

duced considerable laughter and merriment. They would pass through the vat into a lane and out again into the open one by one. They were thus thoroughly cleansed. We saw thousands of cattle that day, around the enclosure and in it, and going away from it.

After a stay in Swift Current, we resumed our journey. The next point was Calgary just in the shade of the Rockies. We passed through the irrigated lands that are so fertile, and have been productive of such large yields of wheat. After a ramble through the city, an examination of the Bow River at that point, and the Elbow, and the meeting of some old friends, we resumed our journey for Banff for the night. Arriving at Banff, we found a cool, clear air. The Bow River passes through Banff, a magnificent stream of the most crystal water. We examined the sulphur springs, passed down through one of the caverns underneath the ground where Lady MacDonald, wife of the late Sir. John A. MacDonald, was the first white woman who ever entered. After spending some time there we proceeded. Our next stopping place, after running over hill and dale, climbing the Rockies, coming to the Great Divide, was in Revelstoke on the Columbia River. After a sojourn in Revelstoke, we resumed our journey and touched various points down the Thompson River, reaching Vancouver at eleven o'clock that night. One of the things that made the last portion of that run entertaining was a woman with a very glib tongue. She had been billed to reach a certain point for a lecture or address and if ever the C. P. R. officials came in for a thorough thrashing with the tongue, that woman did it. We reached Vancouver, I said, at eleven o'clock. The question was to find sleeping apartments. There were just four of us: two men with their wives. Traffic had ceased for the night. I said "If you abide with the luggage, I will look for a room." I immediately struck out and on my first inquiry was told that they were too full. They had no place for us, but I was told to go to another place and they might be able to put us up. Two other men were there, I went into the place, and I knew it was better