

SCHEDULE.

	Rates of wages in Lower Country, with board and lodging, per month.	Rates of wages in Upper Country, with board and lodging, per month.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Agricultural Laborers.		
Married Couples	8 0 0	10 0 0
Single	5 0 0	6 to 8 0 0
Barmen	12 0 0	15 0 0
Butchers	10 0 0	14 0 0
Bakers	10 0 0	12 0 0
Brickmakers	8s per day *	12s. per day.*
Bullock drivers for roads		20 0 0*
Do. for farms		8 0 0
Carpenters	12s per day *	16 to 20s. per day.*
Cooks	8 0 0	11 0 0
Gardeners	6 0 0	8 0 0
Male House Servants	5 0 0	6 0 0
Laborers	8s. per day *	12s. per day.*
Millwrights and Engineers	15 0 0	20 0 0
Miners	12s. per day *	16s. per day.*
Mowers	8 0 0	10 0 0
Ostlers	6 0 0	8 0 0
Storemen	8s. per day *	12s. per day.*
Shoemakers	10s. "	16s. "
Shipwrights	10s. "	
Shepherds		8 0 0
Stock keeper		10 0 0
Tailors	10s. per day.*	16s. per day.*
Tin worker	10s. "	16s. "
FEMALES.		
Barmaid	5 0 0	8 0 0
Plain Cook	5 0 0	7 0 0
Cooks and Laundresses	6 0 0	8 0 0
Dairy and Farm Servants	4 0 0	6 0 0
House Servants, general	4 0 0	6 0 0
House maids	3 0 0	5 0 0
Milliners	12s. per day.*	
Nursery maids	4 0 0	
Nurse girls	3 0 0	} 5 0 0
Needlewomen, plain	8s. per day.*	

* Without board.

HENRY M. BALL,
Chairman.New Westminster,
February 21st, 1865.

APPENDIX C.

To His Excellency Frederick Seymour, Governor of British Columbia, &c., &c.

The Petition of the Miners, Traders, and others, citizens of British Columbia, now in Victoria, and unanimously adopted at a public meeting held February 25th, 1865,

Humblly sheweth:

Whereas, our Honourable Law makers have lately passed an Act, increasing largely the duties on Imports into our Colony, and we, the miners, traders and citizens of the Colony, who have all our interests there, and a natural earnest desire to see it progress and prosper, deem it to be our privilege as well as our duty to consider calmly, deliberately, and most respectfully this action, and to give the full and honest expression of our views on the subject, therefore:

I. *Resolved*, That in our judgment the Customs Amendment Ordinance, 1865, is an act of Legislation which is inopportune, unwise, impolitic, unjust, and inequitable in its general provisions.

It is inopportune:

1st. Because it largely increases the cost of living in the Colony, at a time when the mining and trading interests of the Country can least afford to bear such an increase. The past season was in every sense an unprofitable one. The miner's labour was to a great extent spent in preparing for future operations, and his profits were consequently small. The trader shared the small profits of the miner. This has produced a general feeling of distrust and depression in the Country. The increased taxation only tends to add to this feeling, and thus deter both men and capital from going into the Country.