

L. D. Windsor, hotel, Halifax, is dead.  
Thos. Reardon, painter, Halifax, has transferred his business to F. Reardon.

The Round Hill Woodenware Company, (Ltd.) Round Hill, are advertising their property for sale.

Gould Bros., planing mill, etc., Amherst, have dissolved; business will be continued by C. E. & A. W. Gould.

#### NEW BRUNSWICK.

Tim. Clifford, hotelkeeper, Bathurst, is dead.  
T. S. Weeks dry goods, St. John, has sold out.

J. Horncastle & Co., hardware, St. John; J. Horncastle, of this firm, is dead.

Geo. Waring, foundry, St. John, has admitted O. B. White as a partner; firm now Waring, White & Co.

Vroom Bros., furniture, St. Stephen, have dissolved; W. Vroom retires, and F. G. Vroom will continue the business under the old name.

#### British Columbia.

Thos. Gorrie, fancy goods, Victoria, is dead.

G. Doughty & Son, grocer, Victoria, has sold out.

D. McPhaden, contractor, etc., Victoria, has assigned.

J. H. Hilbert & Son, boots and shoes, Nanaimo, have sold out.

J. Dupart, sodawater works, Kamloops, has sold out to Wm. Fortune.

The real estate firm of D. Vusile & Cruikshank, Victoria, has been dissolved.

The contract for the new court house at Donald has been let to Manuel & Ruttan.

R. Hilbert, boots and shoes, Victoria, has bought out J. H. Hilbert & Son, of Nanaimo.

D. McPhail, merchant tailor, Kamloops, has sold out to J. Savage, tailor, of the same place.

A company has been formed at Nanaimo for the purpose of manufacturing chemicals and patent medicines.

Two more schooners are reported to have been purchased at Halifax for Victoria parties for the sealing industry.

R. T. Williams will erect a four story building with basement, on Broad street, opposite View street, Victoria.

At a general meeting of the shareholders of the recently formed Nanaimo Brewing Company it was decided to commence operations immediately in erecting the buildings.

The board of trade of Vancouver has received a notification from the Marine Department at Ottawa that Vancouver has been constituted a port of registry for the registration of ships.

The Northern Counties (of England) Trust, with a capital of \$2,500,000 has appointed an agent at Vancouver, in the person of C. E. Hope, and will do a mortgage loan business there.

The Dawson Baking Powder Company, of Vancouver, is incorporated with a capital of \$25,000 in 1,250 shares of \$20 each. The incorporators, are B. N. Smith, T. C. Alcock and E. Odium.

The Vancouver *News-Advertiser* says: "There is no doubt but that in the course of the next two or three years one of the most important exports of British Columbia will be canned fruit, an industry which has been tried for the

first time this year in the province, and the two firms which have engaged in it have found it very profitable and their packs will be largely increased next year."

The Westminster *Truth* says: "A. M. Her-ring, proprietor of the opera house, is about to prepare plans for a new theatre which will be erected on the property on Agnes and Mary streets. The building will be a large three-story brick."

The eleventh annual report of the British Columbia board of trade has been issued from Victoria. In addition to the proceedings of the board it contains valuable commercial statistics. The bulk of the matter has been published in this journal from time to time.

It is five months to-day since the Wellington coal mine strike was first inaugurated, says the *Nanaimo Free Press*, and a settlement appears to be far off. The Dunsmuir certainly have granted one concession, that is the eight hour movement, but what is most wanted by the men is the recognition of their Union.

One of the evils of a spirit of real estate speculation is to draw capital from more legitimate trade. This has no doubt been the case in Vancouver, for the *News-Advertiser*, of that place, says: "The city is being benefitted by the quietness in real estate, as many people who two years ago would not for a moment listen to a business venture are now turning their attention to starting in some industry and in this way it is really doing good to the town."

The following were quotations for flour and feed at Vancouver last week: Manitoba Patents, \$6.50; Manitoba Baker's \$6.00; California, \$6.00; Oregon, \$5.49; Dayton, \$5.25; Premier, \$6.15; 3 Star, \$5.60; 2 Star, \$5.40; Graham, \$6.00, per bbl; bran, \$25 per ton; shorts, \$30; chopped feed \$40; wheat, \$30 all per ton; rolled oats, \$4.75; oatmeal, \$3.50; cornmeal, \$3.15 per hundred; hay, \$14 per ton; fresh eggs were scarce at \$50c per dozen; case eggs, 25c per dozen; fresh fish quoted at 6c for halibut, 5c for black cod, and 6 to 7c for herring. Native cranberries were offering at \$6.75 per barrel.

At a recent meeting of the council of the board of trade, held at Victoria, the business disposed of consisted mainly of what had been referred to the council at the annual meeting. A letter from J. Wilson, of the C. P. Telegraph Co., was read, asking for a definite statement with respect to the complaints made by the council against the service supplied by the company. After some discussion the secretary was instructed to say that no detailed statement could be furnished, the whole system being very unsatisfactory, the particulars of which could be learned by Mr. Wilson if he visited the city and made inquiries from individual members of council and others. A general discussion ensued on the subject of properly advertising Victoria, the general opinion being that something should be done. The offer of Bourchier, Croft & Mallette of \$1,000, and Mr. Heisterman of \$100, were regarded as evidence that three or four thousand dollars could be readily obtained to pay for a publication that would be a credit to the city and province, and would accomplish the object desired. A committee, consisting of Messrs. Bourchier, Heisterman and Fell, was appointed to ascertain the opinion of the business men as to the advisability of issuing information in a neat and attractive form.

#### Lumber Cuttings.

The lumber trade is still brisk, says the Vancouver *News-Advertiser*, all the mills which go in for the foreign trade having large orders ahead.

A company is applying for incorporation to engage in the saw mill business in British Columbia, under the name of the Canadian Pacific Timber and Lumbering Company. A. M. Fraser, of New Westminster, is president of the company; A. McLaughlin, of the same place, secretary-treasurer, and the other chief shareholders are John Ward, J. J. Moore and H. McHugh, the latter three of Vancouver. A saw mill will probably be erected at New Westminster or somewhere on the Fraser River. The capital stock of the concern is \$500,000.

H. H. Spicer, travelling agent for Slater's shingle mill, at Vancouver, B. C., has returned from an extended business trip as far east as Chicago. The result of his visit will not be felt at once but he has made first rate connections in and around Chicago especially. This was Mr. Spicer's first trip over the C. P. R. and he says Canada has gone up 100 per cent. in his estimation. He has travelled all over the prairies in the States and has never seen anything to compare with the country. Mr. Spicer also did a large amount of business for his firm in Manitoba and the Territories.

#### Our Exchanges.

The Vancouver *Daily Telegram* has been enlarged to an eight page paper. The *Telegram* is the youngest of Vancouver's three dailies, and it is pleasing to note this evidence of prosperity so early in its career.

The *Chicago Produce Reporter and Shipper's Gazette* is a new journal which we have been pleased to place upon our exchange list. It gives promise of becoming a valuable addition to the list of commercial journals. The paper is published by the Commission Merchants Mercantile Agency, Produce Exchange Building Chicago.

Among the most valuable of our exchanges is *The Office*, a journal for all classes of business men, published by David Williams, at 66 and 68 Duane St., New York. Many journals have been started to supply a "long felt want," but *The Office* fills such a position in earnest. Book-keepers and accountants generally cannot afford to be without it, and every man who wishes to have his business abilities brightened up had better get this journal at once.

The growing popular taste for pictorial journals is shown by the disposition among all classes of journals to illustrate their pages. It is only, however, where special facilities for this class of work are at hand that a success is made of this department. Very few journals possess these facilities, and therefore while there is a long list of papers of one kind and another claiming to be illustrated, there are but few among the number which will please the artistic eye. The *Dominion Illustrated*, published at Montreal by the Sabiston Lithographic and Publishing Company, is the best attempt at a pictorial paper ever made in Canada. It is evidently in good hands and is apparently meeting with success, for it has lived long enough to have passed the experimental stage of its existence. Canadians who want a home pictorial paper can hardly fail to be pleased with the *Dominion Illustrated*, and in subscribing for this journal they will be encouraging a worthy national enterprise.