with repairs and improvements required at this Penitentiary. It very often happens that serious inconvenience and risk are incurred in consequence of the delays which occur in obtaining authority from Ottawa before any work, even of the most urgent nature, can be done.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Not having inspected this Penitentiary since its opening in October, 1878, I am not in a position to say anything about it of my own personal knowledge; therefore, it only remains for me to call attention to the Warden's and the other reports as conveying all the information upon the affairs of this institution which I possess.

Three attempts to escape were made by Indians during the year; one was successful, the other two were re-captured the same day on which they ran away. Three convicts were flogged, one of them twice, for conduct which has been reported by the Warden as bad in the extreme.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your obedient servant,

J. G. MOYLAN,
Inspector of Penitentiaries for Canada.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
PENITENTIARIES BRANCH,
OTTAWA, 31st December, 1883.