

ment contract is established, and a similar service inaugurated with the Australian colonies, the traffic which will centre in Vancouver from these two enterprises will of itself be sufficient to maintain a city of 20,000 people. To this must be added the lumber business, already extensive, and the smelting of the ores of the province (a class of industry which in Colorado has built up the City of Denver with a population of 100,000), the fisheries, now scarcely touched, but destined to supply not only British Columbia but the whole of the North West with an important article of food, the trade with the coast cities which already employs seven large steamers running regularly and is rapidly increasing, and the numerous trades and industries incidental not only to the matters enumerated above, but to a city which is becoming the wholesale centre and supply point for the whole of the interior of the province, and for settlements on the coast extending for hundreds of miles.

The fame of Vancouver has drawn to it people of capital and enterprise from every part of the British Empire. They have come here, have investigated the circumstances for themselves and have joined their lot with that of its people. For the information of others who may be contemplating a similar step, this pamphlet is published. Giving as it does copies of documents prepared for the information of the citizens of Vancouver themselves, the statements contained therein are all based upon actual facts. By a perusal of them it will be seen that while such extensive improvements have been carried out, so rapid has been the growth of the city, that the rate of taxation is less than in any other place in the Dominion, and in this, as in so many other ways, the capitalist finds advantages for investment not possible elsewhere, while the man of business has opportunities of actual success not presented to him by any other city in Canada. Founded as the result of a vast national undertaking, Vancouver is becoming the great entrepot of the Dominion and the Empire City on one of Great Britain's imperial trade routes.