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# REPORT

ON

## ORIENTAL ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE PROVINCE

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## INTRODUCTION.

THE LACK of statistical and other information in a readily available form has been found by members of the Legislature when the question of Oriental penetration of British Columbia has come up for deliberation. The information was known to be in existence, but scattered through governmental and municipal records.

When the Advisory Board of Farmers' Institutes was in session during the legislative session of 1925, considering representations to be made to the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture, the need for a survey covering all fields of activity and including city, country, and unorganized territory was a subject of discussion. The members of the Board expressed the opinion that the resolutions presented and statements made from time to time on this important matter could not be intelligently dealt with until a true presentation of the whole situation was available. The following resolution was, therefore, adopted by the Board:—

"Whereas reports appear to indicate that serious and continued inroads by the Oriental are being made into all lines of business activity throughout the Province:

"And whereas there is an absence of accurate information concerning the extent of the hold gained by him in any and every direction in British Columbia:

"Therefore we request that your Committee recommend to the Legislature that a report be prepared on this subject, making available this desired information, which should cover every phase of activity."

On this resolution being presented to the Committee on Agriculture, that body at once requested the Honourable the Minister of Agriculture to have the necessary data prepared before another session, so that the whole situation might be intelligently placed before the members of the House. The Bureau of Provincial Information and the statistician to the Department of Agriculture were instructed to give effect to the request, and the information contained in the present report was assembled during the recess and placed before the Select Standing Committee on Agriculture as soon as it organized for the session of 1926-27.

Another resolution submitted by the Advisory Board at the same time as that quoted above was in the following terms:—

"Resolved, That the Legislature be requested to investigate as to whether legislation can be enacted to prevent Chinese and Japanese from owning, selling, leasing, or renting land in British Columbia, or, in the alternative, imposing conditions upon their rights of ownership."

In transmitting this resolution to the House with its endorsement the Committee stated the opinion that it was absolutely reasonable and most desirable.

The opinion of the people of British Columbia upon the whole subject of Oriental immigration, land-holding, and competition in trade has been affirmed and reaffirmed several times over a long period of years by the voice of their representatives in the Legislative Assembly. The last occasion upon which this considered declaration was made by the people of the Province which suffers most from the evils of Oriental penetration was December 17th, 1924, when the following resolution was supported from all parts of the House, and was adopted unanimously:—

"Whereas there were in British Columbia, according to the last Dominion census, 23,532 Chinese and 15,006 Japanese:

"And whereas statistics show that there is a very large natural increase of Orientals in British Columbia, multiplying each succeeding year to an alarming extent:

"And whereas the standard of living of the average Oriental is far below that of the white man, thus enabling him to live comfortably on a much lower wage than our white men:

"And whereas the Orientals have invaded many fields of industrial and commercial activities to the serious detriment of our white citizens:

"And whereas considerable unemployment always exists in British Columbia, partly due to the fact that large numbers of Orientals are filling situations in our industrial and commercial life which could be filled by our white citizens:

"And whereas the Orientals are fast invading the commercial areas of many municipalities and districts of British Columbia, carrying on commercial and industrial pursuits:

"And whereas many of our white merchants are being forced out of business by such commercial and industrial invasion:

"Therefore be it Resolved, That this House go on record as being utterly opposed to the further influx of Orientals into this Province; and, further, that this House places itself on

Canada as is necessary to completely prohibit Asiatic immigration into Canada.

"Be it further Resolved, That the Government of the Dominion of Canada be respectfully requested to grant adherence on the part of Canada to no treaty or binding international obligation in any form whatsoever having the effect of limiting the authority or power of Provincial Legislatures in respect of the regulation of social and industrial activities within the Provinces; and, further, that the Government of the Dominion of Canada be respectfully requested to forthwith take the action necessary to bring about the denunciation of any and all treaties in so far as the terms and provisions of the same have the effect of depriving the Dominion of Canada of the power of regulation, control, and prohibition of Asiatic immigration.

"Be it further Resolved, That this House is also of the opinion that the field of industrial and commercial activities of all Orientals now in Canada and particularly British Columbia should be restricted by legislation.

"And be it further Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, praying that he cause a copy of this resolution to be transmitted to the Hon. the Secretary of State or other proper official at Ottawa, for presentation to His Excellency the Governor-General in Council."

A copy of this was sent forward to the Federal Government and its receipt acknowledged in due course.

The facts assembled by the Bureau of Provincial Information from official sources bring out the following, among other, phases of the question:—

(1.) That at the beginning of 1927 the Oriental population of the Province is at least 46,500, or, in other words, 1 in every 12 persons.

(2.) That the Japanese birth-rate is 40 per 1,000, as compared with a general birth-rate of all races, except native Indians, of 18 per 1,000.

(3.) That the increase in the Japanese population through the excess of births over deaths is greater by more than 2 to 1 than the immigration of people of that race.

(4.) That the arrivals of Japanese women have greatly outnumbered the arrivals of men for several years past, and that at the present time two women come in for every man that enters.

(5.) That of the Oriental arrivals in Canada for the past twenty years British Columbia got 80 per cent. of the Chinese, over 98 per cent. of the Japanese, and nearly 99 per cent. of the Hindus.

(6.) That Orientals own land and improved property in British Columbia to an aggregate value of \$10,491,250 and lease property valued at \$1,099,500.

(7.) That over 11,300 Orientals are employed in industries of the Province, and that, for instance, while the proportion employed in the lumbering industry generally has been reduced to 20 per cent., there are between 30 and 40 per cent. employed in saw and planing mills and close on 50 per cent. in shingle-mills.

(8.) That in 1925 there were 3,231 Asiatics carrying on in licensed trades and callings, and that in the cities they constitute an incredibly large percentage of the total number of licensees in some callings.

(9.) That in three years the number of Japanese children in the public schools has increased by 74 per cent., while in the same time the number of white children has increased by 6 per cent.

(10.) That in the fishing industry, upon which the Orientals appeared to have a strangle-hold a few years ago, the policy of a gradual reduction in the number of licences allowed to them is bringing the industry back into the hands of white and native Indian fishermen.

The statistical branch of the Department of Agriculture brings out the following facts regarding the Oriental in agriculture:—

(1.) That in the four years from 1921 to 1925 the acreage of land owned by Orientals increased by approximately 5,000 acres and the land leased by approximately 1,500 acres.

(2.) That of the acreage in small fruits at the present time the proportion held by Oriental growers is 30.6 per cent., while in number they constitute but one-seventh of the growers; the holdings average 1½ acres to each white grower and 4 acres to each Oriental grower.

(3.) That with the development of production under glass, which has been quite marked of late years, the Oriental is more and more increasing his hold on this branch of the industry; that where in 1923 he constituted 9 per cent. of growers with 28 per cent. of glass area, in 1925 he constituted 13 per cent. of growers with 37 per cent. of glass area.

in Oriental operation 58 per cent.

(5.) That the handling of produce and garden-truck by peddlers or hucksters is almost entirely in the hands of Chinese, and that the same applies to the sale of vegetables in stores, to the extent of 91 per cent. in one city.

## ORIENTAL POPULATION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

There are no official statistics of the present population of the country in any particular. It is possible, however, to get a fairly close approximation of the Oriental population of British Columbia at, say, the end of 1925, by taking the Dominion census and immigration records and the natural increase shown by the Provincial vital statistics.

On this basis it appears that at the date mentioned there would be in this Province 25,216 Chinese, 19,455 Japanese, and 1,103 Hindus, or a total of 45,774 people of Oriental races.

The Census Office estimate of the population of the Province at June 1st, 1925, was 560,500, so that the approximate proportion of Orientals would be 82 in every 1,000.

		Per Cent. of Total in Canada.
Chinese in British Columbia at census, 1901.....	14,885	86.0
Chinese in British Columbia at census, 1911.....	19,568	70.5
Chinese in British Columbia at census, June 1st, 1921.....	23,533	59.4
Immigration, fiscal year 1921-22.....	995	
Immigration, fiscal year 1922-23.....	326	
Immigration, fiscal year 1923-24.....	341	
Immigration, fiscal year 1924-25.....		
Immigration, April-December, 1925.....		
Births, 245; deaths, 227; natural increase, 1923.....	18	
Births, 228; deaths, 201; natural increase, 1924.....	27	
Births, 212; deaths, 195; natural increase, 1925.....	17	
	25,257	
Births, 197; deaths, 223; natural decrease, 1921.....	26	
Births, 216; deaths, 231; natural decrease, 1922.....	15	
	41	
Estimated Chinese in British Columbia, December 31st, 1925.....	25,216	69.4%
Increase over census, 1901.....		
		Per Cent. of Total in Canada.
Japanese in British Columbia at census, 1901.....	4,597	97.0
Japanese in British Columbia at census, 1911.....	8,587	95.2
Japanese in British Columbia at census, June 1st, 1921.....	15,006	94.6
Immigration, fiscal year 1921-22.....	452	
Immigration, fiscal year 1922-23.....	350	
Immigration, fiscal year 1923-24.....	422	
Immigration, fiscal year 1924-25.....	481	
Immigration, April-December, 1925 (estimated).....	320	
Births, 592; deaths, 142; natural increase, 1921.....	450	
Births, 585; deaths, 190; natural increase, 1922.....	395	
Births, 657; deaths, 161; natural increase, 1923.....	496	
Births, 672; deaths, 154; natural increase, 1924.....	518	
Births, 743; deaths, 178; natural increase, 1925.....	565	
Estimated Japanese in British Columbia, December 31st, 1925.....	19,455	323.21%
Increase over census, 1901.....		

		Per Cent. of Total in Canada.
Hindus in British Columbia at census, 1901 (none given).....		-----
Hindus in British Columbia at census, 1911.....	2,292	98.0
Hindus in British Columbia at census, June 1st, 1921.....	951	93.6
Immigration, fiscal year 1921-22.....	13	
Immigration, fiscal year 1922-23.....	21	
Immigration, fiscal year 1923-24.....	39	
Immigration, fiscal year 1924-25.....	44	
Immigration, April-December, 1925 (estimated).....	35	
The natural increase is negligible at present.		
Estimated Hindus in British Columbia, December 31st, 1925.....	1,103	

Since the last census the natural increase of Chinese in the Province has practically been at a standstill, an aggregate surplus of 62 births in three years being offset by an aggregate surplus of 41 deaths in the other two years.

It is vastly different in the case of the Japanese. In the same period of time the aggregate increase in the Japanese population of the Province through the excess of births over deaths has exceeded that through immigration. In each year the births have greatly outnumbered the arrivals from Japan, in 1925 the proportion being 15 births to every 8 arrivals by sea.

The birth-rate of Japanese in British Columbia is 40 per 1,000 of the population of that race. The birth-rate of the whole population, excluding Indians, keeps about 18 per 1,000, while the rate of natural increase per 1,000 is between 9 and 10.

There has always been a certain amount of difficulty in securing registrations of Oriental births, and there is some ground for the suspicion that even yet, with the greatest vigilance on the part of officials of the Provincial Board of Health, there are births which are not reported. Comparison of a series of the reports by the Registrar of Vital Statistics will show what a number of births, chiefly of Orientals, are not registered until years after. The figures of actual births for the years given above are as they stand at the end of 1925 registrations, but are subject to addition every year hereafter as further births in these several years are registered.

For the past twenty years the arrivals of immigrants of Asiatic origin at the ocean ports of Canada, chiefly on the Pacific Coast, segregated as to males, females, and children, and the number destined for British Columbia, have been as shown for the several races in the following tables:—

## CHINESE.

Fiscal Year.	Males.	Females.	Children.	Total.	Destined for B.C.
1906-7 (9 mos.).....	63	9	20	92	68
1907-8.....	1,719	39	126	1,884	1,554
1908-9.....	1,695	36	156	1,887	1,539
1909-10.....	1,866	58	232	2,156	1,948
1910-11.....	4,859	77	342	5,278	4,794
1911-12.....	5,776	80	391	6,247	5,480
1912-13.....	7,029	85	331	7,445	6,691
1913-14.....	5,230	89	193	5,512	4,679
1914-15.....	1,147	40	71	1,258	863
1915-16.....	42	18	28	88	52
1916-17.....	297	33	63	393	128
1917-18.....	695	26	48	769	254
1918-19.....	4,095	63	175	4,333	2,815
1919-20.....	389	67	88	544	347
1920-21.....	2,001	135	299	2,435	2,065
1921-22.....	1,125	114	507	1,746	995
1922-23.....	232	59	420	711	326
1923-24.....	59	36	579	674	341
1924-25.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1925 (12 mos.).....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Totals.....	38,319	1,064	4,069	43,452	34,939 80.4%

## JAPANESE.

Fiscal Year.	Males.	Females.	Children.	Total.	Destined for B.C.
1906-7 (9 mos.).....	1,766	242	34	2,042	2,038
1907-8.....	6,945	566	90	7,601	7,589
1908-9.....	312	153	30	495	478
1909-10.....	104	134	33	271	250
1910-11.....	170	217	50	437	432
1911-12.....	322	362	81	765	763
1912-13.....	252	424	48	724	718
1913-14.....	354	447	55	856	844
1914-15.....	191	358	43	592	579
1915-16.....	148	233	20	401	392
1916-17.....	301	310	37	648	622
1917-18.....	459	370	54	883	852
1918-19.....	584	530	64	1,178	1,137
1919-20.....	280	389	42	711	686
1920-21.....	145	338	49	532	514
1921-22.....	140	300	31	471	452
1922-23.....	141	197	31	369	350
1923-24.....	184	233	31	448	422
1924-25.....	182	269	50	501	481
Totals.....	12,980	6,072	873	19,925	19,594 98.34%
1925 (11 mos.).....	114	214	72	400	-----

## HINDUS.

Fiscal Year.	Males.	Females.	Children.	Total.	Destined for B.C.
1906-7 (9 mos.).....	2,120	2	2	2,124	2,112
1907-8.....	2,620	-----	3	2,623	2,619
1908-9.....	5	1	-----	6	-----
1909-10.....	9	1	-----	10	6
1910-11.....	4	-----	1	5	1
1911-12.....	2	1	-----	3	1
1912-13.....	-----	2	3	5	5
1913-14.....	78	2	8	88	85
1914-15.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1915-16.....	1	-----	-----	1	-----
1916-17.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1917-18.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1918-19.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1919-20.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
1920-21.....	7	2	1	10	9
1921-22.....	5	4	4	13	13
1922-23.....	12	5	4	21	21
1923-24.....	25	11	4	40	39
1924-25.....	21	14	11	46	44
Totals.....	4,909	45	41	4,995	4,935 98.79%

Members of the Chinese race own within municipal limits 782 specified and sundry unspecified lots, assessed value (incomplete) \$6,546,519, and 1,203.875 acres, assessed value \$412,240 (both incomplete). They lease 6,761.407 acres and 30 lots, assessed value (incomplete) \$567,312, besides 220 (incomplete) stores. So far as the information is contained below, they own or lease property assessed at \$7,526,071.

Japanese owners hold 5,736.639 acres (incomplete), assessed value \$1,003,481, as well as 533 specified and sundry unspecified lots, assessed value (incomplete) \$1,616,911. They lease 764.48 acres, assessed at \$43,790 (incomplete), and 232 (incomplete) stores. The total value of property owned or leased is \$2,664,182.

Hindus are owners of 277.13 acres, assessed value \$61,230, and 211 specified and sundry unspecified lots, assessed value \$130,380 (all figures incomplete). They lease 570.84 acres, assessed value \$18,699 (incomplete), 3 lots and 16 stores (latter figure incomplete). The total value owned and leased is \$210,309.

So far as information has been obtainable, and keeping in mind the deficiencies which render all final totals incomplete, the land-holding represented in municipalities is as follows in assessed value:—

	Owued.	Leased.	Total.
Chinese.....	\$6,958,759	\$567,312	\$ 7,526,071
Japanese.....	2,620,392	43,790	2,664,182
Hindus.....	191,610	18,699	210,309
Totals.....	\$9,770,761	\$629,801	\$10,400,562

The aggregate value of property owned and leased in cities, districts, and villages by the several Asiatic races was as follows:—

	Cities.	Districts.	Villages.	Total.
Chinese.....	\$6,237,666	\$1,258,980	\$29,425	\$ 7,526,071
Japanese.....	1,505,161	1,104,532	54,489	2,664,182
Hindus.....	74,030	135,539	740	210,309
Totals.....	\$7,816,857	\$2,499,051	\$84,654	\$10,400,562

In the unorganized districts Orientals own 11,710.76 acres, assessed value \$720,546, and lease from the Crown 6,195.11 acres, assessed value \$469,688. The grand total in assessed value of all property in the following statements, so far as the figures have been furnished, is \$11,590,796, owned or leased by people of the Asiatic races.

It is worth noting in regard to land-holding in rural municipalities that to a considerable extent the Japanese are owners of the land they till, while the Chinese lease from, presumably, white owners. The reason for this is, of course, the well-known fact that Chinese methods of cultivation exhaust the soil, rendering it necessary for them to move on periodically to fresh acreage.

(NOTE.—Information furnished by the city assessor of Victoria as this report is on the press materially alters the figures originally supplied by that official and incorporated in this report. The information now given is that in the City of Victoria 95 Chinese own 128 parcels of land assessed at \$745,260; 10 Japanese own 10 parcels of land assessed at \$25,720; and 12 Hindus own 12 parcels of land assessed at \$27,050.)

# REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY ORIENTALS WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITIES AND IN THE UNORGANIZED DISTRICTS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA AT DECEMBER 31st, 1925, WITH AN ESTIMATE OF THE AMOUNT OF PROPERTY LEASED TO ORIENTALS.

## CITIES.

Municipality.	CHINESE.		JAPANESE.		HINDUS.	
	Amount.	Value.	Amount.	Value.	Amount.	Value.
Alberni.....	8 lots ..... (4 owners)	\$ 3,175	14 lots ..... (1 owner)	\$ 350	3 lots ..... (1 owner)	\$ 75
Armstrong.....	16 acres ..... Lots ..... Leased 200 acres .....	6,660 13,350				
Chilliwack.....	25 acres ..... Lots ..... Leased 25 acres .....	6,100			Lots ..... 125	
Courtenay.....	Lots ..... Cranbrook.....	11,150 59,165	Lots ..... Lots ..... Leased 4 stores .....	1,200 19,195		
Cumberland.....			Lots ..... Duncan.....	5,000 7,730	2 lots ..... 470	
Enderby.....	19 lots ..... 3 lots ..... Fernie.....	30,850 5,575 31,650	8 lots and 4 acres	2,850		
Grand Forks*.....	2 acres ..... Lots ..... Greenwood.....	400 3,775	3 lots ..... Kamloops.....			
Kaslo.....	Lots ..... Leased 1 lot ..... 6 acres ..... Kelowna.....	76,830 8,270 2,330 3,600 53,350	1 lot ..... 1 lot ..... 10 lots ..... (1.5 acres)	1,510 7,725	1 lot ..... (0.14 acre)	125
Ladysmith.....	19 lots ..... (3 acres)	5,050				
Merritt.....	2 lots ..... Lots ..... Nanaimo.....	17,200 75,875				
Nelson.....	Lots ..... 97 lots ..... (abt. 35 owners)	59,510				
New Westminster.....	Abt. 60 lots ..... Abt. 30 acres ..... Leased Not known .....		50 to 60 lots ..... Not known ..... Lots ..... Not known ..... Lots ..... 1,981		About 50 lots ..... Abt. 8 acres ..... Not known ..... Lots ..... Not known ..... Lots ..... 880	
North Vancouver.....	Lots ..... Leased Not known .....	17,041				
Port Alberni†.....	Lots ..... Port Coquitlam.....	2,485				
Port Moody.....	10 acres ..... 2 lots ..... 5 lots ..... (4 owners)	8,685	4 lots ..... (3 owners)	2,160	16 lots ..... (13 owners)	4,790
Prince George.....	2 acres ..... Lots ..... (7 owners)	22,555				
Prince Rupert.....	73 lots ..... (4.4 acres)	118,750	43 lots ..... (2,529 acres)	60,745		
Revelstoke.....	20 lots ..... 9 lots ..... 2½ acres ..... Leased 30 acres .....	36,100	2 lots ..... 1,825			
Rossland.....	Lots ..... 4 lots ..... (4 owners)	7,400				
Salmon Arm.....						
Slocan.....	Lots ..... Trail.....	29,550 2,468,015	Lots ..... Lots ..... Leased 213 tenants .....	1,340,720	Lots ..... 16 tenants .....	56,180
Vancouver.....						

\* Dining-rooms of two hotels run by Chinese. There are no Chinese on the land in this district.

REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY ORIENTALS WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITIES AND IN THE UNORGANIZED DISTRICTS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA—Continued.

## CITIES—Continued.

Municipality.	CHINESE.		JAPANESE.		HINDUS.	
	Amount.	Value.	Amount.	Value.	Amount.	Value.
Vernon.....	Lots .....	\$ 53,280	Lots .....	\$ 4,850		
Leased	About 500 acres†					
Victoria.....	300 owners... (estimated)	Between \$2,500,000 and \$3,000,000	About a dozen owners	14,000	Half-dozen owners	\$ 5,000
Leased	Not known...		Not known...		Not known...	
	240 lots .....	\$ 190,325+	92 lots .....	\$ 8,695+	71+ lots .....	\$ 5,335+
	Lots .....	5,856,371	Lots .....	1,420,266	Lots .....	68,570
	73.525 acres..	182,700+	8.029 acres..	76,200	8.14 acres..	125+
	Leased:		Leased:		Leased:	
	257+ acres	8,270+				
	217+ stores		232+ stores		16+ stores	

## DISTRICTS.

Burnaby.....	23 acres .....	\$ 25,735	8.24 acres.....	\$ 40,965	3.29 acres .....	\$ 15,265
	(33 owners)		(153 owners)		(31 owners)	
Leased	200 acres					
Chilliwack.....	Lots .....	11,300			8.20 acres .....	800
Leased	1,000 acres..		47 acres .....		142 acres .....	
Coldstream.....	Leased	235.965 acres				
Coquitlam.....	27 lots .....	4,650	115.59 acres..	25,028	2 acres .....	800
	4 acres .....	1,000				
Leased	40 acres .....	400				
Delta.....	202 acres .....	17,375	253 acres .....	33,120	65 acres .....	11,980
Leased	590 acres .....		60 acres .....		125 acres .....	
Esquimalt.....	1 lot .....	500	2 lots .....	1,000	1 lot .....	500
Fraser Mills.....						
Glenmore.....						
Kent.....	½ acre .....	600				
Leased	20 acres .....					
Langley.....	5.25 acres .....	500	703 acres .....	30,320	19.5 acres .....	1,960
	(2 owners)		(31 owners)		(3 owners)	
Leased	71 acres .....	5,800				
Maple Ridge.....	4 acres .....	3,410	2,378 acres..	339,487	91 acres .....	2,450
	(4 owners)		(192 owners)		(3 owners)	
Leased	6 acres .....					
Matsqui.....			680 acres .....	45,000	50 acres .....	6,800
Leased	50 acres .....				68 acres .....	
Mission.....			803 acres .....	101,219	30 acres .....	1,170
North Cowichan.....	2 lots .....	1,120	6 lots .....	9,860		
	8.15 acres..	1,575	21 acres .....	3,800		
Leased	200 acres .....					
North Vancouver.....	184 lots .....	65,403			33 lots .....	7,455
	(110 owners)				(27 owners)	
	160 acres .....					
Leased	Not known...		Not known...		Not known...	
Oak Bay.....	2 lots .....	6,220				
Peachland  .....						

† To seventeen Chinese bosses, who sublet to sixty-three workers.

‡ Ten Japanese, one Chinese, and one Hindu are non-resident owners of an aggregate of 283 acres of unimproved land included in figures given.

|| The C.M.C. states that there is not a single Oriental residing in this municipality.

REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY ORIENTALS WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITIES AND IN THE UNORGANIZED DISTRICTS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA—Continued.

## DISTRICTS—Continued.

Municipality.	CHINESE.		JAPANESE.		HINDUS.	
	Amount.	Value.	Amount.	Value.	Amount.	Value.
Penticton.....	8 lots .....	\$ 17,100				
	10.7 acres .....	1,900				
Leased	7.242 acres..	2,500				
Pitt Meadows  .....			225.41 acres..	\$ 38,890	235.84 acres..	\$ 18,699
Leased					Lots and acreage	19,880
Point Grey.....	Lots and acreage	10,855	Lots and acreage	156,897	Lots and acreage	
	Not known...		Not known...		Not known...	
Leased	Not known...		Not known...		Not known...	
Richmond.....	310 acres .....	50,805	97 acres .....	28,080		
Leased	2,344 acres..	384,667	100 acres .....	18,000		
Saanich.....	66 lots .....	180,125	19 lots .....	4,600	12 lots .....	4,780
	(43 owners)		(13 owners)		(7 owners)	
	153.85 acres..	19,140				
	(2 owners)					
Leased	275.2 acres..	97,890	147.48 acres..	25,790		
	30 lots .....	65,485				
Salmon Arm.....			85.37 acres..	6,100		
Leased	250 acres .....					
South Vancouver.....	230 lots .....	175,000	400 lots .....	158,000	91 lots .....	43,000
	105 acres .....	105,000				
Leased	240 acres .....					
Spallumcheen.....	87.9 acres .....					
Leased	400 acres .....					
Sumas.....			40 acres .....	25,291		
Summerland.....			250 acres .....			
Leased			246 acres .....	9,500		
Surrey.....	56 acres .....	2,500	160 acres .....			
Leased	575 acres .....					
Tadanac.....			Lots .....	4,085		
West Vancouver.....	Lots .....	425				
	520 lots .....	\$ 450,118	427+ lots .....	\$ 177,545	137+ lots .....	\$ 55,735
	Lots .....	22,580	5,655.61+ ac.	883,197	268.99+ ac.	61,105
	1,130.35+ ac.	229,540+				
	Leased:		Leased:		Leased:	
	6,504.407 ac.	491,257+	704.48 acres	43,790+	570.84 acres	
	30 lots .....	65,485				

## VILLAGES.

Abbotsford.....			1 lot .....	\$ 180	3 lots .....	\$ 740
Leased	2 stores .....	\$ 800				
Burns Lake**.....						
Creston.....	Lots .....	12,000				
Leased	Store .....	1,500				
Mission.....			73 acres.....	44,084		
Smithers.....	20 lots .....	11,925	18 lots .....	10,225		
Vanderhoof.....	2 lots .....	3,200				
	22+ lots .....	\$ 27,125	73 acres .....	\$ 44,084	3 lots .....	\$ 740
			14 lots .....	10,405		
	Leased:					
	3 stores .....	2,800				

¶ The C.M.C. gives the population of this municipality by actual count in April, 1926, as 399 whites, 81 Japanese, 6 Chinese, or a total of 486. Exactly one person in every six is Japanese.

\*\* The Clerk states that the only Orientals in the village are three employed in hotels.

REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY ORIENTALS WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITIES AND IN THE UNORGANIZED DISTRICTS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA—Continued.

UNORGANIZED TERRITORY.

Assessment District.	CHINESE.		JAPANESE.		HINDUS.	
	Farm Lands.		Improved Lands.		Wild Lands.	
	Amount.	Value.	Amount.	Value.	Amount.	Value.
	Acres.		Acres.		Acres.	
Alberni.....	270.60	\$ 13,770	378.80	\$ 26,584		
	(2 owners)		(84 owners)			
Ashcroft.....	1,857	64,400	(19 owners)	44,150		
	(6 owners)					
Leased	1,968	205,498				
	(12 lessees)					
Atlin.....						
Comox.....	728.23	18,036	94.16	24,525	26	\$ 260
	(10 owners)		(15 owners)		(1 owner)	
Timber lands	2,252	128,699				
	(3 owners)					
Cowichan.....			22	5,250		
			(7 owners)			
Fort Steele.....			511.49	13,870		
			(9 owners)			
Gallano Island. (See						
Saltspring Island.)						
Golden.....			2.58	16,650		
			(14 owners)			
Leased			40	3,100		
			(2 lessees)			
Kamloops.....	751.17	15,800				
	(9 owners)					
Leased	1,194	128,200				
	(2 lessees)					
Kettle River and Prince-						
ton.....	470.70	15,126	(11 owners)	7,900	37.65	40
	(3 owners)				(1 owner)	
Lillooet.....	400	7,100	3.06	16,400		
	(3 owners)		(12 owners)			
Leased	1,987.78	79,255	148	500		
	(14 lessees)		(1 lessee)			
Mayne Island. (See Pen-						
der Island.)						
Nanaimo.....			51.87	61,375	5.60	400
			(22 owners)		(1 owner)	
Nelson.....	9.77	1,400	(4 owners)	3,300		
	(1 owner)					
New Westminster.....	45	1,906	(7 owners)	5,680	57.55	600
	(1 owner)				(3 owners)	
Nicola.....						
Leased	430	41,565				
	(9 lessees)					
Omineca.....			(9 owners)	6,525		
Pender Island.....	669.50	23,300				
	(9 owners)					
Leased	257	4,200				
	(1 lessee)					
Pouce Coupe.....						
Prince George.....			2.50	75	263.81	2,807
			(1 owner)		(32 owners)	
Prince Rupert.....	179.34	3,020	(10 owners)	13,670	180	800
	(4 owners)				(1 owner)	
Quesnel Forks.....			1,281	67,993		
			(32 owners)			
Leased			80	250		
			(1 lessee)			

REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY ORIENTALS WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITIES AND IN THE UNORGANIZED DISTRICTS OF BRITISH COLUMBIA—Continued.

UNORGANIZED TERRITORY—Continued.

Assessment District.	CHINESE.		JAPANESE.		HINDUS.	
	Farm Lands.		Improved Lands.		Wild Land.	
	Amount.	Value.	Amount.	Value.	Amount.	Value.
Revelstoke.....	168	\$ 7,800	(5 owners)	\$ 2,900		
	(2 owners)					
Leased	8.33	2,800				
	(1 lessee)					
Saltspring Island.....	50	3,500				
	(1 owner)					
Leased	82	4,320				
	(4 lessees)					
Slocan.....			0.16	1,225		
			(3 owners)			
Telegraph Creek.....			(1 owner)	400		
Vancouver.....	6.7	1,875	206.99	5,680		
	(1 owner)		(11 owners)			
Vernon.....	322.89	52,900	4	5,355		
	(18 owners)		(4 owners)			
Victoria.....	77.14	22,400	163.50	3,600	180	\$ 1,500
	(6 owners)		(2 owners)		(1 owner)	

76 owners hold 6,006.04 acres of farm land, valued at..... \$252,333  
 282 owners hold 2,722.11 acres plus town lots improved land, valued at 333,107  
 40 owners hold 730.61 acres wild land, valued at..... 6,407  
 3 owners hold 2,252 acres timber land, valued at..... 128,699  
 43 lessees hold 5,927.11 acres farm land, valued at..... 465,838  
 4 lessees hold 268 acres improved land, valued at..... 3,850

In other words: 448 Orientals occupy 17,905.87 acres in the unorganized districts, of an assessed value of \$1,190,234. By leased is to be understood leased from the Crown. There is no estimate of the amount of Crown-granted land which is leased by the owners to Oriental tenants, but it is known to be very considerable.

There are no lands owned or leased by Orientals within the cities of Greenwood or Slocan, the district municipalities of Coldstream, Fraser Mills, Glenmore, Peachland, Sumas, or Tadanac, or the village of Burns Lake.

Any lands in this Province owned by Chinese have been acquired by them from white owners, by whom, or by some predecessor in title, they were obtained by Crown grant. The "Land Act" contains a proviso against the pre-emption or purchase of Crown lands by any person of the Chinese race, and this has been the law for more than forty years. Section 137 enacts: "It shall not be lawful for a Commissioner or any other person to issue a pre-emption record of any Crown land, or sell any portion thereof, to any Chinese. Any record or grant made contrary to the provisions of this section shall be void and of no effect."

## ORIENTALS IN INDUSTRY.

On the closing day of the session of 1925 the Honourable the Minister of Labour filed answers to certain questions regarding the number of Orientals in industrial employment over a series of years. The questions calling for statistical reply were as follows:—

1. At what figure does the Department of Labour estimate the number of Chinese, Japanese, and Hindus employed in British Columbia industry in the first six months of 1925; in 1924, in 1923, in 1922, in 1921, in 1920, in 1919, in 1918, in 1917, in 1916, in 1915, in 1914, in 1913, in 1912, in 1911, in 1910, in 1909, in 1908, in 1907, in 1906, in 1905, in 1904, in 1903, in 1902, in 1901, and in 1900?

2. How many Chinese were employed in sawmills, in shingle-mills, in mines, in fishing, in agriculture, and in other industries in the first six months of 1925; in 1924, in 1923, in 1922, in 1921, in 1920, in 1910, and in 1900?

3. How many Japanese were employed in sawmills, in shingle-mills, in mines, in fishing, in agriculture, and in other industries in the same years?

4. How many Hindus were employed in sawmills, in shingle-mills, in mines, in fishing, in agriculture, and in other industries in the same years?

The replies were as follows:—

1. Chinese: 1925 (six months), 2,556; 1924, 6,391; 1923, 7,241; 1922, 6,484; 1921, 5,691; 1920, 5,917; 1919, 5,437; 1918, 5,928. Japanese: 1925 (six months), 1,512; 1924, 3,809; 1923, 4,536; 1922, 3,832; 1921, 3,368; 1920, 3,001; 1919, 2,514; 1918, 2,759. Hindus: 1925 (six months), 392; 1924, 980; 1923, 1,151; 1922, 1,134; 1921, 784; 1920, 742; 1919, 685; 1918, 567.

2. Sawmills: 1924, 1,797; 1923, 1,956; 1922, 1,817; 1921, 1,274; 1920, 1,487; 1919, 1,515; 1918, 1,071. Shingle-mills: 1924, 903; 1923, 1,233; 1922, 1,133; 1921, 1,019; 1920, 870; 1919, 801; 1918, 806. Mines: 1924, 621; 1923, 622; 1922, 795; 1921, 855; 1920, 948; 1919, 923; 1918, 1,126. Other Industries: 1924, 3,070; 1923, 3,430; 1922, 2,739; 1921, 2,443; 1920, 2,612; 1919, 2,198; 1918, 2,607.

3. Sawmills: 1924, 1,384; 1923, 1,287; 1922, 1,180; 1921, 973; 1920, 916; 1919, 972; 1918, 861. Shingle-mills: 1924, 133; 1923, 417; 1922, 331; 1921, 323; 1920, 200; 1919, 115; 1918, 158. Mines: 1924, 129; 1923, 200; 1922, 105; 1921, 112; 1920, 133; 1919, 241; 1918, 231. Other Industries: 1924, 2,115; 1923, 2,632; 1922, 2,142; 1921, 1,950; 1920, 1,666; 1919, 1,121; 1918, 1,103.

4. Sawmills: 1924, 609; 1923, 862; 1922, 583; 1921, 445; 1920, 392; 1919, 476; 1918, 226. Shingle-mills: 1924, 21; 1923, 24; 1922, 37; 1921, 8; 1920, 45; 1919, —; 1918, 5. Mines: 1924, —; 1923, 59; 1922, —; 1921, —; 1920, 1; 1919, —; 1918, —. Other Industries: 1924, 150; 1923, 209; 1922, 514; 1921, 331; 1920, 304; 1919, 182; 1918, 336.

NOTE.—No statistics are available in respect to years prior to 1918.

The report of the Deputy Minister of Labour for the year ended December 31st, 1925, contained the following paragraphs:—

“The proportion of Asiatic workers in our industries also shows a decrease, and the 11.30 per cent. of Orientals is the smallest percentage recorded in any year since 1918, when the compilation of these returns was begun. In that year 20.37 per cent. of our industrial workers were of Asiatic origin. In the following year the percentage fell to 18.85, in 1920 to 16.64, and in later years it was 14.45 in 1921, 14.61 in 1922, 13.85 in 1923, 11.97 in 1924, and now 11.30. It is an odd circumstance that, while the Chinese in our industries have increased their numbers and kept up their proportion, both the Japanese and the Hindus are a smaller factor than in 1924. From this it would appear that, while there is a reserve of Chinese labour in the Province which can be drawn upon when times are busy, the Japanese and Hindus are not in a position to respond so readily to a demand for extra help. . . .

“Lumbering employed more Chinese and fewer Hindus, as also did the manufacture of food products, the miscellaneous group also showing a larger number of Chinese employed. The lower percentage of Japanese employees was chiefly accounted for in the manufacture of explosives and chemicals, food products, and the metal trades, little variation from the previous year being witnessed in the lumbering industry. The latter, which employed 22.34 per cent. of Asiatics in 1923 and 21.78 per cent. in 1924, reduced the proportion to 20.46 per cent. last year. This proportion differed greatly in the various branches of the industry. Thus, logging had 7.53 per cent.; sawmills, 33.73 per cent.; planing-mills, 36.85 per cent.; and shingle-mills, 46.89 per cent.”

The statistical tables in the report of the Department of Labour show the following figures regarding Orientals in the several industries during 1925:—

	MALE.			FEMALE.	
	Chinese.	Hindus.	Japanese.	Chinese.	Japanese.
Lumber industries.....	3,865	728	2,437	—	3
Other wood manufacturing.....	99	23	83	—	—
Pulp and paper.....	83	1	564	—	1
Manufacturing food products.....	1,272	8	72	7	111
Coal-mining.....	522	—	71	—	—
Metal-mining.....	54	—	73	—	2
Smelting.....	46	—	—	—	—
Builders' materials.....	260	1	1	—	—
Coast shipping.....	413	—	71	—	—
Contracting.....	93	13	53	—	—
Chemicals, etc.....	116	—	76	—	—
Garment-making.....	28	—	9	—	7
House furnishings.....	1	—	—	—	—
Jewellery.....	1	—	—	—	—
Laundry, cleaning, dyeing.....	47	1	14	—	5
Leather and fur.....	1	1	3	—	—
Metal trades.....	1	—	6	—	—
Oil-refining.....	1	—	—	—	—
Printing and publishing.....	1	—	33	—	2
Street-railways, gas, power, and tele-phones.....	24	4	—	—	—
Totals.....	6,974	788	3,560	7	131

These statistics are obtained from the returns submitted by 4,138 firms of employers and do not include Orientals who may be employed by wholesale and retail firms, railway, express, and ocean steamship companies, coal and wood yards, delivery and cartage services, or in agricultural or domestic occupations.

On January 17th the Hon. the Minister of Labour gave the information following, replying to the questions given:—

1. What is the percentage of employment of Orientals in the major industries of the Province for the years 1900 to 1926 respectively?

2. What is the proportion of Chinese and Japanese for the corresponding period?

1. No information prior to establishment of Department of Labour in 1918; figures for 1926 not yet available.

*Lumbering.*—1918, 39.68 per cent.; 1919, 40.71 per cent.; 1920, 30.10 per cent.; 1921, 27.15 per cent.; 1922, 25.63 per cent.; 1923, 22.34 per cent.; 1924, 21.78 per cent.; 1925, 20.46 per cent.

*Mining.*—1918, 14.52 per cent.; 1919, 15.62 per cent.; 1920, 11.55 per cent.; 1921, 15.46 per cent.; 1922, 8.56 per cent.; 1923, 8.04 per cent.; 1924, 6.73 per cent.; 1925, 6.18 per cent.

*Fishing.*—1918, no information; 1919, 24.09 per cent.; 1920, 27.79 per cent.; 1921, 32.56 per cent.; 1922, 30.58 per cent.; 1923, 35.48 per cent.; 1924, 31.65 per cent.; 1925, 37.29 per cent.

2. *Lumbering.*—Chinese: 1918, 24.18 per cent.; 1919, 25.47 per cent.; 1920, 18.16 per cent.; 1921, 15.49 per cent.; 1922, 14.46 per cent.; 1923, 12.68 per cent.; 1924, 11.40 per cent.; 1925, 11.06 per cent. Hindus: 1918, 3.41 per cent.; 1919, 4.76 per cent.; 1920, 3.38 per cent.; 1921, 3.19 per cent.; 1922, 3.61 per cent.; 1923, 2.79 per cent.; 1924, 3.47 per cent.; 1925, 2.42 per cent. Japanese: 1918, 12.09 per cent.; 1919, 10.48 per cent.; 1920, 8.56 per cent.; 1921, 8.47 per cent.; 1922, 7.56 per cent.; 1923, 6.87 per cent.; 1924, 6.91 per cent.; 1925, 6.98 per cent.

*Mining.*—Chinese: 1918, 12.05 per cent.; 1919, 12.49 per cent.; 1920, 10.21 per cent.; 1921, 11.44 per cent.; 1922, 7.63 per cent.; 1923, 5.66 per cent.; 1924, 5.56 per cent.; 1925, 5 per cent. Hindus: 1923, 0.54 per cent. Japanese: 1918, 2.47 per cent.; 1919, 3.13 per cent.; 1920, 1.34 per cent.; 1921, 4.02 per cent.; 1922, 1.02 per cent.; 1923, 1.84 per cent.; 1924, 1.17 per cent.; 1925, 1.18 per cent.

*Fishing.*—Chinese: 1918, no information; 1919, 16.18 per cent.; 1920, 22.41 per cent.; 1921, 12.35 per cent.; 1922, 12.29 per cent.; 1923, 15.35 per cent.; 1924, 14.08 per cent.; 1925, 22.33 per cent. Hindus: 1918, no information; 1922, 0.41 per cent.; 1923, 0.48 per cent.; 1924, 1.35 per cent. Japanese: 1918, no information; 1919, 7.84 per cent.; 1920, 0.18 per cent.; 1921, 19.71 per cent.; 1922, 19.60 per cent.; 1923, 17.86 per cent.; 1924, 15.42 per cent.; 1925, 14.78 per cent.

No information in Department concerning agriculture.

## ORIENTALS IN THE FISHING INDUSTRY.

The regulation of the deep-sea fisheries coming under the control of the Federal authorities, anything being done to reduce Oriental participation in that great industry of this Province, which had gradually assumed very large proportions as compared with whites and native Indians, is in their hands. Since 1922 a policy of reduction has been in effect. In regard to this policy the Chief Inspector of Fisheries for this Coast, Major J. A. Motherwell, Vancouver, speaks as follows in the annual report of the Fisheries Branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries for 1923-24:—

"The gradual elimination of the Orientals from the fisheries of the Province is primarily for the purpose of providing greater encouragement to white men and Canadian Indians to take up fishing for a living. By reference to the very interesting statement attached the results in connection with the salmon gill-net operations in the several areas will be observed. Extending over the whole Province the increase in the number of whites was 9.5 per cent., and in the case of Indians 7.4 per cent., and in the case of Orientals a decrease of 40 per cent., which was recommended by the 1922 Fisheries Commission. The total number of fishermen of all nationalities decreased 534, or 11.9 per cent. On the Fraser River there was an increase of 6.2 per cent. in whites, but a decrease of 20.6 per cent. in the case of Indians. On the Skeena River the increase in whites was 11.9 per cent. and 16.2 in Indians.

"In the case of salmon-trolling, while the reduction in Oriental licences was 25 per cent., the increase in Indians was 13.9 per cent., but there was a decrease in whites of 6.1 per cent. Out of 1,446 trolling licences issued for the Province, 1,154 were issued for District No. 3, 579 for the east coast and 575 for the west coast of Vancouver Island.

"It is interesting to note that on the east coast the increase in whites amount to 69.7 per cent. and in the case of Indians 343.4 per cent., but on the west coast, where operations are considerably more difficult and hazardous, there was a decrease of 22.6 per cent. in the case of whites and 14.1 per cent. in the case of Indians in spite of the reduction of 25 per cent. in Orientals.

"Cod-fishing by means of lines was not licensed prior to 1923, but for the purpose of including this method of fishing in the general reduction in the case of Orientals licences were required of all nationalities. It is the intention during 1924 to include cod hand-line licences in the general policy of a 40-per-cent. reduction in the case of Orientals.

"Owing to the desirability of eliminating or greatly reducing the quantities of grayfish and the necessity of every encouragement to this end, and which policy was recommended by the Fisheries Commission of 1922, there is no limitation to the number of grayfish licences which may be issued to Orientals or other nationalities providing they are British subjects.

"The policy of the elimination of the Oriental in salmon-seining operations naturally resulted in the development of this class of fishing by whites. The experience has been that white seine crews can be just as efficient, if not more so, than the Oriental, and this applies very largely to the Oriental as well."

The following is the statement referred to by Major Motherwell:—

## SALMON GILL-NET LICENCES ISSUED IN 1923.

	LICENCES ISSUED, 1923.				INCREASE OR DECREASE FROM 1922 AND PER CENT.			
	Whites.	Indians.	Japanese.	Total.	Whites.	Indians.	Japanese.	Total, all Nationalities.
Whole Province.....	1,642	1,122	1,193	3,957	+172	+ 90	—796	—534
Percentage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9.5	7.4	40.0	11.9
District No. 1.....	414	27	523	964	+ 24	— 7	—349	—332
Percentage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.2	20.6	40.0	25.6
District No. 2—								
Nass River.....	33	116	95	244	+ 1	+ 2	— 63	— 60
Percentage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.1	1.7	39.9	10.7
Skeena River.....	178	337	385	900	+ 19	+ 47	—257	—191
Percentage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11.9	16.2	40.0	17.5
Rivers and Smith Inlets	614	463	95	1,172	+ 47	— 4	— 62	— 19
Percentage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.3	0.9	39.5	1.6
Outlying.....	349	120	66	535	+114	+ 41	— 45	+110
Percentage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	48.5	51.9	40.5	25.9
Totals—								
District No. 2.....	1,174	1,036	641	2,851	+181	+ 86	—427	—160
Percentage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18.2	9.1	40.0	5.3
District No. 3.....	54	59	29	142	— 33	+ 11	— 20	— 42
Percentage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37.9	22.9	40.9	22.8

## SALMON-TROLLING LICENCES ISSUED IN 1923.

Whole Province.....	698	499	249	1,446	— 45	+ 61	— 83	— 67
Percentage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.1	13.9	25.0	4.4
District No. 1.....	25	.....	.....	25	+ 8	.....	.....	+ 8
Percentage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	47.1	.....	.....	47.1
District No. 2.....	162	104	1	267	—140	— 5	— 1	—146
Percentage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	46.4	4.6	50.0	35.3
District No. 3—								
East Coast.....	336	139	104	579	+138	+108	— 34	+212
Percentage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	69.7	343.4	24.7	57.8
West Coast.....	175	256	144	575	— 51	— 42	— 48	—141
Percentage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22.6	14.1	25.0	19.7
Totals—								
District No. 3.....	511	395	248	1,154	+ 87	+ 66	— 82	+ 71
Percentage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.5	20.1	25.0	6.6

## BOAT LICENCES.

Whole Province.....	74	6	96	176	— 3	.....	— 69	— 72
Percentage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.9	.....	41.9	29.0

## BUYERS' LICENCES.

Whole Province.....	132	5	28	165	+ 47	— 5	— 18	+ 36
Percentage.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	55.3	.....	39.0	28.6

Chief Inspector Motherwell in his report for 1925 has the following to say on the same subject:—

"The Department's policy of eliminating the Oriental from the fisheries of the Province with a view to placing the entire industry in the hands of white British subjects and Canadian Indians appears to be working out well, as is shown by attached statements, which covers a very large proportion of the total number of licences issued which Orientals were permitted to

In the case of the City of Vancouver, where 56 per cent. of the Oriental licence-holders in the whole Province are found, it has been possible to make an analysis of the proportion they bear to other races, thanks to the very full information furnished by the civic authorities. It is thus evident that in 1925 Orientals constituted the given percentages of the total number of licensees in each of the classes of trades following:—

	Per Cent.		Per Cent.
Laundries and laundry offices .....	82½	Grocers .....	25
Greengrocers .....	91	Wood-dealers .....	25
Hawkers and peddlers .....	72	Hardware .....	20
Poulterers .....	62	Lodging-houses .....	23
Fish-dealers .....	45	Candy and fruit dealers .....	25
Restaurants .....	33	Dressmakers .....	16
Bath-parlours .....	53	Shoe-repairing .....	15
Cleaners and dyers .....	39	Men's clothing .....	12½
Barbers .....	32	Printers and publishers .....	12
Dry-goods .....	29	Pool-rooms .....	12
Tailors .....	31	Licensed vehicles .....	14
Jewellers .....	26	Taxicabs .....	10
Tobacconists .....	26	Auto-drivers .....	9

Taking the Province as a whole, the Chinese are to the Japanese as 2 to 1 in the holding of trade licences. In Victoria nearly all are held by Chinese. In Vancouver the Japanese licence-holders are to the Chinese 5 to 6. Among the district municipalities Richmond has 87 out of the total of 122 trade licences issued to Japanese in all districts, while the adjoining municipalities of South Vancouver and Burnaby have between them more than one-third of the trade licences issued to Chinese in all districts.

No trading licences of any kind are held by Orientals within the cities of Alberni or Slocan, the district municipalities of Coldstream, Peachland, Salmon Arm, Spallumcheen, Sumas, or Tadanac, or the village of Burns Lake.

The fact is pointed out, particularly in Vancouver and Victoria, that whereas until recent years Chinese stores were only to be found in those quarters of the two cities which have for many years been occupied by people of this race, stores and laundries conducted by Chinese are now to be found spread over all parts of the cities, in addition to the still existing Chinese quarters. Municipal officials state that in numerous instances these stores, selling confectionery, soft drinks, fruits, cigarettes, vegetables, canned goods, or small groceries, have replaced or driven out white storekeepers who formerly made a livelihood, or supplemented the earnings of other members of the family, in this manner. Chinese residence in other quarters than their own has followed this business penetration.