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## DEALING IN FUTURES BEGUN.

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### OPTIONS ON HOPS QUOTED ON THE HOP DEALERS' EXCHANGE.

Dealings in futures were begun yesterday at the Hop Dealers' Exchange, when options were quoted on New-York State, Washington, Oregon, and California hops for February, March, April, May, June, and July delivery. Brokers seemed shy of each other, and at the first call differences between prices bid and asked ranged from  $\frac{3}{4}$  to  $9\frac{3}{4}$  cents per pound. They came together at last, and about 200 bales were sold for February at  $25\frac{1}{2}$  cents and for April at 26 cents, New-York State hops in both cases. This was an advance of about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cents per pound since last week.

There are about forty members of the exchange. When the membership shall pass seventy-five, as is expected to occur soon, a fee will be charged for selling privileges. The hope of increased membership is based on the facilities promised by the exchange for crop statistics and general information calculated to insure a market presumably uniform in all parts of the country. The need of some such agency is advocated from the course of the market in former years. Hops varied in price in 1882 from 20 cents per pound to \$1.25 per pound. Since then there have been variations within a single year from 50 cents to 10 cents, from 40 cents to 9 cents, and from 35 cents to 8 cents.

The hop year begins in September. In August last the price was 12 cents. The year started with the price at 13 cents, since which time it has steadily advanced.

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### YOUNG SEABURY STILL MISSING.

Mrs. Nettie Seabury, mother of the young military cadet, Nathaniel N. Seabury of Peekskill, who has been missing from his home since last Tuesday, and is supposed to be under the influence of Mrs. Helen Dykman, with whom it was reported he had eloped, called on her counsel, W. G. Valentine, in Sing Sing, this evening. She has not been able to find her son, but said that Mrs. Dykman yesterday packed up all her goods and moved from Peekskill to New-York, where she has taken a house in East One Hundred and Twenty-third Street. She did not know the number. Mrs. Seabury expects to find her boy there before many days. She intends to prosecute Mrs. Dykman for the loss of the services of her son, who has been a great help to her in her business.

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### THE TILDEN EXECUTORS.

George W. Smith, one of the executors of the will of Samuel J. Tilden, filed an application yesterday in the Westchester County Surrogate's Court on behalf of himself and the other executors, John Bigelow and Andrew H. Green, for a voluntary accounting of their acts as executors and trustees under the will, and citations were accordingly issued to the heirs and all persons interested under the will, with the exception of the City of Yonkers and New-Lebanon, to be present at the Surrogate's Court in White Plains on Wednesday, March 2, when the accounting will be made. Lewis Cass Ledyard appeared for the executors, Yard & Vanderpoel for George H. Tilden, the contestant of the will, and Dubois & Countryman for the heirs.

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### SMALLPOX AMONG ITALIANS.

According to Dr. Trautwein's report, sent to the Union Township Committee, smallpox has appeared in the Italian colony at Avondale, N. J. Most of the Italians in the colony are employed at the stoneworks, and nearly all the rest are ragpickers. They live with their families in a row of ill-kept, dirty, tall frame houses, and have always been viewed with a good deal of distrust by the other residents. They are far from cleanly in their habits, and they cast garbage and filth of all kinds on the road fronting their doors.