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NOTICE.

The Committee of Lloyd's beg to call the attention of merchants to the fact that, in all cases when they may have to make claims for loss or average on their Policies, it would very much facilitate a settlement by their Underwriters, if they would instruct their consignees, in the absence of special provision in the Policy, to call in Lloyd's Agent at the port of arrival, with a view to his conducting the necessary surveys and assessing the damage sustained.

It is believed that a clause, insisting on the employment of surveyors appointed by Underwriters, has been inserted in the policies of most American and Continental Marine Insurance Companies. While English Underwriters do not make this measure compulsory, consignees should be aware that claims will probably be settled in this country with greater readiness if they are properly supported by the certificates of a Lloyd's Agent.

LLOYD'S, London, February, 1891.

TRADE AND COMMERCE.

COMMERCIAL JOURNAL OFFICE,
Tuesday Morning, June 23.
VICTORIA.

There is very little change in the financial situation from that reported for the last few weeks. The banks appear to be determined to continue a strictly conservative policy, lending money only for legitimate trading purposes. Traders, in all lines, report collections fairly well, and altogether Victoria is to be congratulated on the comparatively healthy state of her trade.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

The California fruit trade is brisk, the demand increasing weekly as the quality of the fruit improves. Rain during the past week is said to have had a very damaging effect on the quality of the local strawberry crop, and will lower prices. They are selling at 10@12¢ per lb. Some old potatoes are yet offered, but the stock is pretty well run out. New potatoes are quoted at 1½@1¾¢ per lb, cabbage, 2@2½¢; tomatoes, \$2 a box. Red onions are getting scarce at 1½¢ per lb; silver skins, 1½@2¢ per lb. California fruits are quoted as follows: Riverside oranges, \$3.25@3.75 per box; cherries, \$1.25@1.40; apricots, \$1.25@1.50; peaches, \$1.25@1.50, and Australian apples, \$2.25@2.50.

FLOUR AND FEED.

The rainy days, last week, made trade a little quiet, but the average for the week

came out very satisfactory. The Enderby brands of flour have slightly declined in price. The Victoria Roller flour Mills have now their Lion brand on the market, which is quoted at \$5.25. Columbia superfine X. is now being offered at \$4.40. California oatmeal advanced 5c during the past week. Quotations are.

Delta, Victoria mills.....	\$5 25 @ 0 00
Lion, " ".....	5 25 @ 0 00
Premier, Enderby mills.....	6 15 @ 0 00
XXX., " ".....	5 85 @ 0 00
XX., " ".....	5 25 @ 0 00
Manitoba Hungarian.....	6 50 @ 0 00
Snowflake.....	6 35 @ 0 00
Portland Roller.....	6 35 @ 0 00
Royal.....	6 25 @ 0 00
C & C.....	5 50 @ 0 00
Oregon Superfine.....	4 50 @ 0 00
Columbia Superfine X.....	4 40 @ 0 00
Wheat, per ton.....	\$00 0 0 @ 45 00
Oats.....	43 00 @ 45 00
Oil cake meal.....	35 00 @ 40 00
Chop feed.....	37 50 @ 40 00
Shorts.....	28 00 @ 30 00
Bran.....	25 00 @ 28 00
Saanich oatmeal, per sack.....	0 00 @ 00 00
California oatmeal.....	4 65 @ 00 00
Rolled oats.....	0 00 @ 0 00
California rolled oats.....	5 25 @ 00 00
Tacoma rolled oats.....	5 00 @ 00 00
Coramcal.....	3 00 @ 3 25
Cracked corn.....	50 00 @ 55 00

SALMON.

Advices from London, June 2, "state that the demand continues unrestricted, and especially for high priced brands. It is hoped, however, that as the summer sets in the consumption will improve. Sales ex Brodick Bay were made at 20s 6d. The cargo, in regard to quality, was giving

satisfaction, particularly Fraser River brands." It is too early to get reliable reports from Alaska, or any definite information about the pack. Alaska futures are reported as having been sold C. I. F. ex ship London at 19s per case. Accounts from the Columbia River are improving, but the results of the July fishing must be ascertained, before the effect on the market can be known. On the Fraser River, preparations are well advanced for fishing, which will begin early next month. The canneries on the Skeena began fishing on the 15th June, the date allowed by law. Fishing, for Spring fish in the Naas River, commenced on the 11th June with a fair run of fish.

RICE.

Late advices state that the leading merchants are getting a corner on the rice crop in Japan, in the same way as they did last year. This will keep prices up on all grades of Japan rice this season. It is not expected, however that there will be any change in the local market. The Victoria Rice Mills quote wholesale:

Japan rice, per ton.....	\$90 00
China rice ".....	70 00
Rice flour ".....	70 00
Chit rice ".....	25 00
Rice Meal ".....	17 50

LUMBER.

There is very little to say regarding the market. From causes before referred to the market continues dull, but the outlook is decidedly hopeful for the future. Nine vessels, aggregating 7,603 tons register, are at present loading at the export mills for foreign ports. Five vessels arrived