

## TRADE AND COMMERCE.

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## VICTORIA.

The change in the weather has given a better feeling among all classes.

Construction of all kinds is being pushed rapidly forward before the rainy season sets in.

Trade is moving along in the usual channels, and there are no features of any special note.

The arrivals of the China and Australian steamers have brought with them the usual routine of business.

Money continues tight, but it is generally expected that there will be an easing up later in the fall.

The Vancouver *News-Advertiser* says: "As is usually the case at the beginning of the month, business has shown some improvement, merchants having replenished their stocks. Collections are still slow, and but slight improvement is to note in this line. The prospects for the coming winter have given to rise to some speculation, and on the whole it is thought that money will not be as scarce as last winter. There has been quite a large amount of work done in the interior this summer, both on the C. P. R. and the many mining companies operating along the Fraser, and when these shut down for the season, the employees will come down and spend the winter here. Though the salmon fisheries have not been as great a success as was anticipated, the fishermen made fair wages, and as there are signs of an improvement in the lumber trade, the outlook is not so bad as many would make out. In wholesale, trade continues steady, and while there is no rush in any special line, an average business is being done."

## GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

The Canadian cheese market is exceedingly strong. Montreal houses are quoting at 11c. The advance in the local market is about 1c per lb. All other quotations are steady.

The British Columbia Sugar Refinery quotes prices as follows, payment by spot cash:

Granulated, in bbls. or 100-lb bags	44
Yellow, according to quality	37 to 42
Paris lumps, in bbls. or 100-lb bags	54
Powdered, icing and bars, in bbls.	6

## Jobbers quote:

Valencia raisins	per lb \$ 7 @ \$ 0
Malaga raisins	per box 3 @ \$ 3 25
Currents (barrels)	per lb 1 1/2 @
" half bbls.	per lb 5 @ 5 1/2
" (cases)	per lb 5 1/2 @ 7 1/2
Sultana raisins	per lb 8 @ 10
Taragona almonds	per lb 14 @ 18
Grenoble walnuts	per lb 14 @ 18
Filberts	per lb 11 1/2 @ 14

## Dairy produce is quoted:

Butter—Eastern Creamery, tubs	21 @ 24 1/2
Manitoba dairy	18 @ 19
" creamery in tins	27 1/2 @ 29
Cheese—Canadian, lb	13 @ 13 1/2
Canadian Stillton	17 @ 18
Eggs—Canadian	per doz 15 @ 16

## Smoked meats and lard are quoted:

Hams	16 @ 17 1/2
Breakfast bacon	15 @ 16
Short rolls	11 @ 12
Dry Salt, long clear	10 1/2 @ 11
Backs	13 1/2 @ 13 1/2
White Label pure leaf lard, tierces	0 12 1/2
" " " 50-lb tins	0 12 1/2
" " " 20-lb "	0 12 1/2
" " " 10-lb "	0 12 1/2
" " " 5-lb "	0 12 1/2
" " " 3-lb "	0 12 1/2
Lard Compound, 10-lbs	10 1/2 @ 11
" " 20-lbs	10 1/2 @ 11
" " 5-lbs	10 1/2 @ 11
" " 3-lbs	10 1/2 @ 11

Sugar—Jobbers' prices half-barrels and kegs in each case being 1/2c higher:

Dry Granulated (China)	14 to 15
Extra C, China	42
China, yellow	32
Dry Granulated (B. C. Refinery)	13 to 14
Extra C	42
Fancy Yellow	41
Yellow	41
Golden C	3
Cubes	61
Powdered	61
Syrups, per lb	5
" 1 gal. tins, American (100)	5 50
" 1 " " " (106)	5 25
" 1 " " " Vancouver	5 50
" 1 1/2 " " "	7 00

Jobbers' quotations for Armour Packing Company's brands per lb.:

Helmet brand sugar cured hams, medium	0 17 1/2
" " " heavy	0 17
" " " breakfast bacon	0 16
Fancy Gold Band hams	0 18 1/2
" " " breakfast bacon	0 18

## Jobbers quote as follows:

Liverpool salt, coarse, in 100 lb bags, per ton	12 00
Liverpool salt, fine, in 50-lb bags, per ton	18 00
Portland cement, White's (best) per bbl	3 40
White mottled soap, English, in 112-lb bxs	\$ 75
" " " quarter boxes	
23 lbs. per cwt	9 00
Malt vinegar, English, 25-gal. bbls	11 25
" " " octaves	6 50
" " " cases of 3 doz., per cwt	5 50
Matches, block, in tins, Victoria	1 25
" " " California	1 30
Macaroni, No. 1, 16-lb bxs	90
Vermicelli, 10-lb bxs	90
Coal oil, per case	2 50
Nails, per keg—1d, \$3.10; 6d, \$3.20; 8d, \$3.05; 10d, \$3.00; 12d, \$3.15; 20d and 30d, \$2.95; 10d, 50d and 60d, \$2.85.	

## FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Bananas have advanced in price. The supply by the ss. Warrimoo consisted of 100 bunches and 55 crates for Wilson Bros., and 20 crates for L. White & Co., for which both houses found a ready demand. Australian lemons are again in stock, and quoted at \$2.50 per box. Oregon pears are arriving freely, and sell at \$1 a box. Extra fancy California apples are quoted at \$1.50 per box. Peaches are a little higher, since last review. Receipts of all kinds are heavy, by each California steamer, and the demand keeps up well.

Jobbers' quotations for fruits are as follows.

Oranges—Australian	1 50 @ 0 00
Lemons—California (Johnson's)	5 50 @ 0 00
" " "	3 50 @ 1 00
Australian	2 50 @ 0 00
Pineapples	per doz 2 00 @ 3 00
" sugar	per doz 1 25 @ 0 00
Bananas—Honolulu	per crates 3 00 @ 0 00
" "	bunches 2 25 @ 2 50
Apples—California	1 15 @ 1 50
Cocoanuts	per 100 8 00 @ 9 00
Peaches	1 00 @ 1 10
Plums	83 @ 1 15
Pears	1 00 @ 1 25
Grapes	1 25 @ 1 50
Watermelons	per crate 5 00 @ 0 00
Nutmeg melons	per crate 1 20 @ 0 00
Musk melons	per crate 3 50 @ 0 00

## Vegetables are quoted:

Onions—Silverskins	per lb 1 @ 1 1/2
Cabbage	per lb 2 @
Potatoes	per ton 20 00 @
Tomatoes	75 @
Sweet potatoes	per lb 2 @

## FLOUR AND FEED.

The market is unchanged. Enderby superfine is again in stock and is quoted by jobbers at \$3.40, other grades from the Columbia mills are expected on the market in a few days.

The Portland *Commercial Review* says of flour: "A moderate business is doing, and a fair market is found for standard brands. Our mills, however, are not turning out very large stocks at present, and not much accumulation of stocks is reported. Considerable flour for China is on hand to go out during this month. The shipment will amount 35,000 bbls. Shipment to San Francisco is up to the average. If our flour continues in favor, we probably will do a large business in that place, as Oregon flour is far superior to the California brands. Standard roller brands have declined 5c per bbl. during the week. Standard valley, \$2.50; Walla Walla, \$2.30; and Dayton, Wash. \$2.55 per bbl."

The Ogilvie Milling Co., quote their celebrated brands of Manitoba flours in car lots, on wharf in Victoria as follows:

Ogilvie's Hungarian	\$1 10
" Strong Bakers	3 90

The Columbia Flouring Mills quote

Enderby flour in carload lots on wharf in

Victoria:

Premier	\$0 00
XXX	0 00
Strong Bakers or XX	0 00
Superfine	0 00

The Victoria Roller Mills quote Victoria flour in 10-bbl lots at the mills as follows:

Delta	\$3 50
Victoria XXX	0 00

## Jobbers' quotations to the trade are:

Delta, Victoria mills	\$ 3 75 @ 0 00
Lion	3 50 @ 0 00
Premier, Enderby mills	0 00 @ 0 00
XXX	0 00 @ 0 00
XX	0 00 @ 0 00
Superfine	3 40 @ 0 00
Ogilvie's Hungarian	1 50 @ 0 00
Strong Bakers	4 35 @ 0 00
H. B. C. Fort Garry Hungarian	1 50 @ 0 00
" Strong Bakers	4 35 @ 0 00
Oak Lake Patent Hungarian	1 50 @ 0 00
" Strong Bakers	1 35 @ 0 00