

what they are doing

Dividing them in Provinces the companies run as follows.

Province:	Number of Cos.	Capitalization.
Prince Edward Island.....	2	\$ 540,000
Quebec.....	18	4,125,000
British Columbia.....	22	6,610,000
Alberta.....	35	4,914,200
Manitoba.....	1	1,000,000
Ontario.....	19	4,720,000
Saskatchewan.....	9	1,360,000
New Brunswick.....	3	251,000
	109	23,520,200

What Calgary is Doing ?

The first city in Canada to undertake as a municipal department the construction and operation of an industrial service building is Calgary, Alta. The ratepayers have appropriated \$250,000 to build a six storey concrete structure which will be leased to incoming manufacturers. By starting this way it is anticipated that small industries will be encouraged to start which, on outgrowing their quarters, will be strong enough to build for themselves. This is a great advantage to the newcomer who can use his capital for his business, meaning that every cent he has can be made to work.

ARCHITECTS TAKE ACTION

A firm of Vancouver, B.C., architects, Messrs. James and Davidson, have taken an action against the city of Winnipeg, Man., arising out of the recent competition for the plans of the new city hall. The city of Winnipeg invited competition and the Vancouver firm was among the competitors but was not successful and the action is for the return of the plans.

TOWN PLANNING

In speaking on 'Town Planning Schemes' Mr. Shallcross of the Victoria, B.C., Board of Trade, made some pithy remarks. He said in part:

"They have been generally adopted throughout Great Britain and the urban and rural councils control them. These schemes are produced under the powers of the Town Planning Acts of the last three years, enabling municipalities to control the development of building areas both in respect to roads and the character and number of houses to be erected on any given area. In one district under my notice the municipality limited the number of houses per acre to twelve, whereas under the previous conditions the builders may have erected thirty or forty houses on the same ground."

Mr. Shallcross went on to suggest that Canadian cities take a lesson from the legislation governing the question in the old country. He concluded with:

"The time has certainly come when the people should seriously consider the character of the city itself and set out definitely to prevent over construction, congestion, false methods of construction—all of which could be regulated by laws controlling every phase of the work.

What Makes a City

"What makes a city great? Huge piles of stone
Heaped heavenward? Vast multitudes that dwell
Within wide circling walls? Palace and throne
And riches past the count of man to tell
And wide domain? Nay, these the empty husk!
True honor dwells where noble deeds are done
And great men rise whose works athwart the dusk
Of misty centuries gleam like the sun!
To Athens, Sparta, Florence, 'twas the soul
That was the city's bright immortal part,
The splendor of the spirit was their goal,
Their jewel the unconquerable heart!
So may the city that we love be great,
Till every stone shall be articulate."

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