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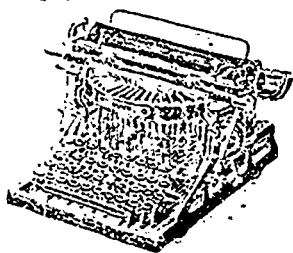
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TRADE AND COMMERCE.

COMMERCIAL JOURNAL OFFICE,
Tuesday Morning, April 30.

VICTORIA.

Business in most lines has been somewhat slack towards the end of the month. During April general trade has ruled quiet but a spurt has been felt in many directions on account of the activity among the cannery people by reason of the substantial orders for stocks which they have placed with the various houses. Business men express themselves more confident than for some time back, in consequence of the strength developed in the American markets which has caused advances in flour and provisions by local jobbers. There is a strong belief that business is entering upon an era of more activity and better prices. A healthier feeling is manifested in Europe and the East, with a strong disposition to invest in those securities and commodities which give promises of advancing under a revival of business and a firmly set confidence that everything is on the mend. Money has been tight and renewals frequent. It is expected, however, that as spring work advances, more money will go into circulating channels. The construction of public buildings and even the 5 per cent. dividend paid by the Green, Worklock bank trustees will be beneficially felt in local trade.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

In the local market cabbage is quoted from 1/4c to 1/2c higher and asparagus has been reduced 25c to 40c per box. Potatoes are weakening as the time for new crop approaches. Australian apples are in the market and in view of the inferior quality and shortage of the coast product at this season command a fair sale. A promising outlook is reported from the fruit districts of California for a fine, large crop of all varieties, except apricots. Owing to the heavy importation of foreign oranges, California seedlings have been reduced in price and fancy are quoted at \$1.00 per box f.o.b. at California and choice 80c. Malta Bloods, Paper Rind St. Michaels and Mediterranean Sweets are not yet ripe enough for shipment. Navals continue unchanged, but as the season advances and the navals become more scarce the prices will naturally advance.

Jobbers' quotations for fruits are as follows:

Oranges—California Navals	3 00 @ 3 50
" Common	2 25 @ 2 50
" Seedlings	2 00 @ 2 50
Bananas, per bunch	3 00 @ 0 00
Lemons—California (Johnson's)	3 00 @ 1 00
California selected	2 50 @ 3 00
Apples—British Columbia	1 25 @ 1 50
Oregon	1 25 @ 1 50

Australian	2 50 @ 3 00
Cocoanuts.....per 100	8 00 @ 9 00

Vegetables are quoted:

Onions—Silverskins	per lb 2 @ 2 1/2
Cabbage	per lb 2 1/2 @
Potatoes	per ton 13 00 @ 17 00
Asparagus, per box	1 85 @ 2 00
Peas	2 75 @ 0 00

FLOUR AND FEED.

The Ogilvie Milling Company advised an advance of 20c per bbl. on Saturday. American flours are unchanged in value, and more new brands have been introduced on this market during the past month.

The Portland Commercial Review says of flour: The past week's receipts per rail have been fairly good. Shipments have been light; a small amount went to China via British Columbia, but not much to American sound ports. Standard brands continue to be listed at \$2.35 per barrel, but sales at less figures are reported. At present cost of wheat the milling interests are compelled to depend upon good prices for offal which thus far has been good. The European export trade is not at all encouraging.

The Ogilvie Milling Co., quote their celebrated brands of Manitoba flours in car lots, on wharf in Victoria as follows:

Ogilvie's Hungarian	\$1 70
" Strong Bakers	1 40

The Victoria Roller Mills quote Victoria flour in 10-bbl lots at the mills as follows:

Delta	\$3 50
Victoria XXX	3 50
Superfine	3 00

Jobbers' quotations to the trade are:

Delta, Victoria mills	\$ 3 50 @ 0 00
Lion	3 50 @ 0 00
Victoria XXX	3 50 @ 0 00
Superfine	3 25 @ 0 00
Premier, Enderby mills	4 50 @ 0 00
XXX	4 35 @ 0 00
XX	0 09 @ 0 00
Superfine	0 09 @ 0 00
Ogilvie's Hungarian	5 05 @ 0 00
" Strong Bakers	4 75 @ 0 00
H. B. C. Fort Garry Hungarian	5 05 @ 0 00
" " Strong Bakers	4 75 @ 0 00
Regina Hungarian	5 05 @ 0 00
" Strong Bakers	4 75 @ 0 00
Benton County, Oregon	3 75 @ 0 00
Olympic	3 80 @ 0 00
Big Bend	3 60 @ 3 75
Superb	3 60 @ 0 00
Plansifter	3 80 @ 0 00
Gen	3 60 @ 0 00
Alliance	3 50 @ 0 00
White Lilly	3 40 @ 0 00
Wheat, per ton, feed	25 00 @ 0 00
Oats	25 00 @ 32 00
Oil cake meal	33 00 @ 45 00
Chop feed—California	27 50 @ 00 00
" Washington	20 00 @ 28 00
Shorts	18 00 @ 23 00
Bran	16 00 @ 20 00
National Mills oatmeal	3 50 @ 0 00
" " rolled oat—99-lbsks	3 50 @ 0 00
" " " 10 7s, baled	3 00 @ 0 00
" " split peas	3 50 @ 0 00
" " pearl barley	4 75 @ 0 00
" " Chop feed	20 00 @ 25 00
California oatmeal	3 85 @ 0 00
California rolled oats	4 15 @ 0 00
Corn, whole	per ton 35 00 @ 0 00
Peas, field	per ton 40 00 @ 00 00
Cornmeal	2 65 @ 2 90
Cornmeal-feed	per ton 40 00 @

Cracked corn	37 00 @ 00 00
Hay, per ton	12 00 @ 18 00
Straw, per bale	1 00 @ 0 00

RICE.

The Victoria Rice Mills quote wholesale:

Japan rice, per ton	\$ 80 00 @ 90 00
" (polished)	90 00 @ 100 00
Best China rice	80 00 @ 100 00
China rice No. 1	(mats) 65 00 @ 00 00
" "sacks)	63 00 @ 00 00
Rice flour	70 00
Broken rice	30 00
Rice Meal	17 50

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

Cured meats have been advanced by local jobbers, in sympathy with the American market which continues strong. Canned meats have also slightly advanced. Tea is a little quiet, owing to the signing of the treaty of peace, and the approach of the season for new teas. New Japans should be in the market in May. Formosas in July and Pinguneys about two weeks later. The sugar market holds firm and the outlook for good prices is reported favorable.

Dairy produce is quoted:

Butter—Eastern Creamery, tubs	21 @ 26
Manitoba dairy	15 @ 20
" creamery in tins	27 @ 28
" in tubs	26 @ 00
Australian	56 lb box 22 @ 00
California Roll-Fancy	19 @ 21
Cheese—Canadian, lb	12 @ 11
Canadian Stilton	17 @ 18
Canadian	13
Eggs—Canadian	per doz 10 @ 15

Smoked meats and lard are quoted:

Hams	14 @ 15
Breakfast bacon	14 @ 15
Short rolls	10 1/2 @ 11 1/2
Dry Salt, long clear	10 @ 10 1/2
Mess Pork, per bil	17 00
Bacon	11 @ 13
Lard Compound, 20 lbs	1 1/2 @ 11
" 10 lbs	10 1/2 @ 11
" 5 lbs	10 1/2 @ 11
" 3 lbs	10 1/2 @ 11 1/2
White Label pure leaf lard, tierces	0 12
" " 50-lb tins	0 12 1/2
" " 20-lb "	0 12 1/2
" " 10-lb "	0 12 1/2
" " 5-lb "	0 12 1/2
" " 3-lb "	0 12 1/2

Jobbers' quotations for Armour Packing Company's brands per lb:

Helmet brand sugar cured hams, medium	0 14 1/2
" " heavy	0 13 1/2
" " breakfast bacon	0 14 1/2
Fancy Gold Band hams	0 15 1/2
" " breakfast bacon	0 15 1/2

The British Columbia Sugar Refinery quotes prices as follows, for lots of one barrel and upwards, delivered into warehouse at Vancouver or Victoria, payment by net spot cash:

Granulated, in bbls. or 100-lb bags	41
Extra C	41
Fancy Yellow	3 1/2
Yellow	3 3/4
Golden C	3 1/2
Paris lumps in bbls. or 100-lb bags	5 1/2
Powdered Icing and bar, in bbls	5 1/2

Above prices are for barrels or bags, 100 lb. keg 1/4c. higher; half bbls. 1/4c. and boxes 1/4c.

Golden syrup is quoted as follows : 30 gal. bbls. 1 7/8 per lb., 10 gal. kegs 2c per lb., 5 gal. kegs \$1.25 each, 1 gal. tins \$3.75 per case of 10, 1/2 gal. tins \$4.50 per case of 20.

Sugar—Jobbers' prices, ordinary terms 60 days.

Dry Granulated (China).....	100-sack	1 25
Extra C, China.....	"	00
Standard C.....	"	3 65
Refined German Beet.....	11 c @	13
Dry Granulated (B. C. Refinery).....	"	13
Extra G.....	"	11
Fancy Yellow.....	"	12
Yellow.....	"	1
Golden C.....	"	6
Cubes.....	"	62
Powdered.....	"	23
Syrups, per lb.....	"	5 50
" 1 gal. tins, American (10).....	"	5 50
" 1/2 " " (16).....	"	4 50
" 1 " Vancouver.....	"	5 50
" 1/2 " ".....	"	5 50

Jobbers quote :

Valencia raisins.....per lb	\$ 6 @	\$ 7 1/2
Valencia Layers.....per lb	3.00 @	3 25
Malaga raisins.....per box	2.00 @	2.25
California London Layers per box	5 @	
Currants (barrels).....per lb	0 @	0
" half bbls.....per lb	5 1/2 @	7 1/2
" (cases).....per lb	8 @	10
Sultana raisins, Eastern per lb	1 20	
" California 20 lb. box	15	32 1/2
Shelled Almonds, Jordan, per lb	17 @	18
" Valencia, "	16 @	16
Taragona almonds.....per lb	16 @	16
Grenoble walnuts.....per lb	32 1/2 @	0
Brazil Nuts.....per lb	16 @	0
Shelled Almonds.....per lb	12 1/2 @	
Smyrna Figs.....per lb	8	81
" 14-ozbox each	8	11 1/2 @
California Figs.....per lb		
Egyptian Dates.....per lb		
Filberts.....per lb		

Jobbers quote as follows :

Liverpool salt, coarse, in 100-lb bags, per ton.....	10 50
Liverpool salt, fine, in 50-lb bags, per ton.....	16 00
Portland cement, White's (best) per bbl.	3 60
White mottled soap, English, in 112-lb bxs	8 50
" quarter boxes	
28 lbs, per cwt.....	8 75
Malt vinegar English, 25-gal. bbls.	12 50
" " octaves.....	6 00
" " cases of 3 doz., per cs	5 50
" " in bbls, 16 grain, per gal	50
" " 21 " " "	65
" " qts. per doz.	1 85
Pickles, Crosse & Blackwells, qts.	6 40
" " pts.	3 40
Matches, block, in tins, California.....	1 25
Macaroni, No. 1, 1-lb bxs.....	65 00
Vermicelli, 10-lb bxs.....	65 00
Coal oil, per case.....	3 25
Nails, per keg—1d, \$3.30; 6d, \$3.10; 8d, \$2.95; 10d, \$2.90; 12d, \$2.85; 20d and 30d, \$2.85; 40d and 50d, \$2.75; 60d, \$2.70.	

LUMBER.

The Am. schr. Compeer, 330 tons, arrived at Vancouver April 22, to load for San Francisco. The British ship Aigburth, 1,798 tons will load for Valparaiso for orders at 41s 3d; direct for 38s 9d. The charters of the Arcturus, 1,007 tons, for Santa Rosalia and the Comet, 408 tons for California are also reported.

The Glanivor for Cork U. K.; Olivebank for South Africa, and Meteor for California, have cleared during the week. The Meteor's cargo was comprised of 62,000 feet of lumber and 310,000 laths. The cargo of the others as all rough lumber.

The following vessels are loading lumber at British Columbia ports for foreign : At Vancouver : Br. ship Earl of Hope town, 1,770 tons, for Adelaide—Chil. bark Lake Lehman, 1,035 tons, for Valparaiso for orders. Br. ship Blairgowrie, 1564 tons, for Cape Town and Delagoa Bay, South Africa. Am. schr. Volunteer, 571 tons, for Shanghai, Am. schr. Compeer, 320 tons, for San Francisco; Br. ship City of Florence, 1,246 tons, for U. K.; Br. ship Aigburth, 1,798 tons, for Valparaiso. At Westminster.

Am. bk'tno. Mary Winkleman, 426 tons, for California. Am. schr. Falcon, 196 tons, for California. Am. schr. Lucy, 294 tons, for California. Total, 10 vessels; 9,230 tons.

Quotations for Douglas Fir Lumber in cargo lots for foreign shipment:

Rough Merchantable, ordinary sizes, in lengths to 40 feet inclusive, per M feet.....	\$ 7 59
Deck plank, rough, average length, 35 feet per M.....	18 00
Dressed T. and G. flooring, per M.....	14 00
Pickets, rough per M.....	8 00
Laths, 1 feet 6 in. per M.....	1 90

The following are the current city quotations, net in yard: Rough, \$8.00 per M ft; rough clear, \$14; ship lap, \$10; tongue and groove flooring, 4 in. No. 1, \$16; do. 4 in. No. 2, \$12; do. 6 in. No. 1, \$15; do. 6 in. No. 2, \$11; rustic, No. 1, \$15; do. No. 2, \$11; surfaced, \$15; shingles, \$2; lath, \$1.75.

BUSINESS NOTES.

D. E. Monk & Co., tobacconists, are opening at Vernon.

W. J. Morrow, of Vancouver, has opened a drug store

F. Saforecade, late of Nanaimo, has opened in clothing at Union.

Thos. Quann, hotelkeeper, Vancouver, sold out to Wm. H. Quann.

Geo. J. Flux has opened in fruit and confectionery at Westminster.

W. A. Griffin & Co. succeed T. R. Morrow, druggist, Vancouver.

Marshall Bros., painters, Chilliwack, have opened a branch at Agassiz.

W. H. Hooper, auctioneer, Vancouver, is succeeded by Wilson & Hooper.

Priestman & Co., tanners, etc., have commenced business at Vancouver.

P. F. Emerson, Delmonico hotel, Vancouver, advertises present business for sale.

D. J. McLean & Co., clothing, etc., Vancouver, style changed to A. E. Lees & Co.

Wm. Langton, variety, Nanaimo and Union, is reported to have sold branch at Union.

The British Pacific Fertilizer and Manufacturing company, with a capital stock of \$50,000, is being formed by Cap. Walker, to manufacture oil and fish guano from dog fish at Quatsino sound.

T. L. Browne & Co., mens' furnishings, have removed from Nanaimo to Victoria.

Mitchell & Thorburn, harnessmakers, Clinton, have dissolved. George Mitchell continues.

C. J. Robson, crockery, fruits, etc. Westminster, stock advertised for sale by tender by assignee.

J. A. Caldwell, tailor, of Nanaimo, has opened a branch at Wellington, with Thos. Comerford as manager.

The business of the Cunningham Hardware Co., Westminster, has been taken over by M. A. Cunningham.

Eliz B. O. Shetsky is reported in possession of the stock of E. W. Ogle estate mens' furnishings, Westminster.

B. Wihrfritz, brewer, Kamloops, has admitted N. J. Hopkins into partnership under style of Imperial Brewing Co.

W. F. Lawson & Dan McLeod have formed a partnership and bought out Patrick Dunno, merchant tailor of Union.

W. Machaffie & R. T. Williams, trading as R. T. Williams & Co., bookbinders, have dissolved. W. Machaffie retiring.

The plant and stock of the Westminster Foundry and Machine Works Co., is advertised for sale by tender by the mortgagee.

Hardross Clarke, until recently a prominent grocery merchant of St. John, N. B., has removed to this city on account of his health, and contemplates entering into business here.

A new salmon cannery will be built and operated this season by Thomas Earle, M. P., at Clayoquot Sound, on the West Coast. I. H. Langley will be manager.

The Mount Baker hotel, Oak Bay, has been re-opened for the summer season under the management of J. A. Virtue, who has been so successful in making it an attractive summer resort.

It is reported that Samuel Ser, jr., who has been for a number of years connected with the business of Henry Waller, clothing and mens' furnishings, of Victoria, will take sole charge of the business this fall.

F. H. Worlock has resigned the agencies of the Wells-Fargo and Great Northern Express. R. P. Rithet & Co L'd., have been appointed agents for Wells-Fargo. The Great Northern Express will in future be in connection with the local agents office.

Negotiations are said to be on for the sale of the War Eagle mine at Trail Creek. The price mentioned is upwards of \$1,000,000.

Every discovery in Trail Creek is now said to be exactly like the War Eagle or Le Rio ore.

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HOW to be successful and how **TO** make trade is one thing. **TO MAKE** a name and also to make **MONEY** is another. It is our **EXPERIENCE** that a cheap article **IS** dear at any price, it is almost **NECESSARY** to stock goods which are cheap. But no one ever got satisfaction from cheap goods. Preserves to be good, must be made of full flavored fruit, pure sugar, and only the highest skill employed in its manufacture. There are so many vile compositions being sold for jam that we have no hesitation in claiming that our preserves are the purest and the best flavored in the market. To stock these goods is to please your customers and make money yourselves.

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HIGHER PRICES WITHOUT REJOICINGS.

The price of beef is now higher than it was in the year 1873. This fact ought to gladden the hearts of the silverites who think that low prices are the bane of the human race. Yet we have not heard of any public meeting being called to celebrate this advance in the price of steaks and roasts. There is to be an advance in the price of coal if the anthracite companies can bring it about, and there is already an advance in petroleum. In none of these cases is there any sign of public rejoicing, such as ought, according to the silver theory, to attend the advance in prices. It may be replied that the theory requires the advance to be general before it becomes beneficial. In other words, people are not benefitted by paying 5 cents a pound more for beef and 25 cents a ton more for coal unless at the same time they have to pay a dollar more for shoes and two dollars more for a coat, and other things in proportion. The idea is that when prices become high all round, wages will be raised proportionately. But unless they are raised more than proportionately, the laboring man is no better off. So the vital question for all persons who work for hire and all who have fixed incomes—that is, for ninety-five out of every hundred persons in the community—is, who will guarantee that their wages will rise simultaneously with the advance in general prices and a little more than in due proportion to such advance? A committee of guarantee ought to be appointed at once.—*Cincinnati Price Current.*

THE ELEVENTH COMMANDMENT.

We have it from the *Dry Goods Economist* that the recent ads of Bloomingdale Bros., New York, in which they claimed to have bought "most of the desirable goods" of the E. S. Jaffray & Co. stock which had lately been put into the hands of a receiver, was only a repetition of the old game which has been repeatedly exposed.

If it was, we are sorry. We thought the lesson of the latest exposures of this thing had been learned. Bloomingdale Bros. are doing a big business. They are doubtless making a lot of money. They are rich enough and prosperous enough to warrant them in desiring a good name—a name which shall be a drawing power rather than a repelling one.

We don't believe any merchant, however powerful, however prosperous, can long continue in power and prosperity if he frequently suffers himself to be exposed in false claiming.

We're not speaking from the standpoint of the moralist. As we have said many times, that is a matter for every

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The Willows,

H. H. WRIGHT, Manager

man to settle with his own conscience. We're looking at the thing from the standpoint of plain business policy. The eleventh commandment ought not to be violated, even if all the rest of them are; and the eleventh commandment, as you know, is: "Thou shalt not be caught at it."

After awhile the man who persists in falsifying in his ads is sure to violate that law, and then—woe unto him!—*Brains.*

THE WILD FLOWERS OF CANADA.

Wherever you go in Europe or the United States there is a fashionable craze for Wild Flower knowledge, color, form and blooming time; and what is of more interest to Canadians, is the fact that everywhere the people who know, bear testimony to the Wild Flowers of Canada. The *Montreal Star* is now issuing *The Wild Flowers of Canada* in portfolio form with colored plates of all the Wild Flowers of the country, a work of surpassing interest, an enterprise never before achieved. Each portfolio contains sixteen different flowers. For a limited time the portfolios can be procured through the *Montreal Star* or dealers at fifteen cents each. The entire work will constitute a library attraction of incalculable value, embracing three hundred flowers.

ADVERTISEMENT INSURANCE.

It is stated that the Fidelity & Casualty of New York is introducing a novelty in the insurance line. This an age of extensive advertising. Those who do not advertise their various wares, their schemes, their advantages, of whatever kind they may be, are likely to be left behind in the race for success in the business world. There are no doubt dishonest as well as honest advertisers. Often

the most specious and promising advertisements are deceptive. Just here the company stops in and says to the public: "We will guarantee that such and such a firm of such an individual will sell your goods in every respect up to what they are advertised to be." This is how it is done: The company authorizes its clients to issue when desired, with each invoice of goods sold, the company's guarantee "in coupon form" for certain stated sums, the coupon to become effective when dated and signed by the seller. The premium charged will of course vary according to the nature of the business and amount of the guarantee. As the company will not guarantee any save parties of first class standing and reputation, the charges for such insurance will be very moderate.—*Insurance and Finance Chronicle.*

STAVING OFF A CREDITOR.

I like to hear the instances of boldness and originality in meeting the demands of exacting creditors, and when there is a dry humor in the turn of expressions the conditions of the superiority in the advantages of the parties are reversed, and the "hard eyed lender" is, for the time, made subordinate to the "pale lender." It is seldom that a lawyer has imagination enough to advise a client to assume a humorous attitude towards the demands of a creditor, and the following example here in Boston is the more interesting on that account. In that case the client had received a bullying letter, closing with the remark, "Unless the balance of your account is set! at once I shall proceed to extremities. The lawyer smiled as he read the letter, and suggested to his client that there was a good chance of making a hit as the writer's expense. "Write him," he added, "as follows, 'Will you tell me what authority you have for spelling balance with two Ls?'"—*Boston Post.*

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SHORT BEEF SUPPLY.

Already despite the reductions which have been made in the earnings of the working classes all over this continent, advances have taken place in the values of a number of important commodities that are essential to every day life. Coal oil has gone up, beef has advanced and with it hides, leather, boots and shoes have also risen. It has been stated that this is due to the influence and the operations of combines. It is said that bad times have been responsible for the shortage in the cattle industry, the ranchers having restricted their crops, the great graziers of the West considering that existing prices did not pay them for raising and feeding stock. The short corn and fodder harvests last year are understood to have been also to some extent responsible for the shortage of beef, while wonderful to say for the present, the values of sheep have declined. This no doubt will lead to further demands upon the canned meats of Australia and increase the market for those products. This will perhaps temporarily tide over the difficulty, the idea being that the reduction in supply this year will be equal to fully 30 per cent. It may be observed that at the present time beef is higher on the average than it has been for ten years. It was but recently said that with the reductions in wages there had been a decrease in the cost of necessities of life; but all of a sudden comes the advance in the articles we have named. And where is the increase going to stop?

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

The proposed Canadian International Exhibition at Montreal appears to be an assured event. It is for the people of Canada to make or to mar it as they are guided by patriotism, intelligence, public spirit and enterprise, or misled by narrow jealousies, by indifference to the country's welfare. If Canada needs foreign trade, she must make her wares and her capacities known to outsiders. By no mere local fairs can this be done; but if the people of Canada throw themselves heart and soul into an International Exhibition, they will challenge the world's attention. A contemporary remark in this connection:—"An International Exhibition in Canada would do a great work in making our country and its resources familiar the world over. Toronto and Ontario, Montreal and Quebec would be benefitted while the Maritime Provinces would share in the benefits of, placing Canada in a position to be observed and studied. Do not Manitoba, the North West Territories, and British Columbia need, greatly need, to be more widely known? Are they not wanting settlers and capital to develop their natural resources, and would not those resources by an International Exhibition be made a household word in millions of homes?"

We are well pleased to notice the strong endeavor which is being made to secure the extension of the E. & N. Railway to Comox. The work would open up a large section of valuable country, and besides would give a material stimulus to trade. We therefore hope that the Dominion Parliament will, in its wisdom, grant the usual subsidy which the undertaking on its merits deserves and demands. We trust too that the endeavors which are being made in the interest of important railways on the mainland will have due encouragement at Otta-

wa. Moreover, we hope that it will not be possible for the influence of the C. P. R. to kill such enterprises as do not exactly coincide with their interests. We believe among other things that the Red Mountain Railway should receive a Dominion charter and that the general subsidy to a railway through Crow's Nest Pass should be transferred to the British Columbia Southern or some other railway which will at once turn it to advantage.

It would, as a correspondent suggests, certainly be well for the Government to declare whether or not the Finance Minister as has been reported, is to negotiate the new Provincial loan on the understanding and pledge that the Government of British Columbia will not become involved in further obligations and responsibilities. For our part we are not prepared to see the hands of the administration tied up in this way in response to the clamors of partizan obstructionists. No province in the Dominion needs more development than does the one in which we live, and something must be done to open it up. Until certain local and unreasoning prejudices were aroused the provincial credit stood A 1 in London and nothing that we are aware of has occurred since then to lower the value of our securities. British Columbia is an advancing province and we regret to see that a certain element should have so deliberately set to work to stop its progress.

The trade returns of New South Wales for the year 1894 illustrate as well as anything can the prevailing conditions of dulness and restricted trade. The value of imports is £15,801,641, and of exports £20,577,673. This is a decline of £2,305,394 on imports and £2,343,550 on exports as compared with 1893. The total trade for the year, £36,379,314, is lower than that of any previous year of the decade.

At present 14 companies carry nearly half of the fire risks of this continent, and out of the 14 five of them are British. There are 130 companies doing business in New York, the 14 referred to thus carrying on as much as the other 116. An American insurance paper remarks: "Eight of these companies carried practically one-third of all the insurance outstanding in this country. The fact illustrates aptly to what extent the process of centralization has gone. There is not enough capital in the business, but there is little chance for a company to start now and make a success, with taxes and dividends to pay, and the hostility and prestige of the big companies to contend against. There are small companies of exceptional prosperity, but they are started under more favorable conditions than prevail to-day."

A question upon which this journal has many times enlarged is that of the great disadvantages attending what are known as "sacrifice rates". When a merchant happens to strike a special bargain, he advertises the fact, and invites his friends and others to share in it. Other merchants in the town who have not purchased at a bargain must either reduce their prices below a normal selling value or allow their goods to remain on their shelves. One merchant cuts on a special line, another offers something else at a "drive," and so on until we find normal profits the exception. There are many trade wreckers. But one goal awaits such people—bankruptcy; nevertheless they do incalculable injury to the legitimate trade.

The plethora of money in London is sending up new enterprises very largely. During March new loans and securities were floated for close upon 6 millions of dollars, making the total for the first quarter of this year \$136,968,000, which runs near the high figures

of 1891 and 1892, and is some 95 millions in excess of the first quarter of 1894. There has been a check given, however, to American investments in trading enterprises, breweries, and so on, which have proved far from being the bonanzas their promoters represented them to be. We badly want some of these millions in British Columbia. Can we not secure them for some of our undoubtedly first class enterprises.

The March Fire Losses in Canada and the United States are quoted by the *Commercial Bulletin* of N. Y. in the following comparative table, showing also the losses for the first three months during the past three years:

	1893.	1894.	1895.
January...	\$17,938,100	\$10,558,100	\$11,835,600
February.....	9,919,900	11,297,000	12,560,200
March.....	16,662,350	9,147,100	14,239,300
	\$44,510,650	\$31,013,100	\$38,195,100

The March loss for this year, \$14,239,300, is \$5,092,200 in excess of March, 1894. A list of the principal losses by any one fire in the United States and Canada during March shows Toronto at the head of the list with \$1,140,000, and Milwaukee is next with \$890,000.

Latterly an extraordinary rise in the price of petroleum has taken place in the United States. A Standard Oil Official says the only explanation of the increased price of oil is the decreased output of crude. Oil wells are petering out, and new wells which were thought to be promising have not produced the crude article which was reasonably expected from them. Many who know the great octopus will not be satisfied with this explanation, and Mr. Rockefeller must rest satisfied to have the entire blame laid upon his shoulders by the suffering public.

The decline in exports from the United States of foreign and domestic merchandise for nine months ended with March last, compared with the same period of

1893-4, was more than twelve per cent. while there is an increase in imports of ten per cent. The excess of exports over imports for the nine months ending March, 1895, was \$87,234,745, while the figures for the corresponding period in 1894 are \$28,457,354, a great difference.

It is to be hoped that the advance in petroleum will tend to further developments in the Canadian oil regions. The price of the Canadian article has in sympathy with the American already gone up. In the Dominion of Canada there are known to be immense coal oil deposits by which our people may materially benefit, if they will only steer clear of Rockefeller & Co. and the associates of the Standard Oil Monopoly.

J. R. Anderson has been appointed Deputy Minister of Agriculture for the Province of British Columbia. It is to be hoped that he will not become too much impressed with the importance of the office and in consequence become a victim of "big head," a malady which occasionally prevails among "neat cattle." Mr. Anderson ought to make a good officer if "officialism" is not allowed to become too pronounced in his department.

We may say that we anticipate no small amount of benefit to accrue to the trade of Victoria from the arrangements that are reported to have been made by the Alaska Commercial Company to obtain its supplies from this city for the stores which it has in the British Columbia portions of the great and important Yukon country.

The farmers of Manitoba are taking hold of dairy products in earnest this spring. 200 new cheese factories are to be erected,

COMMERCIAL SUMMARY.

THE WHOLESALE MAN.

The wholesale man
Has nothing to annoy
Him, and his lot is
A steady round of joy.

Worms in the apples,
Skippers in the cheese,
Weevils in the rice, and
Bugs in the peas,
Canned goods swelling,
Sugar going down,
"Say, another fellow's
'Busted' in town,"
Books don't balance,
Prunes full of lice,
Syrup fermenting,
Cellar full of mice,
Fats in the sago,
Coldish turning red,
Pickles all soft, and
Rain in the shed,
"Jones gave a mortgage,"
"Smith has assigned,"
"Brown gone under,"
"Your offer declined,"
Row with the salesmen,
Credit man sick,
Nothing from the trade, but
"Kick! kick! kick!"

The wholesale man
Has nothing to annoy
Him, and his lot is
A steady round of joy!

(ELLIS P. BUTLER, in Interstate Grocer.)

A proposed Coffin Trust is the latest.

Instill into those around you, from the office cat up, enthusiasm.

The output of bicycles in the United States this year is estimated at 400,000.

Taxes put upon insurance companies, and paid by the enterprising part of the community, is much like lifting one's self by his own boot straps.

What is the difference between the nobles of the Dark Ages, who claimed everything, and the wealthy capitalists of to-day, who presume to control everything?

Frying tomatoes are a novelty recently introduced in the Eastern States. They are said to be a superior article and pay a higher profit than ordinary canned tomatoes.

The announcement that some of the great manufacturers in the Eastern States are preparing to resume and enlarge their business is a hopeful sign of improving conditions.

The gold production for the calendar year 1894 has been substantially computed by the Mint Bureau at \$170,000,000 for the entire world, and \$43,000,000 for the United States.

The Hon. Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, speaking of the English bankruptcy Act said a few days ago: I warn you that, do what you may, you will never get all bankrupts to pay 20s on the pound, and you will never get all lawyers to do their work for nothing, and as long as that is the case you will never get a Bankruptcy act that will be free from criticism.

If you do not understand teas thoroughly you should buy of the house you have the greatest confidence in, telling them the kind you want and naming the price you wish to pay.

The Rural Northwest, of Portland, says that freight teams have successfully "paralleled" the Southern Pacific tracks from Corvallis to Eugene, Oregon, and are doing a thriving business.

Some say that "times are hard" So is a cake of ice, but you can melt it. No matter how hard the times are, they can be softened sufficiently to do business if you go about it the right way.

Castor bean plants are said to drive away moles and gophers. Numerous experiments are reported where both these pests were wholly driven away by planting a few castor beans among their run-aways.

The discovery of a component of coal tar even sweeter than saccharine, and another that corn when deprived of it immature ears gains from 12 to 14 parts of sugar in the hundred, promises to seriously complicate the question of sugar production in the near future.

Artificial silk is now manufactured near Zurich, from wood pulp, cotton or jute waste, etc., by a chemical process. The production is entirely independent of climate, temperature, special soil or cultivation. For softness and beauty of appearance the new material is said to equal the best Chinese and Italian silks.

The following new Life Assurance Companies are projected and will apply for incorporation at the present session of the Parliament of Canada:—The Permanent Reserve Life Association of Canada; H. B. Taylor, Whitty. The Canada Provident Institution, Toronto; W. T. Allan, solicitor. The Canadian Benevolent Society, Petrolia; Dawson & Greenizen, solicitors.

A German invention known as the "Vacuum Perfection Jar" is being introduced into the fruit packing industry in California this season. It is a simple tin cap, which is held in position by the exhaustion of the air in the glass or can, in the shape of steam, after being in the retort, which ensues a perfect vacuum. So firm is its hold that it cannot be removed by force without breaking the receptacle, but punctured with a knife or other instrument it is lifted off with perfect ease. The expense, annoyance and damage from soldering are done away with and a great saving in time of putting up fruit, vegetables and fish is also claimed for the new device.

The mammoth new telephone company, backed as it is by the richest people in the United States, will prove a powerful competitor of the Bell, and bring down prices for the use of telephones to a level within the reach of all.

Insurance rates ... the Pacific Coast bid fair to drop to reasonable figures if a few more big companies drop out of the combine. Los Angeles has already gained, insurance being offered for $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on school buildings which previously paid $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.—Seattle Trade Register.

A thriving industry appears in prospect for the noble army of counterfeiters. A French scientific paper alleges that a substance made of about 94 parts of copper and 6 of a tinony, with a pinch of magnesium and lime, resembles gold in all respects and costs but 25 cents a pound.

Prof. Blake's telephone device designed to establish communication between the shore and ships at sea has been thoroughly tested and pronounced a success. The naval secretary of the light house board at Washington has examined it, and his report fully confirms the unofficial reports.

The Ancona, a three masted sailing whaleback of 2500 tons is at Portland. The Ancona was built at Greenock in 1893 and is almost entirely made of steel. She is the second of her class and was built as a sort of experiment and so far has been a complete success. In crossing the Columbia River bar the pilot declared that "she was the easiest ship to handle he had ever been on, as she worked like a yacht."

The following clause from the circular of an Illinois jobbing house is commended to the careful consideration of every retail grocer who reads this journal, and especially to the consumer who may chance to run his eye over its columns:

"The loss of an occasional bad account compels us (as it does every grocer) to mark up the price of our goods. Honest customers paid for goods which a few dishonest ones got, as well as all additional expense attached to the credit system." That is the extract, and it has more solid meat than a dozen columns of theory. The only way the retail grocer who sells on credit can secure the earned interest on the money he invests in outstanding accounts, is by charging much higher prices than he could sell the same goods for if he had no interest to collect. If he does sell at these high rates, he is undersold by any competitor who sells for cash. It is a problem with one solution buy for cash and sell for cash.—Philadelphia Grocery World.

BRITISH COLUMBIA SEALING FLEET, 1895.

NAME.	TN.	MASTER.	CREW W. IN.	OW'R. MGR. OW'H OR AG'T.	DST'NAT'N.	S'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. 20	54	Kyuquot, thence March 1.
Amateur.	18	C. Jipson.	2	C. Jipson.	B. C. Coast	Jan. 28	30	April 20, spoken at Port San Juan.
Annie C. Moore.	115	C. Hackett.	30	Chas. Hackett.	B. C. Coast	Jan. 23		Ahouset, thence March 11.
Annie K. Paine.	82	A. Hissett.	24	E. B. Marvin & Co.	Japan.	Jan. 8.		Feb. 1, put into Honolulu.
Arletts.	80	O. Searf.	22	Wm. Munsie.	Japan.	Jan. 25		Feb. 1, put into Honolulu.
Aurora.	41	P. Harold.	7	Thos. Harold.	B. C. Coast	Feb. 1.		Kyuquot, thence.
Beatrice.	66	Mucanley.	7	Capt. Wm. Grant.	B. C. Coast	Jan. 19	77	March 10, spoken off Cape Cook by Katharine.
Beatrice.	49			Wrede & Doering.				In port at Vancouver.
Boreal.	37	E. Robbins.	21	Thos. Harold.	Japan.	Jan. 4.		March--Arrived Yokohama.
Brenda.	100	C. E. Locke.	26	R. P. Rithet & Co. Ltd.	Japan.	Jan. 11		March 8, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 26.
C. D. Stand.	51	J. J. Whiteley.	6	Robt. Ward & Co. Ltd.	B. C. Coast	Jan. 15		Ahouset, thence March 11.
Carlotta G. Cox.	70	C. J. Harris.	23	E. B. Marvin & Co.	Japan.	Jan. 10		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 9, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 19.
Diana.	50	A. Nelson.	19	Geo. Collins.	Japan.	Jan. 8.		March 8, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 13.
Dona Steward.	33	Steward.	8	H. F. Steward.	B. C. Coast	Jan. 19	325	March 18, spoken at Uclulet.
E. B. Marvin.	96	W. D. Byers.	26	E. B. Marvin & Co.	Japan.	Jan. 10		March 6, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 17.
Enterprise.	63	J. Daley.	6	Robt. Ward & Co. Ltd.	B. C. Coast	Feb. 7.		March 10, put into Ahouset.
Favourite.	70	L. McLean.	7	R. P. Rithet & Co. Ltd.	B. C. Coast	Feb. 4.		Kyuquot, thence.
Fawn.	59	M. Keefe.	6	Thos. Earle.	B. C. Coast	Jan. 29		Kyuquot, thence Feb. 13.
Fisher Maid.	12	Chippis.	12	Chippis.	B. C. Coast	Jan. 26	57	April 20, spoken at Port San Juan by Mischief
Florence M. Smith.	92	L. McGrath.	9	C. J. Kelly, Marvin & Co	B. C. Coast	Feb. 14	50	March 12, spoken at Kyuquot by Mischief.
Geneva.	92	W. O'Leary.	27	Hall, Goepel & Co.	Japan.	Dec. 31		March 8, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 19.
Henrietta.	31			P. McQuade & Son.				Laid up.
Ida Etta, U. S.	69	W. O. Hughes.	21	Robt. Ward & Co., Ltd.	Yokohama	Jan. 21		March 6, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 22.
Kato.	58	O. Buckholz.	6	Capt. Warren.	B. C. Coast	Jan. 30	85	Mch. 16, reported in Friendly Cove by Mischief
Katharine.	51	L. Gould.	6	Issac Gould.	B. C. Coast	Jan. 23	97	April 3, put into Sitka.
Kilmory.	19	R. Southby.	3	F. A. Nicholson.	B. C. Coast	Feb. 6.		Mch. 12, reported by ss Quadra in Dodges Cove
Labrador.	25	J. Williams.	17	J. Williams.	B. C. Coast	Feb. 4.	32	April 20, spoken at Port San Juan by Mischief
Libbie.	63	F. Hackett.	8	Chas. Hackett.	B. C. Coast	Jan. 23	58	Ahouset, thence March 4.
Louis Olsen, U. S.	75	N. Guillems.	21	Robt. Ward & Co., Ltd.	N. P. O.	Jan. 19		
Mary Ellen.	63	G. R. Frey.	9	V. Jacobsen-Ward & Co	Japan.	Jan. 11		
Mary Taylor.	13	R. Lavender.	18	A. Bechtel.	B. C. Coast	Jan. 2.	81	San Juan, thence Feb. 21.
Mascot.	40	E. Lorenz.	7	H. F. Steward.	Japan.	Dec. 28		Feb. 28, put into Honolulu with rig'ng torn away
Maud S.	97	R. E. McKeil.	8	J. P. Elford-Rithet & Co	B. C. Coast	Jan. 22	165	March 3, spoken by ss Maude.
May Belle.	58	K. Shields.	7	Wm. Munsie.	B. C. Coast	Jan. 21	56	Kyuquot, thence Feb. 27.
Mermaid.	73	W. Whitley.	21	Robt. Ward & Co., Ltd.	Japan.	Jan. 8.		
Minnie.	46			V. Jacobsen-Ward & Co				To sail in June.
M. M. Morrill, U. S.	45	E. Cantillon.	15	E. B. Marvin & Co.	Yokohama	Jan. 17		March 11, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 20.
Mountain Chief.	23	J. Nawassum.	3	J. Nawassum.	B. C. Coast	Feb. 4.	30	April 20, spoken at Port San Juan by Mischief
Ocean Belle.	81	Patk. Martin.	23	Hall, Goepel & Co.	Japan.	Jan. 4.		March 8, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 20.
Oscar and Hattie.	51	T. Magnusen.	6	Thos. Earle.	B. C. Coast	Jan. 23		Ahouset, thence March 11.
Otto.	80	J. McLeod.	8	Wm. Munsie.	B. C. Coast	Jan. 21		Kyuquot, thence Feb. 27.
Pachwellis.	19	J. Nyetam.	16	Jas. Nyetam.	B. C. Coast	Feb. 4.	41	April 27, returned to Victoria.
Penelope.	70	Heater.		Capt. Grant.				To sail in June.
Pioneer.	66	W. E. Baker.	21	A. Bechtel.	Japan.	Dec. 11		
Rosie Olsen.	29	A. Whidden.	6	A. K. Munroe.	Japan.	Dec. 27		
Sadie Turpel.	56	J. Anderson.	19	Donald Campbell.	Japan.	Jan. 19		Mch. 19, arrived Yokohama.
Supphire.	109	W. Cox.	8	E. B. Marvin & Co.	B. C. Coast	Jan. 23	45	Mch. 12, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 17.
San Jose.	31	M. Foley.	6	C. J. Kelly-Rithet & Co	B. C. Coast	Jan. 29		March 10, spoken at Clayquot by ss Mischief.
Saucy Lass.	32	B. Martin.	6	Alex. Ross.	Japan.	Jan. 11	8	Nootka Sound, thence March 9.
Shelby.	16	C. Claussen.	10	Louis Wille.	B. C. Coast	Feb. 13	117	Nootka Sound, thence Feb.
South Bend.	21			C. F. Dillon.				Put back to Becher Bay to change cook.
Teresa.	63	G. Meyer.	7	Thos. Babbington.	B. C. Coast	Feb. 1.	102	To sail in June
Triumph.	98	C. N. Cox.	8	E. B. Marvin & Co.	B. C. Coast	Jan. 23	74	April 26, returned to Victoria.
Umbriina.	93	C. Campbell.	25	R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd.	Japan.	Jan. 11		March 10, spoken at Clayquot by ss Mischief.
Venture.	48			A. Urquhart, Est.				March, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 19.
Vera.	60	Wm. Shields.	20	E. B. Marvin & Co.	Japan.	Jan. 18		Laid up.
Victoria.	63	R. Balcom.	5	S. Balcom-Marvin & Co	B. C. Coast	Jan. 29	60	March 4, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 19.
Viva.	92	M. Pike.	23	Wm. Munsie.	Japan.	Jan. 4.		Mch. 12, reported by ss Quadra in Dodges Cove.
Walter A. Earle.	63	L. Magnusen.	6	Thos. Earle.	B. C. Coast	Feb. 16		March 8, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 19.
Walter L. Rich.	76	S. Balcom.	6	Geo. E. Munroe.	B. C. Coast	Jan. 29		Becher Bay, thence February 22.
Wanderer.	25			H. Paxton-J. Leiser.				Ahouset thence March 11.
W. P. Sayward.	60			D. Urquhart, Est.				To sail in June for Behring Sea.
								Laid up.

A QUESTION IN FINANCE.

A man found a ten dollar bill. He paid the grocer and took a receipt. The grocer paid the real estate agent the money for rent. The agent paid the ten dollars to the man who owned the property, who happened to be the man who lost the bill. He deposited the bill in the bank and it was returned to him as a counterfeit. Was there anything lost or made by anybody in this series of transactions?

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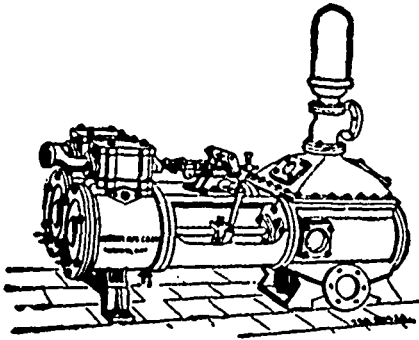
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SAN FRANCISCO COAL TRADE.

J. W. Harrison's San Francisco coal report dated April 20, says: During the week 15,552 tons of Coast coals and one cargo of Greta, 2,832 tons from Australia, have come to hand. Fully three-fourths of the northern coal arriving here this year, are British Columbia products, showing that consumers prefer this as a fuel, to the Washington coal, which is fast dropping out of this market, although it is protected by 40 cents per ton duty, and about 25 cents per ton less freight; yet with this fully 15 per cent advantage it cannot hold its former customers. One is bituminous, and the other is not even semi-bituminous, of which consumers have become fully aware.

There have been reports by cable of threatened strikes in the Australian collieries at Newcastle; the last mail just at hand makes no reference to any impending labor troubles. The closing of a few of a few of the principal collieries there, would soon make itself felt here, as the fuel market here is regulated principally by the import cost of Colonial coal. The low prices quoted for Swansea Anthracite have caused a marked increase in the loading list, besides this grade is becoming very popular with some of our large consumers.

VESSELS IN PORT.

(April 29, 1895.)

VANCOUVER.

Br. ship Earl of Hopetoun, 1,770 tons, Capt. Hall, arrived April 7, loading lumber for Adelaide.

Chil. bark Lake Lehman, 1,035 tons, Capt. Bozzo, arrived April 9, loading lumber for Valparaiso on owners' acct.

Br. ship Blatgowrie, 1,561 tons, Capt. Manson, arrived April 13, loading lumber for South Africa.

Am. schr. Volunteer, 571 tons, Capt. Morine, arrived April 13, loading lumber at Moodyville for Shanghai.

Am. schr. Compeer, 330 tons, Capt. Saracen, arrived April 22, loading lumber for San Francisco.

Br. ship Aigburh, 1,798 tons, Capt. Jones, arrived March 28—from Liverpool with general cargo H. Bell Irving & Co. for loading lumber for Valparaiso for orders.

Br. ship City of Florence, 1,246 tons, Capt. Leask, arrived April 17 from Liverpool with general cargo, to load lumber for Cork, U. K., for orders.

WESTMINSTER.

Am. bk'n. Mary Winkleman, 426 tons, Capt. Nissle, arrived April 6, loading lumber for California.

Am. schr. Falcon, 196 tons, Capt. Charleston, arrived April 10, loading lumber for California.

Am. schr. Lucy, 291 tons, Capt. Peterson, arrived April 16—loading lumber for California.

RECAPITULATION.

Ports.	No.	Tonnage
Vancouver.....	7	8,314
Westminster.....	3	1,916
Total.....	10	10,230
Previous week.....	16	18,583
Correspond'g week last year. 19		21,713
1894.....	26	36,305
1892.....	15	18,353

FOREIGN COAL SHIPMENTS.

The following are the New Vancouver Coal Co's shipments for the week ending April 27th:

Date.	Vessel and Destination.	Tons.
21	Willapa, str., Alaska.....	28
21	Wanderer, str., Port Townsend.....	50
23	Holyoke, str., Port Townsend.....	48
24	Wanderer, str., Port Townsend.....	40
24	Jabez Howes, ship, San Francisco.....	2,589
25	Angeles, s. r., Port Townsend.....	9
Total.....		2,761

FREIGHTS.

The market is reported higher and the current rates from San Francisco to Europe are now 27s 6d for prompt, and 35s for new crop loading. In the lumber trade vessels are not plentiful and freights are firm. Another salmon ship has been chartered, but the rate is private.

Lumber freights from British Columbia or Puget Sound are quoted as follows: Valparaiso for orders, 40s to 42s 6d; Sydney, 30s; Melbourne, direct 40s; Port Pirie, direct 38s 9d to 40s; United Kingdom, calling at Cork for orders, 65s; Shanghai 47s 6d; Tientsin 55s; South Africa, 63s 9d nominal.

Coal freights from Nanaimo or Departure Bay to San Francisco, \$1.75 to \$2.00, to San Diego or San Pedro, \$2.25 to \$2.50, all more or less nominal.

The Nelson Hydraulic Mining company has commenced piping.

It is reported that Chicago capitalists have acquired the Reelstoke smelter and will start it to work presently.

INCORPORATIONS.

The Finch Mining Co., Ltd., (foreign) capital stock \$6,000. Pittsburg, Penn., is head office.

The Brickbeck Investment, Security and Savings Co. of Toronto, Ltd. Capital stock \$5,000,000.

The Kamloops Canning and Preserving Co., Ltd., Kamloops. Capital stock \$10,000. Trustees, H. Bostock, R. E. Smith and J. H. Falconer.

The Kootenay Gold, Silver and Copper Mining Company, Vancouver. Capital stock \$100,000. Trustees, C. J. Mitchell, T. R. Morrow, and G. D. Scott.

The Vancouver Gold and Silver Exploration and Concessions Company, Vancouver. Capital stock \$500,000. Trustees, Johann Wulfsolm, Robt. G. Tatlow, A. Williams, Chas. Stimson, Robt. Hamilton, J. W. Campion and C. S. Douglas.

There is said to be a quantity of counterfeit Canadian 25c and 50c pieces in circulation in this city. The lettering is rough, otherwise the imitation is good. The coins are said to contain about fifteen cents worth of silver.

A company is being formed at Comox by D. R. Young to place the water of the Garvin spring, located near the Union wharf, on the market. It is a natural water and is said to contain valuable medicinal properties.

MEMORANDA.

Vessels on the way to British Columbia Ports.

- A—Via Suva, Fiji, April 21, and Honolulu May 2—due about May 11.
- C—Via Yokohama May 10—due May 22.
- B—Lumber for Santa Rosalia.
- D—Cargo of coals.
- E—To commence loading about May 15.
- F—To sail about May 15, via Hong Kong.
- G—Chartered to load props for Santa Rosalia.
- H—Chartered to load lumber for Shanghai at 47s 6d.
- I—Via San Diego, chartered for Salmon to U. K., September, loading.
- J—Lumber for California.
- K—Chartered for salmon to U. K. by R. P. & Co., Ltd.
- L—Via Yokohama April 19.
- M—Dec 28 passed Scilly. Spoken January 1, lat. 25° N. long. 11° W. January 22—lat. 21° S. long. 39° W. March 2, put into Stanley, partially dismantled, lost sails, bulwarks and chain plates damaged.
- N—Chartered for salmon to U. K. by Robt. Ward & Co., Ltd.
- O—March 4—Arrived Barbados.
- P—Chartered to load lumber.
- Q—Via Santa Barbara, reported chartered to load lumber at Vancouver for Adelaide at 38s 9d.
- S—Chartered to load lumber for Callao at 35s.
- T—Via San Diego with coal at 16s—thence to Royal Roads for orders.
- U—May, loading.
- V—Spoken March 2—lat. 35 N. long. 20 W.
- W—Spoken Feb. 8, lat. 40° N. long. 26° 07 W. Feb. 21, lat. 31 S. long. 48 W.
- X—Via Yokohama May 4—due May 18.

BRITISH COLUMBIA SALMON FLEET 1894.

FLAG.	NAME.	TNS	MASTER.	SAILED.	FROM.	FOR.	CASES.	VALUE.	RATE.	ARRIVED.
Br ship.	City of Glasgow	1168	Ferguson	October 2	Victoria	Liverpool	51,810	\$21,210	37s 6d	March 7
Br bark.	Northernhay	1221	Frame	October 17	Victoria	Liverpool	55,759	215,066	32s 6d	March 10
Br ship.	Clan Robertson	1510	Low	October 23	Fraser River	Liverpool	69,839	350,533	33s 9d	March 13
Br bark.	Corryvreckan	1229	Abbott	November 3	Victoria	London	55,311	270,370	36s 3d	March 25
Br bark.	Senta	1037	Tiemann	November 22	Fraser River	Liverpool	45,000	225,000	36s 3d	April 13
Br schr.	Rimac	885	Warn	Jan. 8	Victoria	London	33,933	195,003	38s 9d	.....

B. C. LUMBER FLEET, 1894.

FLAG.	NAME.	TNS	MASTER.	SAILED.	FROM.	FOR.	CARGO FT.	VALUE.	RATE.	ARRIVED.
Am ship.	Occidental	1170	Morse	Oct. 2	Victoria	Santa Rosalia	219,06	1,981	Private	Arrived
Am bark.	Newsboy	559	Molsted	Sept. 11	Vancouver	Sydney	662,607	5,231	31s 3d	Nov 9
Ital bark.	Cavour	1389	San Menter	Oct. 6	Vancouver	Callao	986,105	8,850	32s 6d	Arrived
Br ship.	Balachulish	186	Gowdey	Oct. 11	Moodyville	Valparaiso	1,593,210	12,500	32s 6d	July 7
Br ship.	Lismore	1593	Ferguson	Oct. 30	Vancouver	Buenos Ayres	1,221,499	9,350	78s 6d	Jan. 23
Am bktn.	Irigard	625	Schmidt	Oct. 6	Vancouver	Iquique	660,848	5,911	37s 6d	Dec. 23
Br bark.	Alexandra	1297	Barfield	Nov. 12	Vancouver	Calais	1,026,928	15,320	63s 9d	A
Am. schr.	R. W. Bartlett	435	Olsen	Oct. 20	Vancouver	Santa Rosalia	501,628	1,000	Private	Jan. 20
Am. brig.	Genova	471	Paulsen	Nov. 10	Vancouver	Iquique	751,219	4,570	Private	Jan. 16
Am. schr.	Sadie	235	Smith	Oct. 30	Westminster	San Francisco	110,000	2,870	Private	Arrived
Chil. bark.	India	953	Funke	Dec 27	Moodyville	Valparaiso	781,000	6,200	owners ac	B
Am ss.	Lakme	104	Bonfield	Nov 16	Vancouver	San Pedro	571,000	3,927	Private	Arrived
Am bark.	Colorado	1029	H. E. Jones	Dec 29	Vancouver	Sydney	765,091	6,901	32s 6d	March 7
Am. schr.	Bunlah	339	Johnson	Nov 23	Westminster	San Francisco	416,487	2,939	Private	Arrived
Am. bktn.	Marion	318	Gruner	Dec 23	Westminste	San Pedro	248,965	1,830	Private	Arrived
Am. ss.	Cosmopolis	267	Dettmers	Dec 20	Westminster	San Fran f o	332,250	2,780	Private	Arrived

A—Spoken March 8—Lat. 25 N. Long. 29 W. B—Spoken Jan. 31—Lat. 14 N. Long. 111 W.

B. C. LUMBER FLEET, 1895.

Am. schr.	Aida	507	Anderson	Jan. 11	Moodyville	Shanghai	620,600	6,400	43s	Arrived
Br bark.	Cadzow Forest	1068	McInnes	January 29	Vancouver	Melbourne	827,795	6,926	41s 3d	.....
Am. schr.	Glendale	251	Jorgenson	January 19	Vancouver	San Pedro	341,382	2,832	Private	.....
Am bark.	Wm. F. Witzemann	419	Olsen	January 31	Vancouver	San Pedro	493,000	1,716	Private	.....
Am. ss.	Lakme	104	Bonfield	January	Victoria	San Francisco	277,500	2,230	Private	.....
Am bktn.	G. C. Funk	512	Gla-er	January 21	Westminster	Los Angeles	606,647	4,259	Private	.....
Am. schr.	Boufah	339	Johnson	January 28	Westminster	San Pedro	337,800	4,033	Private	.....
Chil. ship.	Hudostan	1512	Welsh	Feb. 22	Moodyville	Valparaiso	1,206,875	9,566	owners ac	.....
Nic. bark.	Bundaleer	921	DeCampos	Feb. 12	Vancouver	Santa Rosalia	716,930	5,467	\$8.00	March 30
Br bark.	Carmoney	1255	Smyth	March 22	Vancouver	France	902,230	15,000	63s 3d	.....
Haw schr.	Queen City	300	Bjerre	Feb. 11	Vancouver	Kobe, Japan	169,069	2,472	Private	.....
Ger. bark.	Artemis	1107	Klock	March 22	Vancouver	Valparaiso	938,714	9,113	Private	.....
Am. bark.	Mc rose	514	Peterson	April 12	Cowichan	Santa Rosalia	500,000	3,500	Private	.....
Am. schr.	Falcon	196	Challeston	March 8	Westminster	Oakland, Cal.	235,666	.....	Private	.....
Am. schr.	Glendale	227	Jorgenson	March 11	Westminster	San Francisco	.....	3,650	Private	.....
Br bark.	Glanvor	1081	Williams	April 23	Vancouver	Cork, U. K. fo	788,951	12,500	Private	.....
Br ship.	Olivebank	2071	Petrie	April 25	Vancouver	South Africa	2,323,681	15,153	Private	.....
Haw. bark.	Leah	537	Johnston	March 23	Westminster	San Francisco	508,333	3,588	Private	.....
Am. bk'ne.	C. C. Funk	513	Glaser	April 4	Westminster	San Francisco	691,000	.....	Private	.....
Am. schr.	Olga	171	Ipsen	March 30	Westminster	California	598,450	3,869	Private	.....
Am. schr.	R. W. Bartlett	435	Olsen	April 17	Westminster	California	629,167	.....	Private	.....
Nic bktn.	Wrestler	417	.....	.....	Westminster	Shanghai	.....	.....	45s	.....
Am. schr.	Meteor	562	Volner	April 25	Vancouver	California	633,636	6,006	Private	.....
Am bk'ne.	Mary Winkelman	126	Nisile	.....	Westminster	California	.....	.....	Private	.....
Br ship.	Earl of Hopetoun	1770	Hall	.....	Westminster	Adelaide	.....	.....	43s	.....
Chil bark.	Luxe Lehman	1035	Bozzo	.....	Vancouver	Valparaiso f.o	.....	.....	Private	.....
Am. schr.	Falcon	196	Challeston	.....	Westminster	San Francisco	.....	.....	Private	.....
Am. schr.	Peerless	235	Luft	April 21	Vancouver	San Pedro	365,000	4,500	Private	.....
Br ship.	Bhairgowrie	1561	Manson	.....	Vancouver	South Africa	.....	.....	62s 6d	.....
Am. schr.	Volunteer	571	Morine	.....	Moodyville	Shanghai	.....	.....	47s 6d	.....
Am. schr.	Lucy	291	Peterson	.....	Westminster	California	.....	.....	Private	.....
Br ship.	City of Florence	1216	Leask	.....	Vancouver	Cork U. K. f.o	.....	.....	65s	.....
Am. schr.	Compeer	330	Sorensen	.....	Vancouver	San Francisco	.....	.....	Private	.....
Br. ship.	Aigburth	1738	Jones	.....	Vancouver	Valparaiso f.o	.....	.....	41s 3d	.....

VESSELS ON THE WAY TO BRITISH COLUMBIA PORTS

FLAG.	NAME.	TNS	MASTER.	SAILED.	FROM.	FOR.	CONSIGNEES OR AGENTS.	DAYS OUT.
Br bark.	Wythop	1281	Edwards	Jan. 3	W. Liverpool	Victoria & Van	Evans, Coleman & Evans	116
Br. ship.	Thomas Stephens	1169	Beiding	Dec. 27	M. Cardiff	Esquimalt	Naval Storekeeper	125
Dutch bk.	Van Galen	1510	Maars	March 29	N. Java	Vancouver	B. C. Sugar Refinery	32
Br bark.	Shakespeare	767	Todd	Feb. 22	V. Liverpool	Victoria	H. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd	67
Am. bk'no	Jane L. Stanford	922	Johnson	.....	C. Honolulu	Cowichan	Robt. Ward & Co., Ltd	.....
Nor. ship.	Prince Amadeo	1581	Steen	Feb. 28	P. Rio de Jan'ro	Vancouver	Hastings Saw Mill	33
Nor. ship.	Prince Frederick	1476	Cappelin	.....	P. Buenos Ayres	Vancouver	Hastings Saw Mill	.....
Ital. bark.	Cavour	1889	San Menter	.....	S. Callao	Vancouver	Hastings Saw Mill	.....
Br. ship.	Duke of Argyll	909	Goightley	Feb. 6	Q. Newcastle	Vancouver	Has ing's saw Mill	83
Br ss.	Empress of China	3063	Tillett	April 10	L. Hong Kong	Victoria & Van	C. P. S. S. Co., arrived April 30	20
Am. bark.	silverho	1177	Dougall	.....	M. Liverpool	Victoria & Van	Evans, Coleman & Evans	.....
Am. bark.	olorado	1035	Witmore	.....	T. Newcastle	Itoya & Roa Is	Victoria Lumber & Manfg. Co.	.....
Am. schr.	Alda	507	Anderson	.....	H. Sha. ghai	Moodyville	H. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd	.....
Br ship.	Ardmore	1012	White	.....	U. London	Victoria & Van	Robt Ward & Co., Ltd	.....
Br bark.	Lada	1211	Mos-enger	.....	L. Newcastle	Victoria	Turner, Beeton & Co	.....
Br. bark.	Sardhana	1119	Porter	April 1	D. Cardiff	Esquimalt	Naval Storekeeper	29
Br. schr.	Currie C. W	92	Fulton	Feb. 7	C. Halifax	Victoria	.....	82
Br ss.	Miwera	1911	Stolt	April 18	A. Sydney	Victoria & Van	C. A. S. S. Co.	12
Br ss.	Empress of India	3093	Marshall	May 1	H. Hong Kong	Victoria & Van	C. P. S. S. Co	.....
Br. ss.	Victoria	1922	Panton	April 27	N. Hong Kong	Victoria & Tac.	Godwell, Carllill & Co.	3
Br. ss.	Chittayong	1211	Davey	.....	F. Hong Kong	Vic & Portland	F. C. Davidge & Co. & Oregon R&N Co	.....
Am. bark.	Arcturus	1007	Sloan	.....	B. San Francisco	Vancouver	Hastings saw Mill	.....
Am. schr.	Comet	403	Thornstrum	.....	J. San Pedro	Westminster	Royal City Mills	.....
Br. bark.	Thermopylae	918	Winchester	.....	H. Hong Kong	Victoria	Victoria Rice Mills	.....
Br. bark.	Orthes	1171	McNeil	K. Yokohama
Br. bark.	John Gambles	1027	K. Java	Vancouver	B. C. Sugar Refinery

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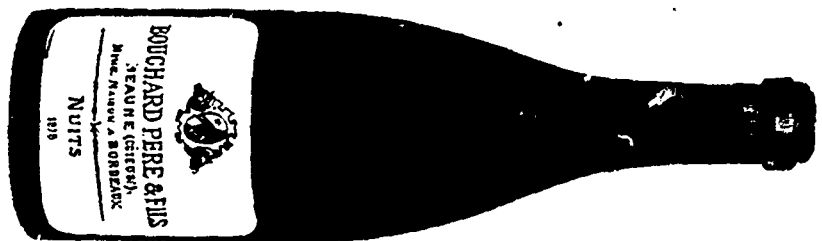
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