

an old horse, intelligent and kind, and to him was communicated the state of affairs. He appeared willing, and no doubt had more than a dim idea of the circumstances.

9. The very next day the eldest girl clambered upon his back, with the youngest behind holding her tightly round the waist. At the rear the third child mounted and held on as best she could. Satisfied that all was in order, the horse set off sedately along the trail.

10. No rein was needed to guide him, and nothing could tempt him from the path of duty. Back and forth on the appointed days he went, carrying his charges safe and sound.

## THE SHORE FISHERIES

1. If the great interior plateau of British Columbia conjures up a vision of wealthy farmlands, orchards, and prize vegetables, not so appear the farthest western shores. Here again the character of the country has changed, and the wild, forbidding coast-line of the Cascades stands with its massive declivities fronting the rim of ocean.

2. Through this route, far more trying and expensive to build than that of the Yellowhead Pass, the Grand Trunk Pacific has forced a way, until it arrives at Prince Rupert, on the Skeena River. And here again we remember that soon after his entrance into the new country, Simon Fraser fell in with the Skeena Indians, and before long induced them to enter into a large and profitable trade with him.

3. Not for pleasure only has the great enterprise made its way in this direction, but because of the rich returns to be made in many ways. Here the great product in