

COMMERCIAL SUMMARY.

Boy—Papa, who organized the motto, "Pay as you go." Father—Some chap that owned a railroad.

It is reported that the Port Discovery Mills will resume operations this spring on capital furnished from Victoria, B. C. — *Seattle Trade Register*.

The Union Leather and Shoe Company has been organized to establish and operate a hand and shoe factory in the St. Boniface suburb of Winnipeg.

On receipt of official red tape, a letter has to travel 2,000 miles to get from Wacosta, B. C., to Boundary, Wash., although the distance is but $\frac{1}{2}$ mile.

Victor H. Beckman has commenced the publication of the Pacific Lumber Trade Journal at Seattle. The first number is a very creditable issue and gives promise of becoming a valuable publication to the lumber trade.

Jas. McMillan & Co., the hide and fur dealers of Minneapolis have opened an office in New York city to facilitate the handling of their export trade. A purchasing agent has also been stationed at Edmonton, Alberta, to enable the firm to better reach the trappers and traders who get the fine Northern furs of the North west.

The Pacific coast lumbermen are preparing to introduce another item of competition into our trade. They are arranging, now that they have gotten their red shingles thoroughly introduced, to follow them with red cedar doors. A well made red cedar door is a beautiful thing. *Jes'son, judge. — Chattanooga (Tenn.) Tradesman.*

The broken nature of the seasons within the past few years has contributed to help the jobber. To day trade is practically all sorting. Travellers go out so early that retailers do not buy as largely as formerly, and as the ground has to be covered two or three times a season it has become a habit with the retailer to order as he requires the goods.

As prices advance the demand for gold will increase accordingly which will make more plain the necessity for the re-establishment of bimetalism. As we increase the volume of trade whether through an increase in the quantity of goods sold or by an increase of prices or both together the demand for specie will increase to a like proportion. As the increase in the demand for gold, without a corresponding increase in the supply being made, the rates of interest must advance. If the advance is a rapid one it will check upward tendencies of prices and business activity. — *Commercial Review.*

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS.

IMPORTS.

The following is a summary of the quantity, value and duty on imports at the port of Victoria for the month of April, 1895:

ARTICLES.	VALUE.	DUTY.
Ale, beer and porter	\$ 1,319	\$ 425 12
Animals	4,319	869 80
Books, pamphlets, etc.	883	206 91
Brass and manufactures of	185	55 10
Breadstuffs—grain of all kinds	10,735	3,478 10
Flour	2,681	866 92
Meal, corn and oat	326	53 40
Rice	3,801	3,137 35
Other breadstuffs	3,940	631 15
Bees, wasps, Tracheas, etc.	653	206 40
Codes and parts of	203	11 51
Coal, bituminous	125	31 25
Copper and manufactures of	487	121 35
not dyed, colored, etc.	5,831	1,719 30
bleached, dyed, etc.	2,153	701 31
clothing	17	1 25
thread not on spools	4,176	1,451 12
yarn, warp, etc.	10,219	3,505 91
thread on spools	1,191	382 75
all other manufactures	582	171 60
Drugs and medicines	1,318	101 40
Earthen, stone & Chinaware	701	208 25
Fancy goods & embroideries	1,265	282 92
Bracelets, braids, fringes, etc.	1,399	310 19
Laces, collars, nettings, etc.	2,691	388 25
All other fancy goods	702	235 82
Fish and products of	32	8 03
Fruits and nuts dried	2,206	661 80
Green, oranges and lemons	4	1 00
All other	191	51 60
Furs, manufactures of	180	139 35
Glass, manufactures of	1,511	410 61
Bottles, jars, etc.	483	111 90
Window glass	2,537	761 10
Plate glass	201	10 05
All other manufactures	1,743	498 46
Gunpowder & explosive substances	2,686	649 73
Gutta Perch, Manuf. of	2,850	783 75
Hats, caps, and bonnets, beaver, silk or felt	811	216 12
All other	221	60 78
Iron and steel and manuf's of	6,879	3,588 82
Band, hoop, sheet, plate	4,002	1,186 83
Bar iron & railway bars	798	203 60
Cutlery, hardware, etc.	2,468	431 21
Machines, machinery, etc.	117	17 60
Pig iron, kettledge, etc.	1,571	312 75
Stoves and castings	51	11 35
Tubing	229	35 19
All other manufactures	569	193 63
Jewelry & watches & manuf's of gold and silver	432	137 00
Lead and manufactures of	1,655	417 18
Leather, all kinds	969	193 80
Boots and shoes	1,427	318 15
All other manuf's	2,760	270 85
Marble & stone & manuf's of	2,272	717 78
Metals and manufactures of	1,015	355 25
Musical instruments	4,633	1,003 02
Oil, mineral and products of	5,707	1,673 40
Flaxseed or linseed	667	67 80
All other	9,155	2,820 68
Paints and colors	652	229 31
Paper, envelopes, etc.	228	59 60
Pickles, sauces, capers	5,363	9,766 45
Provisions, lard, meats, fresh and salt	201	119 70
Butter, cheese	1,797	1,895 67
Seeds and roots	180	19 65
Silk, manufactures of	1,539	1,703 21
Soap, all kinds	858	226 70
Spices, ground & unground	581	214 80
Spirits, all kinds	502	150 60
Wines, sparkling	2,502	816 05
other than sparkling	2,991	965 05
Molasses	4,007	1,232 50
Tobacco and cigars	498	174 30
Vegetables	1,333	313 25
Wood, manufactures of	172	51 60
Woolens: Carpets, Brussels and tapestry	1,773	738 10
Clothing	30,151	7,672 74
Cloths, worsteds, etc.		
Dress goods		
Knitted goods		
Shawls		
Yarns		
All other manuf's		
All other dutiable goods		
Total dutiable goods	\$179,979	\$65,139 40
Free goods	164,205	
Coin and bullion		
Grand total	\$344,184	\$65,139 40

The following are the free goods entered at the port of Victoria for the month of April, 1895:

FREE GOODS.	
Animals for improvement of stock	\$ 250 00
Articles for use of Army and Navy	32,838 00
Asphaltum or Asphalt	
Broom Corn	11 00
Coffee	2,763 00
Cotton waste	
Dyes, chemicals, etc.	5,912 00
Fish and products of	5 00
Fisheries, articles for, nets, seines, etc.	16,716 00
Fruits, bananas, olives, pineapples, etc.	301 00
Fur, skins not dressed	2,779 00
Grease for soap making, etc.	7 00
Hides and skins	
India rubber and gutta percha, crude	
Metals—Brass and copper	2 20
Steel rails for Rail ways	
Iron and steel, all other	87,321 00
Tin and zinc	11 00
Other	223 00
Oils, vegetable	2,762 00
Salt	3,757 00
Settlers' effects	16 00
Sugar	727 00
Tea	5,913 00
Tobacco leaf	233 00
Wood, cabinetmakers, etc.	1,603 00
All other free goods	
Total	\$161,505 00
Coin and bullion	
Total free goods	\$161,505 00

EXPORTS

From the port of Victoria, for the month of April, 1895—the produce of Canada:

THE MINE.	QUANTITY.	VALUE.
Coal	tons 780	2,991
Gold dust, nuggets, etc.		371
Other articles		
THE FISHERIES.		
Fish of all descriptions		133
Furs or skins of creatures living in the water		
THE FOREST.		
Lumber—deals, boards, etc.		2,791
Other articles		
ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCE.		
Sheep		
Cheese	lbs	
Wool	lbs	100
Other animals		11,810
Other articles		
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.		
Fruits—green		1
Flour of wheat & rye, bbls	1	78
Other articles		
MANUFACTURES.		
Cottons, woollens, etc.		8
Iron—pig and scrap, castings, hardware, etc.		60
Leather, boots and shoes		
Liquors—spirituous and malt of all kinds		
Sewing machines	3	115
Wood, manufactures of		100
Other articles		1,890
Grand total		\$ 23,415
Goods, not the product of Canada, for the month of April, 1895:		
QUANTITY.	VALUE	
ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCE.		
Eggs, doz.	1	1
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.		
Fruits—Green		13
Flour of wheat & rye bbls.		
MANUFACTURES.		
Cotton, woollens, etc.		
Iron—pig and scrap, castings, hardware, etc.		23
Liquors—spirituous & malt		
Sewing machines	1	25
Wood, manufactures of		58
Other articles		5,505
MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES.		
Total		5,630
Coin—Gold		
Silver		
Grand Total		29,075
Total exports of all kinds		\$29,075