

they may be, know that numerous articles are imported into British Columbia made up, ready for use, and that there is a possibility of success attending the efforts of him who first engages in its local manufacture. By this means our Province can be turned into a workshop, employment given to all who are willing to labor, and what is now, in a business way, a paradise for commercial travelers be transformed into the same thing for its own inhabitants.

ELEVEN YEARS' EXPORTS.

The following table of the exports of British Columbia, will, we think, be a surprise to many British Columbians and at the same time show the people of other countries what vast resources are at our command, all in their infancy.

The area of the Province is sufficient for a mighty empire and the marvel is that a country so richly endowed by nature, should have been so long neglected.

TABLE OF EXPORTS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA FROM 1872 TO 1882, INCLUSIVE.*

Product of	1872	1873	1874	1875	1876	1877	1878	1879	1880	1881	1882
The Mine.....	1,869,365	1,221,802	1,351,115	1,925,294	2,052,351	1,709,548	1,756,171	1,581,812	1,664,626	1,317,070	1,437,072
The Fisheries.....	37,709	43,361	114,116	183,949	71,310	105,605	423,840	653,495	317,410	400,864	1,014,210
The Forest.....	214,377	211,076	290,116	292,498	275,480	296,442	327,360	275,366	258,861	162,747	392,671
Animals and their Produce.....	214,700	259,292	331,025	411,810	526,307	240,863	257,314	294,671	339,218	350,474	300,529
Agricultural Products.....	112	2,465	5,296	9,727	8,040	3,045	462	2,503	3,845	218	916
Manufactures.....	1,540	1,107	445	.....	39	1,500	.....	.....	100	22	241
Miscellaneous.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,453	600	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,250
Total.....	1,609,000	1,742,123	2,061,745	2,777,285	2,711,082	2,346,869	2,766,147	2,708,847	2,564,031	2,391,554	3,118,119

* Year ending June 30.

The aggregate amounts to \$26,973,598 for eleven years, or an average of nearly two-and-a-half millions. The most pleasant part of the retrospect is this: We start with an annual export trade of \$1,858,050, and end with \$3,118,119—an increase of almost one and three-quarter times what it was in the 1872.

The returns from our mines show very evenly throughout; the greatest variation between the highest and lowest being only about \$750,000. The gold yield grows less yearly, but the gain in coal compensates for the shrinkage in that quarter and thus enables the mine to hold rank one in our industries.

In 1872 the export trade of fish and oil amounted to \$37,706; in 1882, \$1,014,210, an increase of nearly twenty-seven fold, and this, mainly, in the preparation of one variety of fish—salmon. That another decade will give a similar return for other varieties, we have every reason to believe. Attention has been turned to our herring, and if Scotland can sell \$11,000,000 worth of the poor man's fish annually, let us consider that it is because there is a demand for them, not that her waters are more bountifully supplied than ours.

The figures given are for the products of British Columbia and do not include goods exported from this Province, manufactured in other countries.

GOLD YIELD.

The table below shows the yield of gold, as nearly as can be ascertained, by British Columbia since 1858—the time of the Fraser River gold excitement, together with the number of men engaged in gold mining and the average yield per man employed:

Year.	Amount actually known to have been exported by Banks, &c.	And one-third more, estimate of gold carried away in private hands	Total.	Number of Miners employed	Average yearly earnings per man.
1858 (6 mos.)	\$ 390,265	\$ 130,098	\$ 520,363	3,000	\$ 173
1859	1,211,304	408,769	1,615,072	4,000	408
1860	1,671,610	557,133	2,228,743	4,400	506
1861	1,969,549	666,529	2,636,078	4,200	634
1862	3,184,700	1,061,566	4,246,266	4,100	517
1863	2,401,866	803,962	3,205,828	4,400	449
1864	2,518,404	872,811	3,391,205	4,294	813
1865	1,908,590	665,525	2,574,115	2,962	866
1866	1,980,651	630,217	2,610,868	3,044	814
1867	1,779,759	593,215	2,372,972	2,390	992
1868	1,331,134	443,744	1,774,878	2,369	749
1869	1,072,717	334,239	1,406,956	2,348	599
1870	1,349,545	449,760	1,799,305	2,450	734
1871	1,378,229	472,743	1,850,972	2,470	671
1872	979,312	326,457	1,305,769	2,340	567
1873	1,363,464	461,154	1,824,618	2,468	643
1874	1,256,178	618,736	1,874,914	2,034	1,222
1875	1,339,946	446,892	1,786,838	2,362	758
1876	1,216,136	432,045	1,648,181	1,960	839
1877	1,073,670	372,534	1,446,204	1,493	677
1878	1,073,049	215,000	1,288,049	1,124	607
1879	844,856	164,971	1,009,827	1,955	519
1880	572,267	174,456	746,723	1,464	551
1881	798,071	150,014	948,085	1,738	549
			\$47,111,713		

The list of births, marriages and deaths published in this issue comprises only those which have been registered in Victoria, it being impossible for us to reach the records of other cities and towns in the Province.