

THE FOLLOWING, ENGRAVED ON THE BASE OF THE ABOVE CUP, EXPLAINS ITSELF: "PRESENTED BY THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA TO H.M.C.S. 'RAINBOW' IN WELCOME RECOGNITION OF THIS BEING THE FIRST VESSEL OF THE CANADIAN NAVY TO BE STATIONED ON THE PACIFIC COAST OF THE DOMINION, AND WITH THE LOYAL HOPE AND BELIEF THAT THE 'RAINBOW' AND HER SUCCESSORS MAY FULFIL THEIR PART IN DEFENDING AND STRENGTHENING THE NAVAL DEFENCE OF THE EMPIRE—1911"