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VICTORIA.

The weather has been clear during the past week, and has tended to brighten trade with the retail dry goods, clothing and boot and shoe houses, which are now doing a very fair trade. Retail dealers are generally preparing! for the holiday trade and from present indications it is believed that it will be better than last year, and while there may not be such a heavy call for novelties, fancy goods, etc., it is thought that there will be a good trade in useful articles of all descriptions and staple goods. The Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway from the International boundary line to Nelson-a distance of 70 miles-is nearly completed, and marks an important step in the development of the West Kootenay mining district. Nelson will now have rail communication all the year round.

Trade with the jobbers is steady and collections continue fair.

The export from this port of 75,507 cases of salmon, valued at \$377,785, and a cargo of lumber valued at \$10,800 last week is worthy of note.

At Vancouver, though in some lines business has been a little quiet during the past week, trade on the whole has continued steady, and there are few features to note. The shipping in the Province shows a large increase this week, and there have been several arrivals and departures during the last few days from this port. The Empress of Japan, and the Warrimoo have both sailed, while the ship Duncraig has arrived with general cargo, and the barques Templar and Colorado to load lumber. The decision of the miners employed by the New Vancouver Coal Company to continue work will have a good effect on business, and as a large trade is now transacted with Nannimo by wholesalers in this city, the avoidance of a threatened lock-out was heady with pleasure. In wholesale, the News-Advertiser says, business continues steady with prices almost unchanged.

FLOUR AND FEED.

The Victoria Roller Mills have reduced their prices 25c per bbl, in sympathy with the recent reductions by the Manitoba and Oregon millers. Altogether the quotations remain unchanged, but the markets continue weak.

The Portland Commercial Review says of flour: "Standard brands of roller descriptians are quoted at \$2.00 per bbl., but it is understood that agents are doing some cutting under, and where competition is keen prices naturally suffer. Domestic exports keep well up to the average, but there is a falling off in China shipments. One vessel sailed for Europe carrying 23, 967 bbls., of the value of \$65,500."

The Ogilvie Milling Co. quote their celebrated brands of Manitoba flours in car lots, on wharf in Victoria, as follows:

Strong Bakers..... 4 05

The Columbia Flouring Mills quote Enderby flour in carload lots on wharf in Victoria:

Premier......\$1 15 XXX..... 4 00 Strong Bakers or XX 3 63 Superfine 3 30

The Victoria Roller Mills quote Victoria flour in 10-bbl. lots at the mills as follows: Delta

Jobbers' quotations to the trade are: XXX. 1 25 @ 4 50 Premier, Enderby mills...... 4 50 @ 0 00 XXX., " XX., Superfine, " Ogilvie's Hungarian..... 4 65 @ Strong Bakers..... 4 50 @ H. B. C. Fort Garry Hungarian . 4 65 @ 0 00 Strong Bakers 4 50 @ Oak Lake Patent Hungarian 4 65 @ Strong Bakers 1 50 @ 0 00 Regina Hungarian 4 65 @

Strong Bakers.. 4 50 @ 0 00 Benton County, Oregon...... 4 25 @ 0 00 Portland Roller..... 4 25 @ Snowtlake 4 20 @ 0 00 Royal 1 25 @ 0 00 Wheat, per ton...... 29 00 @ 30 00 Oats...... 30 00 @ 32 50 Oil cake meal...... 45 00 @ 00 00

Shorts...... 23 00 @ 30 00 Bran.... 25 00 @ 27 50 National Mills oatmeal...... 3 50 @ 0 00 " rolled oats 3 50 @ 0 00
" split peas...... 3 50 @ 0 00
" pearl barley..... 4 50 @ 0 00

" Chop feed 25 00 @ 28 00 California oatmeal...... 3 75 @ 0 00 California rolled oats...... 3 80 @ 0 00 Corn, whole.....per ton 37 50 @ 40 00 Cornmeal...... 2 75 @ 3 00 Cornmeal-feed......per ton 40 00 @ 00 00 Cracked corn...... 40 00 @ 00 00

Straw, per bale...... 1 00 @ 0 00 RICE.

Quotations are changed this week, giving a range in values. Prices may be said to be a little lower.

The Victoria Rice Mills quote whole-Japan rice, per ton...........\$ 75 00 @ 80 00 Best China rice " \$0 00 @100 00 Chinarice No. 1 " 68 00 @ 70 00 ** 70 00 Rice flour Broken rice Rice Meal 17 50 GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

Butter is still reported firm, and fine

eastern creamery is quoted at 28c. It is believed in certain well informed circles that this is about as high as butter will go this fail. R. P. Rithet & Co., L'td, are now quoting extra C China sugar at 51c. and Dry Granulated at 6c. They report a steady demand.

The Montreal Trade Bulletin says: "Butter receipts during the past week were 3.911 pkgs., against 2.579 pkgs., for the week , ...ious. There has been a little more enquiry from England, but shippers say they cannot pay over 22c for choice creamery, and yet an offer of 223c in the country was wired a creamery, without getting even a reply. Another offer of 184c was wired to Quebec for a lot of Kamouraska, but no reply was received. This is a pretty good indication of the ideas of holders. At present, 23c is the lowest figure that will move September goods, while 235c is asked for October, and we learn of sales at within that range for pet factories for local account. Choice fall Eastern Townships dairy is scarce, and as high as 21c and 22c has been paid to the country for fancy fall ends, while, on the other hand, straight dairies will only command from 18c to 19c. A lot of Renfew butter was sold at 20c, which is a good figure for that class of butter. Creamery, August, 22c to 221c per lb., Creamery, September, 221c to 23c. For single tubs of selected le per lb., may be added to the above. Receipts of cheese during the past week were 28,587 boxes against 41,491 boxes for the week previous. It is very certain that English buyers are not content with the heavy shipments that have of late been sent from this port, as quite a number of cable orders have been received here during the past few days. and although cable limits are not yet up to the ideas of holders, the latter feel pretty confident they will get them be-forelong. A lot of 500 boxes of Western was sold at 11c, and the French cheese sold at the boat on Monday, at 10%c. These figures show a decline of gc to de from highest prices. A few factorymen have been in the city offering the wind-up of their make, which gave shippers an opportunity of picking up a few bargains. This is always the case just before the close of navigation. Stock-taking will be the next move to interest the trade."

New season's dried fruits are quoted: Valencia raisins......per lb \$ 6 @ \$ Malaga raisins......per box 3 00 @ Currants (barrels).... per lb 54 @ 6 (cases)..... per lb 61 @ Sultana raisins..... per lb 10 0 121 Taragona almonds.....per 15 14 @ 15 13 @ Filberts.....per lb Dairy produce is quoted: Butter-Eastern Creamery, tubs..... 28 @ 00 Manitoba dairy...... 20 @ 23 Chcese-Canadian, 15...... 121 @ 14 Smoked meats and lard are quoted:

Hams...... 16 @ 18 Breakfast bacon...... 17 Short rolls...... 14 @ 15 Dry Salt, long clear 14 @ 60 Pure Lard, 50ns...... 131 @ 00 20nbs..... 13j @ 00 10ns 121 @ 00 .

5/hs...... 121 @ 00 Lard Compound, 10 Hs.... 121 @ 00 20 ns..... 121 @ 0