

Oranges and lemons are steady. Oregon silverskin onions and cabbage are slightly higher.

Jobbers' quotations for fruits are as follows:—

Oranges—Navels, common to good	3 50 @ 4 00
“ fancy	4 25 @ 0 00
Highland Seedlings	0 00 @ 0 00
Riverside Seedlings	2 00 @ 2 25
“ “ fancy	2 35 @ 2 50
Los Angeles	2 00 @ 2 25
Lemons—California	1 50 @ 5 00
Stelly	5 50 @ 0 00
Apples—Red	2 50 @ 0 00
bbls	7 50 @ 0 00
Bananas	3 50 @ 3 75

Vegetables are quoted:

Potatoes—Local	per ton 30 00 @ 35 00
California Reds	30 00 @ 30 00
“ Early Rose	35 00 @ 00 00
Onions—Red California	2 1/2 @ 3
Oregon Silverskins	3 @ 3 1/2
Cabbage	2 @ 2 1/2
Asparagus	per lb 23 @
Rhubarb	13 @

#### FLOUR AND FEED.

The flower market is again weaker. It is reported that Manitoba Hungarian was sold in car lots last week for \$1.80 per bbl., 15c below the previous quotation, as a result the Columbia Flouring Mills Co., have reduced the prices of Enderby flour in sympathy for Victoria only. The local jobbers are carrying fair stocks of flour and will in all probability maintain quotations for less than car lots at the previous figures for some time at least. California rolled oats in 90 lb., sacks have advanced 50c in San Francisco, and the local quotation has been advanced 25c in sympathy. Trade continues steady but quiet, the recent cut in the wholesale price of flour being evidently an effort to stimulate sales on the part of the Manitoba Millers, but the markets here are fairly well stocked.

The *Portland Commercial Review* says: “The flour trade has passed through another dull and unsatisfactory week both as to amount of product put out and prices realized. Receipts keep pace with the present limited demand. Small shipments are sent to British Columbia and to San Francisco, about an average amount is dispatched by each steamer. Two vessels are in port for the European trade, but neither have yet completed cargoes and details are wanting. The last steamer for Victoria took out 150 barrels, a very light shipment. Values are not quotably changed. Standard brands ranging at \$4.30 to \$3.40 per bbl., with some concessions possible where buyer takes a large lot. The majority of interior millers have finally incorporated and will shortly have a warehouse here to take charge of local consignments with an agent to handle the output. What effect this new departure will have upon a profitable and economical handling of interior brands is not clearly understood at present and only a thorough trial of what appears to be a good plan will determine its success or failure.”

The Ogilvie Milling Co. quote their standard brands of Manitoba flour, in car lots only, at Victoria, Vancouver and Westminster as follows:

Ogilvie's Hungarian, per bbl.	\$1 95
“ Strong Bakers	4 45

The Columbia Flouring Mills quote Enderby flour in carload lots at Victoria:

Premier	\$1 80
XXX	4 65
Strong Bakers or XX	4 40
Superfine	3 75
Jobbers' quotations to the trade are:	
Delta, Victoria mills	\$ 1 75 @ 0 00
Lion, “	4 75 @ 0 00
Premier, Enderby mills	5 05 @ 0 00
XXX, “	4 90 @ 0 00
XX, “	4 65 @ 0 00
Superfine, “	4 00 @ 4 25
Ogilvie's Hungarian	5 25 @ 0 00
“ Strong Bakers	5 00 @ 0 00
H. B. C. Fort Garry Hungarian	5 25 @ 0 00
“ “ Strong Bakers	5 00 @ 0 00
Oak Lake Patent Hungarian	5 25 @ 0 00
“ Strong Bakers	5 00 @ 0 00
Regina Hungarian	5 25 @ 0 00
“ Strong Bakers	5 00 @ 0 00
Benton County, Oregon	1 85 @ 0 00
Portland Roller	4 90 @ 5 00
Snowflake	4 90 @ 0 00
Royal	1 75 @ 0 00
Wheat, per ton	23 00 @ 35 00
Oats	25 00 @ 30 00
Oil cake meal	40 00 @ 45 00
Chop feed	23 00 @ 30 00
Shorts	26 00 @ 28 00
Brans	23 50 @ 25 00
National Mills oatmeal	3 50 @ 0 00
“ “ rolled oats	3 50 @ 0 00
“ “ split peas	3 50 @ 0 00
“ “ pearl barley	4 50 @ 0 00
“ “ Chop feed	26 00 @ 28 00
California oatmeal	4 25 @ 0 00
California rolled oats	1 00 @ 5 00
Corn, whole	per ton 37 50 @ 40 00
Cornmeal	2 75 @ 3 00
Cornmeal-feed	per ton 40 00 @ 00 00
Cracked corn	10 00 @ 00 00
Hay, per ton	18 00 @ 20 00
Straw, per bale	1 00 @ 0 00

#### RICE.

The Victoria Rice Mills quote wholesale:

Japan rice, per ton	\$ 77 50
Best China rice	100 00
Chinarice No. 1	70 00
Rice flour	70 00
Chit rice	25 00
Rice Meal	17 50

#### SALMON.

Two charters are reported of vessels to load this year's pack of salmon for the United Kingdom. The British bark Formosa, 915 tons, Capt. Kain, now on the way from Liverpool, has been chartered by R. P. Rithet & Co., (L'td), and the British bark City of Carlisle, 823 tons, Capt. Kendall, now on the way from Newcastle Australia, to Santa Barbara, has been chartered by Turner Beeton & Co. The cannery men are all getting ready for the season's pack, making all preliminary arrangements, and agents are negotiating for the disposition of the pack, and making charters for the necessary tonnage to carry the bulk of the pack to the English markets, London and Liverpool.

#### LUMBER.

The American bark Seminole, 1,439 tons, Capt. Weeden, has completed her cargo at Moodyville and will sail for Santa Rosalia this week. Her cargo consists of 1,025,149 feet rough and 15,761 feet t & g flooring—total, 1,040,913 feet, valued at \$7,966. The British ship Natuna, 1,106 tons, Capt. Graham, arrived at Vancouver March 17 from Portland and will load for Port Pirie at the Hastings mill. There have been four charters reported since last week: The British bark Blairhoyle, 1,201 tons, now at San Francisco, from Vancouver to Sydney, at 31s 3d; British bark Wythop,

1,218 tons, now at San Francisco, from Vancouver to Sydney, at 31s 3d; British bark Mary Low, 813 tons, now due at Victoria from Liverpool, to load at Vancouver for Pisagua; and the British ship Gryfe, 1,060 tons, Capt. Roberts, from Cardiff, shortly due at Esquimalt, will also load at the Hastings mill.

There are at present six vessels loading at British Columbia ports for foreign. At Burrard Inlet—Br. ship County of Yarmouth, 2,151 tons, for U. K. f. o.; Chll. ship Hindostan, 1,512 tons, for Valparaiso: Am. bark Seminole, 1,439 tons, for Santa Rosalia; Am. ship Ivy, 1,181 tons, for Wilmington, Del.; Br. bark Assel, 705 tons for Antofagasta; Br. ship Natuna, 1,106 tons, for Port Pirie.

Quotations for Douglas Fir Lumber in cargo lots for foreign shipment, being the prices of the Pacific Pine Lumber Association:

Rough Merchantable, ordinary sizes, in lengths to 40 feet inclusive, per M feet \$ 8 50  
Deck plank, rough, average length, 35 feet per M ..... 19 00  
Dressed T. and G. flooring, per M ..... 17 00  
Pickets, rough per M ..... 9 00  
Laths, 4 feet, per M ..... 00  
Local selling prices are quoted as follows:  
Rough lumber per M feet, \$7.00; shiplap, \$8.00; 1x4 t and g flooring, No. 1, \$11.00; do, No. 2, \$12.00; 1x6 t and g flooring, No. 1, \$12.00; do, No. 2, \$10.00; rustic, same as 6-inch flooring Nos. 1 and 2; laths, \$1.50; shingles, \$1.50.

#### BUSINESS CHANGES.

The Oriental Traders' Co., of Vancouver, have assigned.

W. Middleton, grocer, Vancouver, advertises giving up business.

G. C. Leonard, tailor, Vancouver, has assigned to H. C. Clark.

Dobson & Son, fuel dealers, Vancouver, have sold out to W. H. Sim & Co.

J. F. Becker, of Geiger & Becker, San Francisco baths, Victoria, is dead.

Haywood & Abray, Cosmopolitan Hotel, Vancouver, contemplate making a change.

Caldwell & Lewis, tailors, Nanaimo, have dissolved. J. A. Caldwell continues.

Wolfenden & Annadale, grocers, New Westminster, contemplate making a change.

The Cunningham Hardware Co. are reported moving their wholesale department from New Westminster to Vancouver.

E. W. Bickle, general store, Wellington, has assigned to Wm. Patterson, Nanaimo. A meeting of creditors is called for April 10.

Hamilton Byers, formerly manager of the Galena Trading Co., is opening up a hardware business at Kaslo under the style of the Byers Hardware Co.

Aaron Lewis & Co., stoves and tinware, Victoria, have assigned. The liabilities are placed at \$7,000 and the assets at \$10,000, showing a nominal surplus of \$3,000.

C. F. Pritty & Co., L'td., of New Westminster, have made application to have the style changed to The Western Fisheries and Trading Company, of British Columbia, L'td.