

by an arch. The stores on Granville street will also be continued. Another large establishment handling general merchandise is the Hastings Mill store. This store is a part of the estate of the Hastings Saw Mill, and is in charge of C. Simson. The store does considerable city trade besides the mill business. A large stock is carried, and a large quantity of goods is carried in a bonded warehouse, for the shipping trade. Ships leaving for foreign ports have the privilege of purchasing imported goods in bond, which saves the payment of duty, as the goods are taken out of the country. The little town of Emerson, Manitoba, has established quite a colony among the merchants of Vancouver. There are no less than three boot and shoe stores carried on by former Emersonians; these are J. A. Pyke, G. L. Allan, and R. Mills. Mr. Mills has a large store on Cordova street. He has been over three years in Vancouver, and has twice moved into larger premises. would indicate that his trade is increasing. G. L. Allen has also been obliged to secure larger premises, and he now occupies a store on Cordova street, 80 feet deep. He has been four years in Vancouver. J. A. Pyke has been nearly two years in Vancouver, and he has a fine store in a central location, and likes the place.

In the grocery line, Weeks & Ford have one of the finest stores in the city, in the handsome new Thompson block. Mr. Week is an old Winnipegger, and was formerly manager for the Hudson's Bay company at Vancouver. Berteaux & Co. carry a nice stock in the grocery line, especially in fine goods. Mr. Berteaux is a prominent member of the board of trade. Philip Bros. came from Ontario over a year ago and opened in the grocery and provision line. They are satisfied with the change. D. J. Campbell, formerly Campbell & Martin, does a good business as bakers and grocers. In his bakery he uses Manitoba flour exclusively, as it makes a better article, and he says that Manitoba flour is cheaper, even if it costs fifty cents per barrel more, as owing to its great strength it will make more bread than any other flour. Gray & Co., groceries, have elegant quarters in the Sir Donald Smith block, and have worked up a good trade during their four years in Vancouver.

In the meat line, Hayes & McIntosh have the finest establishment. Mutton and pork is nearly all imported from the states to the south. The home supply of beef is generally equal to the demand. Pork is usually worth about 11 cents, mutton 8 to 9 cents and beef 7 cents per pound, by the carcass, though prices are occasionally temporarily higher, especially in the spring season.

There are several fine stores in the drug line. T. R. Morrow is an old Winnipegger who carries on business in this branch. H. McDowell & Co. do business in the same line, and have a fine store in the Dunn block. A. W. Draper has a handsome drug store on Granville street.

In the furniture line, Shelton & Co. occupy handsome premises on Hastings street, where they have three floors, 85 feet deep. A warehouse in the rear is also occupied, where the manufacturing department is carried on. A large stock of fine furniture is carried. Lieutenant Shelton, well known in Winnipeg, is the manager of this business. Smith Bros.

are also two old Winnipeggers, and they carry on business in furniture and upholstered goods, house furnishing carpets, etc., and have a very nice stock, particularly in upholstered goods.

In the book, stationery and news line, S. T. Tilley has been established for years. Thompson Bros., who also do business at Calgary, have a fine store in the stationery line.

In the hardware branch, there is the well-known firm of McLennan & McFeely, who also do a large business at Victoria in the same branch—namely, stoves, tinware, etc., and they have an important manufacturing department in roofing, etc. E. L. Scoullar & Co. have a fine store and large stock in the same line. There is also the large general hardware business of Thos. Dunn & Co. wholesale and retail, mentioned formerly in connection with an article on the wholesale trade of the city.

Though not in the commercial line, we might mention the business of John Devine & Son, financial agents, collectors, commission and general agents, etc. Mr. Devine, senior, has been a resident of Vancouver since the town was started, and he was for a time secretary of the board of trade. A. O. Leask also does business as agent and commission merchant, broker, etc. In connection with our former articles on the wholesale, manufacturing and other branches of business in Vancouver this will fairly cover the trade of the place. Of course there are a large number of smaller concerns not mentioned in the retail lives especially.

British Columbia.

C. Phillips, blacksmith, Vernon, has sold out.

Mrs. T. W. Clark, milliner, Vancouver, has sold out.

McNeill & Blomberg are starting a hotel at Ainsworth.

Migney & Co., wholesale liquors, Vancouver have sold out.

J. Craig, has opened a wholesale produce house at Vancouver.

Pomeroy & Blois have opened out in the hotel business at Vancouver.

J. Murray, general storekeeper, Spence's Bridge, has assigned.

Graves Bros., bakers and confectioners, of Vancouver, have assigned.

Chas. Lang has opened out in the grocery and confectionery line at Sepperton.

The Hudson's Bay Company are having plans prepared for a commodious store at Victoria.

W. F. Teetzel is opening a drug store at Donald. He also contemplates opening one at Nelson.

Oppenheimer Bros., wholesale grocers, Vancouver, are about to erect a large warehouse at that city.

Messrs. Haley & Sutton, of New Westminster, have purchased the boot and shoe stock of G. Grant of that city.

W. J. Glencross has purchased the Queen's Hotel at New Westminster, and will conduct that establishment in future.

John Inglis & Sons, Toronto, have the contract of supplying the boiler and engines for the Westminster electric light works.

F. G. Tilden, feed and grain, New Westminster, is opening a branch store at Nanaimo to accommodate his business at that place.

Messrs. Crano, McGregor & Boggs are making arrangements for the opening of a fruit and sardine cannery establishment at Victoria.

A heavy fog which prevailed on the coast from Oct. 28th to the 31st had the effect of stopping navigation between Victoria and the mainland.

Capt. Webster, manager of the Union Steamship Company, of Vancouver, has gone to England to purchase or have built another steamer.

The Vancouver World says: An effort will be made to hold a grand Dominion exposition in Vancouver in 1892. The initiatory steps have already been taken.

The customs returns for the port of Vancouver for the month ending October 31st, are as follows: Value of imports, free, \$27,038; value of imports dutiable, \$53,845; total imports, \$80,883; value of exports, \$104,955.

On November 1st the banking department of the Vancouver Land and Securities Corporation, Limited, commenced operations in their new offices at Vancouver, with W. E. Green as manager. A general banking business will be done.

The Vancouver Fisheries Company, held a meeting on Oct. 28th, at which the following were elected directors: B. Springer, F. C. Cotton, W. F. Salisbury, W. D. Creighton, H. T. Ceperley, A. H. B. McGowan and J. L. Anderson.

The Kamloops Electric Illuminating company will soon be in a position to supply that town with light. A thirty-five horse power engine and the necessary generating apparatus is now on the way there, and the end of this month will probably see them running.

The Westminster Truth says: "It is reported that the Great Northern railway is securing a right of way for a branch railroad from Fernvale to Sumas to connect with the Cornwall road from the Canadian Pacific. This branch will pass through Snyder and Whatcom."

Application has been made to the city council of Vancouver by the Phoenix Water Works Company for permission to construct water works for the supply of that city with water. In consideration the bonds of the company are to be guaranteed to the extent of \$350,000 and interest thereon for a number of years. It is not known yet whether this offer will be accepted or not.

The railway bridge across the Kootenay, 4 miles below Nelson, will be one of the longest single-span wooded truss-bridges on the whole Canadian Pacific system. The main span will be over 180 feet in length, and will be thrown across without the aid of false work, the river at that point being so rapid as to make it impossible to put in work of that kind. The castings for the bridge were made at Vancouver, the heaviest piece weighing 950 pounds. The rods come from Montreal. All the timber used in its construction, except the stringers, will be procured at points along that river between Kootenay lake and Sproat. The stringers were brought from the coast.—Nelson Miner.

Twelve years ago India could only boast of 56 mills, employing 1,459,794 spindles. Now, Bombay alone has 70 mills, with 1,895,660 spindles, and the total for all India is 137 mills, with a working capacity of 3,274,196 spindles.