

Among other suggestions which have naturally occurred to those who have had experience of other large cities is one which affects the type of cars used in Vancouver and vicinity. No doubt all extra outlays have to be very carefully considered by the company in these days, but we believe the introduction of a number of "double-decked" cars might prove profitable. If such new cars cannot be arranged for this summer, perhaps some of the older cars could be adapted experimentally, so as to give those travelling in them the maximum of fresh air and a better view of the city and its unrivalled surroundings.

We are aware that there is one special sight-seeing car with seats arranged in terrace form, the use of which involves a charge of 50 cents and a trip round the various routes. But we venture to suggest that more sight-seeing cars (even with a five-cent fare and transfer attached to them) would be used freely by many citizens and suburbanites—as well as by most visitors—in the summer afternoons and evenings.

With a fair field given, added enterprise will win. We understand the city council is to "regulate" the "jitney" traffic and while there is no doubt a demand and a place for a limited number of such cars, we believe the B. C. E. R. with reduced fares and some such addition to its "rolling stock" would more than hold its own, and at least maintain the leading position its pioneering efforts, capital investments and enterprise have won.

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The above quotations are from the "Foreword" of the notable pamphlet recently published by the Ministerial Union of the Lower Mainland of British Columbia, entitled "The Crisis in B. C.—An Appeal for Investigation." Accepting these quotations as statements of fact, we think the pamphlet (which is on sale at five cents per copy) merits the most careful attention from all citizens, regardless of political party connection, who value the welfare and progress of this province.