

FLOUR AND MILLSTUFFS.

FLOUR—California family extras, $4; bakers' extras, $3 85@3 90; Oregon and Washington, $3@3 65 per bbl.

MILLSTUFFS — Prices in sacks are as follows, usual discount to the trade: Graham Flour, $3 25 per 100 pounds; Rye Flour, $2 75 per 100; Rice Flour, $7; Cornmeal, $2 50; extra cream Cornmeal, $3 25; Oatmeal, $4 50@4 75; Oat Groats, $4 75; Hominy, $3 25@3 50; Buckwheat Flour, $4@4 25; Cracked Wheat, $3 75; Farina, $4 50; Whole Wheat Flour, $3 50; Rolled Oats (barrels), $6 55@6 95; in sacks, $6 35@6 75; Pearl Barley, $5; Split Peas, $4 25; Green Peas, $4 50 per 100 pounds.

HAY AND FEEDSTUFFS.

Hay is in a curious condition. While the market is dull and buyers are indifferent as to the future, there is an upward tendency and prices have hardened during the past few days. There was another advance of 50c yesterday, though dealers continued to report a dull market.

Bran and Middlings are unchanged.

BRAN—$20@20 50 per ton.

MIDDLINGS—$21@22 50 per ton.

FEEDSTUFFS — Rolled Barley, $26@27 per ton; Oilcake Meal at the mill, $31@31 50; jobbing, $32@32 50; Cocoanut Cake, $24@25; Cottonseed Meal, $28@30 per ton; Cornmeal, $23 50@24 50; Cracked Corn, $24@25; Mixed Feed, $19 50@20.

CALIFORNIA HAY—Wheat, $16@17 for good to choice and $14@15 for lower grades; no fancy coming in; Wheat and Oat, $13 50@16 50; Oat, $13@14 75; Island Barley, $12 50@13 50; Alfalfa, $11@12; Stock, $9 50@10 50; Clover, nominal.

OUTSIDE HAY (from Oregon, Nevada, etc.)—Wheat and Wheat and Oat, $13@14; Cheat, $11@11 50; Grass Hay, $10@10 50; Oat, $12@13 50; Clover, $10@11; Timothy, $10 50@12 per ton.

STRAW—30@65c per bale.

BEANS AND SEEDS.

Beans continue to show a firm tone at unchanged prices.

BEANS — Bayos, $1 75@1 85; Small Whites, $2@2 20; Large Whites, $1 80@1 90; Pinks, $2@2 10; Reds, $3 25@3 35; Blackeye, $3 75@3 80; Butters, $2 25@2 50; Limas, $3 40@3 50; Pea, $2 25@2 50; Red Kidneys, $2 40@2 50 per ctl.

SEEDS—Brown Mustard, $4 50@4 75 per ctl; yellow Mustard, $3 75@4; Flax, $2 15@2 25; Canary Seed, 2¼@2¾c per lb; Alfalfa, 8@8½c; Rape, 2¼@2¾c; Hemp, 2½@3c; Timothy, 5@5½c.

DRIED PEAS—Niles, $1 65@1 70; Green, $3@3 20 per ctl.

POTATOES, ONIONS AND VEGETABLES.

The situation remains unchanged. Onions are weak and Potatoes firm. The tendency in Vegetables is downward, under increasing receipts.

Receipts were 763 boxes Asparagus, 486 boxes Rhubarb and 120 sacks Peas.

Hothouse cucumbers, $1 50@2 per dozen.

POTATOES—$1@1 10 per ctl for Early Rose, 90c@$1 10 per sack for River Burbanks; Sonoma and Marin Burbanks, 90c@$1 10 per ctl; Oregon, 85c@$1 25; Sweet Potatoes, 75c for River and $1 60@1 85 for Merced; New Potatoes, 2½@3c per lb.

ONIONS—60@90c per ctl, outside quotation for Oregon.

VEGETABLES—Asparagus, 3@4c per lb for No. 2, 5@7c for No. 1 and 8c for fancy; Rhubarb, 75c@$1 25 per box; Green Peas, 4@5c; String Beans, —; Cabbage, 40@50c; Tomatoes, $1@1 75 for Los Angeles and $1 85@1 75 for Mexican; Egg Plant, —— per lb; Garlic, 6@7c per lb; Dried Okra, 15c per lb; Dried Peppers, 7@12½c; Carrots, 25@35c per sack.

POULTRY AND GAME.

No more Eastern is expected this week, though there is considerable unsold stock still on hand. Local Poultry is steady at the quotations with moderate arrivals.

POULTRY—Dressed Turkeys, 14@16c; live Turkeys, 12@13c; Gobblers and 12@13c for Hens; Geese, per pair, $1 75@2; Goslings, $2 25@2 50; Ducks, $5@5 50; Hens, $4@5; young Roosters, $7@8; old Roosters, $4 25@4 50; Fryers, $6@6 50; Broilers, $5@5 50 for large, $4@4 50 for small; Pigeons, $1 50@1 75 per dozen for old and $2 25@2 50 for Squabs.

GAME—Gray Geese, $2 50@3 50; White Geese, $1@1 25; Brant, $2; Honkers, $3@3 50; Hare, $1; Rabbits, $1 50 for Cottontails and $1 for small.

BUTTER, CHEESE AND EGGS.

Butter and Eggs remain unchanged, though both are quiet and there is no scarcity of either. Eggs are beginning to drag somewhat.

BUTTER—

Creamery—Fancy creameries, 22½@23c; seconds, 20@22c.

Dairy—Choice to fancy, 20@21c; common grades, 16@19c.

Pickled Goods—Firkin, 16@17c; pickled roll, 14@16c for dairy and 16@17c for creamery squares; creamery tub, 19c.

Eastern Butter—Ladle packed, 13½@14c per lb; Elgin, nominal.

CHEESE—Choice mild new, 11@11½c; old, 10@10½c; Cream Cheddar, 12@12½c; Young America, 11½@12½c; Eastern, 10@12c.

EGGS—Quoted at 14@15c per dozen.

DECIDUOUS AND CITRUS FRUITS.

Apples and Oranges continue in moderate supply and steady.

DECIDUOUS FRUITS—

Apples, 75c@$1 25 for common, $1 50@1 75 per box for No. 1 and $2@2 25 for choice.

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

DRIED FRUITS, NUTS AND RAISINS.

Some apprehension is felt regarding the Honey crop, owing to the dry weather in the southern part of the State. Flowers are scarce and the bees are reported dying in several places.

DRIED FRUITS—Prunes, 6½c for 40-50's, 4½@4¾c for 50-60's, 3¼@3½c for 60-70's, 2¾@3c for 70-80's, 2½@2¾c for 80-90's, 2@2¼c for 90-100's and 1¾@2c for 100-110's; Silver Prunes, ⅝@5c. Peaches, 7½@8½c for good to choice; 9@9½c for fancy and —