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What Vancouver Island HAS

The ideal climate.

The greatest wealth of merchantable timber in proportion to acreage in the known world. The largest areas of pulping woods in all Canada.

The most extensive deposits of coal, and that of the best quality, on the Pacific Coast.

The most suitable soil and climate for fruit growing in the entire Dominion.

The finest fisheries extant, abounding in salmon, halibut, herring, cod, prawns, etc.

The most attractive field for the huntsman or fisherman.

The most suitable centres for poultry raising in Western America.

The most favorable areas for mixed farming and dairying.

The only extensive deposits of iron on the Pacific Coast.

The most extensive unprospected copper and other mineralized areas in British Columbia.

The congregated essentials of a great shipbuilding industry.

The finest marble and building stones in Western America.

The best roads; the grandest and most varied scenery.

The most abundant water power.

The most important whale fisheries of the world.

The hop and flax growing land par excellence.

The geographical command of trans-Pacific commerce.

The most liberal and progressive educational system.

The best cement deposits.

The sealing industry.

The social and political capital.

The assembled essentials of manufacturing greatness.

All of the above combine to make Victoria, Vancouver Island's Chief City and the Capital of British Columbia, the Greatest Centre of the Last Great West.