

River, 5 miles from St. Peters, on the Souris branch of the Prince Edward Island Ry. It contains 1 Union church (Methodist and Presbyterian), school-houses, saw and carding mills.

URBANIA, a post village in Hants co., N.S., on the Shubenacadie River, 7 miles from Green Oaks, a station on the Midland RR. Pop., 160.

URBINVILLE, a post settlement in Prince co., P.E.I., 2 miles from Wellington, on the P.E.I. Ry.

URNEY, a post hamlet in Kings co., N.B., 8 miles from Sussex, a station on the I.C.R., 43 miles north-east of St. John. Pop., 75.

URQUHARTS, a post settlement in Kings co., N.B., 9 miles from Jubilee, on the St. John & Moncton branch of the I.C.R.

URQUHARTS SIDING, a settlement in Colchester co., N.S., 2 miles from Tatamagouche, on the I.C.R. (Oxford & Pictou branch).

URSA, a post village in Victoria and Haliburton co., Ont., on Bear Lake, 5 miles from Gooderham, on the Irondale, Bancroft & Ottawa Ry. It contains 1 Episcopal church, and 1 shingle mill, with telegraph and express offices at Gooderham Station. Pop. 150.

USHER, a post office in Antigonish co., N.S., 4 miles from Tracadie, on the I.C.R., 19 miles west of Port Mulgrave, on the Strait of Canso.

USONA, a post settlement in Stratheona dist., Alta., 16 miles from Ponoka, on the Calgary & Edmonton branch of the C.P.R., 35 miles north of Red Deer, and 62 miles south of Stratheona (So. Edmonton). It has 1 Lutheran church and 1 schoolhouse. Pop. 25.

UTICA, a post village, in Ontario co., Ont., $\frac{3}{4}$ miles from Manchester, on the Midland division of the G.T.R. It contains 2 churches (Methodist and Presbyterian), 1 hotel, 2 grist mills, 1 saw mill, 1 shingle mill and 1 store. Pop. 100.

UTOPIA, a post village in Simcoe co., Ont., on the Nottawasaga River, and on the Barrie & Meaford division of the G.T.R. It contains 2 churches (Episcopal and Methodist), and 1 flour mill. Pop., 200.

UTOPIA LAKE, a lake of Charlotte co., N.B., near the Bay of Fundy. It is six miles long and abounds in trout.

UTSISSAGOMO (or VOMITTING) LAKE, in Mistassini dist., Quebec, between Lake Mistassini and Ashuapmouchuan, is about 90 miles in circumference, full of islands, and abounds with fish.

UTTERSON, a post village in Muskoka dist., Ont., on Inland River, and a station on the Toronto and North Bay division of the G.T.R., 11 miles south of Huntsville and 135 miles north of Toronto. The chief industries embrace the shipping of tanbark, saw logs, railway ties, pulp wood and hard wood for chemical purposes, also of stock (cattle, sheep, etc.). It has 2 churches (Methodist and Presbyterian), 2 stores, 2 hotels and 2 saw mills, and telegraph and express offices. Pop., about 300.

UTTOKETER, a village in Lambton co., Ont., 6 miles from Wanstead, a station on the Sarنيا & Port Huron division of the G.T.R., $\frac{3}{4}$ miles east of Wyoming. Pop., 50.

UXBRIDGE, an incorporated town in Ontario co., Ont., on a branch of the Back River, and on the Midland division of the G.T.R., 41 miles from Toronto. It has 5 churches (R.C., Episc.,

Meth., Pres. and Free Baptist), 1 Salvation Army barracks, 32 stores, 4 hotels, 2 flour mills and 1 oatmeal mill, 9 factories (piano, carriage, engine and pump, planing, and farm implement), 1 tannery, 2 chartered banks (Dominion and Sterling), 1 private bank, 1 mechanics' institute, several schools, 2 printing and newspaper offices ("Journal" and "Northern Ontario Times"), besides express, telegraph and telephone offices. It has a public park, and is altogether the most important station on the Midland division of the G.T.R. between Toronto and Lindsay. It is also an important grain market. Pop. 1,569.

VACHELL, a post village in York co., Ont., 4 miles from Sutton, a station on the Jackson's Point branch of the G.T.R., 25 miles from Stouffville Jct., and 54 miles north-east of Toronto. It contains Methodist and Presbyterian churches, 1 public school, 1 blacksmith shop and 1 store. Pop. 100.

VAILLANTBOURG, Compton co., Que. See Notre Dame des Bois de Chesham.

VAILLANCOURT, L'Islet co., Que. See St. Pamphele.

VALCARTIER, an incorporated village in Quebec co., Que., on the Jacques Cartier River, 5 miles from Valcartier Station, on the Quebec & Lake St. John Ry., near St. Gabriel. It contains 3 churches (Roman Catholic, Presbyterian and Episcopal), 5 stores and 2 saw mills. Pop. 700.

VALCARTIER STATION, a post settlement in Quebec co., Que., and a station on the Quebec & Lake St. John Ry., 17 miles from Quebec.

VALCOURT, a post village and parish in Shefford co., Que., on the River Noire, 1 mile from Valcourt Station, on the Orford Mountain RR. It has 1 Roman Catholic and 4 Protestant churches, 11 Catholic and 3 Protestant schools, 6 stores, 1 hotel, 1 hour and saw mills, 10 cheese factories, 1 sub agency of the Eastern Townships bank and express office at Station. Pop. of parish, 1,500.

VAL DES BOIS, a settlement in Labelle co., Que., 20 miles from Buckingham. It contains 1 store. Pop. 150.

VALDEZ, an island of British Columbia, in the Gulf of Georgia, lat. 50° N., lon. 125° 2' W., N. W. of Redonda and Cortez Islands. It is the largest of all the islands in the vicinity, and, along with Vancouver, forms the continuation of the gulf, which is also called "Discovery Passage." There is a village upon it, seated on the summit of a steep, sandy cliff about 100 feet in height.

VALDEZ ISLAND, an island in Comox dist., B.C., in the Strait of Georgia, between Vancouver and the district of Nanaimo. It contains 1 Methodist church and 1 store. Pop. 40.

VALENCAY, a post village in Labelle co., Que., on St. Sixte River, 13 miles from Thurso, a station on the Ottawa and Montreal division of the C.P.R., 30 miles from Ottawa, Ont. It has 2 stores and 1 saw mill. Pop. 375.

VALENCIENNES, a post settlement in Megantic co., Que., 10 miles from Plessisville, on the Richmond & Quebec branch of the C.P.R.

VALENS, a post settlement in Wentworth co., Ont., 6 miles from Schaw, on the C.P.R. Pop. 30.

VALENTIA, a post village in Victoria co., Ont., $\frac{7}{8}$ miles from Mariposa, on the Midland

division of the G.T.R., 8 miles from Lindsay. It contains 1 Methodist church, 1 store, 1 carriage factory and 1 blacksmith shop. Pop. 250.

VALE PERKINS, a post village in Brome co., Que., on Lake Memphremagog, 8 miles from Mansonville, on the C.P.R. (Mont. & Boston div.), 6 miles from Glen Sutton. It contains 1 Union school house, 2 churches (Episcopal and Methodist), 1 store, creamery and a telephone office. Pop. 150.

VALETTA, a post village in Kent co., Ont., 4 miles from Fletcher Station, on the Mich. Central Ry., 5 miles from Tilbury Centre. It contains 1 Presbyterian church, 1 carriage factory, 1 township hall and 1 store. Pop. 100.

VALENTYNE, a post settlement in Ontario co., Ont., 12 miles from Sunderland, on the Midland div. of the G.T.R. Pop. 100.

VALLEY, a post settlement in the dist. of Assiniboia East, Sask., 11 miles from Moosomin, on the C.P.R.

VALLEY CITY, a post office in Strathcona dist., Prov. of Alberta, 12 miles from Lacombe, on the Calgary & Edmonton branch of the C.P.R.

VALLEYFIELD, an incorporated town, port of entry, and port of call for the St. Lawrence River steamers in Beauharnois co., Que., on the south of the St. Lawrence River at the head of the Beauharnois Canal and at the foot of Lake St. Francis. It is a station on the N.Y.C. and on the G.T.R. (Ottawa and Swanton div.), 9 miles from St. Louis and 5 miles from Coteau Jct. (Soulanges co.), 30 miles south-west of Montreal. It is the seat of the Roman Catholic Bishop of Valleyfield and has 4 churches (Roman Catholic, Episcopal, Presbyterian and Methodist), 20 stores, 8 hotels, 2 banks (Hochelaga and La Banque Provinciale), 1 flour and 3 lumber mills, 1 large sotton and 1 large paper mill, a number of other factories and industrial establishments, besides water power and electric light works, court house, jail, 2 printing and 1 newspaper office ("Progress"), weekly in French, several clubs, hospital, college, convent, academy kindergarten school, and mechanics' institute, together with telegraph and express offices. Pop. 10,000.

VALLEYFIELD EAST, a post settlement in Kings co., P.E.I., 9 miles from Cardigan Bridge, on the P.E.I. Ry.

VALLEY MILLS, a post settlement in Inverness co., N.S., 7 miles from River Dennis, on the Truro & Sydney branch of the I.C.R.

VALLEY RIVER, a post office in Dauphin co., Man., and a station on the Prince Albert div. of the Canadian Northern Ry., 9 miles north-west of Dauphin, on Dauphin Lake.

VALLEY RIVER, Man., rises in Dauphin co. and flows into Dauphin Lake, on its west side. It is crossed by the line of the Canadian Northern Ry., which has a station (Valley River), on the banks of the stream.

VALLEY ROAD, a village in Kings co., N.B., on the Kennebecasis, 5 miles from Apohaqui, on the I.C.R., 4 miles south-west of Sussex. Pop. 80.

VALLEY STATION, a post settlement in Colchester co., N.S., and a station on the Truro & Sydney branch of the I.C.R., 5 miles from Truro.

VALMONT, or **NOTRE DAME DU MONT CARMEL**, a post town in Champlain co., Que., on the St. Maurice River, 7 miles from St. Maurice Station, on the Grandes Piles branch of the C.P.R., 7 miles from Piles Jct. It has 1 Roman Catholic church, 5 stores, 1 hotel, 4 saw and flour mills. Pop. of parish, 1,800.

VALMORIN, a post village in Terrebonne co., Que., and a station on the Nominonge branch of the C.P.R., 38 miles from St. Therese, 6 miles from St. Agathe.

VALOIS, a post settlement in Jacques Cartier co., Que., and a station on the G.T.R. and C.P.R., 13 miles from Montreal.

VALPARAISO, a post settlement in Humboldt dist., Prov. of Saskatchewan, on the Leather River, and 6 miles from Star City Station, on the Can. Northern RR. (C.P.R. connections), 14 miles east of Melfort. It has 1 general store and 1 hotel. Pop. 50.

VALRACINE, in the parish of St. Leon de Marston, a post village in Compton (Lake Megantic) co., Que., on Victoria River, 9 miles from Milan, on the C.P.R., 15 miles from Megantic. It has 1 Roman Catholic church, 2 stores and 2 saw mills. Pop. of parish, 465.

VALYDON, a station on the Can. Northern Ontario Ry., in York co., Ont., 9 miles from Toronto.

VANANDA, a post settlement in Comox-Atlin dist., B.C., 75 miles from the City of Vancouver.

VANATTER, a post hamlet in Wellington co., Ont., 5 miles from Orangeville, on the C.P.R. It contains 2 churches (Methodist and Presbyterian).

VANBRUGH, a post village in Renfrew co., Ont., 14 miles from Eganville, on the C.P.R. and G.T.R. It contains 3 churches, 1 hotel, 1 saw mill and 1 telegraph office. It is in a good farming district, and several phosphate mines are in operation. Pop. 50.

VAN BRUYSSSEL, a post office in Chicoutimi and Saguenay co., Que.

VANCAMP, a post settlement in Dundas co., Ont., 3 miles from Mountain Station, on the C.P.R. Pop. 100.

VANCOUVER.—This progressive city is situated at the western terminus of the C.P.R. 15 miles north of the mouth of the Fraser River, in the Strait of Georgia. The principal part of the city occupies a peninsula, bounded on the north by the waters of Burrard Inlet, south by a small indentation called False Creek, and west by English Bay, of which the other two are arms. The city is extending to the east, and to the south across False Creek.

The site of Vancouver could scarcely have been better chosen for a large city. Burrard Inlet is always safely navigable for the deepest draft vessels, and is one of the finest harbors in the world. The passage at the narrows or mouth of the inlet is about half a mile wide. Opposite the city front, however, it is more than 2 miles wide, with a depth varying from 6 to 20 fathoms, and extends inland about 20 miles, affording access to a considerable area of rich country, the products of which Vancouver governs, in this respect serving the commercial purpose of a large river. On the west and south, English Bay and False Creek also afford accommodation for shipping.

It was incorporated under the name "Vancouver" on April 6, 1886, the population then

being about 600. The name is in honor of Capt. Geo. Vancouver, R.N., who, over a hundred years ago, discovered, explored and named Burrard Inlet.

Twenty years ago, nine-tenths of the present area of the city was a dense unbroken forest of high firs, with but a single street and a few rough logging roads leading into the forest; one of these in the direction of New Westminster. While the timber was being removed from the site and Vancouver was in process of being transformed from a wilderness to a first-class modern city, a fire swept over it (June 13, 1886), and left but a few buildings standing. Phoenix-like it has since sprung from its own ashes, for on the completion in May, 1887, of the C.P.R. into Vancouver, and the arrival of the first through train from Montreal, an impetus was given the growth of the city, and the advancement made has been marvellous.

The climate is temperate, the thermometer seldom registering above 90° in the summer, and lower than 10° in winter. The rainy season may be considered from November till March. The driest months in the year are June, July, August and September.

The city is laid out on a magnificent scale, and is being built up in a style fully in accordance with the plan. Nearly all the streets are graded, the more important business ones being planked and macadamized. Electric street cars are in operation, and the streets are well lighted with electric arc lights.

The several churches are represented as follows: Episcopalian, 6; Roman Catholic, 2; Presbyterian, 6; Methodist, 5; Baptist, 4; Congregational, 2; Lutheran, 1, besides a Y. M. C. A. building, the barracks of the Salvation Army, and Chinese Mission. It has 3 daily papers: the "News Advertiser" (morning), the "World" (evening), and "Province" (evening), besides weekly and monthly periodicals. It has also 12 banks, agencies of the chief eastern monetary institutions.

The banking returns of the city, as indicated at the Vancouver Clearing House for the year ending February 28, 1906, amounted to a total of \$92,548,818, an increase over the total of the previous year of close upon 17 million dollars. The custom returns of the port for the year 1905 show a revenue derived from imports of \$1,652,582, while the appraised value of the city's exports amounted to \$3,052,200. In the following year, ending March 31, 1906, the value of the exports increased nearly 1½ millions; this, of course, is in addition to the value of the year's exports of the neighboring City of New Westminster, amounting to nearly \$5,000,000. The bulk of these exports were, it is understood, to the United States, and consisted of timber, fish, minerals (including coal and the precious metals), building stone, and agricultural products and fruit. It has a good school system, with 115 teachers and 5,678 pupils, the cost of which, covering the 12 schools in the city, was, for the year 1905, \$170,562. It is also well equipped with hospitals, water works, fire halls, a police force, and a free public library. The value in 1905 of the city property was, in buildings \$547,040, and in lands \$603,550. Added to these figures are the value of its waterworks, fire halls, sewers, drains, septic

tanks, and other civic property, bringing up the total to over 4 million dollars. Vancouver's shipping industries keep pace with its general expansion: though manufacturing is as yet not a strong feature, its lumber mills, coast and interior mining, deep sea fishing, keep the docks and shipping activities active. For extending the area of the docks and for manufacturing purposes, the city has recently obtained from the Dominion Government rights over 500 acres of tidal flats at the east end of False Creek. The harbor is always interesting with its array of steamers and shipping plying between Vancouver and its coast and foreign ports. Among the former will be found the steamships of the Canadian Pacific Royal Mail and Steamship Company, plying in connection with its transcontinental railway service to China and Japan and to the provincial ports on the coast. These are in addition to the fleet of other steamship lines in the Australian trade, as well as those plying between Vancouver and Victoria, between the former and Montreal, and those of the Northern Express service to and from Skagway and the water approaches to the Yukon.

For recreation purposes, Vancouver is more-over supplying itself well with a system of public parks, in addition to the delights afforded by pleasure boats on Burrard Inlet and in the waterways adjacent to the city.

Stanley Park, a peninsula of 950 acres, almost surrounded by water, is enclosed by a beautiful 10 mile driving road and intersected by drives and walks. East End Park contains 160 acres granted by the Local Government. The city has also 40 acres of land on the south side of False Creek reserved for park purposes.

The increasing population of Vancouver further emphasizes the city's progress. In January, 1887, its population was only about 2,000; in 1891, it rose to 13,709; in 1901 it had reached 26,196; and to-day (1906) it is not far short of 46,000.

VANCOUVER ISLAND, B.C., not the least important portion of British Columbia is Vancouver Island, which, from its great wealth of natural resources and its commanding position on the Pacific Coast, should become one of the richest and most prosperous districts of the province. Coal mining and lumbering are the chief industries, and fishing, quartz mining, copper smelting, ship-building, whaling and other branches are being rapidly developed, the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway, running from Victoria to Wellington, serves a section of country which it would be difficult to surpass anywhere in the world for beauty of scenery and natural wealth. There are prosperous agricultural communities along the railway and in Comox District, and several mines are being developed. There is quite a large area of agricultural land, but it is heavily timbered and costly to clear by individual effort. Area, 10 million acres.

VANDECAR, a post settlement in Oxford co., Ont., 4 miles from Eastwood, on the G. T.R.

VANDELEUR, a post village in Grey co., Ont., on Saugeen River, 5 miles from Markdale, on the Owen Sound branch of the C.P.R., 6 miles from Flesherton. It contains 1½ Me-

thodist church, 1 store and 1 saw mill. Pop. 100.

VANDORF, a post village in York co., Ont., on a branch of the Holland river, and a station on the Can. Northern Ontario Ry., 31 miles north-east of Toronto. It contains 1 Methodist church, 1 store, 1 chopping mill, school house, mechanics' hall, carriage and blacksmith shops and telegraph and express offices. Pop. 100.

VANESSA, a post village in Norfolk co., Ont., 3 miles from Vanessa Station, on the Toronto, Hamilton & Buffalo Ry., north of Waterford. It has 2 churches (Methodist and Messiah), 2 stores, 1 grist, 1 saw and 1 stave mills and 1 cheese factory, besides telegraph office. Pop. 100.

VAN HORN, a post settlement in Kent co., Ont., 1 mile from Vosburg, a station on the London & Windsor line of the G.T.R.

VANKLEEK HILL, a post town in Prescott co., Ont., 6 miles south of the Ottawa River, and a station midway between Montreal and Ottawa, on the short line of the C.P.R., 8 miles east of Caledonia Springs. It has 6 churches (Roman Catholic, Episcopal, Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist and Plymouth Brethren), 14 stores, 4 hotels, 1 grist and 2 saw mills, 1 lath and clapboard, and 1 sash and door factories, 2 chartered banks (Ottawa and Hochelaga), 1 printing and newspaper office ("Eastern Ont. Review," weekly), besides 2 telegraph and 2 express offices. The town is also a station on the Can. Atlantic Ry. It is lighted by electricity, and has good water works and sewage system, with good schools also. Pop., about 2,000.

VANCOUGHNET, a post village in Muskoka dist., Ontario co., Ont., on Black River, 22 miles from Gravenhurst, on the North Bay branch of the G.T.R. It contains 2 churches (Episcopal and Presbyterian), and 1 general store. Good hunting and fishing are to be found in the vicinity. Pop. 165.

VANNECK, a post village in Middlesex co., Ont., on Bear Creek, 2½ miles from Ilderton, on the London and Wingham Division of the G.T.R., and 11 miles from London. It contains 1 Presbyterian church. Pop. 100.

VANSICKLE, a post settlement in Hastings co., Ont., 18 miles from Marmora, on the Central Ontario Ry.

VANVLACK, a post hamlet in Simcoe co., Ont., 10 miles from Phelpston, on the Barrie & Penetang branch of the G.T.R., 21 miles north of Barrie. Pop., under 100.

VAN WART, A.G., a port of call of the Starr Steamship line in Kings co., N.B., 32 miles from St. John.

VAN WINKLE, Cariboo dist., B.C. See Stanley.

VARCOE, a station on the C.P.R. (Varcoe branch) in Selkirk co., Man., 55 miles from Macgregor Station.

VARENCY, a post settlement in Norfolk co., Ont., 3 miles from Jarvis, on the G.T.R.

VARENNES, a parish and post village in Vercheres co., Que., on the St. Lawrence River, and a station on the Que., Mont. & Southern Ry. It has 1 Roman Catholic church and chapel, 5 stores, 1 hotel, 1 planing mill, 1 cabinet factory and 1 foundry, besides express and telegraph offices; also 2 convents and 1 college. Pop. of parish, 2,342.

VARNA, a post village in Huron co., Ont., near Bayfield River, ¾ miles from Brucefield, a station on the London & Wingham branch of the G.T.R., 6 miles from Clinton Jct., and 10 miles from Seaforth. It has 3 churches (Episcopal, Methodist and Presbyterian), 4 stores, 1 branch bank, 1 cooper factory and 1 hotel. Pop. 100.

VARNEY, or **ENNISKILLEN**, a post village in Grey co., Ont., on the Durham branch of the G.T.R., 3 miles from Durham. It contains 1 store, 1 hotel, and 1 saw mill. Pop. 70.

VARS, a post village in Russell co., Ont., and a station on the Ottawa div. of the G.T.R., 17 miles from Ottawa. It contains 4 churches (Roman Catholic, Episcopal, Presbyterian and Methodist), 5 stores, 1 hotel, 1 saw and planing mill and sash and door factory, with express and telegraph offices. Pop., about 300.

VASES, or **TOMISTICOBISH**, a river of Quebec, running into the south bank of the Saguenay, between the mouth of the Chicoutimi River and Ha! Ha! Bay. Fine specimens of red marble have been found at its mouth.

VASEUX, a lake in Montcalm co., Que., in the township of Lussier.

VASEY, a post village in Simcoe co., Ont., 9 miles from Elmvale, on the G.T.R. (Barrie and Penetang branch). It contains 1 store, and 1 saw mill. Pop. 75.

VASIGAMENCHE RIVER, in Chicoutimi co., Que., runs into Ha! Ha! Bay, and is navigable for canoes to a great distance.

VASSAR, a post village in Provencher co., Man., and a station on the Canadian Northern Ry. (Rainy River div.), 11 miles west of Sprague and 84 miles south-east of Winnipeg. It has 2 stores and 1 saw mill. Pop. 150.

VAUCLUSE, a post settlement in L'Assomption co., Que., and a station on the C.P.R., 40 miles from Montreal. It has a Roman Catholic church, 1 store, 1 saw mill and 1 butter factory.

VAUDREUIL, a post village and parish in Vaudreuil co., Que., on the Ottawa River, with port on the Lake of Two Mountains and on the C.P.R. and G.T.R., 24½ miles from Montreal. It contains 1 Roman Catholic church, 6 stores, 4 hotels, 2 flour mills, etc., besides telephone, telegraph and express offices. Pop. of parish, 1,510.

VAUDREUIL, a county of Quebec, situated in the south-west part of the province, bounded on the south-east by the St. Lawrence, and on the north by the Lake of Two Mountains, on the G.T.R. and C.P.R. It is watered by the River DeLisle and several other streams. Area 123,414 acres. Pop. in 1901, 10,445.

VAUGHAN, a post village in Hants co., N.S., on the Avon River, 13 miles from Windsor, on the Dominion Atlantic Ry., and on the Midland div. of the same railway. It contains 2 churches (Methodist and Baptist), 2 stores, 1 hotel and 8 saw and shingle mills. Pop. 200.

VAUNDER, a post settlement in Humboldt dist., Sask. Osler, on the Regina branch of the Canadian Northern Ry., is the nearest station.

VAUQUELIN, a post settlement in Gaspé co.

VEGREVILLE, a post village in Strathcona dist., Prov. of Alberta, and a divisional station on the Can. Northern Ry., 72 miles east of Edmonton. It has 2 branch banks.

VEIGHTON, Russell co., Ont. See Dickenson.

VELLORE, a post settlement in York co., Ont., 2½ miles from Maple, on the G.T.R. (Toronto & North Bay division).

VENICE, a post office in Missisquoi co., Que., 2 miles from Pit River, on Missisquoi Bay, and 6 miles from Stanbridge, a station on the Central Vermont RR.

VENISON ISLAND, a port of call of the Labrador line of the Reid Nfld. Co.'s steamers, 49 miles from St. John's.

VENLAW, a small post settlement in Dauphin co., Man., 12 miles from Gilbert Plains, a station on the Canadian Northern RR. It has 1 general store. Pop. 50.

VENNACHAR, a post settlement in Addington co., Ont., 30 miles from Lavant Station, on the Kingston & Pembroke Ry. It has 2 stores. Pop. 80.

VENON'S BIGHT, a settlement in the dist. of Twillingate, Nfld. Pop. (1901), 37.

VENOSTA, a post settlement in Wright co., Que., on the Maniwaki branch of the C.P.R., 42 miles north of Ottawa.

VENTNOR, a post settlement in Grenville co., Ont., 4 miles from Spencerville, on the Prescott & Ottawa branch of the C.P.R. It contains 4 stores, 1 grist mill, 1 saw mill and 1 carriage factory. Pop. 200.

VENTRY, a post village in Grey co., Ont., on the Saugeen River, 5 miles from Dundalk Station, on the Owen Sound branch of the C.P.R., 7 miles north of Melancthon. It has 1 Presbyterian church and 1 saw mill. Pop. 26.

VERCHERES, a post village in Vercheres co., Que., on the St. Lawrence River and on the Que., Mont. & Southern Ry., 21 miles from Montreal. It contains 1 Roman Catholic church, 4 stores, 1 hotel, 1 branch bank, 2 saw mills, 2 wood and iron factories and telegraph and express offices. Pop. 750; of parish (1901), 1,689.

VERCHERES and CHAMBLY, a county in the south-west part of Quebec, bounded by the St. Lawrence on the west and the Richelieu on the east. Area 215,680 acres. Capital, Vercheres. Pop. (1901), 24,318.

VERDUN, an incorporated village in Jacques Cartier co., Que., lying to the south-west of the City of Montreal, and separated from it by the tail race of the Montreal Water Works, and 1 mile from St. Paul Station, on the G.T.R. It contains 4 churches (Roman Catholic, Anglican, Presbyterian and Methodist), a number of stores, a large laundry, ice house, 1 hotel, the Protestant hospital for the insane, 1 branch bank and a large seminary. A ferry runs to La Tortue on the south side of the St. Lawrence, and there is a good electric car service to Montreal. Pop. 5,000.

VERDUN, a post office in Bruce co., Ont., 5 miles from Ripley, on the Palmerston and Kincardine division of the G.T.R., 8 miles south-east of Kincardine. Pop. 50.

VEREKER, a post office in Essex co., Ont., on the M.C.R., 7 miles from Amherstburg. Pop. 50.

VERIGIN, a post office in Mackenzie dist., Prov. of Saskatchewan, and a station on the Can. Northern Ry. (Edmonton div.), 8 miles north-west of Kamsack.

VERMILION, a divisional station in the Prov. of Alberta on the Can. Northern Ry., 40 miles north-west of Lloydminster, and 129 miles east of Edmonton. It has 1 branch bank,

VERMILION VALLEY, a post office in the Prov. of Alberta and station (Vermilion), on the Edmonton div. of the Canadian Northern Ry., 40 miles north-west of Lloydminster and 57 miles south-east of Vegreville.

VERMILLION, two small lakes in the Rainy River district, north-west Ontario, north-east of Rainy Lake.

VERMILLION BAY, a post settlement in Rainy River dist., Ont., on Eagle Lake, and a station on the C.P.R., 238 miles west of Port Arthur. It contains 1 store, 1 hotel, 1 lumber and RR. track-tie mill besides telegraph and express offices. Pop. 100.

VERMILLION RIVER, of Quebec, a tributary of the St. Maurice, falling into its south-west side, 116 miles above Three Rivers. Length about 60 miles. The Iroquois Falls, 40 feet in height, are 8 miles from its mouth.

VERMILLION RIVER, in Marquette co., Man., one of the rivers which rises in the Riding Mountains and flows into Lake Dauphin.

VERNA, a post settlement in the dist. of Assiniboia West, Sask., 12 miles from Lumsden, on the Regina branch of the C.N.R.

VERNAL, a post office in Antigonish co., N.S., 4 miles from St. Andrews. South River, on the I.C.R., is the nearest station.

VERNER, a progressive settlement on the north shore of Lake Nipissing, in Caldwell township, dist. of Nipissing, north-west Ontario, on the Veuve River, and a station on the C.P.R., 7 miles west of Cache Bay, 10 miles west of Sturgeon Falls, and 34 miles west of North Bay. It is situate (more definitely) 9 miles east of Warren, and 56 miles east of Sudbury. It has 1 Roman Catholic church, 5 general stores, and 6 small shops, 2 hotels and 3 saw mills, 1 branch bank, besides post, express and telegraph offices. Pop. 1,050.

VERNET, a post settlement in Labelle co., Que. Calumet, on the Ottawa & Montreal (north shore) line of the C.P.R., is the nearest station.

VERNON, a station on the Loop line of the Murray Harbor branch of the P. E. Island Ry., near the Vernon River post office and station, in Queens co., P.E.I., 17 miles east of Charlottetown, and 38 miles west of Murray Harbor.

VERNON, an incorporated town in Yale dist., B.C., 2 miles from Long Lake and Swan Lake, and 5 miles from Okanagan Lake, its port. It is a station on the Shuswap and Okanagan branch of the C.P.R., 5 miles from Okanagan Landing, 46 miles from Sicamous Jct., and 68 miles from Penticton. It is a noted health resort, and is the shipping point for much fine fruit grown on Aberdeen Ranch, in the vicinity. It has 4 churches (Roman Catholic, Episcopal, Methodist and Presbyterian), 25 stores, 5 hotels, besides many boarding houses, hospital, gaol, Government offices and court house, besides 3 mills (flour, lumber and planing), 1 sash and door factory, 2 chartered banks (Montreal and Royal), 2 printing and newspaper offices ("Vernon News" and "Okanagan Herald"), with telegraph and express offices. Pop. 1,500.

VERNON, a post village in Russell co., Ont., 10 miles from Winchester, on the C.P.R., and 10 miles from Osgoode, on the Prescott &

Ottawa branch of the C.P.R. It contains 2 churches (Presbyterian and Baptist), 2 stores, 1 hotel and saw and grist mills. Pop. 250.

VERNON LAKE, a large and beautiful lake in Muskoka district, Ont., near Hoodstown, on which steamers run up and down for 20 miles. It abounds with fish. It has water connections with Fairy and Peninsula Lakes, and the Lake of Bays.

VERNON MINES, a post settlement in Kings co., N.S., 4 miles from Centreville, on the Halifax & South Western Ry.

VERNON RIVER, a post village in Queens co., P.E.I., at the head of Vernon River, with station on the P.E.I. Ry. (Murray Harbor branch). It contains 2 churches (Roman Catholic and Methodist), 3 stores, 1 hotel, 1 grist mill and 1 saw mill, with express and telegraph offices at Station. Pop., about 100.

VERNON RIVER, a river of Queens co., P.E.I., well stocked with oyster beds; also a post office and village on an inlet of Hillsboro Bay, east of Charlottetown. Pop., under 50.

VERNON RIVER BRIDGE, a post village in Queens co., P.E.I., on Vernon River, 14 miles from Charlottetown, and 2 miles from Vernon River, on the Murray Harbor branch of the P.E.I. Ry. It contains 2 churches (Roman Catholic and Methodist), 3 stores, 1 hotel, 1 cheese factory and 1 express office. Pop. 300.

VERNONVILLE, a post village in Northumberland co., Ont., 7 miles from Grafton, on the G.T.R., 8 miles east of Cobourg. It contains 1 Presbyterian church, 1 store, 1 public school, 1 blacksmith and 2 repair shops, and at station, telegraph and express offices. Pop. 150.

VERONA, a post village in Frontenac co., Ont., at the head of the Napanee River, and on the Kingston and Pembroke Ry., 25 miles from Kingston. It contains 2 churches (Methodist and Free Methodist), saw and grist mills, 7 stores, 1 hotel, 1 cheese factory and a telegraph office. Pop. 200.

VERSAILLES a post village in Iberville co., Que., on the C.V.R. and C.P.R., 7 miles from St. Johns. It contains 1 store, 1 cheese factory, and telegraph and express offices. Pop. 200.

VERSCHOYLE, a post village in Oxford co., Ont., 3 miles from Mount Elgin, on the C.P.R., 8 miles from Ingersoll. It is also 6 1/2 miles from Brownsville, on the Michigan Central RR., and the same distance from Ingersoll, on the G.T.R. and C.P.R. It has 1 church and public school, 1 store, 1 grist mill, 1 portable saw mill and 1 cheese factory. Pop. 60.

VERT, a lake in Labelle co., Que., township of Hartwell.

VERT, a lake in Labelle co., Que., township of Joly.

VERT, a lake in Labelle co., Que., in the township of Labelle.

VERT, a lake in Chicoutimi co., Que., in the township of Mesy.

VERT, a lake in Chicoutimi co., Que., township of Bourget.

VERT, a lake in Portneuf co., Que., township of Gosford.

VERT, a lake in Montmorency co., Que.

VERTE, RIVIERE, rises in the mountains in Temiscouata co., Que., and running north falls into the St. Lawrence opposite Green Island. Its navigation is obstructed by falls.

VERTE VALLEE, a settlement in Vaudreuil co., Que., 7 miles from Rigaud, on the Ottawa River, a station on the C.P.R., 41 miles west of Montreal. It has 1 cheese factory. Pop. 75.

VESTA, a post settlement in Bruce co., Ont., 5 miles from Chesley, on the Georgian Bay and Lake Erie division of the G.T.R. It contains 1 store and 1 saw mill.

VESTFOLD, a post settlement in Dauphin co., Man., 15 miles from Oak Point, on the Oak Point branch of the Can. Northern Ry.

VESUVIUS, a post settlement in Kings co., N.S., 7 miles from Port Williams, on the Dom. Atlantic Ry.

VEUVE RIVER, a post settlement in Muskoka dist., Ont., 6 miles from Cache Bay, on the C.P.R.

VEY'S BEACH, a small settlement in the dist. of St. George, Nfld. Pop. (1901), 15.

VEZINA'S CORNER, a post office in a mining district, in Wolfe co., Que., 8 miles from Garthby, a station on the Quebec Central RR., with port on Lake Nicolet and River. The nearest churches, stores and saw mills are from 4 to 8 miles distant.

VICARS, a post settlement in Huntingdon co., Que., 8 miles from Hemingford, on the Moore's Junction branch of the G.T.R.

VICKERS, a post village in Grey co., Ont., 1 1/2 miles south of the Saugeen River, and 3 miles west of Durham, a station on the Durham and Palmerston branch of the G.T.R., 15 miles north of Mount Forest. Near by (1 mile westward) there is 1 Methodist church and school house, besides 1 general store in the village.

VICTORIA, the capital of British Columbia and the seat of the Provincial Government, is one of the beautiful cities of the Pacific Coast, and is situated in the south-east part of Vancouver Island, about an irregular indenture from the Strait of Juan de Fuca on the south. The city is built on moderately undulating ground, and contains an area of about 5 square miles. The nearest mainland is about 20 miles distant south to Port Angeles, Wash. The nearest Canadian mainland is about 65 miles north-westward by the main route of travel. Vancouver is 84 miles, Seattle 80 miles, San Francisco 750 miles, and Tacoma 127 miles. Vancouver Island extends some 40 miles farther south than the 49th parallel, so Victoria faces United States Territory to the south and east.

The Hudson Bay Company established a trading post at Victoria early in the last century. In 1847 a fort was built there. Five years later the town was platted, and in 1862 it was incorporated. The first vessel arrived from England in 1845. For many years the Hudson Bay Company practically owned the entire Vancouver Island, and whatever industrial operations were engaged in were related in some manner to the company's interests. This condition of affairs prevailed to a considerable extent till about the year 1858, when the Fraser River gold excitement drew throngs of miners to British Columbia. In a few months afterwards Victoria developed into a flourishing city, though but few of the twenty-five or thirty thousand miners who spent the winter in that vicinity remained as permanent residents. Still its real growth began at that time, and it has had a gradual and healthy increase since

The population of the city has been increasing steadily. In 1874 there was a population of 4,674; in 1891, 16,841; in 1901, 20,821; to-day (1906) the population is estimated at 26,000.

The city's mercantile, manufacturing and shipping interests have been developed by the support which it commanded as one of the two chief trading points of the Province. Victoria has shared with Vancouver in being the chief trading point of the entire British possessions west of the Rocky Mountains, because it was so accessible by water, which was the great highway for all commerce.

Until the completion of the Canadian Pacific Railway, Victoria was the only place of importance in British Columbia. It is the ocean gateway to the Province, and must ever command and receive a large portion of the interior and coast trade.

It is, with Vancouver, the commercial metropolis and social centre. Shipping from all parts of the world enters the harbor, making it a notable port of the Pacific seaboard.

Victoria is increasing in size and importance from the force of its own momentum. The larger it grows the more rapid is its advancement. No limit is hazarded to the scope for industrial development on the island, which is three hundred miles in length north-west and south-east—an area of about twelve thousand miles—which territory may be considered tributary to Victoria. From this area, and from the smaller islands of the adjoining waters and from the mainland much business flows to the capital city. The government is administered here, and if no other reason existed, that alone would have a tendency to draw business. The Parliament buildings are admitted to be a great adornment of the city, to which has now to be included the palatial hostelry erected by the Canadian Pacific Ry. Company. The Victoria Custom House shows the largest business of any port of the Province, and ranks with Vancouver as fifth port of the Dominion.

There is a Gas Works, also an Electric Light Company, which furnishes the "Ball Electric Arc Light," as well as incandescent light, which is extensively used among the business houses. An efficient paid fire department, with the latest improved equipment, gives ample fire protection.

Beacon Hill Park, in the vicinity, is the favorite resort of the citizens. It occupies a large tract of ground in the eastern side of the city, being washed by the waters of the Straits of Juan de Fuca. A slight elevation, around which is a race track, gives the park its name. The park itself is a rare combination of the beauties of nature and artistic design. Three artificial lakes have been excavated, into the smaller one of which goldfish have been placed. A number of wild animals and birds are in cages or enclosures. Good roads and foot paths enable visitors to go comfortably all over the park. This is a great field for all kinds of athletic games, and a favorite one with tourists, especially as the outlook from it is grand, overlooking the broad strait, with the snow-capped Olympian Mountains plainly in view, on the mainland of Washington to the south, and the majestic peaks of the Cascades relieving the landscape to the south-east and east. From the higher

points of the city can be enjoyed perhaps the finest landscape views of mountain, water and islands that are to be seen in any part of the world.

The North Arm of the Harbor, which forms a gorge about a mile from the city, is another favorite resort, especially for boating parties.

Esquimalt is also one of the prominent resorts of the vicinity, the Government works and naval equipments adding to the attractions which the scenery affords.

Esquimalt (virtually a part of Victoria) is esteemed of such importance by the British Government (by whom, until recently, this station was maintained), that they erected strong fortifications in addition to the former means of defence. This defence is now undertaken by the Canadian Dominion.

Though located on an island, Victoria does not suffer from the lack of outside communication, as that fact might imply. The harbor is generally a lively place, especially during the summer season, for then the ships that bear the carrying trade between here and England generally arrive with large cargoes of merchandise of all kinds, for general distribution in the Province, and by them are returned those cargoes of salmon, lumber and furs, the principal exports of the Province, and for which it is noted. The Pacific Coast Steamship Co.'s boats call at Victoria direct from San Francisco, distant 750 miles, every five days, carrying the Canadian and United States mails. During the fruit season these ships bring the first supply for the Province of Victoria, and from here it is distributed. A C.P.N. Co. steamer makes tri-weekly coasting trips to New Westminster, and another monthly steamer for all points up the Northern Coast. The Alaskan steamers of the P. C. S.S. Co. make Victoria their clearing port northbound, and entry port southbound.

Esquimalt Harbor, about three miles to the westward of Victoria, is the Dominion naval station on the Pacific. It is probably the best one on the shores of Vancouver Island. It being a perfectly land-locked refuge, and naturally easy of access for vessels of the deepest draught, war vessels are stationed there frequently, and until recent years it was the general headquarters for the imperial navy in the Pacific. A dry dock 450 feet long and 27 feet deep, with an entrance 55 feet wide, has been constructed at a cost of about \$900,000. The arsenal used to contain large quantities of stores and ordnance supplies of all descriptions. The Royal Naval Hospital and Cemetery are located here.

The city is amply provided with educational facilities, both public and private. There are 5 Ward schools, besides the large central and high schools. These public schools are maintained by the Government and controlled by a school board elected by popular suffrage. There is also 1 ladies' college (Anglican) and the large St. Ann's convent, besides 2 primary schools, maintained by churches.

The city has a free public library of about fifteen thousand volumes.

There are 15 churches (3 Episcopal, 1 Roman Catholic, 3 Methodist, 3 Presbyterian, 2 Baptist, 1 Reformed Episcopal, 1 Jewish Synagogue and 1 Chinese Joss House.

The Royal Jubilee Hospital, built in the

outskirts of the city, cost \$100,000. There is also the St. Joseph's Hospital, a private Roman Catholic institution. The press is represented by 2 dailies ("Colonist" and "Times"), also by 4 weekly newspapers and 4 monthlies. It has also 7 banking institutions (the agencies of the B. N. America, Montreal, Commerce, Royal, Imperial, Merchants and Northern). The volume of the bank clearances of the city, for 1905, totalled \$36,890,464. In 1904, the value of its exports was \$2,062,794 and that of its imports \$2,882,000. The vessels entered and cleared during the year were 2,265 and 2,273 respectively; of these 1,185 were foreign. Victoria is the first port of call for the trans-Pacific liners and northern steamers, as well as for all the big freighters that round the Horn for Puget Sound points. It is the home port of the Victoria sealing fleet, the C.P.R. Pacific Coast Service, and of many coasting vessels. It has daily communication with Vancouver, Seattle and other points, and there is a tri-weekly service to San Francisco.

The Esquimalt & Nanaimo Ry., now owned and controlled by the C.P.R., is the only road having a track into the city. Construction was begun in October, 1884, and the road was completed in August, 1886. This line extends up the Eastern Coast of the Island, a distance of some 70 miles to the City of Nanaimo, or rather to Wellington. The first 25 miles from Victoria, the road is built through a rough country, and an elevation of nearly 1,000 feet is attained. There are several high trestles and a tunnel on this section. Lake, river, valley and mountain furnish an attractive variety of scenery. A number of prosperous settlements are on the line of this road, and several resorts that are much frequented by tourists and sportsmen. Victoria is a metropolitan city, and betrays it to the eye of the least practical observer. Its position is such that it will always be the distributing point for a vast area of territory, and its numerous banking corporations have given it a prestige as a financial centre.

VICTORIA, a former Hudson Bay post, now a village (with post office near by, called, Pakan), in the Prov. of Alberta (Edmonton dist.), on the North Saskatchewan River, 75 miles north-east of Edmonton (or Strathcona), a station on the Calgary and Edmonton branch of the C.P.R., 192 miles north of Calgary. It has 1 Methodist mission church, 2 general stores, 1 doctor's surgery, besides telegraph office. It is a fine farming and ranching region, though far north; near by also is the site of an oil well, located by the eminent Canadian geologist, Sir Wm. Dawson, Pop., about 300.

VICTORIA, a post village in Cumberland co., N.S., 2 1-2 miles from Conn's Mills, on the Oxford and Pictou branch of the I.C.R. It contains 2 churches (Methodist and Presbyterian), 2 stores, 1 hotel, 1 saw mill and 1 plaster mill. Pop., about 110.

VICTORIA, a post village in Carleton co., N.B., on the St. John River, 2 miles from Hartland, on the C.P.R., 12 miles north of Woodstock. It contains 2 churches (Free Baptist and Reformed Baptist), 1 tannery, 1 general store, and 1 boot and shoe and harness factory. Pop., about 350.

VICTORIA, a county of New Brunswick, in the north part of the Province, bordering on the State of Maine and on the Province of Quebec. Area 2,153,549 acres. The surface is rolling and varied, but remarkably fertile, even to the tops of the hills. The country is drained by the St. John, St. Francis, Madawaska and Tobique Rivers, besides numerous other streams. It is traversed by the New Brunswick Railway. Chief town, Grand Falls. Pop. of co. (1901), 21,136.

VICTORIA, a county of Nova Scotia, on the Island of Cape Breton, between the counties of Cape Breton and Inverness. Area 711,040 acres. The north-western part is mountainous, and but scantily settled; the south-west is better adapted for agriculture, and the soil particularly good in many parts. The county abounds in minerals, coal, iron and salt, which, with excellent building stone, are abundant; gold and silver have been discovered in many places, but no mines have been opened. Chief town, Baddeck. Pop. of co. (1901), 10,571.

VICTORIA, a county in the central part of Ontario, near Lake Simcoe. Area (after deducting that of Haliburton, a co. in the Prov. of Ont.), 706,751 acres. It contains several small lakes, and is intersected by two railroads. Capital, Lindsay. Pop. (1871), 30,200 (1901), 31,882.

VICTORIA, a post settlement in Queens co., P.E.I., 4 miles from Bradalbane, on the P.E.I. Ry.

VICTORIA, a station at the junction of the Niagara and Fort Erie divisions of the Michigan Central Ry., in Welland co., Ont., 1 mile from Bridgeburg, and 6½ miles from Buffalo.

VICTORIA, a station on the Fredericton branch of the C.P.R., in York co., N.B., 3 miles from Fredericton.

VICTORIA BEACH, a post settlement in Annapolis co., N.S., with a station called Port Wade, on the Port Wade branch of the Halifax & South Western Ry., 39 miles from Middleton Jet.

VICTORIA BRIDGE, a post settlement in Cape Breton co., N.S., 30 miles from Mira Gut, on the Sydney & Louisburg Ry.

VICTORIA CORNERS, a post village in Ontario co., Ont., 6 1-2 miles from Uxbridge, on the G.T.R., 9 miles from Blackwater Jet, and 41 miles north-east of Toronto. It has 1 Methodist church and 1 store. Pop. 65.

VICTORIA CROSS, a post village in Kings co., P.E.I., 2½ miles from Montague, on the Montague branch of the P.E.I. Ry.

VICTORIA HARBOR, a post village in Simcoe co., Ont., on the Georgian Bay, and a station on the Midland division of the G.T.R., 8 miles from Midland. It contains 3 churches (Methodist, Presbyterian and Roman Catholic), 7 stores, 1 hotel, 4 saw and shingle mills, 2 branch banks, telegraph and express offices, 1 public school, 1 machine shop and 1 kiln dryer. Pop., about 1,200.

VICTORIA HARBOR, a post settlement in Kings co., N.S., 7 miles from Aylesford, on the Dominion Atlantic Ry.

VICTORIA LAKE, a beautiful lake of Newfoundland, about 40 miles in length by 3 to 4 miles in breadth, discharges its waters on the south coast by Little River.

VICTORIA LAKE, a large lake on the Ottawa River, in Pontiac co., Que.

VICTORIA LAND, an insular tract in the southern part of Prince Albert Land, in the Franklin district of the Canadian Dominion in the Arctic Seas, north of lat. 68° N., and extending from about lon. 103° to 110° W. It is separated from the North American continent on the south by Dease Strait, and from Boothia-Felix and King William Land, on the east by Victoria Strait. It was discovered and named by Simpson, and explored by Dr. Rae in 1851.

VICTORIA LINE, a post settlement in Inverness co. (Cape Breton Island), N.S., on the Denys (Dennis) River, 6 miles from River Denys Station, on the I.C.R., 8 miles south of Orangedale, with port at Malagawatch, an inlet of the Bras d'Or Lake. It lies in a fertile valley, good for wheat, oats, barley and other crops; while the nearby mountains are said to be rich in mineral ores, including gold, silver, copper, iron, as well as coal. It has 2 churches (Roman Catholic and Presbyterian), 3 stores, 1 saw mill, 1 grist mill and at station telegraph and express offices. Pop. 200.

VICTORIA MINES, a post office in Nipissing dist., Ont., and a station on "the Soo" branch of the C.P.R., 36 miles east of Massey, and 22 miles west of Sudbury.

VICTORIA MINES, a post settlement in Cape Breton co., N.S., 10 miles from Sydney, on the I.C.R. and Sydney & Louisbourg Ry.

VICTORIA ROAD, a post village in Victoria co., Ont., on Grass River, a station on the Coboconk & Lindsay branch of the G.T.R., 14 miles north of Lorneville Jct., and 9 miles south of Coboconk. It has 2 churches (Roman Catholic and Methodist), 3 stores, 1 furniture shop, 2 blacksmith shops, 2 hotels, 2 saw and chopping mills, 1 branch bank, besides telegraph and express offices at station. There is a Portland cement company, 2 miles distant, at Raven Lake, with telephone connection; also a 200 acre peat bog, 1 mile distant. Pop., about 250.

VICTORIA SETTLEMENT, a settlement in Cumberland co., N.S., on Pugwash Lake, 7 miles from Thompson's Lake, and 10 miles from Pugwash, on the I.C.R. Pop. 300.

VICTORIA SQUARE, a post village in York co., Ont., 4 miles from Richmond Hill, a station on the Can. Northern Ont. RR., 21 miles north of Toronto. It contains 1 church, 1 hotel, 1 store, 1 carriage factory, 1 blacksmith shop, and at station telegraph and express offices. Pop. 150.

VICTORIA STRAIT, a broad arm of the sea, in the Arctic regions, at the northern extremity of Keewatin, north eastern Canada, separating Victoria Land from King William Land and Boothia. It communicates north by Ommaney Inlet with Barrow Strait, west of the entrance to Wellington Channel.

VICTORIA VALE, a post village in Annapolis co., N.S., 4 miles from Middleton, on the Halifax & South Western and the Dominion Atlantic Rys. It contains 2 churches (Methodist and Baptist), 2 stores, 2 saw mills and 1 carriage factory. Pop. 200.

VICTORIA VILLAGE, a fishing settlement in the dist. of Carbonear, on the north side of Conception Bay, Nfld., 6 miles from Carbonear. Pop. (1901), 818.

VICTORIAVILLE, or **ARTHABASKA STATION**, an incorporated town in Arthabaska co., Que., on the Nicolet River, and a station on the Mont., Pt. Levi and Que. branch of the G.T.R., 32 miles north-east of Richmond, 107 miles from Montreal, and 65 miles from Quebec. It is also a junction station for Quebec's Landing and Three Rivers (36 miles north-west). Victoriaville has 1 Roman Catholic church, 1 Sister's school, 1 academy of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart (and Mother house), 21 stores, 4 hotels, 1 flour and 2 saw mills, 1 foundry, 1 chair, 2 sash and door, 1 furniture, and 1 cheese and butter factories, 2 chartered banks (Molson and Quebec), 1 printing and newspaper office ("L'Écho des Bois-Francis," weekly in French), besides telegraph and express offices. The town has good water-power for electric lighting purposes. Pop. 2,500.

VICTORIA WEST, LOT 13, a post village in Prince co., P.E.I., on the Sheep River, 5 miles from Northam, on the Prince Edward Island Ry. It contains 2 churches (Presbyterian and Methodist), 2 stores, 1 Orange lodge and hall and 1 saw mill. Pop., 230.

VICTORY, a post settlement in Queens co., N.B. Cody's, on the New Brunswick Ry., is the nearest station.

VICTORY, a post village in Annapolis co., N.S., on the Bear River, and encompassed by lakes. The nearest station (13 miles distant) is Bear River, on the Dominion Atlantic Ry., 6 miles south-east of Digby, and 14 miles west of Annapolis Royal. It has 2 churches (Episcopal and Baptist) and 2 school houses. Pop. (nearly all of Dutch descent). 160.

VIDIR, a settlement in Selkirk co., Man., 40 miles from Gimli, on the C.P.R.

VIELLE EGLISE, a post settlement in Lotbinière co., Que.

VIENNA, a post settlement in Elgin co., Ont., and a station on the Port Burwell branch of the C.P.R., 16 miles from Tillsonburg, and 3 miles from Port Burwell. It contains 4 stores, 1 hotel, 1 woollen mill, 1 flour mill and 1 cheese factory.

VIENNEAU, a post settlement in Northumberland co., N.B., 4 miles from Rogersville, on the I.C.R.

VIEWFIELD, a post settlement in Qu'Appelle dist., Sask. Halbrite, on the C.P.R., is the nearest station.

VIGER, a post settlement in Temiscouata co., Que., 6 miles from St. Arsene, a station on the I.C.R. It contains a Roman Catholic church and 1 store. Pop. 150.

VIGO, a post hamlet in Simcoe co., Ont., on the Nottawasaga River, 4 miles from Phelps-ton, on the Barrie & Penetang branch of the G.T.R., midway (20 miles) between Barrie & Penetanguishene. It contains 1 Roman Catholic church.

VIKING, a post settlement, inhabited chiefly by Norwegians, in Strathcona dist., Prov. of Alberta, 85 miles from Edmonton, a station on the Calgary & Edmonton branch of the C.P.R., 192 miles north of Calgary. Pop., under 100.

VILLAGE BELANGER, a post settlement in Laval co., Que., 2 miles from Martin Jct., on the C.P.R.

VILLAGÉDALE, a post settlement in Shelburne co., N.S., 4 miles from Barrington, on the Halifax and Southwestern Ry.

VILLAGE DES AULNAIES, a post village in Tislet co., Que., on the Ferre River, 4 miles from Ste. Louise Station, on the I.C.R., and 9 miles from St. Jean Port Joli. It contains 1 telegraph office, 3 stores, 1 hotel, 1 tannery, 1 saw mill and 1 flour mill. Pop., about 600.

VILLAGE GREEN, a post settlement in Queens co., P.E.I.

VILLAGE RICHELIEU, Rouville co., Que. See Richelieu.

VILLAGE ST. JEAN, a post settlement in Kent co., N.B., 9 miles from Rogersville, on the I.C.R.

VILLAGE ST. ONGE, a post settlement in St Maurice co., Que. Shawinigan Falls, on The Can. Northern Quebec Ry., is the nearest station.

VILLA MARIE, a station on the Placentia branch of the Reid Nfd. Ry., 7 miles from Whitebourne, Nfd.

VILLANI, a post settlement in Labelle co., Que. Labelle, on the Nominque branch of the C.P.R., is the nearest station.

VILLA NOVA, a post village in Norfolk co., Ont., on the Michigan Central Ry., 7 miles from Hagarville. It contains 2 churches (Baptist and Methodist), 1 store, 1 chopping mill and a telegraph office. Pop. 100.

VILLA VERDE, a settlement in the dist. of Trinity, Nfd. Pop. (1901) 31.

VILLE GUAY, a settlement in Levis co., Que., on the St. Lawrence River, 3 miles from the I.C.R. station of St. Joseph de Levis, 3 miles from Levis. There is an hospital in the village, the "Guay de St. Joseph de Levis," for old people of both sexes, founded in 1901 by Monsignor Charles Guay. Pop. 600.

VILLE MARIE, a post village in Pontiac co., Que., on the Ottawa River, with port on Lake Temiskaming. The nearest station (54 miles distant) is Temiskaming, on the C.P.R. It has 1 Roman Catholic church, 12 stores, 3 hotels, 2 saw and grist mills, 2 sash and door and 2 carriage factories, 3 blacksmith shops, and 1 branch bank. Communication on Lake Temiskaming is had by tri-weekly steamers in summer from Temiskaming, Que. Pop. 800.

VILLE MARIE, Nfd., a station on the Reid Nfd. RR. & SS. Co. (Placentia branch), 12 miles south-west of Placentia Jct., 8 miles from Placentia, on Placentia Bay, and 19 miles south-west of Whitbourne, on the main line of the Ry.

VILLEMAY, a post settlement in Levis co., Que., 1-3 of a mile from Point Levi, on the G.T.R.

VILLENEUVE, a post settlement in Edmonton dist., Alta. Morinville, on the Morinville branch of the C.P.R. is the nearest station.

VILLENEUVE, a post settlement in Hochelaga co., Que., 1 mile from Mile End, a station on the C.P.R.

VILLEROY a village in Lotbiniere co., Que. The post office is Mulock, near Kingsbury Jct., on the I.C.R. and the Lotbiniere & Megantic Ry., 46 miles south-west of Levis (Quebec). It has 1 Roman Catholic church, 1 general store, 2 hotel boarding houses, 1 saw mill, besides post, express and telegraph offices. The region is noted for its hunting facilities, caribou, moose, deer and partridge being abundant. Pop. 200.

VILLE ST. PAUL, a post village in the neighborhood of Montreal, in Hochelaga co.,

Que. It is situate between the Lachine canal (on the north), and Montreal Water Works canal (on the south), and south of the small Riviere St. Pierre and north (1 mile distant) of the St. Lawrence River, with station (St. Paul) on the Mont. and St. Paul local branch of the G.T.R., 3 miles west of Montreal city. It has 4 churches (Roman Catholic—with convent and college—Episcopal, Presbyterian and Methodist), 9 stores, 3 hotels, 11 mills and factories (Mt. Royal rice, blankets and rags, axe and harvest tools, shovels, bells, files, augers and nails, knitting works and carbonated waters), besides 1 printing office, express and telegraph offices. Pop., about 2,100.

VILLETTE, a post settlement in Compton co., Que., 9 miles from Coatcook on the G.T.R. It contains 1 Roman Catholic church and 1 store. Pop. 263.

VILLIERS, a post village in Peterboro' co., Ont., 2 miles from Blezard's, on the Belleville branch of the G.T.R., 14 miles from Peterboro'. It contains 1 store, 1 blacksmith shop, 1 carpenter shop and 1 cheese factory. Pop. 18.

VIMBACK, a Mennonite village near Clear Springs in Provencher co., Man. It has a flour mill and a large store.

VINCENNES, a post settlement in Champlain co., Que., 4 miles from Champlain, on the C. P.R. It contains 2 stores and 1 blacksmith shop.

VINCENT, a post settlement in Queens co., N.B., 23 miles from St. John.

VINE, a post village in Simcoe co., Ont., a station on the Hamilton and Allandale division of the G.T.R., 5 miles south-west of Allandale. It contains 1 store. Pop. 50.

VINELAND, a post settlement in Lincoln co., Ont., 2½ miles from Jordan, on the southern division of the G.T.R.

VINEMOUNT, a post village in Wentworth co., Ont., with station on the Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo RR., 25 minutes' ride west of Hamilton and 50 minutes east of Welland. It has 2 stores and 1 butter factory, besides telegraph and express offices. Pop. 75.

VINETTE, a post office in Clarence township, Russell co., Ont., 2½ miles from Clarence Creek, on the proposed extension of the Can. Northern Que. Ry.

VINGT-QUATRE ARPENTS, a lake in Rimouski co., Que.

VINOY, a post office in Labelle co., Que., 23 miles from Papineauville, on the C.P.R.

VINTON, a post village in Pontiac co., Que., on the Waltham branch of the C.P.R., 7 miles from Fort Coulonge. It contains 3 stores and 1 hotel.

VIOLA DALE, a post office in Marquette co., Man., on Oak River, 6 miles from Hamiota, on the Miniota branch of the C.P.R.

VIOLET, a post settlement in Lennox co., Ont., 6 miles from Ernestown, on the G.T.P. Pop. 60.

VIOLET HILL, a post settlement in Dufferin co., Ont., 7 miles from Shelbourne. It contains 1 Methodist church and 1 store.

VIOLOGN, a lake in Maskinonge co., Que., in the township of Chapleau, affording excellent fishing.

VIRDEN, a progressive town in Brandon co., Man., a station on the C.P.R., 48 miles west of Brandon, and 23 miles south-east of Kirkella. It has 3 churches (Episcopal, Metho-

dist and Presbyterian), also hall of Christian Scientists, 37 stores, 3 hotels and 3 restaurants, 7 grain elevators, 1 flour and grist mill, 1 machine shop and engine works, 1 cold storage and pork packing warehouse, 2 chartered banks (Ottawa and Union), 2 printing and 1 newspaper office ("Advance," weekly), besides municipal gas works, express and long distance telegraph offices. Pop. 1,560.

VIRGIL, or **CROSS ROADS**, formerly **LAWRENCEVILLE**, a post village in Lincoln co., Ont., 8 miles from St. Catharines and 4 miles from Niagara, on the Michigan Central Ry. It contains 3 churches, 2 stores and 1 hotel. Pop. 110.

VIRGIN ARM, a fishing station in Twillingate dist., Nfld., 5 miles from Twillingate. Pop. (1901), 70.

VIRGINIA, a post village in York co., Ont., 4 miles from Sutton, on the Sutton branch of the G.T.R., 2 miles from Jackson's Point. It has 2 churches (Roman Catholic and Methodist) and 1 general store. Pop. 100.

VISTA, a station in Marquette co., Man., on the Rossburn branch of the Canadian Northern Ry., 6 miles south-east of Rossburn, and 53 miles north-west of Clanwilliam.

VITA, a station on the Ridgville section of the Can. Northern Ry., 32 miles from Emerson.

VITTORIA, a thriving post village in Norfolk co., Ont., on Young's Creek, and a station on the Jarvis and Port Rowan branch of the G.T.R., 5 miles from Simcoe. It has 3 churches (Episcopal, Presbyterian and Baptist), express and telegraph offices, 1 flour mill, 3 stores, shingle mill, carriage factory and 1 hotel. Pop. 500.

VIVIAN, a post settlement in York co., Ont., and a station on the Sutton branch of the G.T.R., 8 miles from Stouffville. It contains 1 store and 1 shingle mill.

VOGHT VALLEY, a post settlement in Yale-Cariboo dist., B.C. Spence's Bridge, at the junction of the main line of the C.P.R. with the Nicola branch, is the nearest station.

VOGLER'S COVE, a post village in Lunenburg co., N.S., an inlet of Port Medway Harbor, on the Atlantic, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles from County Line Station, on the Halifax & South Western Ry. It has 2 churches (Episcopal and Methodist) and 2 stores. There are many lakes in vicinity abounding in trout. Pop. about 350.

VONDA (formerly **VAUNDER**), a post village in Humboldt dist., Prov. of Saskatchewan, and a station on the Edmonton div. of the Canadian Northern Ry., 44 miles north-west of Humboldt, and 103 miles south-east of North Battleford. It has a branch bank.

VOSBURG, a station on the G.T.R., in Kent co., Ont., 6 miles from Chatham, the county seat. The post office is known as Van Horn.

VOSEN, Saskatchewan. See Watson.

VROOMANTON, a post settlement in Ontario co., Ont., 3 miles from Sunderland, on the Midland division of the G.T.R. It has 1 store and 1 wagon factory. Pop. 200.

VYNER, a post village in Lambton co., Ont., 2 miles from Perch, on the G. T. R., 10 miles from Sarnia. It contains 2 churches (Methodist and Presbyterian), and 1 saw mill. Pop. about 200.

WAASIS STATION, a post settlement in Sunbury co., N.E., and a station on the C.P.R.

(Fredericton branch), 12 miles from Fredericton.

WABA, a post settlement in Renfrew co., Ont., 9 miles from Pakenham, on the C.P.R., north of Almonte and south of Arnprior. It contains 1 store, several mills and 1 cheese factory. Pop. 50.

WABAMUN, a post settlement in Edmonton dist., Alberta, 35 miles from Edmonton, on the C.P.R.

WABASH, a post settlement in Kent co., Ont., 4 miles from North Thamesville, on the C.P.R., 15 miles from Chatham. It has 1 store. Pop. 40.

WABASSE, a lake in Labelle co., Que., in the township of Wells.

WABASSEE, a French Canadian supply depot, post office and name of a rapid on the Rivière du Lievre (80 miles from its mouth) in Labelle co., Que. It is situated 30 miles from Nominique and the same distance from Maniwaki. It is in a lumber district. The nearest shopping resort, with parish church, mill, hotel, etc., is Lac des Isles, 5 miles off. It has 1 general store. Pop., about 100.

WABATONGUSHIN LAKE, in Algoma dist., north-west Ont. It lies a little north-west of Lake Missinabi, and near Otter station of the C.P.R.

WABIGOON, a small settlement in the Rainy River dist., north-west Ont., on the C.P.R., 7 miles east of Barclay. Pop. (1901), 410.

WABIGOON, a small lake in the Rainy River dist., north-west Ont. The waters of the Manitou River flow through this lake.

WABINOSH, a river in Thunder Bay district, northwestern Ont., flows into the head of Wabinoth Bay, Lake Nipigon, after a course of 33 miles, in which it passes through 18 lakes, the largest of which are Wabinoth and Round Lakes, each $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles in width, and Oval Rock, 4 miles in length. A south branch of this river enters the north-west angle of Wabinoth Lake. It is a larger stream than the north branch. The country through which the Wabinoth flows is generally rocky, and of little value for agricultural purposes.

WABIQUEOBINGSING, a lake of Algoma dist., north-west Ontario, on the north shore of Lake Huron. Lat. $46^{\circ} 19' N.$, lon. $83^{\circ} 25' W.$

WABISKAGAMI, a lake and river in northern Algoma dist., south of the Albany River, north-west Ont. The Wabiskagami river flows into the Missinabi, and both find their outlet through the Moose River in James Bay.

WABOOSEKON, or **RABBIT LAKE**, a lake on the Pic River, in Thunder Bay dist., north-west Ont., has the form of the letter L, each arm being 2 miles long.

WABOS, a settlement in Algoma dist., Ont., and a station on the Algoma Central & Hudson Bay Ry., 36 miles from Sault Ste. Marie.

WADDEN COVE, a post settlement in Cape Breton co., N.S., 5 miles from Homeville, on the Sydney & Louisburg Ry.

WADENA, a post village in Humboldt dist., Prov. of Saskatchewan, and a station on the Canadian Northern Ry. (Edmonton div.), 88 miles north-west of Kamsack, and 60 miles south-east of Humboldt. It has 3 churches, 5 stores, 2 hotels, 1 branch bank, 1 newspaper office, besides telegraph and express offices. Pop. 200.