

Dominion Forests

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laid before Parliament. The district extends about 1,000 miles east and west, by some 300 to 600 miles (averaging 400 miles) north and south, and is all more or less forested.

Steps have already been taken for the patrol of part of the region, rangers having, in 1908, been kept on the Athabaska, Lesser Slave, Peace and Great Slave rivers, in the region north of The Pas, (Sask.), and in the country north of Prince Albert, Sask., including the Lac la Ronge district, the scene of the mining excitement. Some of the most important points and routes of travel, however, remain unprotected, such as the whole district surrounding and north of Lake Winnipeg as far as Hudson Bay, the whole valley of the Churchill river and a great part of the Peace and Mackenzie river districts.

Fire notices have been printed in Cree and Chipewyan for distribution in the north and a copy of one of these is appended to the report.

A special patrol was maintained along the route of the G. T. P., with the encouraging result that no serious fires occurred. Similar precautions need to be observed on the many other railway lines projected in the northern country.

The importance attached to this branch of the work by the Forestry Branch is shown by the increase in the number of fire rangers from 47 in 1907 to 82 in 1908; these rangers patrol their respective districts, discover and extinguish fires and warm travellers and residents of danger of setting or neglecting fires. Few serious fires occurred on Dominion Lands in spite of the dryness of the season and the consequent risk. The most serious fires were at Salmon Arm, Manson Creek and White Lake, in British Columbia, and in the valley of the Spray river in Alberta.

For the B.C. fires squatters on timber berths were chiefly responsible and in one case carelessness on the part of a lumber company was a partial cause; for the Spray valley fire the carelessness of tourists is responsible. By the B. C. fires 200,000 feet board measure of timber were destroyed and 10,000,000 feet damaged; the Spray valley fire burned about 3,000,000 feet.

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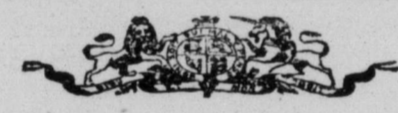
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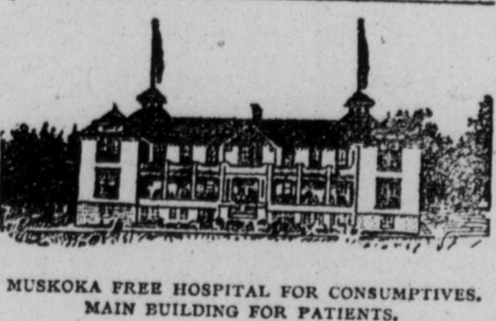
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