

V A N C O U V E R F A C T S

VANCOUVER'S shipping reports show that the number of sea-going vessels for the fiscal year 1908-9 was: Inwards with cargo, 1,193; tons register, 1,055,450. Outwards, 1,131; tons register, 1,071,701. Vessels engaged in the coasting trade: Inwards, 4,795; tonnage, 1,191,103. Outwards, vessels, 4,489; tonnage, 1,315,508. Total (including vessels in ballast), 12,873. Gross tonnage, 5,123,424. These figures are much increased during the current year, the returns of which are not yet published.

VANCOUVER is rapidly becoming the great northern Pacific coast market for all the inland cities of the Province. The growth of its wholesaling business is demonstrated by the steady increase in the number of commercial travelers that are sent out of the city. Twenty-three years ago Vancouver was made a port of entry. It first became a distributing center in 1886, although it was not until ten years later that it gained any considerable recognition as a wholesaling depot. Now more than 800 commercial travelers are carrying samples out of Vancouver, and the wholesale houses have upwards of 5,000 employees on their payrolls.

In addition to the manufacturing growing out of its vast fruit and lumber industries and the other natural resources of the country surrounding, Vancouver now numbers among its industries and manufactured articles the following:

Boilers and engines	Paper and wood boxes
Boots and shoes	Biscuits and confectionery
Brooms	Class fitting, etc.
Coffee—roasting and grinding	Carriage building
Cooperage	Show cases
Soap	Structural iron
Jewelry	Oil refineries
Plating works	Essences
Jams	Hats and caps
Harness and saddlery	Steel works
Stoves	Ships and boats
Sheet metal works	Sugar refinery—Flour mills
Sewer and water pipe	Saw works
Portable houses	Turpentine
Furniture and mattresses	Cannery machinery
Woven wire fence	Wire nails
Pulp	Paper, etc.

VANCOUVER'S tax on real property increased from \$12,792,530 in the year 1901, to \$76,927,720 in the year 1910.

VANCOUVER'S tax on improvements in 1901 was \$7,440,600. In 1910, \$29,644,755.