

## ARMSTRONG—Continued

their timber during the winter months at remunerative prices; two wood-working plants; fourteen general and specialty stores; a branch of the Bank of Montreal; two wholesale meat markets that ship dressed meats and poultry to all parts of the Province two weekly papers and job printing offices, and several livery stables, laundries, blacksmith shops and plumbing establishments. ¶ The hotel facilities of the town any city of much greater population might envy, and in no other town can better hotel accommodations be obtained by the traveling public. The Okanagan House, completed less than three years ago, is a favorite resort of tourists, and is admittedly one of the best appointed hostelrys in the Province of its size. The building is a model for convenience and comfort; the grounds adjacent are nicely laid out and well kept. An extensive addition is being constructed by the owners this season. The Armstrong Hotel is the larger hotel of the two and is centrally located. It has all modern conveniences and is excellently managed. Over \$6,000 has been expended in the way of additions and improvements, all of which are now nearing completion. ¶ Armstrong has a graded school and a high school, and can boast of one of the prettiest school buildings in the Province, a handsome brick structure. Four church denominations have substantial places of worship. The Masonic, Odd Fellows, Foresters and Orangemen Orders have lodges with a large membership, and two of the orders named have halls for their own and public uses. ¶ The town owns and operates the municipal water works system. The water is piped from Davis Creek, which has its source high up in the mountains, and at a pressure of 142 pounds to the inch the purest of water is forced to all parts of the town and suburbs. ¶ With the subdivision of the larger ranches, as is now being done, and their ready sale to actual settlers in ten and twenty-acre plots, thereby doubling the country population annually, as is now the case, who can say that Armstrong has not a bright future?

