

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.

ON THE FRASER RIVER

Founded half a century ago, the city was completely destroyed by fire in September, 1898. To-day it rises a City Beautiful, tier above tier, on a southern slope, overlooking the magnificent Fresh-water Harbor, formed by the beautiful Fraser River, which here divides into two branches, some twelve miles from the salt water of the Pacific Ocean.

Nature has provided a site of wondrous beauty, and from almost any point of view are to be seen tree-clad heights, mountain peaks, the silvery sheen of the mighty river, and the glaciers of Mount Baker some eighty miles distant. The picture as viewed from the plateau of the hill-slope on which the city is built, shows a City of Homes—not mere streets of houses—each standing amidst gardens of flowers, where cherry, pear, and apples are interspersed with lilac, laburnum, rhododendrons, magnificent roses, and other flowering trees and shrubs in endless variety, from April to December. Parks, churches, magnificent public schools and colleges, Government Buildings, five fire-halls and seventy varied industries are included within the range of vision.