

Earl Grey on the Trail.

(Ottawa Journal.)

A GENTLEMAN of a wide diversity of activities is this Governor-General of ours. He is now on a jaunt to the Yukon, the farthest north of British cities, and the warm-hearted Yukoners are reported to be preparing for him a mighty welcome. On his return to British Columbia he will go into camp on one Toby Creek. There he will be joined by his family. The history of this camp is interesting. It is set out in a letter written by His Excellency to Hon. Richard McBride, Premier of British Columbia, and this letter was thought by the British Columbia Government to be of such importance that it was issued as a state paper. It will be remembered that last year Earl Grey paid a visit to British Columbia. From his letter to Mr. McBride it appears that he had an experience of actual roughing it in the wilds, forced to abandon his horses, packing his blankets and food, helping himself to another man's grub-stake—the other man, of course, on his return to camp being heartily glad to welcome the unexpected guest—and having the time that the rest of us have when we strike the wilds.

Maritime Advantages.

(St. John Sun.)

AT present there is comparatively little outside capital invested in the Maritime Provinces. Could the potential wealth of their fields, their forests, their mines, and their fisheries be brought to the owners, more particularly of Old Country capital, it is difficult to believe that they would not promptly avail themselves of the opportunities for profitable investment so freely available. But capital can be created within the country with even more beneficial results than would accrue from its direct importation. All that is necessary is an adequate working population. The facilities for their operation are ready to hand. The climate of England is more equable than that of the Maritime Provinces, or any of them, but it compares most unfavourably in the matter of moisture and in the annual proportion of sunshine. The climate of Scotland does not compare favourably in any respect with that of any of the Maritime Provinces.

"Full Many a Flower—"

(Edmonton Journal.)

CALGARY has been holding a flower show which reports say has been a thorough success. The display of cultivated flowers and fruits has been excellent, the exhibits of wild flowers most interesting, and public interest has been shown by a numerous attendance.

Why not a flower show for Edmonton? For a satisfactory horticultural show the exhibition is too early, and a fall fair too late. A flower show can hardly be united to any other function, but it would be well worth inaugurating a special event for the display of the flowers and fruits that the Edmonton district is so well adapted to produce.

A flower show would attract much public interest and would prove a very pleasant episode of midsummer. It would not be without tangible benefit to the city. It would foster a love for flowers and for horticultural pursuits that would be reflected in the increased beauty and attractiveness of gardens and, consequently, of the city itself. It would be a splendid advertisement of the fertility of the soil and of the genialty of the climate, and it would stimulate, especially in the youth of the city, a love for nature and for beauty, that would not be without its beneficial effect upon the characters of the children.



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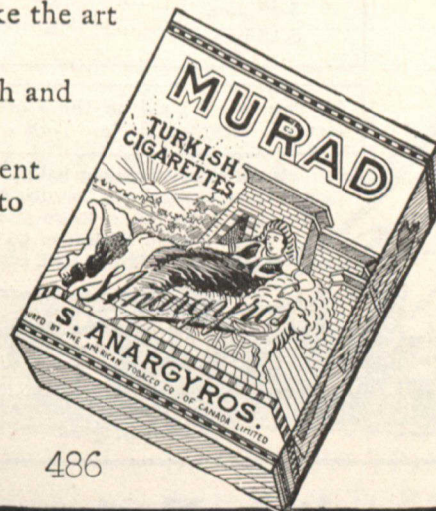
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