

CITY OF VANCOUVER

Vancover Council, 1896.

Mayor, H Collins.

Aldermen.

WARD 1—H J Painter, H P Shaw.
WARD 2—J J Banfield, N O Schou.
WARD 3—D McPhaiden, J Clandenig.
WARD 4—W Brown, W S MacDonald.
WARD 5—A Bethune, Chas A Coldwell.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

W Templeton, C C Eldridge, G R Gordon,
J J Logan, W G Brydone-Jack, C W
Murray, A H B Macgowan.

LICENSE COMMISSIONERS.

The Mayor, H H Layfield, Angus Mc-
Allister, A E Shelton, G I Wilson.
Meets third Monday in each month at
10 a. m.

PARK COMMISSIONERS.

Capt R G Tatlow, M Costello, William
Garden.

Committees.

FINANCE.

Ald. Banfield, Painter, Brown, Clandenig
and Bethune. Meets Friday at 4 p. m.

HEALTH.

Ald. McPhaiden, Shaw, Banfield, MacDon-
ald and Bethune. Meets first and
third Wednesdays at 4 p. m.

BOARD OF WORKS.

Ald. Shaw, Schou, McPhaiden, MacDonald
and Coldwell. Meets each Thursday
at 4 p. m.

WATER AND MARKET.

Ald. Brown, Painter, Schou, Clandenig
and Bethune. Meets second and
fourth Wednesdays at 4 p. m.

FIRE AND POLICE.

Ald. Coldwell, Shaw, Banfield, McPhaiden
and MacDonald. Meets second and
fourth Tuesdays at 4 p. m.

LIGHT, RAILWAYS AND TRAMWAYS.

Ald. Clandenig, Shaw, Brown, Schou
and Coldwell.

Census.

The official city returns taken in 1895,
17,862.

VANCOUVER is the Pacific Coast terminus of Canada's great transcontinental railway, and practically owes its existence and much of its present importance to that fact, although for some years prior to 1886, when a beginning of the present city was made, there had been built and occupied on a part of its present site the houses of a small lumbering and fishing settlement known as "Granville." For this the name "Vancouver" was substituted and statutorily recognized in commemoration of the discoveries made, late in the last century, on the British Columbia coast by England's famous naval officer, Captain Vancouver. The city has since, during an existence of less than a decade, grown steadily and surely year by year, until at present its settled population may be conservatively estimated at 20,000, to which should be added—to ascertain the actual number of inhabitants always to be found within the city limits—a floating population of at least 1,000 more. Other statistical details, illustrative of Vancouver's progress, will be found hereto appended, but as an instance of the energy with which the work of improving the youngest of Canada's great cities has been conducted under succeeding administrations of Mayors and Boards of Aldermen, the amount expended on waterworks and other civic requirements, including the making and permanent improvement of a multitude of streets, has approached \$3,000,000, expenditure of a permanent nature only being included in the above estimate. The total, large as it is, excludes a very considerable expenditure—largely made by the Provincial Government—on the building of the city's High School and many Public Schools; nor does it include further considerable public expenditures, from Government sources, on the Vancouver Court of Justice, in which assizes are held at regular intervals, in addition to sessions of the County Court, whilst in the same Government building are the Land Registry and other public offices. Vancouver fronts on an extension of Burrard Inlet into a famous bay, originally known as Coal Harbor, a designation that is now little used, being practically replaced by the term "Vancouver Harbor." This picturesquely situated, mountain-sheltered haven affords one of the finest anchorages in the world, access