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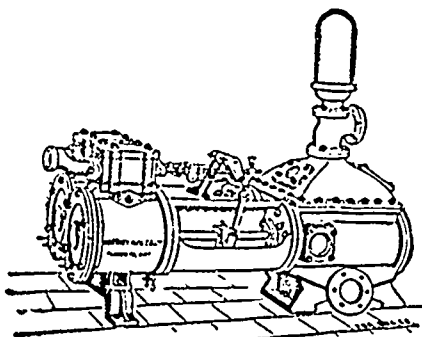
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B. C. CUSTOMS RETURNS.

The following is a summary of the customs returns for the four ports of the Province of British Columbia for the month of November, 1891:

IMPORTS.

	VICTORIA	VANCOUVER	WESTM'S'R	NANAIMO	TOTAL
Dutiable Goods	\$18,951 00	\$51,235 00	\$36,380 00	\$11,688 00	\$218,237 00
Free Goods	22,155 00	10,531 00	5,839 00	759 00	39,307 00
Total Imports	\$41,106 00	\$61,766 00	\$42,219 00	\$12,447 00	\$257,549 00

REVENUE.

	VICTORIA	VANCOUVER	WESTM'S'R	NANAIMO	TOTAL
Duty Collected	\$51,933 30	\$20,133 99	\$11,519 95	\$5,451 15	\$89,101 39
Other Revenue	2,220 01	1,815 78	123 41	97 48	4,331 71
Total Collections	\$54,153 31	\$21,949 77	\$11,643 36	\$5,548 63	\$93,433 10

EXPORTS.

	VICTORIA	VANCOUVER	WESTM'S'R	NANAIMO	TOTAL
The Mine	\$13,991 00	\$5,575 00	\$113,117 00	\$231,468 00	\$397,151 00
The Fisheries	112,117 00	17,110 00	226,121 00		385,350 00
The Forest	915 00	27,362 00	2,395 00		31,303 00
Animals and their produce	17,177 00	2,100 00	1,175 00		20,752 00
Agricultural	4,717 00	2,926 00	7 00		7,650 00
Manufactures	6,914 00	1,653 00	1,690 00	17 00	13,301 00
Miscellaneous	18,888 00	310 00			19,228 00
Total Exports	\$265,109 00	\$60,366 00	\$231,185 00	\$236,065 00	\$965,638 00

* \$3,400 Gold Coin, \$378 Silver Coin.

TRADE AND COMMERCE

COMMERCIAL JOURNAL OFFICE,
Tuesday Morning, Dec. 18.

VICTORIA.

Nearly all attention is being given to the retail trade and holiday business is brisk. The sailing fleet are preparing for next season's operations. The schooners are being overhauled and will ship crews shortly. They will commence to clear after the new year for the Japan Coast. The only feature of the market is the continued decline of cured meats and lard. Collections continue slow.

The Vancouver News-Advertiser says: "Trade continues steady and most retailers report that they are fairly busy. The Christmas trade this year in spite of dull times being reported is up to that of former years. Collections are fairly good at present. Though the lumber trade is at present very quiet, the local mills are kept fairly busy, and during the past week two vessels have arrived on the Fraser to load for California. Since the change in the United States tariff, lumber can now be shipped to the States with a profit and it is thus expected that quite a trade will be worked up. In wholesale, merchants report trade as fairly brisk at present. There is not much to note this week, except the decline in meats, which are lower than for a long time past."

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

The feature of the market is the drop in cured meats, lard and lard compound. All these lines are weak and quotations are lower. Large offerings of hogs at packing centres is said to be the cause of the weakness. New Grenoble walnuts

have arrived. Both jobbers and retailers have been anxiously looking for them. Large supplies of Smyrna figs are also to hand.

Sugar—Jobbers' prices half-barrels and kegs in each case being $\frac{1}{2}$ c higher:

Dry Granulated (China) 100-sack	4 50
Extra C, China	4 37 $\frac{1}{2}$
China, yellow	4 12 $\frac{1}{2}$
Dry Granulated (B. C. Refinery)	4 17
Extra C	4 13
Fancy Yellow	4 12
Yellow	4 11
Golden C	4 11
Cubes	6 1
Powdered	6 1
Syrups, per lb.	3
" 1 gal. tins, American (10)	5 50
" 1 " " Vancouver	5 50
" 1 " "	5 50
" 1 " "	7 00

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

Helmet brand sugar cured hams, medium	0 14
" " " heavy	0 13 $\frac{1}{2}$
" " " breakfast bacon	0 14
Fancy Gold Band hams	0 15 $\frac{1}{2}$
" " " breakfast bacon	0 16

Jobbers quote as follows:

Liverpool salt, coarse, in 100-lb bags, per ton	11 00
Liverpool salt, fine, in 50-lb bags, per ton	16 00
Portland cement, White's (best), per bbl.	3 00
White mottled soap, English, in 112-lb bxs	8 50
" " " quarter boxes	
28 lbs, per cwt.	8 75
Malt vinega English, 25-gal. bbls.	11 25
" " " octaves	6 00
" " " cases of 3 doz., per cs	5 50
Matches, block, in tins, Victoria	1 25
" " " California	1 20
Macaroni, No. 1, 10-lb bxs.	80 @ 90
Vermicelli, 10-lb bxs.	80
Coal oil, per case	2 80
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.	

The British Columbia Sugar Refinery quotes prices as follows, delivered in warehouse at Vancouver or Victoria, payment by spot cash:

Granulated, in bbls. or 100-lb bags	1 1/2
Yellow, according to quality	1 to 1 1/2
Paris lumps, in bbls. or 100-lb bags	3 1/2
Powdered icing and bars, in bbls.	6 1/2

Jobbers quote:

Valencia raisins	per lb	\$ 6 @ \$ 6 1/2
Valencia Layers	per lb	7 @ 7 1/2
Malaga raisins	per box	3 00 @ 3 25
California London Layers	per box	2 00 @ 2 25
Currants (barrels)	per lb	5 @
" half bbls.	per lb	0 @ 0
" (cases)	per lb	5 @ 0
Sultana raisins	per lb	8 @ 10
Paragon almonds	per lb	17 @ 18
Grenoble walnuts	per lb	16 @ 17
Brazil Nuts	per lb	16 @ 0
Shelled Almonds	per lb	32 1/2 @
Smyrna Figs	per lb	16 @ 0
" " "	11-oz box each	12 1/2 @
Filberts	per lb	11 1/2 @ 12 1/2

Dairy produce is quoted:

Butter—Eastern Creamery, tubs	26 @ 27
Manitoba dairy	18 @ 20
" " creamery in tins	27 @ 29
" " " in tubs	26 @ 00
Cheese—Canadian, lb.	13 @ 11
Canadian Stilton	17 @ 18
Eggs Canadian	per doz 21 @ 22

Smoked meats and lard are quoted:

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

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Australian oranges are over for the season, and it is also stated that the last shipment of Australian lemons has been received by the Warrimoo. Bananas are in poor demand, in fact no sale is reported by some importers. The receipts will be small until next spring. Silverskin onions have advanced $\frac{1}{2}$ c per lb

Jobbers' quotations for fruits are as follows:

Oranges—Japanese	0 10 @ 0 15
" California Navals	4 60 @ 4 75
" " Seedlings	3 25 @ 3 75
Lemons—California (Johnson's)	6 25 @ 0 50
" Australian	2 75 @ 0 00
Apples—California	1 35 @ 1 65
" Oregon	1 35 @ 1 50
Cocoanuts	per 100 8 00 @ 9 00
Pears	1 65 @ 1 75
Bananas—bunches	1 25 @ 0 00
" crates	2 75 @ 0 00

Vegetables are quoted:

Onions—Silverskins	per lb 1 1/2 @ 2
Cabbage	per lb 2 @
Potatoes	per ton 15 00 @ 18 00

FLOUR AND FEED.

There are no changes in the market and all quotations are steady. The wheat market is reported unsettled and is expected to advance.

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

Ogilvie's Hungarian	\$1 20
" Strong Bakers	4 00

The Columbia Flouring Mills quote Enderby flour in carload lots on wharf in Victoria :

Premier.....	\$1 00
XXX.....	3 85
Strong Bakers or XX.....	3 10
Superflne.....	3 15

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

Delta.....	\$3 50
Victoria XXX.....	3 60
Superflne.....	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
Superflne.....	3 25 @ 0 00
Premier, Enderby mills.....	1 25 @ 0 00
XXX, ".....	1 10 @ 0 00
XX, ".....	3 65 @ 0 00
Superflne, ".....	3 40 @ 0 00
Ogilvie's Hungarian.....	4 55 @ 0 00
Strong Bakers.....	4 05 @ 0 00
H. B. C. Fort Garry Hungarian..	4 55 @ 0 00
" Strong Bakers.....	4 05 @ 0 00
Oak Lake Patent Hungarian.....	4 55 @ 0 00
" Strong Bakers.....	4 05 @ 0 00
Regina Hungarian.....	4 55 @ 0 00
" Strong Bakers.....	4 05 @ 0 00
Benton County, Oregon.....	3 75 @ 0 00
Portland Roller.....	3 75 @ 3 85
Vashon, Washington.....	3 90 @ 0 00
Snowflake.....	3 75 @ 0 00
Gold Drop.....	3 75 @ 0 00
Wheat, per ton.....	25 00 @ 00 00
Oats.....	27 00 @ 30 00
Oil cake meal.....	35 00 @ 50 00
Chop feed—California.....	27 50 @ 00 00
" Washington.....	22 50 @ 00 00
Shorts.....	20 00 @ 25 00
Bran.....	17 00 @ 20 00
National Mills oatmeal.....	3 50 @ 0 00
" rolled oats (90 lbs. sks).....	3 50 @ 0 00
" " 10 7s, baled.....	3 00 @ 0 00
" split peas.....	3 50 @ 0 60
" 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 @ 00 00
Peas, field.....per ton	10 00 @ 00 00
Cornmeal.....	2 40 @ 2 75
Cornmeal-feed.....per ton	40 00 @ 00 00
Cracked corn.....	37 00 @ 00 00
Hay, per ton.....	15 00 @ 18 00
Straw, per bale.....	1 00 @ 0 00

RICE.

The Victoria Rice Mills quote wholesale :

Japan rice, per ton.....	\$ 75 00 @ 80 00
" (polished).....	90 00 @ 00 00
Best China rice.....	80 00 @ 100 00
China rice No. 1.....	68 00 @ 0 00
" " (sacks).....	65 00 @ 00 00
Rice flour.....	70 00
Broken rice.....	30 00
Rice Meal.....	17 50

LUMBER.

The American steam schooner Cosmopolis, 267 tons, Capt. Dettmers, has arrived at Westminster, and is loading at the Royal City Mills for San Pedro. The British bark Cadzow Forest, 1,068 tons, Capt. McInnes, arrived Dec. 16 at Royal Roads from Honolulu, for orders, and will load at Hastings Mill for Melbourne, at 41s 3d. There have been no clearances. The Colorado, loading for Sydney will probably finish loading early this week.

The following vessels are loading lumber at British Columbia ports for foreign : At Hastings Mill—Chil. bark India, 953

tons, for Valparaiso. Am. bark Colorado, 1,036 tons. Am. schr. Aida, 507 tons, for Shanghai. Br. bark Cadzow Forest, 1,068 tons, for Melbourne. At Westminster, Am. bktnc. Marion, 348 tons, for San Francisco. Am. ss. Cosmopolis, 267 tons, for San Pedro. Total, 6 vessels, 4,179 tons.

The following are the current city quotations, not 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.

Quotations for Douglas Fir Lumber in cargo lots for foreign shipment : Rough Merchantable, ordinary sizes, in lengths to 40 feet inclusive, per M feet...\$ 8 00 Deck plank, rough, average length, 35 feet per M..... 19 00 Dressed T. and G. flooring, per M..... 15 00 Pickets, rough per M..... 8 00 Laths, 4 feet 6 in. per M..... 1 90

BUSINESS NOTES.

Dr. A. M. Watson will practice his profession at Alberni.

H. Stadthagen, grocer, Victoria, advertises business for sale.

Newitt Bros., grocers, Vancouver, sold out to A. F. McNeally.

Robert Oschner, brewery, Vernon, advertises business for sale.

J. W. Howarth, jeweller, Kamloops, is adding stock of stationery.

W. W. Bruner, M. D., contemplates practicing at Three Forks.

Rounsfell & Co., watches, jewellery, etc., has opened at Wellington.

E. P. Suydon is applying for sufficient water for a mill on Boundary Creek.

Mrs. McManus, postmistress, Northfield, has opened a fancy goods stock.

Fred Schwarz, Colonial Hotel, Westminster, has assigned to William Tietjen.

The Ross Packing Co's saltery, at Steveston, has been totally destroyed by fire.

J. N. Moore, butcher, wholesale and retail, has commenced business at Kamloops.

Kennedy & Porter, have bought out W. Harrison, stationer and newsdealer, Kaslo.

Spratt & Gray, machinery depot, Victoria, have dissolved. A. K. Munroe retires.

The Slocan Store Co., general merchandise, Three Forks, are applying for incorporation.

Haywood & Burton, Boulder Saloon, Vancouver, have sold out to Ed. Sim and J. K. Cowan.

John Coltart, real estate and insurance

agent, Victoria, has admitted P. B. Eton into partnership.

Drs. R. and R. H. Higginbotham, veterinary surgeons, have removed from Chilliwack to Vancouver.

It is reported that McCartney & Co., druggists, Nanaimo, are negotiating for the sale of their business.

Green Bros., general merchants, Kaslo, have opened a branch at Three Forks, with R. J. Stenson manager.

J. W. Hollinshead, flour and feed, Chilliwack, has admitted W. C. Foster into partnership under style of Hollinshead & Co.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Notice is hereby given that on the 9th inst. the light and fog signal on Tillamook Rock were totally disabled by a hurricane and will be re-established as early as practicable.

Until the light flashing white every five seconds is re-established, a fixed white lens lantern will be shown from the tower rising from the centre of the dwelling.

This notice effects the List of Lights and Fog Signals, Pacific Coast, 1894, page 16, No. 913, and the list of Beacons and Buoys, Pacific Coast, page 32.

By order of the Lighthouse Board :
O. W. FARENHOLT,

Commander, U. S. Navy,
Inspector 13th L. H. Dis.
Office of the Lighthouse Inspector,
Portland, Oregon, 13th December, 1894.

FOREIGN COAL SHIPMENTS.

The following are the New Vancouver Coal Co's shipments for the week ending December 15 :

Date.	Vessel and Destination.	Tons.
7.	Sea Lion, str., Port Townsend...	52
8.	Wilna, bark, San Francisco.....	2,312
11.	Cosmopolis, str., San Francisco.....	60
11.	Gen. Fairchild, bark San Francisco	2,321
12.	Tacoma, str., Port Townsend.....	87
13.	Wanderer, str., Port Townsend.....	50
14.	Portland, str., San Francisco.....	1,282
Total.....		6,161

The Government Bill, based on Mr. Kellie's resolution to establish a mining bureau, has taken its second reading in the Provincial Legislature. The Minister of Mines explained that the cost at the start would not be very high, an assayer and an analyst being already in the service, and only the minor officials were necessary. On the plea of unnecessary expense, the leader of the Opposition opposed the bill, but it is generally regarded as a wise measure. Much of the future of this Province depends on the mines and this ought not to be forgotten.

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THE OLD PREMIER AND
THE NEW.

The Dominion of Canada is again in mourning. Within a little more than three years it has lost three premiers, Sir John Macdonald, Sir John Abbott and, last of all, Sir John Thompson. The record of the first two named need not be recapitulated, nor, indeed, need that of the last. During their respective terms of office special qualifications were needed for the First Minister. In the case of Sir John Macdonald, a leader was required who had the paramount qualifications of being able to consolidate divergent interests and to unify what might almost be termed different and distinct peoples, though they were British subjects. When Hon. Mr. Abbott came into office a man was wanted, who at a period of racial and religious heart-burnings could conduct affairs so moderately and judiciously as not to further wound already tortured susceptibilities. When Sir John Thompson attained power normal conditions had been resumed and it was even possible to place the destinies of the country in the hands of a gentleman belonging to the religious minority in the Dominion, and permit matters to shape themselves in the direction of still further developing the interests of the country both at home and abroad.

Sir John Thompson proved himself to be eminently well qualified to discharge the duties of the most serious importance with

which he was entrusted and has bequeathed to his successor a prosperous and contented country to all appearance proof against the occurrence of any great injury on account of misunderstandings of race or religion. To demonstrate this we have the fact of the new Premier being a pronounced adherent of a religious denomination regarded as at the very antipodes of that of his predecessor. We believe that Hon. Mr. Bowell will worthily and most effectively discharge all the duties devoting upon him in his high office of First Minister and anticipate that under him the political departure, whatever its extent, will be in the direction of still further improving and increasing our commercial connection both at home and abroad. From the case of the newspaper compositor the Premier of Canada rose through his own unaided merits to the first position on the journal with which he was connected, and in politics he has scaled the ladder rung by rung until he can now survey from the top how much room there is all around him for the exercise of the latent talent, which, after years of hard, steady and successful work there is yet left for him to still further develop.

SIR CHARLES H. TUPPER.

The Dominion Minister of Marine, it is to be regretted, was deprived of the opportunity of completing his inquiries into the subject of the salmon industry of this Province, having been summoned to Ottawa by the sudden death of his leader, Sir John Thompson, who was called away after having attained what may be fairly considered to have been the summit of his ambition. The visit of Sir Charles H. Tupper may, however, be said to have been upon the whole eminently satisfactory, his public speeches and the assurances given by him to deputations and

individuals having demonstrated that the object of the Government is to do the right and proper thing by the different industries and interests of the province, while as regards relations and individuals, the whole of the circumstances would not fail to have full consideration. We specially refer to the case of the Postoffice employes. This subject, Sir Charles assured his hearers at the meeting in the Victoria Theatre, would be reconsidered in view of the facts which had been brought to the attention of the Government after Sir Adolphe Caron's ultimatum was dispatched. The Minister did not hesitate to admit that there is a good deal in connection with the matter which, if known at Ottawa, might alter the Government's opinion. As to the terminal port for the Oriental steamships, it was shown that it was a matter which rested with the Canadian Pacific authorities. With respect to the San Pedro, it was stated that the owners were still engaged removing material from the wreck and had caused it to be properly lighted so as to prevent accident; moreover, when they abandoned it, proper electric lights would be placed there by the Government so as to sufficiently warn vessels of danger. Sir Charles Tupper made an able and lucid exposition of the Government's general policy, the announcement not being made, as he said, after the general elections, but so as to give the Opposition every chance of showing the electors, if they can, a more excellent way of administering the affairs of the country.

It was demonstrated that the Government had a policy by whose general principles they were prepared to stand or fall. They had, it was proved, a policy which, while they would not change it at the dictation of individuals or cliques, whose opposition was for the mere sake of opposition, would not be regarded as as unchangeable as that of the

Modes and Persians, when the true interests of the country demand alterations. The Minister of Marine showed himself to be a man of real grit, which cannot be said of the talented and respected Liberal leader, Mr. Laurier, and those who accompanied him on his recent missionary tour. Those gentlemen came here to convert those whom they regarded as political heathen; but the fact of their having no new gospel to preach, being in fact rooted and grounded in no kind of faith, they weakened their cause, and but for the local issues which, however, were satisfactorily disposed of by the Minister of Marine, rendered the work of the last named when here all the more effective.

TRADE WITH AUSTRALIA.

The steamship Warrimoo of the Canadian-Australian line returned to Victoria and Vancouver during the week, and has sailed again for home. Her incoming cargo was comparatively light, but she took out again a fair passenger and freight list. The prospects of this line would seem to be improving. Both the Warrimoo and the Miowera have been fitted with the latest and most improved cold storage apparatus, and are now in every way appointed for the expected important and increasing trade to be done between Canada and the Antipodean colonies.

Mr. J. S. Larke, Canadian Trade Commissioner to Australia, was a passenger on the Warrimoo. He had interviews while here with the Board of Trade as well as business men from the Mainland, to whom he outlined his plans, and who gave him a number of suggestions as to the work he had undertaken. While going, as he said, to pave the way for business, he urged Canadian manufacturers and exporters to visit the colonies and ascertain what the market would take and then send men to place the goods. Mr. Larke

said he would be better able to tell the prospects after he had been in Australia, and would on his arrival be glad to answer every enquiry addressed to him from Canada and give all information possible. He does not doubt for a moment that Canada will get her full share of the trade.

What must be done is to first of all find out what the Australians want—and then supply it. Canadians can, he holds, compete successfully, both as regards quality and price, with the United States in almost everything that the latter country now sends to Australia. The pioneers of Canadian trade with Australia have made in several cases the mistake, discouraging to them, of sending consignments out without making any preparation for their intelligent introduction. The result was only natural; the consignments were a loss to the shippers.

It is said the Australians are somewhat slow in making their financial returns, but this is no doubt to be accounted for by the fact of their isolated position having left them somewhat off the track of the ordinary business methods which obtain on this continent, the British merchant, too, not having in the past been so prompt in his demands as his American rival has been.

AN INSOLVENT LAW.

We are glad to have the assurance of Sir Charles H. Tupper that the Insolvent Bill which passed the Senate last session will be revived this year. The whole Dominion requires uniform legislation on this important subject. For want of it business has materially suffered, and well-recognized wrongs as between man and man have been allowed to pass without any redress being obtainable. In fact in many cases what has been the reverse of honest and

square-dealing has been regarded as perfectly legitimate by men whose only consideration was that they should not get left in the case of a business disaster. It has been possible under the ordinary local laws relating to the collections for debt for snap judgments to shut out not only distant but local creditors who happened to be a little slow in getting in their work. On this account confidence between wholesalers and retailers has been weakened, many of the latter having been restricted in their dealings to those who before the delivery of their goods arranged for a dead sure thing as regarded the collections, and in addition charged all sorts of prices and levied usurious interest on men whom their action at no distant date forced to suspend operations. We do really hope that an Insolvency law will not longer be delayed. As Mr. Robert Ward observed, Canada is the only one of the colonies of Great Britain which does not possess such a law.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

It is announced that Mr. R. P. Rithet, of Victoria, and other gentlemen, have purchased a beautiful Hawaiian plantation about twelve miles outside of Honolulu, which during favorable years has paid 40 to 50 per cent. on its capital stock, and is capable of still further development. In ten years it has paid half a million dollars in dividends to its stockholders.

The Winnipeg *Commercial* explains that though the price is low there is a better market for all the wheat and flour Manitoba and the Northwest can produce, than is to be found in India and China, "It would not," it says, "be sound economic policy to reduce prices in Manitoba to 20 cents per bushel and under in order to compete with the Pacific Coast for the Asiatic flour trade, when we can pay 40 to 45 cents for our wheat to ship East."

DAIRY PRODUCE.

The Montreal *Trade Bulletin* says: Butter receipts during the past week were 2,633 pkgs., against 1,722 pkgs., for the week previous. The market is dull and easy, except for finest fall creamery, which is in demand for local purposes, and has been sold at 21½c to 22c in good sized lots; but earlier makes have sold at 16c to 18c, and are slow of sale at that range. The export trade is dull, and "what is going forward to the English market," said a shipper, "is on consignment. I am shipping a lot this week." Dairy butter is quiet, there being very little call for it, the demand being chiefly for creamery. We quote prices as follows:

Creamery, finest fall	21c to 22c per lb
Creamery, early made	16c to 18½c per lb
Eastern Townships dairy	15c to 19c "
Western	11c to 16c "

Add 1c to 2c per lb. to above for single tubs of selected.

Cheese receipts during the past week were 6,669 boxes against 3,443 for the week previous. A fair amount of business has been done during the week in under-priced goods over the cable, and even choice Septembers have been placed, showing a profit. Probably 10,000 boxes and over have been sold during the past few days. It is probable there will not be any extensive movement until after the holidays, when the demand as usual will commence. We quote:

Finest Western colored	10c to 10½c
" " white	10c to 10½c
" Quebec	9½c to 10c
Under grades	8c to 9½c
Cable	50s 6d

DRY GOODS.

The Toronto *Empire* says: "A prominent feature in dry goods this week was the satisfactory manner in which payments were met on the 4th of the month. Remittances from all parts of the country were large, and all classes of customers are reported to have met engagements unusually well. The large remit-

tances are reflected on this week's bank clearings. Current trade is much on the same lines as it was last week. Fancy articles of all sorts for the holiday trade are in active demand, but, as is to be expected, these do not make up large parcels. As the season grows colder, further sorting orders are brought to hand. This week there has been good enquiry for flannels, flannelettes, blankets, knitted goods, over-coatings and, to some extent, for heavy tweeds. Stocktaking is now about over, and jobbers have seen their way clear to place some good sorting orders for both spring cottons and woollens during the past week. The outlook for spring trade is becoming more encouraging. Visitors from various sections in the market this week report a good steady trade being done at country points. They also report a larger proportion of cash sales than at this time last year. This, together with the fact that stocks in the hands of retailers and jobbers are light, inspires a degree of confidence in the future. Demand for staples, as evidenced by the orders for spring goods coming to hand, is fair, and more enquiry is springing up for miscellaneous lines, such as buttons, braids, buckles, trimmings, and small wares of various sorts. Samples of foreign spring goods are coming to hand, and are being taken out by travelers for the inspection of the retail trade. Prices of all lines remain steady. Raw cotton has declined moderately from the high point of last week, but the feeling seems to be steady, and indications point rather in a higher than a lower level. Wool is easy: but not materially lower. Prices of both cotton and woollen goods may be characterized as steady."

COAL AT SAN FRANCISCO.

J. W. Harrison, coal and metal broker, reports as follows rela-

tive to the present condition of the San Francisco coal market:

"During the week 6,180 tons of Coast, and 10,486 tons of foreign coal have come to hand. The light arrivals this week have reduced the stocks here in yard somewhat, still there is ample for all immediate requirements, besides considerable foreign is now overdue. Tonnage is being freely engaged for transporting British Columbia coals. Sailing vessels that have heretofore been coal carriers are going off the coast with lumber, etc. This will force steamers into the trade. A large steamer now in Japan has been engaged for this trade. The recent storm has largely increased the jobbing trade, which for the moment is very lively. Orders are coming in as fast as they can be taken care of. The retail trade is also filling orders as fast as teams can haul them. Freight quotations from England are firmer; there seems to be a disposition to avoid this port until grain freights improve. Tonnage is wanted from Swansea, but owners have advanced their rates, with every prospect of engagements at the increased figures. This coal is becoming very popular with a number of our large consumers as an economical fuel."

COMMERCIAL SUMMARY.

Owing to recent serious fires in Winnipeg, an advance of 25 per cent in the rates applying to all risks except those schedule rated has been put into force until such time as the fire appliances and system of water works is brought to an efficient state.

The oats crop in Sweden is officially returned as about 8,500,000 quarters, against 6,900,000 quarters last year. The Russian crop, however, according to a St. Petersburg report, is officially estimated at only slightly less than last year's total (in European Russia) of 79,700,000

quarters. The average crop in Russia for the period 1883-87, inclusive, was only 65,000,000 quarters, and the very short crop in 1892 did not exceed 55,000,000 quarters. The present year's crop is, therefore, again a very large one, second only in importance to that of last year, which was the largest on record.

"Average Condition" is the term given to a clause in the policies covering farm risks in Scotland. Under it the insurance must be to the extent of three-fourths of the value of what is covered. If the insurance has been effected for less than that proportion, the farmer will have to bear himself a share of the loss in the same proportion as the insured sum bears to the actual value of the property at the time of fire. This provision, though equitable, will be found not easy at times to be enforced, as fires, especially fires on farms, frequently leave no trace of what extent of property was destroyed, or of its condition before the fire.

The San Francisco *Herald of Trade* says: "There is nothing new to report since our last week's issue. The consensus of opinion with large handlers is that in view of the large pack in Alaska, the course pursued by the Alaska Packers Association could not have been improved so as to keep values at a profit and also bring fish into more general consumption. Their different packs are uniform in quality and full weight, and placed at prices to tempt buyers. That this has proven a success cannot be doubted, for throughout the east, Canada and England trade journals quote their prices and give remarks on the market for Alaska. If the Columbia River canners would organize on a similar line they would undoubtedly find it not only to their interest but also to that of the trade."

Stones which proved to be diamonds have been found at Corinna, Tasmania.

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS.

IMPORTS.
The following is a summary of the quantity, value and duty on imports at the port of Victoria for the month of November, 1891.

ARTICLES.	VALUE.	DUTY.
Alc, beer and porter	\$ 1,037	\$ 295 09
Animals.....	3 27	639 25
Books, pamphlets, etc	1,112	351 92
Brass and manufactures of	833	267 70
Breadstuffs grain of all kinds	3,135	1,233 27
Flour.....	2,010	714 62
Meat, corn and oat	26	1 00
Rice.....	2,391	1,224 37
Other breadstuffs	3,591	722 50
Bicycles, Tricycles, Velocipedes and warts of		
Cars—railway and tram	13	3 00
Coal, bituminous	373	16 12
Copper and manufactures of	651	195 00
Cottons, bleached or unbleached: not dyed, colored, etc	301	75 25
" bleached, dyed, etc.	1,150	315 00
" clothing.....	781	261 72
" thread not on spools, yarn, warp, etc.....		
" thread on spools.....	125	31 25
" all other manufactures	719	221 05
Drugs and medicines.....	9,276	3,114 80
Earthen, stone & Chinaware	879	263 70
Fancy goods & embroideries: Bracelets, braids, fringes, etc	209	99 00
Laces, collars, nettings, etc	279	83 70
All other fancy goods	386	201 10
Fish and products of.....	861	169 37
Fruits and nuts dried.....	1,611	1,251 09
Green, oranges and lemons	926	159 25
All other.....	1,599	1,352 84
Furs, manufactures of.....	219	62 25
Glass, manufactures of—		
" Bottles, jars, etc.....	387	116 10
" Window glass.....	813	169 68
" Plate glass.....	287	123 34
" All other manufactures	832	230 80
Gunpowder & explosive substances.....	2,318	279 69
Gutta percha, manuf's of....	1,292	361 69
Hats, caps, and bonnets, heavier, silk or felt.....	651	196 20
" All other.....	408	122 40
Iron and steel and manuf's of		
" Band, hoop, sheet, plate,	609	168 62
" Bar iron & railway bars	1,631	579 17
" Cutlery, hardware, etc.	4,545	763 33
" Machines, machinery, etc	1,657	236 80
" Pig iron, kentledge, etc.	91	22 40
" Stoves and castings.....	374	101 81
" Tubing.....	469	262 10
" All other manufactures	5,830	1,333 51
Jewelry & watches & manuf's of gold and silver.....	2,602	705 20
Lead and manufactures of....	127	36 91
Leather, all kinds.....	197	30 25
" Boots and shoes.....	1,380	315 01
" All other manuf's....	283	75 05
Marble & stone & manuf's of	101	18 11
Metals and manufactures of	181	52 1
Musical instruments.....	335	89 50
Oil, mineral and products of	5,086	1,368 96
" Flaxseed or linseed.....	131	26 20
" All other.....	525	117 42
Paints and colors.....	611	90 40
Paper, envelopes, etc.....	2,743	932 82
Pickles, sauces, capers.....	512	179 20
Provisions, lard, meats, fresh and salt.....	6,361	1,306 14
" Butter, cheese.....	439	73 86
" Seeds and roots.....	210	24 15
Silk, manufactures of.....	10,191	3,085 92
Soap, all kinds.....	1,639	391 37
Spices, ground & unground.	137	27 31
Spirits, all kinds.....	5,301	7,226 73
Wines, sparkling.....	512	279 00
" other than sparkling	1,275	1,158 72
Molasses.....	31	14 39
Tobacco and cigars.....	3,321	3,758 01
Vegetables.....	611	223 65
Wood, manufactures of.....	2,311	333 00
Wollens: Carpets, Brussels and tapestry.....	86	25 80
" Clothing.....	1,333	432 10
" Cloths, towels, etc.....	1,174	491 29
" Dress goods.....	1,472	448 20
" Knitted goods.....	368	107 89
" Shawls.....	356	89 09
" Yarns.....		
" All other manuf's....	1,632	633 65
All other dutiable goods.....	23,183	6,179 80
Total dutiable goods.....	\$148,951	\$51,963 30
" Free goods.....	22,155	

ARTICLES	VALUE.	DUTY.
Coin and bullion.....		
Grand total.....	\$171,099	\$51,963 30

The following are the free goods entered at the port of Victoria for the month of November, 1891:

FREE GOODS.	VALUE.
Animals for improvement of stock.....	\$ 15 00
Articles for use of Army and Navy.....	3,739 00
Asphaltum or Asphalt	
Broom Corn.....	
Coffee.....	1,751 00
Cotton waste.....	412 00
Dyes, chemicals, etc.....	959 00
Fish and products of.....	
Fisheries, articles for, nets, seines, etc.	2,272 00
Fruits, hammers, olives, pineapples, etc	323 00
Fur, skins not dressed.....	222 00
Grease for soap making, etc.....	1 00
Hides and skins.....	
India rubber and gutta percha, crude	
Metals—Brass and copper.....	361 00
" Iron and steel, all other.....	
" Tin and zinc.....	137 60
" Other.....	117 06
Oils, vegetable.....	212 00
Salt.....	1,083 09
Settlers' effects.....	6,382 00
Sugar.....	11 80
Tea.....	2,282 00
Tobacco leaf.....	119 00
Wood, cabinetmakers, etc.....	1 00
All other free goods.....	1,286 00
Total.....	\$ 22,155 09
Coin and bullion.....	
Total free goods.....	\$ 22,155 00

EXPORTS
From the port of Victoria, for the month of November, 1891 the produce of Canada:

THE MINE.	QUANTITY.	VALUE
Coal.....	672 tons	2,720
Gold dust, nuggets, etc.....		10,977
Other articles.....		231
THE FISHERIES.		
Fish of all descriptions.....		141,701
Furs or skins of creatures living in the water.....		713
THE FOREST.		
Lumber—deals, boards, etc		631
Other articles.....		254
ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCE.		
Butter.....	110	38
Cheese.....	88	21
Wool.....	20,110 lbs	11,193
Other articles.....		5,625
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.		
Fruits—green.....		10
Flour of wheat & rye, bbls	2,000	1,700
Other articles.....		7
MANUFACTURES.		
Iron—pig and scrap, castings, hardware, etc.....		15
Boots.....		33
Wood, manufactures of.....		1,694
Miscellaneous articles.....		
Grand total.....		\$ 211,051

Goods, not the product of Canada, for the month of November, 1891:

	QUANTITY.	VALUE
Agricultural Products—		
Manufactures—		
Iron—pig and scrap, castings, hardware, etc.....		121
Liquors—spirituous & malt	1	6
Sewing machines.....	6	215
Wood m'f's of all kinds.....		272
Other articles.....		1,556
Miscellaneous articles.....		15,450
Total.....		\$ 20,620
Coin—gold.....		3,691
Silver.....		378
Grand total.....		\$ 24,689
Total exports of all kinds.....		\$235,109

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BRITISH COLUMBIA SALMON FLEET 1894.

FLAG.	NAME.	TNS.	MASTER.	SAILED.	FROM.	FOR.	CARRS.	VALU.	RATE.
Br ship	City of Glasgow	1168	Ferguson	October 2	Victoria	Liverpool	51,840	\$231,240	37s 6d
Br bark	Northernhay	1221	Frame	October 17.	Victoria	Liverpool	55,759	245,066	32s 6d
Br ship	Clan Robertson	1360	Lowie	October 23.	Fraser River.	Liverpool	69,830	350,583	33s 9d
Br bark	Corryvreckan	1299	Abbott	November 3	Victoria	London.	55,314	276,570	36s 3d
Br bark	Senta	1667	Tiemann	November 22	Fraser River.	Liverpool	45,000	225,000	36s 3d
Br schr.	Rinnac	885	Warn		Victoria	London			38s 9d

VESSELS ON THE WAY TO BRITISH COLUMBIA PORTS

FLAG.	NAME.	TNS.	MASTER.	SAILED.	FROM.	FOR.	CONSIGNEES OR AGENTS.	DAYS OUT.
Br bark	Carrmoney	1255	Smyth	Aug. 11	C Liverpool	Victoria	R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd	129
Br ship	Angburth	1798	Jones	Oct. 23	I Liverpool	Victoria & Van	R. P. Rithet & Co., & H. Bell Irving Co.	57
Ger bark	Artemis	1479	Klock		K Mazatlan	Vancouver	Hastings Sawmill	
Br ship	City of Florence	1216	Leask	Nov 23	J Liverpool	Victoria		25
Br bark	Wythop	1332	Edwards		N Liverpool	Victoria & Van	Evans, Coleman & Evans	
Am. ship	Sterling	1663	Wheldon	May 14.	Q Philadelphia	Vancouver	Evans, Coleman & Evans	48
Br ss	Empress of India	3003	Marshall	Nov 23	H Hong Kong	Victoria & Van	C. P. S. S. Co	20
Chil. ship	Hindostan	1542	Welsh		F Valparaiso	Moodyville	R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd	
Br ss	Tacoma	1662	Perkes	Dec. 11	A Hong Kong	Moodyville	Dofswell, Carlill & Co	
Br ship	Leyland Brothers	22	Silbailey		Panama	Victoria & Tac.	R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd	
Br ss	Empress of Japan	3003	Lee		E Hong Kong	Victoria & Van	C. P. S. S. Co.	
Br ss	Mowera	1911	Stott	Dec. 13.	D Sydney	Victoria & Van	C. A. S. S. Co.	

F—To load a return cargo of lumber on owners account. C—Spoken Aug. 30 lat. 14 N. long 27 W. K—Chartered for lumber. N—November loading. Q—October 5, put into Falkland Islands, topsails lost and vessel strained. November 10, sailed again. Has cargo of coal for San Diego, also has 500 tons Anthracite coal as ballast, for Vancouver, from which port she is reported chartered for lumber. H—Via Yokohama Dec. 8. A—Via Yokohama December 22. E—To sail December 26. Via Yokohama, Jan. 4. I—Spoken Oct. 27, lat. 45 N. long. 8 W. November 3, lat. 48 N. long. 10 W. D. Via Fiji and Honolulu Dec. 30. J. November 24, passed Isle of Man.

FREIGHTS.

The market in San Francisco is firm, at 27s 6d to Cork, for orders. From Portland 33s 9d is the rate current, and from Tacoma 32s 6d may be quoted. The lumber market is without feature, but rates have an upward tendency.

Grain freights are quoted: From San Francisco to Cork, U. K., for orders, with usual options, at 27s 6d; Portland, 33s 9d; Tacoma, 32s 6d, nominal.

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FLAG.	NAME.	TNS	MASTER.	SAILED.	FROM.	FOR.	CARGO FT.	VALU.	ARRIVED.	RATE.
Am ship.	Eclipse.....	1536	Peterson.....	Jan. 20.....	Vancouver...	Greenock.....	1,072,820	10,720	June 7.....	60s
Nor ship.	Beaconsfield	1150	Bastiansen	Feb. 5.....	Vancouver	Amsterdam	1,055,411	13,491	July 8.....	Private..
Am schr.	Pioneer.....	337	Hughes.....	Feb. 28.....	Victoria.....	Santa Rosalia.	57,714	961	arrived.....	Private..
Am. schr.	Aida.....	507	Anderson.....	March 25.....	Moodyville	Shanghai.....	686,562	6,562	June 10.....	40s
Chil. bark.	India.....	953	Funke.....	April 7.....	Moodyville	Valparaiso.....	761,104	5,955	July 2.....	owners ac
Br bark.	Thermopylae.	918	Winchester.	May 2.....	New Westm'r.	Shanghai.....	581,853	6,142	July 7.....	37s 6d
Chil. ship.	Hindustan	1542	Welsh.....	May 12.....	Moodyville	Valparaiso.....	1,207,552	9,278	.....	owners ac
Br ship.	Astoria.....	1335	Dagwell.....	June 24.....	Vancouver...	Antwerp.....	740,681	17,115	.....	63s 9d
Ger bark.	Gutenberg	627	Welsh.....	May 12.....	Moodyville	Valparaiso f.o.	591,766	5,392	.....	12s 6d
Am bktne	Modoc.....	452	Rosch.....	May 5.....	Victoria.....	Santa Rosalia. C...	101,211	2,240	arrived.....	Private..
Am bktne	Katie Flickinger	449	McLao.....	May 5.....	Vancouver...	Santa Rosalia. B...	399,148	3,258	May 29.....	Private..
Br ship.	East Croft.	1312	Itammer.....	May 25.....	Moodyville	Valparaiso f.o.	1,058,084	9,067	.....	40s
Br ship.	Benmore.....	1460	Scott.....	Aug. 2.....	Victoria.....	Adelaide.....	1,086,479	8,710	Sept. 29.....	40s
Br scnr.	Grace Harwar	1750	Hunt.....	June 27.....	Vancouver...	Queenstown fo	1,388,871	12,190	.....	62s 6d
Br bktne.	Xantippe.....	909	Falconer.....	June 14.....	Vancouver...	Queenstown fo	811,219	12,244	.....	Private....
Am bktne.	Chelalis.....	636	Watts.....	May 31.....	Vancouver...	Adelaide.....	712,163	6,197	.....	40s
Br ship.	Largo Law.....	1597	Furneaux.....	June 20.....	Moodyville	Valparaiso f.o.	1,358,471	12,477	Sept. 7.....	37s 3d
Br bark.	Gainsborough.	985	McPhail.....	June 21.....	Moodyville	Melbourne.....	740,860	5,630	Oct. 21.....	37s 6d
Am ship.	Guardian.....	1073	Marden.....	July 3.....	Victoria.....	Santa Rosalia. D...	170,357	4,000	Aug. 1.....	Private....
Am bark.	Olympic.....	1112	Gibbs.....	July 12.....	Vancouver...	Callao.....	1,368,752	11,040	.....	35s
Nic bark.	Don Carlos.....	691	Tobey.....	July 14.....	Vancouver...	Noumea.....	536,094	1,819	Aug.....	40s
Br ship.	Borrowdale	1197	Bolderston.	July 28.....	Moodyville	Caleta Buena.	910,683	6,830	.....	40s
Am bark.	Hesper.....	661	Sodergron.	June 30.....	Vancouver...	Sydney.....	744,604	5,957	Sept. 5.....	30s
Br bark.	Villula.....	866	Harland.....	July 9.....	Vancouver...	Melbourne.....	676,737	4,850	Oct. 6.....	37s 6d
Am bark.	Southern Chief.	1219	Svensen.....	July 12.....	Vancouver...	Santa Rosalia. F...	891,436	6,982	.....	Private....
Am schr.	Wm. Bowden	728	Fjerem.....	July 8.....	Moodyville	Sydney.....	676,072	8,192	Sept 20.....	30s
Chil. bark.	Elisa.....	915	Harken.....	July 16.....	Moodyville	Antofagasta.....	763,972	7,014	.....	owners ac
Nor ship.	Drammen.....	1347	Anderson.....	Aug. 24.....	Vancouver...	Amsterdam.....	291,917	12,130	.....	Private....
Br ship.	Verajean.....	1824	Crowley.....	Aug. 29.....	Vancouver...	Alexandria.....	1,622,176	19,461	.....	70s
Am schr.	Aida.....	507	Anderson.....	Aug. 29.....	Moodyville	Shanghai.....	691,981	6,462	.....	42s 6d
Am ship.	Occidental.	1470	Morse.....	Oct. 2.....	Victoria.....	Santa Rosalia G	219,06	4,981	.....	Private..
Am bark.	Newsboy.....	559	Molstedt.....	Sept. 11.....	Vancouver...	Sydney.....	662,607	5,231	Nov 9.....	31s 3d
Ital bark.	Cavour.....	1389	San Menter.	Oct. 6.....	Vancouver...	Callao.....	984,167	8,850	.....	32s 6d
Br ship.	Ba Inchalish.	1846	Gowdey.....	Oct. 11.....	Moodyville	Valparaiso.....	1,533,210	12,500	.....	32s 6d
Br ship.	Lisimore.....	1538	Ferguson.....	Oct. 30.....	Vancouver...	Buenos Ayres	1,221,499	9,350	.....	78s 6d
Am bktne	Iringard.....	628	Schmidt.....	.....	Vancouver...	Iquique.....	.....	.....	.....	37s 6d
Br bark.	Alexandra.....	1297	Barfield.....	.....	Vancouver...	Calais.....	.....	.....	.....	63s 9d
Am schr.	R. W. Bartlett	495	Olsen.....	Oct. 20.....	Vancouver...	Santa Rosalia H	501,628	1,000	.....	Private..
Am. brig	Geneva.....	471	Pavlsen.....	Nov. 10.....	Vancouver...	Iquique.....	551,249	4,570	.....	Private..
Am. schr.	Sadie.....	295	Smith.....	Oct. 30.....	Westminster.	San Francisco	110,000	2,870	.....	Private..
Chil. bark.	India.....	953	Funke.....	.....	Moodyville	Valparaiso.....	.....	.....	.....	owners ac
Am ss.	Lakme.....	404	Bonfield.....	Nov 16.....	Vancouver...	San Pedro.....	571,000	3,927	.....	Private..
Am bark.	Colorado.....	1036	.....	.....	Vancouver...	Sydney.....	.....	.....	.....	32s 6d
Am schr.	Beulah.....	339	Johnson.....	Nov.....	Westminster.	San Francisco	.....	.....	.....	Private..
Am. schr.	Aida.....	507	Anderson.....	.....	Vancouver...	Shanghai.....	.....	.....	.....	43s
Am. bktne	Marion.....	348	Greuner.....	.....	Westminster.	California.....	.....	.....	.....	Private..
Am. ss.	Cosmopolis.....	267	Dettmers.....	Westminster.	San Pedro.....	Private..
Br bark.	Cadzw Forest	1058	McInnes.....	Vancouver...	Melbourne.....	48 3d

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VESSELS IN PORT.

(December 17, 1894.)
VICTORIA.

Am. bark Wrestler, 447 tons
Nic. ss. Costa Rica, 1,274 tons, Capt. McIntyre.
Br. ship Rimac, 885 tons, Capt. Warn, arrived No. 30, loading salmon for London on account of Findlay, Durham & Brodie.
Am. bark Detroit, 1,438 tons, Capt. Rice, arrived Dec. 3 from sea, leaking.
Br. bark Thermopylae, 918 tons, Capt. Winchester, discharging cargo paddy.
Victoria Rice Mills, consignees. To load lumber at Port Blakely for Shanghai.
Br. bark Cadzw Forest, 1,068 tons, Capt. McInnes, arrived Dec. 16 from Honolulu. To load lumber at Hastings Mill for Melbourne.

VANCOUVER.

Chil. bark India 953 tons, Capt. Funke arrived Nov. 10, loading lumber for Valparaiso on owners' account.
Am. bark Colorado, 1,036 tons, loading lumber for Sydney.
Am. schr. Aida, 507 tons, Capt. Anderson, arrived Dec. 10, loading lumber for Shanghai.
NEW WESTMINSTER.
Am. bktne Marion, 348 tons, Capt. Greuner, loading lumber for California
Am. ss Cosmopolis, 267 tons, Captain Dettmers, loading lumber for San Pedro.
NANAIMO.
Am. bark Carrolton, 1,390 tons, Captain Lewis.
Am. ship Elwell, 1,461 tons, Capt. Ryder.

Am. ship Rufus E. Wood, 1,406 tons, Capt. McLeod.
Am. bark Oregon, 1,361 tons, Capt. Mehan.

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Am. ship Raphael, 1,465 tons, Captain Greenleaf.
Am. ship John A. Briggs, 2,003 tons, Capt. Balch.
Am. ship John C. Potter, 1,182 tons, Capt. Bayseley.

RECAPITULATION.

Ports.	No.	Tonnage.
Victoria.....	6	6,060
Vancouver.....	3	2,496
Nanaimo.....	7	10,271
Westminster.....	2	615
Total.....	18	19,442
Previous week.....	15	16,344
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1892.....	21	25,811

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