TRADE AND COMMERCE

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VICTORIA.

There is no apparent change in the general condition of affairs and but little can be expected until the spring opens up with its usual developments. sealing schooners are getting away to sea and each vessel leaves a fair amount of money in the usual channels. Foreign shipping has been dull for some time and there are at present no visible indications of much activity during the coming summer.

The foreign markets for our staple pro ducts are all dull and the rapid develop ment of the great industries practically depends on a profitable foreign market. Money is still tight. Mercantile houses are able, however, to procure sufficient for their requirements.

The Vancouver News Advertiser says: "Trade has been dull during the past week, this season being the quietest por tion of the year, collections, too, are reported as slow and hard to make. The shipping trade has been brisk during the past week. The lumber trade does not show much improvement at present. The bad weather has still retarded all outdoor work and a number of men are unemployed. The clearing of land in the east end will shortly be commenced as well as the permanent street work, 50 that in a short time employment will be provided for quite a number. Wholesale business is dull, and will it is expected continue so for a few weeks, January and February being always considered the quietest season in the year,"

PRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Quotations are unaltered. The cold weather of the past week has had a de pressing effect on the fresh fruit business. A shipment of Japanese oranges were received by the last Empress and are in fair demand.

Jobbers'quotations for fruits are as foll

| Oranges-Australian | ١ | | o | (0) | ., | 0 | 00 |
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| California | nave | ls, | 3 | (0) | 44 | 3 . | ()() |
| •• | | ings | | | | | |
| Japanese | | | | 50 | (cr | (| GO |
| Lemons-California | | | 3 | 30 | d | 1. | 50 |
| Australian | ٠. | | () | Œ | 60 | 0 | 10 |
| Banamas. | | · • • | 1 | 25 | ac | 1 | (1) |
| Apples | | bys | ì | 25 | 45 | 1 | 35 |
| " Canadian | ٠. | bbls | ō | 75 | | 0 | (4) |
| Cocoanuts | | per 100 | s | 00 | es. | 9 | (K) |
| Pineapples | | per doz | | 50 | ę, | 1 | (H) |
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Vegetables are quoted: Potatoes-Local..... per ton20 00 @ 22 00 Onions-Silverskins . per lb 0 @ 23 FLOUR AND FFED.

There has been a drop in the price of flour in Oregon and local jobbers' quotations are weak in sympathy. Their prices will be lowered shortly.

The Portland Commercial Review says: "The local flour market remains dull and weak, with nothing in sight of in en couraging nature. The usual amount of stock is going to San Francisco by steam er and some 17,000 bbls, are on board ships at Astoria bound for Europe, and at hand we have one vessel taking in flour for foreign account. For standard roller pure lard in tierces 10c; tubs, 101; pails, brands we quote \$2.75 per bbl. with the 101; 10 lb tins, 10%.

usual discount obtainable on cash busi ness."

The Ogilvie Milling Co. quote their celebrated brands of Manitoba flours in carlots, on wharf in Victoria, as follows: Ogilyte's Hungarian 81 05

| " Strong Bake | r× . | | 3 95 |
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| The Columbia 1 | louring | Mills | quote |
| Enderby flour in | carload | lots on | wharf |
| in Victoria: | | | |
| Premior | | | \$1 00 |

XXXStrong Bakers or XX 3 45 Superfine ...

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

Jobbers' quotations to the trade are.

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| Delta, Victoria mills\$ | 1 25 @ | 0 00 |
| Lion, " " | 4 25 0 | 0 00 |
| XXX | 1 25 @ | 0.00 |
| Premier, Enderby mills | 4 35 @ | 0 00 |
| XXX., " " | 4 20 @ | 0 00 |
| XX., " " | 3 80 @ | 0 00 |
| XXX., " " | 3 50 @ | 0 00 |
| Ogilvie's Hungarian | 4 65 @ | 0.00 |
| Strong Bakers | 1 50 Q | 0 00 |
| H. B. C. Fort Garry Hungarian. | 1 65 @ | 0.00 |
| " " Strong Bakers | 1 50 (1) | 0 00 |
| Oak Lake Patent Hungarian | 1 65 cc | 0 00 |
| " Strong Bakers | 1 50 @ | 0 00 |
| Regina Hungarian | 165 @ | 0 00 |
| " Strong Bakers | 150 60 | 0 00 |
| Benton County, Oregon. | 1 00 60 | 0 00 |
| Portland Roller | 1 00 @ | 0 00 |
| Snowilake | 1000 | 0 00 |
| CHOWING | | ,, (,,, |

Chop feed 25 00 @ 30 00 Shorts...... 24 50 76 30 00 Bran.... 22 50 @ 25 00 National Mills oatmeal...... 3 50 @ 0 00 " rolled oats 3 00 @ 0 00 " split peas 3 50 @ 0 00 " pearl barley. . . . 4 50 @ 0 00 " Chop feed...... 23 00 @25 60 €alifornia oatmeal...... 3 75 @ 0 00

Oats...... 30 00 @ 32 50

Oil cake meal.... 42 50 @ 00 00

Corn, whole .per ton 37 50 @ 40 00 Corameal 2 75 @ 3 00 Commeal-feed.per ton 40 to @ 00 to Cracked corn...... 40 00 @ 00 00 Straw, per bale...... 1 00 @ 0 00

California rolled oats...... 3 75 @ 0 00

The Victoria Rice Mills quote whole-

| aie: | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|------|---|---------|----|-----|-----------------|-----|----|--|
| Japan rice, po | erto | n | 9 | 75 | W | (11 | 80 | 00 | |
| Best China rice | •• | | | 80 | 00 | Œ. | 190 | 00 | |
| Chinarice No. | ı | | | ñS | 00 | ${\mathfrak C}$ | 70 | 00 | |
| Rice flour | •• | | | 70 | 00 | | | | |
| Broken rice | ** | | | 30 | (0) | | | | |
| Rice Meal | •• | | ••• | 17 | 50 | | | | |

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

Butter quotations are steady. Allice & Ault have just received a carload of the celebrated Clover Leaf creamery butter, December make, which they quote to the trade at 29c. They also quote Gold Medal creamery at 28c, and Stormount in kegs at 28c. American packers' quotations for medium hams are 4c lower. Johbers' quotations for Canadian hams and bacons are lower than last week. Lard compound is also weaker. Canadian meats and lard are quoted f. o. b. Montreal or Toronto in car lots as follows. Hams, 11; breakfast bacon, 11], short rolls, "2; dry salt,

| Valoncia raisins | **** 11s | 8 6 | æ | ۰ | 7 |
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| | | | ., | | |
| Malaga raisin | | 3 00 | 64 | 3 | 25 |
| Currants (barrols) | poi lb | 5 | (0 | | 5 |
| " half bbls | per 1b | 5 | @ | | Ű |
| " (cases) | . per lb | 5} | (i) | | 7. |
| Sultana raisins 🧪 . | per 1b | 8 | <i>!!!</i> | | 10 |
| faragona almonds | per lb | 11 | @ | | 18 |
| Greneble walnuts | por lb | - 14 | ui. | | 18 |
| Filberts | per lb | 11} | *** | | 14 |
| Dairy produce is qu | oted: | | | | |
| Butter – Eastern Cream | ery, tub | | 27 | œ | 29 |
| Manitoba dairy | | | 00 | ē | 00 |
| Cheese-Canadian, to | | | 134 | Œ | 11 |
| California | | | • | | |
| Eggs, case, per doz | | | | | |
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| Ham | н . | | | | . | | 141 | Œ | 15 |
|-------|---------|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|----|-----|-----|----|
| Breal | kfust | bacon. | | . | | | 15 | 0 | 16 |
| Short | t roll: | | | | | | 125 | 6 | 13 |
| Dry 5 | salt, l | ong cle | ar | | | ٠. | 123 | œ | 13 |
| Pure | Lard | . 20ms. | pails | | | | 11 | 0 | 14 |
| •• | •• | 1005, | tins | | | | 141 | œ | 14 |
| ** | • | 51bs | ** | | | | 14} | œ | 15 |
| •• | •• | 30% | ** | | | | 113 | (ir | 15 |
| lard | Comp | ound, | 10 lbs. | | • | | 12 | @ | 00 |
| •• | | •• | 20 lbs | | | | 12! | æ | 00 |

Smoked meats and lard are quoted:

Sugar-Jobber's prices 1-barrels and kegs in each case being he higher: Dry Granulated (China)......

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Extra C. China

| Australian Granulated | | 51 |
|-------------------------|----------|----|
| Dry Granulated . | | 51 |
| Extra C | | 5 |
| Fancy Yellow | | 42 |
| Yellow | | 41 |
| Golden C | | |
| Cubes | | |
| Powdered | | 7 |
| Syrups, per to | | 3 |
| " I gal. tins, American | (10) . 5 | 50 |
| , | (16) 5 | 35 |
| " I ' Vancouver | r 5 | 50 |
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Jobbers' quotations for Armour Packing Company's brands per lb.:

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|-----------|----------|-----------|---------------------------------------|---|-----|
| Helmet b | rand sug | ar cure | ed hams, medium | ø | 16 |
| •• | | ** | " heavy . | 0 | 15} |
| •• | | ** | breakfast bacon | 0 | 16} |
| Fancy Go | ld Band | hams | | 0 | 173 |
| •• | •• | | ast bacon | | |
| White La | bel pure | : leaf la | rd, tierces | 0 | 14 |
| •• | •• | •• | 50-lb tins | 0 | 141 |
| •• | •• | ** | 20-16 " | 0 | 143 |
| •• | •• | •• | 10·16 " | | |
| •• | •• | •• | 5-lb " | 0 | 145 |
| •• | •• | •• | J·lb " ⁴ | 0 | 146 |
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LUMBER.

The American ship Eclipse, 1,536 tons, Capt. Petersen, sailed from Vancouver January 20 for Greenock, Scotland, with a cargo of 1,072,820 feet rough lumber, valued at \$10,720, from the Hastings Mill. There are no new charters to report and there are but few orders in the market. .

There are at present one vessel, of 1,450 tons, loading at British Columbia ports for foreign. At Vancouver, Nor. ship Beaconsfield, 1,450 tons, for Cork, U. K,

Quotations for Douglas Fir Lumber in cargo lots for foreign shipment:

Rough Merchantable, ordinary sizes, in lengths to 40 feet inclusive, per M feet \$ 8 00 Deck plank, rough, average length, 35 feet

per M..... 19 00 Dressed T. and G. flooring, per M...... 15 00 Pickets, rough per M..... 8 00 Laths, 4 feet 6 in, per M...... 1 90

The following are the current city, prices; quotations are at the mill and sublong clear, S1, smoked backs, 11; dry salt ject to the usual discounts: Rough, \$7.50 backs, 9; ; long clear bacon smoked, 9; ; per Mft; rough clear, \$14; ship lap, \$9 to \$10; flooring and rustic, No. 1, \$16; do., No. 2, \$12; shingles, \$1.50; lath, \$1.50.