

1875-76.....	22,200,706
1876-77.....	24,000,718
1877-78.....	25,849,328

There is no doubt that the amount for the fiscal year 1878-9 will exceed that of the last season by at least \$2,000,000.

BUSINESS ON LONG WHARF.—Owing to the unprecedented drought there were fewer vessels laden with cereals on Long Wharf in 1877 than during the previous season. In fact, no wheat in large quantities arrived from any section of the San Joaquin Valley. But the transactions in coal, lumber, and transhipment of eastern and western bound freight from steamer to cars, and cars to steamer, were fully up to the standard of past years.

The subjoined is a list of vessels from foreign ports which arrived at Long Wharf during the year: Grasmere, Charmer, Charles Dennis, Bothwell Castle, Alice Buck, Norman McLeod, Alice Buel, S. Vaughn, Harvester, Elwell, Montgomery Castle, Bonanza, Three Brothers, Mary Blundell, Berkshire, Sarah Bell, Thrasher, Thomas Bell, C. H. Marshall, Duke of Athol, Golden Gate, Eskdale, Victoria Nyanza, Thurland Castle, Spartan, America, Ellerbank, and Palmyra. The total amount of wheat which these vessels carried hence (mostly to Liverpool): Tons, 31,242; centals, 624,840; pounds, 62,484,000.

A very large proportion of the live cattle which finds its way into the San Francisco market for home consumption, is shipped by rail from the State of Nevada to the end of Long Wharf, and thence transferred to the freight steamers Transit and Thoroughfare.

In 1877 five thousand four hundred and two car loads of stock arrived at Long Wharf, over one half of the same having been brought from the Humboldt region. Each car usually brings from thirty to thirty-five head of cattle.

By far the greatest receipts of coals received at this port are from Oregon and Puget Sound. Of Seattle coal alone, the receipts in 1877 amounted to 91,595,177 pounds. From all other localities there were discharged at Long Wharf, 26,620,715 pounds. All of these coals came consigned to the Central Pacific Railroad Company.

BUSINESS AT THE CITY WHARF.—The City Wharf, at the foot of Webster Street, is one of the busiest hives along the harbor front. Here may be found, daily, sloops and schooners, besides occasionally a larger vessel, discharging for home consumption the various products enumerated below. The wharfinger, William Harwood, makes the following returns of receipts, etc., for the year 1877: Number of vessels, 896; tonnage, 53,859; tons of coal, 20,034; cords of wood, 3,664; millions of brick, 5,511; millions feet of lumber, 15,591; tons of produce, 2,545; earnings, \$11,025.

THE POST OFFICE.—The removal of the Oakland Post-office from Ninth Street to Potter's Block, at the intersection of San Pablo and Telegraph Avenues, is noticed in the general summary.

The following is a list of the officers: J. E. Benton, P. M.; F. A. Cushing, Assistant; W. N. Pearce, Registry Clerk; E. M. Campbell, Gents' Delivery Clerk; Miss Georgie Hall, Ladies' Delivery Clerk; R. J. Auld, Mailing Clerk; H. D. Eliason, Paper Clerk; R. G. Benton, Stamp Clerk; George Burbeck, Clerk.

Income—Total receipts, 1877.....	\$22,279.36
Expenses.....	8,644.86

Net income.....\$13,634.50

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