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making it the seat of commerce on the North Pacific. There can be no Provincial jealousy here. The sole representative of the young Empire on the Pacific, it will be the pride and the interest of every Province on the Atlantic, of the entire chain of communities stretching across the continent, to bid us Goodspeed. All would welcome that condition of things which would constitute Victoria a better market than San Francisco. It is just such a condition of things we desire to promote and in no way can it be attained but by the restoration of the free port. There are objections to a free port; but these are objections as a feather shaken from the

agents. The chiefest of all is protection to our agricultural interests. Do our farmers really know what they are paying for protection? Even that may be purchased at a price above its real value. But there is a difficulty which over about giving the farmers and stock-raisers any protection under the free port system. The same power that placed a tax of 25 per cent upon foreign cattle under the old free port dispensation can meet all foreign produce with a protective tax under the new system. When we talk about setting commerce free, we do not include in that term the natural production of our own soil, which it may be desirable still to foster and protect. But that is the commerce of the world, to which we are not prepared in such a favorable position. It is entering the Dominion to be our care that firing provision in our favor. It will give us the right to the natural advantages we possess for raising, and making all surrounding peoples pay tribute to the young British Nation.

On the 22nd inst. the steamer "Albatross" sailed for the Strait of Juan de Fuca, and on the 23rd inst. the steamer "Albatross" sailed for the Strait of Juan de Fuca. The "Albatross" is a new vessel of 200 tons, built at Victoria, and is now in the hands of the British Navy. She is commanded by Captain [Name], and is now on her way to the Strait of Juan de Fuca. She is expected to return to Victoria on the 25th inst.

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