

breast of the heathen a spirit of humility, instead of arrogance and pride, for, when a Chinaman gets too ostentatious, he is occasionally cleaned out entirely, but still that operation occurs so seldom as really not to count.

British Columbia is represented in the Dominion Parliament by members in the Senate and members in the House of Commons; is governed by her Lieut. Governor, who receives a salary of \$9000 per annum; and also has her provincial or local legislature of members.

From Victoria the steamers Maude and Cariboo Fly make fortnightly trips to Nanaimo, seventy-five miles distant, Comox, sixty miles from Nanaimo, and other ports on the east coast of Vancouver Island, calling on the return at landings on Texada and Salt Island. The fare to Nanaimo is \$4.00 single, and return \$6.50; to Comox is \$6.00 return \$10.00; meals on board are: breakfast and tea 50c., dinner 75c., which is certainly within reason, whilst the table set far exceeds that of the mail lines on the Eastern lakes and St. Lawrence. Freight to all landings between Victoria and Nanaimo is the same, viz., \$3.00 per ton of forty feet, to Comox \$4.00 per ton; cattle being brought from those points to market in Victoria are charged at the rate of from \$5.00 to \$6.00 per head respectively. The Town of Nanaimo was originally established by the development of the coal mines worked in the vicinity. The coal at this place and Newcastle Island is said to be the best produced on the Pacific coast. The coal fields are composed of coarse grits, sandstones and shale. The seams of coal by the association of the various fossils is claimed to have been formed in the Cretaceous age. The coal yields over 10,000 cubic feet per ton of 2,240 lbs, has an illuminating power of sixteen candles, and produces