The Deepsea Miner II *(left), a converted ore carrier, is used for tests on deep-ocean mining of manganese, nickel, copper and colbalt nodules. The* Canmar Explorer III *is a Dome Petroleum oil exploration rig.*

hunting in the winter build snow igloos in which to stay for a night or two. The Holman Island people are among the most famous of the Inuit artists. They carve stone blocks and make coloured prints on rice paper. The prints are sold through the Inuit cooperative, and their numbers and prices are carefully controlled. Though the Inuit have always carved ivory and soft stone, they learned print-making in 1957 from a Canadian artist, James Houston, who came to Cape Dorset on west Baffin Island.

The recent influx of whites has had other, less obviously desirable results. The largest Inuit settlement now is the artificial town of Inuvik near the Beaufort Sea, which is also the headquarters for the engineers and technicians from the south who are searching for oil. It has modern conveniences including a hospital, a high school and a heated, above-ground sewage system.

The search for northern oil and gas began in earnest in the 1970s. In 1972 and 1973 Imperial Oil built the first artificial island designed to support drilling equipment. It was made of gravel dredged from the bottom of the Beaufort Sea and transported by pipeline to the site. The drilling had to be stopped because of unmanageable pressure in the well. Exploratory drilling continues each summer in the Beaufort Sea under strict government regulations.

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Alaska interrupts the Canadian coastline between Mackenzie Bay and the Hecate Strait. British Columbia's coast stretches from the Queen Charlotte Islands at the top to Vancouver Island and the Strait of Juan de Fuca at the bottom. Except in the south, it is still largely free of human beings. The Japan current warms the

In 1778 when Captain James Cook arrived at Nootka Sound, halfway up the western side of Vancouver Island, he found people with dugout canoes living in square plank houses.