



CABLE ADDRESS "PACKERS"
A.B.C AND A.I CODES USED.

The British Columbia Packers Association

Vancouver, B.C. November 5, 1903.

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Dear Sir:-

For your future guidance we would point out that on the basis of the boat rating in force at the time the Association was formed, we were entitled to 55 $\frac{4}{5}$ % of the total number of boats employed by the Fraser River Canneries.

From the fishing statistics just completed by The Fraser River Cannery Association, we find that during the season of 1903, there was a total of 2953 boats employed. Of this number we only had 1401, or 47 $\frac{7}{10}$ %. You can thus see there was a falling off from the number we should have had of 81 $\frac{1}{10}$ %.

Under the old rating the number of boats allotted to the Canneries in your District was 325. This year you employed the following:

Cleeve Cannery	96 boats
Westminster	96 "
Ewen	<u>85 "</u>
	277 boats

Allowing for the decrease in the total number of boats available this season, we find that your District is 9% short of the number of boats formerly worked in connection with the

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various plants by the previous owners, and we would like every effort made in future to have this deficit wiped out, and if possible a sufficient over-plus secured to offset any falling off that may occur in any of the other Districts.

Yours truly,

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