

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

NELSON.				VANCOUVER.			
Year.	Popula- tion.	Net Debt.	Total Assess- ment.	Year.	Popula- tion.	Net Debt.	Total Assess- ment.
		\$	\$			\$	\$
1898.	3,500	115,000	981,442	1887.	5,000	191,000	2,639,077
1899.	4,000	175,000	1,692,665	1890.	12,000	125,000	9,404,445
				1895.	17,862	571,000	16,188,554
				1896.	19,000	.....	15,248,734
				1897.	20,000	.....	15,221,614
				1898.	25,000	2,005,472	14,948,519

NOTE.—Value of exemptions (estimated), \$75,000. Cost of construction of water-works, \$50,000. Date of construction of water-works, 1892; purchased by city in 1897. Average rate of interest paid on net debt, 5 per cent. Incorporated April, 1897.

NOTE.—Water-works built in 1887-89. Average rate of interest paid on net debt in 1887, 6 per cent; 1890-95, 4 per cent.

NEW WESTMINSTER.				VICTORIA.			
1880.	*1,500	Not given.	372,626	1880.	*7,301	.....	2,363,942
1885. ....	.....	"	641,554	1885. ....	.....	.....	5,178,800
1890.	5,063	286,420	4,595,865	1890.	*18,538	.....	9,367,600
1895.	6,050	890,262	6,120,385	1895. ....	.....	.....	16,757,805
1898.	8,750	876,000	4,826,535	1899.	24,000	1,489,844	17,051,010

* Census, 1881.

NOTE.—Water-works built in 1890-92. Cost of construction in 1892, \$455,000. Debt, \$455,000. This is included in net debt, as also electric light works. Average rate of interest on net debt, 1890-95, 5 per cent. Value of exemptions in 1898, \$1,338,580.

* Census.

NOTE.—Average rate of interest paid in 1895, 5 per cent. Cost of construction of water-works to date, \$545,000. Value of exemptions in 1895, \$1,869,130.

ROSSLAND.			
1895.	1,000	.....	.....
1896.	4,000	.....	.....
1897.	6,000	65,000	1,461,576
1898.	7,000	107,000	1,440,046

NOTE.—Incorporated 18th March, 1897. Water-works built in 1896 and owned by company. Average rate of interest on net debt, 5-30 per cent. Value of exemptions, 1898, \$79,186.