

British Columbia.

Cooper & Green, real estate, Victoria, have dissolved.

Norman Smith, of the Identical Hotel, Nanaimo, has sold out to John Morrell.

Pennock & Clayton, manufacturing jewelers, Victoria, contemplate dissolution.

D. Murchie & Co., undertakers, have commenced business at New Westminster.

E. C. Davison, saddler, Kamloops, has added a collar making department to his business.

Those who are looking for mining information about B.C. should see the Nelson Miner.

D. J. Macdonald has opened in the clothing and gentlemen's furnishing line at New Westminster.

The first \$300,000 for a new system of sewerage for Victoria has been voted by a large majority.

The Columbia and Kootenay Steamboat Company intend building this winter an hotel at Revelstoke.

The Washington Refining & Smelting Company of Spokane Falls propose to establish a 20-ton smelter in Hot Springs district.

The newly formed Victoria Tanning and Manufacturing Company have selected a site for building for the industry which they propose establishing.

Butter and cheese from Ontario is still arriving in coast markets in car lots. Manitoba dealers will have to sell close if they wish to hold these markets.

The British barque Wanlock has cleared from Victoria for London with a mixed cargo, consisting of returned naval stores, and including 8,000 cases of salmon.

The strike at the Wellington coal mine still continues, and there is no appearance of a compromise. The Dunsmuir's refuse to treat with the Union, and so the matter rests.

The last pay day of the New Vancouver Coal Company of Nanaimo is said to be the largest one that has ever been met by the company. It is estimated that the sum paid out on Saturday reached nearly \$100,000.

W. E. McCartney, wholly sold out his drug business at Kamloops, was tendered a complimentary supper by the oddfellows of that place, previous to his departure. He has not decided yet where he will permanently locate.

The annual exhibition at Chilliwack opened on Sept. 18 with a large attendance, and a finer range of exhibits than ever seen there before. Live stock is particularly well represented. The display of grain, roots, fruit and vegetables is magnificent. Awards of prizes are now nearly all made, and tomorrow it is expected the grounds will be crowded with visitors.

The salmon run in the Fraser continues very large, says New Westminster Truth, the boats coming in with an average of about 180 each. During the past week about 30,000 pounds of fresh salmon have been shipped by local dealers to all points on the continent and even as far east as New York. The prices remain steady at from 5 to 6c a pound with the ice. The shipments of canned salmon over the C.P.R. have also been very large.

Among the joint stock companies which have filed articles of incorporation recently is the British Columbia Pottery and Terra Cotta

Company. This company has acquired the establishment hitherto known as Keller & Burris' pottery, near Victoria. The provisional trustees are John Nicholles, S. C. Burris, F. G. Walker and Joseph Hunter. The existing plant is being materially altered so as to increase its capacity and improve its working.

C. S. Windsor, of C. G. Hobson & Co., salmon cannery, reports the run of salmon at Bute Inlet large and of good quality. The pack this season will be a large one. The cannery will be running for a short time. This company has decided to engage in a new industry, the making of dog-fish oil. The waters of Bute Inlet teem at certain seasons of the year with this species of shark, and it is now proposed to catch and utilize them in making oil. The staff of men engaged at the cannery will be given employment for the entire year, the winter being spent in making oil and the summer in packing salmon.

"Farming in this province" says the Vancouver Telegram, "is only in its infancy, but it seems a lusty one. No such crops are reported from any other part of the Dominion. Prices too, are generally good. Hay, in this city, for example, is selling for \$16 per ton; oats, \$30 per ton; potatoes, \$15 per ton; butter, 22c to 24c per lb.; hams, 17c to 18c per lb.; eggs, 25c to 40c per doz.; plums, \$1.50 per box; beef, 12c to 18c per lb.; milk, at 10c per quart; and so on of other things. If farming does not pay in British Columbia, with the prices named above, ruling the year round, and sometimes even higher prices for some of the articles mentioned, it must surely be the farmer's own fault."

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A further shipment of twenty-five cases of sealskins was made recently from Victoria, B. C., for London direct.

The sealer Lily, thought to be lost, is reported all right.

A new departure in sealing is to be made this year by some Victoria parties, namely: sealing in the fall. A schooner, the Triumph, recently returned from Behring Sea, has fitted up for another trip north this fall.

J. B. Kernaghan has opened a tin shop at Prince Albert.

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