
 PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Expenditure during the fiscal year, \$17,099.08.

KAMLOOPS.—On the 4th June, 1889, a contract was entered into for the construction of three wooden buildings, on stone foundations, for the Indian Industrial School, viz.:

Central Building.—To consist of a main building, 31 feet by 34 feet, and an annex 25 feet by 18 feet; to contain on the ground floor a large dining room, a Superintendent's sitting room, a Superintendent's office, a kitchen and a hall; and on the first floor two school rooms, a sick room, a Superintendent's bedroom and closets.

Boy's Building.—A building, 40 feet 9 inches by 33 feet 6 inches, to contain on the ground floor a boys' play-room, a dormitory, a tailor's room, a teacher's room, a lavatory, two bath-rooms and a hall; and on the first floor two boys' dormitories, a teacher's bedroom, a spare room, a passage and closets.

Girls' House.—A building 30 feet 6 inches by 22 feet, to contain on the ground floor a laundry, an ironing room and a drying room; and on the first floor two girls' dormitories, a servants' bedroom and closets.

KUPER ISLAND.—A contract for the erection of buildings for the Indian Industrial School, similar to those described above for Kamloops, was entered into on 27th May, 1889.

NEW WESTMINSTER—Penitentiary.—On the 23rd April, 1889, a contract was entered into for the construction of a two-story wooden building, on a stone foundation, to be used as a residence for the Warden of the Penitentiary. This will have a main building 55 feet by 48 feet, and a wing 30 feet 6 inches by 20 feet, containing on the ground floor drawing-room, dining-room, library, bedroom, hall, kitchen, scullery, pantry and conservatory, and on the first floor seven bedrooms, bath-room and hall.

The dwelling for single officers, referred to in my report of last year, has been completed, grates and stoves, &c., supplied. A cow-house was built by convict labor. Gas was laid throughout the grounds, cast-iron lamp posts placed in position and several extra lights placed in the main building. Various alterations and improvements were made in other parts of the buildings.

VANCOUVER.—A site for a Post Office, &c., Building—on the corner of Penden and Granville streets—with frontages of 130 and 75 feet respectively, has been offered, and plans and specifications are being prepared.

REPAIRS, ALTERATIONS and IMPROVEMENTS were effected at the Post office NANAIMO, Public Building, NEW WESTMINSTER, and at the Custom House and Post Office, VICTORIA. (Appendix No. 2, pages 42 and 43).

HARBOURS AND RIVERS.

Expenditure during the fiscal year, \$60,849.60.

BIGG'S PORTAGE.—The channel opened in 1887, through the neck of land, known as Bigg's Portage, was widened and deepened, and its usefulness increased thereby.