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TRADE AND COMMERCE.

COMMERCIAL JOURNAL OFFICE.
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 VICTORIA.

The general condition of trade shows no perceptible change. The exhibition, of course, had the usual holiday effect, but the aggregate will show an average volume of business. General grocery, provisions and dry goods move freely in the fall season if they move at all, though the winter and the holiday season frequently bring bursts of even greater activity, though of smaller aggregate volume. At present we are in the full enjoyment of a very fair trade, and there is every reason to anticipate its continuance of the same satisfactory character to the end of the fall and winter season. Collections are reported fair.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Cantaloupes and nutmeg melons are out of the market. There has been a considerable number of changes during the past week. Quotations are: Peaches, \$1.25; pears, (bartlett), \$1.65; plums, \$1.00; grapes muscat, in bxs, \$1.25, in crates, \$1.50 to \$1.65; Rose of Peru, in bxs, \$1.35, in crates, \$1.30 to \$1.65; Tokays, in bxs, \$1.50, in crates, \$1.65. Apples, (greenings) \$1.00; Baldwin, bellflower, rose and blue pearmain, \$1.25 Santa Barbara oranges, \$5.25 to \$5.50; California Messina lemons, \$7.25 to \$7.50, bananas, \$3.25; watermelons, \$5.50 a crate; native watermelons, 10 to 20c; nectarines, \$1.50; crabapples, \$1.25; silver-skin onions, 1½c. per lb.; potatoes, \$18 per ton; Chilliack potatoes, \$20 per ton; island apples, \$1.25 per box; tomatoes, \$1 to \$1.25; cucumbers, \$1.00; sweet potatoes, 2½c. per lb.; sweet corn, 25c. per doz.

FLOUR AND FEED.

It is said that there will be a great quantity of inferior grade oats in the market this fall, which will be disposed of at low prices. The recent wet weather is the cause assigned. We note a drop in Ogilvie's brands this week. Hungarian has lowered from \$6.50 to \$6.25@6.35, and Strong Bakers' from \$6.25 to \$5.85. California oatmeal has dropped 2½c a gunny, and California rolled oats are now quoted: \$1.25 as against \$5.25 a week ago. Chop ped has also dropped \$2.50 a ton, and cracked corn \$5 a ton. The estimated export of California wheat this season, is

900,000 to 1,000,000 tons. The Columbia Flouring Mills quote: Enderby flour for carload lots, Premier, \$5.75; XXX., \$5.45; Strong Bakers, or XX., \$5.00; Superfine, \$1.00. Quotations are:

Delta, Victoria mills	\$5 50 @ 0 00
Lion, " "	5 50 @ 0 00
Premier, Enderby mills	6 00 @ 0 00
XXX., " "	5 75 @ 0 00
XX., " "	5 25 @ 0 00
Superfine, " "	4 50 @ 0 00
Ogilvie's Hungarian	6 25 @ 6 35
" Strong Bakers	5 85 @ 0 00
Snowflake	6 25 @ 0 00
Portland Roller	6 25 @ 0 00
Royal	6 00 @ 0 00
Oregon Superfine	4 50 @ 0 00
Wheat, per ton	\$10 00 @ 0 00
Oats	30 00 @ 0 00
Oil cake meal	35 00 @ 40 00
Chop feed	35 00 @ 0 00
Shorts	30 00 @ 35 00
Bran	23 00 @ 30 00
California oatmeal	4 25 @ 0 00
Roller oats	4 25 @ 0 00
California roller oats	4 25 @ 0 00
Tacoma roller oats	4 80 @ 0 00
Coramical	3 00 @ 0 00
Cracked corn	45 00 @ 50 00

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

Eastern creamery butter is quoted at 27½c, Manitoba do., 27½c; eastern dairy, 2½c; Manitoba do., 20@22c. From May 1 to August 1 the export from Japan of teas to American merchants was only one-fifth of the quantity shipped for the same period last year. In some quarters this is attributed to the high prices. A consignment of 700 mats of China sugar ex ss. Empress of China, consigned to a Vancouver broker, has been sold in the Sound cities. A considerable quantity of eastern refinery sugar is due to arrive this week. Prices remain unchanged.

RICE.

It is stated that the crop prospects in Japan are promising. Stocks, however, are low. There is a great demand in Great Britain and Russia, which keeps the market firm. Buyers find it difficult to secure what they require.

The Victoria Rice Mills quote wholesale:

Japan rice, per ton	\$50 00
China rice " "	70 00
Rice flour " "	70 00
Chit rice " "	25 00
Rice Meal " "	17 50

LUMBER.

The bark Newsboy, Capt. Johnson, sailed from New Westminster Oct. 2, with a cargo of about 700,000 feet for Sydney. The bark Pisagua is still loading at Moody-

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ville, extensive repairs having delayed her. The Enma Louise is nearly ready for sea. Quotations are as follows for cargo lots for foreign shipment, being the prices of the Pacific Pine Lumber Association: Rough merchantable, ordinary sizes, in lengths to 40 feet, inclusive, \$9 per M feet; rough deck plank, average length 35 feet, \$19; dressed flooring, \$17; pickets, \$9; laths, 4 feet, \$2.

The Commercial News says, one of the largest sales of lumber recorded here has recently been made known through J. G. Moore & Co. The contract calls for the delivery of 20,000,000 feet for Australia. The shipments will extend over 17 months, and as ships will, by next spring, be in larger supply this will give employment to considerable tonnage that otherwise might find it difficult to obtain business.

There are no features to note in the local market. Chemainus Mills are quoting \$9 for rough. The Rock Bay Saw Mill quotes:

Rough lumber, per M	\$10 00
Best quality dressed lumber, per M	00 00
Second " " "	00 00
Laths, per M	2 50
Shingles, " "	2 25

SALMON.

The bark Callao cleared Oct. 23 for Liverpool with 41,600 cases valued at \$212,090. The situation in England is as bad as ever. The market is very flat, and prices continue low. The news of the large pack in Alaska has created an unfavorable effect. Late quotations are 20s. 6d. per case ex-ship in London. It is estimated that there are 360,000 cases in warehouse in England.

It is generally known that the Alaska pack for this season is over 600,000 cases, and it probably will be as much as the previous year. In 1890 Alaska packed 688,332 cases, and in 1889 709,347 cases. The arrivals of Alaska in San Francisco up till September 29th were 445,216 cases, against 329,395 for 1890, and 216,801 for 1889. In view of the above heavy arrivals and the disastrous effect in prices, a combination has been formed in San Francisco, concerning which the Commercial