

British Columbia.

T. A. Fisk's livery stable, at Vancouver was destroyed by fire.

Mrs. Hersberg, hotelkeeper, Vancouver, has sold out to Mr. Prout.

Esquimault has been located as the winter port of the C.P.R. steamers.

Vancouver customs receipt for September, were \$6,473; Nanaimo, \$5,000.07.

Cents have made their appearance in Yale, the postmaster being the recipient.

The bridge across the South Thompson river at Kamloops will be commenced at once.

A party of English capitalists are about to operate the anthracite coal mine at Canmore.

The salmon catch is progressing satisfactorily and the prospects of a remunerative season are assured.

The Vancouver Omnibus & Transfer Co., intend starting a line of Herdic coaches to run to different parts of the city.

The barque Sarah J. Ridgway cleared Oct. 8th for San Francisco with 1,200 tons of anthracite coal from the Banff mines.

There are now 2,860,000 salmon eggs in the Government hatchery. Max Mowatt expects to have 10,000,000 this season, which will be an increase of 3,000,000 over last year.

Mr. Hayes of Golden City, has been in Winnipeg, negotiating for the building of a steamer to run on the upper waters of the Columbia, the keel of which will be laid during the winter.

There were only five failures in the province for the quarter ending Sept. 30th with a liability of \$14,900. Victoria contributed to the list three; Vancouver, one and Golden City, one.

A disastrous fire took place at Vancouver on Thursday, the 6th inst. in which the following parties were burned out: C. Symons, tailor; Geo. J. Jones & Co., boots and shoes; C. Stewart, fruits; Mrs. Farr, milliner; besides a law and real estate office. Geo. J. Jones stock was valued at \$6,000, insurance \$1,500; Mrs. Farr \$6,000, insurance \$3,500; Stewart stock of \$500 was a total loss; Symons stock was removed and loss will not exceed \$100.

The SS. George W. Elder, Captain H. S. Ackley, arrived at Vancouver from San Francisco at an early hour yesterday morning. She brought a large quantity of freight for local consignees and the following for transshipment via the C.P.R.: Chicago, 1,000 cases canned goods, 176 boxes dried pears, 847 sacks dried fruit; New York, 329 sacks dried fruit and 50 boxes ditto; Boston, 80 barrels of salmon. The Elder sailed again yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock with 200 tons of freight for San Francisco.

Grain and Milling News.

An elevator is about to be erected at Dominion City.

Greenwood's elevator at Douglas is nearly completed.

The farmers' elevator at Portage la Prairie is now in operation.

The mill at Balmoral is expected to be ready for operation on the 20th.

The Moosomin, Assa., mill is about completed. Five thousand bushels of wheat are being marketed daily at Carberry.

Messrs. Logan & Crowe, of Carberry, are about to erect a grain warehouse at McGregor.

The Virden mill has shipped its first consignment of flour to England, consisting of two cars.

Jermyn's mill at Minnedosa is now being overhauled and will be completed in about two months.

Robert Nelson will build a grain warehouse at Solsgrith and purchase wheat and other produce.

The elevator men at Portage la Prairie say that the quality of wheat shipped thus far has been superior to that of last year.

David Manson, of Portage la Prairie, has purchased the Crystal City grist mill and its operation will be resumed in about a week.

Cochrane & Manson, have bought the Crystal City, Man, grist mill, and are fitting it up and expect to have it running by the 15th of October.

A. Waddell, miller and grain dealer of Dominion City, Man., has about completed arrangements to put up an elevator of 25,000 bushels capacity.

The grist mill at McGregor is now under way the foundation being laid and a large staff of workmen at work on the building. It is expected to be completed by the month of December.

Ogilvie's consignment of flour to China has arrived at its destination, although no opinion has as yet been received as to its reception on the celestial market. The demand for this brand of flour on the Pacific coast is steadily increasing.

The Keewatin mill is being rapidly pushed to completion and the mason work is expected to be finished in three weeks, that of the elevator is completed and a large portion of the mill race excavated, three hundred men are engaged on the various works.

Duluth Daily Trade: There has been some talk that Duluth would this year get a considerable quantity of the Manitoba wheat crop, of which about 6,000,000 bushels will be exported. A well posted shipper and exporter said this morning that there was no chance of such receipts, as the Canadian Pacific would carry the wheat for nothing before it would allow it to come this way.

Edward Stanley, merchant, Arrow River, Man., writes THE COMMERCIAL as follows: I can assert positively that if the Northwest Central pushes through to within a short distance of this place this fall so as to tap this district they will get at least two-thirds or three-quarters of the finest wheat crop we have yet had, and secure the carriage of many thousands of bushels of grain. We are 22 miles each way from the railway.

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