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INSCRIPTION ON MONUMENT COMMEMORATING SITE OF MAPLE TREE (CARRALL STREET).

"HERE STOOD THE OLD MAPLE TREE UNDER WHOSE BRANCHES THE PIONEERS MET IN 1885
AND CHOSE THE NAME VANCOUVER FOR THIS CITY"

(On 9 September 1932, Major Matthews drew the attention of the Vancouver Pioneers Association—who erected the monument about 1925—to the discrepancy between 1884 and 1885, and asked for an explanation. No answer was received to the letter.)

(Correction: the name "Vancouver" was selected in 1884 by William C. Van Horne, Canadian Pacific Railway, and appeared in the press of Portland Oregon in August 1884.)

See also *Early Vancouver*, Vol. 3.