STATISTICS OF BUSINESS IN VANCOUVER.

	Cap.	Wag.	Emp.
Dry Goods, retail	[illegible]	$ 25,000	50
" wholesale	—	—	—
Hardware, etc	125,000	10,000	75
Butchering	[illegible]	30,000	15
Boots and shoes	100,000	85,000	60
Groceries, retail	120,000	125,000	180
" wholesale	60,000	20,000	25
Furniture	75,000	35,000	35
Drug stores	60,000	15,000	27
Fish, game, etc	30,000	10,000	15
Books & stationery	[illegible]	20,000	30
Hotels	300,000	2 0,000	100
Real estate	30,000	60,000	100
Gunsmiths	1,000	2,000	2
Saddlery	10,000	10 0 0	10
Ice	6,000	5,000	6
Japanese stores	15,000	7,0 0	20
Jewellery, etc	50,000	15,000	15
Dairies	15,000	9,000	15
Drays	25,000	35,000	80
Dressmaking	—	15,000	15
Fancy goods	10,000	3,000	15
Feed stores	10,000	5,000	10
Florists, etc	1 ,000	2,400	10
Fruit stores	10,000	8,000	15
General stores	15,000	5,000	10
Glassware	10,000	5,000	8
Boarding houses	15,000	7,500	25
Building	1,500	2,000	3
Cigar Factories	7,500	7,500	10
Cabs	70,000	100 0	20
Builders' materials	10,000	8,000	10
Dentists	15,000	12,000	5
Civil engineers	15,000	15,000	18
Coal merchants	20,000	15,000	20
Commission merch'ts	50,000	40,000	75
Confectioners	10,000	5,000	10
Contractors	100,000	150,000	700
Painters and decorators	10,000	30,000	50
Bakers	16,000	15,000	25
Soda water	6,000	3,000	6
Architects	10,000	20,0 0	25
Barbering	8,000	18,000	30
Barristers	40,000	30,000	30
Banks (office)	25,000	28,000	28
Agents	2,000	10,000	12
Assayers	[illegible]	—	—
Smelting works	100,000	—	—
Ship chandlers	20,000	6,000	8
Second hand stores	10,000	400	10
Saloons	25,000	13,000	21
Restaurants	30,000	8,000	40
Photographers	1 ,000	4,000	10
Medical men, officials	25,000	—	—
Livery and Feed stables	30,000	10,000	18
Steamship Co's	300,000	75,000	150
Tea merchants	10,000	4,000	6
Tobacconists	15,000	8,000	10
Miscellaneous	[illegible]	4,000	4
	[illegible]	$121,500	2,356

JOINT STOCK COMPANIES.

List of joint stock companies organized prior to 1889 and since then, in Vancouver:

Name of Company	Capital.
Prior to 1889	
Moodyville Saw Mill Co	$ 250,000
Hastings Saw Mill	150,000
Royal City Planing Mills	150,000
Vancouver City Gas Co	100,000
Vancouver City Water Works	[illegible]
Vancouver Foundry	[illegible]
B. C. Smelting Co	300,000
San Juan Lime Co	10,000
Total	$1,910,000
1889	
Vancouver Ice Co	$ 10,000
Vancouver Fisheries Co	100,000
Vancouver Enterprise Manufacturing Co	25,000
Vancouver Lumber Co	50,000
Vancouver Soap Co	10 000
Vancouver Texada Lime Co	20,000
Amalgamated Hastings & Royal City Planing Mills Co	500,000
Union Steamship Co	100,000
Total	$845,000
1890.	
B. C. Deep Sea Fishing Co	$ 100,000
Crow's Box Mining Co	25,000
Garry Point Canning Co	30,000
Vancouver Land and Securities Corporation	2,000,000
Vancouver City Land Co	130,000
Vancouver Loan, Trust, Savings and Guarantee Co	[illegible]
Yorkshire Guarantee Co	2,500,000
Dawson Baking Powder	[illegible]
Okanagan Land and Development Co	225,000
Canadian Pacific Lumbering and Timber Co	500,000
Vancouver Smelting Co	250,000
B. C. Improvement Co	100,000
Van'ver Shipbuilding and Sealing Co	200,000
Vancouver Canby Co	25,000
Imperial Steamship Co	50,000
Telegram Printing Co	12,000
Vancouver and Lulu Island Electric Tramway	250,000
Vancouver Gurney Cab Co	60,000
Canadian and American Mortgage Co.	250,000
Sugar Refinery	100,000
Fraser River Gold Gravels Syndicate	35,000
Vancouver Manufacturing and Trading Co	100,000
B. C. Canning Co	20,000
Oriental Tradeing Co.	250,000
Vanver Electric Lighting and Tramway Co	500,000
Vancouver Tannery Co	10,000
B. C. Iron Works	100,000
Pitt Meadows Improvement Co	100,000
	$10,066,000
Total for 1890	10 066 000
" " 1889	845,000
" Prior to 1889	1,940,000
	$12,851,000
Less defunct capital	700,000
Net amount.	$12,151,000

RECAPITULATION.

Businesses in	1888	1890	Inc
	630	1289	659

	Capital Invested.	Wages Paid.	Employ.
Industries	$ 3,317,000	$1,291,500	2,347
Businesses	3,018,000	1,731,500	2,269
Joint Stock Companies	12,401,000		
Lumber Interests	1,770,000	1,085,000	1,900
Value of fleet	5,550,000		
Total Capital in Trade	$25,036,000		
Total Wages Paid		$4,108,000	
Number of Employes			6,613
Capital of Banks Trading in Vancouver			$35,000,000
Amount of Public Improvements			650 000
Invested in Real Estate			10,000,000
Invested in Buildings			5,000,300

As a Railway Centre.

That Vancouver is destined to become the railway [illegible] of the North Pacific coast is evident [illegible] the fact that all railways, transcontinental as well as coast lines, are either here already or are heading for this city and its unrivalled harbor, whose fame has already extended all over the world as being the safest and most desirable harbor and anchorage ground on the Pacific coast. Here are already located the headquarters for the officials of the Pacific Division of the Canadian Pacific Railway. In a short time it is expected the Great Northern will be extended from Liverpool, on the south side of the Fraser, to Vancouver. It is a foregone conclusion that the Northern Pacific Railway will likewise find its Northern outlet on Burrard Inlet, and at Vaacouver. Inaddition to these great transcontinental bands of steel it is certain that lines will be extended all through the superb valley of the Fraser from Vancouver. In the course of a few weeks the twin cities of Vancouver and New Westminster will be connected by an electric railway service, whilst another is in contemplate from the Inlet to the Fraser river on through the fertile municipality of Richmond to Ladner's Landing. In brief Vancouver, is bound to become as great a railway centre as it will be a shipping and a commercial emporium. The ease with which it can be reached from all parts of the continent by land, and the unrivalled advantage it enjoys in its magnificent harbor, which practically embraces the whole of Burrard Inlet and English Bay, renders the city a most desirable point for railway corporations to reach.

THE BANKING HOUSES.

VANCOUVER'S MONETARY INSTITUTIONS AND THEIR CAPITAL.

$30,000,000 Controlled by the Chartered Banks Doing Business in Vancouver—Abundance of Money for all Business Purposes.

Few cities in the Province possess such banking facilities as does the City of Vancouver. Besides the three large and influential banks, viz: The Bank of British Columbia, the Bank of British North America and the Bank of Montreal, there are two private banking houses; those of Bewicke & Wulffsohn, and Casement & Creery, each of which transacts a general banking business of considerable dimensions. The chartered banks report a year of general satisfactory results and a large increase in business and deposits over former years. The outlook is regarded as very encouraging and business is viewed by the local managers as very bright for the coming year.

Bank of British Columbia.

This solid and influential financial institution is the oldest bank in British Columbia. It was established in this city Sept. 1st, 1886, with Mr. J. C. Keith as manager. The bank has a capital of £2,000,000, of which £600,000 is paid up. Its accumulated surplus is £215,000. The present directors are Robert Gillespie, chairman; Eden Colville, deputy chairman; James Anderson, Thos. G. Gillespie, Sir Charles Tupper, Bart., G. C. M. C., C. B., and Constantine W. Benson are the court of directors. A general banking business is transacted, the bank having correspondents and agencies in all the principal cities of Canada, Europe, and the United States. In addition to their general banking business the Bank has opened a savings department, receiving deposits from one dollar upwards, and paying interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum.

Since the establishment of the bank in this city it has been wonderfully successful and through the able management of Mr. Keith has established itself thoroughly as a Vancouver institution. Mr. Keith is one of our most progressive and influential citizens, and is thoroughly identified with every enterprise to advance the city's interests.

Bank of British North America.

This banking institution is one of the staunchest financial corporations in the Dominion. The bank was incorporated by Royal charter: has a paid capital of £1,000,000 sterling and a reserve fund of £265,000. The court of directors is composed of the following well known gentlemen: J. H. Brodie, John James Cater, Henry R. Farrer, Gaspard Farrer, Richard H. Glyn, E. A. Hoare, H. J. B. Kendall, J. J. Kingsford, Frederic Lubbock and Geo. D. Whatman with A. G. Wallis secretary. The head office of the bank is located in St. James street, Montreal, of which Mr. R. R. Grindley is General Manager and E. Stanger, Inspector. They have branches and agencies in all the principal cities of Canada and also correspondents in England,