

A Park of the Pacific Province



The Trunks of the Mighty — In Stanley Park, Vancouver.

Photograph by Mr. Bennett

The Douglas Fir is the most widely distributed and most valuable tree found on the Pacific Coast, although it does not grow so far north as the cedar, hemlock and spruce. It may be found in Southern British Columbia from the coast to the Rocky Mountains. Along the coast it attains immense proportions, sometimes towering to a height of 300 feet with a base circumference of 30 feet or more. The best average trees are six feet in diameter and 150 feet clear of limbs. Vancouver Island had much of this at one time, but of course it is rapidly disappearing under the unscientific methods which are rapidly turning North America into a treeless continent.