

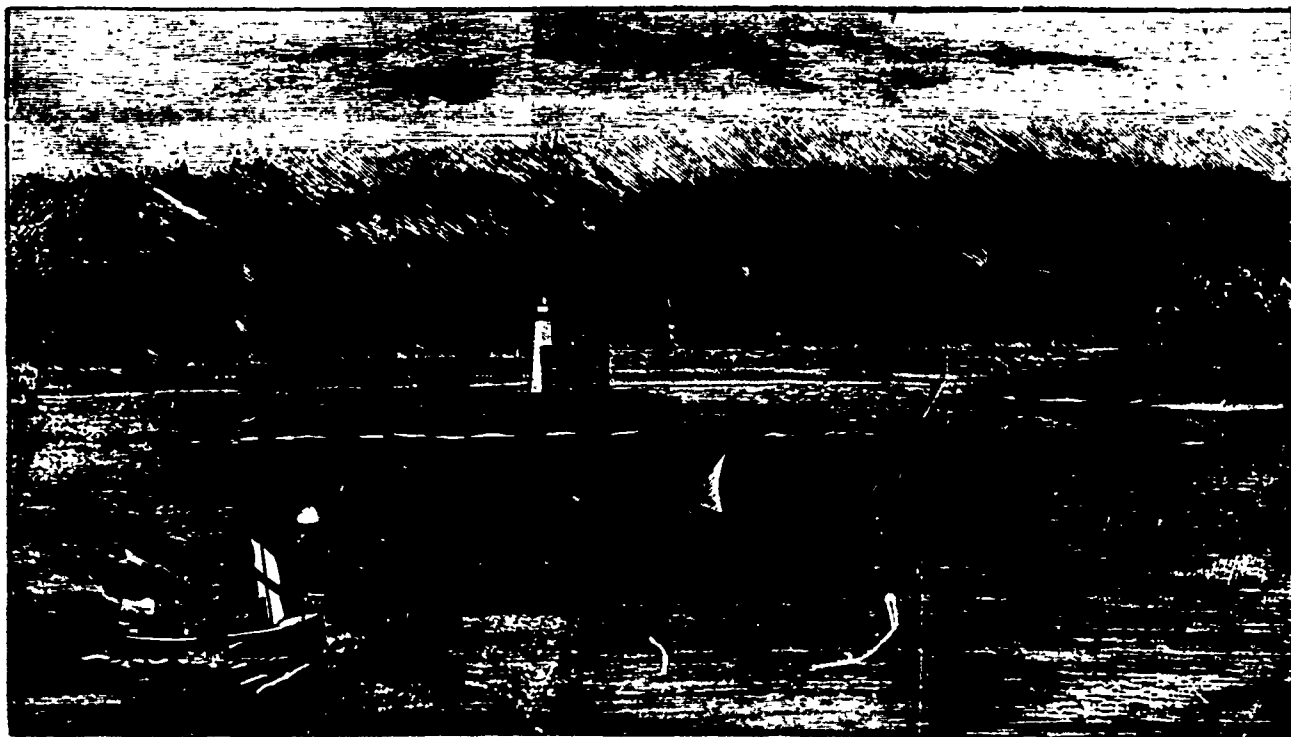
ESQUIMALT.

The town of Esquimalt is situated on a small peninsula which separates the Royal Roads from Esquimalt harbor, and is distant about $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Victoria, with which it is connected by a good macadamized road. The place is justly celebrated for its beautiful harbor, which is capacious, easy of access and well sheltered and is the first one on the coast for 700 miles north of San Francisco. Principally on account of the facilities this harbor affords, and the general healthiness of the locality, this place was selected by the British Admiralty, at an early date, as the chief naval stations for Her Majesty's ships on the Pacific, and consequently the Admiralty has established an arsenal here, in which are stored large quantities of naval ordnance supplies of all kinds. In addition to the dock yard and arsenal are the naval hospital and

Esquimalt and Victoria. Leaving Victoria at 9 a. m., 11:30 a. m., and 4:30 p. m.; and Esquimalt at 10 a. m., 1:30 p. m. and 5:15 p. m. The fare is 25 cents each way. The two places are connected by telephone.

Esquimalt district is studded with small farms and pretty country residences, some of those along the water being exceedingly picturesque. An Indian village and reserve lie on the northeast side of the harbor and a Roman Catholic mission has been established here. At some seasons of the year the waters of Esquimalt are visited by enormous quantities of herring, and the curing of these at that time is quite a local industry. During the summer months, whiting are found in large numbers in all parts of the harbor. Catching these delicious fish forms a favorite pastime for boating parties, at that season of the year.

Taxada Island, in the Gulf of Georgia, is one mass of minerals.



ENTRANCE TO ESQUIMALT HARBOR.

powder magazine, the latter being situated on Magazine Island, in the northern part of the harbor.

The dry dock, the second largest of the public works ever undertaken in the province, deserves special notice. Its length, is 400 feet on floor; entrance, 65 feet wide, depth, 26 feet. The material used in its construction being Portland cement: concrete, faced with sandstone. When finished this will be one of the largest docks on the coast, affording ample accommodation for the largest ships.

Esquimalt has two churches and two public schools. The former belonging to the English Episcopal and Roman Catholic churches; and of the latter one is situated in Esquimalt town and the other at Colwood.

A stage carrying passengers and H. M. mails makes three trips daily (Sundays excepted) between

ONE AMONG THE MANY.

As an item of interest to intending settlers and emigrants we publish the following:

To persons desirous of obtaining and settling on unimproved or improved land, there are great inducements in the municipality of Surrey, New Westminster District. This municipality extends south from the Fraser river to the international line and east from the coast to Langley municipality, and contains one hundred and twenty square miles of territory, about one-half of which is unoccupied, and the land is first-class in quality. There are schools and churches, good roads, navigable rivers, and a railroad projected through this municipality. For further information apply to

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