MARINE COURT PRAISES SMITH

EVIDENCE TAKEN AS TO BOATS OF IROQUOIS

"Passengers Floating All the Way From Wreck to Coal Island," Said Captain

(From Thursday's Daily.)

At the Iroquois inquiry yesterday Mr. Justice Martin said to the witness, Joseph Smith, an American, who was employed as deck hand on the Iroquois, that his action in taking his life belt from his body and giving it to one of the ladies in the boat at sea was a very creditable one. The witness, in giving his evidence, said he cut the strings and handed over his belt between the time of the boat leaving the wreck and the time of its foundering.

The lady to whom the life belt was given is Miss Margaret Barton, who was the only woman saved from the wreck. Joseph Smith, in his evidence in the police court preliminary hearing, told how he had handed over the life belt, and Miss Barton gave evidence of having received it when she was on the stand at a previous hearing. Miss Barton, however, did not know which of the men gave her the belt. The life belt with the strings cut was afterwards found on the beach.

In addition to Joseph Smith there were seven witnesses called, the first being Captain Bowden, who said he did not consider the steamer properly loaded. He was followed by Robert D. Maclure, who said that he met Captain Sears when the latter landed at Robert's Bay, and that the captain told him it was no use trying to go out in the boat in which he came ashore as it was not seaworthy. The witness was one of those who made the attempt to reach the wreck in a Columbia river fishing boat.

Expert evidence on the life boats of the Iroquois was given by Petty Officer William Dodridge, of H. M. S. Shearwater, who said the material used in the boats was good but they were not correctly constructed. The boat with the hole in the stern as he had seen it in its present condition, was fit only to carry four people, and would not be safe then unless skilfully handled. To Mr. Bodwell he said it would not be safe under any conditions unless properly handled. He would chance it in a matter of life and death. The seat of the boat should be lower, as the rower's legs would interfere at present with the sweep of the oar handle and make its control in a sea much more difficult. The shape of the boat was all right, she was low to bilge and had plenty of beam. Unrivited nails were used to secure the gunwale and some of the nails were not galvanized. They were ordinary wire nails with the points turned. The thwarts were only five inches below the gunwale and it was impossible to pull on it in bad weather.

Further evidence in regard to the boats was given by Herbert Kent, who four or five years ago was a passenger to Tod Inlet. Captain Sears was master at the time, and with Mr. Kent were M. R. Smith and J. W. Newbury. Mr. Kent had later called the attention of Captain Gaudin to "the disgraceful condition of the boats." They were then uncovered in the hot sun, sea cocks open and no plugs in them, and daylight was showing between the seams in ten or a dozen places. He had not told Captain Sears of the condition of the boats but reported it to Captain Gaudin.

Captain A. Berquist of Sidney, gave some additional evidence to that given by him previously. He detailed a conversation with Captain Sears after the wreck regarding a passenger who was without money. The captain had said, "Let the police look after him," when asked to give the man a passage to the islands or on the train back to Victoria.

Captain Berquist, in cross-examination, said he had offered R. P. Rithet & Company $500 for the hull of the Iroquois, his intention being to raise her and use the hull as a tug. He was criticized by Mr. Bodwell on his ownership of tugs, one of which the lawyer was disposed to sarcastically term a tub. Witness denied he had sought to place a steamer on the run in place of the Iroquois. Captain Berquist remarked that Mr. Bodwell seemed to be trying to make out all that was bad against witnesses, and Mr. Bodwell asked him again about his conversation with Captain Sears, saying he wished to get it exact so that it could be contradicted.

The witness replied, "You can't; I'm telling the truth." Captain Berquist also told of meeting Captain Sears as the latter came from the boat at Robert's Bay. The witness asked, "Did you have many passengers?" and the reply was, "Those passengers are floating all the way from the wreck to Coal Island." Captain Sears, said the witness, then looked at him as if he wanted to bite him, and continued on his way home.

John L. Bowden, master mariner, said he would not call the method of placing cargo on the Iroquois stowing at all. Every seafarer knew that the higher the cargo was stowed the worse for the vessel. The fertilizer should have been placed low down and shifting boards used. He would not have left on the day in question with the cargo stowed as it was.

Captain George Kirkendale, shipping master, gave evidence similar to that at former inquiries, and said, in addition, that Sidney wharf was not a good place for a ship in a southwest wind; the whole vicinity of Canoe Pass being dangerous water. He told of an instance when the steamer was on her beam ends when being taken by him to Robert's Bay for shelter after Captain Sears had cast off the lines for them at Sidney one stormy night.

The hearing is being continued today.

Exports of iron and steel from United States during present financial year will reach about $325,000,000 against $184,000,000 in 1908, the former high record year.

CREWS DEPART FOR PORTLAND.

J. B. A. A. Members Saw Their Representatives Off—President Helmcken Present.

Yesterday afternoon witnessed the departure of the J. B. A. A. oarsmen for the N. P. A. A. O. regatta at Portland, which takes place to-morrow and the next day, and in which the local crews fully expect to annex their share of the honors. There is no doubt that they will do so, as with the Portland crews they are heralded as the strongest competitors.

They were accompanied on their journey by several Vancouver entrants, who came over on the Princess Charlotte, and departed with the cheers of their brother members sounding in their ears. H. Dallas Helmcken, K. C., president of the club, was present and wished them the best of luck. Other Vancouver competitors went from the Terminal City by motor car.

There are three clubs competing for the Pacific Coast championships this year—the Vancouver Rowing Club, the Portland Rowing Club and the J. B. A. A. The Victoria boys will make their headquarters at the New Imperial hotel.

FAVORS CONFERENCE EVERY TWO YEARS

Sir J. Ward Predicts Change in Relationship of the Mother Country and Dominions

London, July 6.—Sir Joseph Ward, speaking before the United Empire Club, said he had never favored in the Imperial conference the forcing of the pace beyond what public opinion in the Old Country allowed, but he believed they were on the eve of a great change in the relationship of the Mother Country and the Overseas Dominions. They should hold a conference every two years.

DROUGHT IN WHEAT GROWING STATES

Intense Heat is Doing Much Damage to Crops in General

Washington, D. C., July 6.—Rain is much needed. The intense heat in the country is doing much damage to crops in general, according to the crop and weather report for the week ending Tuesday, issued yesterday by the weather bureau. The report says:

"In the corn growing states west of the Mississippi, the continued lack of rain is being severely felt. The drought is still largely unbroken in Missouri, and it is becoming serious in Iowa and portions of Texas and Nebraska, where there was an entire absence of any beneficial rains. In Oklahoma severe drought covers nearly the entire state. In the spring wheat growing states more moderate temperatures prevailed over the Dakotas and Montana.

"There were some good local showers in Western Minnesota and the eastern portion of the Dakotas, but over much of the important wheat growing sections only light and insufficient showers occurred, and rain is greatly needed."

BORDEN IN MANITOBA.

Shoal Lake, Man., July 6.—R. L. Borden arrived here yesterday afternoon, after speaking at Binscarth in the morning. R. C. Henders, president of the Manitoba Grain Growers, spoke for nearly half an hour at the Grain Growers' picnic here, scoring politicians who changed their attitude towards reciprocity since the farmers' delegates visited Ottawa, when they said they were behind the farmers, and soon as the farmers returned changed around.

Mr. Borden then received resolutions from several Grain Growers' Associations endorsing reciprocity, some asking for reduction in the tariff on gasoline and cement, and all asking for a reduction of the tariff on implements. Last evening, Mr. Borden spoke at Minnedosa.

HONORS LORD STRATHCONA.

London, July 6.—Lord Strathcona is to receive the freedom of the city of Bath, a somewhat rare honor, Lords Roberts and Rosebery being the only living freemen. The Daily Telegraph proposes Sir Fred Borden as Lord Strathcona's successor.

OIL WELL IS DOWN TO 1,350 FOOT MARK

Drilling at Muir Creek is Going on Steadily in Promising Formation

M. H. Murray, the oil well expert, who is in charge of the drilling on the Western Canada Oil Prospecting Company's property at Muir Creek, was in town over the holiday and chatted with a Times man about the progress being made on the work.

The well has now been sunk 1,350 feet and drilling is going on day and night. After going through a strata of limestone and a quantity of light sand the drill is now penetrating a dark grey sand, in which salt is found to be present. The sand and the presence of salt are very similar to some of the Pennsylvania fields. The indications continue to be, as they have been all along, most promising for the striking of oil at this point.

CONSPIRACY TO RESTORE MONARCHY

Portuguese Troops Sent to Frontier as Result of Plot Among Officers

Tuy, Spain, July 6.—It was learned here yesterday that the Portuguese government has dispatched several thousand troops to the northern border, following the discovery of a plot there to restore the monarchy. The conspiracy is said to have originated among certain officers of the Portuguese army at Valenua Domingo, just across the border from Tuy.

Reports of Fights Denied.

Lisbon, July 6.—The reports of fighting in the streets of Lisbon and elsewhere in Portugal between loyal troops and sympathizers of the monarchists are untrue.

Dispatches received by a London newspaper agency from Lisbon reported fighting between the populace and the seamen. The latter, incited by monarchistic agitators, attempted to raise an armed revolt, according to the telegrams. The government called out the troops, both cavalry and infantry, and after severe fighting managed to quell the revolt and restore order. Panic prevails, said the dispatches, and precautions are being taken by the authorities to suppress any further revolutionary movement.

CONTROVERSY OVER ADDRESS TO KING

Nationalist Members of Dublin Council Opposed to Presentation

Dublin, July 6.—The controversy in the city corporation on the question of presenting an address to King George upon his approaching arrival in the Irish capital became more acute yesterday at a special meeting called to consider the matter and to come to some final decision. The purpose of the meeting, however, fell through for lack of a quorum.

The members were present, but enough refused to answer to their names to defeat any action.

At a coucus of Nationalist members of the corporation Monday only four of the thirty-eight voted in favor of an address. The lord mayor announced his determination to present an address to His Majesty despite the opposition. He says that John Redmond, the Nationalist leader, positively urged that a presentation be made.

The city hall was guarded by police during the day's meeting.

The Nationalist city councillors at a meeting yesterday afternoon decided to send a telegram to King George asking him not to receive the lord mayor of Dublin when the latter attempted to present the address. The city councillors also ordered the insigna of office replaced in the hands of the city treasurer.

POLICE RETURNS

The monthly returns of the police department give the following details of the 257 cases handled during June: Assault 7, bigamy 1, auto speeding 11, burglary 1, creating disturbance 1, carrying concealed weapon 1, carrying burglar's tools 1, cruelty to animals 1, city by-laws 23, drunks 80, drunk while driving auto 1, fighting 7, grievous bodily harm 2, keeping disorderly house 1, infraction of Militia Act 2, malicious injury to property 1, obscene language 1, obtaining money by false pretence 2, obtaining goods by false pretence 1, obstructing police 2, in possession of stolen property 3, Indians in possession of intoxicants 2, receiving stolen property 4, stealing 9, supplying intoxicants to Indians 1, threatening language 1, vagrancy 8, unsound mind 2, safe keeping 78. Of the cases tried convictions numbered 142 while one defendant was sent up for trial. Arrests numbered 127 and summons cases 50. A record was made by the patrol wagon in the number of runs registered. The calls numbered no less than 212.

TWO TRACK RECORDS BROKEN AT MINORU

Mona Canomann and Don Enrique Set New Times for Distances

Vancouver, July 6.—One of the best day's racing witnessed at Minoru Park was that which took place yesterday, when the track records for four furlongs and a mile and an eighth were broken. Mona Canomann proved the record breaker in the four furlong event, while Don Enrique covered himself with glory by winning the long distance event. Besides these great performances there was a thrilling neck and neck finish in the fifth race, when Frieze scraped home in front of Figent. The track was exceptionally fast, and nearly all the races were close. The results:

First race, four furlongs, purse $200, for three-year-olds: Mona Canomann, 1st; Short Cut, 2nd; Pride of Lismore, 3rd. Time 47 4-5.

Second race, five furlongs, selling, purse $250, for three-year-olds: Phosphorous, 1st; Nellie Racine, 2nd; Hal Worth, 3rd. Time 1:01.

Third race, six furlongs, selling, value $250, for three-year-olds: Belle of Iroquois, 1st; Quality Street, 2nd; Cleopat, 3rd. Time 1:14 1-5.

Fourth race, one mile and one eighth, value $250, for three-year-olds: Don Enrique 1st; Rosevale, 2nd; Roy Junior, 3rd. Time 1:53.

Fifth race, one mile and 70 yards, value $250, for three-year-olds: Frieze, 1st; Figent, 2nd; Royal River, 3rd. Time 1:45 3-5.

Sixth race, one mile, purse $250, for four-year-olds: Cheers, 1st; Bucolic, 2nd; Irish Mail, 3rd. Time 1:42.

DR. CLIFFORD WILL NOT PAY TAX

Says Authorities Can Seize His Goods and Imprison Him When He Returns

London, July 6.—Dr. John Clifford, the non-Conformist minister who was a delegate to the recent Lake Mohonk conference, has again refused to pay the sectarian state education tax.

Dr. Clifford, who is at present in Canada, has written to the authorities saying that they can either restrain his goods or arrange to imprison him on his return to England.

He concludes his letter, which was written at Lake Mohonk, by saying:

"I write this letter in a country where the sectarian legislation, against which I am protesting, is regarded with amazement and indignation. They have none of it.

"The United States owe their origin to men driven out of England by religious persecutions—we are bound to do all we can to drive such persecution out of England."

DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE.

Many Inquiries Being Received—Executive in Session To-day.

The executive of the Vancouver Island Development League met this afternoon at the Board of Trade building. A number of important matters were dealt with, among them being the question of securing the services of Miss Agnes Deans Cameron to deliver a series of lectures in the old country on the resources of Vancouver Island and British Columbia.

A communication has been received from the Pacific North West Tourist Association, inviting the league to affiliate with it. The Vancouver Exhibition Association also wrote, asking the league whether it could arrange for an exhibit from this Island to be shown at the Vancouver Fair, from August 26 to September 4.

The executive is considering a letter from A. E. Todd, who suggests that the name of the proposed trunk road from this city to Cape Scott be called the Vancouver Island highway. Inquiries are being received daily from people who seek information as to conditions here, with a view to making their homes on the Island. These inquiries have all been of the best class.

OFFICERS INSTALLED.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

The officers of Columbia Lodge, No. 2, I. O. O. F., were installed last evening in regular form by Bro. F. C. Dillabough, D.D.G.M., assisted by an efficient staff of Grand Lodge officers, and are as follows: F. F. Forneri, P.G.; H. Bleasdale, N.G.; Alex. Milne, V.G.; R. W. Fawcett, Rec. Sec.; W. Jackson, Fin. Sec.; D. Dewar, Treas.; R. N. Penman, War.; H. Thompsett, Con.; R. Lorimer, I.G.; W. H. Huxtable, C. G.; S. V. Bowers, R.S.N.G.; F. T. Pengelly, L.S.N.G.; N. Dunn, R.S.V.G.; J. Murkar, L.S.V.G.; A. Benneck, R.S.S.; Chas. Taylor, L.S.S.; W. Penman, chaplain.

Columbia Lodge has had a very busy and successful term, seventeen members having been added to the roll, which now numbers 206. After the installation of officers a pleasant social time was spent and refreshments served, and short addresses were delivered by Bro. W. H. Cullin, Grand Master; Bro. F. C. Dillabough, D.D.G.M.; Bro. Fred Davey, G. Sec.; Bro. the Rev. E. G. Miller, G. Chap.; Bro. F. Forneri, P. G.; and Bro. J. Wilby, acting G. Mar. The singing of the National Anthem brought the proceedings to a close.

Victoria Lodge No. 1 will install officers to-morrow evening. The officers of Dominion Lodge No. 4 will not be installed until Thursday evening, July 13th.

July Weather is Hard on Feet

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BOY SCOUTS GO INTO CAMP ON SATURDAY

Have a Desirable Site at Cadbora Bay, With Good Water and Safe Bathing

On Saturday morning the Victoria Boy Scouts will go into camp for two weeks. They will assemble at the terminus of the Willows car line at 10 o'clock and, accompanied by the brass band and bugle band, will march to the camp site.

The association has this year been fortunate in obtaining the use of perhaps the most desirable piece of property for the purpose in the vicinity of Victoria, the fifty-eight acres lying between the Uplands Farm and the Cadboro Bay school house, safe bathing and excellent spring water being close at hand.

Dr. W. Bapty has kindly consented to make a daily inspection of the camp.

DR. WADMAN'S VISIT.

Former Victoria Pastor Will Spend Week-End in City and Lectures Here.

Rev. J. W. Wadman, D. D., of Honolulu, a former pastor of Centennial Methodist church, is expected, along with Mrs. Wadman, to arrive in the city on Friday. Dr. Wadman, on leaving Victoria over twenty years ago, entered the ministry of the Methodist Episcopal church of the United States and labored for several years as a missionary in Japan. For the past nine years, he has had the oversight of the church's missions in the Hawaiian islands.

Dr. Wadman has visited his friends in Victoria on several former occasions, when his addresses have always been listened to with intense interest and profit. On Sunday next, this distinguished visitor will preach at the Centennial church in the morning and at the Metropolitan church in the evening.

On Monday evening Dr. Wadman will give his lecture in the Metropolitan lecture room on "Picturesque Hawaii." The lecture will be illustrated with beautifully colored slides, made from hundreds of photographs recently taken, presenting a background of life as it is to-day in all its various forms and industries and showing the wonderful tropical growth of the paradise of the Pacific in a panorama of kaleioscopic beauty.

All Dr. Wadman's friends, as well as many who are interested in Hawaii, will avail themselves of this intellectual treat.

OUR LETTER BOX

OFFICE OF AGENT-GENERAL.

To the Editor:—As the province is spending, wisely, to establish historic facts fated to become obscure, and as what Mr. McBride is reported to have said in London lately about the office of agent-general is not very clear in the report, I take leave to offer to your readers a word or two on that subject.

The erstwhile common notion in London that I invented, and first applied, the term, is not strictly correct.

It is a "colonial office" term, dating as far back as the fifties, for the agency in London of certain "crown colonies," which agency, though under the colonial secretary, was carried on in an outside office for certain reasons of convenience needless to be here mentioned.

The application of the term to other colonies had its origin, however, in the active committee formed in London in 1866 for watching the affairs of British Columbia, by Donald Fraser, A. G. Dallas and others, of which I was chairman. This led, on the occurrence of Confederation, to my appointment under the style of "agent general," as there was then much to attend to beyond emigration. My successors have been Messrs. Beeton, Vernon and Turner.

Canada as a Dominion in the early seventies adopted the same term for the office in London, then held by Edward Jenkins, M. P., (author of "Ginx's Baby"), though he had nothing but emigration to attend to, finance and other matters being entrusted to Sir John Rose, Bart.

These examples have been followed gradually in other Imperial dependencies, partly, perhaps, because the term pleased the ear and was more comprehensive than "emigration agent," though the latter function remained all-important.

That is the whole story, unless, as showing the then importance of the British Columbia office, I add that the colonial secretary officially expressed appreciation of the "clear and temperate" presentation of the railway question, the same being acknowledged, also, in the Lieut.-Governor's speech to the House of Assembly. Enough said. "The horse-shoe that clatters wants a nail."

GILBERT MALCOLM SPROAT.

DENIES REPORT OF CREW'S COWARDICE

Capt. Logan Returns From Spokane Wreck—Will Raise Her Within Month

(From Thursday's Daily.)

Denying all reports to the effect that the officers and crew were incompetent and that discipline was lacking during the life-saving operations, following the striking of the Pacific Coast steamship Spokane in Seymour Narrows last week, Capt. W. H. Logan, of the London Salvage Company, who has returned to this city from the scene of the accident, wishes to contradict all the statements which have been scattered broadcast by the passengers, who are totally unaware of the conditions near the place of grounding of the vessel.

In conversation with a Times representatives this morning Capt. Logan praised the efforts of Capt. Guptill and his men, and stated that had it not been for the "queerness" of some of the passengers no lives would have been lost. Forty minutes after the steamer had struck she had been beached and the lifeboats and rafts were all ready for launching. Contrary to former reports, Capt. Logan states that the passengers were all aroused from their slumbers by the officers and every attempt was made to stop the leak.

The cause of so many people jumping into the water when the ship's boats reached the beach was due to one of the passengers who became so alarmed when the ship took a lurch, that he yelled, "She's going over." Immediately many of those aboard leaped into the sea and it took much of the time of the Spokane's crew to rescue them. The crew was not given a chance to work, and if they had been Capt. Logan feels confident that everyone would have been rescued.

"Capt. Guptill did well to get the passengers ashore," said Capt. Logan this morning. "With the big rent in her hull and the water filling her up rapidly, the Spokane had to make two miles in the middle of the night to Plumper's Bay, and this was accomplished in forty minutes. I am surprised that so many got ashore and it can only be credited to the efforts of the crew."

Capt. Logan came to this city from Plumper's Bay to arrange a contract for raising the Spokane. Despite the fact that there is a large hole in the vessel's bottom forward, Capt. Logan believes that by the end of the month the Spokane will have been raised. The Salvor is still standing by the Spokane and will commence work as soon as the contract is made. It is expected that the wrecked vessel will be taken to Seattle for repairs.

Capt. Logan will return to Plumper's Bay to-morrow night on the Princess May.

RURI-DECANAL CHAPTER.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

The regular quarterly meeting of the Ruri-Decanal Chapter of Victoria, composed of all the Church of England parishes of Victoria and adjoining district, was held yesterday in the parish of St Stephen, South Saanich, the following in attendance: Very Reverend the Dean of Columbia, Rural Dean W. Baugh Allen, Reverends E. G. Miller, Hon. T. E. Heneage, J. H. S. Sweet, R. Connell, Gilbert Cook, Fred H. Fatt, and the rector of St. Stephens, Rev. J. W. Flinton, who, together with Mrs. Flinton, royally entertained the visiting clergy.

The Rural Dean called the chapter to order at 10.30, Rev. R. Connell, Victoria West, taking the opening office.

A letter from the Ministerial Association re late Papal decree, "Ne Temere," was read, and on motion referred to the committee having that matter in charge, the Dean stating that the question was to be brought before the General Synod of the church in September. A letter from the Lord Bishop of the diocese re proposed mission to be held in October, 1912, was read, and on motion adopted, and Rural Dean instructed to interview the Bishop immediately on his return from England, and make the necessary arrangements for said mission.

A very helpful and instructive paper on "Holy Orders," as per article xxv., by Ven. Archdeacon Scriven, was then read by Rev. J. W. Flinton, the Archdeacon being unavoidably absent in Nanaimo. A full and interesting discussion of the paper followed, in which all present took part.

The Dean of Columbia, in referring to the great loss sustained by the diocese of Fredericton, N. B., in the loss by fire of the cathedral there, moved, seconded by Rev. J. H. S. Sweet (formerly of the diocese of Fredericton): "That this meeting of the ruri-decanal chapter of Victoria has learned with profound regret of the destruction by lightning of the cathedral at Fredericton, N. B. They desire to place on record their sympathy with the diocese thus deprived of Bishop Medley's great monument, and earnestly pray that God may enable them to repair in due time their loss. Further, that this chapter, having learned that the Dean of Columbia is about to send a telegram of sympathy to the Dean of Fredericton, hereby requests him to communicate in such telegram the substance of this resolution."

On the invitation of Rev. J. H. Collinson, who had arrived from Cedar Hill after the commencement of the meeting, the next place of holding the quarterly gathering of the chapter was ordered to take place at that parish on the first Wednesday in October, on which occasion the election of a rural dean to succeed Rev. W. Baugh Allen, whose term has expired, will take place. The opening office will be taken by Rev. J. H. Collison, and a paper on "Unction" will be given by Rev. R. Connell, St. Saviour's, Victoria West.

After a hearty vote of thanks to host and hostess had been tendered, the chapter adjourned, the Victoria clergy making their way to Saanichton station of the V. & S. railway to take the evening train to the city. Rev. S. Fea, of St. Peter's, Winnipeg, was present as a visitor.

THE CITY MARKET

Oils—	
Pratt's Coal Oil	1.90
Eocene	1.75
Meats—	
Hams (B. C.), per lb.	.20@ .25
Bacon (B. C.), per lb.	.25@ .28
Ham (American), per lb.	.28
Bacon (American), per lb.	.32
Bacon (long clear), per lb.	.22
Beef, per lb.	.10@ .30
Pork, per lb.	.10@ .25
Mutton, per lb.	.15@ .30
Lamb, hindquarter	2.50@ 3.00
Lamb, forequarter	1.75@ 2.00
Veal, per lb.	.10@ .30
Suet, per lb.	.15
Farm Produce—	
Fresh Island Eggs	.45
Butter, Cowichan	.50
Butter, Victoria	.40
Butter, Salt Spring	.40
Butter (Eastern Townships)	.35
Lard, per lb.	.30
Western Canada Flour Mills—	
Purity, per sack	1.80
Purity, per bbl.	7.10
Hungarian Flour—	
Ogilvie's Royal Household, per sack	1.80
Ogilvie's Royal Household, per bbl.	7.10
Robin Hood, per sack	1.80
Robin Hood, per bbl.	7.10
Vancouver Milling Co., Hungarian, per sack	1.80
Vancouver Milling Co. Hungarian, per bbl.	7.10
Lake of Woods, per sack	1.80
Lake of Woods, per bbl.	7.10
Calgary Hungarian, per sack	1.80
Calgary Hungarian, per bbl.	7.10
Enderby, per sack	1.80
Enderby, per bbl.	7.10
Pastry Flours—	
Silver Bell	1.75
Snowflake, per sack	1.75
Snowflake, per bbl.	7.00
Vancouver Milling Co., Wild Rose	1.75
Drifted Snow, per sack	1.75
Grain—	
Wheat, chicken feed, per ton	35.00@40.00
Wheat, per lb.	.02½
Barley	40.00
Whole Corn	41.00
Cracked Corn	42.00
Oats	35.00
Crushed Oats	37.00
Rolled Oats (B. & K.), 7-lb. sk.	.35
Rolled Oats (B. & K.), 20-lb. sk.	.90
Rolled Oats (B. & K.), 40-lb. sk.	1.80
Rolled Oats (B. & K.), 80-lb. sk.	3.50
Oatmeal, 10-lb. sack	.50
Oatmeal, 14-lb. sack	2.25
Rolled Wheat, 10 lbs.	.35
Cracked Wheat, 10 lbs.	.35
Wheat Flakes, per packet	.12½@ .30
Whole Wheat Flour, 10 lbs.	.45
Graham Flour, 10 lbs.	.30
Graham Flour, 50 lbs.	1.75
Feed—	
Hay (baled), per ton	22.00@25.00
Straw, per ton	16.00
Middlings, per ton	33.00
Bran, per ton	33.00
Ground Feed, per ton	33.00
Shorts	33.00
Poultry—	
Dressed Fowl, per lb.	.30@ .35
Ducks, per lb.	.25@ .30
Geese (Island), per lb.	.20@ .25
Garden Produce—	
Carrots, per lb.	.02
Onions, per lb.	.05
Cabbage, per lb.	.03
Potatoes (local)	8.00

WHOLESALE MARKET.

Bacon	.20
Hams	.19
Lard	.12
Cheese	.15@ .15½
Creamery Butter	.25
Eggs (local)	.30
Eggs (California fresh)	.32½
Eggs (Eastern)	.29
Bananas	.06½
Beets, per sack	2.50
Cabbage, per lb.	.04½@ .05
Cranberries, per bbl.	12.50@14.00
Cauliflower, per doz.	1.00
Grapefruit, per box	4.50
Lemons	5.00@ 6.50
Lettuce, per crate	1.50
Oranges, Navel, case	3.25@ 4.00
Onions (Australian)	4.50
Onions (Bermudas)	2.50
Onions (California)	.03
Turnips, per sack	2.25
Haddies, per lb.	.15
Salmon, per lb.	.15
Almonds, per lb.	.20
Chestnuts, per lb.	.15
Filberts, per lb.	.07
Peanuts, roasted	.10
Walnuts, per lb.	.16@ .21
Dates, per lb.	.07½@ .08½
Figs, per lb.	10@ .15
Cucumbers (hot-house), per doz.	1.25@ 1.50
Artichokes (Rose), per doz.	1.00
Parsley	.40
Watercress	.40
Asparagus (local)	.10@ .12½
Radishes, per doz.	.35
Mint, fresh	.60
Green Onions	.40
Strawberries (local), per crate	2.25@ 2.50
Rhubarb (local)	.05
New Potatoes (California)	.05
New Potatoes (local)	.04½
New Green Peas	.05
Sweet Potatoes	.08@ .09
Cherries	1.50@ 1.75
Canteloupes	4.00
Apricots	2.00
Peaches	1.25@ 1.50
Plums	2.25
Watermelons, per lb.	.04½
Passion Fruit	2.00

DESTRUCTION OF MAINE.

General Bixley Says Loss of Battleship Was Caused by Explosion of Her Magazines.

Washington, D. C., July 6.—The loss of the battleship Maine was caused by the explosion of her three magazines. No such effect as that produced upon the vessel could have been caused by an explosion from without. Such is the opinion of General William H. Bixby, chief of engineers, U. S. A., who has returned from a personal inspection of the work of raising the Maine.

General Bixby said that a portion of the deck over the magazines was blown upward and laid back, and there were numerous conditions of the hulk which proved that no explosion from the outside could have caused the same result.