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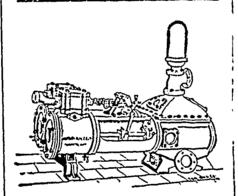
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#### TRADE AND COMMERCE.

COMMERCIAL JOURNAL OFFICE, Tuesday Morning, Dec. 4.

#### VICTORIA.

Conservative buying continues the order, and is generally expected will be so until there is more confidence in general business and money circulates more freely. The decline in sealskin values has a depressing effect on those engaged in that industry and others indirectly connected therewith. Some the sealers are preparing to start on their voyage to the coast of Japan and a number of schooners will probably be away before the end of the year. All lines are preparing for the holiday trade. The principal industries of the country are depressed in common with other business centres and not till there is a general revival of trade can good times be expected.

The Vancouver News-Advertiser says: "On all sides preparations for the Christmas trade are now apparent. Windows are being dressed with extra care, and merchants generally are making arrangements for the holiday trade. Business, however, is reported dull in the upper country and in this city it is not very brisk at present. Nanaimo on the other hand is a pleasing exception, as trade there is picking up as the result of an improvement in the coal trade. Money is still tight here and collections suffer accordingly. Merchants are, however, holding their own surprisingly, well, and obligations are met with very creditable promptness. Notices have been issued by the local banks, that on and after the 1st of January next, the interest on Savings Bank deposits will be reduced to three per cent. All mining operations in the interior are now being shut down for the winter and a large number of men who have been employed there during the summer have returned to town. Everything points to great activity in mining next season, and the employment of a large number of hands. In wholesale a fair trade is being done, about equal in volume to that of previous years. Quotations do not show much change."

#### FLOUR AND FEED.

The advance recently noted has been maintained and prices continue steady.

The Portland Commercial Review says of flour: "The mills are all busy and turning out fair quantities of stock. Immediately after our issue of last week was out flour advanced 10; per barrel for standard brands. The market is rather firm and the majority of mills are all working on orders. Large quantities of stock are going to San lother Mediterranean fruits have arrived l

Francisco and eastern points. British Bark Silverhow finished loading and took 20,581 barrels of flour to Europe this week. Quote standard brands \$2.40 per barrel, inferior grades 10c per bbl. less."

The Ogilvio Milling Co., quote their celebrated brands of Manitoba flours in car lots, on wharf in Victoria as follows: Ogilvie's Hungarian Strong Bakers. .... 3 99

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

XXX...... 3 85 Strong Bakers or XX ...... 3 40 Superfine..... 3 15 The Victoria Roller Mills quote Vic-

toria flour in 10-bbl lots at the milts as follows: 

Jobbers' quotations to the trade are: Delta, Victoria mills....... \$ 3 50 @ 0 00

Superfine .....

Victoria XXX...... 3 50 @ 0 00 " " ...... 1 10 @ XX., Superfine. " Ogilvie's Hungarian...... 1 35 @ Strong Bakers..... 1 15 @ 0.00 H. B. C. Fort Garry Hungarian. 1 35 @

Strong Bakers 1 15 @ 0.00 Oak Lake Patent Hungarian. . . 1 35 @ 0.00 Strong Bakers...... 1 15 ec 0.00 Regina Hungarian..... 1 35 00 0.00 . 1 15 હ Strong Bakers 0.00Benton County, Oregon..... 3 75 @ 0.00 Portland Roller ... ... ... 3 85 @ 0.00 Vashon, Washington ..... 3 90 @ 0.00 Snowtlake ...... 3 75 @ Gold Drop . 365 @ 000 Onts..... 27 00 @ 30 00

Shorts...... 20 00 @ 25 00 .... 17 00 @ 20 00 Bran. National Mills oatmeal...... 3 50 @ 0 00 " rolledoats(90-lisks) 3 50 @ 0 00

" 107s, 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...... 1 15 @ 0 00 Corn, whole......per ton 35 00 @ 00 00 Peas, field..... per ton 10 00 @ 00 00 Commeal..... 2 10 @ 2 75 Commeal-feed......per ton 40 00 ec 00 c0

Cracked corn...... 37 00 @ 00 00 Hay, per ton,...... 15 00 @ 18 00 Straw, per bale...... 1 00 @ 0 00 RICE. The Victoria Rico Mills quote whole-

Japan rice, perton.......\$ 75 00 @ 80 00

(polished) . 99 90 @ 00 00 Best Chinarice " 80 00 (4100 00 .... Chinarice No. 1 " (mats) .. 68 00 @ 00 00 (sacks)...... 65 00 @ 00 00 Rice flour 70 00 ... ...... ..... 30 00 Broken rice Rice Meal

#### GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS,

A carload of Valencia raisins and

The and the quality is said to be poor. Several carloads are expected early this week and importers are anxious to see how they turn out. The quotations on dried fruits, nuts, have only been slightly changed.

> The British Columbia Sugar Refinery quotes prices as follows, payment by spot cash:

Granulated, in bbls. or 100-lb bags..... 11 Yellow, according to quality..... 1 to 11 Paris lumps, in bbls. or 100-lb bags...... 31 Powdered, icing and bars, in bbls...... 61

Jobbers quote: Valencia raisins......per lb \$ 6 @ \$ Valencia Layers.....per lb Malaga raisins......per box 3 00 @

3 25 Currants (barrels).....per lb half bbls.....per lb 0 60 (cases).....per 1b 51 @ Sultana raisins..... per 1b 8 69 10 Taragona almonds.....per lb 17 C 18 11 65 Grenoble walnuts.....per lb 18 Brazil Nuts ......per lb 16 0 Shelled Almonds ......per lb 324 0 Smyrna Flgs .....per 1b 16 @ " " H-ozbox each 12} er

Filberts .....per lb Dairy produce is quoted:

Butter-Eastern Creamery, tubs..... 25 @ 26 Manitoba dairy...... 18 @ 19 " creamery .. in tins 27½ & 29 Canadian Stilton........ 17

Eggs-Canadian ..... per doz 21 @ 22 Smoked meats and lard are quoted:

Hams...... 15 @ 153 Backs...... 131 @ 134 White Label pure leaf lard, tierces...... 0 123 50-lb tins..... 0 127

20.1b " ... 0 13 10.1b " ... 0 131 5.1b " ... 0 131 3.1b " ... 0 13 \*\* Lard Compound, 10ths.... 103 @ 00 20 hs..... 10) @ 00 5 ths...... 101 20 00

3 lbs...... 103 @ 00 Sugar-Jobbers' prices half-barrels and

kegs in each case being le higher: Dry Granulated (China) ....... 100-sack 1 65 Extra C. China..... China, yellow..... Dry Granniated (B. C. Refinery)....... 13 to 13 Yellow..... 18 Golden C... ..... 31 Cubes...... 61 Powdered ... ...... 63 Syrups, per tb...... 3 I gal. tins, American (10) ....... 5 50 (16 ..... 5 50 Vancouver.... 5 50

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

Helmet brand sugar cured hams, medium 0 153 811gan Car \*\* " heavy.. 0 15 breakfast bacon 0 15] Fancy Gold Band hams ..... 0 161 breakfast bacon.... 0 161

Jobbers quote as follows:

Liverpool salt, coarse, in 1004b bags, per Portland cement, White's (best) per bbl 3 to White mottled soap, English, in 112-lb bxs 8 50 " qarter boxes

28 lbs, per cwt...... 8 75

Malt vinegar	, English, 25-gal, bbls 11	25
**	" octaves 6	00
4.1	" cases of 3 doz., per es 5	50
Matches, blo	ck, in tins, Victoria 1	25
	" California 1	
Macaroni, N	o. 1, 104b bxs 80 @	90
Vermicelli, 1	04b bxs	80
	-	80
Notes, per k	eg-4d, \$3.30; 6d, \$3.10; 8d,	
\$2.95; 10	d, \$2.90; 12d, \$2.85; 20d and	
304, \$2.85	; 40d and 50d, \$2.75 ; 60d, \$2.70.	
FR	JITS AND VEGETABLES.	

Grapes are almost over, advices are that there will be very few coming up from San Francisco this season. Other quotations are steady.

Jobbers' quotations for fruits are as

follows:	
Oranges-Australian 0 00 @	0 00
" Japanese 0 00 @	0 G0
Lemons-California (Johnson's) 6 25 @	0.00
Australian 3 00 @	0.00
Apples-Cahfornia 1 35 @	1 50
Oregon 1 25 @	1 50
Cocoanutsper 100 8 00 @	9 00
Pears 1 75 @	1 50
Grapes	
Bananasbunches 1 25 @	0 00
crates 2 73 @	

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Vegetables are quoted: Onions-Silverskinsper lb	1}	Œ		13
Cabbage per lb	2	@		-
Potatoesper ton 15	00	Œ	18	00
SALMON.				

The British schooner Rimac, 885 tons, Capt. Warn, arrived Nov. 30 from Santos, under charter to load salmon for London. She is the smallest and the last of this years' salmon fleet and arnved just in time to save her charter. Her cargo will go along way towards cleaning up stocks in this Province. Advices from England state that there is very little business doing as this is not the season for fish. The markets are, however, firm.

Advices from San Francisco state that the total Alaska pack for 1894 is 666,152 cases, for 1893 the pack was 605,686 cases.

#### LUMBER.

The market is dull and no new charters are reported. Recent advices state that San Francisco lumber dealers are getting short of stock and they are on the hunt for vessels to bring supplies from northern mills. Coasting vessels are scarce and charters have risen 50 cents a thousand within the last three or tour days. One dealer has advertised for four or five vessels to carry lumber down the coast and has so far been unable to secure the vessels required.

The following vessels are loading lumber at British Columbia ports for foreign: At Hastings Mill-Chil, bark India, for Valparaiso. 953 tons. Am. bark Colorado, 1,036 tons. Total, 2 vessels, 1,989 tons,

The following are the current city pa tations, 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. | disposed of to a syndicate.

1, \$15; do. No. 2, \$11; surfaced, \$15; shingles, \$2; lath, \$1.75.

meargo lots for foreign shipment: Rough Merchantable, ordinary sizes, in lengths to 10 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 

#### BUSINESS NOTES.

Mrs. Henderson, hotel South Samich,

Wm. Geary, druggist, has opened at Vancouver.

Ross & Co., druggists, Vancouver, have started.

Dr. 1. M. McLean advertises removing from Westminster.

The Steveston Canning Co., Steveston, is reported sold out.

Brown Bros., grocers, Vancouver, have been succeeded by S. H. Brown & Son.

- C. L. Morency, fancy goods, notions, otc., has started business at Vancouver.
- B. Van Horne, baker, Vancouver, business advertised for sale by Sheriff.

Thos. McNeely, general merchant, Ladner's Landing, advertises business for

- R. G. Macpherson, druggist, Westminster, his sold out to Herbert Ryal & Co.
- J. T. Brown & Sons, grocers, Vancouver, contemplate going out of busi-

James M. Stewart, of Stewart & Lynch, hotel, Rossland, Trail Creek, is dead.

S. Kirschberg, clothing, Indian curios, etc., has opened on Store street, Vic-

Mackay Bros., painters, wall paper, etc., Vancouver, advertise giving up business.

John S. Anderson, electrical supplies agent, Vancouver, is reported out of business.

It is reported that an Australian firm will erect a new cold storage plant at Vancouver.

Campbell & Doherty, tailors, Westminster, dissolved Nov. 19. Joseph Doherty continues

The Columbia Portland Cement Works, Rock Bay, Victoria, are commencing operations.

There is a rumor in circulation at Wellington that the Finlanders are about to open a co-operative store.

The Westminster and Vancouver Tramway Co. is reported as having been

O'Brien & Varrelman, Excelsior Browery, Victoria West, contemplate dissolv-Quotations for Douglas Fir Lumber ing partnership, Mr Varrelman retiring.

> W. L. Davis, grocer, Vancouver, has admitted J. A. Geddes into partnership. under style of Davis & Geddes.

> Mr. Fred. J. Schofield, formerly secretary of the U.S. Consulate at Vancouver, has been appointed Vice-Consul.

> Lowenberz, Harris & Co., real estate and financial agents, Victoria, have dissolved. D. R. Harris continues under old style.

Eckstein & Gaynor, barristers, Westminster, have dissolved. Mr. Eckstein contemplates removing to Vancouver and practicing there.

Mr. Campbell, manager for Hull Bros., at Donald, intends going into the butchering business at Vancouver, with his brother at an early date.

McIlvaine & Ellis, general store and sawmill, Lumby, have dissolved. Mrs. Kate McIlvaine continues the general store and S. McIlvaine the sawmill.

N. Latremonille, has opened the Queens hotel and restaurant, Kamloops. W. G. Warren, galvanized iron worker, Vancouver, sold out to Colin McCallum.

The bidding on the Leamy & Kyle Mills, machinery and limits, when put up at auction, started at \$30,000, and went up to \$50,000. The mortgagees bid in the property at \$55,000.

The customs returns for Nanaimo for the month of Novembes were: Duty collected, \$5,454.15; miscellaneous, \$97.48; total, \$5,551.63. Imports, free, \$75°; dutiable, \$14,634; total, **\$15,**393.

The following are the customs returns for Victoria for November: Value of imports-Free goods, \$22,155; dutiable goods, \$143,260; total, \$165,415. Duty collected, \$61,963.30; other revenues, \$2,295.04; total, \$54,258.34. Exports-\$265,108.

The customs returns at Vancouver for November show imports dutiable \$57,300, do. free \$19,700; exports \$60,000; duty collected \$20,140. Other revenue \$1,800. Inland revenue collected \$7,550. New Westminster: Imports, \$42,240; duty collected, \$11,559; other revenue, \$124; exports, \$350,733.

#### FOREIGN COAL SHIPMENTS.

The following are the New Vancouver Coal Co's shipments for the week ending December 1

December 1.	
Date. Vessel and Destination.	Tons
21. Wanderer, str., Port Townsend.	35
26. Sea Lion, str., Port Townsend	65
29. Wanderer, str., Port Townsedd	49
39. Jabez Howes, ship, San Francisco	2,43
3% Rapid Transit, str., Tacoma	120
30. Rapid Transit, str., Everett	50
30. Rapid Transit, str., Scattle	80
30. Tacoma, Port Townsend,	ยัง

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ford Mills, Canada.

Plug for establishing electrical connections-Charles W. Brown, assignor Montreal, Quebec.

Company, Springfield, Ill.

blinds-Peter McKenzie, Ottawa, On-

Inkstand-Thomas S. Shenston, Brantford, Ontario.

Remedy for tooth ache-Henry Jevers, Quebec, (Quebec, trade mark).

Bridle for paint brushes-Charles Bockh, jr., Toronto, Ontario.

Automatic railway gate and signal-Edward Death, assignor of two-thirds to E. W. Wyatt, Toronto, Ontario.

Hose coupling-Jules Doster, Montreal, Quebec.

Windmill-John Boisclair, Montreal, Ouebec.

Wringing machine—Alfred Burkholder, Toronto, Ontario.

Clothes drier-James Rielly, Calgary, Canada.

A conference of underwriters, with lumbermen and mill owners is being held at Ottawa. The insurance men present are Messrs. G. F. C. Smith, of November 6th, 13th and 20th, 1894, is Liverpool, London and Lancashire; and C. J. Heaton, of the Guardian, of Toronto; and E. D. Lacy, of the Imperial, of Montreal. Among the lumbermen and mill owners present were J. R. Card-cutter--Ormond Barnard, Ox- Booth, C. J. Booth, A. W. Fleek, W. C. Edwards, M. P.; H. K. Egan, E. A. Crannell, Hiram Robinson, C. Hughson and others. The question of the introto the Bell Telephone Company, 12td., duction of sawdust burners in the lumber mills, which will be necessary if Dumping car--William G. Lane, the legislation of last session prohibiting assignor to the Universal Coal Dumping the further throwing of sawdust and mill refuse into the Ottawa River is not Frame or casing for window sashes or rescinded during the approaching session, was considered. The fact was brought out that if the burners are introduced the rates of insurance will go up, not only on the mills, but on all Ottawa property within the reach of the dangers of fire from them.

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#### CARON'S BLUNDERING.

Had the desire been to destroy the Conservative party in Victoria we cannot see how it could have been more effectually realized than by the course which has been unfortunately pursued by various partments of the Dominion Government in their dealings with this city. From time to time we have pointed out the errors, some of them due to ignorance and others to sheer wilfulness, which have been committed by the Departments of Marine and Fisheries, of Customs, and of Public Works, and, as we have recently mentioned, the Postoffice authorities have added what we cannot describe as other than a criminal blunder. Sir Adolphe Caron acted as he has done with his eyes open; he was warned by the local members, by the newspapersboth friendly and adverse to the Covernment -of the ments of the case with which he had undertaken to deal, of the public sentiment on the question, and of what would be the inevitable conse-l quences should be continue to act chief. As regards the salmon inin the high-handed and unwar-dustry, Mr. Wilmot made up his rantable manner in which he had begua. Nevertheless he has not chief concurred, and in consehesitated to act towards the Post- quence prominent citizens like office officials who were just as Mr. Rithet have been forced to much at his mercy, like the com-{declare that the present system} mon highwayman, who at the was the reverse of compatible pistol point calls on his victims to with the interests of the industry. stand and deliver. he has kept the unfortunate em- obliged to conclude that their per- him -who have anything to sayplayes of his branch of this service manent interests really got the do so calmly yet foreibly, for we out of what he by the course worst of it under the regulations regard the present as an opporwhich he has recently taken, ad-that were adopted. mits was their due, and through-there were delays in obtaining the sent itself for some time.

of order and common honesty.

Sir Adolphe has deliberately placed the resident Government supporters at Ottawa in a most equivocal position, and it is broadly stated, that he has followed his present course partly because he was not man enough to admit that he was in the wrong and partly, it is alleged, to revenge himself upon a British Columbia member. Sir Adolphe Caron admits that the men were entitled to the provisional allowance, or he would not have after this long delay conceded to those who did not go out on strike the amount due. He also allows his meanness and pettiness by deliberately robbing those who left their work, by way of protest against an injustice, of the amount due up to December 1.

The Minister was always regarded as utterly unlitted for a Cabinet or departmental position; but as the creature of circumstances he was called to an office for which it was difficult to find an occupant without disgruntling a section of the French Conservatives. And the Minister has conclusively shown his incapacity for his high office. Tainted with corruption, he has repeatedly proved his utter incompetence.

We have always been disposed to attribute what we regard as the departmental mistakes of the Maline and Fisheries Department to Mr. Wilmot instead of to his mind on a certain course; his For months Scaling men, too, have been those who have occasion to see

out has set at defiance the lovers indemnity for injuries sustained on account of the modus vivendi, which it was believed might have been avoided. Still, it has to be admitted that for both of these grievances the Imperial Government was targely responsible. For the losses incurred it is impossible for the recent immense takes to compensate, since, as we all know, values have dropped 25 per ent. from those of last year.

> But Sir Charles Tupper-and we are happy to give every credit for the departure—has manifested a sincere desire to correct any mistakes which may have been made, and to do all he can to place matters upon a proper footing. With that object in view he has already started for this Coast. This is a sign of honesty and manliness, and it is to be hoped Sir Charles will be received in a spirit of generosity, for we cannot but think that his visit is, to a large extent, a condemnation of Mr. Wilmot, who with other fossil officials we trust soon to have the pleasure of seeing removed.

> We have referred to the Departments of Public Works, of Agriculture and Customs as not having treated us properly. They, we consider, are blameworthy in connection with the entire subjects of Dominion public buildings, of the quarantine station, and in the Department of Customs for not having given special and particular attention to the peculiar conditions of this far-away Pro-

Sir Charles Tupper, however, says he intends to stay a few days among us to inquire into matters, and coming with that declaration we cannot think that he will do other than lend to our people an attentive and willing ear. Let Moreover, tunity such as may not again pre-

#### A MINING BUREAU.

Additions are continually being made to the collection of minerals of the Province, which is being established by the British Columbia Board of Trade at their rooms. This will be an admirable and exceedingly useful auxiliary to the school of mines and mining burean which it is proposed to establish as provided for by the resolution introduced in the Legislature on Friday. There can be no question as to the immense benetits which a Provincial school of mines and a mining bureau would confer. Such institutions in other countries have been productive of a wond rful amount of excellent service. Our mineral wealth is immense, and a mining bureau could not fail to be the means of attracting considerable amounts of ourside capital, as at the bureau might be seen at a glance specimens of the vast amount and variety of ores of which our Province is possessed. In Ontario the short sessions have given to many men the scientific equipment which has qualified them to better prosecute the work of development on which they had begun, as well as to assist others in turning to account the vast amount of mineral wealth of which the Province is possessed. As contemplated, the proposed essablishment is not likely to be an expensive or elaborate atlair, and by the men who understand the subject it is held would, many times over, directly as well as indirectly, compensate for the small outlay involved. We must say that we regret to notice that the leader of the Opposition and one or two of his followers endeavored to throw cold water upon the proposition on the score of expense; though others of the same party were, we are glad to notice, able to look upon the matter with a much more enlarged vision and from the experiences of other

#### EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Ir is announced that a powerful combination has been formed in New York to control the trade between the United States and the Latin-American countries. will, it is said, shut out all the small houses, but is not expected to last very long, although the principals are powerful wholesale dealers.

We have been rather amused to notice that the council of the Board of Trade after considering -very properly - that the fire protection of the city of Victoria was inadequate, should have referred the matter to the newlyformed Civic Improvement Association. That organization is only just born-in fact is hardly organized-and cannot speak with anything like the authority of the Board of Trade, one of the longrecognized and highly-influential institutions of the city and Pro-

THE results of the London fur sales have been most disappointing, having shown a reduction of 25 per cent, from the prices obtained last year. In consequence, vessel owners have resolved to lower the rate of pay to hunters, who, it is proposed, will not receive more than one-fifth lay on the nett price received in London or the current quotation in Victoria at the time of the sale on the skins caught in their own boats. Indian hunters are to get onethird lay while the pay of steerers, and boat-pullers will be correspondingly reduced. The hunters are at present considering the proposition In San Francisco, the sealing interest has also resolved on a scale of reductions. Private advices, it is said, account to a certain extent for the reduced prices by the fact that the majority of the skins 'ipped from San Francisco were "pinky."

it would be really advantageous. the Legislature a motion request-tive of the best results.

ing the Government to take such action as may be in their power to secure the trade of the Yukon mines for the merchants and traders in this Province. Its trade at present amounts to \$750,000 a year, but we learn is capable of immense development, both from a trading and mining point of The Dominion Government already contemplates sending to that region a detachment of Mounted Police, and it is to be hoped will pay due attention to the representations which may be made to it on the subject of facilities of access. At present the Alaska Commercial Company practically does the whole business of the region, and only vessels flying the American flag trade on the Yukon river. As the Premier remarked in all probability the British section of the Yukon country is likely to be made part of this Province, and in any event much of its trade will be done from here.

WE notice with pleasure in the report of the Superintendent of Education that the necessity for a Normal School has been again emphasized, that to the subject of special attention writing again been directed, while techniand kindergarten schools are endorsed as likely to prove of in-We should calculable benefit. like to see the resent official and individuals expressions on these important subjects followed up by definite and decided action. It is worth noting that during the last decade the number of schools in the Province has increased from 74 to 185, the number of teachers employed from 89 to 295, and the number of pupils enrolled from 4,027 to 12,613. We notice, too, that the cost per pupil is the lowest since the inception of the present school system, nevertheless, we observe with regret that in some places, Vanconver for instance, the school trustees have deemed it wise to materially reduce the pay of the hard-worked teachers. If teachers are to be treated in this waynot, we admit, by the Department, but by the local school WE are well satisfied that Capt. trustees—it is not to be expected countries were enabled to see that Irving should have brought up in that their labors will be produc-

#### TACOMA TRADE.

The Tacoma West Coast Prade in general lines continues normal, holiday business adding considerable to the general aggregate and promising to be fully up to the usud volume. In groceries dietribution has been good, the only important fluctuation in staples being a decline in sugars, which is believed to be but temporary. The movement in hardware is without material change, a fair seasonable requirement is notice. able in stoves and kindred ware, but builders' hardware is quiet Receipts and unchanged. wheat have been at the maximum for the week, though the large amount on track and already shipped to San Francisco does not bring the export showing up to the full volume that should be credited to this port. A scarcity of lumber-carrying tonnage in the coastwise trade is apparent at present, while San Francisco advices indicate an advance of 50c per 1,000 feet for Puget Sound lumber. The advance, however, is credited more to the circumstance of a prospective shortage in receipts than to any improvement in demand, present or prospective. Rail, shingle and lumber shipments are up to the full anticipations for the season, but will not before the first or middle of February become active in any marked degree "

#### BUSINESS AT ENDERBY.

The Enderby correspondent of the Vancouver World writes: "Business is very dull in this valley, as indeed it seems to be throughout the whole Province. Wherever one goes, the complaint is, 'no money.' Hard times are not always an unmitigated evil, however; they may be indirectly the cause of future prosperity by necessitating carefulness and thrift afford an enormous market for comparatively small, that there and by suggesting attention to ranch produce. In the North-is not likely to be any essential hitherto neglected opportunities, west, too, we shall find an ever change in prices of raw material

not but prove very beneficial, a sounder basis. The harm which prosperous future." has been done by the credit system is apparent on all When the reckoning day is far off it is astonishing what a number of things seem to be absolutely indispensable, which, if they had to be paid for at the time of purchase, it would be quite possible to do without. Many ranchers, hitherto, while fulfilling their homestead duties, have run up such large bills at the stores that by the time they could obtain their patent they have been obliged to mortgage; and now burden which they can hardly bear, and which will, in probability, compel many to sell out and commence over again, and not a few of them without a cent. This is a state of things which will, to a very large extent, be avoided if the cash sysperiod of depression properly teaches are has a glorious future before it, if in the future. couragement to

trade, several of the leading Let our farmers keep an eye on storekeepers of the valley have the signs of the times; let them recently ceased to give credit, and exercise the most rigid economy says: The movement of trade will, in future, sell for eash only, in the household, unceasing in-This change, although severely dustry in business; let caution and felt at first by some people, can-enterprise go hand in hand. Taking a comprehensive view of eventually, to the whole com- the whole situation, we see every munity. It will place business on reason to anticipate a bright and

#### sides. U. S. TRADE CONDITIONS.

Aside from political affiliations there appears to be an undertone of confidence that the recent elections will have a salutary effect upon U.S. trade in general and upon manufacturing industry in particular. It may be that the wish is father to the thought, for there is undoubtedly an earnest desire all over the country for a revival in business, and it is assumed that the changes in politithe payment of interest is a cal sentiment, indicated by the results of the elections, will have the desired effect. This of itself shows considerable progress in the right direction, for while it has been assumed that there will be a revival in trade, there has not been much evidence that it was coming in the early future. tem is generally adopted. The Now there are reports that some through manufactories are preparing to which we are passing will have produce larger quantities of goods been productive of nothing but and that more capital is to be good, if only the lessons which it employed. The fact that capital learned. is encouraged is a significant indi-There is no doubt that this valley cation of what may be expected Already there is only we go the right way to work, an enlargement in the movement Its capabilities and resources will of commodities into consumptive only be properly appreciated as channels, but the same feature is they are developed and made use observable as has for some time The revival of the mining prevailed, that the increase in the industry should be a great en-demand is mainly for low priced our ranchers. goods, while the better qualities there can be no doubt that the scarcely hold their own, or the mining country to the south, and demand for them is smaller. But the Kootenay district also, will, this ground work of the hope when quicker and cheaper means which seems to prevail is that of communication are opened up, stocks of manufactured goods are Owing to the depressed state of increasing demand for our fruit. For a long time, and that wages

which has been hopefully looked them. tor and is bound to come sometime. It may be premature as yet, but there are many indiis based upon something more pers' account. substantial than wind.

#### DAIRY PRODUCE.

The Montreal Trade Bulletin says: Butter receipts during the past week were 3,752 pkgs., against 3,777 pkgs., for the week previous. The market has undergone no radical change during the week, save that our fancy grocers find it more difficult to get the exact quality of fresh gilt edge creamery they have been used to, and consequently when they want a few lots of fancy late ends they have to pay a little more for them. A choice lot of last half of October creamery was sold a few days ago for the local trade at 214c, while well kept summer goods intended for the English market have sold at 17.1c. There's the difference. The production of Eastern Townships dairy is so small, that it is scarcely a factor in the trade, and the few fall ends that find their way here have sold at 18c to 19c. A fancy selected tub would bring more money. does not seem to be wanted. We quote:

Creamery, September...... 20]c to 21c per lb Western......111c to 16 c Add to to 2c per lb. to above for single tubs of selected.

week were 60,207 boxes against prices from the original owners. 51,219 for the week previous. Now that the last boats have left, Strathyre company a quiet time may be expected cluded operations for this season, between now and the holidays, and have leased their stamp mill are going into the Similkameen

cannot be further reduced and yet from what they have done in Star people, who are quarrying heave any margin for living. But former years. The French cheese out gold quartz which has yielded it is something encouraging to at the boat on Monday sold at 9ke, double figures already in the mill observe the growth of a senti-that being the ruling figure, and and which will cost them but a ment that there will be an en-lit was quite enough considering trifle a ton to mine for their largement in trade, for the senti-the quality of the goods. Finest winter's run. ment must precede the actual French colored Septembers are merease in business and is the not to be had, although buyers forerunner of a consummation, would be ready to pay 10c for Finest Western Septembers could not be bought under 10ge or 10gc. Most of the cheese in the west is now out of factorycations that the better feeling men's hands and held for ship-The New York market is firmer with the Northern and Western sections of the State well cleared of stock. quote the market here as follows: Finest Western colored......102c to 101c

white.....102c to 103c Quebec .... 92c to be Under grades..... 9c to 94c

#### MINING IN B. C.

Mr. Wm. Hamilton Merritt, mining engineer, of Toronto, passed through Winnipeg last week on his way east from the Okanagan district, where he has been all summer investigating the gold properties of the Strathyre Mining company, of Montreal, Mr. Merritt succeeded Mr. George Atwood, of London, as mining engineer to the company. He stated to a Manitoba Free Press representative that notwithstanding the black eye which has been given to silver, the mining prospects of British Columbia were never so bright as they are to-day. The great value of many of the gold, silver, copper and lead properties in the interior have Western dairy instilled a quiet confidence in their owners and in other prospectors which not even hard times can shake. Inflated prices for mining claims are as a rule becoming a thing of the past and undeveloped properties can now be Cheese roceipts during the past acquired as a rule at reasonable

Mr. Merritt said that the have conunless things turn out differently for the winter to the Morning for planting next year.

With regard to the recent de. velopments in the Lake of the Woods and Rainy Lake districts, Mr. Merritt stated that he had entire confidence that with judicions mining and especially proper treatment the gold ores of these districts will pay well.

#### COAL AT SAN FRANCISCO.

J. W. Harrison, ceal and metal broker, San Francisco, reports Nov. 24 as follows: "During the week 8,232 tons Australian coal has come to hand, and 11,740 tons from the Coast. Last week ending November 18th, 57,191 tons came into the Golden Gate; this is equal to double the amount of our average consumption, yet the total arrivals for the past three weeks are just about equal to the amount actually consumed. Dealers and large consumers have had full employment for all their teams this month; as combined with liberal arrivals, the deliveries have been large. No change of values except for English grades which have been marked up about 5 per cent., occasioned by an advance of freight rates for loading. The free arrivals from British Columbia will not permit any advance in domestic grades, still present prices are firmly sustained, and business is good. There is a vessel listed from Japan with Miike Gas Coal. This is the first charter for several months, as shipments have been prohibited by the Government. This cargo has been already engaged by our gas companies. The Australian mail just at hand adds four new names to the list loading coal. This now foots up over \$0,000 tons from Newcastle."

A large number of fruit trees

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VESSELS IN PORT.

(December 3, 1891.)

VICTORIA

Am. bark Wrestler, 447 tons; wrecked Feb. 7 and floated July 6.

Nic. 88. Costa Rica, 1,274 tons, Capt. McIntyre, taking in new boilers at Albion Iron Works.

Br. ship Rimac, 885 tong, Capt. Warn, arrived No. 30, chartered to load salmon to London on account of Findlay, Durham & Brodie.

VANCOUVER.

Chil. bark India, 933 tons, Capt. Funke, Magune, loading at Northfield.

arrived Nov. 10, loading lumber for Valpavaiso on owners' account.

Am. bark Colorado, 1,036 tons, loading lumber for Sydney.

Br. bark Ladstock, 816 tons, Capt. Carnon, arrived Nov. 9, from Liverpool with general cargo. B. C. Iron Works Co., consignets. Chartered homewards for wheat from Tacoma.

Br. ss. Empress of China, 3,003 tons, Capt. Archibald, arrived Nov. 20.

NANAIMO.

Am. bark. General Fairchild. 1,356 tons, Capt. Smith.

Am. ship J. B. Brown, 1,473 tons, Capt. Magune, loading at Northfield. Am. bark Sea King. 1,436 tons, Capt. Pierce, loading at Protection Island. Am. bark Wilna, 1,409 tons. Captain

Slater. Am. bark Carrolton, 1,390 tons, Captain

Am. ship Elwell, 1,461 tons, Capt. Ryder.

WELLINGTON SHIPPING.
Br. 88. Wellington, 1,267 tons, Captain

Salmond.

Ports.	No.	Tonnage.
ictoria	. 3	2,606
ancouver	. 4	5.808
anaimo	. 7	9,792
Total	.14	18,206
revious week		22,955
orrespond'g week lastlyear	.17	23,605
1892	.27	33,244

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### BRITISH COLUMBIA SALMON FLEET 1894.

FI.AG.	NAME.	TNS	MASTER.	SAILED.	FROM.	FOR,	Cases.	VALUE.	Rate.
Br bark Br ship Br bark Br bark Br schr	Rimac	1221 1510 1209 1037 885	Frame Lowe Abbott Tiemann Warn	October 17. October 23. November 3 November 22	Victoria. Fraser River. Victoria. Fraser River. Victoria.	Liverpool Liverpool London, Liverpool London	55,759 69,839 55,314 15,000	215,666 350,683 276,670 225,040	324 60 335 9d 345 3d 345 3d 385 9d
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### VESSELS ON THE WAY TO BRITISH COLUMBIA PORTS

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Br ship	Empress of Japan Combernere.	3003 1686	Lee Jenkins	Nov 8E	Hong Kong Yokohama	Victoria&Van Victoria	C. A S. S. Co C. P. S S. Co.	20

To load a return cargo of lumber on owners account, C-Spoken Ang. 30 lat, 14 N. long 27 W. ik.-Chartered for lumber. N-November loading, Q-October 5, put into Falkland Islands, topsails lost and vessel strained. 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. If Via Yokohama Dec. 7. P. To load a return cargo of lumber at 48 A-Tosail December 16, Via Yokohama December 22. B-Via Suva and Honolulu. November 30. E-To sail December 5. Via Yokohama, Jan. 4. G-Chartered for lumber from Port Blakely to Shanghai. I--Spoken Oct, 27, lat, 45 N. long. S.W. November 3, lat. 48 N. long. 10 W.

#### FREIGHTS.

Rates in San Francisco are weaker and ] recent charters have been at 22s to a Francisco to Cork, U. K., for orders, with direct port in the United Kingdom, or direct port in the United Kingdom, or usual options, at 254 Portland, 335 Continent. From Portland to Cork for orders, with the usual options. Several vessels have been fixed at 335 9d; while Sound are quoted as follows:—Val

28s direct. The lumber market continues firm with little doing.

Grain freights are quoted: From San Francisco to Cork, U. K., for orders, with usual options, at 254 Portland, 335 to San Diego or San Pedro, \$2.75 to \$2.50;

may be named as rather over 30s and Melbourne. Adelaide or Port Piric,

Blake & Ramsay, formerly of Stovesfrom Tacoma little is reported. The rate paraiso for orders, 37s 6d; Sydney, 32s 6d; ton, have commenced the publication of the Enterprise at Wellington.

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