

and 20 to 21½c, for Morrisburg. The cheese market is about over now, until the new cheese makes its appearance, as most of the cheese in the city has been sold and is awaiting orders. This is unusually early for a clearance being effected of stocks in this city. The last sales reported at 11½c to 11¾c. The cable remains steady at 50s, which is as usual 2s under the price at which actual business transpires."

Dairy produce is quoted:

Butter—Eastern Creamery, tins.....	27½ @ 23
Manitoba Dairy, choice.....	18 @ 22
California, rolls, extra choice 28 @ 00	
" squares, " 20 @ 00	
Cheese—Canadian, lb.....	12 @ 11½
California.....	16 @ 00
Eggs, pickled, per doz.....	25 @ 00
case ".....	25 @ 00

Smoked meats and lard are quoted:

Hams.....	15 @ 18
Breakfast bacon.....	17 @ 18
Short rolls.....	11 @ 15
Long rolls.....	15 @ 16
Dry Salt, long clear.....	13 @ 11
Pure Lard, 50lbs.....	16 @ 17
" 20lbs.....	17 @ 17½
Lard Compound.....	15½ @ 16

Sugar—Jobber's prices ½-barrels and kegs in each case being ½c higher:

Dry Granulated.....	51
Extra C.....	51
Fancy Yellow.....	51
Yellow.....	5
Golden C.....	4½
Syrups, per lb.....	3
" 1 gal. tins, American.....	6 50
" " ".....	6 00
" 1 " Vancouver.....	5 50
" 1½ " ".....	7 00

LUMBER.

The American ship Ivy, 1,181 tons, Capt. Lovell, has arrived at Vancouver to load for Wilmington, Delaware. The bark Assel, 795 tons, now at Victoria, has been chartered to load at Moodyville for Antofagasta at 35s.

There is are present five vessels loading at British Columbia ports for foreign. At Burrard Inlet—Br. ship County of Yarmouth, 2,154 tons, for U. K. f. o.; Chil. ship Hindostan, 1,542 tons, for Valparaiso, Am. bark Seminole, 1,439 tons, for Santa Rosalia; Am. ship Ivy, 1,181 tons, for Wilmington, Del.; Br. bark Assel, 795 tons for Antofagasta.

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, 35feet 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

Local selling prices are quoted as follows: Rough lumber per M feet, \$7.00; shiplap, \$8.00; 1x1 t and g flooring, No. 1, \$11.00; do, No. 2, \$12.00; 1x6 t and g flooring, No. 1, \$12.00; do, No. 2, \$10.00; rustic, same as 6-inch flooring Nos. 1 and 2; laths, \$1.50; shingles, \$1.50.

The Credit Foncier Franco Canadien with head office in Montreal, has been registered to do a general loan business, capital 25,000,000 francs, French currency. Vancouver is the place of business in British Columbia.

BUSINESS CHANGES.

T. Diamond & F. Schmitz intend starting a steam bakery in Nanaimo.

Chapman & Small, restaurant, Victoria, have dissolved. Henry Small continues.

Kinnard & Wilson, tailors, Victoria, have dissolved. W. D. Kinnard continues.

Wright Bros., groceries, fish etc., Westminster, have been granted an extension.

R. Carreron & A. Inglis, of Vancouver, are establishing a steam dyeing and cleansing works.

David Griffith, general merchant, Kootenay, is reported selling out to an English company.

H. Gribble, toys, etc., Victoria, is arranging an extension. H. A. Nelson & Sons, are the principal creditors.

H. Dempsey, proprietor of Windsor hotel, Nanaimo, has taken over the Opera House hotel, adjoining, from Louis Lawrence.

The Inverness Cannery, Skeena River, owned by Turner Beeton & Co., has been destroyed by fire. The insurance is ample, and the cannery will be rebuilt in time for this seasons fishing.

Heisterman & Co., dissolve this day by mutual consent, Foster Macgurn retiring. Heisterman & Co. continue the old business, including the general agency of the Mutual Life. Mr. Macgurn confines himself hereafter exclusively to the interests of the Mutual Life, for which he is the Pacific Coast superintendent of agencies and manager in British Columbia.

REVIEW OF TRADE.

The *Canadian Journal of Fabrics*, of Montreal, in its February review of trade, says: "The wholesale houses report a continuance of the brisk trade noted last month. Winter stocks have been very closely sold up, which is not usually the case, while orders for spring trade have been all that sanguine people expected. To use the expression of a commission merchant, who has been thoroughly over the ground, trade has not been better among dry goods men for the past twelve years.

"Notwithstanding this there has been quite a sprinkling of retail failures during the month. These may be due to exceptional causes, as the bank reports, regarding the way payments were met on the 4th Feb., show that a much greater than ordinary per centage of notes have been paid—at least such has been the case throughout Ontario and Quebec.

"Reports from the mills are very satisfactory. The cotton mills report trade in very good shape, all the factories running to their full capacity, except the Dundas and Lybster, while the Brantford Wincey mill will be started on cotton goods.

"The woollen manufacturers are in equally good spirits, many of them being sold up for the whole season to come and being compelled to refuse good orders that are beyond their capacity to carry out. The only thing they desire is a little better prices."

The Sandwich, Windsor and Amherstburg electric street railroad has been sold to the Citizen's Electric Co., and others, for \$15,000.

FOREIGN COAL SHIPMENTS.

The following are the shipments for the week ending February 25:—

NEW VANCOUVER COAL CO. SHIPPING.		
Date.	Vessel and Destination.	Tons.
22.	Wanderer, str., port Townsend..	18
22.	Oregon, bark, San Pedro.....	2,202
21.	Sea King, bark, San Francisco....	2,291
21.	India, ship, San Francisco.....	2,030
Total.....		6,671

A committee composed of C. E. Perry, J. H. Bowes and John Houston has been appointed to take the necessary steps for incorporating Nelson into a city municipality.

Montreal insurance men are talking of advancing the rates owing to the alleged inefficiency of the fire brigade. An investigation into its management is asked for.

The liabilities of Shipley & Co., bankers of Ailsa Craig, who recently assigned, show a total of \$92,000. The depositors number 221. An offer of forty cents has been refused by the creditors.

The Dominion Publishing Company have issued a neat pocket map of the Province of British Columbia, which is compiled from the latest Government surveys by the permission of the officers of the department of Lands and Works of the Province. The map in manilla cases is sold at 75 cents each, and in cloth cases at \$1, and will be found useful and convenient.

CUBAN advices state that the inadequate railway facilities are more keenly felt this year than ever, owing to the fact that the different sugar growing companies on the Island have not increased their rolling material in proportion to the progress realized by the sugar industry, and on this account grinding experiences frequent interruptions.

A Bath (Me.) man has invented and patented a burglar proof safe, which banking men already pronounce a capital thing. It is worked by electricity, through the agency of a dry cell battery inside the safe and out of the way of the uninitiated. When the safe is shut, the current is turned on, only to be turned off by the man who has it in charge. The alarm is connected with the police stations, so that when anyone attempts to open the safe the number of the bank is sent to the station. But, besides this, the man molesting this machine when it is loaded will be held there till called for.

The *Warehouseman and Draper's* Glasgow correspondent says: Manufacturers state that there is little change, to note in regard to the woolen trade, the staple article remaining firm in price, though the demand is dull. Tweed manufacturers find business very quiet, and most of the factories are now on short time. This is caused, they say, by the scarcity of repeats. Trade has not been so depressed at this period of the year for a long time, and many operatives are either partially employed or out of work altogether. Still, the prospects are far from gloomy. There are a good number of sample half-yards ordered, this being usually held to be a good augury for the coming months. In the hosiery departments trade continues fairly good.