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SHIPBROKERS & COMMISSION MERCHANTS

632 Cordova St., Vancouver, B.C.

Importers of Rice, Sacks, Japan, Indian and China Teas, Steel, Iron, Rope, Cement, Oils, Fruit, Canned Goods, Etc., Etc.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.**Business Review.**

September 17, 1891.

On the whole the reports from business houses this week are favorable. Business has held its own in volume with the trade of last week and collections are not so difficult as they have been. New hay is not coming in fast as reported in local market reports, there is plenty of old hay on hand, and now hay would not meet with ready sale if placed upon the market. The grain and feeding houses report that quite large quantities of British Columbia oats of good quality are on the market, chiefly grown in the Okanagan district. This will have a tendency to effect the price of imported oats. The market is almost bare of eggs only part of a cargo by one firm being on hand. The shipping trade has been unusually active and the one cry all week among shipping men has been lack of war-ago, in many instances in the past month vessels have been compelled to go to other cities to unload. A large shipment of eastern apples have come to hand in poor condition, being badly packed and too green, they will not command a good price.

B. C. Market Quotations.

Butter.—Australian butter, 28c; California cheese, 14c; Manitoba dairy butter, 15 to 18c; Manitoba creamery, 24c; Eastern creamery, 25c; Canadian cheese, 18c.

Cured Meats.—Upward tendency. Hams, 15c; breakfast bacon, 15½c; backs, 18c; long clear, 10½c; short rolls, 12½c, smoked sides, 11½ to 12. Lard is held at the following figures: In tins 12½c per pound; in pails and tubs, 12c; mess pork, \$18; short cut, 22½.

Fish.—Prices are: Sockeye salmon, 6c, spring Salmon, 6c; flounders, 4c; smelt, 6c; seabass, 4 to 5c; halibut, 8c; smoked salmon, 12c; smoked halibut, 10c; bloaters, 10c; kippered cod, 10c. No cod in market. Crabs 60c doz.

Vegetables.—Now potatoes, \$16, peddled at \$14 per ton; onions, silver skins, 1½c; cabbage, 1c; carrots, turnips and beets, ½ to 1c a lb. Quantities of vegetables in market.

Eggs.—But one car load eggs in market, consigned to Major Ellis, from east, 19c.

Fruits.—Lemons, California, scarce and firm, \$5.75; Australian lemons, \$2.75; California oranges, \$3.50 to \$3.75; Australian, \$2.25; peaches, \$1.00; California Apples, \$1.25 to \$1.50; plums, 50c; local prunes, \$1.00; tomatoes, 5c lb; cucumbers, \$1.50; cocoanuts, per dozen, 60c; pears, per box, \$1.20; grapes, \$1.30 to 1.50; watermelons, \$3 doz; sweet potatoes, 30c; bananas, \$3 per crate.

Flour.—The Ogilvie Milling Co. and Kee-watin Milling Co. quote, in car load lots at Victoria, and Vancouver: Patent, per barrel, \$1.00; strong bakers, \$3.75. The Columbia Flouring mills closed down. Oregon, \$3.75; Oak Lake patent, \$1.00; strong bakers, \$3.70.

Meal.—Oatmeal—National mills, Victoria, at Victoria, 90-lb sacks, \$3.15. Cornmeal, per 98-lb sacks, \$2.15; per 10-10, \$2.65.

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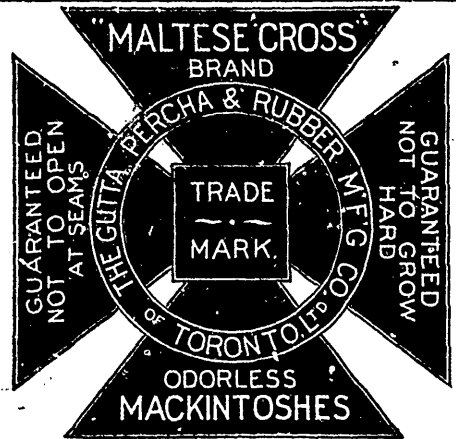
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Grain—Manitoba oats, new, per ton, \$26; United States oats, \$29; wheat, \$25; hay, \$10 on bank. Local hay crop promises to be plentiful. New local oats, \$26.00.

Ground Feed—Manitoba chopped feed, \$28 per ton; chop barley, \$25; California chop, \$24.00; feed wheat, United States, \$16 per ton. Add freight and duty on the stuff from the United States.

Millstuffs—Bran, \$20.00; shorts, \$21; oil cake, \$39.

Dressed Meat—Beef, 7½ to 7½c; mutton, 8c; pork, 8 to 9c; veal, 9c; lamb, per head, \$3.00.

Live Stock—Calves, 5 to 6c; steers, 3 to 3½c; sheep, 8c; hogs, 6 to 7½c; cows, 2½c.

Sugars—Powdered and icing, 6c; Paris lump, 5½c; granulated, 4½c; extra C, 4½c; fancy yellows 4½c; yellow, yellow, 4½c; golden C, 3½c.

Syrups—30 gallon barrels, 2½c per pound; 10 gallon kegs, 2½c; 5 gallon kegs, \$2 each; 1 gallon tins, \$1.25 per case of 10; ½ gallon tins, \$5.75 per case of 20.

Brief Business Notes.

A. A. Langley, hotel, Vancouver, has sold out.

Hanson & Bloomberg, hotel, Nelson, have dissolved.

Hamill & McLeod, furniture, Armstrong, have dissolved.

Mrs. White, hotel, Hastings, is succeeded by James Cowie.

L. A. Bogy, general store, New Denver, has sold out Bourne Bros.

Byers Hardware Co., hardware, Kaslo, is succeeded by H. Byers.

Cook & Hamilton, hotel, Trout Lake, have assigned to C. B. Hume.

Leigh & Son, planing mill, Victoria, are succeeded by Grey & Alley.

Rocky Mountain Portrait Co., Victoria, has sold out to Berlin Portrait company.

The sheriff is in possession of the business of William Grimm, carriages, Victoria.

W. G. Price has been admitted into partnership in the California Wine Co., Ltd., Victoria.

John Colloth, restaurant, Revelstoke, has sold out his Nakusp business to N. N. Coursier.

Curtis & Nowson, hardware, Vancouver; E. A. Curtis of this firm has sold his interest to A. A. Curtis.

Wm. Jackson, Jr., & Co., drugs, Victoria, have discontinued the branch store known as the B. C. Pharmacy.

Russell, McDonald & Co., variety dealers, etc., Victoria and Vancouver, contemplate dissolving partnership 1st Jan.

John Braden & Sons, Victoria, plumbers, have dissolved; John Braden retires. The business will be continued by Braden Bros.

The latest edition to the journalistic family in British Columbia is the Mainland Standard, a morning paper, published in New Westminster. In its salutatory remarks it outlines its policy and declares itself a supporter of the present provincial government.

A Trick of the Trade.

Shrewd orange shippers in Florida make a virtue of necessity, and brand their rusty oranges with such fancy and attractive names as "Golden Russet," etc., says an exchange. Most consumers, and many northern dealers believe such oranges to be a distinct and probably improved variety, and sometimes pay a higher price for them on that account. We have previously pointed out that the russet oranges of Florida are made so by an insect, and are in no sense a separate variety of fruit. At a recent meeting of the Florida State Horticultural Society, W. A. Marsh read a paper from which we take the following account of the rust mite: "This minute insect, which is invisible to the naked eye, is a great source of annoyance to the orange grower, and causes a loss of thousands of dollars each year to the growers. The rust mite is only the 1,200th part of an inch long. The eggs are deposited singly or in clusters over the leaves, and hatch in four or five days. In about ten days they shed their skins and reach the adult condition, which differs from the young in being a little darker. It is during the hot, moist weather in summer when they become most abundant, cold or dry weather checking them. On examination of a single leaf infested with them, Mr. Hubbard estimates the number of mites and eggs at 75,000. These little creatures are able to travel twelve feet per hour, so they are able to cover a good deal of space in a short time. The result of the little fellow's work is not altogether bad, for our rusty fruit will carry a good deal better than the bright, and late in the season there is not much difference in price. The russet fruit holds its juice better than bright. Almost any of the insecticides now in use will destroy the rust mite, but the trees must have several applications, for they work the year round, as their food is the oil in the rind of the orange, and other citrus fruits."—Florida Exchange.

For the year ending September 1 the receipts of wheat at Minneapolis were 51,500,000 bushels, compared with 65,004,000 in the preceding year.