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# MONTHLY FREIGHT AND SHIPPING REPORT

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## R. P. RITHET & CO., LTD.

FOR

# JANUARY.

VICTORIA, B. C., January 31st, 1898.

After the close of the year grain freights receded a good deal, but have since recovered most of the fall in San Francisco, though rates from the north still remain on a lower basis. Chartering in any direction, however, is on a somewhat limited scale.

Lumber tonnage is, if possible, scarcer than ever, and as the rush to Klondike has now begun in earnest, every available steamer and all but a few of the sailing craft on the coast have been taken up, directly or indirectly, at advancing figures. Coal charters are now offered at nearly double the rates current only a short time ago, and they are comparatively much more profitable than lumber, which, of course, keeps vessels out of the latter trade.

From our annual salmon supplement which accompanies this circular, it will be seen that last year's pack was a record, over one million cases being put up. Such a result, however, is scarcely beneficial to the market at large, so a strong combination of canners and dealers has been entered into. Their objects are merely to regulate the prices of last year's pack and judiciously limit the quantity to be put up this season, with a view to placing the industry in a sounder position.

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**LUMBER.** British Columbia or Puget Sound to Sydney, 45s.  
 " " Melbourne or Adelaide, 52s. 6d.  
 " " Port Pirie, 50s.  
 " " Fremantle, 65s.  
 " " Yokohama, 45s.  
 " " Shanghai, 55s. to 57s. 6d.  
 " " Tientsin, 65s. to 67s. 6d.  
 " " Valparaiso, f. o., 50s. to 52s. 6d.  
 " " U. K. or Continent, 67s. 6d.

**NOTE.**—The above are more or less nominal owing to the absence of tonnage.

**THE LUMBER CHARTERS** reported during the month are :

Am. bark	Guy C. Goss,	1524 tons	Puget Sound to New York, private terms.
Nor. bark	Ellora,	1589 "	Burrard Inlet to Cape Town, 57s. 6d.
Br. bark	*Natuna,	1051 "	San Francisco to Adelaide, lump sum.
Am. schr.	†Golden Shore,	664 "	Puget Sound to Sydney, 37s. 6d.
Chil. bark	Latona,	929 "	Puget Sound to Guayaquil, private terms.
Am. schr.	Muriel,	483 "	Puget Sound to Hilo, private terms.
Am. schr.	John G. North,	320 "	Puget Sound to Honoipu, private terms.
Am. bark	Fresno,	1149 "	Puget Sound to Honolulu, private terms.
Nor. ship	Drammen,	1257 "	Puget Sound to St. Nazaire, 63s. 9d.
Am. schr.	W. H. Talbot,	743 "	Puget Sound to Honolulu, private terms.
Fr. str.	La Madeleine,	1101 "	Puget Sound to Guayaquil, 60s.
Am. bktn.	Newsboy,	559 "	Chemainus, V. I., to Tientsin, 65s.
Am. bktn.	Klikitat,	469 "	Puget Sound to Honolulu, private terms.
Am. ship,	W. J. Rotch,	1664 "	Puget Sound to New York, lump sum.
Am. bktn.	Jane L. Stanford,	922 "	Puget Sound to Melbourne, 47s. 6d.
Am. bktn.	Encore,	575 "	Puget Sound to Valparaiso, 50s.

\* Also carries merchandise. † Has the option of Melbourne or Adelaide at 45s. || Has the options of Adelaide or Port Pirie at same rate, and Sydney at 40s.; also the China option.

ARRIVALS, other than coasting vessels, during January :

- Br. str. Miowera, on 1st, from Sydney, via Honolulu, general cargo.
- Am. str. Cleveland, on 4th, from San Francisco, in distress.
- Br. str. Empress of Japan, on 10th, from China and Japan, general cargo.
- Am. bark Melrose, on 18th, from Santa Rosalia, in ballast.
- Br. ship Benicia, on 21st, from Liverpool, general cargo.
- Br. str. Braemar, on 25th, from China and Japan, general cargo.
- Br. str. Commonwealth, on 28th, from Kobe, in distress.
- Br. str. Warrimoo, on 29th, from Sydney, via Honolulu, general cargo.

DEPARTURES, other than coasting vessels, during January :

- Br. ship Senator, on 3rd, for Portland, to load wheat.
- Br. str. Empress of India, on 4th, for Japan and China, general cargo.
- Br. str. Victoria, on 8th, for Japan and China, general cargo.
- Br. str. Miowera, on 10th, for Sydney, via Honolulu, general cargo.
- Br. str. Empress of Japan, on 31st, for Japan and China, general cargo.

**British Columbia Salmon Fleet, 1897.**

NAME.	RIG.	TONS.	SAILED.	FROM	FOR	CARGO-CASES.	VALUE.	RATE.	ARRIVED.
Balmoro.....	Br. bk..	1333	Oct. 5	Fraser River.	Liverpool ..	68,177	\$272,708	28 9	Dec. 14
Irby .....	Br. ship.	1480	Oct. 8	Victoria.....	London ....	63,546	249,099	27 6	
Kohrewieder...	Ger. ship	1355	Oct. 12	Fraser River.	Liverpool ..	54,471	272,355	28 9	
Tekoa .....	Br. str...	2346	Oct. 22	do	Lypl. & Ldn.	111,000	444,000	40 0	
Silberhorn.....	Br. bk...	1853	Oct. 25	do	Liverpool ..	84,017	336,068	23 9	
City of Bezares	Br. ship.	1499	Nov. 5	do	London ....	70,707	295,505	37 6	
Lady Linn.....	Swed. sp.	1353	Nov. 10	Vic. & Fr. Riv.	Liverpool...	59,816	239,264	28 9	
Seestern.....	Ger. bk..	1446	Nov. 15	Victoria .....	London ....	65,410	287,745	27 6	
Irvine .....	Dan. bk..	612	Nov. 18	Fraser River.	Liverpool ..	27,087	115,090	28 9	
Iolanthe.....	Br. ship.	1593	Nov. 23	do	do	67,480	283,790	31 8	
Lebu.....	Br. bk...	728	Dec. 21	do	London ....	31,362	133,238	37 6	
Adelaide. ....	Ger. ship	1281	Dec. 31	do	do	54,093	229,895	28 9	

## British Columbia Lumber Fleet. (FOREIGN) 1897-8.

NAME.	RIG.	TONN.	SAILED.	FROM	FOR	CARGO.-FT.	VALU.	RATE.	ARRIVED
Ariadne.....	Ger. bark..	1702	Feb. 10	Vancouver.....	Valparaiso, f. o.....	1,808,508	11,984	35	April 4
Wythop.....	Br. bark...	1214	Feb. 11	do.....	Delagoa Bay.....	1,919,409	9,348	58 9	May 28
Khorasan.....	Ger. bark...	1035	Feb. 10	do.....	Guayaquil.....	1,894,292	.....	private	July 27
Speke.....	Br. ship...	2112	Feb. 12	Moodyville.....	Sydney.....	2,118,421	18,988	do	June 4
Blairlogie.....	Br. bark...	1525	Mar. 10	Vancouver.....	South Africa.....	1,289,169	11,564	do	July 2
Lydellhorn.....	Br. ship...	2728	Feb. 17	Chemainus.....	Sydney.....	2,270,911	19,452	30	May 0
Vorbens.....	Br. ship...	1719	Mar. 29	Moodyville.....	Australia.....	1,294,292	12,125	private	June 31
Province.....	Br. ship...	1696	Feb. 20	do.....	Fremantle.....	1,248,922	11,467	48 9	May 4
Addenda.....	Am. bktn.	617	Feb. 11	Chemainus.....	Tientsin.....	810,472	8,477	50	April 30
Rosalie.....	Am. bark...	654	Jan. 30	do.....	Geardilton.....	504,828	4,182	35	Honolulu
Kinkora.....	Br. bark...	1799	Mar. 21	Vancouver.....	Cork, f. o.....	1,804,781	12,375	58 9	Wrecked
Arnold.....	Ger. bark...	828	Mar. 12	do.....	Gibraltar.....	619,085	7,483	45	July 19
Katie Flickinger.....	Am. bark...	425	Feb. 20	do.....	Yokohama.....	602,282	7,373	45	April 19
Pass of Molfort.....	Br. ship...	2100	April 1	do.....	Delagoa Bay.....	1,918,679	15,619	58 9	July 30
Oread.....	Br. bark...	774	Mar. 12	do.....	do.....	629,549	5,051	60	June 18
E. K. Wood.....	Am. schr...	495	Feb. 21	Chemainus.....	Tientsin.....	669,451	5,317	private	June 27
Dudhopo.....	Br. ship...	1903	Mar. 30	do.....	Liverpool.....	1,570,378	15,378	50	Aug. 30
Melrose.....	Am. bark...	914	Mar. 9	Cowichan.....	Santa Rosalia.....	.....	.....	private	Arrived
Eivion.....	Br. bark...	1138	April 16	Vancouver.....	Cape Town.....	943,000	10,500	80	Aug. 4
Alexandra.....	Br. bark...	1237	Mar. 30	do.....	Geardilton.....	1,012,781	10,653	private	July 21
Argowan.....	Ger. bark...	1253	April 5	do.....	Valparaiso.....	1,021,924	10,864	32a. 6l.	June 28
Dunboyne.....	Br. ship...	1389	May 18	do.....	Cork, f. o.....	1,071,983	8,567	52 6	Oct. 27
Waterloo.....	Br. ship...	1792	May 27	Moodyville.....	C. K. direct.....	1,579,801	11,458	50	Oct. 22
Eva.....	Br. str.....	1926	April 12	Vancouver.....	Yokohama.....	1,984,916	14,354	30	May 5
Hawaiian Isles.....	Haw. ship...	2027	May 18	do.....	Shanghai.....	1,835,543	16,861	40	July 31
Crown of India.....	Br. ship...	1855	April 27	Chemainus.....	Liverpool.....	1,539,891	14,886	50	Sept. 13
Robert Suddon.....	Am. bktn.	585	April 19	do.....	Shanghai.....	711,764	6,104	42 9	June 27
Wachusett.....	Am. ship...	1519	May 4	do.....	Sydney.....	1,183,000	8,918	31 3	July 3
King Cyrus.....	Am. schr...	697	April 29	Vancouver.....	Shanghai.....	869,531	7,251	40	July 12
John Smith.....	Am. bktn.	526	May 11	do.....	Delagoa Bay.....	611,655	4,500	55	Aug. 30
Fritz's Isle.....	Br. ship...	1715	June 19	do.....	U. K. or Continent.....	1,274,299	18,735	57 6	Dec. 7
Wrestler.....	Nic. bark...	447	May 26	New Westminster.....	Valparaiso f. o.....	575,000	4,900	private	Aug. 14
Comot.....	Nic. bark...	672	May 21	do.....	Shanghai.....	443,000	3,514	own. acct.	Aug. 14
Fantasi.....	Nor. bark...	1782	June 24	Vancouver.....	Cork f. o.....	947,469	12,575	67 6	Dec. 13
Pomona.....	Br. bark...	1046	July 18	Moodyville.....	Fremantle.....	866,898	.....	47 6	Sept. 28
Annie Thomas.....	Br. ship...	1807	June 22	do.....	Port Pirie.....	1,520,979	.....	35	Oct. 2
Aletto.....	Nor. bark...	1206	July 3	Vancouver.....	Japan.....	1,044,389	12,790	private	Wrecked
British Yoman.....	Br. ship...	1893	July 21	Chemainus.....	Liverpool.....	1,566,849	12,186	do	Dec. 14
Honolulu.....	Haw. bark...	916	June 11	Salt Spring Island.....	Santa Rosalia.....	.....	.....	do	Arrived.
St. Katherine.....	Am. bark...	1193	July 10	Chemainus.....	Shanghai.....	1,015,859	8,881	do	Sept. 19
North Riding.....	Br. ship...	1871	July 26	Moodyville.....	Sydney.....	1,062,604	9,274	do	Sept. 24
Melrose.....	Am. bark...	914	July 29	Salt Spring Island.....	Santa Rosalia.....	.....	.....	do	Sept. 10
Florence Stella.....	Br. ship...	1170	Aug. 6	Moodyville.....	Fremantle.....	932,311	7,538	50	Nov. 26
Astracana.....	Br. ship...	1572	Sept. 2	Chemainus.....	Queenboro.....	1,106,346	15,177	57	.....
Inca.....	Am. schr...	902	July 24	do.....	Port Pirie.....	1,299,910	9,099	34	Oct. 16
Echo.....	Am. bktn.	650	Aug. 6	do.....	Tientsin.....	895,337	6,781	47 6	Oct. 28
Elisa.....	Chil. ship...	915	Aug. 16	do.....	Antofagasta.....	749,950	7,115	own. acct.	.....
Golden Shore.....	Am. schr...	684	Aug. 28	Vancouver.....	Shanghai.....	865,373	7,580	43 9	Arrived
Ensenada.....	Br. bktn.	699	Sept. 1	Moodyville.....	Buena Ayres.....	833,500	6,421	40	Dec. 9
Louisiana.....	Am. ship...	1365	Sept. 9	Chemainus.....	Melbourne.....	1,092,523	8,086	private	prev Dec. 17
Patterson.....	Br. ship...	1169	Sept. 26	Moodyville.....	Fremantle.....	756,070	6,315	48 9	Jan. 6
Carrier Dove.....	Am. schr...	672	Sept. 14	do.....	Melbourne.....	810,030	7,539	37 6	abt Dec. 10
Robert Suddon.....	Am. bktn.	585	Sept. 29	do.....	Sydney.....	671,293	6,192	39	abt Nov. 30
J. M. Griffith.....	Am. bktn.	575	Sept. 14	Salt Spring Island.....	Santa Rosalia.....	.....	.....	private	Dec. 31
Guardian.....	Am. bktn.	1073	Nov. 8	do.....	do.....	.....	.....	private	Dec. 21
King Cyrus.....	Am. schr...	667	Oct. 7	Chemainus.....	Sydney.....	889,454	7,508	32	Jan. 18
General Fairchild.....	Am. bark...	1307	Oct. 18	Moodyville.....	Adelaide.....	1,150,756	9,940	37 6	Arrived
Amarapoora.....	Br. str.....	1619	Oct. 31	do.....	Tientsin.....	1,252,613	9,735	37 6	.....
Kambira.....	Br. ship...	1685	Nov. 28	Vancouver.....	United Kingdom.....	.....	.....	57 6	.....
Colusa.....	Am. bark...	1129	Dec. 22	Chemainus.....	Port Pirie.....	.....	.....	57 6	.....
Pamella.....	Ger. bark...	1361	Jan. 3	Vancouver.....	Cork, f. o.....	945,971	6,551	25	.....
John A. Briggs.....	Am. ship...	1997	Jan. 27	Chemainus.....	Sydney.....	1,565,408	11,500	28	.....
Wrestler.....	Nic. bark...	447	Loading.	Cowichan.....	Sydney.....	.....	.....	private	.....
Ellora.....	Nor. bark...	1539	do	Vancouver.....	Cape Town.....	.....	.....	57 6	.....
Senator.....	Br. bark...	1478	do	do.....	London.....	.....	.....	67 6	.....
Melrose.....	Am. bark...	914	do	Cowichan.....	Santa Rosalia.....	.....	.....	private	.....