

DIARY OF OUR MAN ABROAD.



Sep. 24. Mountains, mountains, and then more mountains. All-awhile gorges (no slur on guests in dining-car) valleys, rivers - such rivers! - forest, lakes, and all the time mountains and more mountains! Describe 'em! No week cranked trying to see tops three miles up. Limbs



wearied rushing from side to side of car so as not to miss any. Whole nature stuffed, crammed with gorgeoursness. Too full for utterance and happier than any fellow who gets full in common way. Hardly any room left for the things spread on field. Glaciers and hostilities along got to come and see it all for you. No post-did can give you any real idea of it. Come next summer.



material good beautifully at other excellent the way. You have since old Blake. You any real

Sep 25 - Kamloops. (Siwash fur meeting of the water) Two branches of Fraser go into partnership here. We've struck B.C. - Kamloops B.C. (initials) - do not refer to age, though town looks as though it antedated Christian era over 5 years old really. Quiet place.



resting on flat plain, surrounded by Cordons of mountains, apparently bound in rusty velvet. Lovely as a dream in early morn. No side walks; of wood inc fenced in back yards. No rain to speak of the year round. Water not much in demand (as a



beverage) Delegation from China pretty strong with shops all along west side of main St. China cooks among China dishes at hotel and China Dinde jumps to take your order in capacity of waiter. Good looking fellow too. as you may see. Feel strange and foreign here? Hardly. Every other man you meet from Ontario. Alternates near probably from there too - if not from China.

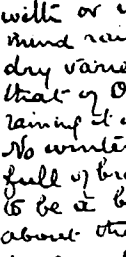


Sep. 26. Off at 10 p.m. Mountain business breaks out again, and crick in neck comes back. Celebrated Outdoubt Section here to Vancouver. Sent now pending, you know. C.P.R. says it's a very bad piece of road, and

wants Government to give \$500,000 to square up bargain. Govt says it's a bully road case and please. Won't do to impress any opinion. Scenery is certainly A? Govt might reasonably charge for this as an upset. It simply discounts all perspectives. Fellow who described it as 'nice' and was instantly killed by outcapes Artist deserved his fate.



Sep. 27 - Run into station at Van. Big crowd. Line of cabs, hacks, and all that sort of thing. Fine, bustling city. Three years ago, we are at once told, dense forest stood here. Must be true. Every citizen we meet tells us the fact with pride upon his brow. Damp day, but everybody cheerful. What does a little rain signify when 'unearned increment' is doubling itself every month. New corner lots are going like hot cakes. Good comfortable hotels - with or without style. People here don't mind rain which is of a nice dry variety, much superior to that of Ontario. And when not raining it is a climate truly heavenly. No wonder to mention Vancouver men Board full of branny business. Ask Bozhlofsky to be a big place to be von in about that 'going' to be von in der great cities of der worldt already! You can bet of dot! Everything to make it. Coal, and fish, and timber - best in der worldt, and ven dey haf Condimental van in Europe and close up, der Suez canal de people must come by Vancouver, - and don't you forget dot! If you feel like discounting Mr. B's enthusiasm, apply to Charles Rand, the real estate broctia, or to Dr. McGuigan, the genial (though unmarried) medical expert; or Robby Mathison THE printer, or J. C. McChaffan, who runs that lively evening journal, the World, or in fact any other prominent citizen and you will be satisfied that Vancouver is indeed the coming cit. Meanwhile our own observation is that already it contains 16,000 first-rate people.



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