

BRITISH COLUMBIA SEALING FLEET, 1895.

NAME.	TN	MASTER.	CREW W. IN	OW'R. MOR. OW'R OR AG'T.	DST'NAT'N.	S'L'D.	CATCH.	MEMORANDA.
Agnes McDonald	107	M. F. Cutler	25	J. Collister	Japan	Jan. 10		March 6, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 20.
Ainoko	75	Heater	6	Capt. Wm. Grant	B. C. Coast	Jan. 26	325 May 22, returned to Victoria.	
Amateur	18	C. Jipson	2	16. C. Jipson	B. C. Coast	Jan. 28	45 April 20, returned to Victoria.	
Annie C. Moore	113	C. Hackett	9	30 Chas. Hackett	B. C. Coast	Jan. 23	105 May 13, returned to Victoria.	
Annie E. Paint	82	A. Bissett	26	E. B. Marvin & Co.	Japan	Jan. 8	200 Prior April 11, arrived Hakodate.	
Arletts	88	O. Scarf	22	Wm. Munsie	Japan	Jan. 25	700 Prior May 16, arrived Hakodate.	
Aurora	41	T. Harold	7	29 Thos. Harold	B. C. Coast	Feb. 1	108 May 12, returned to Victoria.	
Beatrice	60	Macaulay	5	24 Capt. Wm. Grant	B. C. Coast	Jan. 19	140 April 27, spoken by May Belle 300 miles out.	
Beatrice	19			Wredo & Doering			In port at Vancouver.	
Borealis	37	E. Robbins	21	Thos. Harold	Japan	Jan. 4	351 March - Arrived Yokohama.	
Brenda	100	C. E. Locke	26	R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd	Japan	Jan. 11	116 March 8, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 26.	
C. D. Hand	51	J. Whiteley	6	Robt. Ward & Co. Ltd	B. C. Coast	Jan. 15	113 May 18, returned to Victoria.	
Carlotta G. Cox	76	C. J. Harris	23	E. B. Marvin & Co.	Japan	Jan. 10	114 March 10, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 19.	
Casco	63	C. Le Blanc	19	Geo. Collins	Japan	Jan. 10	March 8, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 13.	
City of San Diego	46	S. Pike	17	Wm. Munsie	Japan	Jan. 4	March 8, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 13.	
Diana	50	A. Nelson	19	Geo. Collins	Japan	Jan. 8	620 May 20, arrived from Halifax.	
Director	57	F. W. Gilbert	23				502 May 8, returned to Victoria.	
Dora Siewerd	43	Sloward	8	W. H. F. Siewerd	B. C. Coast	Jan. 19	March 6, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 17.	
E. B. Marvin	96	W. D. Byers	26	E. B. Marvin & Co.	Japan	Jan. 10	230 May 20, returned to Victoria.	
Enterprise	69	J. Daley	6	Robt. Ward & Co. Ltd	B. C. Coast	Feb. 7	120 Prior May 15, returned to Kayoquot.	
Favourite	20	L. McLean	7	R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd	B. C. Coast	Feb. 4	129 April 27, spoken by Beatrice.	
Fawn	59	M. Keefe	6	26 Thos. Earle	B. C. Coast	Jan. 29	57 April 20, spoken at Port San Juan by Mischief.	
Fisher Maid	21	Chippis	12	Chippis	B. C. Coast	Jan. 26	295 May 21, returned to Victoria.	
Florence M. Smith	99	L. McGrath	9	36 C. J. Kelly - Marvin & Co	B. C. Coast	Feb. 11	March 8, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 19.	
Geneva	92	W. O'Leary	27	Hall, Goepel & Co.	Japan	Dec. 31	Laid up.	
Henrietta	31			P. McQuade & Son			March 6, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 22.	
Ida Etta, U. S.	69	W. O. Hughes	24	Robt. Ward & Co., Ltd	Yokohama	Jan. 21	181 May 22, returned to Victoria.	
Kate	58	O. Buckholz	6	24 Capt. Warren	B. C. Coast	Jan. 39	159 May 13, returned to Victoria.	
Katharino	81	I. Gould	6	21 Issac Gould	B. C. Coast	Jan. 23	15 May 7, returned to Victoria.	
Kilmeny	18	R. Southby	3	12 F. A. Nicholson	I. C. Coast	Feb. 6	51 April 29, returned to Victoria.	
Labrador	25	J. Williams	17	17 J. Williams	B. C. Coast	Feb. 4	21 May 8, returned to Victoria.	
Libbie	63	F. Hackett	8	28 Chas. Hackett	B. C. Coast	Jan. 23	23 Arrived Yokohama.	
Louis Olsen, U. S.	75	N. Guilliams	21	Robt. Ward & Co., Ltd	N. P. O.	Jan. 18	235 April 6, spoken by Libbie.	
Mary Ellen	63	G. R. Ferey	9	20 V. Jacobsen-Ward & Co	Japan	Jan. 11	Feb. 28, put into Honolulu with rig'ng torn away.	
Mary Taylor	43	R. Lavender	18	A. Rechtel	B. C. Coast	Jan. 15	287 May 13, returned to Victoria.	
Mascot	10	E. Lorenz	16	H. F. Siewerd	Japan	Dec. 28	230 May 16, returned to Victoria.	
Maud S	97	R. E. McKeil	8	36 J. P. Elford-Rithet & Co	B. C. Coast	Jan. 22	180 Prior April 11, arrived Hakodate.	
May Belle	58	C. Shields	7	24 Wm. Munsie	B. C. Coast	Jan. 24	To sail in June.	
Merman	73	W. Whitley	21	Robt. Ward & Co., Ltd	Japan	Jan. 8	13 March 11, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 20.	
Minnie	46			V. Jacobsen-Ward & Co			39 May 3, returned to Victoria.	
M. M. Morrill, U. S.	43	E. Cantillion	15	E. B. Marvin & Co	Yokohama	Jan. 17	March 8, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 20.	
Mountain Chief	23	J. Nawassum	3	16 J. Nawassum	B. C. Coast	Feb. 4	117 Nootka Sound, thence March 9, ret'd pr. May 9	
Ocean Belle	83	Patk. Martin	23	Hail, Goepel & Co	Japan	Jan. 4	25 March 21, returned to Victoria.	
Oscar and Hattie	81	T. Magnesen	6	31 Thos. Earle	B. C. Coast	Jan. 23	117 Put back to Becher Bay, thence sailed.	
Otto	57	J. McLeod	8	28 Wm. Munsie	B. C. Coast	Jan. 21	To sail in June.	
Pachwellis	19	J. Nyetam	16	Jas. Nyetam	B. C. Coast	Feb. 4	102 April 26, returned to Victoria.	
Penelope	70	Heater	7	Capt. Grant			350 May 9, returned to Victoria.	
Pioneer	66	W. E. Baker	21	A. Bechtel	Japan	Jan. 11	March 15, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 19.	
Rosie Olsen	39	A. Whidden	6	20 A. K. Munroe	Japan	Dec. 27	162 May 12, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 17.	
Sadie Turpel	56	J. Anderson	19	Donald Campbell	Japan	Jan. 19	192 May 8, returned to Clayoquot.	
Sapphire	109	W. Cox	8	36 E. B. Marvin & Co	B. C. Coast	Jan. 23	17 Nootka Sound, thence March 9, ret'd pr. May 9	
San Jose	31	M. Foley	6	21 C. J. Kelly - Rithet & Co	B. C. Coast	Jan. 29	25 March 21, returned to Victoria.	
Saucy Lass	39	D. Martin	6	20 Alex. Ross	Japan	Jan. 11	117 Put back to Becher Bay, thence sailed.	
Shelby	16	C. Claussen	10	Louis Wille	B. C. Coast	Feb. 13	To sail in June.	
South Bend	21			C. F. Dillon			102 April 26, returned to Victoria.	
Teresa	63	G. Meyer	7	24 Thos. Babbington	B. C. Coast	Feb. 1	350 May 9, returned to Victoria.	
Triumph	98	C. N. Cox	8	36 E. B. Marvin & Co	B. C. Coast	Jan. 23	March 15, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 19.	
Umbritina	99	C. Campbell	25	R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd	Japan	Jan. 14	Laid up.	
Venture	18			D. Urquhart, Est.			610 March 4, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 19.	
Vera	60	Wm. Shields	29	E. B. Marvin & Co	Japan	Jan. 18	157 May 16, returned to Victoria.	
Victoria	63	R. Balcom	5	25 S. Balcom - Marvin & Co	B. C. Coast	Jan. 29	March 8, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 20.	
Viva	92	M. Pike	23	Wm. Munsie	Japan	Jan. 4	April 11, wrecked in lat. 58 N., long. 152 W.	
Walter A. Earle	69	L. Magnesen	6	28 Thos. Earle	B. C. Coast	Feb. 16	115 May 12, returned to Victoria.	
Walter L. Rich	76	S. Ralcom	6	Geo. E. Munroe	B. C. Coast	Jan. 29	To sail in June for Behring Sea.	
Wanderer	25			H. Paxton-S. Leiser			Laid up.	
W. P. Sayward	60			D. Urquhart, Est.				

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANIES AND AUDITS.

To the Editor:-

As the name of your journal indicates a dealing with matters commercial it may not be out of place to draw attention through your columns to a much needed commercial line of operation with regard to limited liability companies. Either our Companies Acts are lacking the very essential element of requiring all concerns incorporated under them to file accounts annually together with a complete list of shareholders disclosing the exact position of the share capital or otherwise the officers of such concerns are most remiss in duty in withholding such accounts from being filed with the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies where the public, on payment of a small fee, could see the position of any incorporated company. Recent events in our province would point to some of our doings, apparently under the "Companies Act," being of a financial character. The duties of auditors to such

concerns seem in some instances to be somewhat peculiar—family friends and other inexperienced persons often pose as auditors. An experienced eye which chanced to be cast over the accounts of a certain joint stock company in this province the other day disclosed the peculiarity of an instance of this kind where the Share Capital Account was made to fluctuate with the losses and gains of the business. If proper returns were filed with the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies such outrageous bungling would surely have been seen before it could have gone on for two or three years. The non-filing of proper accounts annually should be a penal offence and penal consequences should also follow the negligent actions of auditors, thus the inexperienced so-called auditor would be required to account for his presumption. Business exactitude and commercial morality demand most stringent measures, and if the Companies Acts as they exist at present, do not meet the case, remedial legislation should at once be initiated. The writer

has often thought that the Board of Trade might very justly and properly take up such a matter in the general interests of trade and commerce.

Jos. PIERSON.

Victoria, B. C., 17th May, 1895.

Dried strawberries are alleged to be a toothsome delicacy which sell at good prices.

If you learn to smile in the face of old man Adversity, you will know how to laugh when you meet Dame Fortune.

Trying to make money with a loose credit business is like driving a load of apples up a steep hill with the hind gate out.

It is reported that the Russian government has set apart an area equal to 150,000 acres in the Caucasus to be devoted to tea culture. A commission of experts has been already sent to China and India to study the methods of tea culture in successful operation there.