

GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Movement of New Crop Has Its Effect on Wheat. WEAKNESS RULES IN LEADING CEREAL. Large Acceptances of Hides in Southwest on New Grain-Corn Holds Firm, Showing Slight Gain at Session's Close.

OMAHA, July 7, 1906. After starting weak on further selling against free acceptances in the southwest, the market steadied somewhat on covering by shorts, only to weaken again and close lower. Estimates of sales for the country last night ran as high as 1,000,000 bushels, mostly No. 2 red. The hard wheat has not yet started to grow, but the spring wheat belt continues favorable, on the whole, and weather is fine, indications are for higher temperatures and continued clear conditions. While little export business was said to have been worked, and little wheat is being shipped, the business is so small that it gives no hope of any material quantity being worked. The future is purely a matter of the ideas of consumers here and abroad, unless, of course, some accident should happen in the northwest to cause alarm for the spring wheat crop.

Corn held firm, with some complaints coming in respect to lack of warmth and moisture through this state. It seems that rain and higher temperatures would be beneficial to the crop under existing conditions. Country acceptance continues light. Oats continue to drag. Sales were large again overnight, resulting in pressure on the near deficient supply. The far market is doing well on realizing and favorable reports respecting the crop. There have been a lot of bids for the market in the last two or three days and it is probable the trade is pretty well opened up. Primary wheat receipts were 47,000 bushels and shipments 22,000 bushels, against receipts last year of 210,000 bushels and shipments of 100,000 bushels. Corn receipts were 515,000 bushels and shipments 235,000 bushels, against last year's receipts of 450,000 bushels and shipments of 450,000 bushels. Clearances were 85,000 bushels of wheat, 10,000 barrels of flour, 100,000 bushels of corn and 300 bushels of oats. Liverpool closed 1/4 cent lower on wheat and 1/2 cent lower on corn. Broomhall estimates world's wheat shipments for Monday at 5,000,000 bushels. The government crop report will be issued at 2 o'clock Tuesday. It will show acreage and condition and the amount of wheat and spring wheat and all small grains, and acreage and condition of flax, rice and tobacco. Local range of options:

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CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Features of the Trading and Closing Prices on Board of Trade. CHICAGO, July 7.—Weather throughout the United States today continued favorable for the new wheat crop and the local market for wheat flour quiet on the September delivery, but down 1/4 cent. Corn was off 1/4 cent. Oats were down 1/4 cent. Provisions were 1/4 cent higher.

The bearish feeling that prevailed throughout the entire session was due chiefly to the fact that the market continued favorable for the wheat growing sections. Other factors that contributed to the weak tone were a decline in Liverpool and a profit-taking in the increase in the movement of the new crop. The market for wheat flour was quiet, but the price of wheat was down 1/4 cent. Corn was off 1/4 cent. Oats were down 1/4 cent. Provisions were 1/4 cent higher.

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On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady, receipts, 150,000 lbs. Eggs were steady, receipts, 1,000,000. Hides were steady, receipts, 100,000. Wool was steady, receipts, 100,000.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

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NEW YORK, July 7.—COPPER—Market for future opened steady at an advance of 5 points on steady European cables and moderate Brazilian receipts. Trading was quiet until about 10 o'clock, when it was covered with the close steady at a advance of 10 points. Sales for the week were reported at 10,000 tons.

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Another Link in the Romantic Golden Chain of a Hawaiian Family.

Pen of novelist has rarely woven so interesting a romance as that involved in the marriage in Davenport, Ia., a few days ago of Miss Anna Elizabeth Whiting, only daughter of Rear Admiral Whiting, to Albert F. Afong, of Honolulu. While his bride is thoroughly American, Afong is the son of a full-blooded Chinese. Still more unusual, however, is the fact that he has no less than thirteen sisters, three of whom have married into the American navy, as he may be said to have done, and a fourth into the Rear Admiral Whiting, so that by this latest union she will become the aunt as well as the sister of young Afong.

For twenty years naval officers have told of the delightful hospitality afforded them in the Afong home while their ships lay at anchor in Honolulu bay. Tourists have come back from Hawaii telling of the gorgeous semi-oriental mansion of Wing Ah Fong—the name has since been Americanized—and Mrs. Conception Ah Fong, who is a mixture of Spanish and Portuguese. Every one who has been in the islands talks of the charming manners, the bright-hued gowns, the languorous tropical ballads and the fund of good nature of the hostess, the daughter of the South Sea.

Along about 1858 a young Chinese bearing this name came with a shipload of his fellow countrymen to Honolulu. He was unusually intelligent and genial, and with a little capital, soon built up a prosperous business in Chinese groceries, silks and brocades. In a short time he was the leading merchant of Honolulu. He spent money freely and was well liked by whites and blacks in the quaint old town. As he grew in wealth he made love to Conception, the daughter of a poor Portuguese sailor, who had floated into Hawaii. She was what is known as a Kanaka, and there was a strain of English blood in her, and after her marriage, in 1860, it was this strain in her which produced the energy and executive ability by which she helped him to gain money.

Ah Fong invested in sugar cane plantations, and in those times, when such properties yielded almost incredibly large profits, he became very wealthy. In ten years he was worth more than \$200,000 and was adding \$50,000 to this annually. He was careful and prudent, while his business associates drowsed and took no heed for the morrow, and he was ceaselessly watching for chances to buy more plantations at cheap prices from the improvident Hawaiians.

Meanwhile the Ah Fong family circle widened. There were six children; the eldest in 1873, a boy and five girls. Eight more girls were born there during the next fifteen years. Wing Ah Fong was an ideal father. He was delighted to see how each child resembled the mother in facial expression. He hired servants, gowns, and a large house every few years and thought nothing too good for his babies.

He used to find no greater joy than to get his wife and all his numerous girls into a great lumbering open carriage like a Concord coach that he had built according to his own ideas, and with himself as driver on the front seat, so rolling slowly over the roads about Honolulu for hours at a time. It used to be a memorable sight to see bowing along any of the lava made roads in Honolulu Papa Ah Fong, with his long queue dangling down his back, driving in a vehicle containing his entire family circle, all singing, laughing and having a good time by themselves.

True Chinese that he is, Wing Ah Fong never gave up his idea that the Chinese ways of living and doing things were a little superior to any others. He let his wife conduct the home and dress and educate the girls as she saw fit, but he took charge of the boy, Albert, and for a long time, while the sisters were garbed and trained after the American fashion, he had his head shaved, wore a queue and affected flowing silken garments like those of his father.

Indeed, he and his sisters have never been ashamed of their origin, and with their accomplishments, they need not be. All the girls have the tropical love for music and several are excellent singers. Personally, seven of them are noticeably pretty, with black eyes and hair. One, Mrs. Arthur Johnston, wife of a prominent Honolulu merchant, is a demi-beaute, and the combination of her blue eyes and dark lashes and hair and her pink and white complexion make her the accepted beauty of the family. Several of the sisters have fathered fine sons, but the rest are of petite figure. Three have almost-shaped eyes and nearly every one has the mother's olive complexion and soft, easy mode of speech.

Wing Ah Fong was reputed to be worth \$100,000 in 1890. Two years later he left Honolulu and went to China. He has never returned, and the reason for his strange act has always been a mystery to the outside world. He spent months getting his enormous business in shape and then sailed away. When months passed and he was still absent, rumors began to spread, and there was a story that he had narrowly escaped severe punishment for having deserted a wife in China. Mrs. Ah Fong and her daughters kept closely to their home for a long time and never spoke of the subject to outsiders. After this period, however, the hostess of the home was assumed and it never waned until the last of the daughters was married—New York Herald.

Realistic. The book agent was showing the old farmer one of the "best sellers." "A wonderful book," said the agent as he turned to the first chapter. "Just listen to this plot: There's an ominous cloud on the wife's brow when he sees the lightning flash in the determined eyes of his beautiful daughter." "Great shots!" ejaculated the old farmer, his jaw dropping. "Then comes the shower of tears. 'But hark! The hero is thundering.'" The old farmer jumped down from the fence and held up his hand. "One minute, mister," he drawled. "One minute till I put the chickens up and get my umbrella. I swan, that that book is so stormy I feel like I am getting wet now."—Columbus Dispatch.

Not Complimentary. John Henry (Reading Aloud)—The fortune left Mr. Bailey, the circus king, amounts to several millions. Mrs. John Henry—Why don't you go into the circus business, John? John Henry—It takes a lot of capital and experienced partners to start a circus. Mrs. John Henry—Have you got enough for a side-show? John Henry—Do you mean a show of freaks? Mrs. John Henry—Yes, You certainly could get that all alone.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.