THE SHIPPING, FINANCIAL, COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL CITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

VICTORIA

1. In regard to tonnage and number of vessels entering the harbor, Victoria stands first port in Dominion of Canada. Last year the foreign trade of some of the leading ports was as follows:

	Vessels	Tons
VICTORIA	2,834	3,522,857
Halifax	2,344	3,111,535
St. John	2,442	2,012,425
Montreal	845	3,385,951

Nearly one thousand vessels enter and leave Victoria each month.

2. Bank Clearings for year ending September were \$130,621,899, against \$99,948,950 for 1911.

3. Building Permits for year to end of last month, in Victoria, were \$6,156,195, in contrast to \$2,604,615 for corresponding nine months of last year. Mr. Hooper has returned from Europe having arranged for \$1,000,000 to erect the largest office and store building in British Columbia, on the old Spencer site.

If you, my reader, are open for some good buys of from \$1,000 to \$500,000 I shall be glad to forward particulars of many money-makers.

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