



*THE TAKAKKAW FALLS.*

The Takakkaw falls is the most famous of the many scenic wonders of the Yoho valley, in the Yoho Dominion National Park. Its height is estimated at from 1,150 to 1,400 feet, or slightly less than the famous Yosemite (1,430 ft.). Its source is the crevassed glacier which hangs from Mt. Balfour, and its volume varies with the melting of the glacier. Issuing from an ice cavern, the torrent takes a preliminary leap of 150 feet, and then gathering itself together falls in a magnificent column of spray down a sheer wall of rock over 1,000 feet to the valley below, and then tumbles in a series of cascades 500 feet more to join the Yoho river. Its name is derived from the Indian word signifying "it is wonderful."