

## SHIPPING.

The Board is indebted to the courtesy and kindness of Mr. A. R. Milne, Collector of Customs, for the following shipping information:

Vessels employed in the coasting trade of the Dominion of Canada arrived at and departed from Victoria, B.C., during the year ending 30th June, 1896:

| <i>Vessels Arrived.</i> |          |           | <i>Vessels Departed.</i> |          |           |
|-------------------------|----------|-----------|--------------------------|----------|-----------|
| No. Vessels.            | Tonnage. | No. Crew. | No. Vessels.             | Tonnage. | No. Crew. |
| 1,425                   | 391,765  | 24,803    | 1,417                    | 399,060  | 24,832    |

Vessels entered outwards for sea at Victoria during year ending 30th June, 1896:

| <i>With Cargo.</i> |          |           | <i>In Ballast.</i> |          |           |
|--------------------|----------|-----------|--------------------|----------|-----------|
| No. Vessels.       | Tonnage. | No. Crew. | No. Vessels.       | Tonnage. | No. Crew. |
| 661                | 470,643  | 25,923    | 716                | 434,309  | 24,805    |

Vessels entered inward from sea during the year ending 30th June, 1896:

| <i>With Cargo.</i> |          |           | <i>In Ballast.</i> |          |           |
|--------------------|----------|-----------|--------------------|----------|-----------|
| No. Vessels.       | Tonnage. | No. Crew. | No. Vessels.       | Tonnage. | No. Crew. |
| 1,113              | 631,366  | 36,487    | 273                | 298,303  | 14,194    |

Number and tonnage of vessels built and registered at Victoria during the year ending 30th June, 1896:

| <i>Built.</i> |          | <i>Registered.</i> |          |
|---------------|----------|--------------------|----------|
| No.           | Tonnage. | No.                | Tonnage. |
| 6             | 357      | 6                  | 600      |

STATEMENT showing the accounting offices in operation, the gross postal revenue; the number and amount of money orders issued and paid; the amount of commission thereon, during the year ending 30th June, 1896:

| Name of Office.          | County.              | Gross Postal Revenue. | Number of Money Orders Issued. | Total Amount of Money Orders Issued. | Total Commission Received from Public. | Total Amount of Money Orders Paid. |
|--------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Nanaimo. . . . .         | Vancouver. . .       | \$ 6,236 61           | \$ 6,006                       | \$ 88,281 38                         | \$ 873 15                              | \$ 40,006 47                       |
| New Westminster. . . . . | New Westminster. . . | 9,382 55              | 4,586                          | 59,065 61                            | 566 10                                 | 49,108 63                          |
| Vancouver. . . . .       | "                    | 29,375 55             | 10,868                         | 147,483 60                           | 1,500 06                               | 125,791 93                         |
| Victoria. . . . .        | Victoria. . . . .    | 39,875 35             | 14,043                         | 181,331 37                           | 1,931 63                               | 177,533 65                         |
| Other Offices. . . . .   |                      | 55,255 90             | 28,072                         | 499,601 03                           | 4,060 99                               | 133,815 62                         |
|                          |                      | \$140,125 96          | \$63,575                       | \$975,762 99                         | \$8,931 93                             | \$526,256 30                       |

Table showing the number of post offices in operation, extent of mail travel, estimated number of letters and other articles of mail matter posted in British Columbia during the year ending 30th June, 1895:

Number of offices in operation on July 1st, 1895. . . . . 246

## EXTENT OF MAIL SERVICE.

Number of miles of post route. . . . . 6,640  
Annual travel thereon. . . . . 1,395,318

Estimated number of letters and other articles of mail matter posted in Canada during the year ending 30th June, 1895:

Letters. . . . . 3,580,000  
Post Cards. . . . . 355,000  
Registered Letters. . . . . 105,000  
Free Letters. . . . . 115,000  
No. of transient Newspapers and Periodicals, Packets, Circulars, Samples, Patterns, etc. . . . . 460,000  
No. of Pkgs of Printers' Copy, Photographs, Deeds, Insurance Policies, etc. . . . . 70,000  
No. of Pkts of Fifth Class Matter, Ordinary Mchdse. open to examination. . . . . 27,000  
No. of Parcels by Parcel Post. . . . . 11,800  
No. of Closed Parcels for the United Kingdom and other countries. . . . . 1,400