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TRADE AND COMMERCE.

COMMERCIAL JOURNAL OFFICE, Tuesday Morning, June 14.

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The tone of business continues healthy, although trade has not been particularly active. At this time of the year there never is any noticeable activity in the general demand, and for the time being trade will probably remain of a quiet, easy order. In dry goods, the demand from the cannery stores is reported to be about equal to last year, although all the purchases for the season have not yet been made. In this line, the present month is generally conceded to be one of the quictest in the year, and it is not unusual to find trade slackening up a little at the close of the spring season. On account of the light purchases made by dealers for their spring stocks of dry goods and clothing, it is expected that, a little later in the season, there will be a brisk trade in sorting orders. When the balances are made for the half year, it is expected that the volume of trade will be nearly equal to the corresponding period last year.

Hong Kong exchange is now quoted 72 for the Mexican dollar, and it is said to be advancing.

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

Consignments of Manitoba dairy butter are beginning to come in freely. It is the early spring make and although it is said to be of good quality, it is not selling well, on account of its light color, and sells from 20c to 23c per 15. according to quality. Manitoba creamery is also coming in more freely and the current quotation is 26kc.

The S. F. Commercial News says: A good deal of the butter arriving, being made during the warm weather, was soft and generally in bad condition, and consequently had to be sold at low prices. There has been a fair demand, though, for butter of good quality and flavor. There are good stocks on hand now, and the market, although a little steadier in feeling than it was, is rather weak. 'There are liberal stocks of cheese on hand, and prices are in favor of buyers. Fancy roll butter, 19c to 20c; fair to choice, 17c to 18c; California cheese, 7c to 9c.

Quotations are: California fancy roll, 26c per lb; California, in kits, 27c; Manitoba creamery, 261c; Canadian cheese, 14c; new California cheese, 16c; eggs, 18 to 20c. A car of canvassed bacon, hams and

other packing house products was received last Thursday, and was sold on eastern account, the purchasers paying freight.

Quotations are : Hams, 14c per lb.; breakfast bacon, 14c; backs, 13c; short roll, 111c; long clear, 11c; pure kettle lard, 50 lbs, 13c; pure steam do., 12c; lard compound, 101@111c; lard tins, 121@131c.

Sugar quotations by jobbers are as follows: Granulated, 5gc; extra C, 5gc; yellow, 47c; golden C, 43c.

The Toronto Empire says: "Canned corn, good brands, is meeting with a good demand at \$1 to \$1.10, peas at \$1.05 to \$1.15, and tomatoes at \$1.05 to \$1.15. Cables make good grades of Rio coffee higher. Stocks of staple canned vegetables in local jobbers' hands seem to be light. Some of the importers do not agree | black, \$1.15 per box; Royal Anns,

quality to last year's. received show that they are not up in a doz; peas, 5c per lb; beans, 20c; apricots, quality, style or liquor. of a few lots at 30c to 35c,"

The New York Bulletin says: "Advices have been received of the opening of Amoy tea market, and though full particulars are not given, an idea may be obtained through the bids solicited. Sellers' ideas are at about 20c to 21c for good cargo, 22c to 23c good superior, and 21c to 25c superior, via Suez, and due here 20th August to September 1, but overland shipments would cost about 2c more."

The S. F. Herald of Trade says: "Some of our leading California fruit canneries have made prices for 'futures' in the grades. staple lines, but no full lists have yet been issued publicly. We have seen new stand ard pack apricots quoted at \$1.40; pears, \$1.80; and peaches, \$1.75 per dozen. These are regarded as tolerably good prices at the moment, but, of course, much must depend on the prices paid for canning stock. Any deficiency in supplies of green fruit naturally would be followed by advances in these prices for the canned product."

Falconer's Victoria Vinegar Works' goods are now carried by the leading wholesale grocers, comprising pure malt vinegar, tomato catsup, Worcestershire sauce, mushroom catsup, apple and quince cider, lemon and vanilla extracts and fruit syrups-of home manufacture.

PRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Business is good, for the demand is active in nearly all lines and the market is well supplied with all kinds of fruit and vegetables that are in season. Late advices from San Francisco say that "cherries are slightly higher, owing to the wet weather in California, and it is expected that after the next two steamers there will be very few left to ship. There are no navel oranges in a fit condition for shipment. Tomatoes are very scarce, and lemons are advancing, owing to light arrivals and the good demand during the warm spell." New California green apples were received by the last steamer and are quoted at \$2 for small boxes and \$3 for large. Pears have also been received and sold at \$1.25 per box. Local strawberries are arriving freely, and prices vary according to quality. 121c per lb. is offered for those of good quality. The market has been somewhat bare of old potatoes, but recent large ship. ments from the State of Washington have filled up the market. In fact it is said there are more potatoes on the market than are wanted for the present, all of the dealers are heavily stocked. California onions have declined je per lb. Apric ots plums and peaches are all quoted lower this week. Mediterranean sweets and Highland oranges are sold 25c lower this week. Lemons, both California and Sicily, are sold higher. Cherries are slightly advanced. Quotations are: Oranges-Riverside seedlings, \$3.50; navels, \$5.50 to 86; Mediterranean sweets, \$3.75@4.00; California Highland oranges, \$3.75@4; California lemons, \$1.50; Sicily lemons, \$5.00 to \$5.50; bananas, \$3.75 to \$4; cabbage, 2c per lb.; potatoes, \$17 to \$18 per ton; new potatoes, 12c per lb; strawberries, 12c per lb. box; cherries-white, \$1.25 per box;

They say samples pineapples, \$6 a doz.; cocoanuts, 90c Sales were made \$1.75@2; plums, \$1.25; peaches, \$1.25; pears, \$1.25; green apples, \$2@3.

FLOUR AND FEED.

Business continues steady, and a fair consumptive dem d is reported, with no changes in quotations. The Commercial News says: The Portland flour market is reported slow and without material changes, either as to demand or prices. The call seems to be entirely of a local character, the export demand at present be checked and light. Quotations range from \$4 to \$1.10 per bbl. for standard brands, and \$3 to \$3.75 for low and country

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ļ	SALMON.		

Preparations are well advanced for fishing both at the Northern and Fraser River canneries. The canneries on the Ske...a and other northern rivers begin fishing on June 15, the date allowed by law. On the Fraser the run of sock-eye salmon is generally expected to commence about the 15th July. The packers seem to be strongly impressed with the firmness of the situation. The English market is advancing, and sales of 1892 pack for future delivery are reported at 21s to 22s 6d, according to brand.

The Astorian of June 4 says: "The large run of fish which set in with the warm weather has fallen off, and the receipts at the canneries of Astoria and its vicinity are lighter than they have been. According to general advices, the stock of last year's salmon is all in the hunds of strong holders. Prices abroad are low, to be sure, but lately the foreign market has shown a firming tendency, and the comthat the new Japan teas are equal in \$1.25; red California onions, 11c per lb.; paratively heavy purchases by a leading

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house in Liverpool has inspired a feeling been reduced. There is little doing in glyof confidence in the line, which will be very materially strengthened when it be morphia are firmer in their views. Quicomes known that by no reasonable probatinine is flat and uninteresting. All mercubility can the pack be increased beyond the rials are firmer. present anticipated small volume.

A Columbia River packer says that the pack on the Columbia will not exceed 250,000 cases of straight Royal Chinook salmon, and the deficiency in the volume this season will be made up to some extent by packing "Blue Backs" and other inferior fish. The pack on the Columbia last season was 390,000 cases and for 1990 was 433,500 cases.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS. Trade has shown little improvement during the past month. The markets are generally quiet, as is to be expected when trading is so limited as it has been for the past few weeks. Canada balsam is firm but unchanged; it is too early yet to say how the market will go this season. Cascard sagrada bark is very firmly held. Cloves are offering at very low figures. The demand for Ergot has fallen off and prices are rather easier. Gum Shellac has recovered from its dull position and is now very much firmer and better prices are looked for. Insect powder is in brisk demand with an advancing tendency. All grades of Senna leaves are advancing. Lime juice is very dear this season, and higher prices are looked for owing to its scarcity. In essential oils Anise is rather lower, Eucalyptus weaker, lemon not quite so firmly held, the crop reports being more favorable, English peppermint lower, but American has again advanced. In expressed oils Almond is lower. Prices of Castor Oil have continued very low, and but little is offering forward at present rates. Cocoanut may be had very cheap. Cod Liver is quiet at present, the result of the Norwegian fisheries is now known to be far below the average and higher prices are looked for when the demand sets in. Opium remains low and dull of sale. In roots, African ginger is lower; a general advance has taken place in rhubarb. High prices are looked for in canary seed. In chemicals Citric Acid is a little lower. Tartaric dull and unchanged. Some makers of borax are asking higher figures. Crude Camphor is held more firmly. Chloroform has been advanced. Cream Tartar is rather firm. Stocks are said to have of lagrippe?

cerine at unchanged rates. The makers of

There was one arrival during the past week-the German bark Palawan, 967 tons, to load at Vancouver for Iquiqui at 33s 9d, chartered prior to arrival. The Antonietta, loading for Valparaiso, is ex-pected to finish early in the week, and the Guineveve is said to be about due from Antofagasta to load a return cargo Valpaowner's account for ao Quotations are follows raiso. A.R for cargo lots for foreign shipment, being the prices of the Pacific Pine Lumber Association: Rough merchantable, ordinary sizes, in lengths to 40 feet, inclusive, \$9 per M feet; rough deck plank, average length 35 feet, \$19; dressed flooring, \$17; pickets, \$9; laths, 4 feet, \$2.

The Rock Bay Saw Mill quotes the Island Association prices as follows:

Rough merch	antable lumber, j	per M	\$12	00
Best quality	dressed lumber, pe	rM	22	25
Second "	44	"	18	00
Laths, per M.	*********		2	25
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Marshall & Smith, wholesale wine merchants and commission agents, have opened at 20 Oppenheimer street, Vancouver.

At the annual meeting of Pacific Mail stockholders, the old board of directors was re-elected. The report showed that the gross earnings for the fiscal year were \$4,409,252, operating expenses \$3,688,046.

The reports of the European life companies on the subject of the excessive mortality due to the epidemic of la grippe indicate that, while for ages under forty the disease was well resisted, those of greater age were not successful in combating its ravages. There seems to be a clearly defined and well grounded theory that the vitality of those over forty years of age Spirits.... who have been affected by la grippe is lessened to such an extent that their expectancy is reduced considerably. It has been suggested that a question be inserted in applications for assurance hereafter bearing on the matter, such, for instance, as: Have you ever had an attack

BUSINESS CHANGES.

R. Graham is opening a new hotel in Comox.

Tebb & Yelland, boat builders, Victoria, burned out.

S. Gintzberger, grocer, Vancouver, has sold out to Allan Cook.

R. G. Howell & Co., art dealers and picture framers, Victoria, advertise business for sale.

D. J. Thomson has retired from the firm of T. M. Clement & Co., sash and door factory, Victoria.

Chas. Dempster & Co., real estate agents, Nanaimo, have bought out Anderson & Co. in the same business.

Wm. McColl, general merchant, New Westminster, assigned, June 7, to F. G. Turner for the benefit of his creditors.

J. C. Calderwood, gents' furnishings, Vancouver, stock advertised for sale by sheriff at suit of Greene & Sons Company,

George E. Berteaux, groceries and provisions, Vancouver, stock advertised for sale by sheriff at suit of Jessie S. Berteaux.

T. B. Godfrey & Co., hardware, Vancouver, have admitted J. T. Blewey, formerly of Morden, Man., into partnership.

McKinnell & Co., wholesale liquors, Nanain o, have admitted David Wolf, under the firm style of McKinnell, Wolf & Co.

A. Phillips contemplates retiring from the firm of A. Phillips & Son, sods water manufacturers, Victoria. The business will be continued by Phillips Bros.

INLAND REVENUE AND CUSTOMS.

(OFFICIAL REPORT.)

INLAND REVENUE RETURNS

Victoria Division—Comprising all of Vancouver Island:

The Inland Revenue returns, for the month of May, at the port of Victoria, were as follows:

INLAND REVENUE.

Total	11,120 44
Cigars Petroleum inspection	129 90
Tobacco	2.524 12
Spirits Malt	1,573 94
Spirits	3 5.786 38

WAREHOUSED, EX-WAREHOUSED. Spirits... 6,017.59 Malt.... 68,399 Tobacco. 9,218 Cigars ... 44,250

Vancouver Division - Comprising the Mainland of B. C.:

INLAND REVENUE RETURNS. The statement of Inland Revenue re.

turns at the port of Vancouver for May, shows the following:

WAREHOUS	ED.	
Spirits	Nil 101,244 16,624	pf gals lbs lbs
EX-WAREHOU	USED.	
SpiritsMaltTobacco	. 2,455,62 64,006 9,673	pf gals lbs
BALANCE IN 1	BOND.	•••

Spirits 8,015.8 Malt 37,238	l of gals
Tobacco 6.951	41
COLLECTIONS.	
Spirits	3 683 53
Malt	1 280 12
Tobacco	2 418 95
Cigars	561 90
Licenses	25 M
Petroleum Inspection	4 50

Total.....\$7,973 3

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COMMERCIAL SUMMARY.

Mr. Alexander McIntyre, of Winnipeg, a prominent liquor merchant, is dead.

Mr. Mercier has offered to settle with his creditors for 25 cents on the dollar.

The Oriental Bank of London has suspended with liabilities of many millions.

Tenders will be received until the 20th inst, for the building of a pilot boat for the Nanaimo pilots.

Maria Morgan, known as the foremost woman writer on horses and cattle in the United States, is dead.

A despatch from Ottawa says that on July 1st all Dominion immigration agents' services will be dispensed with.

Many of the Canadian and American sealers will this year goover to the Russian coast instead of fishing in Behring Sea.

The Sanford Manufacturing Company, of Hamilton, are looking for premises in which to locate a clothing store in Windsor.

The Durham miners have been vanquished, and will resume work at the reduction in wages which they struck against.

John Louvir has been sent back to Canada from Bay City, Mich., under the alien labor law. He is now at Delhi, Ont., his former home.

It is reported that the proceedings in Montreal against Mr. Edward McKeown, dry goods, merchant, of Toronto, have been dropped.

During May this year 16,421 cattle have been shipped for Montreal for the British market, a decrease of 590 head compared with May last year.

The customs returns for the port of Toronto for the first five months of 1892, as compared with the same period in 1891, show an increase of \$158,811.85.

A cable from London says that the Barings and Glynn, Mills & Co. invite tenders for £2,225,000, 3 per cent. Canadian inscribed stock, at the minimum price of 91, being part of the £21,500,000 authorized by the appropriation act of last year.

T. S. & G. Vipond, Toronto, have opened a fruit trade with the West Indies, bringing direct to Montreal bananas, cocoanuts and other tropical fruits within nine or ten days after shipment. Messrs. Vipond intend to run only one steamer this season, but if the trade warrants will put on two or three steamers next year.

At the annual meeting of the share holders of the Bank of Montreal, President Sir Donald A. Smith spoke hopefully of the financial condition of the banks of the Dominion. He hoped that bank stock would never be taxed, as such action would drive capital from Canada. advocated direct taxation, if there was to be anything done. The old board of directors were unanimously elected.

A timely compilation has been made by Wm. Howard Hunter, B. A., barrister-atlaw, of Toronto, of the "Insurance Corporations Act of 1892" recently passed by the Ontaro Legislature, with which have been incorporated notes of very many recent cases both in the Canadian and United States courts under the various sections of the Act, which, with other an-25252525252525252525252525252525 | notations and specimen contracts illustra- | Edition.

tive of the provisions of the new law. makes a very valuable handbook for companies and agents. The book has an introductory chapter by J. Howard Hunter, M.A., inspector of Insurance for Ontario, and is published by the Carswell Company of Toronto.—Insurance Chronicle.

The regularly quarterly meeting of the Vancouver Board of Trade was held last Tuesday evening, Vice-President Salabury in the chair. There was a fair attendence of members. A considerable amount of routine business was disposed of. Mr. Cockburn pointed out the necessity that existed for a change in the Act respecting bills of sales and chattel mortgages so that the instrument might set forth clearly the exact nature of it. He also urged that there should be a law requiring the registration of partnerships. The matter was referred to the committee on legislation. Mr. Cockburn's name being added to the committee. Mr. L. P. Davies was elected a member of the Board. A letter was read from Mr. G. E. Berteaux, resigning the presidency of the Board, which was accepted. Mr. W. F. Salsbury was elected president, and Mr. H. T. Ceperley vicepresident. The Board then adjourned.

AROMA OF COFFEE.

The aroma of coffee develops especially during the process of roasting; its fatty oil oxidizes, is burned, and is changed into essential oil, or caffeine, a species of ether that can be isolated by distillation, and which we can sometimes see with the naked eye on the surface of the ordinary infusion. But coffee, like many other natural products, such as wine, tobacco and cocoa, required a certain length of time after being gathered before it reaches its full maturity. Experience has shown that the development of its aromatic principle i acquired by keeping it in a green state from one crop to another. But it is well known that for about the last half century the caffeine seems to be lacking in the infusion of coffee, which has no longer the exquisite qualities due to its aroma.

If now, on the one hand, we consider that the production of coffee is necessarily limited by the conditions of climate requisite for its growth, and that, on the other hand, the planter, in order to supply the demand which is constantly on the increase, is now obliged to deliver the crop as soon as it is gathered, we can do nothing but infer that the cause of the degeneration of coffee lies in the fact that it is supplied to the trade too soon, while it has not yet developed its constituent principles, and particularly its caffeine.

The inference from this is evident. If we wish that our coffee should regain the quality through which formerly it was considered such an exquisite beverage, we shall have to go back to the traditional process of only supplying it to the trade when the caffeine has acquired its full development, which can only be given to it by time, and by being kept in a green condition from one crop to the next.

We must not, however, expect that dealers are going to follow this rule, but, at any rate, consumers can do it for themselves, by only roasting and using coffee which they have kept in a green condition foratleastayear .- N. Y. Herald (European

CANNING AND FISHING IN B. C.

OTTAWA, June 1.-The fo'.owing is the official report of the discussion in the

Hon. Mr. MacDonald (B. C.) moved: "That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Governor-General, praying that His Excellency will cause to be laid before this House a copy of the report of the commission appointed to inquire into the salmon fishing and canning industry in British Columbia, together with a copy of the regulations for the control and restriction of fishing in the rivers and estuaries of that Province."

In moving for the report of which I have given notice before the House, I desire to say that the subject has my entire approval. I think an inquiry by a commission of that kind would be very useful, and that it should be repeated as often as possible. In the protecting an industry of this kind too much care cannot be taken to prevent the rivers from being over-fished and from being polluted with the refuse that is being dumped into them from the canneries. Persons owning canneries are sometimes charged with being too avaricious and wishing to over-fish the rivers and leave nothing behind for posterity. I do not know that that is all true, but I know that it would be a very judicious thing to have these fisheries looked after very carefully. In following the evidence of the commission I see that allusion is made there to the fact that the offal from some of the canneries amounts to several hundred tons. This refuse is dumped into the rivers, and it must necessarily pollute those rivers to a very great extent. I see that opinions were divided as to the effects of that practice on the fisheries, but common sense must tell us that in course of time the effect of dumping several thousand tons of this offal into the rivers must be to injure them. Another thing I wish to call the attention of the Government to is ...e fact that there is some unfairness in the manner of issuing licenses. I see by the evidence taken before the commission that some fishermen have obtained three or four licenses while others could only get one, and had to buy at an advanced price from the others. The rivers are supposed to be free to everybody; at the same time too many boats cannot be allowed to fish in these waters. Perhaps if each cannery was allowed a certain number of licenses it would be a fairer way of dealing with them. However, I suppose the Fishery Department will look after that.

Hon. Sir John Abbott-My hon. friend's motion, of course, is a most reasonable one, and in my opinion should be granted; the Government at least will offer no oppo-The opinion which my hon. sition to it. friend has quoted from the canners, with reference to the pollution of the streams by offal, must be one which their wishes cause to be engendered rather than their reason, because it is a well-known fact that the salmon, which is a very delicate fish, and desires and seeks clear water almost invariably as far as it can be obtained, is easily driven away by any extraneous object, such as offal, polluting the water. It is most desirable that the practice should be stopped; but I need not tell my hon. friend of the difficulty which circum-

British Columbia present in preventing the pollution of the water. It is impossible ple must have been of enormous value. to convince those who are engaged in the industry that their manner of disposing of the offal is injurious to the fishery until their own interests are compromised by the practice, and it will be practically impossible, I am afraid, to put a stop to it altogether. However, the Government desire to stop it if it be possible in any way, and have already taken some means in that direction, which I hope they may be able to improve in the future, and which may enable them eventually to preent the disposal of the offai in the way which has been described.

The motion was agreed to.

GOLD IS SCARCE.

There is no joke about it. The gold production of the world is steadily decreasing from year to year, and it will not be very long before the supply is practically used up. Not more than \$100,000,000 worth of the precious metal is now mined annually, and this is not nearly enough to meet the requirements of expanding commerce. Of course new deposits will be discovered from time to time, but they will soon be exhausted.

Why is gold so rare? Simply because it is heavy. There are only two metals that are heavier, namely, platinum and iridium. Remember that at the beginning the earth was a body of gas. By gradual condensation, it became liquid, while now the whole of its mass, save only an outer crust, much thinner in proportion to the whole bulk than is the shell of an egg, would be a fluid but for the fact that it is held together by tremendous pressure. Naturally, in the course of its formation about a center of attraction, the weightier particles composing the globe gathered about that center. Accordingly we find that the earth as a whole weighs five times as much as water, while the rocks forming the crust are only about two and one half times as heavy as water.

In ancient times, gold was obtained abundantly from the rivers of Asia. The sands of Pactolus, the golden fleece secured by the Argonauts, the yellow metal of Ophir, the fable of King Midas, all illustrate the Eastern origin of gold. Alexander the Great brought nearly \$500,000,000 of gold from Persia. Gold also came from Arabia and from the middle of Africa by way of the Nile. But all of these famous sources of supply were long ago exhausted.

Brazil, which only a century ago was the richest of gold-producing countries, has now ceased to be largely productive. The But the most practical place where the total output of the metal from that part of the world from the end of the sixteenth century until now is estimated at \$700,000,-000. All the famous gold coast of Africa does not at present yield as much as Yet the dark continent \$400,000 a year. was formerly noted as the country of gold. Mummies have been numerously found in Egypt with massive necklaces and other ornaments of the metal.

Herodotus tells of a king who loaded his stance being more common than bronze.

by the Queen of Sheba to Solomon's Tem-Since the year 1500 Africa has produced about \$500,000,000 worth of gold, but the supply is nearly used up now.

The supplies of gold drawn from the United States are steadily diminishing. It is the same way with Australia, which has yielded for the world's use about \$1,300,-000,000 worth of the metal. Not less than \$7,000,000,000 worth of gold has been dug in all countries since Columbus discovered America 400 years ago.

ABOUT ELEPHANTS.

There is a man in California by the name of Newbuary who has great hope in the future of the elephant, and he wants to introduce the animal into that state. All African explorers speak highly of elephant steaks. The full grown elephant weighs about seven thousand pounds, and Mr. Newbuary estimates that he can count on some three thousand pounds of first-class meat from each animal. In twenty-five years he expects to see elephant meat for sale in all markets.

Steaks as big as mattresses will hang up on all sides, and French elephant chone with handles on them six feet long will lie on the counters. Elephant hides, he thinks, will be found valuable for leather, slightly thick, perhaps, but it can be split. Then there is the ivory, always in good The clip of wool from an demand. elephant will, of course, he admits, be small, but there were formerly wooly animals of the elephant kind, and he does not see why careful breeding may not revive the species. Fine all California elephant's ".ool clothing he considers a possibility of the future. But it is not alone in these ways that Mr. Newbuary expects to be able to teach California to profit from the elephant. It is a powerful and intelligent animal, and as a beast of burden will be as successful in California as in India. It can be readily broken to harness, and can draw enormous loads. Nor does he despair altogether of the elephant as a driving animal.

He thinks it is not unlikely that the California trotting elephant may be evolved, as the American trotting horse has been. Cabmen may yet call out: "Keb, sir, keb! Nice closed keb and rapid elephant!" Of course as a saddle beast the elephant has proved his superiority in the Orient. Its gait, however, is at present irregular, but Mr. Newbuary sees no reason why it may not be taught a graceful canter and a swinging gallop. elephant can be put to immediate usefulness Mr. Newbuary considers to be the orange groves.

"In picking oranges," says Mr. Newbuary, "the trained elephant would be a great success. He would come as a boon to orange growers. He could readily reach all over the trees with his trunk and carefully pick the fruit and place it in a bag on his back. He could pick more oranges than ten men, and would never strike for prisoners with solden chains, that sub- higher wages or flirt with the hired girl. If I were asked to name in three words the Copper was even worn for ornament in hope of California for the future, I should stances such as those that prevail in preference to gold. The treasures brought answer: Elephants, elephants, elephants,

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PROVINCIAL SETTLEMENT.

It has been on several occasions explained in the Provincial Legislature that one of the reasons why more vigorous efforts were not being put forth in order to bring in immigrants and settle up the country was that the Government had but imperfect information as to the character of the public domain and its capabilities. It was said that surveyors were busy at work in this field, and that before iong there would be something positive on which to go. Already a report has been issued of what was done last year, and this season numerous parties are out in hitherto unknown sections of the islands and mainland, the result of whose joint effort is awaited with interest. The definition of the westerly limit of the Island Railway belt is not yet finished, and towards its completion it is likely that Mr. Rolph will accomplish much this season. Mr. Gauvreau is doing an important work between the Stickeen River and the head of Takou Lake, while in addition to other operations a close survey of the north end of Vancouver Island is being prosecuted. The Kootenay country is in the hands of the surveyors, as is also the Skeens, and of all these accurate maps and plans are in course of preparation.

PROTECTED MONOPOLIES.

The Dru Goods Review commenting on the cotton combine recently carried out in Canada, says: "Monopolies seem to be the order of the day on this continent. In the United States, the distance between the poor man and the rich seems to be widening more and more every year, and is becoming the most important problem for the statesmen of that country to solve, a problem that may not be solved without bloodshed and a temporary state of anarchism, and here in this country we are apparently drifting into the monopoly system also. It would be well fo. our Gov ernment and parliament to be watchful in this matter. The general welfare of the people is their special charge, and although it is difficult to legislate to prevent the existence of large joint stock companies, nor perhaps prudent to attempt to de so. the tariff can be lowered whenever these monopolists overstep the mark and attempt to benefit themselves at the expense of the consumers. The voters who enabled our legislators to increase the tariff to protect | see the Republican party succeed, but, our struggling manufacturers from the like the thimble-rigger's pez, his characonslaughts of foreign foce will uphold them | teristic has thus far been, "Now you see in pulling down the tariff, if necessary, him and now you don't."

to protect the consumers from foes within our borders. Meantime it is right and proper to give the Cotton Syndicate time to show its policy and not condenin it until it deserves condemnation."

As was the case with the sugar monopolists, they were by the arrangement into which they had entered enabled to boycott and oppress those whom they saw fit to attack and constituted themseives not only into a close mercantile corporation, but into a trading tyranny, which was most oppressive and in many respects utterly unreasoning outside of itself and unreasonable in its exactions. Without doubt these large concerns can be carried on more cheaply and in many other respects to greater economical advantage than smaller ones, but will they consider the claims of the public and of those whom they employ? The former will be forced to buy from them so long as the tariff fence is kept up and foreign goods are kept out, while the operatives will be at the mercy of their employers, who, having control of the entire product, will be able to close their factories and starve them inte submission.

THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

The latest developments in the United States political situation will rather astonish some people. That James G. Blaine should have been thrown out of the Presidential running by so large a vote in the Republican Convention is, to say the least of it, remarkable, since, despite his own silence on the subject, there were many well-informed politicians who were certain that he would make a fight with the best chances of success. However, it would now appear that if the party are strong enough Benjamin Harrison will have a second term. In connection with the resignation of the Secretary of State from President Harrison's Cabinet, there does appear to have been some friction on one or two foreign questions. The Presi dent seems to be very firm of opinion, but all the facts are not yet before the public. There is color, however, for the statement that Mr. Blaine was more pacific in the Chilean business than the President, who favored a strong policy from the start. There are some hints, too, of disagreements over the Behring's Sea controversy, which once assumed a very serious aspect. At the opening of the Convention, particularly in view of Mr. Blaine's persistent silence, it is fair to have assumed that he would have been a candidate could he have controlled the delegates. He has now, however, according to the published reports, acquiesced in the decision and thus expressed himself :-

"The resolution, energy and persistence which marked the proceedings of the Convention at Minneapolis will, if turned against the common foc, win the election in November. All minor differences should be merged in the duty of every Republican to do all in his power to elect the ticket this day nominated by the National Republican Convention.'

This looks like as if he really desires to

MINISTERIAL POLICY.

Hon. Col. Baker, the new Minister of Education and Immigration, has been reelected by acclamation by his old constituents of East Kootenay. His policy was thus defined in his address :- " It has always been my object to deal fairly by each section of the district as far as lay in my power; to open up the country by trails, roads and bridges; to advocate in the Legislature all measures which were in the interests of miners, lumbermen and agriculturists; to adjust the balance between labor and capital, so that both should not suffer through the antagonism of each other; to strenuously promote railway communication between East Kootenay and the markets which are available for its undoubted natural wealth; and, lastly, to do my duty to the best of my ability." That programme is a very commendable one, and though, as the Colonel says, he has not always succeeded in carrying it out, he will no doubt be in a position to do better as a Minister of the Crown in the event, of course, of his not fluding that in that capacity his hands are bound more tightly than ever. There was one piece of news in the hon. gentleman's address which would be productive of much satisfaction. That was: "I have much pleasure in announcing that my exertions to open up the southern portion of the district by a railway through the Crow's Nest Pass are at last to be realized. and the road will be commenced this year.' Col. Baker ought to know something about this. He was a fellow-traveller with President Van Horne from Vancouver castward, and before they separated had doubtless ample opportunities of acquainting himself with that gentleman's intentions.

THE PAUPER ELEMENT.

It is now announced that the Conservatives in Great Britain, if returned to power at the approaching elections, will introduce a measure to restrict foreign immigration. This is as it should be. The old world is beginning to feel how the system works there which has long been in vogue with mischievous effects here. Paupers of all names, nationalities and races have been deported from their native land, and to use an expressive term have been dumped here to fare as best they might. Whatever poverty there has been on this side the international and provincial boundary has been imported, and much the same may be said of Eastern Canada. Nevertheless, despite the protests which time and again have been sent across the Atlantic, wholesale shipments have been made of those who were no good either to themselves or to anyone else. Not only did the Societies and indeed the authorities at home work off their surplus population on us; but they were unwilling to assist in preventing the squalor and sloth of the European continent being transported here. For that undesirable element a resting-place had to be found; part of it was landed in Great Britain and now the authorities have be gun to reflect that possibly the people of America were not so far out when they raised their complaints.

IMMIGRATION CHANGES.

It was not matter of much surprise to hear the other day that there had been very considerable reductions made in the Dominion immigration service and that after July 1st all of the agents between Montreal and Victoria would find their occupations gone. All the provinces have their representative in Great Britain in the Dominion Agent General, while many of them have, in addition, their own special representatives. When the immigrants arrive at Montreal or Quebec, it is only right and proper that the provinces themselves should take them in hand, their uture movement being provincial in its nature and reliable special agents of the respective sections are therefore the most competent to assist them in their future course. Each province has its special adaptability to special classes, and the Dominion might in order to facilitate the work of settlement either increase its forces on general work in the old world, or give a special allowance to the provinces out of the Federal funds. In any event, we want none of the pauper or helpless classes which have proved to be even a worse curse to the new country to which they come than to the old one which had been so giad to rid itself of them.

INLAND-OCEAN NAVIGATION.

The recest arrival at and departure from Chicago of the Norwegian ocean steamship Wergenland, though it does not materially affect the trade of British Columbia one way or another, is an interesting development of the transportation question. The circumstance may, however, be pregnant with results for the Canadian wheat fields of the Northwest which, by reason of the possibilities for almost direct shipment, are brought so much nearer to the European consumers of their product. If what has been accomplished in this special instance can be continued—and there would appear to be no reason why it should not be-the cost and delay involved in lighterage and transhipment would be obviated with, it is to be expected, a corresponding reduction in the cost of the breadstuff to the consumer. To perfect this, it will necessitate material expenditures on the St. Lawrence and Canadian canal route and prove to be another justification of the heavy expenses that have been incurred upon the canal system of the Dominion.

POSTAL BANKS IN FRANCE.

The system of postal savings banks was introduced in France in 1882. During 1890, the 6,817 branch postai banks received 1,-949,371 separate deposits, representing \$50,-465,839.47, a far larger sum than was handled during the previous year. The number of new accounts received during the year was 348,695, the largest number during any one year since its organization. showing clearly the increasing popularity of the institution. Of the above number of new depositors, 150,787 were women and 199,908 were men; one fourth of the entire \$4 and under, 320,240 of sums between \$4

depositors, one half and more are credited running it to death. with sums of less than \$20. That the system has been of great value to the people of France is indisputacle. Indeed it would have blocked provincial railway enterhave been strange had it been otherwise, as in Canada, England and elsewhere, where these banks have been organized, they have always fully met the expectations of their founders.

COGENT ADVICE.

The St. Louis Grocer, in a recent number, contained the following cogent piece of advice to the retail trader :- "Bear in mind and act upon the knowledge that if a man cannot pay one week's bill he certainly cannot pay a two weeks' bill." Save, and except in special instances, this remark will also apply to the customer of the small trader here, and in some sense it is pertinent still further. As a rule a debt is incurred with a definite understanding as to its time of payment, neglect of which ought to be susceptible of proper explanation, or experience is likely to prove the truth of the old saying with reference to that account, "the least said the soonest mended." To some extent the same remark will apply to the relations of the wholesale merchant and the retail trader. In these days of close competition, if the latter is not prompt in his payments and does not live up to his obligations he is hardly worth having on the books. He is a shaky customer, and is one whose business and whose trade are not to be depended on, for frequently he travels to other houses, and it becomes impossible to keep track of him or know what he is doing. A contemporary recently gave the following salutary advice on this subject :- "If every retailer would send out monthly statements, such a revolution would take place in collections that both retailers and wholesalers would be astonished. small dealer would make more money by discounting his bills, and the jobber would save interest by running his business on less capital."

EDITORIAL NOTES.

It is expected that by this time the run of salmon on the Skeena River will have commenced, and it is almost needless to say that everything is in readiness at the canneries.

THE Canadian Dominion reports 36 business failures last week, against 34 the previous week and 32 in the like week a year ago. The general manager of one of the largest Canadian banks, at the annual meeting of shareholders, said: "The chief characteristics of the year have been dullness and disappointment.

A census bulletin just issued shows that creased during the decade 1890 90 over 45 per cent. No nation in the world can show so tremendous an increase. The figures are hard nuts for free traders, for number being minors. In 1800, there were the dispose of the argument that protecprevents the rapid accumulation of wealth. and \$20, 165,345 of from \$20 to \$40, 216,620 American expansion is almost wholly due not British Columbia?

of from \$40 to \$100 and 41,964 of sums to protection, but there are many who fear above \$400. Of the entire number of that, despite this, there is a probability of

> ONCE more the Dominion Government prise, having definitely refused to charter the Nelson & Fort Sheppard and Columbia Southern Railways to build to the boundary line, thus increasing the Canadian Pacific Railway's monopoly and placing this province at its mercy, much in the same way as Manitoba was under the original railway arrangement. Are the interests of this province to be foreyer sacrificed to the political and other exigencies of the rest of the Dominion?

THE officials of the Winnipeg grain exchange report that in Manitoba vegetation is well advanced and the prospects most favorable. There is a considerably larger area put in crop this spring than ever before. In some districts not more than fifteen or thirty percent, of last year's wheat has been threshed. The reservation of such a large quantity of grain in the country will make summer traffic on the Canadian Pacific Railway unusually heavy. Thus the ensuing season will be exception. ally busy. Every interest will be benefitted.

THERE takes place on Thursday the first general meeting of the Board of Trade Building Association, by which time it is hoped that all the remaining stock will have been subscribed. The venture of a few individual members of the Board of Trade was, at first sight, no small undertaking, but it has developed and succeeded to such an extent that more than the highest expectations of the promoters have been realized and, with the funds on hand, there will shortly be seen, in an admirable and central situation, a building that will be worthy of the trade of this growing city of Victoria.

THE leading building contractors of Seattle have organized a Contractors Association. The object of the association is to bring the responsible contractors into a closer alliance, with a view to prevent the letting of contracts to irresponsible men, who take work at unreasonably low figures, collect what they can on it and leave their bills unpaid. It would be well if Victoria contractors would follow those of Scattle in protecting themselves. We believe that one architect of this city insists on the contractor giving bonds for the satisfactory completion of the work before receiving the contract.

A San Francisco paper remarks that the trade of Central America is a large one and well worth looking after. It should naturally come this way, but the people of this coast do not seem sufficiently alive to the importance of it. Owing to the peculiarities of the country, it is necessary that the wealth of the United States has in the utmost care be taken in packing merchandise, so that while being secure it will not be too heavy or bulky. This is thoroughly understood in Europe, and the Germans have secured a large part of the trade with the Central American republics. 495,962 individual deposits, amounting to tion represses production and therefore If San Francisco can look forward to securing this trade or a part of it, why should

IMPORTS AND EXPORTS.

IMPORTS.

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Silk, manuf s of Soap of all kinds		3,613 296	1,038 25	Grand total	•••••		¥ 3,300
Spices of all kinds		363	62 10	Total exports of al	l kinds.		\$ 71,465

THE WAYS OF WALL STREET.

The ways of Wall Street are almost like those which King Solomon attributes to woman-" Past finding out."

Stocks sometimes go up when everything seems in favor of their going down, and either go down or become stagnant when most things are in favor of their going up. .

It is this paradoxical phase of Wall Street affairs which has recently puzzled and frightened off the public, out of whom alone speculators and operators can make money.

When room traders go through the formality of buying and selling between themselves, there is no money in the operation. It simply sustains appearances, and when kept up sufficiently long, may serve to inveigle the public to take a venture.

imprudent, and kill the goose that lays the golden egg before that egg gets time to mature.

Hence the increasing feeling of trepidation in recent times on the part of that class of speculators and investors who were formerly the very life and soul of Wall Street business.

In former times, the "lambs" were permitted to acquire a pretty thick fletce prior to shearing; but the modern operator begins his clipping too soon, and is so hastily greedy and unscrupulously cruel, that he is not satisfied with the wool, but takes a portion of the hide with it.

This avaricious and barbarous practice has been amply illustrated in many of the deals that have been engineered during the past winter. It is the most potent cause of the present duli market, which should be booming under the influence of many favorable circumstances, among which cheap money is one of the most But operators now-a-days are usually prominent and powerful.—Court Journal, I itoba and the Northwest.

MEN WITH BRAINS.

It is not every man who knows his position in life. Some aspire to govern who are only able to serve, and in rare cases we find those serving who are well qualified to govern or lead. A man who can direct and who is yet content to follow the leadership of others is doing himself, his family and his associates a great wrong in remaining in obscurity. On the other hand, a man who cannot direct and who sapires to the management of affairs is doing the business community a great wrong on account of the cost of his experiments and the loss of the plans that miscarry. It was the remark of a veteran in business some time since: "Show me a man who can direct men, who can always select men adapted to different purposes, and I will show you a man who can do anything to which he aspires." When we look over the great industrial and commercial enterprises of the country, the railroad lines, the mining enterprises, the banking houses, the insurance companies, and so on to the end of the chapter, we are impressed with the idea that at the head of each there is one particular man who is able to select subordinates intelligently, and who is able to adequately direct the special business to which his time is given. Without these governing or directing minds these great enterprises would not exist.

MASTS 100 FEET HIGH.

What would lumbermen say in this day of shipbuilding to masts 100 feet high? But we write of the past, not the present. A writer on the subject of shipbuilding among the ancients says: "Large ships were not unknown to the ancients, and some of the most roomy attained dimensions equal to ships of modern times. Nevertheless they were unmanageable monstrosities, almost at the mercy of wind and wave, and utterly unfit to cope with the fury of a hurricane. Doubtless we are indebted to travelers' tales for the detailed descriptions that survive the lapse of ages. Constantius conveyed to Heliopolis to Rome an obelisk weighing 1,500 tons, and, in addition to this long. coveted monolith, the ship caried about 1,200 tons of pulse stowed about the small end of the obelisk in order to bring the ship on an evil keel. In 268 B.C., Archimedes devised a marvellous ship for Hero of Syracuse. Her three lofty masts had been taken from Britain. Luxuriously fitted sleeping apartments abounded, and one of her banqueting halls was paved with agate and costly Sicilian stone. Other floors were cunningly inlaid with scenes from the 'Iliad.' Stables for many horses, ponds stocked with live fish. gardens watered by artificial rivulets, and hot baths were provided for use or amusement. Ptolemy Philopator pos-sessed a nuptial yacht, the Thalamegon, 312 feet long and 46 feet deep. A gracefu gallery, supported by curiously carve columns, ran round the vessel, and within were temples of Venus and Bacchus. Her masts were 100 feet high, her sails and cordage of royal purple hue.'

Immigration continues to flow into Man.

MANIFEST TO ARRIVE.

British ship Ben Nevis, 1,000 tons, Capt. J. W. Glidell, from Glasgow Feb. 13 for Victoria and New Westminster, Robert Ward & Co., L'td., consignees.

For Victoria-15 pkgs paper, TN Hibben & Co; 553 8 inch cast iron pipes, 1,200 6-inch do, 1,4555-inch do, 2,777 4-inch do, order; 20 kegs red lead, 4 csks color, 68 csks whiting, 14 cs color, 8 csks lead pipes. Nicholles & Renouf; 14 crates earthenware, order; 1 csk manufactured zinc, Albion Iron Works Co; 125 cs whiskey, 20 csks do, 1 cs advertising material A B Grav & Co; 50 cs whiskey, H Saunders; 20 csks wines and spirits, order; 50 cs whiskey, 3 cs show cards, Hudson's Bay Co; 50 cs whiskey, 1 cs samples, A B Gray & Co; 1 csk spirits, order; 100 cs whiskey, Hudson's Bay Co; 3 qr csks whiskey, order; 50 cs lemon juice, A Phillips & Son; 10 qr csks rum, 10 qr csks whiskey, 10 octaves do, 65 cs spirits (various), Boucherat & Co: 2 qr csks whiskey, order; 50 cs whiskey, Jas. Crawford; 100 cs whiskey, Hudson's Bay Co; 3 cs galvanized sheet iron, order; 14 bxs, 1 csk and 2 bales settler's effects, order; 25 bbls linseed oil, Nicholles and Renouf; 11 caks soda ash, order; 25 bbls linseed oil, 10 drums colza oil, 1 roll sheet lead, 2 bags copper nails, order; 42 steel boiler plates, 410 steel angles, 5,000 fire clay bricks, order; 50 cs whiskey, Boucherat & Co; No. 3 Glengarnock pig iron, loose coke, order; 3 pigs lead, 1 cs ingot tin, 65 bdis tubes, 156 bdis tubes, 61 single tubes, Thos Robertson & Co; 185 east iron pipes, 250 cast iron connections, 1 bag connections, 1 crate earthenware, 3 saddle boilers, Thos Robertson & Co: 1,500 pkgsgunpowder, Robert Ward & Co. L'td; 81 steel plates, Thos Robertson &Co; 5 pkgs settler's effects, AR Johnston; 10 bbls linseed oil, order; 12 cs whiskey, care J W Glidell:

For New Westminster—4 sheets lead, 2 cases and 5 caks lead pipes, 1 cs color, 58 csks color, 1 csk pumice stone, 10 csks red lead, 25 csks whiting, T J Trapp & Co; 57 csks color, 11 cs color, 1 csk chalk, 5 csks red lead, 5 sheets lead, Campbell & Anderson; 18 csks and 1 cs color, order; 11 crates earthenware, Campbell & Anderson; 2 sheets and 5 pigs lead, 1 cs ingot tin, 52 bdis and 90 single tubes, Thos Robertson & Co; 5 sheets and 10 pigs lead, 1 cs ingot tin, 51 bdis tubes, Thos Robertson & Co; 4 bdis and 40 single tubes, 2 pigs lead, Thos Robertson & Co.

FRUIT GROWING IN AUSTRALIA.

The Manchester (Eng.) Grocers' Review says: The fruit productions of the current season at the new irrigation settlements in Victoria and South Australia are considerably in advance of the previous year, both in quantity and quality. A small consignment of dried apricots has just been received, and is now on view at the London offices. 35, Queen Victoria street, E.C. They have been inspected by experts, and, we understand, pronounced to be of very fine quality, superior, it is believed, to any which have yet been sent to the English market from any quarter. The output of raisins this year will amount to several hundred tous. The general progress of the settlements continues to be leasy on the feet.

most satisfactory, and there is a steady increase in the number of persons—mostly of the well-to-do classes, and possessed of more or less capital—leaving this country weekly by the various steamship lines; the highly profitable character of thefruit farming industry, where, as at these irrigation colonies, the most valuable fruits of commerce are producible in great abundance and perfection, being now thoroughly established.

The area in progress of cultivation at the mildura settlement alone is some 20 miles in circumference, and is now, after only four years from the commencement of these undertakings, largely covered with orange and olive groves, vineyards and fruit orchards, etc., interspersed with settlers' homesteads, and embracing one town already containing churches, colleges, schools, institutes, stores, banks, etc., while a second has been prepared for occupation, and is rapidly being taken up. It is anticipated that within a few years a very large population, numbering tons of thousands, chiefly engaged in the business of fruit farming, will be found on the banks of the river Murray, thus realizing the anticipations of its promoters as expressed by Governor Sir Henry Loch, at the opening of the Victorian Parliament in 1887, that a new province would be added to that colony, and by late distinguished visitors, that in a few years the previously arid district now occupied by the irrigation settlements, founded by the Canadian Brothers Chaffey, would be "the fruit garden of the universe."

THE LATE ROBERT TESKEY.

The Carleton Place, Ont., Herald records the death, at his daughter's residence, Brockville, of Robert Teskey, the oldest of Appleton's old residents, at the age of 89. Deceased was one of the pioneer settlers of Ramsay, having come from Ireland in 1823. He and his brother saw in the Apple Tree Fall (so called from the number of apple trees in the vicinity, supposed to have grown by seeds dropped by Indians, as this locality was a favorite camping ground) an excellent water power, and purchased the land on both sides of the river, thus securing the site. Here the brothers erected a gris. and saw mill, and in 1802 Robert built the Mississippi Woolen Mill, which was at first operated by Wm. Bredin and J. A. Teskey, and later on by his two sons, J. A. and Rufus, who bought the property, and it is now owzed and operated by Mr. J. A. Teskey. About 1870, Mr. Teskey reretired from active business, and, for the last thirty years has enjoyed the fruits of a hard earned competence. He was a man of sterling integrity and excellent character, and had the courage of his convictions. In religion, he was a Methodist, and had been a member of that church for 60 years. He never courted public honors, although he might have had them had he been so disposed. He was a magistrate for over 40 years.

A Berlin shoemaker has invented an artificial stone sole for footwear. It is made of a solution of some kind of patent cement and pure white quartz sand. A pair of such soles will last for years on any pavement, and are said to be elastic and easy on the feet.

HAWAII ALL RIGHT.

Mr. R. P. Rithet, consul for the kingdom of Hawaii for British Columbia, has recently received from the Foreign Office of that country some official advices as to the reported uneasiness in the political world. The letter reads:—

DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, HONOLULU, May 23, 1892.

SIR,—You will notice in the Honolulu paper received by this mail that on Friday iast, the 20th inst., arrests were made of certain parties here whose conduct and language led the authorities to believe that they were acting to the detriment of the best interests of the kingdom.

Prompt and decided action was regarded by Her Majesty's Government as a necessity to prevent any injury to the country's credit and standing abroad by the circulation of prejudicial statements in the foreign press, presumed to have emanated from the same source.

No undue excitement or disturbance has resulted from this action, and political matters are in a most quiet and orderly state, especially so in view of the fact that the Legislature of the kingdom meets on the 28th inst.

You will be kept fully informed of the course of events, and it will be your duty, as I feel sure it will be your pleasure, to assist Her Majesty's Government in preventing in your locality the circulation of untruthful statements.

To this end you may, if you deem it necessary, hand to the directors of the press in your jurisdiction a statement, over your consular signature, compiled from the information contained in this circular.

With assurances of my high consideration, I have the honor to be, sir,

Your most obedient servant,

SAMUEL PARKER, Minister of Foreign Affairs.

HOW THIMBLES ARE MADE.

Dies of the different sizes are used, into which the metal, whether gold, silver or steel, is pressed. The hole-punching, finishing, polishing and tempering are done Celluloid and rubber are alterward. moulded. The best thimbles are made in France, where the process is more thorough. The first step in the making of a Paris gold thimble is the cutting into a disk of the desired size a thin piece of sheet iron. This is brought to a red heat, placed over a graduated hole in an iron bench, and hammered down 'oto it with a punch. This hole is in the form of the thimble, The iron takes its shape, and is removed from the hole. The little indentations to keep the needle from slipping are made in it, and all the other finishing strokes of the perfect thimble put on it. The iron is then made into steel by a process peculiar to the French thimble naker and is tempered, polished and brought to a deep blue color. A thin sheet of gold is then pressed into the interior of the thimble and satened there by a mandrill. Gold leaf is attached to the outside by great pressure, the edges of the leaf being fitted in and held by small grooves at the base of the thimble. The article is then ready for use. The gold will last for years. The steel never wears out, and the gold can be readily replaced at any time.

THE COMMERCIAL JOURNAL'S

IPPING LIST.

BRITISH COLUMBIA SALMON FLEET 1891-2.

FI.AG.	NAME.	TNS	MASTER.	Sailed.	PROM.	FOR.	Casks.	VALUE.	ARRIVED.
Br bark Br bark Br bark Br bark Br ship	Serica. Calluo. Lobu. Rothesay Bay Wanlock Titania. City of Carlisle.	978 726 730 745 879	James	Oct. 6	Victoria Victoria Westminster Victoria Westminster	London Liverpool Liverpool London	41,610 30,800 32,690 29,916 22,366	\$212,000 161,424 159,553 157,743 107,919	Feb. 23 March 17 April 6 April 5 April 19 May 16

A-Sailed from this port Nov. 21; also 127 es preserved fruit, \$750, 17 es merchandise, value \$500. B-From Vancouver with part cargo of lumber

B. C. LUMBER FLEET, 1892.

FLAG.	NAME.	TNS	MASTER.	SAILED.	FROM.	Fon.	CARGO FT.	VALUE.	ARRIVED.	RATE.
Br ship	Athlon	1371	Dexter	Jan, 5	Vancouver	Adelaide	A 959,793		March 18	
Nor. ship.	Morning Light	1336	Johansen	Jan, 22	Vancouver	Melbourne	B 942,986	9,193	March 25	1 60s
Am bark	Hesper	' 661	'Sodergren	Feb. 20	Vancouver	Shanghai	C 716,183		April 23	50s
Br ship	Angerona	1215	Anderson	·Feb. 26	Vancouver	Valparaiso	834,937	7,035		42s Gd
Nor bark	Czar	1324	'Christophers'n	March 4	Vancouver	Adelaide	F 1.017.147	10,476		57s 6d
Nor bark	Agnes	* S11	Hofgaard	Feb. 20	Chemainus	Antofagasta	E 440,939	6.413	·	106
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Br bark	Glebbervie	800	Groundwater	March 21	Vancouver	Valiaraiso	14:29,897	7,689		37s 6d 37s 6d
Br ship	British India.	1199	Lines	March 31	Vancouver	Valvaraiso	$J \dots .680.372$	9,315		378 Gd
Am schr	W. H. Talbot Reporter	: 77G	Bluhm	March H	Vancouver	Tientsin	H 959,805	10.272	May 25	67s 6d
Am schr	Reporter	1 ::::::	Drever	March 3	Chemainus	San Pedro	416,386	3.476	March.	Private
Br burk .	Riversdale	1453	Finlayson	'April 25	Vancouver	Sydner!	K 1,079,156	9,873		478 6d
Br bark	Mistletoe	: 821	Smith	April 21	Vancouver	Wilmington	1. 61.2751	7.386		\$16 00
Brbark	Craigend	:2218	Lewinwaite	April 18	Vancouver	Iquiqui-Callao	M 1,616,000]	19,351		27s 6d & 30s
Br burktn.	Tobogenn	1 677	Porter	May 20	Vancouver	Wilmington	N 605.3281	9,330		\$15.00
Br burk	Thermopyle	918	Winchester	June 2	Vancouver	Yokahama	P 328,576	8,949	•••••	Private
Nor bark.	Fritzoe	1078	Rolfsen	May 20	Chemainus	Melbourne	Q 902,514	8,072		458
Br ship	Burmah	.:1617	:Newcombe	June 2	Moodyville	Valuaraisol	O 1.284.0191	9.883		358
Br ship	Crown of Denmark Ursus Minor	:20 2 3	Smith		Vancouver	Melbourne				378 Gd
Nor. bark	Greus Minor	; j(ki	Mohnson	June 1	New West'mr.	Sydney	IR 462,019)	4,393		37s 6d
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Chil. bark.	Leonor	501	Harken	· ···•	Moodyville	Valparaiso				

-Also 2.339 bills lath and 5.550 bills pickets B-Also 44.130 ft pickets and 943 bills laths. C-Also 33.741 ft tand g flooring. D-Also 1,053 bills laths. E-Also 15,070 ft t & g flooring and 51 bills laths. F-Also 8,260 ftpickets and 127,170 laths. G-Also 61,693 feet bickets and 25,020 feet laths. H Also 49.816 feet t & g flooring and 1,015 bundles laths. J-Also 183,191 feet t & g flooring. I-Also 201,913 feet t & g flooring. K-Also 7,550 laths and 75,100 feet pickets. I-Also 60,000 shingles. M-Also 192,000 feet t & g flooring. N-Also 275,000 shingles. O-composal of 61 187 feet t & g flooring. 9,859 feet deek plank, 1,210,033 feet rough and 31,860 laths. P-Also 85 spars and 306 tons coal for Hong K ong. Q-Also 697 bills pickets and 1,190 bills laths. R-Also 7,000 pickets and 7,2810 laths.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

The Empress of Japan sailed from Yokohama June 6 for Victoria.

The Antonietta is expected to finish! loading lumber early this week, for Valparaiso.

The steamer Bert went north on June 10 to Skeena River, under charter to the Balmoral cannery for the fishing season.

It is reported that the British steamship Wisconsin, 2386 tons, is coming to the coast to go into the Oriental trade in the N. P. line. She has lately been in the New York and Liverpool service.

The German bark Palavan, 267 tons, Capt. Van Henvel, from San Francisco. May 23, arrived at Royal Roads, June 10, under charter to load lumber at the Hastings Mills for Iquiqui at 334 9d.

Capt. "Whaleback " McDougal's patent

there is scarcely time to do so now with ing for choice fish. existing facilities.

PROVINCIAL TRADE NOTES.

During May, 140 miners' licenses were issued at Ainsworth.

The Davies-Sayward Sawmill Company, Pilot Bay, will be drowned out if the water rises another two feet.

Many Vancouver manufacturers are very angry at the insufficient supply of water. owing to the defective pipe in the Narrows and other places. It is estimated that business has suffered to the extent of many thousands. The pipes will soon be fixed up. The city is sparing no expense to have them again in good order.

It is learned that very large sales of canned salmon—about 100,000 cases—have been made during the past eight or ten days, for English account, and at good rights for Canada expire in July next, prices, ranging from 21s 6d to 23s, for falls

There are plenty of poor salmon on hand in England, but for prime sock-eye salmon, such as Fraser and Skeens Rivers turn out, the demand is unlimited, as the consumers find they are quite the equal of the best Columbia River spring salmon.-Colonist.

At the Winnipeg Industrial Exhibition, which is to be opened on July 25, \$15,000 in prizes are offered for competition, and in addition to the features proper of the show, there is to be a specially attractive programme of games and other amusements.

An Ottawa despatch says: "Samuel Wilmot takes great credit to himself for the new fishery regulations this year. In addition to the licenses specified, one license will be issued to each farmer and bona fide settlers so desiring at the price of \$2. The regulation respecting the pollution of the streams by the fish offal will be rigidly enforced. Inspector McNab has been notified to prosecute all violutors of the law, and Messrs, Drake, Jackson & Helmeken were notified to assist him in unless he builds a whaleback of his design and 23s to 25s for flats cif; and that the Helmcken were notified to assist him in the Canadian side before that date, and demand is good, market good and advanc- every particular."

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VESSELS IN PORT.

(June 13, 1892.) VICTORIA.

British bark Lizzie Bell, 1,036 tons, Capt. Lewis, arrived April 24 from Liver-pool, laid up. R. P. Rithet & Co., Ld.,

Capt. Lewis, attract and pool, laid up. R. P. Rithet & Co., Ld., consignees.
Br. bark Ariadne, 1,167 tons, Capt. Croot, from London, arrived May 4, laid up. Robert Ward & Co., L'td. consignees.
Br. bark Irvine, 665 tons, Capt. Jones, from Liverpool, arrived May 8, laid up, Turner, Beeton & Co., consignees.

VANCOUVER.

Br. ship Crown of Denmark, 2,029 tons, Capt. Smith, arrived April 25, loading for Melbourne. Ger. bark Palawan, 967 tons, Capt. Vau Heuvel, arrived June 12, to load lumber for Louisui.

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MOODYVILLE.

Chil. bark Leonor, 801 tons, Capt. Harken, to load lumber for Valparaiso.

CHEMAINUS.

Chil. bark Antonietta, 999 tons, Capt. Stack, arrived May 18, loading lumber for Valparaiso.

COWICHAN.

Br. ship Earl Granville, 1,149 tons, Capt. Flack, arrived April 28, lumber for U. K.

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Am. ship Louis Walsh, 1,497 tons, Capt. Gammons

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RECAPITULATION.

Victoria	
VICTORIES	
Vancouver	2 2,996
Moodyville	1 801
Napaimo	
Chemainus	1 999
Cowichan	1 1,149
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Total1	6 20,233
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FREIGHTS.

Lumber freights from British Columbia or Puget Sound are unchanged. While up till recently owners have been pressing their vessels on the market for the West Coast of South America, they have now almost entirely withdrawn, and vessels are hard to obtain for that particular voyage. Quotations are :- Sydney, 30s; Melbourne, Adelaide or Port Pirie, 40s; West Coast South America, 32s 6d to Valparaiso for orders; United Kingdom, calling at Cork for orders, 57s 6d; Shanghai, 47s 6d; and Yokohama, 42s 6d, both nominal.

Grain freights from San Francisco to the United Kingdom have shown but little activity. The latest charter of note is the ship Vildanden, 1,495 tons, for wheat, to Cork, U. K., Havre, Antwerp, or Dunkirk, at 23s 6d, which shows a slight advance over previous quotations. Rates may be quoted to Cork, for orders. From Portland, 30s; Tacoma, 25s immediate loading and 32s 6d September loading.

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Departure Bay to San Francisco, \$2 to \$2.25; to San Diego or San Pedro, \$2.25 to \$2.50.

FOREIGN COAL SHIPMENTS.

The following are the shipments for the week ending June 11:--

	NEW VANCOUVER COAL CO. SHIPPIN	o.
Date	c. Vessel and Destination.	Tons.
	Wanderer, str., Port Townsend	70
	Sea King, bk, San Francisco	2,385
	Mogul, str., Port Townsend	48
8	Discovery, str., Port Townsend	.35
	Kennebec, ship, Wilmington	3,504
11	Wanderer, str., Port Townsend	60
Total		6 102

SHIPPING INTELIIGENCE.

The bark Colorado will probably load lumber for South America when she returns from San Francisco.

Mr. F. M. Yorke, stevedore, has recovered from a severe illness, and is attending to business again.

The Chilian bark Leonor, 801 tons, Capt. Harken, from Antofagasta, May 9, has arrived at Moodyville to load lumber.

The bark Guinevere, 960 tons, Capt. Glennic, is expected this week from Antofagasta. She will load a return cargo of lumber at the Chemainus mills for Valparaiso on owner's account.

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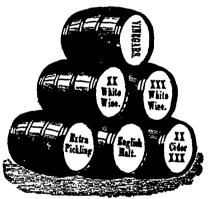
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