

# THE COMMERCIAL JOURNAL'S

## SHIPPING LIST.

### VESSELS ON THE WAY TO BRITISH COLUMBIA PORTS

NAME.	TONS.	MASTER.	FROM.	SAILED.	FOR.	CONSIGNEES.
Br ship Serica	913.	Smith	Cardiff	Feb 8a.	Esquimalt	Naval Storekeeper
Br bark Wanlock	745.	Cooper	London	May 12h.	Victoria	Turner, Beeton & Co.
Br ss. Grandholm	871.	Masson	Liverpool	May 21.	Vancouver	Union Steamship Company
Br bark Lebu	726.	Worrall	London	Apr 20 j.	Victoria	R. P. Rithet & Co. (L'd)
Br bark City of Carlisle	823.	Kendall	London	June 13.	Victoria	R. P. Rithet & Co. (L'd)
Br ship Morayshire	1428.	Swinton	Greenock	Mar 8 o.	Westminster	
Br ship Blair Athole	1697.	Taylor	Cardiff	Mar 13k.	Esquimalt	Naval Storekeeper
Br ship Queen Victoria	1605.	Holmes	Bristol	Apr 18e.	Esquimalt	Naval Storekeeper
Ger ship Elise	1318.	Rowehl	Newcastle	April 20 s.	Vancouver	Hastings Saw Mill
Br bark Noddleburn	1053.	Hall	Glasgow	May 18t.	Westminster	D. McGillivray
Br ship Rotheras Bay	750.	L. Veysey	Glasgow	April 30i.	Westminster	
Br ship Titania	879.	T. W. Selby	London	July 10 f.	B. C. Perts	H. B. Co and Bell-Irving & Paterson
Br bark Callao	978.	James	Honolulu	July 18.	Victoria	R. P. Rithet & Co.
Br ss Empress of China	3003.	A. Tillet	Liverpool	July 15.	Vancouver	Canadian Pacific Railway Co.
Nor bark Lotos	718.	Christensen	Callao	n.	Moodyville	Moodyville Sawmill Co.
Ger bark Katinka	816.	Kohler	Rio Janeiro		Moodyville	Moodyville Sawmill Co.
Nor bark Saga	1431.	Oftedahl	Rio Janeiro	May 9.	Moodyville	Moodyville Sawmill Co.
Nor bark Flora	766.	Anderson	Newcastle	May 13c.	Vancouver	Hastings Saw Mill
Br bark Lizzie Bell	1036.	Edwards	Liverpool	y.	Victoria	R. P. Rithet & Co. (L'd)
British bark Glenbervie	800.	Groundwater	London	June 23.	Victoria	R. P. Rithet & Co. (L'd)
Br bark Hawthornbank	1309.		Java	July	Vancouver	British Columbia Sugar Refinery
Am bark Colorado	1036.	Gibson	New York	July 24.	Cheminus	Victoria Lumber and Manufacturing Co.
Br bark Argyleshire	708.	LePage	Glasgow		Victoria	
Peruvian bark Pisagua			Pisagua	April 1.	Moodyville	Moodyville Saw Mill Company
Nie bark Don Adolfo	653.	Collie	Callao	June 20.	Royal Roads	
Br ss Sussex	1620.	Holt	Hong Kong	July 11.	Victoria	F. C. Davidge & Co.
Br ss. Eton	1716.	Newcomb			Moodyville	Moodyville Sawmill Co.
Br ss. Parthia	2035.	Panton	Hong Kong		Vancouver	Canadian Pacific Railway Co.
Ship Ben Sewall Hecla			Yokohama	b.	Vancouver	Canadian Pacific Railway Co.

a—Spoken March 1, lat. 9 N lon. 27 W, March 20, lat. 17 S, lon 31 W; chartered for salmon. h—passed Dover May 13 passed Portland May 15; spoken May 17, lat. 47 N., long. 7 W., June 9, no lat. long 27 W.: will be loaded at Victoria by Turner, Beeton & Co. for U. K. j—Chartered to load salmon for U. K. k—Spoken April 9 lat. 2 N, long 24 W. b—Spoken May 23, lat. 49 N, long 10 W. o—Sailed Falmouth March 23 with water works supplies; spoken April 8, lat. 27 N., lon. 20 W., April 25, lat. 8 S., lon. 31 W. s—On the way to San Diego, thencein ballast to load lumber for Melbourne. t—Supplies for Westminster water works, spoken May 23, lat. 49 N., lon. 10 W. spoken May 29, lat. 33 N., long. 15 W. w—to arrive in September, chartered for salmon. e—Spoken April 21st, lat. 47 N., lon. 14 W., spoken April 25th, lat. 33 N., lon. 12 W. May 13th, lat. 41 N., long. 27 W. f—Chartered by Bell-Irving & Paterson to load salmon at Fraser River. n—Chartered to load for Melbourne. c—Via Santa Barbara to load for Melbourne, A or P P rate 62s 6d, May 18th put into Sydney leaking, sailed May 24 y—August loading. h—Cargo 2,500 tons of tea. i—to load a return cargo on owner's account. i—Chartered for salmon to U. K., direct port, 43s 6d.

#### THE FRASER RIVER.

The McLaren-Ross Lumber Company has handed to us for publication the following copy of a letter received from Capt. Myers of the barque Luisa Marta, dated Straits of Juan de Fuca, July 19:

GENTLEMEN—During my presence in New Westminster, I have been treated by the manager and every one connected with the company with very much attention and can recommend every captain to come there.

"I left the Fraser River with my vessel, the Luisa Marta, drawing 20 feet of water without any difficulty whatever. I sounded all the way down and never found less than four fathoms, or 24 feet of water.

I can recommend Captain Johnson of the steamer Active, who has towed my vessel very safely, and is in every respect fit to tow vessels on the river. You have my permission to publish this if you wish.

Yours truly,

M. MEYERS,

Capt. Luisa Marta.

This testimony of Capt. Meyers sets at rest once more the question which has

been raised by people desirous of injuring the business of this port, of the navigability of the Fraser River by boats of the largest capacity. The Luisa Marta took the passage outward from here on a rising tide, and, as the captain testifies in his letter, the shallowest sounding was 24 feet. The depth of water in the Suez Canal is about 26 feet, so that it will be seen how easy it would be to render the Fraser River navigable by the largest vessel that floats. We are informed that since the wretched occurrence of grounding a vessel in this harbor took place, no less than four vessels have refused to come to Westminster to load cargoes—two refusals to the McLaren-Ross Co., and two to Messrs. Chipman, Morgan & Co. From this it may be judged how great an injury has been inflicted on business here by the carelessness or inefficiency of a river pilot.—Ledger

#### VANCOUVER BOARD OF TRADE.

There was a large attendance at the regular monthly meeting of the Vancouver Board of Trade last Friday evening. F. L. C. Cotton occupied the chair. After hearing read a letter from R. E. Gosnell, Pro-

vincial Exhibit Commissioner, urging upon the Board the necessity of immediate action being taken to have the city properly represented at the eastern fairs, the following motion, brought forward by W. F. Salisbury and J. Rounsefell, was carried: "That a communication be forwarded from the Board to the city council drawing their attention to the importance of having the city of Vancouver properly represented at the forthcoming Toronto Exhibition, and suggesting the desirability of the mayor and council appointing a special committee to act in conjunction with the Provincial Exhibit Association in this city toward that end." Notice from the landlord was read announcing that the rent for the Board's apartments would be raised to \$75 after August 1st. Some talk as to the necessity of raising the dues resulted in the question getting the six months hold, and the council was on motion instructed to cut down expenses by finding cheaper quarters.

A. J. Jamison, from Ontario, is looking over the timber limits with a view of locating a saw or planing mill at Mission City, with a capacity of 50,000 feet per day.