

The liberality of the citizens, assisted by the Provincial Government and City Corporation, has provided a hospi-

tal of fifty-six beds known as the Pro-Accommodation, vincial Royal Jubilee Hospital. This

was erected in 1890 in commemoration of Her Majesty's Jubilee, and it ranks

high in every branch of medical and surgical science. The private rooms, which are, of course, paid for, are frequently occupied by persons from all parts of the Province and neighboring State of Washington, who come to Victoria for the greater skill than is found nearer their homes. The poor of the city are treated free.

Excellent free and non-sectarian educational facilities exist for children six years of age and upwards, nor Educational is there any charge for advanced education in the High School. These schools are controlled by trustees, of both sexes, elected by the ratepavers.

Besides the public schools there are excellent private schools, day and boarding, including kindergartens.

Climate is an important consideration when deciding upon a place of residence or a pleasure trip. The rain fall at Victoria is light compared with other parts of the Province. Snow is an

infrequent visitor and even then seldom lies on the ground more than forty-eight hours. So it is easy to understand why four dollars per hour is charged for sleighing, which but at best is an apology for

an Eastern sleigh ride. Skating can be rarely indulged in and when possible is carried into the small hours of the morning, as those who enjoy skating must make the best of their opportunities

The prevailing winds in the summer are from the south-west. As a Health and passing over the snowcapped Olympians and the Straits of Fuca are com-

fortably tempered upon reaching the south end of Vancouver Island. Dr.

