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ARE THE LARGEST COAL PRODUCERS ON THE PACIFIC COAST.

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Which was introduced early in the present year, has already become the favorite fuel for domestic purposes. It is a clean, hard coal, makes a bright and cheerful fire, and its lasting qualities make it the most economical fuel in the market. The several Mines of the Company are connected with their Wharves at Nanaimo and Departure Bay, where ships of the largest tonnage are loaded at all stages of the tide. Special dispatch is given to Mail and Ocean Steamers.

SAMUEL M. ROBINS, Superintendent.

COMMERCIAL SUMMARY.

Burglary insurance is being written in England by the Imperial.

The German National Bank at St. Paul, Minn., has reopened, after being closed since Aug. 4.

The stockholders of the World's Fair will have at least \$1,000,000 to divide among themselves.

Six more U. S. merchant steamships have been purchased by the government of Brazil for use as warships.

The World's Fair Company paid out in all \$39,558,849.01, or three times the amount expected when the project was launched.

M. H. C. Beeton points out, in an English paper, the special opportunities of the Okanagan country for small farms largely devoted to fruit growing.

When a bank fails in China, the managers and clerks are the chief sufferers. They have their heads taken off. In five hundred years there has not been a bank failure in that country.

The Nanaimo Waterworks Company is causing the cleansing of its reservoirs and pipes and thoroughly overhauling its system, in order to make the water supply as nearly absolutely pure as possible.

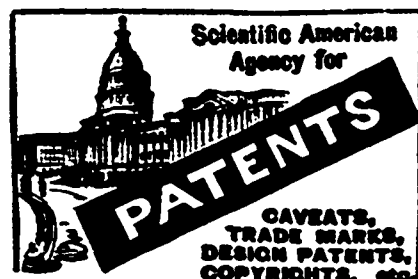
The returns issued by the British Board of Trade show that during the month of October the imports increased £630,000 and the exports decreased £530,000, as compared with the imports and exports of the corresponding month of last year.

Over forty railroads have gone into receivers' hands this year, with a total mileage of 13,000 and 900 millions of bonded and 402 millions of stock debt. The mileage is 3,300 less than those of the roads that collapsed in 1873-4, but their aggregate debts are 40 per cent. more.

The building of obstructions across public roads is a matter that is beginning to cause trouble in many districts, it being sometimes a question of some difficulty to decide whether a road is legally dedicated to the public or not. One such case is now occupying the attention of the Provincial Government Agent at Vernon.

The success of Canada with her cheese exhibits at Chicago is a highly important fact, it means a large development of business with Great Britain, where this verdict will clear away what remained of the old prejudice against our products. Out of 539 exhibits of this article, we secured 490 awards. Every province was successful. Our cheese exhibits secured higher honor marks than those of the States.

Of purchases of property, one of the most successful ever made is that of Suez Canal shares in 1876, by Lord Beaconsfield. The cost of this purchase, including commission and charges, was \$20,388,310. There have been received in respect of interest on the shares a sum of \$16,001,870, which has exceeded the charge upon the 3½ per cent. Exchequer bills issued in payment for the shares, and the purchase money has been reduced by \$6,518,270. Next year the 176,000



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