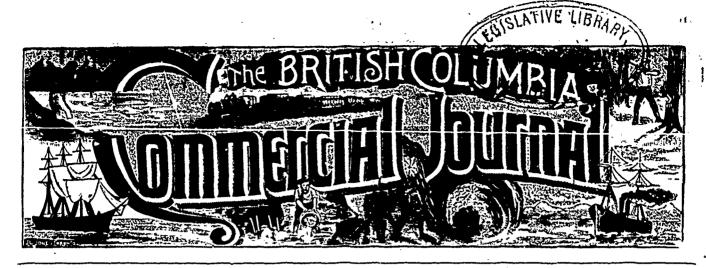
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TRADE AND COMMERCE.

COMMERCIAL JOURNAL OFFICE, Tuesday Morning, May 1.

VICTORIA.

The month just closed has been a quiet one in nearly all departments. General business has only been fair with no special activity in any particular line. The unsettled weather is depressing the distribution of goods, more especially in dry goods, and a few weeks of bright sunshine would give a materially brighter tone to business in this line. The principal feature of the markets is the strong situation in mill stuffs and wheat. A large number of the retail grocery trade seem to be about tired of the former system of almost unlimited credit that was customary in this city in the past. They are working as near as possible to a cash basis and only cultivate cash customers and those who pay bills promptly. Slow pays are being requested to settle up old balances of sometimes long standing and in future pay cash. This has had the effect of reducing to some extent the volume of business, but dealers who are working to the cash basis are satisfied with less of a turnover with a corresponding smaller amount of losses than heretofore. There are many encouraging features which multiply as the season advances. There are indications of an improvement in mining, both quartz and hydraulic, which is in a measure substantiated by the large number of companies that have been incorporated last year and quite a number already this season. The salmon canneries are making preparations for a good pack, which, however, is not expected to be as large as last season, although three or four new canneries will be in operation. The lumber export trade is also improving and this has given the mills confidence sufficient to advance prices slightly and establish a uniform export rate which will make the industry a profitable one this summer. Recuperation will of necessity be slow, but it is believed that the worst has been past and trade generally will show a gradual improvement this season. Collections continue slow.

The Vancouver News-Advertiser says: "Trade is reported to be steady, and there are but few features to note this week. Collections continue fair. During the past week, two more vessels have arrived to load lumber, making six in all at this port at the present time. The Moodyville and Hastings mills will thus both be kept running full time for some weeks to come, while several more vessels are now on the way. Another vessel has also arrived with general cargo, and, after discharging the same, will load lumber here. The wet weather of the past few days has hindered all out door work, but active preparations are being made for the coming spring, and as has been previously mentioned, there will be quite a little building and other out door work done this season. Wholesale business continues fairly steady, the chief features being an advance in feed and California butter. Prices otherwise continue almost unchanged."

FLOUR AND FEED.

during the week. Oats remain unchanged. \$17, net cash, per ton at Tacoma, and cannot be landed here for less than \$25. Within the last two weeks, the Tacoma quotation was down to \$10 per ton. The drought in California this spring is said to have been damaging to the grain and root crop. There was rain late in April, but it was too late to be of sufficient benefit to overcome the backset occasioned by the drought. It is said that potatoes will be a short crop in California this year, which Butter-Eastern Creamery, tubs..... will affect the producing districts along the coast. Quotations for hay are high at San Francisco, and it is said that the chances are that local prices will go up in sympathy. Flours are unchanged in price. The Ogilvie Milling Co. quote their celebrated brands of Manitoba flours in car lots, on wharf in Victoria, as follows: Ogilvie's Hungarian...\$1 20 " Strong Bakers ... 4 00 The Columbia Flouring Mills quote Strong Bakers Enderby flour in carload lots on wharf in Victoria: Premier XXXStrong Bakers or XX... 3 30 3 05 Superfine The Victoria Roller Mills quote Victoria tlour in 10-bbl. lots at the mills as follows: Delta \$1 00 Victoria XXX...... 4 00 Jobbers' quotations to the trade are: Delta, Victoria mills......\$ 4 25 @ 0 00 Lion, 4 25 @ 0 00 XXX ... 4 25 @ 0 00
Premier, Enderby mills 4 25 @ 0 00 Superflue. Ogilvie's Hungarian..... 4 55 @ Strong Bakers 4 45 @ H. B. C. Fort Garry Hungarian . 4 55 @ 4 60 Strong Bakers 4 15 @ Oak Lake Patent Hungarian . . 4 55 & 4 60 Strong Bakers 4 45 60 0.00 ... 4 55 @ 1 60 Regina Hungarian. " Strong Bakers.. 4 15 @ 0 00 Benton County, Oregon. 3 85 @ 0 00 Portland Roller...... 3 85 @ 0 00 Snowflake.... 3 85 @ 0 60 Wheat, per ton...... 27 50 @ 30 00 Oats...... 30 00 @ 32 50 Oil cake meal...... 35 00 @ 50 00 Chop feed California...... 30 00 @ 00 00 Shorts..... 27 50 @ 30 00 25 00 @ 27 50 National Mills oatmeal...... 3 50 @ 0 00 " rolled oats 3 00 @ 0 00

Straw, per bale...... 1 00 @ 0 00 RICE.

California oatmeal...... 3 75 @ 0 00

California rolled oats...... 3 75 @ 0 00

Corn, whole per ton 37 50 @ 40 00

Peas, field per ton 50 0) @ 60 00

Commeal..... 2 75 @ 3 00

Commeal-feed .. per ton 40 00 @ 00 00

Cracked corn...... 40 00 @ 00 00

" Chop feed...... 25 00 @ 27 00

The Victoria Rice Mills quote wholeale: Japan rice, per ton...... \$ 75 00 @ 80 00 Best China rice " 50 60 @100 00 China rice No. 1 " 6\$ 00 @ 70 00 •• Rice flour 70 00 ** Broken rice Rice Meal 17 50 GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

Receipts of butter in San Francisco are reported light, and the quotations are con-Wheat and mill stuffs have advanced sequently very strong. Local jobbers have

advanced their prices le since last week. Wheat for chicken feed is now quoted at Canadian cheese is slightly firmer in price. Johnare anota:

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Sultana r 'sper lb	8	@	10
Taragona almondsper lb	14	@	18
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FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

A slight advance is reported in quotations for California oranges and lemons, the scarcity in the growing districts of Southern California being accountable for the strength of the market. Fruits have been moving slowly, because of unseasonable weather. Some of the small fruits may be expected early this month. The drought in California during the past month will probably shorten the yield this season in most of the early fruits.

Jobbers' quotations for fruits are as fol-

10 10 10					
Oranges-California navels					
" seedlings	2	75	@	3	00
Lemons-California	3	25	@	4	25
Bananas-New Orleans	2	75	æ	0	00
Apples,bxs	1	50	ã	1	75
Cocoanutsper 100	8	00	æ	9	00
Vegetables are quoted:	-	•	•	•	

The Toronto Empire says: "The warm weather of the past week has caused a considerable enlargement in sales of dry goods. All of the houses are now doing a brisk sorting trade, and stocks are steadily diminishing. If weather continues seasonable, spring stock-taking about a month hence will see very moderate quantities of goods in the hands of local wholesale dealers, as at present they are in some instances already quite low. The movement continues principally in prints, plain and figured satcens, cretonnes, tablings and towellings, silks, dress trimmings of various sorts, gloves and hosiery, spring suitings, carpets and house furnishings. Moire silks and ribbons are having quite a sale, and laces are very active. Cotton manufacturers report a brisk trade. Autumn orders for white and grey cottons are coming in freely, and the placing orders are expected to be all in within a fortnight. A number of representatives of United States mills have been here, and have offered values which are considered exceptionally low. The depressed state of trade in the United States makes it desirable for the mills there to effect sales, and strenuous efforts have been made to place quantities of cheap fabrics in this market. The new list of the Canadian mills, however, quoting all round reductions, renders it difficult for foreign manufacturers to do business. The prompt reduction in prices after the change in the tariff has resulted in the Canadian mills securing the bulk of the autumn business. Autumn orders for blankets, flannels, druggets and like lines are being held pending the final adjustment in the tariff. Payments are slackening up somewhat, and it is expected that the amount of money coming to hand will be light until after May 4."

LUMBER. There have been no clearance reported but the Gutenburg finished loading Saturday for Valparaiso, and the Thermopyla will be ready to sail early this month for The American barkentine Shanghai. Chehalis, 656 tons, Capt. Watts, arrived in Royal Roads, April 29, from Portland under charter to load at the Hastings Mill for Adelaide, at 40s. The British ship Largo Law, 1,597 tons, Captain Turneaux, arrived at Port Townsend April 29, from San Francisco bound for Moodyville, under charter to load for Valparaiso for orders. Pisagua range at 37s 9d. She will be at loading point during the week. There is one new char-The American ship ter to report. Guardian, 1,073 tons, Capt. Marden, now on the way from Iquiqui, which will load mining props at Vesuvious Bay, for Santa Rosalia at private terms, ou account of Robt. Ward & Co., L'td. The foreign lumber shippers and export mills have just about come to an agreement to advance the price of lumber both in British Colombia and Puget Sound ports to \$9.00 per mille feet basis price, (for rough mercantable ordinary sizes in lengths. to 40 feet inclusive), for foreign orders. The full text of the agreement will be made public shortly and will be

certain to give great satisfaction to all engaged in the milling industry. It is an open secret that certain mills in their eagerness to secure business cut the price of lumber below profitable basis, and while thelist prices still remain at \$8.00 and \$8.50 per M feet, it is well known that those figures have been purely nominal for some time.

The following vessels are loading lumber at British Columbia ports for foreign: At Moodyville Mill-Chillan ship Hindostan, 1,542 tons, for Valparaiso. Ger. bark Guttenberg, 627 tons, for Valparaiso f.o; Br. ship Eastcroft, 1,312 tons, for Valparaiso. Br. ship Largo Law, 1,597 tons, for Valparaiso, f. o. At Hastings Mill-Am. barkentine Katie Flickinger, 449 tons, for Santa Rosalia. Br ship Astoria, 1,335 tons, for Queenstown f.o. Br bktne Nantippe, 909 tons, for Queenstown f.o. Br schr Grace Harwar, 1,750 tons, for Queenstown for orders. Am. bktne Chehalis, 656 tons, for Adelaide. At Brunette Mill-Br. bark Thermopylae, 948 tons, for Shanghai. At Cowichan-Am. bktne. Modoc, 452 tons, for Santa Rosalia. Total, 11 vessels, 11,577 tons.

The following are the current city quotations, net in yard: Rough, \$8.00 per Mft; rough clear. \$14; ship lap, \$10; tongue and groove flooring, 4 in. No. 1, \$16; do. 4 in. No. 2, \$12; do. 6 in. No. 1, \$15; do. 6 in. No. 2, \$11; rustic, No. 1, \$15; do. No. 2, \$11; surfaced, \$15; shingles, \$2; lath, \$1.75.

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PROVINCIAL TRAVE NOTES.

A carload of fresh salmon was shipped from New Westminster to New York last Saturday.

The Chilliwack council has requested a week's time to consider the proposal made by the Chilliwhack Railway Co., reguarantee of bonds.

The foreign coal shipments for the month were as follows: New Vancouver Coal Co., 28,205 tons; Wellington, 21,310 tons; Union, 14,205 tons; total, 63,720 tons. Increose for the month, 1,450 tons.

The Styne Creek Gold Mining Company, L'td., of Vancouver, has filed articles of incorporation, the capital stock being placed at \$200,000 in \$5 shares. The trustees named are Messrs. R. IC. Campbell Johnston, of Vancouver; J. H. Anthony, of Lytton, and N. P. Snowden, of Victoria.

FOREIGN COAL SHIPMENTS.

The following are the shipments for the week ending April 28:

BUSINESS CHANGES.

P. Bissette, saw mill, Lumby, business advertised for sale.

John T. Bethune, commission agent, is opening in Victoria.

Poole & Co., dry goods, Vernon, are giving up business.

Meytyer & King succeed Meytyer & Noel, hotelkeepers, Vancouver.

The auction sale of the Victoria Iron Works, Victoria, has been postponed. C. Braun & Co., booksellers and station

ers, have opened in Victoria.

Joseph Grice, grocer, Victoria, has sold out to George Maidewent.

The Frazer Valley Cannery Co., L'td., Chilliwack, are reported going out of business.

Lukey and Lowery, Nanaimo, contemplate the establishment of a weekly newspaper at Nanaimo.

Raper, Raper & Co., estate, books and stationery, Nanaime; stock being sold by auction for assignee.

H. A. Yates has been appointed general agent of the Connecticut Fire Insurance Co., for British Columbia.

Henry F. and Kenneth McLean, formerly in the dry goods business in Winnipeg, intend opening at Nelson.

A meeting of creditors of the estate James McDonald & Co., furniture, Nelso will be held on May 17, at that place

The Britisa Columbia Mercantile Agency have now in press a new book of retail ratings for the city of Victoria and vicinity, which will be issued to subscribers shortly.

UNITY OF INTERESTS.

A business house should be as perfect a human machine as a well disciplined army. All of its members should move as if actuated by one spirit-loyalty to the leader and that which he represents. From janitor to office boy, and all the way along through every department, the helpers should act and work as though the business depended upon their exertion. This spirit cannot be dominant in a firm without the co-operation of the head of the firm with all the employes, either directly or through some trained assistant. Hence it is desirable to have systematic and regular meetings of a firm with heads of departments, at which the business of the house is canvassed, discussed, new methods debated, weak points guarded, plans formulated, and all points of general interest considered, much as in a council of war prior to the movement of an army.

When the office boys and junior clerks talk about the affairs of their employers as if they had money at stake, then we know they have at heart the welfare and prosperity of the business. When they talk after this fashion—"We have a new line of goods," or "Our firm is offering special inducements," or "We pay strict attention to details," or "We are doing a magnificent trade, and are working nights,"—then outsiders and insiders know that their heart is in their work, and that they are doing their level best to push ahead and gain commercial honors. Success lies with the man, and unless his habits and methods are such as to inspire loyalty and unity of interests in his helpers, he is doomed to failure or indifferent results.

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COMMERCIAL SUMMARY.

It is said that gas is the coming street car motor.

Devastating floods are occuring in Armenia.

Three Austrian towns have been entirely destroyed by fire.

Spain complains that Cuban rebels are securing firearms from the United States.

Huntsville, Muskoka. lost 30 business places, the English church, a grist mill, the telegraph office and the steamer Excelsior by fire last week.

Montreal men expect a large export trade in Canadian horses this season. The Glasgow Tramway Company have sent two buyers out to Canada who will purchase 4,000 horses.

It is stated that the Canadian Government has decided not to exhibit at the The Canadian Antwerp Exhibition. Pacific Railway will, however, have a small exhibit.

An acre of land will yield more in the way of food when planted with bananas than with anything else. The product of an acre of bananas is 133 times as great as that of an acre of wheat.

The Ontaria Coal Company is to be wound up. Chief Justice Armour granted the order upon the consolidated petitions of the various creditors, whose claims aggregate over \$500 000. Those of the American creditors alone amount to nearly \$100,000. The nominal liabilities are approximately placed at \$900,000 and the assets at \$300,000. By general consent of the petitioning creditors, Mr. E R. C. Clarkson has been appointed provisional liquidator.

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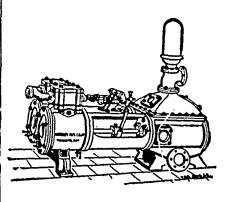
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INVENTORS' RECORD.

The following list of United States patents, granted to Canadian inventors, March 27 and April 3, 1891, is reported expressly for THE COMMERCIAL JOURNAL by James Sangter, solicitor of patents, Buffalo, N. Y.:

Secondary battery, George L. Ballard,

Toronto.

Grain-shocking machine. Robert Connell. Osprey.

Ring guage, William F. Doll, Winnipeg. Inkstand, Charles E. Jewell, Toronto, assignor of one-half to Major R. Jewell, Rochester, N. Y.

Duplicating cheque book, Joseph Oldfield, Toronto.

Dynamite and process of making same, William Y. Rochester, Ottawa, and John McArthur, Nepeau, said McArthur assignor to George Rochester, Nepeau.

Granted April 3rd, 1891:

Smoke-consuming furnace, Jean F. Chazotte, Montreal, assignor of two-thirds to Gustave des Trois Maisons and Antoine Roy, same place.

Harvester, William McCloskey, Essex, assignor of one-half to Alem J. Green, same place.

Electric motor, William J. Still, Toronto, assignor of one-half to Randolph Mac-Donald, same plade.

Milk purifier, Richard H. Caswell, Ingersoll, assignor to Charles H. Slawson and Stephen King, same place, and John S. Pearce, London.

Granted April 10th:

Chalk sharpener, George Hay, Picton. Combined drag bar cultivator and drill, William Hull, Souris.

Electrolytic cell, Ernest A. Le Sueur, Ottawa.

Transposing keyboard, Alexander Marcy, Toronto, assignor of eleven-twentieths to Joseph Hanauer, Omaha, Neb.

Cultivator, Thomas J. McBride, Winnipeg, Manitoba, assignor to the Massey-Harris Company, Toronto.

Process of refining nickel and copper mattes, Charles G. Richardson, Toronto.

HINTS TO MERCHANTS.

Merchants are often worried on account of the tendency of buttons and other small articles of merchandise which come attached to cards by threads coming off and getting lost. This can be obviated by taking a piece of common wrapping paper, gumming it and pressing it down firmly on the back of the card. It will adhere to the threads at all points and the card can be cut in any way necessary without loosening the thread. Another little precaution which will save much time and bother if observed is to wrap each color of sewing silk, braids and such similar articles likely to become entangled in separate pieces of paper, allowing only the ends of the skeins to show.

It is well to remember that in procuring and holding trade there are other factors to be considered than those of correct prices and qualities, although these must be considered indispensable by every truly progressive merchant. We wish to speak particularly of the necessity of average Englishman in the Mother quickness in serving customers. The Country."

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Before articles are allowed to leave the store, they should be charged, or checked off, item by item, in order that there may be no dispute.

The following is from an American journal, and it is all the more valuable testimony for that reason: "Canada is peculiarly situated. Politically it is part and parcel of the British empire, and its people are naturally, on many accounts, especially in its commercial relations, strongly concerned with United States affairs. The Canadian, of necessity, forms the connecting link between the two largest portions of the English-speaking world. His view is decidedly broader and more international than the average American to the south of him or of the

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INSOLVENCY LEGISLATION.

The Insurance and Financial Chronicle has a timely article entitled "Points on Insolvency Legislation." It comments on the fact that though the conditions that cause insolvency, and the objects sought to be secured by legislation are so simple, the laws regarding them are highly complicated. The normal conditions of insolvency are that a trader discovers or realizes that he is no longer able to keep up the payment of his debts. His affairs are then placed in the hands of his creditors in order that his assets may be realized for distribution on some equitable basis. But there are other conditions, it is remarked, which seem to fall rather within the operation of the criminal law than one merely to close up the affairs of a trader who is unable to pay his debts.

"He who absconds with intent," we are told, "to defraud his creditors, or who ecretes his assets, or disposes of them surreptitiously, or gives them over to one creditor to the prejudice of others, by any process, is clearly amenable, or should be, to the criminal law; he is not so much an insolvent as a rogue who is bent on committing a fraud. A person may do any of these acts and yet be more than solvent; he may have a large surplus over his debts." Offences of this kind, it is held, should be placed outside the privileges of an insolvent act relating to discharge, as no condonation should be recognized short of the insolvent paying all his debts in full. Strong exception is taken by our contemporary to the provision of the Bill making a consultation with creditors an act of insolvency, for in numerous cases, men who have been encouraged by their creditors to keep on have given ample justification of their leniency, the result being the saving of an estate and business and reputation from the ruinous effects of bankruptcy proceedings.

Our contemporary raises a point which will be appreciated here. It does not approve of the appointment of official receivers by the Government, which leads to such officials being appointed for political purposes, and would be "another slice of var. able patronage in the hands of members of Parliament." The duties of these officers as defined are to investigate insolvent estates, to prepare statement of their assets and liabilities, to of the shopkeeper preventing him from reexamine insolvents and their properties, fusing those who when they had money to watch the estate so as to safeguard were accustomed to spend it with him. To the regulations had been recommended by

withhold, according to his judgment, power to insolvents to remove, or dispose of their goods."

In the case of the estate of Green, Worlock & Co, which is being administered under Provincial law, Messrs. Yates, Heisterman and Coltart were appointed liquidators, apparently with the sanction of the bulk of the creditors. Subsequent agitation has, however, resulted in the adoption of a resolution calling for the removal of Messrs. Heisterman and Coltart, and the appointment in their stead of Hon. Robt: Beaven. This estate is being wound up under the ordinary Provincial law but the controversy that has taken place on the subject of receivers shows the necessity of some better means of dealing with estates and for the appointment of receivers, assignees, liquidators, or whatever else we may call them.

As was only to have been expected, and the contention is a perfectly correct one, the Chronicle expresses its desire to see the non-insurance of his property, if any loss thereby has brought on insolvency, made a bar to discharge for a term, in order to mark this neglect with legislative condemnation. It would be im possible too strongly to emphasize the necessity which exists for every business man to insure his belongings, not only in his own interests but of these to whom he is indebted. To have no insurance means either that the trader is not a really business man, or that he, as it may be put, cannot afford to insure, hence his business should be closed up. On the other hand advantage is sometimes taken of insurance by a man who is practically insolvent to realize financial resources either by the commission of acts of arson or of carelessness that amounts to criminality in connection with fires or with the combustibles in his possession. But even this is a smaller evil than the ness and the credit of the small trader is other.

"MONEY TO LEND!"

Such is the announcement which one not unfrequently sees displayed in the windows of what may be termed the most unlikely establishments. In fact many of these money lenders neither in their individual appearances nor in their surroundings are likely to impress one with their financial strength, and yet they have the effrontery to advertise that they have money to lend. A member of the staff of THE COMMERCIAL JOURNAL being impressed with the anomaly thus presented undertook to make an inquiry as to the modus operandi of at least one of these. The one case may or may not be a type of many of them and doubtless the experiences of some of our readers will corroborate these remarks.

It may be perhaps well to say here that among many small traders absolute finanancial distress prevails. During the dull times, which have not by any means passed away, these grocers or other dealers have allowed customers to run un little beer allowed to augment, the good heart

doubtless the poor souls whom he trusted and has continued to trust have bought no more from him than was absolutely necessary to keep body and soul together. The time, however, arrives for the retailer to come to some sort of a settlement with the wholesaler, who, not having intimate relations with the consumer and caring in no way for his misfortunes, insists that he either be paid or have something on account. An endeavor is consequently made to collect; but no money can be had. The patience of the wholesalerhaving been possibly exhausted, he becomes more peremptory.

The retailer seeing that he must raise money thinks that he may possibly obtain relief, though it is at an extremely high rate of interest, from one of these petty financiers. There is no hesitation on the part of the latter in saying to him that money is very tight, that he must have the best of security and must receive what is a usurious rand of interest. Having gone thus far the small storekeeper does not see how he can go back. So he states his whole case, announcing that his stock is worth so much, if it be not aiready held under a chattel mortgage; he has so much out owing to him, and this he enumerates in writing and if he has any other possessions he puts them also on the list. The petty financier then announces with all the palaver which he thinks necessary that he will think the matter over and if his would-be customer will come in the next day he will give him an answer.

No sooner is this done than the note shaving shark goes to some bank or private money lender with all this "stuff," and tries to deposit it as collateral for a loan which he desires to effect. He may or may not succeed; but the result is that business men get wind of the whole busiutterly ruined. This is not an exaggerated presentation of the case, and fully shows how necessary it is for storekeepers-no matter how small an amount of money they may require-to finance with reputable institutions or individuals only. These pettifogging note shavers only destroy them, and, in many instances, are not even the means of affording the temporary relief which is sought. As we have before said, let all who owe little bills settle them, if it is possible to do so, and then will it be the more casy for those who have larger engagements to meet to discharge their obligations. This is an effective means of helping to remove the depression.

WARNING THE SEALERS.

Tardy as usual in their movements and as little considerate as they well can be of the interests of the people of Canada, the British authorities, on Wednesday last, five days before the opening of what had only just been made the close season, dispatched the Pheasant from Esquimalt to warn the scalers. Time and time again bills, which, instead of diminishing, have have the British Government been communicated with on this subject; but no response was vouchsafed, it being now said by them that the common report that the interests of creditors, and to give or his dismay, there is no liquidation, and the Paris arbitrators was sufficient warn-

ing. It was, however, distinctly provided that those regulations must be formally adopted, both by the British Parliament and the American Congress, before they could have the force of law. If they were operative the moment the award of thearbitrators was published, of what use was it for Parliament to waste its time in their adoption? Moreover, there were so many assurances-most of them unofficially given by members of the Governmentthat the interests of the sealers would be safeguarded, that there was every reason to believe that nothing would be done without sufficient announcement that Great Britain was about to adopt a new policy, and, at the demand of the Americans, constitute them and herself masters of the high seas in a manner never heard or dreamed of before. And now, as we have sald, at the last moment the British authorities, on whose part it was announced in a more than semi-authorative manner that the rights of the sealers should be safeguarded, have, on the very stroke of the twelfth hour, undertaken to warn the sealers that their formerly legitimate enterprise has just been declared by law to be illegal, and that if the sealers who went out in good faith continue to pursue the business, their vessels will be seized and confiscated. This may be British law but where is its justice? How can it be possible to warn all the sealers? British vacillation is responsible for all this, and yet it is announced that the Roseberry Government have determined to carry out a much more British policy-both home and foreign-than was that of the Gladstonians. In the particular to which we refer, theirs is an American not a British policy, and it has been a looking to Washington instead of at home and to the loyal people of Canada.

COLONIAL CONFERENCE.

Latest intelligence from Ottawa and from London, England, gives every reason to expect that the intercolonial conference which is to be held in Ottawa in July next will not only be well attended but is likely to be far reaching in its results. Queensland, South Australia, Victoria and New Zealand have positively announced their intention to send delegates, but it does not appear that anything final has been heard from New South Wales or Tasmania. There can be no question as to the former of these colonies being represented; so far it is the colony most closely connected with us of the entire Australasian group; and, judging from the satisfactory character of the relations so far interchanged, it is not likely to do anything or neglect to do anything with the possible result of imperilling the connection which has already been established. Trade relations and the Pacific cable will no doubt be most prominent among the topics discussed, and in connection with both of them the Dominion and Imperial delegates will be able to throw some light on that most important of subjects-Australasian federation. In the Dominion, we have experienced the benefits arising from the confederation of six separate and distinct British colonies and the audition to them of territories that were practically of neither political nor commercial importance. Figures that works for the business of sturgeon curing department,

are really astounding have been and can again be adduced to show how much we twenty-six years.

The nondescript colonial condition by no means tends to advancement, while isolation is just as bad. Moreover, we experienced, as our Antipodean brothers understanding on the tariff question be arrived at, it is idle to expect that any very material enlargement of trade among themselves can be looked forward to, much less anything approaching the extended volume of trade which the Canadian-Australasian steamship line was designed to promote. We, in Canada, have experienced some increase in the value both of our exports to and imports from Australia; but nothing has as yet been realized in any way approaching what may be anticipated as the full fruition of Australasian federation, the direct steamship line and the getting into operation of that great desideratum, the Pacific cable. We must confess that we are sanguine as to the results of the conference; but it must be gone about in the same patriotic spirit that characterized the fathers of the Canadian confederation, who "laughed at impossibilities" and insisted that the Union should at least be given a trial. Twenty-six years of experience have justified the action taken by the Imperial Parliament and by the Legislatures of the different colonies, and though we do not expect to realize for a long time to come anything approaching what the Imperial Federationists anticipate, this stretching out of hands across the sea-first by the steamship service and next by the instrumentality that has been described as "swifter than wings"-will be of the utmost benefit to all who are in any way interested.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

It will be a matter of interest to many people to know that direct parcel post between Canada and Australia will commence on July 1, the rate to New South Wales being thirty cents per pound. With the other colonies the rate will be a trifle higher, and it is expected that before long a similar service will be established with Hawaii and Fiji.

Ir is announced on the authority of Bradstreet's-and that authority is generally accepted as good-that the general business situation throughout the United States is less favorable, as is shown by reports from more than fifty important distributing centres. A specially depressing influence is the strike of 147,000 bituminous coal and coke operatives in twelve states. It is added that the labor disturbances have also checked activity in the stock market, the delays in reaching a conclusion on the new tariff bill having also had a depressing effect.

IT is announced that while some of the salmon canneries are not to be operated this year, others have been undergoing improvement and extension. D. J. Munn & Co. having leased their Bon Accord

for the Eastern market their Sea Island establishment has had its capacity douhave grown commercially during the last | bled so that it is now the largest in the Province. Other concerns on the France have received improvements and additions and a new cannery at Garry Point is expected to be ready for the Sockeye season. On the other hand, several establishments have done, the mischievous results of at the North will not be run. though. antagonistic tariffs, and until some mutual | upon the whole, it is expected that there will be a great amount of activity in the business of salmon canning.

> THERE are not a few people who are building tolerably high anticipations upon the early carrying out of the Nicaragua Canal, which they say will cause British Columbia and the Pacific Coast country to become the main source of supply of lumber, wood pulp, etc., for European markets. It now takes four, five and six months for vessels to reach Great Britain by way of the Horn, while by the Nicaragua Canal the passage can be made by sail without transhipment in about sixty days, Steamships completing the voyage in from twenty to thirty. Besides, Canadian Pacific railway people are reported to have said that they will be able, in conjunction with steamers on the Nicaragua Canal route, and their branch lines into the British Columbia mining country, to ship ores to Swansea as cheaply as to San Francisco-

> It is worthy of note that the Ontario hotelkeepers have recently put the boycott on the wholesale house of Sampson, Kennedy & Co., of Toronto. Mr. Kennedy, of this firm, is mayor of the city of Toronto. and as such was recently invited to extend a welcome to the delegates of 47 associations in the Province who held a convention in the Queen City. This Mr. Kennedy refused to do, and the result has been that in every town where there is an association, the hotelkeepers have gone to the retail merchants and informed them that if they bought their goods from Sampson, Kennedy & Co., they would withdraw their trade. Moreover, thetraveliers of the firm have been refused hotel accommodation in a great many towns upon the plea that every room in the house had been taken. It is said, investigation proved that such was not the case.

> THE Vancouver city authorities are, as we think, treating the members of their fire brigade in a manner that is not calculated to secure its efficiency. The otther day, a contract was submitted to the firemen for signature resigning all clain . to damages from accidents which may occur while they are on active duty. Naturally, the men refused to consent, and, though they have not resigned their offices, there can hardly exist the same amount of mutual confidence that formerly prevailed. Why do not the municipal authorities of the Terminal City insure the lives of their firemen? This policy is pursued in many places, and the burden has not, that we are aware of, been found to be so very heavy. The pursuance of such a course would, we are sure, tend to increase the confidence of the men in themselves and of the citizens in the efficiency of the fire

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SAN FRANCISCO COAL TRADE.

J. W. Harrison, coal and metal broker, San Francisco, reports April 21, as follows: "During the week, 21,150 tons of coast coal arrived here; no foreign cargoes came in. Everything in the fuel line is very quiet; business, generally, is reported dull. Values remain unchanged, although foreign grades are quoted a fraction higher, with strong indications that still higher prices must rule. The prospects for grain charters for this season's evop are certainly very discouraging, hence we must naturally expect fewer coal carriers, and at increased rates of freight. This will aid our coast collieries, as the demands from there will be increased. Some grades of foreign steam coals (Australian particularly) are in very short supply. If the tariff change on coal becomes an assured fact, it would materially help trade, as it would put a little vitality into the business.'

SETTLING CLAIMS.

In every dry goods store, there are numberless little things constantly coming up which require some kind of a settlement between the store and the customer, DAMAGES TO HARDWARE STOCK, There are two ways of making this settle ment, one of which will please the customer and benefit the store, whereas the other will always tend to disgust and cause hard feelings.

If a question is brought up to you for decision, say as to whether you will make an allowance or a rebate on any particular thing, it is always well to first hear the

grace, and in as pleasant and agreeable a way as possible. This will make your customers feel that you want to do what is right, and are willing to rectify any faults which may be yours. If you are going to make an allowance, do so nicely and pleasantly. Do not, under any circumstances, do it with a bad countenance, or as if you were sorry you had to do it. If you do, this will give a bad impression, and be just as far from satisfying your customer as if you denied her request. If you have to make these allowances, of course you wish to do it in such a manner that it will please and satisfy, and not in such a way that it will not only cost you the loss of the amount allowed, but also the goodwill of your customer.

If, after hearing all the points in the case, you decide that you cannot make the allowance, then be equally pleasant, and be particular to inform the customer as to the exact reason why you are not able to accede to her request. Try to leave the impression that you are fair enough to hear the complaint, and to judge it to the very best of your knowledge of such matters.

The average retail hardware store in small towns is seldom adapted to its purpose, says a contemporary. It should be well lighted, dry, and its fittings should be as simple as possible, giving dry, warm nir free access to every corner and crevice.

Dampness and dirt are but too common customer. in this class of stores, and it is hard to mind as to what you are going to do. from this cause. The rusting of iron and congenial and profitable than his own. After the subject has been presented to steel; the verdigris and deadened polish | Count, measure, or weigh everything you from every standpoint, if you decide on brass and copper goods; the pinholes you buy, and combare same with the to make the allowance, do so with a good in tinware, and the dulling of the fine invoices.

polish of gun stocks, tool handles, and carpenters' levels, are nearly all due to this cause. It is comparatively seldom that articles are actually ruined outright, although in some cases the loss in this way is considerable; but the main loss is in the general depreciation of stock neglected by customers, who pick out newer and more attractive articles, until the dealer sooner or later finds that he has a large amount of goods which must be sold at cost or sacrificed at considerable

No store goods suffer so much from damp as hardware, because, being much colder than the atmosphere, they attract all the moisture held in suspension by the air. If the cellar is damp and sends its vapors up through the cracks in the floors, or through the cellar way, be sure that it will do its work on your bright steel, tin and copper goods

Good ventilation, and in damp weather good diffused heat, with frequent examination and cleaning of goods, is necessary to keep a hardware stock in first-class condition. When heavy and farm machinery is sold, all bearings and polished surfaces should be protected, except, perhaps, those kept on show, where they would be likely to damage the clothing of customers. Guns, rifles and pistols should be frequently examined, and should never be loaned or used if intended for sale. Small-calibred rifles and pistols are very delicate, and easily ruined by careless use. Indeed, it is almost impossible to find a second-hand 22 calibre rifle or pistol which is not "leaded" beyond cure. Almost every hardware store which sells fire-arms has in stock weapons which have been unsalable for years because of neglect or the loss of polish and finish lost in a day's use, and often as the result of the too-accommodating spirit of the proprietor.

HINTS TO GROCERS.

It costs only an effort to have the dehvery wagon clean and the harness bright, says an exchange.

It is the men who investigate that make progress; the conditions of yesterday are seldom repeated.

A clerk who is neat and tidy, and wears a clean white apron, always makes a good impression on customers.

It is only the really busy man who can find time to attend to the demands of others for assistance.

The one end of business is to make money, but there is a distinction in the means which involves character.

Familiarity between clerks and customers is only good up to a certain point; after that it breeds contempt.

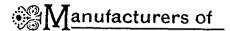
A grocer should be a man of his word, and when an order is promised at a definite time, it should be there.

People, as a rule, are fastidious about what they eat, and the more inviting the store the better opinion of you has the

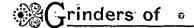
It is a common fallacy for everyone to full particulars before you make up your estimate the losses which result yearly consider his neighbor's business more

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setting forth their opinions as to the proposed subsidy of \$750,000 per annum towards maintaining a fast line of service between Canada and England. The Board

The St. John Board of Trade has adop- any line steamers of 20-knot speed, such ted a memorial to the Governor-General as are proposed, could not successfully compete for through mails and passengers with the ocean greyhounds running from New York, which have attained 22 knots. The great distance between the chief

during winter, and the steamers could notsafely maintain their high speed in the St. Lawrence in summer. Thus the new line would be merely a fast freight line, carry: ing a portion of the Canadian mails, with incidental passenger accommodation. Such a service the St. John merchants regard as attainable for a much lower expenditure than \$750,000. Having these views, the Board asks that the Dominion be not committed to such a subsidy. There is no likelihood of the Government subsidizing a line of steamers that would be practically freighters. The main object is to secure quicker transmission of mails, and the diversion of the large Canadian passenger traflic frm U.S. ports to our own. Unless these objects are certain to be secured, there will be no such subsidy given as

Horse shoe nails have been one of a few staple articles in the hardware trade which have not heretofore been controlled by an association; but it is so no longer, manufacturers having met at Toronto a few days ago and formed themselves into an organization. The first fruit of the formation of the association is an advance of about 20 per cent, in the price.

The fruit trees in Westminster district are more backward than in many years, regards the subsidy as not justified by any centres in Canada whence passenger traffic but orchardists are pleased with the approspects of benefit to this country that is drawn and our scaports is a serious pearence of the buds, and look forward are probable to result. They believe that drawback to the prospects of any fast line to an unusually heavy yield,

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FREIGHTS.

Freights are steady, and although one wheat charter has been made at 23, 9d from San Francisco to Cork f.o. it may be taken as an exception, the current rate being 25s. There is practically nothing doing.

Lumber freights from B. C. or Puget Sound are quoted as follows:—Val. paraiso for orders, 40s Sydney, 27s 6d to 30s; Melbourne, Adelaide or Port Pirie, 38s 9d to 40s; United Kingdom, calling at Cork for orders, 63s 9d; Shanghai, 40s to 43s 6d; Tientsin 55s, nominal, South Africa 60s; Noumea, 40s.

Coal freights from Nanaimo or Departure Bay to San Francisco, \$1.75 to \$2; to San Diego or San Pedro, \$2.25 to \$2.50.

VESSELS IN PORT.

(April 30, 1891.)

Am. bark Wrestler, 447 tons, went ashore during a gale.

Br. ship Benmore, 1,460 tons, Capt. Scott, arrived April 17 from Liverpool with general cargo, R. P. Rithet & Co., L'td., consignees. Chartered to load lumber for Adelaide by Robert Ward & Co., L'td.

Br. bark Archer, 765 tons, derelict. Advertised for auction May 10.

Br. ship Corolla, 1,264 tons, Capt. Frazer, arrived April 28, from Yokohama for orders.

Am. bktne Chehalis, 656 tons, Capt. Watts. arrived April 29, from Portland, under charter to load lumber at Vancouver for Adelaide at 40s.

Am. chip Oriental, 1,625 tous, Capt. Parker, arrived April 30, from San Francisco, to load coal at Departure Bay.

COWICHAN.

Am. bktne. Modoc, 452 tons, Capt. Bosch, loading mining props at Mill Bay, for Santa Rosalia. Robt. Ward & Co., Ltd., consignees.

VANCOUVER.

Chil. ship Hindostan, 1,542 tons, Capt. Welsh, arrived March 30 from Valparaiso. loading a return cargo of lumber at Moodyville on cwners' account.

Ger. bark Gutenberg, 627 tons, Capt. Zeplein, arrived Feb. 28, from Glasgow, loading lumber at Moody ville for Valparaiso, f.o. at 42s 6d.

Br. ship Easteroft, 1,312 tons, Capt. Rimmer, arrived April 8, from Honolulu.

Am. bktne Katie Flickinger, 449 tons, Capt. McRae, arrived April 13, loading lumber for Sauta Rosalia.

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ber at Hastings Mills for Queenstown f.o., U. K., or continent.

Br. bktne Xantippe, 909 tons, Capt. Falconer, arrived April 21, loading lumber for Queenstown f. o.

Br. schr. Grace Harwar, 1,750 tons, Capt. Hunt, arrived April 22, loading lumber for: Queenstown f. o.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Br. bark Thermopylae, 948 tons, Capt. Winchester, loading lumber for Shanghai.

NANAÍMO.

NEW VANCOUVER COAL CO'S SHIPPING. Am. bark Carrollton, 1,390 tons, Capt. Lewis.

Am. ship Wachusett, 1,519 tons, Capt. Williams.

Am. ship India, 1,230 tons, Capt. Merriman.

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Am. ship John A. Briggs, 2,033 tons, Capt. Balch.

RECAPITULATION.

Ports.	No. Tonnage
Victoria	6 6 917
Vancouver	7.924
Westminster	1 * 94 8-
Nanaimo	
Cowichan	
Total	19 - 21,713
Previous week	14 14,218

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