

The British Columbia Indian and His Future

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Industrial Conditions

THE Indian population of British Columbia numbers 25,234. The income for 1904, \$1,518,748, or an



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average of \$60.20 for every member of that population. Grouping them in families of four the income becomes for the family \$240.80. The sources of this income are, catching, curing and canning fish; fur hunting, logging, boat-

building, stevedoring, as sailors, farming, mining, etc. The women, of course, assist materially, and also the children, at inside work in the canneries; also in selling various kinds of handiwork. Apart from this the living of the Indians is easily obtained to a very considerable extent along the lines of fish, venison and small fruits, as well as farm produce.