

Fraser & Leonard of Vancouver have been appointed agents for the celebrated Yarmouth Woolen Mills of Yarmouth, N.S.

Drake, Jackson & Helmcken, barristers and solicitors, of Victoria, have opened an office at Vancouver, in charge of Mr. Jones.

T. P. Conover has disposed of his interest in the Pioneer Lumber Co., Port Moody, and left for Spokane Falls, W.T., where he intends going into business.

The by-law granting \$25,000 bonus to the smelting works and the by-law for issuing debentures of \$20,000 for improvements in the public park passed by large majorities at Vancouver, on Tuesday.

The Kamloops *Sentinel* thinks the Government should establish an assay office at that place; as an encouragement to the mining industry. Ores have now to be sent to Ottawa or San Francisco, for assay.

Vancouver News: The tug, *Rich. rd Holyoke*, arrived with the barque, *Sarah S. Ridgeway*. The *Ridgeway* will load at Port Moody about 1,200 or 1,300 tons of anthracite coal from the Canadian Anthracite Coal Co's mine at Banff for San Francisco.

D. W. Gordon, M.P.P., has received a letter from T. Mowatt, Fisheries Inspector, stating that a car with 1,000 live lobsters will leave Campbelltown, New Brunswick, about the end of October for this Province. The intention is to place the lobsters in the coast waters, with the object of providing a new industry.

The *Vancouver News-Advertiser* in imitation of the *New York Herald* and other enterprising journals, has put on a special conveyance between Vancouver and New Westminster. This does not consist of a fast train, but a fast horse, driven by a reporter, who daily visits the city on the Fraser, to corral nuggets for his paper. The enterprise of the journal with the double-barreled name deserves its reward.

Victoria Standard: J. H. Gray, C.E., and party who went to the northern end of the Island for the Provincial Government, to make an exploratory survey for a railway, report that the country offers no obstacles to the construction of a railway as far as their explorations extended. They report the country from Fort Rupert southward is interspersed with valleys containing fine agricultural land well adapted for settlement.

Victoria Times: Gus Wright started for San Francisco on Monday morning, going overland. It is understood that his visit is in connection with the formation of a company to establish smelting works at Vancouver, which city offers a large bonus for that object. Negotiations have already taken place between the Illecillewaet Company and San Francisco capitalists, and a favorable result is confidently anticipated.

The SS. *Mexico*, arrived at Vancouver from San Francisco, with a large cargo for transshipment over the C.P.R. and for local consignees. The through freight was as follows: 80 bbls. salmon, Gloucester; 25 bbls. and 100 half bbls. ditto, Syracuse; 160 bbls. ditto, Chicago; 50 bbls. wine, Boston; 167 sacks bark, Detroit; 74 bundles split leather, Boston; 50 bbls. syrup, St. Paul; 863 boxes dried fruit, Philadelphia; 568 sacks ditto, Chicago; 575 sacks ditto, Cincinnati; 40 sacks ditto, Omaha.

The *New Westminster Columbian* in an article on the woollen mill which has just started in that city says: During the past week the mill has been manufacturing flannel, and over one thousand yards have been turned out. A small quantity was washed and finished yesterday, and will be sent up to the provincial exhibition at Chilliwack. Before the end of the week it is expected the first batch of goods from the mill will be ready for the market, and we hope to see many of our citizens appearing in a complete suit of British Columbia cloth.

The Provincial Exhibition held at Chilliwack was a decided success. A fine display was made in every department, while the visitors to the exhibition were numerous. The exhibits were larger than any previous years. The show of cereals and vegetables from the Interior was exceptionally good, while the fruits were not up to the average. The dairy and stock exhibits were only fair. The annual meeting of the Association held Thursday evening, decided to hold the fair next year at Victoria.

The revenue cutter *Rush* arrived at Victoria, on Tuesday from Sitka, bringing with her fifty Indians and twelve whitemen sailors and hunters aboard the seized sealers. She also brought news of the trial of the British schooner *W. P. Saywood*, and the American schooners. All were found guilty of illegal sealing, the claim being that all the Behring Sea was under the jurisdiction of the United States. The schooners, their cargo and property were all forfeited to the American Government. A couple of the schooners were valued and the owners deposited bonds to the amount and left for San Francisco. Council for the British and American schooners gave notice of appeal to the supreme court of the United States.

The SS. *Port Victor* arrived at Vancouver from Yokohama, on Sept. 30th. She brought 26 cabin passengers, including 8 children and 15 Chinese. Her cargo consisted of 1,250 tons of tea for the east via C.P.R., and 350 tons for San Francisco, besides 700 bales of silk and a large miscellaneous cargo. The manifest shows the following:—New York, 15,680 pkgs. tea, 144 rolls of matting, 370 pkgs. merchandise, 327 pkgs. raw silk, 13 pkgs. silk goods, 303 pkgs. silk, 127 pkgs. curios, 36 pkgs. porcelain, 8 pkgs. paper ware; Chicago, 4,474 pkgs. tea, 4 pkgs. merchandise and 33 of Japan ware; San Francisco, 900 pkgs. merchandise and 334 pkgs. spice; Hartford, 81 pkgs. raw silk, 11 pkgs. curios; Kansas City, 200 pkgs. tea; Boston, 48 rolls matting, 15 pkgs. curios; Baltimore, 19 rolls matting; Portland, Oregon, 280 pkgs. tea, 18 pkgs. medicine, 123 pkgs. merchandise, 31 pkgs. curios; Seattle, 1,100 bags rice, 10 bags of beans, 5 bags sugar, 328 pkgs. merchandise; Los Angeles, 12 cases personal effects; Montreal, 8,255 pkgs. tea, 17 pkgs. curios; Toronto, 2,937 pkgs. merchandise; London 35 pkgs. tea; Hamilton, 1,284 pkgs. tea; Victoria, 1,325 pkgs. tea, 637 pkgs. merchandise, 21 chests opium, 3 pkgs. silk goods; Winnipeg, 370 pkgs. tea, 100 bags rice, 15 pkgs. merchandise; Vancouver, 204 pkgs. tea; Halifax, 311 pkgs. tea; Ottawa 701 pkgs. tea; Kingston, 75 pkgs. tea; Quebec 42 pkgs. tea; Sarnia, 51 pkgs. tea; New Westminster; 2 pkgs. curios. The total weight of the cargo is 2,964,135 pounds, or 2,934 tons by measurement.

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