

ern white, and 9 11 10c to 9 12c for finest Western colored. Next week it is expected will see a marked increase in the shipments, and everyone expects to see the June make heavier than all previous records."

Dairy produce is quoted:

Butter—Eastern Creamery, tubs.....	27	@	00
Manitoba creamery.....	29	@	00
California rolls, extra choice	26	@	00
" fancy	27	@	00
" squares, "	28	@	00
" tub	26 1/2	@	27 1/2
Cheese—Canadian, lb.	12	@	11 1/2
California	16	@	00
Eggs, case, per doz.	18	@	20

Smoked meats and lard are quoted:

Hams	15	@	18
Breakfast bacon	17	@	18
Shoat rolls	14	@	15
Long rolls	15	@	00
Dry Salt, long clear	13	@	11
Pure Lard, 50lbs.	16	@	17
" " 20lbs.	17	@	17 1/2
Lard Compound	14 1/2	@	15

Sugar—Jobber's prices 1/4-barrels and kegs in each case being 1/4c higher:

Dry Granulated	6 1/2
Extra C.	6
Fancy Yellow	5 1/2
Yellow	5 1/2
Golden C	5 1/2
Syrups, per lb.	3
" 1 gal. tins, American	6 50
" " " "	6 00
" 1 " Vancouver	5 50
" 1 1/2 " "	7 00

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

The following are the receipts of California fruits and vegetables from San Francisco by steamship City of Puebla, June 6, for Victoria: 311 cs oranges, 22 cs lemons, 1 crt bananas, 10 bxs apricots, 1 pkgs, containing 12 bxs do, 5 pkgs, containing 10 drs strawberries, 4 cs almonds, 11 cs cucumbers, 8 cs beans, 17 cs peas, 88 bags onions, 24 crts cabbage, 490 bags potatoes, 26 cs asparagus, 67 cs cherries, 135 pkgs containing 546 cs cherries, 1 box gooseberries, 2 bxs squash, 10 crts cauliflower, 1 cs horseradish. Receipts steamship Walla Walla June 11 were as follows: 193 cs oranges, 21 cs lemons, 77 crates bananas, 21 crates cabbage, 99 bags onions, 8 cs beans, 11 cs peas, 2 crates cauliflower, 5 cs asparagus, 5 cs cucumbers, 4 cs cocoanuts, 7 bxs gooseberries, 1 cs peppers, 2 bxs pineapples, 3 cs currants, 329 sacks potatoes, 24 bxs cherries, 170 pkgs containing 706 bxs cherries. The ss. Miowera, from Sydney June 9, via Honolulu, brought in a big shipment of bananas also a quantity of oranges, lemons, apples, melons, etc. This is the first regular shipment of fruit from Honolulu and Australia, and is an important feature of the fruit market. The Miowera shipment of bananas received in Victoria is sold at \$2.50 a crate, which is 75c less than the bananas received via San Francisco. Cherries are the principal fruit on the market, and they are cheaper this week. The regular lots are selling at \$1.00 a box, while some common stock is sold at 90c, and extra fine qualities, as Royal Anns, are quoted at \$1.35. There are very few California strawberries on the market, it being almost impossible to handle them in any quantity because of the heavy loss from decay. Local jobbers have made arrangements with Seattle firms for a regular daily supply when they ripen on the Sound. The first consign-

ments are expected in about a week. Apricots are coming forward more freely, and are quoted at \$2.25 a box.

Jobbers' quotations for fruits are as follows:—

Oranges—Navels, common to good	3 00	@	3 50
" fancy	4 00	@	4 25
Riverside Seedlings	2 00	@	2 25
" " fancy	2 35	@	2 75
Los Angeles	1 00	@	2 00
Mediterranean sweets	2 75	@	3 25
Lemons—California	4 00	@	5 00
Sicily	5 50	@	6 00
Bananas	3 25	@	3 75
Strawberries	per drawer	1 00	@
Cherries	1 00	@	1 35
Apricots	2 25	@	0 00
Cocoanuts	per 100	7 50	@ 7 75

Vegetables are quoted:

Potatoes	per ton	35 00	@ 40 00
New California	per lb	2 1	@
Onions—Red California	2	@	0
Oregon Yellow Danvers	0	@	0
Cabbage	1 1/2	@	2
Asparagus	per lb	6	@ 7
Cauliflower, per doz.	1 20	@	

SALMON.

All of the canneries are busy making tins and preparing for the sockeye run which generally commences in July. The cannery agents report very fair advanced sales. All of the standard brands of established reputation are in good demand both in eastern Canada and England. The new canneries which will be operated this year on the Fraser river are pushing to find a market for their pack and have offered at lower prices than are being paid for brands of established excellence.

DRUGS.

The Toronto *Empire* says of drugs: "Trade remains very quiet, but not more so than usual at this time of the year. The first news of the opium crop must always be regarded as unreliable. After going up about 60 per cent., it is now declining rapidly, it having been demonstrated that even if the growing crop is short, there is enough to last until the end of the present year. Quinine is in an anomalous position. Manufacturers asking high prices, and will make no concessions. Disinfectants remain firm. Ergot is weak, and camphor is expected to go lower. Caraway seeds are advancing. Most spices are very cheap. Blue vitrol has advanced slightly, and glycerine is looking up. Castor oil is firmer, owing to small stock and a good demand from Australia. On the local market, prices have not changed this week."

DRY GOODS.

The Toronto *Empire* says: "Business in sorting orders has been slack—lighter than last year—but the general spring trade has been fully up to the average. Stocks in the country have not been broken to the extent of requiring much renewal. As is usual when this occurs there is a tendency to cut prices and reduce stocks to a minimum. There is an indication at the moment that this tendency to cut prices is reaching old and conservative houses. In staples a good business has been done in all lines for the sorting trade. There were more numerous complaints of cutting in domestic goods, and it looks as if the majority of the jobbers would be drawn into it. The payments on account are not to be complained of in Ontario, but from Manitoba and the Northwest they

are anything but satisfactory. Even merchants in good standing in the latter district are writing that even with the impossibility of collecting there is the added difficulty of a refusal on the part of banks to extend lines of discount, but there is a gleam of comfort in the fact that crops up to the present date look well, and promise handsomely for the fall."

LUMBER.

The German bark Heinrich, 923 tons, Capt. Henne, sailed June 7, from Vancouver, with a cargo of lumber comprising 577,537 feet for Holland. This is the first cargo that has been shipped from British Columbia to Holland. There have been no arrivals of vessels to load and no new charters are reported.

There are at present three vessels loading at British Columbia ports for foreign. At Burrard Inlet—Br. ship Gryfe, 1,060 tons, U. K., Cork f. o.; Br. bark Dochra, 938 tons, for Adelaide; Br. ship Kinkora, 1,700 tons, for Callao.

Quotations for Douglas Fir Lumber in cargo lots for foreign shipment, being the prices of the Pacific Pine Lumber Association:

Rough Merchantable, ordinary sizes, in lengths to 40 feet inclusive, per M feet...\$ 8 50
Deck plank, rough, average length, 35 feet per M..... 19 00
Dressed T. and G. flooring, per M..... 17 00
Pickets, rough per M..... 9 00
Laths, 1 foot, per M..... 00

The local quotations established by the Victoria lumber dealers are as follows, including delivery to any part of the city: Rough lumber, per M feet, \$10.00; shiplap, \$12.00; rustic, 6 & 8 in, \$18.00; 6-in flooring, \$18.00; 4-inch flooring, \$20.00; do, edge grain, \$22.50; dressed lumber, four sides, \$17.00; second quality flooring and rustic, all kinds, \$14.00; shingles, \$2.25; laths, \$2.25.

BUSINESS CHANGES.

Q. Faulkner, hotel, Vernon, has sold out to L. Morand.

Axel Johnson, hotel, Vernon, advertises business for sale.

F. G. Powell, groceries and provisions, has opened at Plumper's Pass.

Peter Peebles, furniture, New Westminster, has assigned to Joseph H. Shirley.

Tye & Co., hardware, paints, oils and glass, Vancouver, advertise closing out the business.

L. E. McFarland has bought out the interest of G. Leask, in Leask & Wilson, bakers, Nanaimo.

The News, a six column quarto weekly newspaper will commence publication at Mission City shortly.

R. M. Woodward, general store and sawmill, Lower Nicola, has offered to compromise at 75 cents on the dollar.

James B. Giffin, of Toronto, has been appointed manager for R. G. Dun & Co., the mercantile agency, for Vancouver Island.

Messrs. Dalby & Claxton have been appointed agents for Vancouver Island for the Albion Fire Insurance Association, of London, England. The Albion is one of the strong English corporations, and has only recently opened for business in Canada.