

What Port Alberni Has To-day

BANKS—The Bank of Montreal and the Royal Bank of Canada have opened branches in the town and the bank of Toronto and Dominion Bank have acquired sites here.

CHURCHES—The Episcopal church has built, and the Methodist church will shortly build in Port Alberni. The Presbyterian and Roman Catholic churches have also been granted sites by the Alberni Land company.

SCHOOLS—Port Alberni has a good Elementary school and will probably be the site of a High school for the West coast of Vancouver Island. A second school is situated in the Old Town of Alberni and two more schools are conveniently placed for farmers and settlers in the valley.

SAWMILLS—The Canadian Pacific Lumber company has spent \$100,000.00 in the erection of a large modern sawmill in Port Alberni. There is a second small mill, and several other companies have secured sites.

NEWSPAPERS—The Port Alberni News is published semi-weekly in Port Alberni, and Victoria and Vancouver daily papers can be had on the day of their publication.

RAINFALL AND WINTER CLIMATE—The rainfall is slightly less than that of Vancouver, and frosts are very light. Skating is rarely possible

STORES AND HOTELS—There are two good hotels in Port Alberni and a number of stores, including two general stores, two hardware stores, butcher, druggist, boot store, men's outfitters, tailors, etc.

PRICE OF LAND—Acreage varies in price from \$25.00 per acre (£5) for uncleared land, and from \$50.00 (£10) to \$75.00 (£15) per acre for partly cleared farms from 5 to 7 miles out, to \$300.00 (£60) per acre for land close to town, and can be had in blocks of one acre and upwards.

TOWN LOTS—Range from \$250.00 (£50) and upwards for residential lots, and from \$600.00 (£120) and up for business properties.

NOTE—The above information refers to March 1912, and will probably be very quickly out of date. Readers wishing further information are requested to write to the secretary of the Board of Trade.