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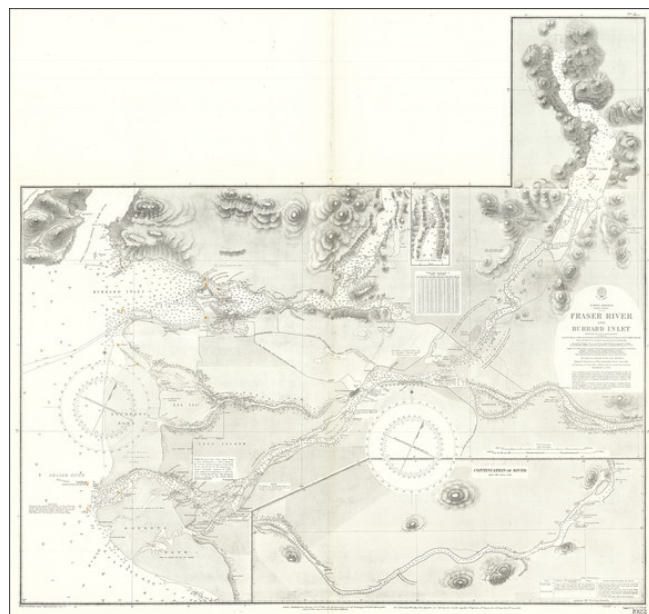
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[Vancouver] Fraser River and Burrard Inlet

Stock#: 68029
Map Maker: British Admiralty
Date: 1868 (corrections to 1925)
Place: London
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 37.5 x 35 inches
Price: \$795.00



Description:

Attractive Chart Showing a Nascent City of Vancouver

This is a navigational chart of the area around the Burrard Inlet on the Salish sea. The map extends inland along the Fraser River inland to Pitt Lake. Navigational detail on the map is extensive, showing many soundings, shoals, telegraph cables, dredged channels, banks, and much more. Inset maps show Indian Arm, just north of Vancouver, and the continuation of the Fraser River upriver to just below the outlet of Harrison Lake. Additional annotations and charts describe tides, currents, floodplains, and more.

Vancouver is shown barely reaching Stanley Park to the north and False Creek to the south. In the east, the city extends no further than Downtown Eastside. Several structures and installations are shown throughout the city, including a public school, market, sugar refinery, and furniture factory. Other towns, which have now been conurbanized, are also visible. This includes the New Westminster, Queens Reach, and Fort Coquitlam.

The map preserves the layout of Vancouver from the mid-1800s; it does not appear to have been updated in editions after 1868, though the name has been changed to reflect Vancouver's new status as a city. Vancouver had just witnessed the Fraser Gold Rush in 1858, and Vancouver would only be established in 1862. By 1867, the city had reached the Hastings Saw Mill, and that neighborhood became known as Gastown. This is the layout shown in the map, and the city would subsequently change rapidly. Granville



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would receive the terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway in the 1880s, and North Vancouver would be settled soon after.

As with all British Admiralty charts, this map provides a wealth of information while preserving a simple and attractive design.

Detailed Condition: