

Oil Wells In Alberta

Northern Part of the Province Scene of Active Operations

It looks likely now that Alberta is to be known as something more than a great wheat country, for extensive operations are at present being made in sinking oil wells. The California Alberta Oil Co. was the first in the field, but since it started a number of concerns has entered upon the work of opening up the field.

In 1898 the Government had an inspection made of the Province and at this time it was reported that the northern part was rich in oil. This it was which started the operations. No oil has as yet been reached, but some of the companies are expecting to reach it almost daily. Indications that oil is to be found are plentiful.

The finding of oil in this province would mean great financial benefit. The two railways passing through the country alone require great quantities. So greatly impressed are they with the value of the oil in fact, that both are conducting operations. The lumber camps also would use a great deal of the produce, while it is expected that almost any amount could be shipped to Japan. A representative from that country toured the States recently trying to secure ten million barrels of oil annually. He was unable to do this, which indicates that there would be a very ready market there.—Toronto News.

Back To Canada

"Don't be afraid you can't get people," said James J. Hill, encouragingly to his Canadian hosts the other day, "There is no other place on the American continent where they can go." That was drawing it a little strong, considering the hundreds of thousands of men and women who stream into this country yearly and stay here. There are many Canadians who think this is the only place for them. As Mr. Hill said, "I have seen out of every five persons, with the 17 million immigrants in the United States."

But Mr. Hill says they are coming back to the land of their birth, that the land seekers from the Western States who are settling on the virgin Canadian wheat lands are "really former Canadians" who will be all the more useful to the Dominion because they have been educated along American lines.

This hardly squares with the facts. Of the English speaking Canadians who come here, few take to a farming life. They go into stores, banks and the professions. The great majority of the men who are now leaving the United States to cultivate Canadian wheat lands are American farmers, born and reared here. They understand their business thoroughly and Canada would have no more valuable acquisitions.

That part of the continent owes much to the United States. There went the Loyalists—or Tories—of the American revolution after the close of the war, but prior to the adoption of the constitution there was a large American migration to Quebec and Ontario. Taxes were heavy in this country and light there. The west had not been opened up and Canada was accessible.

Now comes this new American migration. Canada should be profoundly grateful for it. Quality counts for more than quantity, and one American farmer will do more for the Dominion than ten unskilled emigrants from Europe.—Chicago Tribune.

The gross earnings of the Canadian Pacific Railway last week were 31 per cent greater than in the corresponding period of 1903. No better proof of a big grain crop or of returning prosperity could be asked.

Mr. Magrath Opposed To Navy

Ottawa, Ont., Oct. 11.—C. A. Magrath, Conservative member for Medicine Hat, will oppose the proposal to begin the construction of the Canadian navy. He takes the ground that Canada should make annual contribution to the British Navy and that arrangement should be made that in ten years, if necessity of a navy should be apparent, contributions should be returned to Canada in equivalent form of ships or armament. Mr. Magrath does not believe there is any interest for the Dominion to be plunged into competition with the powers in any navy building, and believes in ten years war will cease to exist and that then there will be no necessity of Canada having one of her own.

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7-1 of Section 17, Township 16 North, Range 160 West of 1st Meridian, containing 160 acres, more or less.

About 100 acres are arable and about 25 have been broken, but have gone to sod again, and at present none is under cultivation. The said lands are situated about 16 miles from Cardston, 3 1-2 miles from a post office and 3 1-2 from a school. The water supply consists of spring and lake. The buildings consist of a log house 12 by 14, shingle roof, open log shed, no roof. The property will be offered for sale subject to a reserved bid. The purchaser is to pay 10 per cent of his bid to the vendor, or his solicitor, at the time of sale, and the balance without interest within 60 days into Court.

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