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**Business at Vancouver.**

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 26.—Business has been very active for the past week in British Columbia. The prices in the local wholesale market, however, more particularly the dairy market, are not satisfactory. The British Columbia market is limited, and although it responds sharply to surplus supply, it drags up in interesting fractions when lack of supply calls for a sharp advance. Butter and eggs at this writing are selling for prices much lower than these articles can be had down for in British Columbia, and will do so until all stocks bought before the advance in Winnipeg and Ontario have been exhausted, and even then there will be reluctance on the part of dealers to advance prices.

There is at present an unusual activity in lumber and shipping circles. In Vancouver nineteen vessels of over one thousand tons each are loading cargoes, ten of these vessels taking on lumber at Hastings mills. Throughout the province thirty-four vessels are loading coal, lumber, salmon and mixed merchandise, having a total capacity of over 44,000 tons.

British Columbia's hop crop promises to be a feature of the market this year, as hops are plentiful in British Columbia and very scarce abroad. The farmers along the Fraser Valley were never so prosperous and the New Westminster fair this year, in spite of the terrible calamity that visited the Royal City will be better than ever, for besides the attractions at the fair the ruins of the city will be a drawing card.

This is the greatest fruit season British Columbia ever had. The following places have sent fruit to the different exhibitions in the east: Vancouver, Surrey, Victoria, Duncan, Salmon Arm, Vernon, Chilliwack, Ruby Creek, Abbotsford, Mission City, Port Haney, Port Hammond and Ladner. A great deal of fruit has been shipped to Manitoba and the Terri-

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ties, which makes in quantity and quality shipped, other reasons only a circumstance to this one.

**Grocery Trade Notes.**

Salmon has advanced 1s per case in London.

Cables from Smyrna report an advance of 4s in the prices of the higher grades of new crop sultana raisins.

Cables from Bordeaux, France are to the effect that 40s to 45s prunes are in such small supply that sellers are unwilling to make firm offers.

Cable advices received from Santos, report a firm market for coffee, with Europe naming better prices than local buyers. They add that the market appears to be on the eve of an advance.

A Toronto report says. Canned salmon is still the most interesting feature in the canned goods market. Prices are firmer. Lowe Inlet sock-eye is being quoted by wholesalers at \$1.20 and upward, and Fraser river fish all the way from \$1.40 to \$1.55.

Of the new crop figs received at New York on the Teutonic the bulk was sold before arrival, and we understand that up to 13 1-2c to 15c was demanded for the few that remain. Advisers from the primary market make a further reduction in the estimates of the crop to 14,000 camel loads equal to about 21,000

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cases. Last year the crop reached 90,000 cases. Prices in the primary market are said to be advancing.

**Hardware and Paint Trade.**

Cement is firm at Montreal. The Montreal Gazette says: The strong undertone which has prevailed in the glass market during the past few weeks in sympathy with the steady rise in prices in foreign markets still continues, and the expected advance in prices here has taken place, prices being marked up 10c per box on 50 feet and 30c on 100 feet to \$1.60 for first break; second break, \$1.70 per 50 feet; first break, \$3.50; second, \$3.75; third, \$4; fourth, \$4.50, and fifth, \$5 per 100 feet.

A combine of manufacturers of silver plated ware is reported from the United States, including the big Meriden companies.

Jas. Burridge, manager of the Gurney Store and Range Co., Winnipeg, has returned from a trip to Ontario.