

Diggings.' An interesting bit of scenery it is. Could it speak, this old road would furnish us with some strange history. Its very appearance lifts the imagination into a new atmosphere. The pack mules, the gold dust, the miner's camp—away we are borne into a realm of thought fitted to shape a Shakespeare. In one place this road rises 1,000 ft. above the river, and all along there are wooden bridges connecting the ledges of rock that project over the water, thus adding to the ruggedness of the scenery. Many a bold adventurer has lost his life on the Cariboo road.

But the mountains are now about all passed. We are coming into the twilight and blue sky again. It is a bootless task for any one to attempt a description of the Rocky Mountains. The best I ever heard was that of a man who said that he felt like lying down and roaring when he gazed upon them. And so it is. The more we are in sympathy with the voice of God through nature, the less accurately can we spell out his meaning to us. The man of phlegmatic temperament, can write quite truthfully the thought that is conveyed to him through such scenery. He has received the impression suited to his nature. But that is not the deepest impression that God would make: it is not the impression that appeals to the being hinged with emotion. The latter

cannot be expressed in words. It takes an Eternity to make it known.

Coming to Yale, we find a town of 1,200. The guide book tells us that we will see Chinamen washing gold on the river bank here. It must have made a mistake. They can be seen washing old clothes but not gold. Passing Hope, the country becomes more level. The vegetation also increases in luxuriance. Agassiz is the station for the Harrison Hot Springs. To the south is mount Baker, which is continually snow capped. At the Mission Junction the C.P.R. branch crosses the Fraser to connect with points in the United States. The chief centres in B.C. are New Westminster, Vancouver and Victoria.

New Westminster is a town of about 8,000, situated on the Fraser. It is the centre of large canning and lumber industries. Steamers ply the river east from this as far as Hope and Yale. They call wherever signalled. The passage to Mount Lehman is four bits, (50 cts.) There is a long bit (15 cts.), and a short bit (12½ cts.) The stranger always gets the short bit in exchange. The Fraser river is about three quarters of a mile wide in this part, dotted with islands and very picturesque. The Salmon have been fished for years but do not show any decrease in consequence. The canning process is interesting, but we will not wait to ob-