

French capitalists, is credited with having spent not only two months, but money running into the millions in British Columbia, chiefly in Vancouver and Victoria real estate. On his trip Eastward he invested largely also in the Middle West.

To a press representative while in Vancouver, M. Barbey said enthusiastically, "I am very, very well satisfied with my business ventures in this province: I had money invested in this province before I came here, and I have more than doubled my holdings during the past two months. I am coming back again before another year is over, and I hope to be able to invest in some more good British Columbia propositions. The province is a splendid field for investors, and I am glad that I came here."

A recent Vancouver visitor to Europe, Mr. John Langan, stated on his return that the resident commissioner in Paris assured him that he had many inquiries for business opportunities on the part of French capitalists. Mr. Langan predicts that during the next twelve months to come British Columbia will see a greater influx of European capital than during any period of her history.

This outlook is encouraging; also, it calls for carefulness and discretion. The keeping of investment channels clean is essential to the stability of growing European interest in Canadian opportunities.

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