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SHIPBROKERS & COMMISSION MERCHANTS

632 Cordova St., Vancouver, B.C.

Importers of Rice, Sacks, Japan, Indian and China Teas, Steel, Iron, Rope, Cement, Oils, Fruit, Canned Goods, Etc., Etc.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Business Review.

Aug. 20, 1894.

The Empress of Japan has arrived with a full cargo silk and general merchandise, in all 3500 tons possibly the biggest cargo on record arriving at this Port from the Orient. She brings news of wars and rumors of wars mostly rumors as the Oriental Governments are prosecuting all newspapers who publish the news of battles.

All the newspapers to hand declare that there have been many engagements and Japan is getting the worst of it. Roth China and Japan have stopped all exports of provisions. The features of the week in the local business world is the big run of salmon and the magnificent washups of the Cariboo hydraulic miners.

A number of the canneries have finished their pack. On the Neas river 20,000 cases have been put up, Lowe Inlet 9,000 while on the Skeena River the following packs have been reported, Inverness 8,000, North Pacific 9,500, Aberdeen 8,000, Balmoral 7,000, British America 7,500, Diamond C. 8,000, Royal Canadian 8,000, Standard 6,500.

The numerous canneries along the Fraser and the Gulf have about 75% of their pack completed. On the whole it will be a successful year for the canneries and barring unforeseen circumstances will bring into the country about a million and a half of specie.

Two bricks are on exhibition at the Bank of British Columbia, they are worth \$10,021. Exactly their weight in gold as they are made of the precious metal it's self. The largest one weighs 302½ ozs. and is the result of 48 hours washing at the Cariboo hydraulic mine. The smaller one is from the horsefly hydraulic mine and weighs 287-ozs., the result of 106 hours work. There have been many rumors of big wash ups and finds all season but here is proof positive of news which caused a ripple of excitement in Vancouver recently and stimulated miners all through the province to extra exertions. That story about there being millions of gold in Cariboo, as much and more than has already been taken out seems to be corroborated in most minds by the massive yellow bricks displayed in the tellers cage of the Bank of B.C.

B. C. Market Quotations.

BUTTER—Australian butter, 23c; California cheese, 14c; California dairy butter, 15 to 18c; Eastern creamery, 22c; Canadian, cheese, 13c.

CURED MEATS—Upward tendency. Hams, 14c; breakfast bacon, 14½c; backs 13½c; long clear 10c; short rolls, 11½ to 12c. Lard is held at the following figures: In tins 12½c per pound; in pails and tubs, 11½c; mess pork, \$18; short cut, \$22.

FISH—Prices are: sockeye Salmon, 5c; steelheads, 5c; flounders, 4c; smelt, 6c; scabbers, 4 to 5c; halibut, 8c; smoked salmon, 12c; smoked halibut, 10c; bloaters, 10c; kippered cod, 10c; no cod in market.

VEGETABLES—New potatoes, \$18 per ton; onions, silver skins, 1½c; cabbage, 2½c; carrots, turnips and beets, 2 to 4 lb. Quantities of vegetables in market.

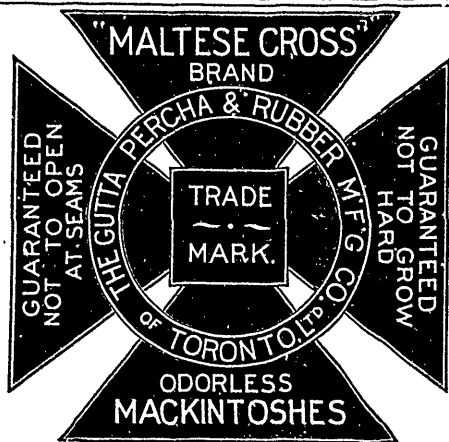
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Eggs—Fresh, 15c.

FRUITS—Lemons, California, scarce and firm, \$4 to \$5; Australian, \$3.00; California oranges, \$3.25; Australian, \$2.50; peaches, \$1.00 to \$1.50; California apples \$1.25; plums, \$1.00, prunes, \$1.00; tomatoes, \$1.00; cucumbers, \$1.00; bananas, Honolulu, \$2.50 to \$3.00 per bunch; pineapples, per dozen, \$2.00; cherries, per box, \$1.00; coconuts, per dozen, 60c; apricots, per box, \$1; pears, per box, \$1.20; grapes, \$1.30 to \$1.50; melons, 30 to 50c.

FLOUR—The Ogilvie Milling Co. and Keewatin Milling Co. quote, in car load lots at Victoria, and Vancouver: Patent, per barrel, \$4.00; strong bakers, \$3.75. The Columbia Flouring Mills closed down. Oregon, \$3.75; Oak Lake, patent Hungarian, \$4.00; strong bakers \$3.70.

GRAIN—Manitoba oats, per ton, \$31; United States oats, \$30; wheat, \$25; hay, \$10 on bank. Local hay crop promises to be plentiful.

MEAL—Oatmeal—National mills, Victoria, at Victoria, 90-lb sacks, \$3.15. Cornmeal, per 93-lb sacks, \$2.15; per 10-10, \$2.55.

GROUND FEED—Manitoba chopped feed, \$28 per ton; chop barley, \$28; California chop, \$24.00; feed wheat, United States, \$18 per ton. Add freight and duty on the stuff from the United States.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, \$20.00; shorts, \$21; oil cake, \$36.

DRESSED MEAT—Beef, 7½ to 8c; mutton, 8½ to 9c; pork, 8 to 9c; veal, 9c; lamb, per head, \$3.50 to 4.00.

LIVE STOCK—Calves, 5 to 6c; steers, 3½ to 4c; sheep, 3½c; hogs, 6 to 7½c; cows, 2½ to 3c.

SUGARS—Powdered and icing, 6c; Paris lump, 5½c granulated 4½c; extra C, 4½c; fancy yellow, 4½c; yellow, 4½c; golden C, 3½c.

SYRUPS—30 gallon barrels, 2½c per pound; 10 gallon kegs, 2½c; 5 gallon kegs, \$2 each; 1 gallon tins, \$4.25 per case of 10, ½ gallon tins, \$5.75 per case of 20.

Australian mutton is selling at \$2 per carcass of 50 pounds, and beef 4 cents by quarter, at auction rooms.

Brief Business Notes.

M. B. Lamb, general store, Golden, is dead. A Morris, painter, Kamloops, has sold out to Walsh, Smith & Stratat.

J. S. Smith, grocer and baker, Kamloops, has sold out his baking business to Wm. Johnson.

McInnes & Eaton, grocers, New Denver, have sold out to The Balfour Trading Co.

J. W. Harvey, dry goods, New Westminster, has been closed by chattel mortgage.

McGregor & Kerr, bakers, New Westminster, are succeeded by John Ferguson.

Dora, (Mrs. A.) Ducksteador, general store, Port Haney, has suffered loss by fire.

Rowling & Milton, loggers, Vancouver, have dissolved partnership.

Walsh & Nightingale, grocers, Vancouver, have suffered loss by burglary.

Postill Bros., butchers, Vancouver, have dissolved; W. Postill continues.

Lucas & Croghan, bakers, Victoria, have dissolved. Wm. Croghan continues.

E. & M. Wooldridge, millinery, advertise their business for sale.

J. J. Grant, hotel, Courtenay, is succeeded by William Sharp.

M. Whitney & Son, publishers, etc., Courtenay, have moved to Union Mines.

Kootenay Mining and Smelting Co., Ltd., (foreign), Pilot Bay, registered August 6th.

B. & C. Phillips, clothiers, etc., Victoria, have dissolved; Barney A. Phillips continues.

J. R. Dalton & Co., commission and produce, Vancouver, have dissolved.

Mrs. W. Merkley, millinery, Vancouver, is giving up business.

P. Dunn, tailor, Vancouver, is moving to Union.

Atkins & Atkins, druggs, Vancouver, are opening a branch at Nanaimo.

Colonel Forrester has opened his new house at Sicomous and is now again ready to entertain the travelling public.

C. R. Shaw, late of New Westminster, has gone into the painting and decorating business at Kamloops.

McPhee & Moore, general store, Comox, are opening business at Courtenay and Union Mines.

A vigorous effort is being made to deal with tuberculosis in British Columbia. About 150 cows have been destroyed as being affected with this disease.

Freight Rates and Traffic Matters.

The Chicago Trade Bulletin of August 18 th, says: There was less business for eastern roads, but rates were held steady during the week on the basis of 20c per 100 lbs for Flour and Grain and 30c for Provisions to New York. Ocean rates were easier, and business light. The rate on Flour to Liverpool was 18 00 to 18 75; Wheat, 7½c per bu. and Corn, 7½c per bu. Provisions, 38½ to 41½c per 100 lbs. Glasgow and Antwerp were about 1c over Liverpool rates. Through rates to New York were steady at 7c for Wheat, 6½c for corn and 5½c for Oats. Flour rates via lake and rail were steady at 15c per 100 lbs. New England rates were steady at 8½c per bu for Corn and 5½c for Oats. A fair demand existed for vessel room and Lake rates were steady at 3 to 4c for Wheat and 3c for Corn to Buffalo, 2½c for Wheat to Kingston and 2c for Corn to Port Huron, and 2c for Wheat to Milwaukee.