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THE VICTORIA PRICES CURRENT AND SHIPPING LIST.

Vol. 3.

VICTORIA, VANCOUVER ISLAND, WEDNESDAY, FEBY 15, 1865.

No. 123

One of the most exciting political struggles that this Island has ever witnessed, has resulted in the return of both candidates on the Union and Tariff ticket; this doubtless indicates the current of public opinion here, as tending towards a Tariff & Union with the sister Colony; some time must elapse however, before such measures can change the position of importers; as, should the supporters of a Tariff surmount the numerous difficulties that will be thrown in their way, the various requirements of Government routine will afford the public a sufficient opportunity to reconsider the whole question. In any case the duties here can only be collected from consumers on the Island, three-fourths of the imports being purchased for exportation.

The arguments for and against the imposition of a Tariff, have each their good and bad features; and to attempt anything approaching to an analysis of the various questions under discussion, would be quite out of our province: we trust, nevertheless, that so important a subject as that of the discontinuance of the Free Port system, will have the careful attention of those whose interests are involved in the issue: as the infliction of duties where none have hitherto existed, must, at least for a time, retard the advancement of the port.

The late severe weather has considerably moderated; merchants are preparing their shipments in view of an early resumption of traffic on the Fraser; miners are beginning to return to the various auriferous districts to renew their search for the shining treasure; each boat for New Westminster bears away a crowd of hardy adventurers, who in exploring the country in pursuit of their hard earned wealth form the pioneers of our future population.

Late news from Kootenay and the Selkirk mines, lead more and more to the conviction that the newly discovered localities will, if the proper measures are taken by the authorities, be productive of great and lasting benefit to these Colonies in which Victoria must participate to a considerable degree in the event of Union with British Columbia. It is more than probable that our American neighbours will secure the largest portion of the trade this season; but our natural advantages are so strikingly superior to theirs, that in spite of their usual enterprise, and our unaccountable apathy, we must undoubtedly be in future the great source whence supplies will be drawn for that section of the country.

The demand for all descriptions of merchandise, although improving, is still without much animation, and goods are freely offered at prices barely remunerative: this in part, is owing to heavy stocks, and the long period of depression through which we have passed; and partly to the wish of some of our merchants, to clear off remnants of imports preparatory to account sales being sent home; the present anxiety to sell is therefore only temporary; and as renewed supplies can only be looked for in June, a healthy business and better prices may be confidently anticipated.

It is needless to say that the election of Monday, almost entirely absorbed the attention of our commercial men; and beyond the most necessary attention to business, the Tariff was the great object of attraction; hence prices are about the same as at date of our last issue, transactions being comparatively small, no instance of variation in price can be quoted as a criterion. Flour is firm at quotations, the last advices from San Francisco give quotations about same as last, this is in consequence of large supplies on the way from Chili.

The "Princess Royal" is progressing rapidly with her discharge, and we are happy to say the goods are coming out in first rate order.

Arrivals last week are tolerably numerous, and we have considerable additions to our stocks of provisions, and other articles adapted for city consumption, the greatest portion being from San Francisco.

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At the last meeting of the Chamber, held in Smith's Building, Government Street, the following gentlemen were elected

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do Eight, \$5.15, do
San Francisco—1 per cent. premium.
Canada—4 per cent. premium.
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ENTERED.

Jan. 28.—Sir John Thornton, Warren, Chemainus
Sir Caledonia, Fras, Nanaimo
Sir Fideler, London, New Westminster
Jan. 31.—Sir Rival, Blum, San Francisco
Sir Matilda, Evergreen Sooke
Sir Growler, Williams, Port Angeles
Sir Parmer, Haden Pudder Bay
Sir Fideler, London, New Westminster
Sir Curie Walker, Port Angeles
Sir Discovery, Comox
Sir Eliza Anderson, Port Angeles
Sir Thornton, New Westminster
Feb. 2.—Sir Caledonia, Fras, Nanaimo
Sir Lurel, Swan, San Juan
Sir Eagle, Knight, do
Sir Eliza, Caweltan, Saanich
Sir MacMerrills, Pamphlet, Nanaimo
Feb. 4.—Sir Jenny Jones, Jones, Port Angeles
Enterprise, Mount, New Westminster
Harry's Duke, San Juan
Fideler, London, Nanaimo
Feb. 11.—Sir J. K. Thorndike, Thornton, San Juan
Eliza Anderson, Finch, Port Angeles

CLOUDS.

Jan. 25.—Sir Eliza, Caweltan, Saanich
Sir Goldstream, Coffay, Nanaimo
Sir W. B. Naylor, Waller, Coalchuck
Sir Fideler, London, New Westminster
Sir Flying Mist, Thompson, Port Angeles

Jan. 29.—Sir Caldonia, Fras, Nanaimo
Sir Fideler, London, Comox
Sir Hartley, Sherman San Francisco
Sir Thomas, Henderson Alberni
Sir Jenny Jones, Port Angeles
Sir Edie Anderson, Port Angeles,
Sir Northern Light, Port Angeles
Sir Alpha, Nanaimo
Feb. 2.—Sir Alpha, George, Nanaimo
Winged Rider, Peterson Port Angeles
Alpha, George, Nanaimo
W. B. Naylor, Waller Coalchuck
Hartley, Lick, San Juan
A. J. Webster, Mills, Port Angeles
Lizzy, Carleton, Saanich
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