



A VISTA IN POETT NOOK

are of a yellow sandy loam, forested by splendid timber of cedar and hemlock.

In the centre of this district is Kennedy Lake, curiously formed like Turkish bagpipes. It is one of the finest stretches of water on the island, with its rocky isles, its winding coasts, banked with fir and cedar, its broads and narrows, its miniature bays and harbors, and its many tributary streams and creeks. Here angling can be pursued under ideal conditions, the largest and gamest of trout being found in nearly all parts of the lake and in several of the rivers and creeks.

Not far from Ucluelet harbor is Toquott harbor. It is wide, deep and land-locked, having two channels which are navigable by the largest vessels afloat. Behind the harbor are extensive timber limits, and some of these are now being developed. Nature, indeed, has been exuberant in its dispensation of timber here, as in other parts of Vancouver Island.

As to fishing, the west coast of the island from Barclay Sound northwards offers unsurpassed opportunities of wealth in salmon, halibut, cod and herring. The whale fisheries are probably the most remunerative of any in the world, and the halibut

banks have been of exhaustless resource to Siwash and white man for ages past.

North and west of Toquott harbor the bountifully wooded district of Clayoquot converges towards Pipestem Inlet and Effingham Inlet. These two inlets, the scenic beauty of which is only rivalled by that of Alberni Canal, nearly cut off a goodly slice of land, forming a peninsula on which in the west is situated Mayne Bay, and to the south Sechart channel. To the southwest of here lie scattered in "admired confusion" what are now known as the "Broken Group" of islands. In the early days of the Spanish navigators these were called the "Archipelago de Nitinat o'Carrasco." How harsh and commonplace, if sometimes expressive, appear the Anglo-Saxon names of several parts of Vancouver Island, compared with their Spanish and Indian equivalents! Pipestem Inlet does not convey any adequate idea of the peculiar charm of this course of water, and Alberni Canal is not an artificial channel, but one of Nature's most beautiful waterways.

In the "Broken Group" archipelago the largest island is Village Island. Here can be seen the Port Effingham visited by Cap-