

practically no white population and very few Indians, probably 20 of the latter.

From mile 280 there are quite a number of settlers taking up land in the Lower Nechaceo valley and north of, and in the vicinity of Ft. George. Including Ft. George, there are probably 1,500 white population. Around Ft. Fraser, Fort St. James, Fort McLeod and vicinity there are probably 20 white men and 200 Indians. No other settlers are found until the Peace River country is reached, where quite a number of homesteaders are living, and some half-breeds. Probably there are not over 3,000 people on the whole line, including Indians, but the territory is capable of supporting a large population when transportation is furnished and it will settle up very quickly thereafter.

TABLE NO. 1 SHOWS ESTIMATED COST OF RAILROAD FROM BELLA COOLA TO SMOKY RIVER, 799 MILES.

To be as follows, including track complete, clearing, grubbing, grading, bridging, telegraph, buildings, etc.

TABLE No. 1.

From Mile.	To Mile.	Dist. Miles.	Cost per mile.	Total cost.
0	30	30	\$25,000	\$ 750,000
30	50	20	30,000	600,000
50	61	11	50,000	550,000
61	76	15	90,000	1,350,000
76	94	18	60,000	1,080,000
94	115	21	22,000	462,000
115	160	45	30,000	1,350,000
160	177	17	30,000	510,000
177	192	15	50,000	750,000
192	215	23	30,000	690,000
215	227	12	25,000	300,000
227	248	21	25,000	525,000
248	269	21	30,000	630,000
269	294	25	40,000	1,000,000
294	314	20	30,000	600,000
314	324	10	35,000	350,000
324	380	56	30,000	1,680,000
Carried Forward		380		\$13,177,000