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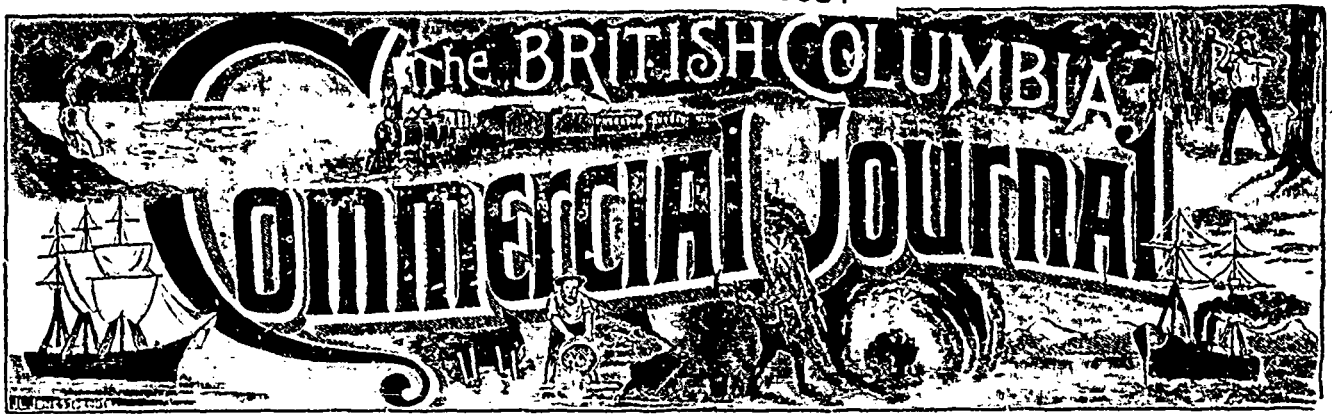
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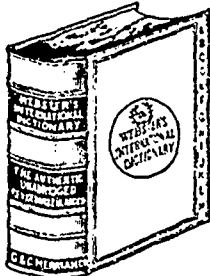
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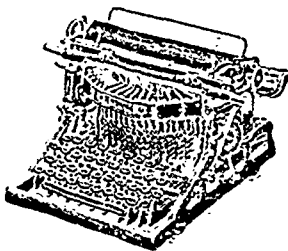
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TRADE AND COMMERCE.

COMMERCIAL JOURNAL OFFICE,
Tuesday Morning, May 21.

VICTORIA.

The markets continue to develop strength and the fact that prices of staple articles are steadily advancing in value, serves as a stimulant to merchants in all lines of trade. Returning confidence is increasing the faith of the people in the vast undeveloped sources of the country and the grand possibilities there are with a judicious investment of capital to obtain most gratifying results in the near future.

The increase of tonnage heading for British Columbia as compared with previous years is worthy of attention, and indicates an extended volume of trade.

According to an announcement in the London Standard the ships of the Holt-Oceanic line, which have been running from Liverpool to Yokohama, will continue their journey to Vancouver and San Francisco, and will carry ore from here to England, their route on each trip being Vancouver, San Francisco, the Orient and England.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

California navals are almost out of the market, Mediterranean sweets and seedlings taking their place at higher values.

Silver skin onions are firmer.

New potatoes are now on the San Francisco market. Old potatoes are moving slowly, and are steadily falling in value.

Cherries are increasing in supply, and prices are weakening

Jobbers' quotations for fruits are as follows:

Oranges—California Navals.....	0 00 @	0 00
" " Seedlings.....	2 50 @	0 00
" Mediterranean Sweets.....	3 00 @	3 50
Bananas, per crate.....	3 50 @	0 00
Lemons—California (Johnson's) ..	3 50 @	3 75
California selected.....	2 50 @	3 50
Apples—British Columbia.....	1 25 @	1 50
Oregon.....	1 25 @	1 50
Australian.....	2 50 @	3 00
Cherries, per case.....	1 50 @	1 65
Coconuts.....per 100	8 00 @	9 00

Vegetables are quoted.

Onions—Silverskins.....per lb	2 @	2 1/2
Cabbage.....per lb	2 1/2 @	
Potatoes.....per ton	11 00 @	17 00

FLOUR AND FEED.

An advance of 40 cents per bbl. was announced by the Ogilvie Milling Company on Friday, and the market is reported very strong. Jobbers prices are advanced in sympathy. Washington flours are also higher. Jobbers are not disposed to push sales unless at full market prices, being confident of the firmness of the market.

Monday evening a further advance of 20c was announced on Ogilvie's flour, making a rise of 60c per bbl. since last week. Mr. G. M. Leishman, agent for

Ogilvie's, says "Manitoba has had severe frosts which have cut down the wheat plants. They have already lost the early part of the season, so that their position is no farther advanced than at this time last year. The markets are steadily advancing everywhere."

Wheat advanced four cents at Chicago yesterday.

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

Ogilvie's Hungarian.....	\$5 50
" Strong Bakers.....	5 20

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

Delta.....	\$3 75
Victoria XXX.....	3 75
Superfine.....	3 25

Jobbers' quotations to the trade are:

Delta, Victoria mills.....	\$ 1 00 @	0 00
Lion, ".....	1 00 @	0 00
Victoria XXX.....	1 00 @	0 00
Superfine.....	3 50 @	0 00
Premier, Enderby mills.....	0 00 @	0 00
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Ogilvie's Hungarian.....	5 85 @	0 00
" Strong Bakers.....	5 55 @	0 00
H. B. C. Fort Garry Hungarian..	5 85 @	0 00
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Regina Hungarian.....	5 85 @	0 00
" Strong Bakers.....	5 50 @	0 00
Olympic.....	1 25 @	0 00
Big Bend.....	1 00 @	3 75
Superb.....	3 75 @	0 00
Plansifter.....	4 00 @	0 00
Gem.....	3 90 @	0 00
Alliance.....	3 75 @	0 00
White Lilly.....	3 90 @	0 00
Gold Drop.....	3 80 @	0 00
Snowflake.....	4 00 @	0 00
Wheat, per ton, feed.....	27 50 @	00 00
Oats.....	28 00 @	32 00
Oil cake meal.....	33 00 @	15 00
Chop feed—California.....	27 50 @	00 00
" Washington.....	20 00 @	25 00
Shorts.....	18 00 @	23 00
Bran.....	16 00 @	20 00
National Mills oatmeal.....	3 50 @	0 00
" " rolled oats (90-lbs.).....	3 50 @	0 00
" " " 10 7 1/2, baled.....	3 00 @	0 00
" " split peas.....	3 50 @	0 00
" " pearl barley.....	4 75 @	0 00
" " Chop feed.....	20 00 @	25 00
California oatmeal.....	3 85 @	0 00
California rolled oats.....	4 15 @	0 00
Corn, whole.....per ton	35 00 @	00 00
Peas, field.....per ton	10 00 @	00 00
Cornmeal.....per ton	2 65 @	2 90
Cornmeal-feed.....per ton	10 00 @	
Cracked corn.....	37 00 @	00 00
Hay, per ton.....	10 00 @	18 00
Straw, per bale.....	1 00 @	0 00

RICE.

The Victoria Rice Mills quote wholesale:

Japan rice, per ton.....	\$ 80 00 @	90 00
" " (polished) ..	90 00 @	100 00
Best China rice ".....	80 00 @	100 00
China rice No. 1 ".....	65 00 @	00 00
" " (mats) ..	63 00 @	00 00
Rice flour.....	70 00 @	
Broken rice.....	30 00 @	
Rice Meal.....	17 50 @	

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

There is no appreciable change in the American meat or lard market. Canadian cured meats are reported to be very scarce and quotations are now said to be

higher than American. Some of the leading packers in Eastern Canada are reported to have withdrawn from this market in consequence.

Coal oil has been reduced to \$3.00 per case by jobbers.

Canned peaches are reported a shade higher, being quoted at \$2.45 a doz., while apricots are \$2.50 per doz.

In canned vegetables Corn is quoted at \$1.20 per doz. Tomatoes \$1.25 and Peas and Beans \$1.15.

American syrups are up 25c per case on account of rise in duties.

The sugar situation continues interesting. Raws are steadily advancing, and the refinery list remains unchanged. Local wholesale merchants state that they are selling below the current market, i.e., they either charged 1/2c. too much before the rise in duties or they are 1/2c. now. Heretofore the price of sugar was based on the Montreal local quotations were used shade less than what was reported for. Granulated is now quoted at 4 1/2c. in Montreal, and would cost about 5 1/2c. laid down here. Dry granulated is quoted at 5 1/2c. for round lots at San Francisco.

It is reported on the one hand that stocks of China are low, and its presence will soon be a thing of the past; but on the other hand the importers state that China will still be imported and be kept prominently before the trade of this Province.

Sugar—Jobbers' prices, ordinary terms 60 days.

Dry Granulated (China).....	100-sack	1 50
" " "B. A. Coarse" ..	"	1 50
Extra C, China.....	"	1 25
Dry Granulated (B. C. Refinery).....		1 1/2
Extra C.....		1 1/2
Fancy Yellow.....		4 1/2
Yellow.....		4 1/2
Golden C.....		6 1/2
Cubes.....		6 1/2
Powdered.....		6 1/2

SALMON.

There is a good inquiry from England where buyers ideas are about 19s to 19s 6d, while cannery agents anticipate that with a lessened pack this season they will realize much better figures. A large line has been purchased at 20s for Fraser River tolls. There is nothing doing with Eastern Canadian buyers, as they believe by holding off they will do better than the present market. The holders are offering in store at Montreal a line of old pack at \$4.00 per case. They are said to be of an inferior grade, presumably Cohoes. A fourth charter has been announced, that of the Mary Jose, 625 tons, for salmon from Fraser River to U. K. by H. Bell—Irving & Co.

LUMBER.

Two more charters for U. K. are announced and three coasters are on the way to load return cargoes for California.

The loading fleet has been increased by the arrival of the *Jane L. Stanford*, which loads props at Cowichan for Santa Rosalia.

The following vessels are loading lumber at British Columbia ports for foreign: At Vancouver: Br. ship *Earl of Hope* ton, 1,770 tons, for Adelaide—Chil. bark *Lake Lehman*, 1,035 tons, for Valparaiso for orders. Br. ship *Blairgowrie*, 1564 tons, for Cape Town and Delagoa Bay, South Africa. Am. schr. *Aida*, 507 tons, for Shanghai, Am. bark *Areturus* 1007 tons, for Santa Rosalia; Br. ship *City of Florence*, 1,246 tons, for U. K.; Br. ship *Aigburth*, 1,798 tons, for Valparaiso. Am. schr. *Puritan*, 584 tons for Tientsen,

At Cowichan—Am. bk'tn *Jane L. Stanford*, 922 tons, for Santa Rosalia.

At Westminster—Am. schr. *Comet*, 408 tons for California. Total, 10 vessels; 10,841 tons.

The Ogilvie Milling Company are increasing their already immense elevator capacity by the erection of ten new elevators in different parts of Manitoba, the foremost market in this country or this world in fact, for hard wheat, which enables them to select the cream of the best wheat grown, to make with the aid of the most modern machinery the best flour in the world. Other competitors fail to match their flour, owing to having old-fashioned although costly machinery. In four years' time, in face of intense competition, they have increased their sales and capacity, until to-day they operate the largest milling business in Canada, have established their reputation among the Canadian trade and gained a firm foothold in the old country markets. Ogilvie's Hungarian flour is very sharp and granular, of high creamery color which means great strength, needs plenty of moisture, and thorough kneading and it will make 20 more pounds of better bread to the barrel than any other flour in the world.

The *Portland Commercial Review* says of flour: There has been a fairly good trade during the past week and prices are firmer. A free trade was greatly hindered by the scarcity and higher prices asked. Flour is too low for millers to press sales and many are storing it until prices advance. Quota Valley and Walla Walla and standard brands at \$2.35 per barrel; other brands \$2 30.

The duties on jams and marmalades have been increased to be equivalent with the recent increase on sugars. Candied peels are also 3c additional. Advices from Leghorn state that values are firm and the market has an upward tendency.

BUSINESS NOTES.

C. E. Hamilton has opened a saloon at Golden.

Dr. H. M. Cooper, physician, Westminster, is dead.

The Pacific Sash & Door Co., L'd., has been incorporated.

Miss Clara Corrigan is opening in fancy goods at Kaslo.

W. Sills has taken over the Swan Lake Hotel, Victoria District.

McMillan & McLeod, grocers, Vancouver, have dissolved.

Joseph McCarter, hotel, Errington, near Nanaimo, burnt out.

W. Evans, Baker, Northfield, has sold out to Enoch Shakespeare.

R. Southby, trader, Dodges Cove, has sold out to M. J. McKenzie.

R. C. Berry, general store, Wellington, is reported giving up business.

Leiser and Hamburger are opening a branch store at New Wellington.

J. Almore, general store, New Denver, assigned to John Weatherell.

Rae & Lamb, grocers, Westminster, are contemplating dissolution of partnership.

R. Porter & Sons, butchers, have sold out their branch at Duncan's to Ford Bros.

The rush is said to have set in to Sandon, the proposed terminus of two railroads.

Mrs. M. White, Globe restaurant, Victoria, has opened a general store at Saanichton.

The business of the Vancouver Drug Co., Vancouver, is advertised for sale by sheriff.

The Toronto Board of Trade will petition the Government for a one-cent city postal rate.

D. Barman, merchant of Colville, contemplates opening another general store at Rossland.

The B.C. Grocery Co. (not inc.), Westminster, have dissolved. Minnie McKenzie retires.

G. B. Armstrong & Co., general merchants, Nicola, have dissolved, A. E. Howse retiring.

The Nanaimo Equitable Pioneer Society (incorporated) are closing out boot and shoe department.

J. F. Taylor, formerly of Brandon, has bought out W. M. Langton, variety business at Union.

Wm. Hazlett, grocer, Victoria, has been closed out by chattel mortgagees who have foreclosed.

The Golden Lumber Co. have lost by fire about 600,000 feet lumber, which is covered by insurance.

The Pacific Coast Lumber Co.'s shingle mills on Lulu Island were slightly damaged by fire last Saturday.

Four incendiary fires were reported in Victoria by the chief of the fire department during the past week.

The Pilot Bay smelter resumed operations last week. It is being supplied with dry ore from No. 1 at Ainsworth.

The Golden Smelter property and appliances is advertised for sale by Sheriff on June 4, for a claim of \$8,108.20.

The stock of L. Rubinowitz, men's furnishings, boots and shoes, etc., Vancouver, has been sold by the sheriff.

The stock and effects of Ewen Morrison, lumber dealer, Victoria, are advertised for sale by auction by assignee.

Freeze & Co., produce dealers, New Denver, are reported closing out. The business is a branch of the business of I. S. Freeze, Calgary.

Assays on the Isis group, at the head of Whitewater creek, Slooan, carrying dry and wet ore, have been obtained as high as 3,737 ounces in silver.

Evans, Coleman & Evans of Vancouver, advise that the Silverhow has commenced loading at Liverpool and will probably sail about the middle of June.

Wm. A. Starrett, farmer, near Hope, has assigned to C. V. Smith of Moodyville and Isaac Oppenheimer of Vancouver. Creditors meeting June 4, at Vancouver.

The big mining men from all over the United States are visiting Rossland daily, and nearly every one of them pronounce the Trail Creek mines the greatest in North America.—Northport News.

Henderson Bros., general merchants of Chilliwack, dissolved partnership on May 14. A. C. Henderson having purchased the interest of J. C. Henderson, who will open a grocery and feed store on his own account.

Jas. M. Kellie, M. P.P., is trying to organize a company to put on a line of small steamers between Revelstoke and the Big Bend country. Death rapids would be overcome by means of a tramway.

The Dinsmore Island Canning Company, L'd., capital stock \$100,000, has been incorporated, with John Dinsmore, Michael B. Wilkinson, William D. Goodmurphy, and Caleb Goodmurphy, as trustees. Eburne is the principal place of business.

Mr. Alfred Jones, of Vancouver, manager for British Columbia of the Bickbeck Investment, Security, and Savings Company, Limited Liability, of Toronto, capital stock \$5,000,000, is announced as the general agent for the mainland of a weekly paper. Single copies ten cents each.

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THE FATE OF THE RURAL TOWN.

We have heard much in late years of the development of our mountain towns. We have thought the trouble to be in their elevation and the hardness of the soil; but Mr. Fletcher is now telling us in the April Forum that a similar fate is visiting the rural town in such States as New York, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Iowa. Indeed, the blight is peculiar to no one section, but extends to every part of the country. The population of the whole country has immensely increased, while scores and hundreds of the rural towns have steadily declined in population and wealth. In view of these facts, we must look for a deeper cause, and that cause we find in the new facilities for travel and transportation. The railway is an immense centralizing power. We are only beginning to awaken to the tremendous significance of this recently introduced material force in our civilization. In its presence all things pass and the whole world is made anew. The immediate results from the introduction of steam as a motive power were felt long ago; the remoter consequences are now being revealed in every cause and in every line of business. "The change is nowhere more clearly seen than in the relation of the inland town to the commercial metropolis. When men reached the interior by horse power, by the ox team, or on foot, the rural town had a living chance to advance in population and wealth. For the industrial army which had moved into the wilderness or the open country, the rural village was the new base of supplies. The commissariat must go along with the columns. The large centre was too far away. But the coming of the railway abridged distance. It brought the village ten or twenty miles away in touch with the great city, making it a sort of suburb. The outlying depot of supplies is no longer needed; the railway train has taken the place of the country storehouse. Does the change mean the destruction of the rural town? Not at all. The rural town is as important as ever, but in a new way. The railway took up the old base of supplies and carted it away as of no further use. The fortifications around it have been pulled down, and the soldiers of industry who had occupied them have been drawn back to the main base. The industries now find their center, not in the rural village, but in the city a little farther away. What is taken out of the town is simply drawn back into the city. The fictitious importance of the rural hamlet has disappeared, while the agricultural value of the land remains. The agricultural resources of the country must forever be the bulwark of the city. The only peculiarity now is that the city reaches out farther, drawing its supplies,

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THE CURSE OF COMPETITION.

The age has need of a mighty St. George to do battle with the hydra-headed monster, "competition." Goods are sold to-day not for what they are worth or what they cost, but for what they will bring. Shoes are sold at a price comparative with what someone else sells them at, not with a view to securing a proper remuneration for handling them. In this city profits have been reduced by this cursed selfishness that goes by the name of competition to a point where business yields but a bare living in most cases, and not that in many. The fallacy that the public are benefitted by a policy that robs a portion of it of a just return for its labor is the favorite theme just now which concerns that prate about the "greatest good to the greatest number." Society is being throttled by this iniquitous doctrine until we see the evidences of impending dissolution and chaos in our whole commercial system. Labor demagogues talk about the tyranny of capital; there is another side to the question. Manufacturers and merchants are under the iron heel of an oppression more relentless than any organized force. The ceaseless cry of the masses for "cheap" goods is trying capital to a policy of steady reduction of cost, and labor being the only chargeable element has to yield to the pressure. The storekeeper follows the manufacturer, and has to work long hours and pay scant salaries to meet the competition which in its uncontrolled condition is the curse of this age. It is at the bottom of the disaster and woe that pre-

vails wherever modern commercial methods obtain. The people who bemoan the iniquities of social conditions are responsible for the burdens under which they groan. It may sound strange, but the bargain hunter is an enemy to true prosperity and happiness of the race.—*Shoe and Leather Journal*.

RUBENSTEIN A METHODOLOGICAL WORKER.

Rubenstein was never idle; he could not remain so half an hour. From the moment he rose till the moment he retired he was doing something. When not traveling he had his day's work mapped out with methodical regularity. From just such an hour till just such another he might be found day after day at the same occupation. After this fashion he was able to accomplish in his lifetime what was really the work of three men, and he never tired of preaching this regularity of work to young artists and students.—Alexander McArthur in the *May Century*.

A NEW PROJECTILE.

An officer in the Swiss army named Hebler has invented a new bullet, the effects of which at long range are said to be even more deadly than those of the shots fired from the Lebel or Mauser rifles. The new projectile is shaped something like a goose quill, and with a small charge of powder of slightly over two and a half grammes, is will travel about 1,400 yards, and penetrate a block of wood to the extent of 9 feet. At longer range the penetrating power is still enormous, and at a distance of 6,000 yards the ball has sufficient force left to enter a block of wood.—*Industrial World*.

Customer.—Is this good soap?

Dealer.—Well, mum, the man who writes poetry about that soap gets \$10 000 a year.

Customer.—My sakes! Gimme a dozen bars.

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QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.

Before the B. C. Commercial Journal again appears, the people of Canada and the loyal subjects of Queen Victoria the world over will have celebrated the seventy-sixth birthday of Her Majesty. She has now reigned for fifty-eight years over a contented, prosperous and advancing people. During her sovereignty Great Britain and her colonies, in fact the world at large, has witnessed more changes than in any similar period in the world's history, and has assisted in a development such as has never before taken place. We have been accustomed to read in ancient history of the great ages attained by the world's worthies; but the record of one year in later times has been more than that of a century of the past. Moreover, it has been real progress that has been made—moral and material.

Unlike her grandfather, the Queen has retained her intellectual vigor through all the long years of her life, her mental faculties being altogether unimpaired, though her years have told upon her in a bodily sense. Her son, the Prince of Wales, the heir apparent has for long assisted his mother in the discharge of the duties of her high office, and has demonstrated his high ability for their fulfilment. If, as some have said, it is the intention of the Queen to resign in his favor before long, the nation have ample assurance of his worthiness as her successor, and when his time comes—sooner or later—will be well satisfied to come under his rule. Meantime we trust that the

life of Victoria will be happily prolonged, and again we would say, "God save the Queen!"

CLEAN UP!

We think that the suggestions made to the Board of Aldermen by City Medical Health Officer Duncan are deserving of the most serious and careful attention. While in the Orient he made it his business to make a thorough inquiry as to the sanitary conditions of Japan and China, and also arranged to be kept posted as to any developments there might be in the future. The result was that he received information of the fact that the Japanese health officers were fearful of an outbreak of cholera and were making their preparations accordingly. He therefore advised the immediate prosecution of a general cleaning up including a thorough flushing of the drains and waterpipes and a house to house inspection in which the members of the police force should assist the health authorities. Dr. Duncan's action in this matter cannot be too highly commended, and it is to be hoped that the resolution of council to act upon his suggestions will be much more than a mere formality. The situation requires prompt and energetic action. Moreover, it is to be hoped that the Dominion authorities who are to be communicated with on the subject will take all possible precautions against the importation of the malady.

HIGHER PRICES.

As was intimated in a recent issue while the cost of not a few articles of necessity has been increased there has been no augmentation in the remuneration of the workers who constitute the consuming class of the population. A report from Chicago says, shoes may go up in price. The cost of leather is skyward bound, and as a consequence footwear, especially the cheaper grades, is rising.

Leather is one of the things in the list of commodities the upward whirl of which has attracted the attention of the commercial world. Prices of certain grades of leather have gone up from six to nine cents a pound—a rise in some instances amounting to over sixty per cent. Lower grades of shoes have advanced in some cases fifteen per cent. Manufacturers' agents in Boston, declining to duplicate orders at prices recently quoted. Jobbers and manufacturers believe the advance in shoes must, at a moderate estimate, amount to fully twenty-five per cent. before the snow flies. They see no marked indications of a change in the conditions which have mainly brought about the rise.

BRITAIN AND NICARAGUA.

United States telegrams and editorials in some of their newspapers have never done talking about the "smart money" which the powerful British nation exacted under the strongest pressure and upon the slightest of provocation from the powerless people of Nicaragua. The Monetary Times has, in a recent issue, put the matter in something like the proper light when it said in a recent issue: "Some time ago, Nicaragua undertook to deport the British agent, in mere wantonness, thinking she might rely on the Munroe doctrine for immunity against the outrage. When England demanded compensation for the injustice, Nicaragua resisted payment, in the vague hope of being sustained by the Washington government. If misled at all, the Nicaraguans must have given themselves over to the indiscreet guidance of some individual Americans, if we are to believe the complaint said to have been uttered by a Nicaraguan official of high rank, that the Americans had first led them on and then deserted them. When Nicaragua refused to pay, there was nothing for it but for Great Britain to take possession of the port of Corinto."

ENCOURAGING FIGURES.

It is satisfactory to know from official figures that despite the blue ruin deliverances of some of politicians who first, last and all the time are against the government, the exports from Canada continue to increase. In fact, during the last fiscal year, they reached the handsome figures of \$117,500,000, which has only once been exceeded since confederation and that was in 1893 when they were about a million more than in 1894. The imports last year reached \$113,000,000. In fact if we consider the decrease in values we shall find that the volume of trade in bulk, both of exports and imports was as great as, if not greater than the Dominion has ever experienced, and not only is this to be said about the great amount of trade but comparing the imports and exports we find the balance of trade in our favor to the extent of \$4,500,000. The railroads and shipping of the country also show that a largely increasing business is being done. For instance, the shipping trade of the Dominion in and out, including the coasting trade, reached in 1892 41,297,000 tons, but in 1894 it had expanded to 46,913,000 tons. Then, as for railways, whereas their earnings in 1889 were \$42,000,000, in 1894 they reached \$49,500,000.

SALMON REGULATIONS.

The British Columbia salmon canners have, we are happy to think, had their views met by the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, Hon. John Costigan, who, in a communication to Mr. Earle, M.P., has conceded all that this important interest demanded, but which had been so steadily resisted by that man of whims, Mr. Wilmot, who must surely be beginning to feel that his occupation was gone long ago, and that he only retained his job because of the misrepresentations which he continued to make. In regard to the official regulations, which were so objection-

able because there was no means of utilizing the waste, they have been suspended for this year at least, it being expected that next season the company which is to turn into a source of manufacture and profit the offal of the canneries will be in successful operation.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

A new departure in the way of Canadian shipments for Australia is a consignment of 30,000 pairs of footwear which is at present being specially manufactured for that colony by the Canadian Rubber Company. It is to be hoped that this venture will prove to be a success.

THE Customs returns at principal ports are indicating a somewhat increased import. At Montreal, the Customs duties collected in April amounted to \$404,994, against \$398,066 in April, 1894. At Toronto, the increase was still greater this year, being from \$293,331 in April, 1894 to \$326,231 last month.

THE Standard Oil Co. objects to paying income tax because its products come out of the ground, real estate being exempt. Were this plea held good, no man's income ought to be taxed, for, as a matter of fact, all incomes comes out of the ground, except those directly derived from fishing. It is indeed hard for any individual or government to get the best side of Rockefeller and the octopus combination.

IN introducing the Insolvency Bill in the Senate, Sir Mackenzie Bowell said the insolvency bill which was so fully discussed last session had been introduced this session in consequence of a distinct promise given by the late premier in the house of commons last session. There were a few changes or alterations made in the bill as now introduced but none affecting the principles of the measure. Conflicting clauses

and clerical errors comprised the only changes from the bill as amended last session.

THE opening up of China to the commerce of the world, secured by the treaty with Japan, is indeed, a most important event in commercial history. The whole civilized world will be benefitted by it, and China even will eventually feel its beneficence. That it will lead to a tremendous industrial revolution, that will be felt throughout the world, admits of not the least doubt, but the extent of it cannot be at this time imagined or measured in prospective by any familiar standard.

AS we anticipated the British Government will not renew the agreement providing for the sealing up of the arms and implements of sealing vessels on their way to Behring Sea. The conditions have been so distorted in their application by the American cruisers that it was not to be expected they should be allowed to go again into operation in a manner that would enable the United States to inflict the worst injury it could upon the British Columbia sealing interest.

A Toronto contemporary referring to the fact that duty amounting to \$376.50 was paid on curling stones, 150 pairs of which went into Manitoba and 192 pairs into Ontario, expresses its satisfaction that since that time curling stones have been put on the free list. Now, since an article of necessity like sugar has been further taxed for purposes of revenue and spirits have been similarly dealt with we fail to see why if any revenue could possibly be raised from such a luxury as curling stones, the few lovers of the "roarin' game" should not be made to pay for indulgence in their special enjoyment. Those who curl are quite as able to pay taxes as the majority of our citizens. If the implements for this game are to come in duty free, who should not the appliances for other indulgences be similarly dealt with?

MISCELLANY.

NEVER TOO LATE.

It is too late! Ah, nothing is too late
Till the tired heart shall cease to palpitate.
Cato learned Greek at eighty, Sophocles
Wrote his grand "Edipus" and "Samocles"
Bore off the prize of verse from his competitors
When each had numbered more than fourscore
years.
And Theophrastus at fourscore and ten
Had but begun his "Characters of Men."
Chaucer, at Woodstock with the nightingales,
At sixty wrote the "Canterbury Tales."
Goethe at Weimar, toiling to the last,
Completed "Faust" when eighty years were past.
These are indeed exceptions, but they show
How far the Gulf Stream of our youth may flow
Into the arctic regions of our lives.
When little else than life itself survives.
—Longfellow.

If you have suffered a loss don't try to
retrieve it by playing the Chinese lottery

When you get into a game where Speculation
deals you are certain to get a poor hand.

Vinegar is mentioned in the Egyptian
records as a medicine in the tenth century B. C.

The tea with which Li Hong Cuang
regaled Col. Cockerill is said to have
been worth \$75 a pound.

In the past 35 years there has been a
shrinkage of 29 per cent. in the average
prices of all commodities.

Spasmodic dunning of customers makes
them mad. Have a system of sending
out statements and stick to it.

A firm of wholesale grocers in Mansfield,
Ohio, has been convicted of selling
ketchup containing salicylic acid.

It is easy enough after the ramparts
are carried, to find men to plant the flag
on the top-most tower. The difficulty is
to find men who are ready to go into the
first breach.

Divide your work into departments.
Give each clerk his department, make
him responsible for its proper conduct,
and don't interfere with him nor allow
others to do so.

There is real satisfaction for business
men in the present advancing market.
For so long they have done business in
the face of continually shrinking values,
that they turn with relief to the opposite
state of affairs.

Formosa tea is more popular in the
United States than in any other part of
the world. Tamsui, on the west coast of
the island, exports about 20,000,000
pounds yearly, and three-quarters of the
product comes to this country. The tea
has a flavor different from any grown in
China. It has hitherto been shipped by
the way of Amoy, China, but the Japanese
will hereafter control the trade.

Figs grow freely in Greece, but as the
quality of the fruit is inferior the bulk of
the production is shipped to Trieste and
roasted, ground into powder and sold as a
substitute for coffee under the name of
fig coffee.

One of the most encouraging signs, and
a sure indication of returning prosperity,
is the gradual improvement in the bank
clearances of the country. According to
Bradstreet, the showing in April was the
most favorable in any month for years.

Don't expect an advertisement to bear
fruit in one night. You can't eat enough
fruit to keep you from getting fat and you
can't advertise on that plan either. People
who advertise only once in three
months, forget that most folks cannot
remember anything longer than about
seven days.

An Auburn, N. Y. man has just patented
a new automatic aluminum bottle
stopper. It is air-tight and dust-proof,
and does away with the cork entirely.
When the bottle is held in a pouring position,
the stopper opens automatically, and
closes instantly when the bottle is
placed in an upright position.

Messrs. Clapp & Company, the New
York bankers and brokers, say, in their
weekly circular: "The silver fallacy is
less seriously considered, now that curtailed
production and increasing demand
is improving the commercial value of that
and other products. Perhaps attention
may now be turned to developing home
industry and foreign trade."

The Baltimore Sun estimates that every
year 2,000 sailing vessels of all kinds disappear
in the sea, carrying down 12,000
human beings, and involving a loss of
\$100,000,000 in property. It is only the
great disasters like that of the President,
the Boston or the Elbe, that attract general
attention, but the real perils of the
sea are shown by the multitude of small
losses.

An Italian officer, Capt. Cei, has invented
a rifle which, if reports of its performances
are true, will certainly cause the Italian
army to be re-armed, or its number can be
diminished, greatly to the welfare of the
people, who are so heavily taxed. The new
weapon permits a soldier to utilize twenty
cartridges of the magazine without changing
his position, the opening and shutting of the
covering obstruction being automatic, as is
also the ejecting of the empty cartridge case;
the firing can be either continuous or
intermittent. On the occasion of the test
twenty shots were fired in two seconds,
and all the bullets struck the object
aimed at.

John Bull is working to get the lion's
share of the Japan trade, which naturally
belongs to the United States. The British
Trade Journal has arranged to print a
quarterly edition in Japan, in the native
language, for the sole purpose of "fostering
British commerce in that part of the
world." England is aggressive in a commercial
way and this country should be equally so. —
Seattle Trade Register.

The Patent Transportable Buggy and
Coupe manufactured by T. J. Kluegel, of
St. Louis, is a neat combination without
attachment, it is an open buggy for
summer use or in fairweather. The same
vehicle can be transformed into a closed
coupe for rain or cold weather. There are
many business and professional men who
do not care to own two vehicles, and by
using a combination like this that trouble
is overcome.

The St. Louis Fruit and Produce Exchange
has adopted a new code of rules, which
went into effect on the 15th inst. All bills
sent by Exchange members on credit to
St. Louis merchants shall be in every case
payable on the Monday after such sale, or
the merchant shall be reported as a delinquent.
The bills of transient customers shall be
payable on the 1st and 15th inst. next
succeeding the day of sale. Sixty-seven
commission houses have signed the rules.

Higher prices are materializing, and
mere cheapness will not long hold its
devastating grip on trade. Many of the
adulterations and frauds which have for a
time flourished will soon be exposed and
relegated to deserved neglect and obscurity;
and skill, taste and honest service will
regain something of their old supremacy.
There will be a decided shaking up in
these matters before the completed harvest
ushers in the full tide of fall trade. —
St. Paul Trade Journal.

After the Defalcation.—Bank President—
"No, really, I cannot say that there is
any one against whom we can bring a charge.
But there is Adderton, come to think of it;
we have always been more or less suspicious
of him." Police Officer—"But I don't know
as I care to see Adderton. Isn't there
somebody about the place in whom you have
always had the most implicit confidence and
whom you have always trusted? Yes? Well,
that's the man I want to see." —
Boston Traveller pt.

Pipkin—There is one debt Brace won't
be able to stave off.

Potts—What?

Pipkin—The debt of nature.

Potts—No; but I'll bet he dies of
something lingering.

BRITISH COLUMBIA SEALING FLEET, 1895.

NAME.	T.N.	MASTER.	CREW.			DBY'NAT'N.	S'LD.	CATCH.	MEMORANDA.
			W.	IN.	OW'R.				
Agnes McDonald.	107	M. F. Cutler.	25	J. Collister.	Japan.	Jan. 10.	March 6, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 20.		
Alnoko.	75	Heater.	6	21 Capt. Wm. Grant.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 26	300 Prior May 7, spoken by May Belle.		
Amateur.	18	C. Jipson.	2	16 C. Jipson.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 28	65 April 30, returned to Victoria.		
Annie C. Moore.	113	C. Hackett.	9	30 Chas. Hackett.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 23	105 May 13, returned to Victoria.		
Annie E. Palat.	82	A. Bissett.	24	E. B. Marvin & Co.	Japan.	Jan. 8	Feb. 1, put into Honolulu.		
Arletts.	35	O. Scarf.	22	Wm. Munsie.	Japan.	Jan. 25	700 Prior May 10, arrived Hakodate.		
Aurora.	41	T. Harold.	7	20 Thos. Harold.	B. C. Coast.	Feb. 1	108 May 12, returned to Victoria.		
Beatrice.	66	Macaulay.	7	21 Capt. Wm. Grant.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 19	140 April 27, spoken by May Belle 300 miles out.		
Beatrice.	49			Wredo & Doering.			In port at Vancouver.		
Borealls.	37	E. Robbins.	21	Thos. Harold.	Japan.	Jan. 4	March 8, arrived Yokohama.		
Brenda.	100	C. E. Locke.	26	R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd.	Japan.	Jan. 11	March 8, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 26.		
C. D. Hand.	51	J. Whiteley.	6	21 Robt. Ward & Co., Ltd.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 15	Ahousef thence March 11.		
Carlotta G. Cox.	76	C. J. Harris.	23	E. B. Marvin & Co.	Japan.	Jan. 10	March 10, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 19.		
Casco.	63	C. Le Blanc.	19	Geo. Collins.	Japan.	Jan. 10	March 8, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 13.		
City of San Diego.	16	S. Pike.	17	Wm. Munsie.	Japan.	Jan. 4	March 9, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 13.		
Diana.	50	A. Nelson.	19	Geo. Collins.	Japan.	Jan. 8	March 8, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 13.		
Dora Siewerd.	93	Siewerd.	8	20 H. F. Siewerd.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 19	502 May 8, returned to Victoria.		
E. B. Marvin.	96	W. D. Byers.	26	E. B. Marvin & Co.	Japan.	Jan. 10	March 6, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 17.		
Enterprise.	69	J. Daley.	6	28 Robt. Ward & Co., Ltd.	B. C. Coast.	Feb. 7	90 April 23, spoken by s.s. Maude.		
Favourite.	70	L. McLean.	7	31 R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd.	B. C. Coast.	Feb. 4	120 Prior May 15, returned to Victoria.		
Fawn.	59	M. Keefe.	6	26 Thos. Earle.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 20	120 April 27, spoken by Beatrice.		
Fisher Mail.	21	Chippis.	1	12 Chippis.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 26	57 April 20, spoken at Port San Juan by Mischief		
Florence M. Smith.	99	L. McGrath.	9	36 C. J. Kelly, Marvin & Co.	B. C. Coast.	Feb. 14	270 April 27, spoken off Port St. Elias.		
Geneva.	92	W. O'Leary.	27	Hall, Goepel & Co.	Japan.	Dec. 31	March 8, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 19.		
Henrietta.	31			P. McQuade & Son.			Laid up.		
Ida Etta, U. S.	69	W. O. Hughes.	24	Robt. Ward & Co., Ltd.	Yokohama.	Jan. 21	March 6, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 22.		
Kate.	58	O. Buckholz.	6	29 Capt. Warren.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 30	93 Mch. 16, reported in Friendly Cove by Mischief		
Katharine.	6	I. Gould.	6	24 Isaac Gould.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 23	159 May 13, returned to Victoria.		
Kilmory.	18	R. Southby.	3	12 F. A. Nicholson.	B. C. Coast.	Feb. 6	15 May 7, returned to Victoria.		
Labrador.	25	J. Williams.	17	J. Williams.	B. C. Coast.	Feb. 1	51 April 29, returned to Victoria.		
Libbie.	49	F. Hackett.	8	28 Chas. Hackett.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 23	231 May 8, returned to Victoria.		
Louis Olsen, U. S.	75	N. Guillems.	21	Robt. Ward & Co., Ltd.	N. P. O.	Jan. 18			
Mary Ellen.	67	G. R. Frey.	9	20 V. Jacobsen-Ward & Co.	Japan.	Jan. 11			
Mary Taylor.	43	H. Lavender.	18	A. Bechtel.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 15	235 April 6, spoken by Libbie.		
Mascot.	40	E. Lorenz.	7	16 H. F. Siewerd.	Japan.	Dec. 25	Feb. 25, put into Honolulu with rig'ng torn away		
Maud S.	97	R. E. McKeil.	8	36 J. P. Elford-Rithet & Co.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 22	287 May 13, returned to Victoria.		
May Belle.	58	E. Shields.	7	21 Wm. Munsie.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 21	231 May 16, returned to Victoria.		
Mermald.	73	W. Whitley.	21	Robt. Ward & Co., Ltd.	Japan.	Jan. 8			
Minnie.	46			V. Jacobsen-Ward & Co.			To sail in June.		
M. M. Morrill, U. S.	43	E. Cantillian.	15	E. B. Marvin & Co.	Yokohama.	Jan. 17	March 11, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 20.		
Mountain Chief.	23	J. Nawassum.	3	16 J. Nawassum.	B. C. Coast.	Feb. 4	39 May 3, returned to Victoria.		
Ocean Belle.	83	P. K. Martin.	23	Hall, Goepel & Co.	Japan.	Jan. 4	March 8, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 20.		
Oscar and Hattie.	81	T. Magnusen.	6	31 Thos. Earle.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 23	117 May 12, returned to Victoria.		
Otto.	85	J. McLeod.	8	28 Wm. Munsie.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 21	285 May 2, spoken by May Belle, thence Copper Ids		
Pachwellis.	19	J. Nyetam.	16	Jas. Nyetam.	B. C. Coast.	Feb. 4	11 April 27, returned to Victoria.		
Penelope.	70	Heater.		Capt. Grant.			To sail in June.		
Pioneer.	66	W. E. Haker.	24	A. Bechtel.	Japan.	Jan. 11			
Rosie Olsen.	39	A. Whidden.	6	20 A. K. Munroe.	Japan.	Dec. 27	Mch. 19, arrived Yokohama, thence April 3.		
Sadie Turpel.	56	J. Anderson.	19	Donald Campbell.	Japan.	Jan. 19	Mch. 12, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 17.		
Sapphire.	109	W. Cox.	8	36 E. B. Marvin & Co.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 23	192 May 8, returned to Clayoquot.		
San Jose.	31	M. Foley.	6	21 C. J. Kelly-Rithet & Co.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 29	117 Nootka Sound, thence March 9, ret'd pr. May 9		
Saucy Lass.	32	D. Martin.	6	20 Alex. Ross.	Japan.	Jan. 11	250 April 23, spoken by s.s. Maude.		
Shelby.	16	C. Claussen.	10	Louis Wille.	B. C. Coast.	Feb. 13	117 Put back to Becher Bay, thence sailed.		
South Bend.	21			C. F. Dillon.			To sail in June.		
Teresa.	63	G. Meyer.	7	24 Thos. Babbington.	B. C. Coast.	Feb. 1	102 April 26, returned to Victoria.		
Triumph.	96	C. N. Cox.	8	36 E. B. Marvin & Co.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 23	350 May 9, returned to Victoria.		
Umbrina.	99	C. Campbell.	25	R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd.	Japan.	Jan. 14	March 15, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 19.		
Venture.	48			D. Urquhart, Est.			Laid up.		
Vera.	50	Wm. Shields.	20	E. B. Marvin & Co.	Japan.	Jan. 18	March 4, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 19.		
Victoria.	63	R. Balcom.	8	25 S. Balcom-Marvin & Co.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 29	157 May 16, returned to Victoria.		
Viva.	32	M. Pike.	23	Wm. Munsie.	Japan.	Jan. 4	March 5, arrived Yokohama, thence Mch. 19.		
Walter A. Earle.	63	J. Magnusen.	6	23 Thos. Earle.	B. C. Coast.	Feb. 16	April 11, wrecked in lat. 59 N., long. 152 W.		
Walter L. Rich.	76	S. Balcom.	6	25 Geo. E. Munroe.	B. C. Coast.	Jan. 29	115 May 12, returned to Victoria.		
Wanderer.	23			H. Paxton-S. Leiser.			To sail in June for Behring Sea.		
W. P. Sayward.	60			D. Urquhart, Est.			Laid up.		

THE IRREPRESSIBLE CONFLICT.

It was bound to come sooner or later—the struggle between the smaller jobbers and the retail purchasing combines—and we are therefore not at all surprised, nor perhaps will our readers be, to learn that the retail and wholesale grocers of Cincinnati have locked horns on this question.

The retailers state, and with strict veracity, that the wholesale association practically includes a number of retailers who also do a wholesale business, and who are able to purchase as wholesalers while selling to customers as retailers. The regular retailers cannot compete with those fellows, and it is natural that they should seek for a remedy. They have found it in the purchasing combine, and have made arrangements for the purchase of goods in large quantities and the distribution of the same among the retail subscribers to the agency, in quantities to suit their narrow wants, but at rock-bottom prices.

But at the very outset the retailers are met with an obstacle, or what may prove to be one, in the shape of the wholesale association, which demands of the manufacturers that they boycott the retailers belonging to the purchasing combine. This action is similar to that which was taken by the wholesale association of Ohio, in case of the Columbus Grocery Co., which we believe resulted in the defeat of the jobbers, the matter having been taken into the courts.

This news, coming at or about the time that the Philadelphia wholesale grocers are beginning to admit the failure of the attempts to establish limited prices there, is significant—it looks as though the limited price system is not destined to prevail universally.

In some quarters it is the retailing jobbers and in others the department stores that cause the formation of retail purchasing agencies, but whatever be the primary cause, the effect of the establishment of the exchanges must be disturbing the system of limited prices.—New York *Merchant's Review*.

Chicago has at last won its fight for fair railroad rates. The state railroad and warehouse commission has definitely decided on a schedule of rates in Illinois on the lines requested by the Chicago jobbers. Their claims were presented in a recent issue of the *Grocer* and they were based on the soundest kind of reason. The Chicago freight bureau has kept the issue to the front, and it is to the credit of the commission and the governor that they have finally decided that justice shall be done Chicago whatever adjustments will be necessary thereby in trade relations which have no other defence than that they have been of long usage. The new rates will undoubtedly give Chicago a chance to compete for a large share of southern trade.—Chicago *Grocer*.

A large party of capitalists from Paris, France, is on its way out to Caribou, B. C., by the C.P.R. It is understood to be composed of some forty or fifty Frenchmen, and arrangements on a most luxurious scale are said to have been made for their camps after leaving the railway.



Asylum for the Insane, New Westminster

TENDERS, endorsed "Lunatic Asylum," for the supply of clothing, bread, meat, milk, vegetables, groceries, coal and wood, etc., for the use of the said institution from the 1st day of July next to the 30th day of June, 1896, will be received by the Honourable the Provincial Secretary until noon on Monday, the 17th proximo.

Lists of the articles required can be seen at this office and at the Asylum, at which latter place samples can also be inspected.

All supplies to be delivered at the Asylum without extra charge.

Security for the due performance of the contract will be required in each case.

A. CAMPBELL REDDIE,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
Victoria, 13th May, 1895.

B. C. OIL MILL PROJECT.

Mr. Prosper Van Goethem representing the *Gust Van Antwerpen* is in Victoria, in the interest of Belgium capitalists. His principal mission is to investigate the feasibility of the establishment of a linseed oil mill in this province. A project which has been pushed forward by Mr. DeKeyser—Verbreest.

An oil manufacturer of Eecloo, Belgium, Mr. Edward DeKeyser—Goethals, proposed moving his plant to Sydney, near Victoria, if the representations that have been made to him are found satisfactory by Mr. Van Goethem, who has stated that after making an investigation he has reported favorably on the British Columbia oil mill project. It is expected that the new company will be incorporated shortly and arrangements completed for the erection of premises. The mill will have a capacity of about 50,000 lbs. of flax seed per 24 hours. The bulk of the oil product has already been engaged it is said by a well-known Canadian firm. The cake product over the local demand will be shipped to Europe.

Mr. Van Goethem who is a brother of Rev. Father Van Goethem of Cowichan, is also looking into the prospects for establishing a Belgium colony in British Columbia.

French and English capitalists of some prominence and resources are reported to be looking after the gold and silver mining interests of this Province, with which, if satisfied with the prospect, they will become interested on an extensive scale. It is anticipated the result will be that Australia and South Africa will have to take second place to the mining interests of British Columbia.

VESSELS IN PORT.

(May 20, 1895.)

COWICHAN.

Am. bk'tn Jane L. Stanford, 922 tons, Capt. Johnson, arrived May 17, loading props for Santa Rosalia.

VANCOUVER.

Br. ship Earl of Hopetoun, 1,770 tons, Capt. Hall, arrived April 7, loading lumber for Adelaide.

Chil. bark Lake Leman, 1,035 tons, Capt. Bozzo, arrived April 19, loading lumber for Valparaiso on owners acct.

Br. ship Blairgowrie, 1,561 tons, Capt. Manson, arrived April 13, loading lumber for South Africa.

Br. ship Aigburth, 1,798 tons, Capt. Jones, arrived March 28—from Liverpool with general cargo—H. Bell-Irving & Co., agents, loading lumber for Valparaiso on orders.

Br. ship City of Florence, 1,246 tons, Capt. Leask, arrived April 17 from Liverpool with general cargo, to load lumber for Cork, U. K., for orders.

Am. schr. Aida, 507 tons, Capt. Andrews, arrived May 8, loading lumber for Shanghai.

Am. bark Arcturus, 1,007 tons, Capt. Sloan, arrived May 8, loading lumber for Santa Rosalia.

Am. schr. Puritan, 581 tons, Capt. Saxe, arrived May 5, loading lumber for Tientsen.

Br. s.s. Empress of India, 3003 tons, Capt. Marshall, arrived May 21.

WESTMINSTER.

Am. schr. Comet, 408 tons, Capt. Thornstrum, arrived May 11, loading lumber for California.

NANAIMO.

UNION SHIPPING.

Am. s.s. Mineola, 1,892 tons, Capt. Pillsbury, loading for Los Angeles.

RECAPITULATION.

Ports.	No.	Tonnage.
Victoria.....	0	0,000
Cowichan.....	1	922
Vancouver.....	9	12,514
Nanaimo.....	1	1,892
Westminster.....	1	408
Total.....	11	13,814
Previous week.....	14	17,497
Correspond'g week last year.....	12	13,421
" 1891.....	28	40,961
" 1892.....	26	33,328

The Canadian manufacturers of leather belting have arranged a combination price list which represents an advance of about 25 to 30 per cent. on the past ruling prices. The discounts are now 40, 45 and 55 per cent. off the list for "Extra," "Standard," and No. 1, in the order named. The belt manufacturers are endeavoring to arrange to sell more through the trade instead of direct.

The ore shipments from West Kootenay since June, 1894, are as follows:—

	TONS.
Nelson.....	7663
Trail Creek (gold ore).....	4,589
Ainsworth.....	730
Slocan via Kaslo.....	3303
Slocan via Nakusp.....	6,720
Kx. Blue Bell.....	15,256
Total.....	28,992

Wool buyers are now among the farmers offering prices which are in some cases 50 per cent. higher than the producers were forced to accept last year. Competing American buyers are said to be responsible for the higher prices.

FREIGHTS.

Freights have not changed, owners and day brings to light more tonnage taken to exporters being apart in their views. Each arrive, so that the outlook is favorable for maintenance of rates, but if the fleet due, almost chartered, arrives as arranged for, there will be little need for the disengaged ships, as the chartered tonnage will supply the demand.

Grain freights for San Francisco to Cork for orders, 30s net for spot loading, from Columbia River 30s, and from Tacoma 32s 6d, both of the latter being nominal.

Lumber freights from British Columbia or Puget Sound are quoted as follows: Valparaiso for orders, 40s; Sydney, 32s 6d, Melbourne, 42s 6d nominal; Port Pirie, 35s; United Kingdom, calling at Cork for orders, 65s; Shanghai 47s 6d; Tientsin 55s; South Africa, 62s 6d.

Coal freights from Nanaimo or Departure Bay to San Francisco, \$1.75 to \$2.00, to San Diego or San Pedro, \$2.25 to \$2.50, all more or less nominal.

FOREIGN COAL SHIPMENTS.

The following are the New Vancouver Coal Co's shipments for the week ending May 18th:

Date.	Vessel and Destination.	Tons.
13	Willapa, str., Port Townsend	30
13	Sonoma, bark, Port Townsend	1,100
13	Wanderer, str., Port Townsend	55
13	General Fairchild, bark, San Frisco	2,413
Total.....		3,598

MEMORANDA.

Vessels on the way to British Columbia Ports.

- A—Via Suva, Fiji, May 21, and Honolulu June 1—Due about June 10.
- B—Chartered for salmon to U. K.
- C—To sail June 12, via Yokohama June 21—due July 3.
- D—Cargo of coals.
- E—May 6, sailed from Galway to Liverpool, to sail thence about June 15.
- F—Via Yokohama.
- G—15th April, arrived at Flores with 11 of the crew sick with yellow fever. Chartered for lumber to U. K.
- H—Tea cargo.
- I—Via San Diego, chartered for Salmon to U. K., September, loading.
- J—Lumber for California.
- K—Chartered for salmon to U. K. by R. P. Rithet & Co., Ltd.
- L—To sail June 1, via Yokohama, June 15—Due June 25.
- M—Dec: 23 passed Scilly, Spoken January 1, lat. 25° N, long. 11° W, January 22—lat. 21° S, long. 39° W, March 2, put into Stanley, partially dismantled, lost sails, bulwarks and chain plates damaged.
- N—Chartered for salmon to U. K. by Robt. Ward & Co., Ltd.
- O—March 1—Arrived Barbadoes.
- P—Chartered to load lumber for U. K.
- Q—Arrived Santa Barbara April 29, chartered for lumber from Vancouver to Adelaide at 38s 9d.
- R—Via San Francisco.
- AA—To load a return cargo of lumber.
- S—Chartered to load lumber for Callao at 35s.
- T—Via San Diego with coal at 16s—thence to Royal Roads for orders.
- U—May, loading. Chartered at 32s 6d for the round. Salmon to be the return cargo.
- V—Spoken March 2—lat. 35 N, long. 20 W, March 22—lat. 6 S, long. 28 W.
- W—Spoken Feb. 8, lat. 40° N, long. 26° 07 W, Feb. 21, lat. 31 S, long. 48 W.
- X—Via Yokohama May 17—due May 30.
- Y—Via Yokohama May 25—due June 8.
- Z—To sail May 22, Via Yokohama May 31—due June 12.

BRITISH COLUMBIA SALMON FLEET 1894.

FLAG.	NAME.	TNS.	MASTER.	SAILED.	FROM.	FOR.	CASES.	VALUR.	RATE.	ARRIVED.
Br ship.	City of Glasgow	1168	Ferguson	October 2	Victoria	Liverpool	51,810	\$231,210	37s 6d	March 7.
Br bark.	Northernhay	1221	Frame	October 17	Victoria	Liverpool	55,750	245,066	32s 6d	March 16.
Br ship.	Clan Robertson	1310	Low	October 23	Fraser River	Liverpool	89,830	350,583	33s 9d	March 13.
Br bark.	Corryvreehan	1299	Abbott	November 3	Victoria	London	53,311	276,570	36s 3d	March 25.
Br bark.	Senta	1037	Tiemann	November 22	Fraser River	Liverpool	15,000	225,000	30s 3d	April 13
Br schr.	Rimue	885	Warn	Jan. 8.	Victoria	London	33,933	19,000	38s 9d	

BRITISH COLUMBIA LUMBER FLEET, 1895.

FLAG.	NAME.	TNS.	MASTER.	SAILED.	FROM.	FOR.	CARGO FT.	VALUE.	RATE.	ARRIVED.
Am. schr.	Aida	507	Anderson	Jan. 11	Moodyville	Shanghai	620,000	6,400	43s	Arrived.
Br bark.	Andzow Forest	1063	McInnes	January 29	Vancouver	Melbourne	827,795	6,926	11s 3d	
Am. schr.	Glendale	281	Jorgenson	January 19	Vancouver	San Pedro	311,332	2,832	Private.	Arrived.
Am bark.	Wm F. Witzemann	449	Olsen	January 31	Vancouver	San Pedro	193,909	1,716	Private.	Arrived.
Am. ss.	Lakme	104	Bonifield	January	Victoria	San Francisco	277,590	2,220	Private.	Arrived.
Am. bktn.	C. C. Funk	512	Glaser	January 21	Westminster	Los Angeles	606,617	4,239	Private.	Arrived.
Am. schr.	Beulah	339	Johnson	January 28	Westminster	San Pedro	347,800	4,031	Private.	Arrived.
Chil. ship.	Hladostan	1512	Welsh	Feb. 22	Moodyville	Valparaiso	1,206,875	9,566	owners ac	
Nic. bark.	Bundaleer	921	De Campos	Feb. 12	Vancouver	Santa Rosalia	716,930	5,467	83 00	March 30.
Br bark.	Carmoney	1255	Smith	March 22	Vancouver	France	962,230	15,000	63s 3d	
Haw. schr.	Queen City	173	Bjerre	Feb. 14	Vancouver	Kobe, Japan	169,080	2,472	Private.	April 13.
Ger. bark.	Artemis	1107	Klock	March 22	Vancouver	Valparaiso	958,714	9,113	Private.	Arrived.
Am. bark.	Melrose	911	Peterson	April 12	Cowichan	Santa Rosalia	500,000	3,500	Private.	
Am. schr.	Falcon	196	Challeston	March 8	Westminster	Oakland, Cal.	296,606		Private.	
Am. schr.	Glendale	227	Jorgenson	March 11	Westminster	San Francisco		3,650	Private.	Arrived.
Br. bark.	Glanivor	1034	Williams	April 23	Vancouver	Cork, U. K. fo	788,054	12,500	Private.	
Br. ship.	Olivebank	2317	Petrie	April 25	Vancouver	South Africa	2,323,631	15,433	Private.	
Haw. bark.	Leahi	557	Johnston	March 22	Westminster	San Francisco	503,333	3,888	Private.	
Am. bk'no.	C. C. Funk	513	Glaser	April 4	Westminster	San Francisco	691,000		Private.	April 17.
Am. schr.	Olga	471	Upshen	March 30	Westminster	California	528,450	3,869	Private.	
Am. schr.	H. W. Bartlett	493	Olsen	April 17	Westminster	California	629,167		Private.	
Nic. bktn.	Wrestler	417			Westminster	Shanghai				45s
Am. schr.	Meteor	562	Volner	April 26	Vancouver	California	633,636	6,006	Private.	
Am. bk'no.	Mary Winkelman	126	Nissle	May 1	Westminster	San Francisco	589,903	1,102	Private.	
Br. ship.	Earl of Hopetoun	1770	Hall		Vancouver	Adelaide			43s	
Chil. bark.	Lake Leman	1035	Bozzo		Vancouver	Valparaiso, f.o.			owners ac	
Am. schr.	Falcon	196	Challeston	May 2	Westminster	San Francisco	309,416	2,158	Private.	
Am. schr.	Pearless	233	Tuft	April 21	Vancouver	San Pedro	365,030	1,520	Private.	
Br. ship.	Blairgowrie	1561	Manson		Vancouver	South Africa			62s 6d	
Am. schr.	Volunteer	571	Morine	May 6	Moodyville	Shanghai	799,937	6,900	47s 6d	
Am. schr.	Lucy	291	Peterson	April 30	Westminster	San Pedro	409,000	2,531	Private.	
Br. ship.	City of Florence	1216	Leask		Vancouver	Cork U. K. f.o.			65s	
Am. schr.	Compeer	330	Sorensen	May 12	Vancouver	San Francisco	430,000	5,000	Private.	
Br. ship.	Aigburth	1798	Jones		Vancouver	Valparaiso f.o.			41s 3d	
Am. schr.	Uritan	534	Saxe		Moodyville	Tientsin			53s	
Am. schr.	Aida	507	Anderson		Moodyville	Shanghai			47s 6d	
Am. bark.	Areturus	1067	Sloan		Vancouver	Santa Rosalia			Private.	
Am. schr.	Comet	103	Thornstrum		Westminster	San Pedro			Private.	
Am. bktn.	Jane L. Stanford	922	Johnson		Cowichan	Santa Rosalia			Private.	

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Br bark.	Wythop	1281	Edwards	Jan. 3	W. Liverpool	Vic. Van & Tac	Evans, Coleman & Evans & B. G. & Co	133
Br. ship.	Thomas Stephens	1169	Belding	Dec. 27	M. Cardiff	Esquimalt	Naval Storekeeper	145
Dutch bk.	Van Gulen	1310	Maars	March 29	N. Java	Vancouver	B. C. Sugar Refinery	53
Br bark.	Shakespeare	767	Todd	Feb. 22	V. Liverpool	Victoria	R. P. Kithet & Co. Ltd	88
Nor. ship.	Prince Amadeo	1581	Steen	Feb. 28	G. Rio de Jan'ro	Vancouver	Hastings Saw Mill	55
Nor. ship.	Prince Frederick	1476	Cappelin		P. Buenos Ayres	Vancouver	Hastings Saw Mill	
Ital. bark.	Cavour	1389	San Mentor		S. Callao	Vancouver	Hastings Saw Mill	
Br. ship.	Duke of Argyll	900	Golightly		Q. Santa Barbara	Vancouver	Hastings Saw Mill	
Br. bark.	Silverhow	1171	Dougall		E. Liverpool	Victoria & Van	Evans, Coleman & Evans	
Am. bark.	Colorado	1036	Witmore		T. Newcastle	Royal Roads	Victoria Lumber & Manfg. Co.	
Br. ship.	Ardmore	1012	White		U. London	Victoria & Van	Robt Ward & Co. Ltd	
Br. bark.	Lada	1201	Messenger		I. Newcastle	Victoria	Turner, Beeton & Co.	
Br. bark.	Sardham	1119	Porter	April 1	D. Cardiff	Esquimalt	Naval storekeeper	50
Br. schr.	Carrie C. W	92	Fulton	Feb. 7	O. Halifax	Victoria		103
Br. ss.	Victoria	192	Panton	May 1	X. Hong Kong	Victoria & Tac	Dodwell, Carlill & Co	20
Br. s.s.	Chittagong	1211	Davey		F. Hong Kong	Vic & Portland	F. C. Davidge & Co. & Oregon R&N Co	
Br. bark.	Thermopylae	948	Winchester	May 6		Victoria	Victoria Rice Mills	15
Br. bark.	Orthes	1174	McNeil		H. Yokohama	Vancouver	C. P. R. Co.	
Br. bark.	John Gambles	1077	Prethowan		K. Java	Vancouver	B. C. Sugar Refinery	
Ger. bark.	Artemis	1107	Klock			Valparaiso	Hastings Saw Mill	
Br. ss.	Progressist	2025	Pinkham	April 2	R. Sunderland	Nanaimo	R. Dunsmuir & Sons	27
Br. ss.	Tacoma	1662	Hill	May 11	Y. Hong Kong	Victoria & Tac	Dodwell, Carlill & Co	7
Br. ss.	Empress of Japan	3003	Lee	May 22	Z. Hong Kong	Victoria & Van	C. P. S. S. Co	
Am. bktn.	C. C. Funk	513	Challeston		J. San Francisco	Westminster	Brunette Saw Mill	
Nic. bark.	Bundaleer	921	De Campos	April 30	B. Santa Rosalia	Westminster	Brunette Saw Mill	21
Br. ship.	Perry Cross	1389	Jones		E. Cardiff	Esquimalt	Naval Storekeeper	
Br. ss.	Warrimoo	1857	Perry	May 18	A. Sydney	Victoria & Van	A. S. S. Co.	3
Br. ss.	Strathnevis	2305	Pattie		Hong Kong	Victoria & Tac	Dodwell, Carlill & Co	
Ger. ship.	Freiburg	185	Schutze		H. Nagasaki	Vancouver	C. P. R. Co.	
Dan bark.	Cimbria	1158	Pederson	April 2	B. Guayaquil			23
Br. bark.	Mary Jose	625			B.	Westminster	H. Bell Irving & Co	
Nor. bark.	Prince Louis	1323	Jonasen		P. Rio Janeiro	Vancouver	Hastings Saw Mill	
Nor. bark.	Prince Victor	1134	Hansen		P. Rio Janeiro	Vancouver	Hastings Saw Mill	
Br. bark.	Bedfordshire	1325	Hugo		Santos			
Br. ss.	Empress of China	3003	Archibald		C. Hong Kong	Victoria & Van	C. P. S. S. Co	
Chil. bark.	Elisa	917	Harken		A. Valparaiso	Moodyville	Moodyville Saw Mill	
Am. bark.	Harry Morse	1318	Herriman	May 1	Honolulu	Royal Roads		20
Am. schr.	Pearless	233	Tuft	May 12	J. San Pedro	Vancouver	Geo. Cassidy & Co. Ltd	9
Am. bk'no.	Monitor	224	Tarloif	May 12	J. Redondo	Vancouver	Geo. Cassidy & Co. Ltd	9
Am. schr.	R. W. Bartlett	493	Olsen	May 14	J. San Pedro	Westminster	Brunette Saw Mill	7

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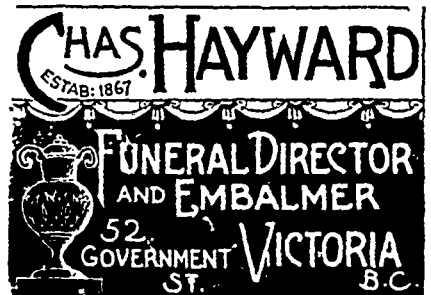
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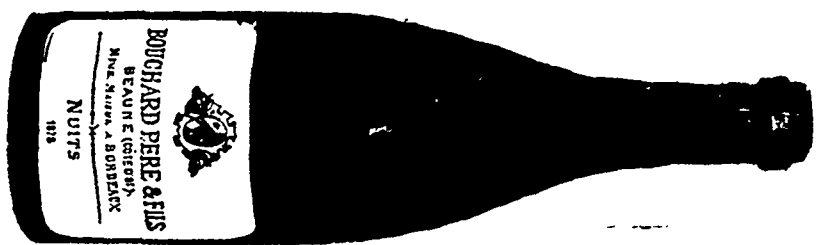
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