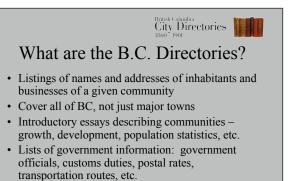




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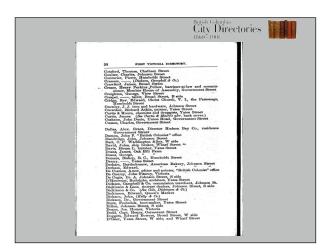
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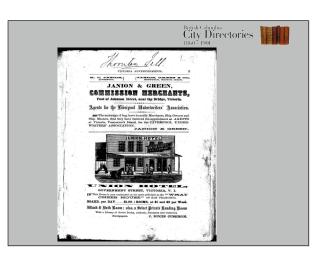


Schools, newspapers, societies

• Advertisements









## Why Digitize?

- · High Demand/High Use: historians, genealogists, schoolchildren, students
- Scattered collections no complete print collection in any one location; microfilm collections spotty
- Already microfilmed therefore able to be scanned
- Remote use likely to be high
- ?? Aid to preservation

**Pros:** 

Cons:

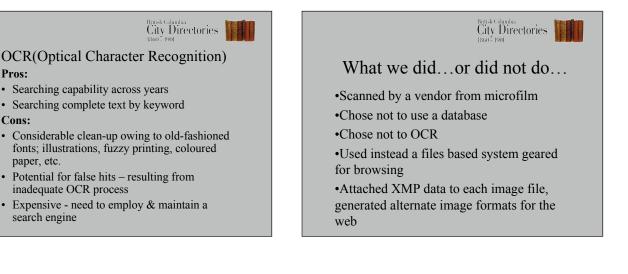
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search engine



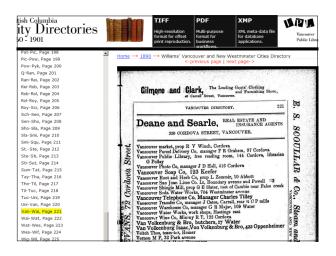
## Decisions to be made

- · Presentation of material: best format, ease of searching, speed of image loading, printing
- Issues: varying fonts, often handset uneven baseline, illustrations, engravings, heavy black print
- Quality of microfilm clarity of printing etc.
- Scanning in-house or outside vendor?
- To OCR or not?



1860	Home	
First Victoria Directory		
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1863	Welcome to Vancouver Public Library's collection of digitized British Columbia city directories dating from 1860 up to and including 1901. These directories	Direc
British Columbia Guide and	contain an abundance of fascinating information about British Columbian	- Ta
Directory	communities, including: detailed street and name listings of individuals and businesses in Vancouver and Victoria; population figures; listings of	+
1867	government offices and officials; operating newspapers; schools; libraries;	+
Pacific Coast Business Directory	advertisements; classified directories; specialized industry directories (particularly in the early years); and lists of names and businesses for towns	+
Part 1	throughout British Columbia. As the directories were updated regularly, they	
Pacific Coast Business Directory Part 2	document the growth, development and progress of British Columbia over the vears. The information found in these publications can be used to track the	+
Part 2 Pacific Coast Business Directory	history of people's homes, find their ancestors, and research the history of	+
Part 3	companies and institutions. As well, there are wonderful advertisements and illustrations which provide a fascinating insight into the social norms, fashions	
<u>1868</u>	and mood prevailing throughout the period.	+
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1869	communities in the western United States, including California, Idaho, Utah,	+
First Victoria Directory 3rd Issue	Montana etc., as well as those in other Pacific Northwest states such as Washington and Oregon.	- Su
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## **Concluding Remarks**

- •Popular resource
- •Good candidate for going online
- •Next steps: 1902-1915 and beyond
- •1925 on copyright considerations
- http://www.vpl.ca/bccd/index.php