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FORIA PRICES CURRENT

FORIA, V. 1, THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 1860.

TO SUBSCRIBERS AND ADVERTISERS.

I have this day sold the **PRICES CURRENT** to Mr. A. F. MAIR, who will continue to publish the same in time for each Mail Steamer; and, in tendering my sincere thanks for the liberal patronage bestowed, I trust my advertising friends will continue their favors to my successor.

A. STENHOUSE.

August 23, 1860.

SINCE our last review, a fortnight ago, nothing special has transpired to change the then ruling character of trade. We have had about the usual number of arrivals from San Francisco, the bark *Orelian* from London, via Honolulu, 193 days, and the bark *Robertson*, via San Francisco, 241 days, increasing the stock of Spirits and Malt Liquors to an extent that will probably depreciate prices. We note also the receipt of heavy shipments of Blankets, suitable to the Indian trade, the invoices for which were sold some time prior to arrival of goods, at a handsome profit to the Importers; the growing magnitude of this trade has taken many by surprise, and we know of no article that leaves a larger margin, either to the Importer or dealer, than what may be termed the "Indian currency of the country"—Blankets. Formerly this trade was monopolized entirely by the Hudson's Bay Company, and was one of the many other exclusive privileges the Company claimed to possess, and now won from them by the superior skill of the astute Yankee trader and the calculating Jew. From the extent and well-known profitable character of this article of commerce with all the Indian tribes on the mainland, and the Islands on the North Pacific, we expect to see, before twelve months, a company formed for the manufacture of blankets on this Island, or rather we should say in British Columbia, where the anomaly of 10 per cent. duty if manufactured on Vancouver's Island, would then be avoided, and the Victoria market supplied free at the same time.

The favorable news from the different gold mining sections of British Columbia, we have reported since the commencement of this season, we are glad to say, not only continues but increases; the abundance of all descriptions of goods suitable to the wants of miners, and within their reach, both as to price and location, thanks to the progress made by the Sappers and Miners on the wagon road over the Lillooet Portage, are beginning to be felt beneficially throughout the upper country, reducing freight from Douglas to Cayoosh already fifty per cent., or from 16 to 8 cents per pound, with the prospect of a still further reduction when the various wagons are started, to from 6 to 5 cents per pound. We have no interest in any particular route, but maintain now, as we have always done, the superior natural advantages of the Lillooet over all other routes, as being the most accessible and central to the principal mining fields of the Colony, and whilst we wish to see as many roads as necessary constructed, we cannot but think that it is a waste of public money to incur the heavy outlay of making a road from Yale to Lytton, over the precipitous cliffs of Fraser river, to accommodate the few Chinamen and Indians to be found working on the once productive, but now impoverished Bar on this portion of Fraser river. The fact of a prominent house at Cayoosh, being now engaged in supplying Lytton with goods, brought via Douglas and Hope, at less than price of freight from either Yale or Hope to Lytton, and that this route is available at all seasons of the year, are conclusive reasons in favor of the Douglas or Lillooet, over any and all other routes.

The discovery of silver ore, about a week since, in two different sections of British Columbia about the same time, and the promising results by assay, are great facts in the history of the country, and in the opinion of many, only the prelude to other discoveries, not alone of silver but also of chinalar, copper and other valuable ores, that abound in the bad and rugged mountains of British Columbia. The resemblance in appearance of the ore of the famous Washoe, is very striking, but whether it will pay as well has yet to be proved. Ore that assays \$25 per ton has been found two or three feet from the surface, proving

that the lead grows richer as it descends. The proximity of the lead to the river, and the facility for transporting the ore could not be surpassed. For \$5 per ton, the ore can be placed in Victoria. We hear that a ton or so will be shipped to San Francisco by mail steamer, and hope in our next issue to report the increasing richness of the leads as they are put into, of which fact, indeed, there is not the remotest doubt.

The bill for regulating Pilot Dues is now before the House. It is proposed to charge 12s. per foot for vessels inward bound, boarded outside Rocky Point; 9s. per foot when spoken inside, and 9s. for piloting vessels outside.

It may not be out of place for us to call the attention of foreign shipowners to the increasing demand for ships tonnage for the carrying of cargoes of spars and lumber to Europe and other countries. For some time past much difficulty has been experienced in procuring vessels, even at high freights, and shipowners can always rely upon receiving good freights from this part of the world, without any undue delay.

The bark *Glimps*, stranded on Clover Point about four months ago, has undergone a thorough repair at Port Ludlow, no expense having been spared by her enterprising owner, Mr. G. A. Reynolds, in making her a first-class vessel again. She will be launched from the blocks on 23th August, take in a load of lumber for San Francisco, and then resume her former place in the Victoria carrying trade.

Imports into Port of Victoria from 7th to 23d Aug., \$185,662 37/2.
Goods shipped per Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Express since 7th August, \$62,746.

RATES OF EXCHANGE.

London.....	60 days, \$1 05.	61 sterling.
New York.....	3 " "	3 per cent. premium.
San Francisco.....	Sight.	Par.
Canada.....	3 days, 4 "	4 per cent. premium.
New Brunswick.....	3 days, 4 "	" "
Nova Scotia.....	3 days, 2 1/2 "	" "

TABLE showing the relative value of the different methods of quoting the course of Sterling Exchange at Victoria, San Francisco and New York:

Victoria.	SAN FRANCISCO.	New York.
Cents per £1.	Pence per \$1.	Per cent. prem.
600.....	48	12 1/2
499.....	48	12 1/2
498.....	48	12
497.....	48 1/2	11 1/2
496.....	48	11 1/2
495.....	48 1/2	11 1/2
494.....	48	11 1/2
493.....	48	11
492.....	48 1/2	10 1/2
491.....	48	10 1/2
490.....	49	10 1/2
489.....	49	10
488.....	49	9 1/2
487.....	49 1/2	9 1/2
486.....	49	9 1/2
485.....	49 1/2	9 1/2
484.....	49	9 1/2
483.....	49 1/2	9 1/2
482.....	49 1/2	9 1/2
481.....	49 1/2	9 1/2
480.....	50	9

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVED.

Aug 8—Stmr Eliza Anderson, Fleming, Pt Townsend... Pease & Boyce.
Stmr Oregon, Hudson, San Francisco... C A Gillingham
Aug 10—Stmr Oregon, Hudson, Pt Townsend...
Schr Cadboro, Boyle, Sooke... Muir.
Aug 11—Stmr W G Hunt, Welch, New Westminster... Welch.
Schr Colonist, Kinney, Port Townsend... S Price & Co.
Schr Gen. Harney, Tucker, Port Townsend... Tucker.
Aug 14—Ship Somass, Nanaimo, Pt Townsend... Capt Stamp.
Stmr Eliza Anderson, Fleming, Pt Townsend... Pease & Boyce.
Aug 15—Stmr W G Hunt, Welch, New Westminster... Welch.
Aug 16—Stmr Pacific, Patterson, San Francisco... R. George.
Bark Wavellet, Tierman, San Francisco... S. Price & Co.
Barkentine W B Scranton, Cathcart, San Francisco... Peakes & Howard.
Schr Nanaimo Preker, Hewitt, N W Coast... Hewitt.
Schr Thames, Ogilvie, Nanaimo... Hudson Bay Co.
Aug 18—Stmr W G Hunt, Welch, New Westminster... Welch.
Schr Meg Merriles, Pamphlet, Barclay Sound... Capt Stamp.
Schr Alpha, Walker, Nanaimo... Walker
Schr D L Cllich, Perriman, S Francisco... S Price & Co

Aug 20—Ship Robertson, James, London, via San Francisco... Dickson, Campbell & Co.
Schr Rebecca, McAlmond, Pt Townsend... Wilson.
Schr Page, Obery, Pt Townsend... Jackson.
Schr Oprey, Hatfield, Nanaimo... J Southgate.
Schr Malton, Arden, Sooke... Muir.
Schr Carolina, Jones, New Westminster... Jones.
Aug 21—Stmr Eliza Anderson, Fleming, Pt Townsend... Pease & Boyce.
Aug 22—Stmr W G Hunt, Welch, New Westminster... Welch.

CLEARED.

Aug 7—Stmr W G Hunt, Welch, New Westminster... Welch.
Aug 8—Stmr Eliza Anderson, Fleming, Pt Townsend... Pease & Boyce.
Stmr Oregon, Hudson, Pt Townsend... A Gillingham.
Schr Rebecca, McAlmond, Port Townsend... Wilson.
Schr Alpha, Walker, Nanaimo... Walker.
Schr Surprise, McKay, Northwest Coast... McKay.
Aug 10—Stmr W G Hunt, Welch, New Westminster... Welch.
Stmr Oregon, Hudson, San Francisco... Welch.
Aug 11—Schr Morning Star, Spring, N Westminster... J Little & Co.
Aug 12—Stmr Otter, Monatt, Fort Simpson... H B Co.
Gen Harney, Tucker, Pt Townsend... Tucker.
Aug 14—Stmr W G Hunt, Welch, N Westminster... Welch.
Ship Somass, Nanaimo, London... Capt Stamp.
Aug 15—Stmr Eliza Anderson, Fleming, Pt Townsend... Pease & Boyce.
Schr Cadboro, Boyle, Port Townsend... Muir.
Aug 16—Stmr Pacific, Patterson, S Fran Co... R. George.
Aug 17—Stmr W G Hunt, Welch, N Westminster... Welch.
Aug 18—Bark Wavellet, Tierman, Port Townsend... S Price & Co.
Barkentine W B Scranton, Cathcart, Port Townsend... Peakes & Howard.
Schr Thames, Ogilvie, Nanaimo... H B Co.
Aug 20—Schr Rebecca, McAlmond, Port Townsend... Wilson.
Schr Oprey, Hatfield, Nanaimo... J Southgate.
Aug 21—Stmr W G Hunt, Welch, New Westminster... Welch.
Schr Malton, Arden, Sooke... Muir.
Aug 22—Stmr Eliza Anderson, Fleming, Pt Townsend... Pease & Boyce.
Schr Alpha, Walker, Nanaimo... Walker.
Schr D L Cllich, Perriman, Pt Townsend... Price & Co.

Bank of British North America.

Established in..... 1836.
Incorporated by Royal Charter..... 1840.
Capital..... £1,000,000

Head Office, 7 St. Helens Place, London
Branches—In Canada, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Vancouver Island.
Agents in New York, Messrs R. C. Furgusson, and F. H. Grain, 27 William street, Wall Street.
Credits on all its Branches and its Agents in New York are granted at the Lion's office and at all the Branches of the National Bank of Scotland, Provincial Bank of Ireland, Royal Bank of Liverpool, and the Manchester and Salford Bank.
F. W. WOOD, Manager,
m26-3m Victoria Vancouver Island.

Peakes and Howard.

COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
Rousset's Wharf and Warehouse, Victoria,
Vancouver Island.

FOR sale at lowest rates—Barley, Flour, Onions, and a general assortment of ship Chandlery.
Storage at lowest prices.
Aug 7-1m

Removed.

THE undersigned has removed from Johnson street, to the New Brick store adjoining Langley Bros., Yates street.
JAMES BELL,
Importer of Hardware, Iron, Agricultural Implements, &c.
Aug 7

R. C. JAMES, JANION, GREEN & CO.,
Liverpool. Honolulu, S. I.

Janion & Green,

COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
FOOT OF JOHNSON STREET, NEAR THE BRIDGE,
VICTORIA, V. I.
Agents for the Liverpool Underwriters' Association.
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Liquors.

104 QUARTER casks Pale Brandy;
 30 do do Martell's dark do;
 10 hls very superior Pale Brandy;
 30 " fine strong Jamaica Rum;
 60 qr casks Sherry Wine;
 2 casks Old Cambeltown Whiskey,
 25 pipes Fine Old Port Wine;
 600 cases, 1 doz each, do of various brands
 450 do do Old Tom;
 75 do do Hennessy's Pale a
 Dark Brandy;
 100 do do Ginger Brandy;
 180 do do Islay and Glenlivet
 Whiskey,
 700 do 4 doz each, Ale, pints and qrts,
 For sale by
SAM'L PRICE & CO.,
 Wharf street.
 Victoria, V. I., Aug. 24, 1860. au24

Salt Spring Island Stone Co.

EVERY description of Stone on the
 most reasonable terms. Building con-
 tracted for. Yard adjoining Messrs. Dou-
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W. Tucker.

MALT LIQUORS, Wines, Spirits, etc.,
 of the best qualities.
 Yates street, corner of Government st.
 in the building lately occupied as Bayley's
 Hotel. au23

Produce.

THE undersigned is constantly in receipt
 of all descriptions of Produce of the
 best quality. Wheat, Barley, Oats, Hay,
 etc. au23
D. LENEVEU.

JOHN WRICHT,

ARCHITECT.

Yates Street, Victoria,

IS PREPARED to furnish designs for all
 kinds of public and private buildings.
 Superintendence, valuation, and measure-
 ment of the different descriptions of mecha-
 nical work connected with building. au7-2m

Selim Franklin & Co.,

AUCTIONEER & LAND AGENTS,
 Yates street, Victoria.

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IS PUBLISHED every Wednesday morn-
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 and is an authentic record of the "times"
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J. J. Southgate,

COMMISSION MERCHANT, Union
 Wharf, Victoria, Vancouver Island,
 and Battery Street, San Francisco, Cali-
 fornia. au7-1

EDWARD HENDERSON, ROBT. BURNABY,
 London. Victoria.

Henderson & Burnaby,
 Merchants & Commission Agents,
 a7-1m Wharf Street, Victoria.

SAMUEL PRICE & CO.

MERCHANTS, corner Wharf and John-
 son streets, Victoria, V. I.
 Agents to the British Columbia and Vic-
 toria Steam Navigation Co. m26-1m

JOHN T. LITTLE & CO.

WHARF AND WAREHOUSE, Wharf
 street. COMMISSION MERCHANTS, and
 Dealers in Coals Wood and Blankets.
 m26-1m.

Liquors, &c.

THOMAS PATTRICK & CO., have for
 sale in store, and to arrive
 Martel Brandy,
 Booth's Old Tom in puncheons,
 Booth's Old Tom in cases,
 Burnett's Old Tom in cases,
 McKenzie's Old Tom, in cases,
 Tanqueray & Co.'s Old Tom, in cases,
 Scotch whiskey, in puncheons,
 Scotch Whiskey, in cases,
 Jamaica Rum, in puncheons,
 Wines of every description.

-ALSO-

The finest Burton and Scotch Ale,
 Bottled do do
 Devonshire Cider, in cases,
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WHOLESALE Dealers in Groceries
 Provisions and Merchandise, Wharf
 street near Kaindler's Wharf. m26-1m

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GENERAL and Commission Merchants,
 Goods bonded and Warehoused at
 reasonable rates. Union Wharf, and
 Wharf street Victoria.

A. R. Green & Co.,

COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
 GOVERNMENT STREET, VICTORIA,
 V. I. je7

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 Wines, etc., Johnson street opposite Wharf
 street, Victoria, V. I. m26-1m

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 Cosen's, 6 years old,
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THE undersigned receive regular sup-
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 m26-1m

Kwong Lee & Co.,

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 CORMORANT STREET,
 BETWEEN GOVERNMENT AND DOUGLAS STREET.

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 Preserved China Fruits, etc. my5-3

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 Guild, David & Co. San Francisco.

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 a21-3 Wharf street.

VANCOUVER ISLAND PRODUCE.
 Scotch Oatmeal, Pearl Barley fresh
 manufactured from the Craigflower Mills.
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BASS & CO

BURTON ON TRENT. The above cel-
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 on hand and for sale by
DICKSON, CAMPBELL & CO.

Pioneer Mineral Water Works,
 HUMBOLDT STREET.

THE Proprietors of this Establishment
 are now prepared to supply their cus-
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SODA WATER, SASSAPARILLA AND MINERAL
 WATERS, OF THE BEST QUALITY.

Orders from Washington Territory or
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 Will attend to Sales of Merchandise, Ves-
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Real Estate for sale at private sale.
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FIRST-CLASS CLIPPER PACKETS
 leave regular and prompt, immediately
 after arrival of the Mail Steamers from the
 North, starting from our Wharf on East
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Office and Wharf on East street,
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 STORE to the corner of Govern-
 ment and Yates streets, where he would be
 happy to see his old friends and patrons.

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 Corner of Government and Yates streets.
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