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"British Columbia has beyond peradventure the finest climate, the most superb scenery and the most fruitful valleys in all the world. Its mountains are honeycombed with vast deposits of gold and silver ores, of lead and zinc, of copper, coal and iron. The energy of 25,000,000 horses can be harnessed and utilized from its majestic rivers. Its fisheries are of unsurpassed extent, and British Columbia is greater in extent than the German Empire and France Combined, and it has 60,000,000 acres of the richest fruit, garden and pasture land, and 182,000,000 acres of forest. Its navigable lakes and rivers exceed those of all Europe, and it is destined to become the home of a race of people even more vigorous, more strenuous and as heroic as any that has ever yet lived.

Vancouver has grown to over 100,000 people in the last twenty-five years. In the next twenty-five years it will reach a million. It is the world's natural gateway for the commerce that will yet arise between the Empires centering around the Great Lakes and the Orient. The Saslatchewan Valley and the Fraser and the Yellow Head Pass have made that as certain as that the sun will rise to-morrow."—P. A. D. Farrell, Pure Food Commissioner in U. S. A., in New York World.

"I have this morning been privileged to see something of your city. I have been wanting to come into this section for some years, for I have heard from time to time of your growth and your possibilities, and I confess that the ride this morning has been a surprise to me. I was surprised first to learn that the city is only about twenty-five years old. It is a wonderful growth you have made in that length of time. It is only two years longer than a young man required to pass from infancy to maturity, and in the span of that period this place has been turned from merely a piece of timber and water to a great city. It is unusual, and yet I think when I saw your harbor this morning I saw your explanation of your past and of your future. I am not flattering you when I tell you that this is one of the greatest harbors of the world. You have a harbor with deep inlet and ample space, surrounded by mountains that protect it from the wind. It is not strange that your city has grown. It is not surprising, when you know of its advantages, that it is what it is, and possibly the most imaginative of you would fail to comprehend what it may be fifty years from now."—Wm. J. Bryan, of Lincoln, Nebraska.