The loading fleet has been increased by the arrival of the Jane L. Stanford, which loads props at Cowichan for Santa Rosa-

The following vessels are loading lumber at British Columbia ports for foreign: At Vancouver: Br. ship Earl of Hope toun, 1,770 tons, for Adelaide—Chil. bark Lake Lehman, 1,035 tons, for Valparaiso for orders. Br. ship Blairgowrie, 1564 tons, for Cape Town and Delagoa Bay, South Africa. Am. sehr. Aida, 507 tons, for Shanghai. Am. bark Arcturus 1007 tons, for Santa Rosalia; Br. ship City of Florence, 1,246 tons, for U. K.; Br. ship Aigburth, 1,798 tons, for Valparaiso. Am. schr. Puritan, 584 tons for Tientsen,

At Cowichan -Am. bk'tn Jane L Stanford, 922 tons, for Santa Rosalia.

At Westminster-Am. schr. Comet, 408 tons for California. Total, 10 vessels; 10,841 tons.

The Ogilvie Milling Company are increasing their already immense elevator capacity by the erection of ten new elevators in different parts of Manitoba, the foremost market in this country or this world in fact, for hard wheat, which enables them to select the cream of the b st wheat grown, to make with the aid of the most modern machinery the best flour in the world. Other competitors fail to match their fl ur, owing to having oldfashioned although costly machinery. In four years' time, in face of intense competition, they have increased their sales and capacity, until to-day they operate the largest milling business in Canada, have established their reputation among the Cunadian trade and gained a firm foothold in the old country markets. Ogilvie's Hungarian flour is very sharp and granular, of high creamery color which means great strength, needs plenty of moisture, and thorough kneading and it will make 20 more pounds of better bread to the barrel than any other flour in the world.

The Portland Commercial Review says of flour: There has been a fairly good trade during the past week and prices are firmer. A free trade was greatly hindered by the scarcity and higher prices asked. Flour is too low for millers to press sales and many are storing it until prices advance. Quote Valley and Walla Walla and standard brands at \$2.35 per barrel; other brands \$2 30.

The duties on jams and marmalaides have been increased to be equivalent with the recent increase on sugars. Candied peels are also ac additional. Advices from Leghorn state that values are firm and the market has an upward tendancy.

BUSINESS NOTES.

C. E. Hamilton has opened a saloon at Golden. .

Dr. H. M. Cooper, physician, Westminster, is dead.

The Pacific Sash & Door Co., L'd., has been incorporated.

Miss Clara Corrigan is opening in fancy goods at Kaslo.

W. Sills has taken over the Swan Lake Hotel, Victoria District.

McMillan & McLeod, grocers, Vancouver, have dissolved.

Joseph McCarter, hotel, Errington, near Nanaimo, burnt out.

out to Enoch Shakespeare.

R. Southby, trader, Dodges Cove, has sold out to M. J. McKenzie.

R. C. Berry, general store, Wellington, is reported giving up business.

Leiser and Hamburger are opening a branch store at New Wellington.

J. Almoure, general store, New Denver, assigned to John Weatherell.

Rae & Lamb, grocers, Westminster, are contemplating dissolution of partner-

R. Porter & Sons, butchers, have sold out their branch at Duncan's to Ford

The rush is said to have set in to Sandon, the proposed terminus of two railroads.

Mrs. M. White, Globe restaurant, Victoria, has opened a general store at Saanichton.

The business of the Vancouver Drug Co., Vancouver, is advertised for sale by sheriff.

The Toronto Board of Trade will petition the Government for a one-cent city

D. Barman, merchant of Colville, contemplates opening another general store at Rossland.

The B.C. Grocery Co. (not inc.), Westminster, have dissolved. Minnie Mc Kenzie retires.

G. B. Armstrong & Co., general merchants, Nicola, have dissolved, A. E. Howse retiring.

The Nanaimo Equitable Pioneer Socie. ty (incorporated) are closing out boot and shoe department.

J. F. Taylor, formerly of Brandon, has bought out W. M. Langton, variety business at Union.

Wm. Hazlett, grocer, Victoria, has been closed out by chattle mortgagees who have fereclosed.

The Golden Lumber Co. have lost by fire about 600,000 feet lumber, which is covered by insurance.

The Pacific Coast Lumber Co.'s shingle mills on Lulu Island were slightly damaged by fire last Saturday.

Four incondary fires were reported in Victoria by the chief of the fire department during the past week.

The Pilot Bay smelter resumed operations last week. It is being supplied with dry ore from No. 1 at Ainsworth.

The Golden Smelter property and appliances is advertised for sale by Sheriff on June 4, for a claim of \$8,108.20.

The stock of L. Rubinowitz, men's furnishings, boots and shoes, etc., Vancouver, has been sold by the sheriff.

The stock and effects of Ewen Morri-W. Evans, Baker, Northfield, has sold son, lumber dealer, Victoria, are advertised for sale by auction by assignee.

> Freeze & Co., produce deilers, New Denver, are reported closing out. The business is a branch of the business of I. S. Freeze, Calgary.

> Assays on the Isis group, at the head of Whitewater creek, Slocan, carrying dry and wet ore, have been ob ained as high as 3,737 ounces in silver.

> Evans, Coleman & Evans of Vancouver, advise that the Silverhow has commenced loading at Liverpool and will probably sail about the middle of June.

> Wm. A. Starrett, farmer, near Hope, has assigned to C. V. Smith of Moodyville and Isaac Oppenhemer of Vancouver. Creditors meeting June 4, at Vancouver.

> The big mining men from all over the United States are visiting Rossland daily, and nearly every one of them pronounce the Trail Creek mimes the greatest in North America. - Northport News.

> Henderson Bros., general merchants of Chilliwack, dissolved partnership on May 14. A. C. Henderson having purchased the interest of J. C. Henderson, who will open a grocery and feed store on his own account.

> Jas. M. Kellie, M. P.P., is trying to organize a company to put on a line of small steamers between Revelstoke and the Big Bend country. Death rapids would be overcome by means of a tram-

> The Dinsmore Island Canning Company, L'd., capital stock \$100,000, has been incorporated, with John Dinsmore, Michael B. Wilkinson, William D. Goodmurphy, a. d Caleb Goodmurphy, as trustees. Eburne is the principal place of business.

Mr. Alfred Jones, of Vancouver, manager for British Columbia of the Bickbeck Investment, Security, and Savings Company, Limited Liability, of Toronto, cap-(ital stock \$5,000,000, is announced as the general agent for the mainland of a weekly paper. Single copies ten cents each.