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## On Beacon Hill

By AJBERT D. WATSON, M. D.

The western fires are fading to their embers, The purples change to grey;
As summers fade into the bleak Novembers, So dies the light of day.

This evening yon Olympic rifts are covered With snow-lines, just the same
As when the white drifts on the highlands hovered Before Vancouver came.

For ages ere Britannia's sons and daughters First reached this pleasant land, All down the long, tremendous years the waters Were breaking on the strand.

Nor are those wasted years; they are mute pages On which we trace God's thought;
He hath His purpose through unmeasured ages Which yet shall be out-wrought.

O wide Dominion! wrapt in sapphire setting Of hill, and sky, and sea;
Arise and scorn the lust of money-getting; The future pleads with thee.

God watcheth o'er thee, tireless and unsleeping, With wealth and power to bless,
If thou wilt walk before Him, faithful keeping, In paths of righteousness.



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# A New British Columbia Playground 

By C. H. Gibbons



NEW national play and pleasure ground, comprising approximately three hundred square miles of the wildest and most majestic mountain, lake and river scenery in America, has just been set apart for the use and benefit of future generations by the Government of British Columbia, in what is the he known as the Provincial National Park. in the heart of the Vancouver Island Alps. 'The park surrounds Butte's lake, named for is disonever, a California prospector of very early days, who was one of the first to penetrate the interior of Vancouver Island; and constitutes a veritable wonderland of niwntain: peaks and glaciers, tumultuous waterfall, gem-like lakes and sombre forcents.

It ha er been explored until the just Past sumner, when Hon. Price Ellison, then minister , public lands, in person headed a party . ${ }^{\text {penetrate }}$ its fastnesses, and incldentil: $\because$ conquer hoary-headed Crown mount: the monarch of the Island Alps. The pa: was a remarkable one, in that it include: : te daughter of the Minister, Miss

Myra King Ellison, who, although but seventeen years of age and girlishly slight, succeeded in keeping pace with the hardiest frontiersman of the expedition, and insisted upon carrying her own fifty-pound pack during the whole ascent of Crown moontain, which it was her proud privilege to christen in foaming wine as "Ellison Peak." Myra: lake, river and falls, discovered in the course of the expedition's researches, are named in honor of this dauntless little lads, the first of her sex to have invaded the maze of mountains found in the Vancover Island interior.

The special report of the expedition was laid before the government of British Columbra by Hon. Mr. Ellison just prior to his departure for England, where he is now visiting, it being his first return to his native land since he left it thirty-five years ago, determined to build up a fortune in this new world. In this ambition he has succeeded as well as he has in local politics, being rated today among British Columbia's millionaires and the proprietor of one of the largest and finest farming estates in western Canada. Retiring from the administration of the Department of Public Works, he became Minister of Finance and Agriculture



for the Province only a few weeks ago.
At the meeting of Parliament in January provision will be made for the construction of roads and trails into the newProvincial Park, while Canadian Northern surverors are now investigating the possibility of carrying the railway to the new wonderland in the immediate future.

The investigations made by Hon. Mr. Ellison and his assistants have disclosed many new and interesting facts in connection with the little known Vancouver Island Alps, one of which is that there exist, in all probability, other and higher peaks than Crown mometain, in the vicinity of the ProVincial National. Park, to tempt the skill, the daring and endurance of new generations of mountaineces; while another is that the park boundaries extend for fully seven miles further northerly than had been previously supposed. The park is described by Colonel V. I. H. Holmes, P.. L. S., who made a careful triangulation survey of Butte"'s lake and the surrounding areas, as "situated in the shape of a right-angled triangle with its northwesterly apex some
few miles to the south of the itith parallet, and about 26 miles from the east coast of the island. It then follows the boundary line of the Esquimalt and Nanamo Railway reserve for about $4+$ miles southeasterly, thence turning due west until met by a perpendicular dropped from the northwestern apex. This enclosed area contains between 270 and 300 square miles of mountains. glaciers, lakes and rivers. Butele's lake itself is eighteen and a half miles in length, and (at a maximum) one mile with, the shores and hillsides covered with tir and cedar. gradually giving place to sreply pointed masses of rock towering to hequts of from 4,000 to 8,000 feet, covered wis heir northern faces with perpetual smon, To the east of the lake the Alber: ?ward and Alexandra ranges dominate the scene."
"The view from Crown monnain," sals Hon. Mr. Ellison's report. $\quad \because$ a glorious one of the Victoria peaks, i. inating all the surrounding country. ( $: \because$ of these. King George peak, riscs for , 000 feet with sheer walls on all sides, :aw whole leaning over to the north at arprising

c.aceran mumpmace or prace angle. To the north, almost beneath, fed by the living snows of Crown mountain, is an unfathomable emerald-green lake entirely shut in on three sides by the horseshore confformation of Crown mountain, this lake bering the source of the Adams river, which winds away to the north through a deeply-indented forest landscape, until it disapperars bechind a long range of mountains in the middle distance. In the far Nistance, crowning this range, appear the mow-ancred mountains of the mainland, heswere Sinight and Bute inlet. To the cart. hirr igh a gap between Myra and Flatason mountains, a long valley opens mur, cuntsining lower Camplecl lake and the wawnard around Cape Mudge. To the sunth ithe eye meets a never-ending suceession ." perks and glaciers strecthing to the hurize..."
Thece can be no doubte, in the opinion of $11 . \operatorname{Ir}$. Fillison and the professional neme. - of the party, that Mount Flanagan lat l: antore been mistaken for Crown numun. I: also that the maximum altitude of the :meouver Istand Alps will be found to con: lurably exceed 8,000 feet. Surveyors

RIVER, BRITISH COIUMBIA PARK
describe the country generally as rougher. wilder and more picturesque than anywhere in the Selkirks; where the monetains tower to heights of 12,000 feet and upwards.

Throughout the entire country of the Provincial Park, signs of wapiti (great American Eilk), of black bear, of timber wolves, and of common red deer were numerous. A fair proportion of grouse and ptarmigan is reported, while the fishing is incomparable everywhere. Mountain grats, sheep and chamois will he introduced at in early date, the park being intended as a special game preserre, as well as an Alpinist's and fishermen's resort.
At no place were any signs of ahoriginal residence or visitation encountered, the interior of Vancourer Island in its northern reaches having been shunned from time imamaral by the native races. either through superstitious fear of the "massache ikta"the Evill Spirit of the red man-ore a more practical explanatim. hecause the cosst Indian carres not to renture far from his cance, and has in him no germof of the enthusiasm of the mountainer.

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# First Canadian National Apple Show 



AD British Columbia, with its fabulous mineral wealth, its mighty forests and its fisheries of richness unsurpassed, held a national exhibit of the products of these things, it would have surprised no one. On the commercial value of these assets British Columbia has built its reputation. 'The knowledge of its possibilities has been hammered into the spot-light of public attention by the sheer weight of incontrovertible fact. British Columbia, comparatively speaking, barely entering the commercial arena, has gripped hold of the trade markets of the world, because of the potential mightiness wrapped within her borders.
All these things the outside world has known. To those who have recognized the roice of opportunity belong the big rewards. What the outside has not known, and what has beren thrust home by Vancouver's National Apple Show, is the fact, that, even in the vaunted field of agriculture, British Columinia is already a powerful rival of the cast. In its "rocky confines" of nearly four humdra, thousand square miles have been found :rable tracts roughly estimated at nearl: seventy million acres of land, capar.' : of producing merchantable commodities, Among these are listed apples, pears, :lums, cherries and various other smali: ruits of very fine quality, beside high clas:: ains. Professor Macoun states that Brit Columbia, south of the fifty-second
degree and east of the Const range, is a grazing country up to three thousand five hundred fect, and a farming country up to two thousand five hundred feet where irrigation is possible.
British Columbia has a long prize list gained in competition with the world's fammus orchards. In the list of her triumpls are nuimbered Winnipeg, Toronto, Saskatoon, Regina, London, Can.; Spokane. U. S.; Westminster, Norwich, Gravesend, Islington, Southampton, London, Liverpool, Bristol, England, and Aberdeen, Scotland.

This was the first national apple show in Canada. The honor accruing to its conception and successful execution belongs, not to the provinces reputedly important in fruit growing, but to British Columbia. In this lies the real significance of the event. The province which has long been considered a place of rocks and trecs growing on slopes too steep for cultivation has been the first to hold an apple show of mational proportions. The gauntlet was thrown down for Canada or the world to pick up. The result found every province in the Dominion represented, and states across the line sent many competitors. Even far Tasmania found its way to Canada's First National Apple Show.
A national show it was. National in its proportions, national in spirit, national in significance. Its place in the agricultural history of this province is unique. It represents the triumph of achicvement. It is a definite repudiation of the charge that British Columbia is incapable of agricultural production.

Not without labor were these results


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attained. Comected with the first show were many details incidental to its construction as an institution. A second show will lave the tradicions of the first. The moulding into shape occupied months of toiling thought. Mr. Maxwell Smith, editor of the Fruit Magazine, whose trip to the east opened the eyes of the growers there in connection with the aim of the apple show, deserves the thanks of the province for his (fforts. With him was associated Mr. L. G. Munroe, former secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Spokane, an old campaigner in apple shows. The executive were men who believed in the possibility of a national show. That there was no precedent mattered nothing. The months of work requiring tact, skill, brains and money for its accomplishment failed to deter them from attempting the secmingly impossible. When a difficulty arose they conquered it or went around it, and so the work progressed. The week of October 31 to November 5 found Canada's First National Apple Show a success where failure was predicted, an advantage and a laurel for Vancouver and the province where the pessimistic ones had moaned of losses and a lowered prestige. In acknowledgement of the barriers surmounted so triumphantly, Premier McBride paid tribute to the city in these words: "There is no doubt that when Vancouver undertakes anything she always makes good." Let that statement serve as a goad to the citizens in the future when the city undertakes a project, be it ever so impossible in appearance.

The story of the show has been told voluminously in the daily press. The facts, figures and informative statistics have all been given. One hundred and ninety-four varieties were shown in three thousand, four hundred and twenty-four entries, by two hundred and cighty-seven exhibitors.

A few figures of interest are repeated. The apple show comprised twelve carloads or seven thousand boves of the more important varieties. There were seventy-nine ten-box displays, seventy-four five-box displays, seven hundred and twenty-four singlebox exhibits, sixteen three-box sweepstakes, or a grand total amounting to nine thousand. one hundred and thirty-two boxes. Even the small boy with his amazing capacity stood aghast at the possibility of having
to devour the apples he saw there. There were also four hundred and seven pack exhibits, mincteen hundred and forty-four plate displays, six collections of big apples, chirteen biggrest apples in the world, eight fyeak exhibits, five limited displays, eight district exhibits, six crab apple displays and one hundred and nineteen entries of apple by-products. The Dominion governnient contributed an cxhibit containings specimens from every province in Canada. There were exhibits from Wenatchee, Yakima, Touchet and Methow Valley, Wash., from Rogue River and Hood River Valless of Oregon, from West Kootenay, Grand Forks, Nelson, Rossland and Kaslo: Kelowna, Vernon, Salmon Arm, Summerland, Keremeos, Vancouver Island, Kamloops, Lillonet, Lytton and Chilliwack.

British Columbia is a fruit-growing prorince. It has proved by actual results that this is so. Going a step farther it has proved that its productive area is not confined to any one locality. Every piece of level land south of the fifty-second degree is capable of cultivation, which invariably proves immensely profitable. In spite of Professor Macoun's opinion, Bella Coola exhibited an array of fruit grown north of the fifty-second degrec.
"Nothing venture, nothing have." Vancouver ventured the project without precedent. The reward was success. With Maxwell Smith we cry, "The Greatest Apple Show in the Greatest City of the Greatest Province in the Greatest Dominion of the Greatest Empire in the History of the World."

It is not necessary to pad or camish the story of British Columbia. The plain truth is amply sufficient. Anything more gives to its relation the atmosphere of :un Arabian Nights narrative. If the truth, entire, exclusive, be told, the result is certan.

This is a land of gold. It : here for those who seek. There are nene fortunes lying dormant in British Colimbias to the square mile than in any other malal area in the world. "The first shal!": last and the last first." The castern co: was first. It yielded its hidden hordes of the eager searchers of gold. Now the $r$ st is the Eldorado, the Mecea of the $:$. The last is now first. First in imper first in wealth, first in the steads warch of


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adrancement. 'The few years of its development have yielded fabulous fortumes. yet it is evident that only the borders of its treasures have been tomeled. What does the future hold? 'There is but one answer. Wan is a persistent amimal. After a mighty penance of untold ages he has at last
retumed to biden. Whe guardian angels with the Haming swords grew tired of watching at gate where no one strove to pass. 'Their wapons lost their power. The angels slept and then man found the West. He is here to stay. 'The lesson of the first liden is not to be repeated.



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VIRRNON DISTRICT EXITIRIT-FIRST CANADIAN NATTONAT, APPTE SIOW
Photo by W. I. Carpenter
II. Detailed descriptions of the various fruitgrowing sections of British Columbia represented at the First Canadian National Apple Show will appear in future numbers of this
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# With the Edison Players Across the Continent 

## By Norman S. Rankin

Author of "Behind the Scenes with the Moving lictures"



N Sunday morning. August 21st last, a company of the Edison moving picture players, tanned and happy and healthy, reached New York on the return journey from a trip of over 7,000 miles across the comtinent.
They had been absent nearly two months. and in that time had created a half-score of motion pictures depicting western life, which when pictorially told to the public ii) the Linited States. Canada. Great Britain and Europe, will be found of the higiw- class of film production, teeming with iterest, incident and scenic beauty. only will they graphically unfold the - wy of the great west, pictorially true in ": detail, but from the thrilling little drat: $\therefore$ tragedies or comedies realistically play: through them by as able and highclas: : collection of players as the Edison com 'y could get together, they will attr. the attention of all classes.

At the Edison studio in New York, early in June, considerable excitement was caused among the actors when it became known that the company proposed sending a troupe over the Canadian I'acific railway, across the continent to the coast. Speculation was rite as to who would be the lucky members, and, of course, each hoped to be among them.

Are you not? Why not? To get avay from the burning sidewalks and congested atmosphere of stuffy old New York at the most trying period of the year; to be whirled in a special train, the essence of luxury, through the green, rich orchards of Ontario and Quebec; to skirt the great inland. international oceans that border the Soo line; to roll across the fertile prairie lands of the Minnesota, the Dakotas, Soslatchewan and Alberta, up, up into the mountains and forests of British Columbia, ...ith its eternal snow-capped peaks, its unsurpassed scenery and its bracing climate; and finally, to sniff the cooling breceses wafted in from Puget sound, Georgia strait and Juan de Fuca-of course, why



not? They would not have been human had they not felt that way about it.

And some of them got their desire. Some of them were lucky; nine of them had a transcontinental trip which for uniquencss of character, strange experiences and unflagging interest, would be hard to surpass.

The great mass of the public who nightly attend the moving picture halls want to be amused and entertained, not instructed, and if they are to be educated it must be in a subtle, delicate manner, absorbed, as it were, unconsciously, through the interest that the story itelf creates in the minds of the audience.

What does Johnny the condactor from East Harlem care about the mining industry in southern British Columbia, or the ranching industry in Alberta? Not a rap. Not a jot, nor a tittle. He and his girl go to see the show for the fun they'll get out of it. For the melodrama, amusement and reality there is in it. And if he doesn't get that kind of a show he won't go back, that's all. And the theatres know it. They won't prodace that kind of a film. They are in the business for what they can gect out of it, and naturally cater to the public taste. But if the class of story that appeals to Johnny and his girl runs prominently through mining, or lumbering, or fishing or ranching films, they will unconscionsly swallow the knowledge that is served to them while breathlessly following the fortunes of the villain, the heroine and the hero.

To be a successful moving picture actor is a special art. It requires close study and experience. This may be contrary to the
seneral belief, and is surely so to the opinion of the stage actor. "They donit have to learn any lines," he scoffs, incredulously; "they don't have to spend weary hours memorizing." True; but how much harder, then, it is to act and feel, express and portray without these lines. If the stage actor drops his lines ar loses his cue it may happen at only one performance, and is soon corrected, past and forgotten, but not so with the moving picture actor. If he errs in this respect he can neither recall nor correct. His mistake is registered on the film for all time, and until that film is no longer in service his mistake will, daily, in hundreds of theatres, stare him in the tace as a reminder.

Then, again, the moving picture actor has to play his parts in all sorts of difficult and dangerous places, before, oftrimes, insoluntary audiences, who tempt him to laugh and mayhap spoil a particularly dramatic bit of acting. He must make a special study of facial expression, gesticulation and pantomime. The stage actor mbarses in private, and at all times has the protection of the footlights. I have knowi actors. famous for their sangfroid, the westures and their delivery while on the ase, rurn white and tremble when unexperaty asked to give a simple recitation be be a social audience at some drawing-rom whering.

In the carly days of noving y are production it was considered infra ab anongit the profession to lend their aces to motion picture creation; but th: passed away, and today many actors and actresses may be for: in the ranks of the picture players.



To show to the struggling farmer, through the medium of the moving picture, the premium that western Canada offers for home-making and independence to the man of energy; ambition and small capital ; to picture the range cattle, fat and happy, roming the foothills of the mighty Rockies; to tell the piscatorial enthusiast of cool reteats beside rushing streams where the salmon and the trout lurk beneath the rock's overhanging shade; to whisper to the sportsman and the hunter of the big and little game skulking the plains or roaming the momtain sides, waiting his coming; to depict to the tourist and traveller the beautes of mourtain. wood and valles, prairic. cras and torrent, and the comfort and lusury of modern hotel, train, boat and stermer: for tempt the Alpine climber to farther prowess on the great glaciers of central British Columbia-these are some of the wjects of the picture stories, and there is no manner of doubt whatever that they will accomplish their purpose.
Thrmest these stories, one and all, illustrated with the most picturesque and appropria: cenery that could be found between 'Ontreal and Victoria, run thrilling advenren. ancient and modern romance. streme: comedy: The settler, the pioneer, strugy': $:$ single-handed against the elements il conditions, eventually wins a home. Iependence, and a bride; the cowbor. $F$ dashing and reckless, after many hair-l: ith escapes, becomes successfula "G: king." The fisherman, skilfully playiu te huge salmon he has been fortunat. Gugh to hook, lands him struggling oll th. sis bank; the hunter, stalking the tras: us grizely, brings him to earth at
last; the Alpine climber, making his perilous way up the mountain glacier, Jeaping skilfully from rock to rock with but a slender rope between him and death, seales the highest peak; and the "honeymooners," hand-in-hand, in an intoxicating dream of ecstasy, are borne swiftly across the country from one spot of beauty to another, meeting with many unforeseen and wonderful adventures, till finally they disappear into the fog and distance beyond Vancouver Narrows, borne swiftly to the Orient on the "Empress of China."

To secure such pictures as these was hard work, steadly work, and often dangerous work. To procure out of the ordinary things we must do extraordinary things. To successtully play a moving picture hero's or heroine s part requires courage and endirance. For instance, at Field, B. C., in a little mining drama, acted out at the Monarch mine-an abandened work, the pathway to which leads tortuonsly along the face of an overhanging cliff, thousands of feet above the railway line-the hero, becoming temporarily deranged, is seen to leap over the cliffside to destruction. He did leap over the cliff. but not to destruction. on to a little jurting ledge of rock some yards below, where trembling with the knowledge of the satwing space beneath, be clung tightly until hauled up axain. Two members of the party lay below on the ledge to haul him in if he fell unsteadily, having with the aid of a crowbar and spade hollowed away the face and floor of the ledse to make it more tenantable. Had they slipped, or the hero jumped too far out, it would have been difficult afterwards to have even fotind the pieces


ACRROUNIHEI HE SNOW ANI) ICE:
amonsst the tons of loose rock piled beneath.

On the glacier at the base of Mount Lefroy, Lake Louise, between 7,000 and 8,000 feet up, the heroine slides feet foremost down the icy face of the steep incline for a distance of 50 yards, shooting, in her course, across the mouth of an open crevasse. Across this crevasse in eig-eag form a number of men had to be stationed to break her speed, to stop her, to catch her, failing which she would have avalanched down 500 feet into a cruel gorge. Steps in the ice were hewn out by the guides, and the men located at regular intervals, so that some one of them would properly intercept her as she came shooting past. Truly a hazardous part to play, and one calling for physical courage beyond the ordinary.

At Brooks, Alberta, in the Red Deer country, by special arrangement a rownd-up of some 5,000 cattle was held, after which the animals were stampeded across the face of the camera by the cow punchers.

Amongst these cow punchers worked one of the lady members of the troupe, dresied in typical western fashion, and wielding a rope as the best of them. When the stampede accurred this lady was caught in the strugeling, pushing, frenzied mass of animals, and by a miracle only managed to work her way forward with them, until they broke and scattered ower the prairie. The camera man worked his instrument ax best he could from the sesit of an automobile, dashing at full spec! :mongst the swaying herd.
These are but a few instances of the dangers and difficulties of the profession: but when next you pay your : hel or your dime and pass in to see sucl: a allistic pic ture as I have described, thin: a monnent of the time and trouble, the wisulty, the danger and the expense that $\cdots$ been in curred in order that for five os minute you may be amused or interi! with the reproduction of a scene i, perhals thousands and thousands of les awe.




But, as I sad before, the extraordinary has become ordinary through repetition. The miaculous grows monotonous.
When, hwerer, the Edison company releases the films covering the series of stories created during this summer's transcontinen-
tal outing, the will, I think, prove of absorbing interest to the general public, and will carry to the easterner, the southerner and the European, living, throbhing, graphic pictures of the Last (breat $W$ Vest as it is today.






## Mystic Lake

By Zoe Hartman

Over the face of the waters
The sentinel mountains brood,
Hidinge the mystery depper,
In echoless solitude.
Myst'ry of depths ummeasured,
() f fathomless caves unknown.

The Mother's inviolate secrets
Revealed to the mountains alone.
()h, ye who are lords of the walles.

Who stoed when the world was youne.
Canst tell of the lurid chaos
That orer the cosmos hung?
Did tlie rage of the fire-god smite se
And the molten rock bertlow?
Were ye deft and rent asunder
And your proudest peak laid low?
Then when the tratail wats ended
And the fire-god buried deep,
Did ye mourn for your fallen comrade
And over his ruin weep?
Did ye leave, oh ye sorrowing Titans,
Through the infinite roll of the sears,
This token of grief to the ages.-
Did ye fashion this lake of your tears?

# The Building of the Road By Ernest McGaffey 

## ADTTOR'S NOTE:

'IVile: "Goorl Roads." movement on the Pacific coast is making very rapitl progres. The states of Califormia, Oregon and Washington are planring to expend enormons suns of money in the construction of great systems of state highways. The Governmest of British Columbia, in addition to unusually large approptiations made for road construction in the newer sections cf the province, is cngaged in building a trunk road across the provircc from the coast to the boundary of Alberta. The provinces: oi Alberta. Saskatchewan and Maritoba propose to connect the last-named highway with the city oi Wirnipeg. The road-building plans of the Pacific coast states and of the municipalities of Britisl? Columbia lying between the city of Vancouver and the United States boundary i:aclude a modern highway suitable for automobile traffic from Mexico to Vancouver. The two last-named prcjects when cospleted will provide thoroughfares on which tourists can travel by automobile from Mexico to Winripeg.

Cne of the most picturesque sections of the coasi scenic highway will be the famous Mill Bay road on Vancouver Island. This road leads through forest and mountain side, bv river. lake and seashore, and combines, in the judgment of world travellers, greater variety of beauty and grandeur than any road thus, far opened for travel on any continent. In short. its beauties and interest fully deserve the expressions contained in the sraceful lines of Mr. McGaffey, which follow, wherein he has made glorious the most prosaic of things, modern enginecring.

" loomed the hember and the fir"

Once it lingered on the summit,
Once it loitered by the stream,
Like the mist athwart the mountain
Or the sunset's dying gleam;
Far beyond, the forest towered,
Far below, the river flowed,
And a dream within the future
Was the Building of the Road.

Rose the sombre cedars cloudward,
Loomed the hemlock and the fir,
Densely limned against the shadows
Like a blur upon a blur;
Whie between, the slim arbutus,
Smooth as ivory held its way,
Threading through the dusky woodlands
As a russet Faun at play.


Come the virile Ataster-Buidder With all army at his call"


Crumbling cliffs to whitencd fumows"

Came the virile Master-Builder
With an army at his call,
Razed a pathway in the timber,
Spanned the gorge and waterfall;
And the thunder of his cannon
Smcte the lorn and lonely height,
Crumbling cliffs to whitened furrows
With the ploughing dynamite.

Pick and crowbar, steel and shove, And a host with clanking drills, How they streamed adown the valleys, How they stormed along the hills;
And among them, like a Tiian
Tall the Masie-Builder strode,
Carving out a mighty sculpture
In the building of the Road.


"pule distant hases fhats.

Sang the hammers in a chorus
Up the distant passes flung,
To the shelving benches rugged,
Thick with shrubs and mosses hung:
Whiie the dcuble-bitied axes
Hcllow-sounding rang a knell,
Mid the wind-rows of a harvest
Where the forest-barriers fell.

Sun and starlight, dusk and dawning, While the days their vigil kept,
Leaping chasm. crest, and canyon, Onward still the high-way swept;
Past the miles that raced beside it, Over ledge and rocky knoll,
Like a runner leaning forward
Reaching out to tcuch the geal.

I.canime chasm, crest. and callyon"

Lo! the signal on the hillside,
Where the causeway lies unrolled:
Ribboned broad around the forests,
Gilded by Autumnal gold;
Lo! the precipice asunder
And the bridge across the stream,
For the vision was prophetic
And the dream was not a dream.

" 1 , cames below it chants the sear"
Now it winds about the summit
As a river, flowing free;
High above it soars the eagle,
Leagues below it chants the sea;
And though taded are the footsteps
Where the Master-Builder strode,
Seek, and seeking you sha: 1 find them
In the Building of the Road.



Opportunity knocks at the door of every human being at least once during life. Some people don't recognize it, and they in turn knock Opnortunity.

# The Flight of Delicia 

HON THE LOVERS, WITH THE AD OF A CLERGMMAN, OUTWTTTED

THE PLANS OF THE BRIDE'S ELDER BROTHER

## By Helen Tompkins


() (BER BERKELEY stopped on the corner in the shadow of some trees-it was all but midnight, and the strees were practically deserted -to catch his breath. He was a singularly modest young man, and when he fell in lowe with Mariory lane he had regated his posert! and ufter bat of prospects as forming an insuperable and insurmountable barrier betwers them. He had lived through the asone losers hell of uncertainty and Wre: antil fate and a rumaway horse had Sum am an opportunity to dectare his pa- . When to his own astonishment the smu: : ady tearfully announced a reciprocal $\because$ of feeling and promptly accepted him.

Witionally only, dear-of course."
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"res $\because$ and the horse, primarily the cill- it the catastrophe, browsing cheerfull: :ns the roadside. "You must get fart consent, of course. I would never
marry anyone without that. But I am an only child, you know, and you hate just saved me from a horrible death. If you will go to tiather at once--"

And Berkeley had gone at once, putting the best fromt he could on the matter. For long atterwards he remembered just how golden the waves of the wild mustand booms were as they bent in the wind, and how tat and clumsy and symab-like a naked, featherless bird was as it tumbled from an wercrowded nest full of other babies. and how pitifully and rustily it sumeaked-before a ercedy, prowliner cat smapped it up.
'To the youns mans unbounded surprise. the old Colonel-Marjorys father-was cordiality itself. He igmered the laul's lack of fortune as well as his slemder propects. "It is emoush that you are semsible, come getic and temperate, and that my little girl tells me that she loves you," he said wam1s, wringing his fubure som-in-law's hand. "I will welcome you gladly into my family. sir-as will Marion's mother."

It was all $t$ (x) grood to be true. Young Berkele: spent the entire coening after that in a state of ecstatic bliss, marred only by the sight of the full-gorged cat that
stalked solemnly and importantly about, and the fleeting memory of the fat young bird's squeaking ery. fife lingered at the gate a long time with Marjory, watching for a misshapen midnight moon that was all but late for an elderly almanac appointment, and then, with the touch of his sweetheart's warm young lips against his own, he closed the gate behind him and started home.

It was a full mile from the Lane residence to his own shably lodging-house, and although he thrust aside the feeling as the rankest treason, it did occur to him that perhaps it would have been quite as well if he had taken that final good-night from pretty Marjory's lips at five minutes before twelve-instead of five minutes after, when the streets were quite deserted. Emotion of a pleasurable nature is sometimes quite as fatiguing as over-exertion, and he had had a double portion of both. It was no wonder now that, once alone, he should feel a slight reaction from his exaltation.

So he paused, in the dense shadow of the over-hanging trees on the corner, and felt the cool night breeze touch his face where a young girl's lips had so lately rested, and watched the moonlight-broken and shattered by the thick foliage of the branchesspatter in little silver pools on the pavement. Nothing was further from his mind than the thought of further adventure or present peril. And yet just then there came to him through the summer stillness the drumming of clattering hoofs on the cobbles, the rattle of wheels, and a carriage, drawn by two terrified horses, swung round the street corner and stopped short not ten paces from where he stood.

It all happened so quickly, in so much less time than it has taken to narrate it, that the astounded young man, his feet glued to the pavement, did not move hand or foot. There was a driver on the box -a violently profane man, who swore elo-quently-and someone was screaming frantically inside the carriage-feminine shrieks of shrill terror that fairly set Berkeley's teeth on edge. The driver, dropping the whip, thrust the horses, by main strength, back on their haunches so fiercely that the off one stumbled and fellwith a great metallic clatter of harness and
the accompaniment of more feminine shrieks.

It was a quiet residence street, and most of the people, as Berkeley remembered suldenly, were out of town and away from home for the summer, which accounted for the fact that the noise brought no curious spectators to the scene of action. There should have been caretakers, of course, oi policemen, people who should have taken especial interest in the affair-but as it hap. pened there was neither.

And suddenly, from the self-same way from which the carriage had just come, the young man, still motionless, heard the sound of running footfalls on the pasement, and the wheezing breath of a spent runner who has all but reached the limit of his strength. Using the only other faculty apparently left to him, since his feet seemed paralyzed, Roger, staring, sall a man, running heavily, yet pluckily, turn the street corner as the carriage had done five minutes before. He held something in his hand, something that flashed now and then as the moonlight touched it, and he was waving from one side of the street to the other, like a worn-out shuttle suddenly gone mad.

The driver swore more profanely than ever, sprang from the box, and began to ery-vainly-to fog the fallen horse to its feet. The man was a cheap brute, and the thudding of the blows made Berkeley sick. They had one effect, however. Of a sudden the frenzied animal began kicking, and the sound of the stecl-shod hoofs striking yie!ding wood was like the drumming of heavy hail against drought-dried boards. With the impact of the first blow the screaming within the carriage stopped suddenly, and Berkeley saw the look which the man with the lash bent backward over his shoulder.

And just then the light flowhed again on the object in the running man's hand, atthough Berkeley, his mind talen up with something else, did not see it-a spout of flame leaped from it-and tio drumning of the steel-shod hoofs agaice rending wood, mingled oddly with the: ound of a pistol shot, and Roger Ber: : !ey pitched forward on his face.
"You are not injured in any way," said a low voice. "There was nobody hurt. Frightened? O, dear-yes-naturally! But nothing worse."
"And where am I now?" asked Berkeley, with a tinge of wonder in his voice.
"You are-here!" Somebody laugheda cooing little loving murmur like the sound of brooding doves when the nests are full of baby birds.
"Here!" Berkeley tried to thrust the bandages from his eyes, but his hands were bound and he failed. "What is the matter with me?" he asked.
Someone took the place of the person who had answered his first question-or failed to answer it. "You are safe and in the hands of friends, Mr. Berkeley, and no one is going to harm you," said an older and less friendly and gentle voice. "The person who fired the shot that grazed your arm-"
"Am I wounded?" asked the startled Berkeley.
"Slightly only-the bullet barely grazed your arm, as I said before. It was the shock that rendered you unconscious. You are now in a house within a dozen blocks of the corner where you fell. It was thought best to bring you here__-"

## "Why?"

There was a moment's hesitation. "There were two people in the carriage, and the driver was intoxicated," said the voice more slowly. "It was an intended elopement-as you will have guessed-an elopement that failed of its purpose. It is hoped now that the whole thing may be kept quiet-for the young woman's sake. Hence your detention."
"But I am no trouble-maker!" protested the indignant Berkeley. "Even if I were free, how could I tell something that I do not even know myself. I saw none of the parties. It is out of the question to think of keeping me here a prisoner-"
He stopped short. Instead of answer-ing-instead of listening to what he was saying-the room was full of whisperings that dismayed him.
"Listen to me, Mr. Berkeley," said a third roice. "Nobody is going to harm You, you understand. But there is too much at stake for you to be set free for
the next forty-eight hours. Instead, your friends and those interested in you will be notified that circumstances over which you have no control have arisen that will keep you out of the city for the next three or four days."
"Why?"
There was more hesitation-more whis pering. "Because I feel justified in doing anything that I can to save a foolish young girl from the consequences of her own folly," said the last voice more sternly. "I will try to explain the matter as nearly as I can. A young girl-not here in the city necessarily-was engaged to be married to a man of whom her family-her guardians-thoroughly approved. The day was set_—"
"Geoffrey!"
There was a little stir in the room. In some way Berkeley became vaguely impressed with the belief that someorie had either entered or quitted the room, and that -the very thought seemed foolish-the atmosphere of the apartment was decidedly more hostile to himself. Why?
"The girl—I shall call her Delicia-was giddy and foolish. Through very idiocy and weariness she was tempted to break what was almost as binding upon her as a marriage ceremony itself-her trothplight. Friends reasoned with her, but to no avail. Finally the Evil One himself through a certain man in her way-_"
"Geoffrey!"
"You are right-I will hasten on," said the voice less bitterly. "What the secret of the influence was which the man exercised over my unhappy-over the girlGod only knows. But she became apparently madly infatuated with him. And last night-"

Berkeley stirred restlessly. "She was in the carriage, of course, this Delicia of yours, and her lover with her," he said boldly. "What next? You grow prosy, sir."

For a moment dead silence reigned in the room. "Perhaps you are right," the voice said, but in a lower tone. "Delicia fled and the man in her company. Thank God I found it out in time. Thank God I followed them. Thank God-_" "Or the devil, maybe," said Berkeley,
but less assuredly this time. "'Twas you, then, sir, whom the woman was shrieking to the immortal gods to aid her in escaping from. It was you who fired that shot. By the by, was anyone else hurt?"
"I wish that I could answer that question," said the voice, gloomily. "Your fall created a diversion which my-which Delicia took advantage of. I thoughtyou see I have no secrets from you, sir, I confess frankly that it was I who fired that shot-that I was a murderer, and what was more to the purpose, I believed that I had killed the wrong man. When I had satisfied myself that you were not seriously hurt, I tried to find Delicia, and the scoundrel with whom she had fled, but was unable to do so. They were both gone."
"You have made yourself clear, sirsave as regards one point," said Berkeley calmly. "And that is why you persist in keeping me here a prisoner against my will."
"I thought you clever, sirrah-you are a dullard after all," said the voice, this time a trifle disappointedly. "I do not care to have my-to have Delicia's flight become a matter of common gossip-a nine days' wonder."
"I would cheerfully promise to hold my tongue-and I am accounted a man of my word, sir," said young Berkeley indignantly.
"I do not want any pledges from you, sir. I promise you that I would rather trust bolts and bars than the force-extorted word of any man on earth. In forty-eight hours-or less-the fugitives should be in our hands. Until that time we are forced to do violence to your rights-unwillingly, sir, believe me."

Berkeley had no answer for this, so he sulkily held his tongue. The voices died away after that, and, strain his ears as he would, he could not catch the faintest sound. He gathered from this that they were tired of his sullenness and that the room was empty.

The hours dragged. He had no way of determining time. He could hear the ticking of a clock from somewhere near him, but it did not strike the hours. He did not even know whether it was day or night, and thoughts of Marjory, her anxiety when possibly a day and night should pass with-
out hearing from him, made his heart like lead. He chafed frantically against his bonds, but without effect.

A long, long time had passed when, still straining his sense of hearing as he had strained it for hours, he heard a faint sound like the nibbling of a tiny mouse in the room near him. "What is that?" he call. ed out, and the nibbling stopped instantly and the silence stagnated as before. His voice had had the odd sound of dead wood spattering in the waters of a sullen, currentless pool.

More minutes passed, and the nibbling began again-more gently this time. "Who is there?" he said in a whisper. "Is there someone near me in the room? If there is, I warn you that I intend to cry outif you do not answer."

A lower whisper responded to his own. "It is a friend," said a soft little voicethat he had not heard before in that evil place. "I am trying to cut through the wall, monsieur, and it is hard work. For your own sake, I implore you to be quiet!"

He made no answer, holding his breath that he might not miss the nibbling when it came again. It did not last so long this time-there was a little clang that told him that a key had fallen to the floor. And after that there was silence for a long moment, as if his unseen visitor feared that less friendly ears than his own had cauglt the sound; and then he heard a step-the faint rustle of a skirt-a draught of fresh air fanned his cheek, and through the bandage he was able, tightly secured and drawn as it was, to catch a faint wandering gleam of light.
"Stay, I will rid you of the bandage first," said the pleasant little voice. "Quiet, monsieur, or you will betray me into worse dangers than you dream of."

He heard the snap of a cord, another, and his own freed hands helped to rid his eyes of the thick bandage. When this was done, however, he blinked like an owl in an ivy-thatch, and it was many minutes before he could see anything save a tall silver taper, crowned with flame and circled with myriads of floating violet stars.
A moment passed, and the up-standing taper resolved itself into a cheap tallow candle, held by a trembling woman-child
clad in a sloort, shabby frock. "Are you Delicia?" he asked.
It was a fortunate question. The delicious absurdity of it made the child laugh-a tinkling, pleasant little laugh like the sound of a running brook-and the two were friends at once. "I do not know where the Lady Delicia is," the girl said. "Do you?" and her nice, sharp little face was torn by anxiety.
"No."
"It was because I hoped that you might be able to help me find her that I freed you," said the child gently. "This is her home, monsicur, as you may have guessed, but no one has seen her since her flight with her lover last night. Her brother is moving heaven and earth to find her. When he does, neither youth nor innocence nor ties of blood can save her from his fury. It is a mad thing that she has done, monsicur, poor, hunted, desperate creature."
"Then she is not in this house-you are sure?"
"She is not here-of so much I am quite sure. I am one of the maids, monsieur, and I waited with the rest of the household last night-God only knows why or for what we waited! And then just after midnight, when they came in bringing you. all bloody and unconscious, some of us thought-"
"Thought what?" asked young Berkeley, for the girl had paused shudderingly.
"Why, some of us thought that you were the man for whom he sought-and that he had had his will of you," said the child in a still lower voice. "For God's sake, monsieur, remember that we are in desperate straits. I pray you-I implore rou-to help us if you can!"
"I will!" said the young man resolutely. He chafed the hands from which she had cut the bonds, and then, taking a carafe of wine from the table, he lifted it to his lips and drained it at a draught. "How are we to find her, child-this mistress Delicia of yours? Can you teli me where to search for her?"
"That weuld be a very hard thing to do, methinks-since those who know her so much better than we have searched for her many hours in vain," said the girl despairingly. "It is nearing dawn,
monsieur. The sky is growing light in the east. And what we do must be done quickly. Because the woman for whom we search forfeits her fortune if the sunrise finds her unwedded-and it will find her so, rather than married to her brother's choice," said the girl impatiently. "This way, monsieur."
A hand, roughened with toil, but tuy as a crumpled, opening peony-petal, clung to his for a moment, and with the extinguished candle left behind, her fingers drew him from the dark room. "They are still searching outside in the town somewhere," said the girl feverishly, "her brother and the others. Oh, if we could only find her-before they do!"
Of a truth, the house did not seem empty. They threaded their way-the girl always in advance-through numberless corridors and passages, cold and bare and unlighted, until of a sudden they stepped from a narrow hall into a brickpaved courtyard, with a broken fountain and a shallow pool brimmed with coarse grasses and mirrowing the westwardmarching stars overhead. The sparrows chirped, and a stray cat, gaunt and thievish, slunk past them into the street.
"Which way now?" asked Berkeley helplessly; but the girl only wrung her hands.
"Aye, which way, indeed!" she moaned, "with the sleeping, heartless town out there, and no one watching, save to do her harm. Her old nurse lives in a little cottage across the way there. By bare chance she may have taken refuge with her."
She clung affrightedly to Berkeley's arm as the latch, slipping from her fingers, clanged with a little hostile sound that rang ominously on the quiet air. But no one, apparently, heard them or noted the noise of the slipping bolt. It was the last hour, as the girl had said, before the dawn. Moonlight fought with morning, while the stars grew pallid watching. The shadows were like a marching procession of grey ghosts, with scarves and banners of fog bellying here and there as the fresh wind caught and frayed them.
It was Berkeley at last who, taking the girl roughly by the arm, slipped across the
street. The sound of a clamor at a little distance came to his ears, and the young man thought once that he heard the noise of a pistol-shot. He thanked God for the moment that the town was so loosely gov-erned-the war diverting public attention for the time from matters of civic importance. Later there was the sound of running feet-thud!-thud! they came; but this noise too, came no nearer, and behind them the house which they had quitted across the wide street drowsed in sullen quiet.
"Do you go in-if the old woman will allow you to enter," said the girl fearfully, as she tried vainly to twist loose from the grasp of the man who held her. "She is a suspicious, surly old hag-a witch, some think. And I am afraid of her-horribly afraid."

It was no time for discussion. Berkeley dared not struggle with the girl, lest he wring a cry from her lips. The dawn was like a thin, frail porcelain cup that a word might shatter ruthlessly. She had thrust a pistol in his hand back there in the silent house before the candle had been extinguished. Now, wresting herself from his hold, she fluttered like a moth away from him, waiting in the shadow of a tulip tree for what was to befall.

Twice the butt of the pistol clanged on the heavy door-and twice from behind it Berkeley's keen ears caught faint scuttling sounds-stifled whisperings-a startled exclamation-the sound of shuffing feet-a smothered cry. He wrapped again. "Who is there?" squeaked a tremulous voice.
"A stranger!" he answered boldly. "Let me in, mother. I have news for the guests whom your roof harbors."
"I am quite alone-there is no one with me," squeaked the tremulous voice again. A trapped rat-speech-endowed-might have spoken so. "These are parlous times upon which we have fallen, kind sir, and the law cares little for a poor, wretched old woman who is naught but a burden to the State. The King does not concern himself with such. I can protect myself-""
"I will go when my business is finished -my matters safely concluded-not before," said Berkeley stoutly. Behind him
the street seemed suddenly to have filled with excited people. He heard the plop -plop-plop-of the shod feet on the cobbles, and the child under the tulip tree gasped with terror. The sound hurried action. "You are an old fool, mother. I warn you-"

A chain rattled, and a spurt of flame seared his face. He heard the zip-zip-zip-of the bullets as they cut through the tulip tree behind him, and the burning powder drowned the thin scent of the yel. low, cup-like blossoms. He set his knee against the door, and, the child forgoten in his anger, he bent with all his strength against the yielding wood. Somebody screeched an oath at him from with-in-a vile thing that made him heart-sick.
"Are they there within, Dirk?"
It was the insolent voice that had taunted him, bound and helpless, an hour before-the voice that had mocked him with his own weakness. "I do not know -I have not been able to gain an entrance," he said foolishly, wondering for whom the other had mistaken him.
"I have thought of a plan, Dirk," said the man hurriedly. "We will gain our will in the end, of course, by simply waiting. But the old woman is a devil, and it has been said that she has it in her power to summon those whom she will to aid her, even from beyond the boundaries of another world than this. I do not care to risk her displeasure. Here is a sword, and there is a window with a loose shutter at the back of the house, so one of the dolts here tells me. We will give you a leg-up, and once you have set your knee against the shutter they cannot keep you out. Hurry!"
The others had fallen back a little There were flaming torches now that blotted out the softer radiance of the coning dawn, but even by the red light of the dripping sparks from the resined blaze Berkeley could catch no glimpse of the girl who had accompanied him. It was in his mind to follow her-to refuse per. emptorily the act which the others had set for him, but something decper-more subtle-than either wisdom or instinct checked the impulse. Helped by those behind him, he drew himself upward by
a branch of stout ivy, and twisting the shutter open, dropped inside a dark loft and into a room that smelled vilely of mould and rats and drying herbs. A light from the apartment below came feebly up through the cracks in the floor, and he caught the murmur of agitated voices. Without giving himself time to think, since he knew not how soon the others would follow him, Berkeley kicked a trapdoor open with his foot, thrust his legs through it, felt for a ladder, and found none-then dropped to the lower floor.
There was a startled screech, and the old hag, slavering a little like a mad cat, her yellow eyes blazing, sprang straight at his throat. He caught at her, twisted her wrist until it all but snapped under the pressure, and then thrust her roughly aside. "I bear you no ill-will, mother," he said, as composedly as he could for his quickened breath. "I am come to help those whom you have sheltered-not to harm."
The old witch, mouthing with rage, was squatting in the corner like an evil toad, merely a blazing glint of flame flickering at him from under her lowered lashes. It was well for him that his eyes had never once quitted her. Even as he looked she sprang squalling to her feet, and a keenbladed knife flashed past his head, bent twangingly against the wall with the shock, then snapping at the hilt fell harmlessly to the floor. The hag was at him again by this time, her claw-like fingers clutching at his throat. He tried to evade the rush, and failed; then, careless of consequences, thrust her from him with a violence that staggered her. She reeled for a moment, but the first mad rush had exhausted her puny strength. Her violeṇce spent, she pitched forward, mouthing and gabbling a little, and then lay-quite still.
Berkeley drew a long breath of relief and then looked about him nervously. There were only two people in the room besides himself and the old woman who lay so still, and from whose writhing lips a tiny thread of crimson was stealing. One of the two was a young girl with pure, steadfast eyes, and a proud little backthrown head; the other was a young man who stood with one arm about her and
gazed at Berkeley watchfully. "She is an old woman,". remarked the youth judicially.

Berkeley flushed. "I only acted in selfdefence," he said shortly. "Even thenyou saw the danger. I will never again be nearer death than I was just now-until the very last. It was not my fault."

There was a confused sound of shouting outside. The girl paled a little. There were little lights on her soft hair like the pollen on the stamens of a water-lily, and her eyes were as blue as the sea where its shadows are deepest. She slipped away from her lover, and, kneeling beside the old woman, laid cool, fluttering fingers upon her wrist.
"We have no time to waste." said Berkeley, the gentle figure reminding him of Marjory-little Marjory and the touch of her sweet young lips upon his own. "They are waiting for me to gain entrance for them-"
"They shall not have Delicia-save over my dead body," said the young man quietly. His eyes as they met Berkeley's own held the flicker of wet steel. "Her brother has badgered, hounded, brow-beaten her long enough. It is her fortune he wants -her fortune, which will be forfeit when the sun's first ray this morning touches the cross on the steeple of St. Peter's out there. Well, let him keep it-I do not want her gold."

## "Why is it forfeit?"

The steel flashed. "Because, search as we would through the long night hours, we could not find a clergyman who held his vows sacred," said the young man bitterly. "Some spoke of scruples-some of love of land and life-some of-other things. It is all one. They were precious perjurers all-dastardly, boot-licking hounds_-"
"I, too, am a clergyman-as it chances," said Berkeley gently. "Show me that it is my duty, and I will bind you two together, in default of a better man, as tightly as the Bishop himself could do it.".

For a long moment the other held his breath; his staring eyes fixed doubtfully upon the other's face, a red stain creeping to his cheeks. And then his stern mouth
quivering, he looked down at the girl. "Delicia!" he cried exultantly. "De-licia-Delicia-Delicia!"

Five minutes later a pistol-butt rang on the door. The half-witted old woman had dragged herself to a sitting posture by this time, and sat hugging her knees with her skinny arms, her yellow eyes glowering at Berkeley still, her lips blood-stained. She whirled tipsily as on a pivot, and screeched like a cat as the oaken panels creaked with the force of the blow. "Open the door!" someone outside shouted. "Open the door, or we will break it down! In the name of the King!"
Berkeley looked down at the young bride's sunny head. She had knelt to him for the nuptial blessing, and his own eyes and mouth grew stern and grave. He was thinking of Marjory. "Nay, you need not be afraid," he said gently. "Let them come in-now! Why not?"
Before he could open the door, however, it fell in with a crash, and a dozen men trooped across the threshold. It was quite light in the street by this time, and standing where he could see over the heads and shoulders of the others, Berkeley noticed that a crowd-bullies-streetrogues - wharf-rats - adventurers - the scum and off-scouring of a city noted for its lawlessness-had surmounted the low wall or torn the sagging gate from its hinges, and was beating like a ragged, dirty wave of humanity against the shabby little house.

The first to cross the threshold was a man, dark and surly, with a dissipated, evil face and eyes that burned and smouldered by turns devouringly. He bowed to his sister with a mocking smile. "So I have found you, my lady-in good time," he said gloatingly as the first ray of the morning sun flashed back in radiance from the gleaming cross of St. Peter's. "Well met, my dear-and a happy home-coming!'

But the young girl only looked at him steadfastly. Her dark eyes held neither doubt nor triumph. "I go to another "ome now, Geoffrey," she said quietly. "A home of my husband's choosing."
"Your husband!" In spite of her selfcommand, the insolent, scornful tone
whipped the blood back to the girls white cheeks. "What mummery is this, Delicia? You sadly over-rate my patience, my lady. As for the beggar there at your heels, there is to be for him a later reckoning. He may beg for mercy when some of my rough fellows outside are flogging him at the cart's tail-if he will. He will whine and bellow loud enough then, I warrant you."
For the first time, then, Roger Berkeley realized what true bravery meant. The young husband dug his nails deep in his palms, but he drank restraint and self. command alike from his young wite's deep eyes, and did not answer the taunt. But the steadfast smile never quitted his lips.
"Come, Delicia," said Geoffrey Travers brutally. "There has been enough of this foolery-and to spare. If you would lead me to forget your past folly, and to act as your friend-a mediator between you and Louis, your affianced-"
"Louis cares as little for me as I for him," said his sister calmly. "I tell you I have complied with the conditions of our father's will, Geoffrey. You shall not rob me of my fortune, as you have so nearly robbed me of my peace of mind. I will appeal to the King!"
"The King!" Even the clumsy louts behind Travers eyed each other and shook disapproving heads at the contempt in his voice. "Too late, my fair sister! The King slept last night at Bonnaire, and it will be many days and weeks before the Valley breezes fan his victorious banners again. In the meantime-"
"Roger!"
Berkeley, deep in the day-dream, started. It was Marjory's father who spoke to him a little wonderingly from a passing carriage that had halted in the street. The sunshine was brighter by this time, and an outward flux of the human tide had carried the four principals outside the broken walls of the old house, to the spot where the giant tulip tree caught the sunshine in its golden bowls. "Is Marjory there?" he asked, and then checked himself sharply, for, save Mar jory's father and the driver, the carriage was empty. "I am coming, sir," he siid
gently, then laid one hand on Travers' shoulder. "You are too late, friend," he said. "I am a clergyman, and I united those two in marriage-your sister and her lover-just before yonder door was broken down. She has complied with the conditions-"
For a moment the face of the man before him was convulsed. "You lie, you hound!" he snarled between his clenched teeth. "Look you, if I really believed you-"
The old man, deserting his post and leaving the carriage and its driver in the sunny street, swung himself through the crowd and pressed roughly between the two. "You are a true man, lad-clergyman or not," he said staunchly. "I am proud of my girl's choice. Let the rogues come on. Here are three true men who are worth a street full of dirty scum-"
But this time it was the bridegroom who interfered. "I thank you, but no man fights my battles for me," he said, composedly. Only Berkeley noticed that his right hand, resting on his sword-hilt, was clenched so tightly that the veins stood out like cords and the knuckles were bloodless. "This is my hour, Geoffrey Travers-and my opportunity. You have threatened-scorned-insulted me. Now-"

Travers sneered. "You crow finelyfor so young a fowl!" he retorted jeeringly. "If you are counting on the Travers gold to line that beggar's purse of yours you have counted amiss. I'll have the ranting clergyman unfrocked who dared to
play the mummer's part in that farce of yours. I'll have him scourged and branded-_"

His words, do what he would, died away in a reedy whisper. Someone was signalling to him from the crowd-someone else was tugging at his cloak. A face that was drawn and ashen-with the down-dropped jaw of abject fear-leered at him affrightedly.
"What do you say?" he stammered foolishly; but although a little whisper ran through the crowd, no one dared to speak openly. But something, spreading-widening-like the heated breath that heralds a prairie fire, was catching here-there-everywhere! Marjory's father plucked at Berkeley's sleeve. "What are they saying now?" he asked, curiously.
"Nothing-that need matter to you, sir," he answered gently, and with the old man's hand within his arm, and with the newly-wedded pair close behind, he walked toward the waiting carriage-the crowd falling away from behind him as from the wrath of God. One whisper beat in Travers' ears. "Yes-back only lately from Tremania. He works always among the poor and destitute-his royal father's favorite, they say, although the youngest. And since last month Prince Henry has been Bishop of Tremania."

But of all that they whispered, Delicia caught not the faintest breath. With her hand upon her husband's arm-her eyes upon his face-blinded to all lights but one-she had entered into Eden.


## The Sun-rise

By G. J. Weston

Eastward the sky grows
Grey with the dawn, Amber and primrose, Purple and fawn.

From the horizon Lances are hurled, Banners of crimson Swiftly unfurled.

Arrows that quiver, Ghostly and wan, Hither and thither Ere they are gone.

Lost in the cloud-mist, Gone with the night, Rosily sun-kissedHeralds of light.

God's in the sun-rise, Hell in the night, Hail to the blue skies, Hail to the light.

# When a Woman Came to Summit 

## By Arthur McArthur



## ELL!"

Rough and strong the oath rang out with grim emphasis from hairy lips that were unafraid. Six feet three he stood, and his brawny form dominated the interior of the cabin where he was. His hat was off, and his shirt unbuttoned at the throat showed a mighty chest hidden by matted hair. In attitudes of non-committal unconcern, a dozen miners filled the room and smoked steadily.
Through the open door a long slope was visible, sweeping downward to the river. Above the cabin the pines stood silently. Over all brooded the white tops of the mountains. The hoarse murmur of the stream flowing in its rocky canyon mingled with the sullen thunder of an avalanche somewhere far off in the hills. The sun shone hotly in the sheltered valley. It was noon-hour in the mining camp.
The sound of the oath died away among the rocks. Silently the group watched the figure of a woman climbing the slope. In each man's mind speculation was rife. The Summit Camp was a place for bachelors. They prided themselves that this was so, boasted of it in saloons far distant, and fought with scornful ones in defence of the freedom it represented. Comparatively speaking, Summit Camp was morally inclined. The red light had no place among its jumble of cabins. Its members were single. If they took unto themselves a wife they likewise found a new job. Big Jim ras the autocrat of all their destinies. He
was a bachelor, and because of that his men were likewise. He tolerated no women in the camp.
Now a woman was coming. She was scarce a hundred yards from the camp, and the air in the vicinity became charged with suppressed excitement. The big man whirled around and spoke in a quiet, level voice in which steel jangled with ice.
"Remember, boys, she's got no place here. If one $o^{\prime}$ ye brought her, ye can pack. If she's come up here for business, I'll hae none $o^{\prime}$ that. The red light'll get short shift here."
"She ain't that kind," spoke one of the men tersely; "look at her!"
The eyes of the watchers centred with fresh interest upon the toiling figure. She was within a few feet of the cabin. Her greying hair and plain motherly face were a meet setting for the kind, tired eyes which looked in at them. Plainly, she was not that kind of woman. Each man thought of his mother with a catch in his throat. Two or three furtively brushed their eyes with horny fists. Big Jim gazed down at the drooping figure and his eyes softened.
"You've maybe lost your way, ma'am," he ventured; "if so, we'll put you right," he added, as if he hoped that it were so.
"No, I think not; that is-is this Summit Camp?" and the voice faltered in a way suggestive of apprehension.
"It is that. What be you wantin'? This is no place fer a woman, ma'am. There ain't one in the whole camp, 'ceptin' yerself."
"I'm looking for my-is Andrews here —Tom Andrews?"
"Maybe yes, an' maybe no. What is he to you, ma'am?"
"He is my husband," returned the woman with a quiver; "I want him."

A stunned silence fell upon the little group. Each man looked furtively at his neighbor and then glanced up the hillside to where Andrews was working among the rocks. Then they gave their attention to Big Jim, for he was speaking.
"How long has he been married to ye, ma'am?"
"Nigh unto twenty years, I think. Why, he isn't-there ain't nothin' wrong with him, he ain't hurt is he?" and the voice throbbed with pain while she looked dumbly from man to man, pathetic appeal in her eves.

For answer, Big Jim strode through the doorway and sent his voice rolling up the hillside. "Andrews!" he roared; "Andrews, yer wanted!" An answering hail came back, and then the little woman sighed conrantedly, and a happy smile illumined her tired face. There was, however, an expression as of fear, which watchful eves did not fail to see. Big Jim noticed it and spoke his thoughts.
"Has he treated ye well, ma'am?" he queried.
"Oh, yes, yes, he's been good to me," she asserted; but there was a frightened look in her eyes.
"Left you, perhaps?" again questioned the miner. A slight flush swept the woman's face and then left it pale.
"He didn't leave me-that is, he came up here to work," she stammered.
"Send you money ?"
"No-o. I didn't need it. I got along very well taking in washing, and then, you know, my boy will soon be old enough to work. Tom was savin', maybe." A mother's pride glowed in her words.

Big Jim raised his clenched fist and then let it fall again. On each man's face he read the determination that filled his own. There was a scraping of feet, and Andrews was in the cabin. What he saw there looked like a tribunal. The eyes of the men watched him silently, coldly.
"Is this your wife?" asked Big Jim, with suppressed anger struggling in his tones.

Andrews nodded. There was no escape. He was a big man, almost as big as the Boss. At the sight of him the woman had started forward, but something in the faces of the others held her back.

Then the vials of the big man's wrath broke loose like thunder in the hills. His voice boomed in the tiny room with deafening force.
"You cur!" he roared, "you hulking beast. You've treated a good woman like the dog you are, and you've lied to me an' the boys. You've let your wife slave for her life an' the life of your child, while you've squandered your earnings in whiskey. Hangin's too good for a beast like you, you coward."

Andrews' face flushed angrily under the tan. He turned on the Boss with a snarl. "By. God!" he growled, "you'll eat those words. You can't drive me like those sheep there, you d-n skunk!"

Big Jim's mighty fists whirled aloof as Andrews whipped out a hunting knife and crouched waiting for the onslaught. Then a woman's scream rang out, wild and shrill, and in a moment Andrews' wife had thrown herself between the two, her clinging arms around her husband's neck.
"No, no," she cried, "oh, no. Oh, sir, don't, don't!" and she turned imploringly to Big Jim.

For a moment the two giants stood, tense, quivering with rage, the rugged typification of mountain law. The others had not stirred from their places. This was the Boss's quarrel, though each man had a score with Andrews. One cannot call a miner a sheep and get away with it. They waited for the end.
Slowly the storm passed. Andrews thrust his knife into its sheath and Big Jim relaxed his mighty thews, though he still stared angrily at the other.

There was a tense silence, during which the two watched each other like bull moose in the spring time. "Well," growled Andrews presently, "what is it?"
"You go over to the office an' get your time, then you git," answered the Boss sternly; "you take your wife with you an' treat her square. If you don't you've me to reckon with, an' after me the boys."
"Hear, hear," came in a hoarse murmur from the group in unison. Silently they watched the pair cross the sunlit space to the office, where Andrews drew his time. Then the two moved down the narrow
trail towards the valley and were lost in the pines. Big Jim's eyes swept the circle of faces searchingly.
"Hell!" he murmured, and then strode away up the hillside.

## Absent

By G. J. Weston

But yesterday the pines were things of grace, The waters sparkled 'neath an azure dome, Tonight methinks the sombre pines make moan, The troubled waters seek a vanished Face.

A Face that smiled upon the laughing tide,
A Jewel that gemmed the setting of the trees, A laughing Voice whose music filled the breeze, A Form that moved in rhythm by my side.

Tonight the hills are shrouded as in pain,
Through wind-swept clouds there gleams a sullen moon,
Faintly afar I hear the mocking loon,
But for a Face I search the night in vain.
Before me lie the years my feet must roam,
Wherein my heart yearns for the World's Desire, Nor may I know its satisfying fire,
But wander down the path alone-alone.

## A Chechaco’s Dream

LO! I dreamed a dream and it troubled me exceedingly. Behold, I was still a youth, and the desire to sign the pledge was yet far from me. Therefore was I heavy in spirit, for the dream that came unto me savored of the jim. jams, which are to the D.T.'s what jui-jitsu is to wrestling. Thus was I weighed down with my affliction, and my heart yearned sadly for the land of my fathers, for, be it understood, I was a stranger in a far country.

I dreamed strangely, not wisely, you understand, nor well. Hearken yet a little and I will unfold that which burdened me while I was young, and the wine cup stilh gleamed redly in the lamplight and bit, not like a mosquito, but was prolific only of a feeling like unto the morning after.

Lo! the latch-key would not fit, and when I lifted mine eyes I beheld a landscape which was filled with mountains and laughing streams. In vain did I strive to fit it in with the view obtainable from my humble place of abode. It refused to be so fitted. Then, while mine eyes were delighted by the laughing streams, I beheld that which filled me with a great fear, and I cried aloud that the Philistines were upon us.

Lo! from afar I beheld the figure of a man whose stature was like unto that of the mountains which shook at his coming even as I. From a great distance he came hither. His feet, I perceived, glistened like solid gold. His legs were a composition of all the minerals. The body was formed of a gigantic tree trunk, and in place of the right arm I saw a fish, while his left was like unto a grain bag filled to overflowing. Upon his shoulders there rested an object bright and gleaming as a full moon. It I discerned to be an apple.

Now I trembled much, and was afraid, for the door-key was still obstinate, and there was no escape. Howsoever, the strange giant treated me as my friends when I am flush, which is to say well-fixed. Tenderly he gathered me up as a shepherd doth his ba-lamb, and gave unto me of his gold and silver. Now, although he took vast treasures from himself, I did perceive with astonishment that he was in nowise diminished in bulk, but continued as before. Then he went hence with great suddenness letting me fall with much violence against the lamp-post, which same did most unkindly bump me in many places.

Now, in the days that followed I did impart my strange story to many people whom I had hitherto called comrades, but they reviled me and mocked me with scorn. In the land where I then was dwelt one who was a wise man, and the fame of his wisdom went abroad through the nation. Unto him for mine ailment did I beget me, and he listened in silence while I delivered my strange tale, nor did he let loose the vials of scorn and vituperation as had mine other confessors. When I had finished, the wise man raised his hands and blessed me. "Go in peace, my son," said he; "be no more troubled because of that which has come to pass. Lo! it is patent that the giant which thou hast seen is none other than British Columbia, with its feet of gold, its legs of many minerals, its body of the trunk of a tree, its arms of fish and breadstuff, and its head an apple of great brilliance. Let thine heart be no more troubled, and let thy tongue sing praises. Go, my son, tarry not, but get you gone."

Then went I out and did revenge me on the ones at whose hands $I$ had suffered, for the joy was great within me, and my heart sang praises unto the midnight sun, while the wine cup gleamed redly as of yore. Lo! it is finished and I depart in peace. Selah!

## Incompetence

THE other day a prominent man, annoyed beyond measure, suddenly burst out, "Of all the incompetence in this world! No one has sufficient brains to do the simplest thing correctly."
This brought out the remark from a companion, "Well, if it wasn't for that, my friend, you and I wouldn't be able to make as easy a living as we do."
There, it's out! In that brief sentence is summed up the story of all the failures and all the successes in the history of man. Adam's incompetence in fighting Man's first battle with his better half lost him Eden. From then to now it has always been the same. A thousand years from today will find it so.
The few who are capable to do the big things, get the big things, are the big men. The others are the rank and file. They do the little things, get little, are little. Even the performance of little things is often beyond them, and so the man higher up deplores the world's incompetence.

Often if the little man does his little job well he gets larger work to do, and, after a time, he is numbered with the big ones. This is not always so. There are some men who do small things well, but who are incapable of anything more. And there are men who do nothing well, either small or great. These are they whom the brainy man calls incompetents.
Get out of your rut! If the boss tells you to do a thing, do it. If you can't, make a stab at it; get someone who can, only -get it done. It's the failure to have a job performed that annoys. When your boss thinks of a contingency once, and provides for it, he wants to be able to forget it. He wants to be sure that there is no further need of personal attention. Make good once, and you get a second chance. The secret of making good is sticking to it. Stick when everyone else lets go. Stick when everything is going wrong. Get the job done. Stick all day and all night, and then some. Some day you'll wake and find people you don't know bowing to you, firms anxious to do business with you, society eager to entertain. That's the way the world uses

Success. When these things happen you'll know you're IT.
Then, strangely enough, sticking is found to have become a habit. You can't let go. There's a joy in the battle. Only when you are ploughing ahead are you happy. You feel some of the emotions of Jack London's "Sea Wolf." You want to be "the biggest bit of the firmament in your immediate vicinity."
Don't dream except out of working hours. Then a little won't hurt. It's an incentive. Napoleon dreamed of an Empire and a language that should be universal. His was the world's greatest dream. No one before or since dreamed as he did, and-he nearly made it fact. Alexander dreamed of the world's conquest, but his world was small compared with Bonaparte's. Caesar likewise dreamed after hours. He dreamed of an Emperor's crown and an Imperial throne. While he dreamed he was assassinated, but he nearly got there. Others have dreamed of great things and got them, but not by dreaming. One per cent. of dream and ninety-nine per cent. of work. That's the formula. Use it!

# The Elegy of the Edisonites 

(SET TO SLOW MUSIC)

By Norman S. Rankin, the "Mail Man"

With apologies to Berton Brayley
(The Edison Troupe bark in New York, aiter their 6,000-mile trip across the Continent; 100 slade, singing in chorus). Composed and recited by the "Mail Man" at the farewell dinner to J. Dennis, Esq., Vancouver Hotel, July 25th, 1910.

We want to go, want to go, want to go West again, Out with the Edison actress and actor men, Out with our cameras, note books and pens again; Lord, but we're sick for it, sick for it all;
Sick to be back on the Edison Special Train, Sick for the movement, the hustle and rush again,
Sick for the smell and the noise of the cars again, Lord, how our spirits respond to the call.

We want to go, want to go, want to go West again, Up through Dakota and Middle West States again,
Out to Regina-the barracks of mounted men, Gallant in uniform, top boots and spurs;
Let us just see a stampede of wild steers again, Feel the effects of an 'lectrical storm again,
Say, but we want to go, want to go West again, Out 'midst the odors of pines and of firs.

We want to go, want to go, want to go West again, Climbing up glaciers and tortuous trails again,
Dashing in autos 'long precipitous cliffs again, Whirling up dust in a great smoky pall;
Wish we could jump in the sulphurous pool again, Long for a sight of the buffalo and deer again,
Sick for the sound of the click of the film again, Wirding away in an unending ball.

We want to go, want to go, want to go West again, Up Lake Louise, Banff, Glacier and Field again,
Borrowing sweaters or leggings or boots again, Burning with heat or soaking with rain;
Long for a swim in the Windermere Lake again, Pine for a dance in the hotel houseboat again,
Sick for a meal in the commissary car again, Lord, how the pictures unfold in our brain.

We want to go, want to go, want to go West again, As guests of the "Chief" in his "Specialized" train again,
Treated like kings or theatrical "stars" again, Nothing too good for us-nothing at all.
Broadway may beckon with lights as of old again, Lunch counter cafes appeal to our taste again,
Little hall bedrooms agree with our purse again, But we can't forget it-forget it at all.

# Potential Suburbs of <br> Vancouver 




HEN the flowing population of a city exceeds its capacity and breaks new ground, the ultimate suitability of the new annex is a consideration that is often left undiscussed, with the result that when the city proper and its tributaries are finally merged an ugly hiatus remains to mark the line of demarkation. This is a possibility that happily does not exist in the case of Point Grey, that potential suburb of the southern heights, or, as it has been called, Greater Vancouver.
Standing high above the city-overlooking it, is the way the Point Grey residents describe it-this suburban district which has not yet completely discarded its elemental clothing is gradually evolving a distinction that, when linked up with the city, as it will be in the future, will give an add ed charm and interest not unmixed with matural pride to both communities. Situated at an altitude reaching in some places three hundred feet above the sea level, Point Grey has all the natural advantages of scenic beauty, coupled with an atmosphere of undiluted balm.

## CONSTANT GROWTH

It is only three short years since Point Grey first raised its incipient head at the call of the suburbanite, and since that moment it has never drooped. Once the dome of silence-that appalling wonder of the forest -was broken, it was broken forever. Today Point Grey boasts of a steadily growing population. How rapidly it grows would not be easy to say, as it increases almost every hour. And it is a healthy growth. Its robust individuality and determined progress $\underset{\text { wi }}{\text { would }}$ almost seem to indicate that it
realized its final destiny and was striving for it. The plain fact of the matter is that its municipal governors realize the important part it will play in the future development of Vancouver, and their efforts are at present concentrated upon helping Point Grey to a position and stature that will enable it to fall in line and fulfill its function when merged, as well as when it was merely an adjunct. Unlike most suburban districts, it is not imbued with a super sense of its own importance and desirous of retaining its parochial privileges and limited distinctions. Under the guidance of its municipal rulers it looks beyond the day to the time when it and Vancouver will be one, and with that laudable perspective in mind it is being formed in the same mould as the city to which it adheres, so that in the days to come a traveller crossing the line will not be able to detect the chip from the old block. Even now in the chrysalis stage of its development, Point Grey would seem to silhouette its ultimate shape and dimensions against a sympathetic horizon. Its various boundaries are already set forth, and many of its principal roads are already under construction. It covers a wide expanse of richly wooded country, and although at the present moment its populated parts are like dots upon a landscape and seem to unduly emphasize the difficulty of subduing it to man's utility, even a novice in regard to the rate of industrial progress could not fail to bring away with him the deep assurance that Point Grey would soon be as densely peopled as it is now densely wooded.

## LARGE EXPENDITURE

Throughout Point Grey at the moment there is something like a million dollars being spent. To gaze along the natural avenues of the forest, or traverse some of
the improved roadways and emerge upon a beautiful and unexpected vista, this appalling fact becomes hard to believe, for amid its accession to public favor and the clamor of its industrial possibilities, Point Grey preserves its rustic environment and dreamy, restful atmosphere. How long it will do so is a matter that concerns those who identify themselves with its advancement. On Shaughnessy Heights alone there are about sixty buildings in course of erection, and the average cost of them will lie somewhere near the $\$ 10,000$ mark.
University site

One factor that must not be omitted in a synoptical review of Point Grey is that the site for the new University has been selected within its borders by the commission appointed by the Government to look over the various places having sites to offer for that auspicious purpose.

Reeve Bowser's administration is of that patient, thoughtful nature which looks for its reward not in the immediate present but in the future. In their plans for the expansion of the city the councillors have been careful to reserve ample air space to fight that city demon technically known as congestion. The magnanimous sum of a hundred thousand dollars has been voted for the conservation of large lots as public parks and playgrounds, so that when Vancouver goes out to meet her cub she will have to digest this excellent lesson in the matter of town building. The population has grown so rapidly within recent times that four schools have had to be erected to cope with the educational need of the youth of the place, and it is proposed to carry out a scheme whereby each of the schools will have a park, either in conjunction or close by, so that the school children will have every facility for healthful recreation.
GOOD ROADS

One of the first essentials of the development of industry of any kind is efficient means of transportation. That means good roads. The municipal council of Point Grey has shown itself fully alive to the importance of this question. In all they have voted (and partly spent) the vast sum of six hundred and eighty thousand dollars, to be devoted to the making of good roads. They realize that good roads are good value and cheap roads
bad economy. Their present endeavor is to complete as soon as possible the roads which are the main arteries to the citt, and which happily enough are the main thoroughfares of the township itself, so that in the one performance they are achieving a double purpose, as it were. The necessity for speed in accomplishing this object has not blinded the local autho. rities to the advantage of having it doine well, and consequently a great deal of attention is being paid to the laying and paving of the roads. Granville street and one or two of the other principal streets will have a bitulithic coating. From Sixteenth avenue, which is the city boundary, to Twenty-fourth avenue, Granville strect will have a double track of car lines, a factor which will be of inestimable beneft in the near future.

## WATER SUPPLY

The practical side of Point Grey's development is worthy of some space in this column. Water is the elixir of life, and it is necessary to a community, whether large or small, and it is gratifying to know that the arrangements are being made to ensure Point Grey having an efficient supply even in times of drought. They have located sites and are at present engaged in the preliminaries of two magnificent reservoirs, each of them having a capacity of not less than three million gallons. One of them is to be situated in the east and the other in the west, and both of them will occupy the highest points in their respective localities. It is confidently asserted that when the reservoirs are completed and full they will have an eight to ten days' supply always in readiness.

THE SUBURB'S PLAYGROUNDS
In addition to the scheme for acquiring parks and playgrounds, they have applied for and obtained from the Canadian Pacific Railway an option on a section of Little Mountain, and it is the intention of the municipality to reserve it as open space. It extends over a hundred acres. Vancouver has about eleven acres there, in which is located one of their reservoirs. At Eblurne six acres are at present being cleared to scrve as a ball ground for the youth of the district. This particular park is situated off the Oak street car track, and is quite
close to the schoolhouse. At Wilson road near Kerrisdale another large area is being cleared for the school children to disport themselves in, and as it is also located within easy hail of a schoolhouse its popularity is at once assured.

## AGRICCLTURAL EXPERIMEN

Just before Kerrisdale station is reached an interesting agricultural experiment can be seen in process. There some of the C. P. R. lands are being cleared and deroted to the production of vegetables to test the oft-repeated ghost story that vegetables won't grow in the climate. So far as can be gathered from a cursory glance in passing on a trolley, the experiment is mecting with considerable success. A number of men are working on this smiall vegetable colony, and the rest of the inhabitants are looking on in expectant wonder.

## THE FINANCIAL STATUS

A word or two in regard to the financial status of Point Grey might well be said here. The rate of taxation for this year was: Wild land 6.3 mills, improved land 2.7 mills, special 1.42 mills, and school tax .33 mills; with a rebate of onesixth of the general rate, leaving a net rate of four mills on improved land and seven mills on wild land.

Their debenture debt exclusive of school and local improvements amounts to $\$ 695$,-

000 , for school purposes $\$ 28,000$, for local improvements $\$ 25,000$. In order to defeat the ends of the speculative land purchaser the municipality raised the assessment of their lands and equalized matters by reducing the rate of taxation.

There is no desire on the part of the authorities of Point Grey to have their little preserve rushed by all and sundry. They are desirous of seeing it cast off its swaddling clothes and assume the garments of a staid and settled community, but not at the cost of chaotic rupture to the progressive strain at present running with the smoothness of a billiard ball. They want the land to be taken up and settled upon, because they are perfectly aware that that is the best advertisement their beauty spot can have. Their proposition is not of the unconditional order that governs many similar transactions. They invite you to harbor yourself within their spacious limits, and in return they undertake to see that your comforts are attended to with the most generous liberality. In this respect they would seem to take their cue from Point Grey itself, for it is no niggard in the distribution of its favors. With the governors and the governed all in the color scheme of harmony Point Grey's destiny is almost bound to be fraught with auspicious circumstances.



O the average citizen of a great city like Vancouver, the question of an outlet for the surplus population may never have penetrated his mind: even if it had, in all probability it would have been dismissed as of no immediate concern to him; and yet in spite of this general disregard the question
is one of the very greatest importance to him and to the whole community of which he is a representative constituent: it means all the difference between social freedom and oppressive congestion. The latter is invariably the advance guard or ominous herald of the Kingdom of Slumdom, and all the horrifying associations incidental to its regime. This being the case, the question of the city having a series of suitable tributaries into which its overplus may merge
without losing touch with the metropolis, becomes of paramount importance. The immediate concern of this article is to show as clearly as possible the particular equipment in this connection which is possessed by that vast area of land comprising a considerable portion of the peninsula lying on the southern side of the Burrard Inlet and known as Burnaby.

## THRICE VANCOUVER'S SIZE

On the southern shore the boundary of Burnaby extends approximately to six miles, and as it measures the same distance in diameter it has an area of thirty-six miles, or to better demonstrate its dimensions, almost as big as Point Grey and South Vancouver together, or better still, three times the present size of the City of Vancouver. In the common parlance of the ambitious citizens of this aspiring locality, the Royal City of New Westminster lies in the lap of Burnaby like a toy spaniel in the arms of a lady. On the east it is bounded by Coquitlam and on the west by South Vancouver and the Hastings Townsite. The municipality was incorporated in 1892, and at the present time it has a population of 5,000 .

## INDUSTRIES

Its principal industries are the lumber mills of the North Pacific Company, employing about 300 hands, Burrard Lumber Company, and the Pipers, and a number of smaller mills scattered all over the country; the Nichols Chemical Works on the Inlet, and the Western Canada Canning Company, which concern occupies a fine site on the southern slope, just north of New Westminster.

POWER PLANT
As an index to what estimate the people on the other side of the line put upon the possibilities of Burnaby, it may be stated that the Sumner Iron Works of America intends building a factory in the vicinity of Still Creek, west of Burnaby Lake, where it will be conveniently tapped by the new B. C. E. R. line, also by the Great Northern Railway. The Western Canada Power Company have purchased a piece of land in the same district with a view to erecting a substantial plant there, which is to be utilized ${ }^{\cdot}$ as the distributing point of the electric light and power, not only for Bur-
naby, but for the whole surrounding and contiguous country. The power for this new plant is to be generated at the Stave River, which is about thirty-five miles distant on the Stave River near the lake. It is proposed to erect the station this fall.

## FINE SHIPPING FACILITIES

In the matter of transportation the residents in Burnaby have no complaint to make, for the simple fact that they are better supplied in that very important essential to suburban life than many of their fellows living in less favored municipalities. There are the Eburne line, which runs right from Vancouver to New Westminster; the interurban line, which runs from east to west; and the Burnaby Lake line, which is almost completed. These are the clectric lines, and they are supplemented by the Great Northern and Canadian Pacific, both of which run through the municipality's territory. In addition to this very efficient service the B. C. Electric have purchased a right-of-way from Highland Park station on the interurban line to New Westminster, to form a loop with a view to double tracking the existing line.

## INTERESTING GROWTH

A peculiar and interesting feature about the growth and development of Burnaby is that it is taking place unostentatiously. It does not owe any of its popularity to the heated effluvia of its ardent but misguided friends. It is not growing on account of what they say in its favor, but rather in spite of it, and that is an excellent tribute to the inherent qualities of the place. In order to meet the new conditions brought about by the influx of population, the council are borrowing money for the laudable purpose of making permanent roads and main trunk roads all through the numicipality.

## BURNABY'S ROADS

The main Vancouver road is now completely macadamized, and in excellent shape from New Westminster to Central Park, which is the boundary separating the larger city from the municipality. A feature of this road is that it has been oiled to facilitate traffic. It is claimed by the municipality that they were the first in the whole Province of British Columbia to treat their
roads in this manner. Other main thoroughfares will be treated in the same manner, so that when they are completed the framework of the vehicles will not be wracked to pieces by the unpremeditated undulations of the roads.

## WATER SUPPLY

Another reform already in effect concerns the water system of Burnaby. With the aggregation of the settlers into communities, it became necessary to abolish the old primitive idea of having every man attend to his own water supply at his own particular well. The council passed a bylaw for the erection of a water tower at Edmonds with a capacity of $25,000 \mathrm{gal}$ lons. That water is now in use. At Central Park and East Burnaby artesian wells are being sunk for similar purposes. Of course, it must be understood that these water towers are merely provisional; when the time ripens for a general system to supply the whole municipality from one source they will fall into desuetude and a new system will be installed. Looking through their perspective glasses, the council had the foresight to obtain a record on Seymour Creek, so that when the time for a general system does arrive there will be no difficulty about the supply of water.

## SIDEWALKS

At the present time the council have under consideration a by-law voting the sum of $\$ 70,000$ for sidewalks throughout the municipality, and they have also under contemplation the idea of putting in electric lights on the roads just as the sidewalks are completed. So far as these improvements are concerned the conditions prevailing in Burnaby are just akin to the conditions prevailing in the city. The telephone, with all its labor-saving utilities, is installed all over the district, so that communication with other parts, both within and without the municipal boundary, can be made readily.

## fine residential section

As a townsite Burnaby is an ideal spot. Standing at an altitude of between 300 and 400 feet, it not only possesses beauty spots of its own that can cry quits with its more vaunted rival, but by virtue of its position it offers as fine a view of its competitors as can be obtained within their con-
fines. In. fact, it is one of the standing jokes of Burnaby that while the adjoining and adjacent municipalities have certainly some beautiful scenery, you must go to Burnaby to see them properly, and incidentally partake of the local treasure store at the same time. The inter-communication with the City of Vancouver and New Westminster obviously tends to make Burnaby a residential quarter of distinction.
All over the miunicipality homes are cropping up with wonderful rapidity. Yet when one looks at the location of these places the wonder disappears, or rather changes its aspect. The most select little homesites are culled from the dense forest just as a child would pluck a wayside flower, and in a little while the transformation is completed by the erection of a dainty home. What with their invigorating atmosphere, perennial sunshine and absence of fog, coupled with all the advantages that a town can bestow upon its constituents, the pioneer residents of Burnaby are to be congratulated.

## STILL A FARM SECTION

It is only a matter of a few years back that Burnaby was rather famous for her farming lands, and the reason that so many of her possibilities in this direction have not been heard of recently is not that they have grown any the less, but simply that her qualifications as a townsite have become more pronounced, and of course the cutting up of the land into subdivisions marked the exit of many of the farms and ranches. Yet down in the valley farming and ranching, mixed to a large degree with fruitgrowing, are the staple occupations of the inhabitants. The soil is rich and fertile, and the production is of a high order in all the branches of agriculture and horticulture. Many very fine farms are still to be seen, and in this connection it is only fair to say that the Burnaby farmers have carried off a large percentage of the first prizes at all the leading fall shows in the Province, as well as at the great horse shows held in Vancouver.

## BURNABY'S HARBOR

Then there is the foreshore on the north and south. It is like beating a dead dog to emphasize the importance of the Burrard Inlet as a shipping harbor, yet one
cannot let the opportunity slip. That it will at some distant time be put to a use worthy of its vast capabilities is one of the certainties of the commercial life of the West, and when that day dawns it will be a big factor in the making of Vancouver and all the municipalities abutting upon its shores one of the greatest industrial centres in the world. Six miles of Burnaby lie along these shores awniting the commencement of the industries that will create her prosperity and make her great.

The construction of the Second Narrows bridge is another factor that will play a prominent part in the development of Burnaby. At that point she will be further served with the railroads and thus be brought into more direct communication with the City of Vancouver. In fact, she will be the gateway for the north. On the southern foreshore the only obstruction to navigation are the sand heads at the mouth of the Fraser River, and the Dominion Government is at present taking steps to have this defect remedied by means of dredging. On the other hand, Burnaby is bounded by the Burrard Inlet, which is deep enough to accommodate the largest warship in the world; and on the other hand she is lashed by the Fraser River, which has water enough to accommodate many of the large trading vessels.

## SPLENDID SCHOOLS

As in all other respects, Burnaby is well equipped educationally. Each division of the municipality possesses a school, and the standard of teaching that pertains is unusually high. The schools seriatim are: Barnet, East Burnaby, West Burnaby, Dundonald, Duthie, Firgrove and Lakeview. The money spent on education last year amounted to over $\$ 18,000$. All the schools are either new or completely renovated and enlarged within the last two years. The educational facilities are kept in accord with the times, as the authorities recognize that people will not migrate from the cities unless they can be sure that their children's education will not suffer by the change.

## TAXATION

The assessed value of land and improvements in Burnaby has risen from $\$ 1,500$,000 in 1908 , to $\$ 10,000,000$ in 1910 .

Among the causes contributing to this enhancement of Burnaby property are the projected tram lines. As the assessment rose, the rate was reduced. Last year the rate was 18 and 8 mills for wild and improved respectively, while this year it was only 11 and 5 mills. In order to meet the large expenditure required by the nelw condition of things, the council passed a bylaw last year, of which the ratepayers ap. proved, which enabled them to issue debentures for $\$ 150,000$. A part of the proceeds of these debentures has already been applied, as intended, to the reconstruction of the main roads. As evidence of their sound financial standing, these debentures were sold at $1033 / 4$, on which they realized a profit of $\$ 6,000$.

This year the council issued more debentures for the purpose of enlarging the schools, and they were sold at 104.32. Burnaby claims to be the first municipality in the Province of British Columbia to adopt what is known as the single tax, which exempts all improvements from taxation.

## GOVERNMENT CONCESSION

A governmental concession, the value of which it is almost impossible at this time to estimate, are the foreshore rights on all the strects of Burnaby bordering on the Burrard Inlet. The municipality petitioned the Government in this respect and were successful. It now lies with the future to unfold the real value of the concession that was obtained without legal wrangling and consequent expenditure.

The religious clement in the lite of the residents of Burnaby is one that is weil catered for; all the various denominations have places of worship within the municipal limits. At the present time there are 21,000 on the assessment roll, as compared with 1,426 in 1905.
From all appearances it would seem that the star of Burnaby is in the ascendant. Her fine location, natural beauty and wonderful resources combine to merit the distinction that time will undoubtedly crown her with. Whether it comes soon or late, it will come, and those located within her boundaries will receive the full flood of the benefits.


expatiate upon the advantages of Lulu Island sounds, to those who are familiar with this halcyon spot, like painting the lily, and nothing but the fact that the population is a flowing rather than a settled one, keeps the task from bordering on the superfluous. The municipality of Richmond, as the island is classically known, practically adjoins the City of Vancouver and actually adjoins the City of New Westminster. The north arm of the Fraser River flows between Richmond and the peninsula upon which the City of Vancouver is now building. In the near future the municipality of South Vancouver, with its population of 20,000 , will become a part of Greater Vancouver, and when that eventuates Richmond and the City of Vancouver will adjoin each other.
Besides being contiguous to South Vancouver, Richmond is in close touch with Point Grey and Burnaby, both of which municipalities are also qualifying to become integral portions of Greater Vancouver. Richmond consists of two parts, Lulu Island and Sea Island; but as the former extends over much the greater area of the two, the municipality is generally known as Lulu Island. Approximately the island contains 30,000 acres. It must be understood that although the municipality is nominally an island, it is to all intents and purposes an integral part of the mainland. Four splendid bridges span the river, one at Eburne, one at Fraser Avenue and one at New Westminster, while the B. C. Electric Railway crosses the river by a steel bridge of its own at Eburne. It will thus be seen that the district is closely and vitally connected with the City of Vancouver, and that the future of both is bound up together. Richmond has many surprises for those who have not yet paid it a visit. Those who have travelled through British Columbia know that the land for the most part is or has been covered with forest. Richmond, in striking contrast to this, is a
level prairie-like section. Generally speaking, it is entirely free from stumps, and no stones are to be found save those brought in for the purpose of macadamizing the roads.

## SUPERIOR SOIL

The kind of soil it possesses may be readily surmised from its position at the mouth of the Fraser River. Like the famous land of Goshen, it is a delta. The soil is the cream of all the soil in the great Fraser Valley, carried down by the river and built up into this level tract at the mouth. This explains its freedom from the forest and from stones, and at the same time explains the wonderful fertility of the soil which is the surprise of all visitors who have never before seen such land in cultivation. This river silt or alluvial soil is easy of cultivation, and much of it has been farmed for the last twenty years, some of it for an even longer period. Although much of the land has been cropped continuously, no decrease has been recorded in the yields. The fertility seems almost inexhaustible. While the natural fertility of the soil first attracts the attention of the visitor, a brief consideration of the location of the municipality of Richmond will also show that it has no mean claim as a site for industries. The extent of deep waterfrontage on the south of Lulu Island is about seventeen miles. The tracks of the B. C. E. R. are in operation on the island from Vancouver and New Westminster.

## TRANSPORTATION

The B. C. Electric Railway runs right across the most thickly populated section of the municipality, and other new lines are in contemplation. At the present time there is an hourly service to and from Vancouver, and residents of the municipality travel at half fare. By means of this line the residents are enabled to enjoy all the advantages of the city, such as attendance at the theatres, concerts, churches, etc. This advantage of quick transportation is seconded by many others, as for example the telephone system. Every resident of the
municipality may have a telephone at the low rental of $\$ 12$ a year. The children who have attained school age are well catered for in the matter of educational facilities. All the schools are graded, and in one of them the high school branches of teaching are in operation.

## CROPS VERY PROFITABLE

The remarkable growth of the City of Vancouver shows what the future holds in store for the producers of the Richmond municipality. It is somewhat natural to ask what Richmond is doing to provide for this demand. Up to the present time not a great deal has been done owing to the fact that most of the residents are oldtimers. When they settled in Richmond there was no demand for anything but the general products of the farm, and, having become accustomed to producing these crops, it is not easy for them to change their methods. The reason is also to be found in the high prices paid for even the commonest products of the farm, and the large yields obtained secure a large profit from even general farming. It is to be borne in mind that such crops require the smallest amount of labor, and as there are large areas to work, most of the people have not yet seen fit to go into other lines. Then again the great demand for garden products is a development of comparatively recent years, and it has grown so very rapidly that the people of the municipality have had little chance to adapt themselves to the changing conditions. What Richmond was apparently intended to do by Nature was to supply Vancouver with its garden products. While the task is still very far from fulfilment-and therein, of course, lics the opportunity for the new-comer-it has been recognized and is now on the luminous path that leads toward realization. Every resident in the district can bear conclusive testimony to the prolific yields of small fruits as grown for home use. Every home has a luscious and abundant supply of strawberries, raspberries, currants, gooseberries, etc. Tree fruits are not quite so well adapted to the conditions, yet at the same time good yields are obtained.

Mr. Daniel Peters at Eburne is probably the leading orchardist of Richmond. He
has a young orchard of some three hundred trees which has yielded him 1,000 boxes of fruit-apples, pears, plums and cherriesin a single season. Another incidental revenue-producer is the honey-bee. Their presence in such commercial numbers is probably due to the white clover which grows abundantly, giving an ample supply of pabulum for the bees.

## THE: CANNING INDUSTRY

The canneries stretch nine miles along the river front, affording, with other manufacturing works, profitable employment to many thousands of people. Steves. ton, at all seasons of the year a busy place, presents a thriving scene during the shipping season with ranks of mighty cargo-carriers all along the waterfront actively engaged stowing the myriad cases of the local salmon pack for transport to the uttermost ends of the earth. Salmon-canning is proving a great magnet for outside capital, and each year sees an addition to the number of firms garnering the finny harvest of the Fraser River. The salmon of the Fraser is one of the commodities for which the demand is still far in excess of the supply, and yet curiously enough it is impossible to land in a place upon which a salmon tin from one of the famous canneries has not been dumped.

## FRUIT FARMING $\Lambda N D$ POULitRY

It is particularly adaptable to fruit farming, especially the small varieties which return yields that are almost phenomenal both in quality and quantity. Cases are on record where a man has taken from seven to eight hundred dollars from a strawbemy crop alone. It is also good for all kinds of truck gardening, and it has been stated by some of the most eminent agriculturists who have visited the province that the yields of vegetables obtained on Lulu Island warrant the value of the land reaching up to two thousand dollars an acre. It is generally admitted that there is no better place in the province for chicken farming. The largest poultry farms in the province are located on the island, and a great number of settlers are not only earning a good living, but are actually making small fortunes out of the poultry industry. One case in point can be cited where a man pos-
sessing but one acre of land had a gross return of $\$ 1,800$ per annum from his chickens.
financial footing good
It may not be generally known that Richmond is one of the oldest municipalities in British Columbia, having been incorporated some thirty years. It is also interesting to know that many of the original settlers are still on the land. To get back to the dollars and cents aspect of the situation, it may be noted that the municipality has a high financial standing, which is evidenced by the fact that the last issue of $41 / 2$ per cent. bonds for $\$ 325,000$ for the purposes of perfecting the water supply and road improvement sold at 97 , almost equivalent to obtaining 107 for bonds bearing interest at 5 per cent. WATER SUPPLY
Up to a recent date the water supply was the one drawback to the advancement of Richmond. Realizing this, the council made arrangements with New Westminster,
whereby $1,040,000$ gallons are supplied daily.

The climate is the usual mild one enjoyed by the entire Pacific Coast. Snow rarely occurs and the rainfall does not exceed forty inches annually. The locality is entirely free from insect pests.

Such an eminent authority on the subject as Mr. Maxwell Smith, the editor of The Fruit Magazine, says: "It is not a matter of great moment as to whether Lulu Island shall or shall not at some future time be included within the City of Vancouver, though that time will undoubtedly come. Lulu Island is sufficient unto itself in this respect, and more than sufficient, commanding as it does the entrance to the Fraser River, one of the greatest potential waterways of the world. The world has yet to see a great river whose mouth does not become the scene of busy industrial activity."


# Thirty Pieces of Silver By Conway S. Harcourt 



UTSIDE, the wind was howling mournfully and rain was pouring down as only rain can pour in that dreariest of all months-November.
The dreary aspect of the main street of a little dirty mining town, with a few flickering lamp-posts that a too economical council had ordained should stand far, far apart, seemed in dismal keeping with the night. Inside the bar-parlor of a cheery little tavern, made brighter by contrast with the gloom around it, a group of men were sitting, smoking their pipes and settling the affairs of the nation with the easy content that comes with well-earned rest after a hard day's work. They were regular patrons, as their easy bearing and familiar banter with the jovial host soon showed. Hard-working sons of toil, seeking the relaxation of congenial company and refreshment after the labors of the day.

A big burly man with an authoritative voice, who was being listened to with great attention and almost deference, was holding forth.
"Wot I sez is as murderers can't escape nowadays. Wot with thumb prints and newspapers and things it's any odds that the police catch their man. And they'll do it in this 'ere Lunnon murder as sure as my name's Bill 'Arris," and Mr. Harris buried his face in his pot of beer as if the question were finally settled.
"I don't know so much," ventured a little man with a rather red nose and a necktie something the same hue. "If 'e don't leave no clue it ain't easy to 'unt 'im down. Now this 'ere Lunnon murderer don't seem to 'ave left much evidence, do 'e?"
"Murders! Murders! Why you gents never talk of anything but 'orrors," an elderly woman of ample proportions exclaimed as she bustled into the room.
"What's this murder I'm 'earing so much about?"
The men shuffled about rather uneasily, for Mrs. Evans, the hostess, was respected as much for her sharp tongue as her general capacity for managing the tavern, and, with it, her easy-going husband.
Mr. Harris, as befitting the leader, broke the silence. "It's this latest Lunnon murder, missus. A sailor chap was found near the docks with 'is 'ead battered in and 'is pockets turned inside out, a week ago now. It's supposed that some ' ooligan set upon 'im and stove 'is 'ead in to get wot was in 'is pockets. Leastways, that's wot they thought at first, but tonight's paper sez something about a chap who left 'is slip with 'im and 'as disappeared. It seems that members of the crew 'ave come forward and sed that the chap wot was murdered used to bully this poor fellow something awful, and more than one of them 'eard 'im say 'e'd do for 'im when they landed. It's 'im the police are looking for now, and wot's more they're offering one hundred pounds reward for 'im. Well, I don't know, sailors are a pretty rough lot. There's no telling. At least some of 'em are," he added rather lamely, suddenly remembering by the ominous glare in the hostess' eye that her only son was a sailor, too.
"Glad to hear you say some of 'em, Mr. 'Arris," Mrs. Evans answered tatly; "reckon there's good and bad of all sorts.",
A conciliatory chorus of "'ear, 'ear," greeted the ruffled lady.
"And wot's the latest of your son, Mrs. Evans?" a quiet, meek-faced man in the corner ventured, with a laudable intention of turning the conversation into less disagreeable channels. "Isn't there some tall of 'im coming 'ome?"
"Yes," the good dame replied, "last letter I 'ad from 'im 'e said 'e was on 'is way 'ome. And fifteen long years since I've seen 'im. Well! Well! 'is old mother 'll be
glad to see 'im," she sighed bustling out of the bar in a not very successful attempt to hide her excusable emotion.
"Aye! and a jolly good lad 'e is," his father exclaimed proudly, "and no fault of 'is'e ain't done too well in the world. Wrote in 'is last letter, 'e did, that 'e was coming 'ome, and if we could start 'im in a little business 'e'd stay at 'ome. 'Ad enough of the sea, and no wonder."
"Well, you can easy do that, Evans," Harris exclaimed. "Nice little nest you've got here, you know, selling bad beer at tuppence a pint."
A shout of laughter greeted the sally, in which mine host good-temperedly joined.
As a matter of fact, business was worse than he had ever known it to be, and the old couple had a tough struggle to make both ends meet, but as old Evans often remarked to his wife: "It's no good telling 'em that, Martha, 'cos they wouldn't believe it, and after all an 'ouse with a good solid name attracts more custom than a place wot's known to be going shaky."
In the midst of the general hilarity, the door opened and a man entered, letting in a wild gust of wind and rain that made the occupants of the cozy bar shiver and glance with looks of resentment at the stranger. Muffled up to the ears and with his cap pulled well down over his eyes, the newcomer, after ordering and receiving a pot of beer, retired into a corner and sat down without so much as a glance at the assembled company, who were staring at him as only the nightly frequenters of a tavern, where strangers are rare, could stare.
With his advent a strange restraint seemed to fall on the assembly. Perhaps the cold and damp had penetrated even into that cozy spot-perhaps the presence of a stranger constrained them-but, whatever the reason, the tall, mysterious-looking newcomer seemed to have cast an uneasy chill over the whole party. As he stretched out his hand to place his tankard on the table before him, a tattooed arm was plainly visible. A sailor! Did the same thought strike all simultaneously, or was it only the dampness of the night that sent a shiver through the group? One by one they rose to leave, till only the stranger and Harris remained.
"Well," said the latter, slowly rising and buttoning up his coat preparatory to facing the wildness of the night; "well, I suppose I'll 'ave to be going-closing time, ain't it?" and with a cheery good-night he was gone.
Evans strolled rather uneasily over towards the stranger. "Time, sir," he said quietly.
With a sudden start, the man looked up. "Time, ah! yes," he said in a strangely jerky voice. "Oh! do you think you could put me up here for the night? I've come a long way and I'm beastly tired. I shall be leaving first thing in the morning."
"Well, I don't know, sir," Evans replied doubtfully, "we aren't in the habit of doing it, you know, but maybe I might be able to find you a room. Just wait a minute-Martha," he called, walking into the back room, where his wife was resting after the fatigues of the evening. "Martha, that strange-looking chap who came in last wants to stop 'ere the night. Do you think we could let 'im 'ave the top room? It's a beastly night to turn a man out into the street, ain't it?" As he spoke a huge gust of wind rattled the rain like hailstones against the window, and moaned down the chimney like the cry of a lost soul.
"Yes, Dave, we could let 'im 'ave it all right, but some'ow I don't like the look of 'im. He looks a rum sort of cove, and some'ow 'e makes me shiver all over when I gets near 'im.'"
"Yes,' said Evans slowly, "and, do you know, 'e looks like a sailor."
"Well, that don't make 'im no worse," replied his wife sharply; "considering our Jim's a sailor it's all the more reason why we should let 'im 'ave the room. Only get 'is money first," she added practically.
The old man glanced at her rather doubtfully. "Suppose I'm a silly old foo'," he muttered, "but I can't get that Lunnon murder out o' my 'ead."
His wife laughed nervously. "Oh! that's silly," she said, with a rather overdone assumption of carelessness, "things don't 'appen like that nowadays. Let the poor devil stop."
Evans dutifully returned to the bar, where the stranger was standing nervously drumming his fingers on the table.
"Yes, sir, we can find you a room," he said.
"Good," said the stranger, "I wish you'd show me to it. I'm dog-tired."
"Certainly, but we always charge in advance, sir," said Evans, stoutly mindful of his wife's warning.
"Oh! that's all right," the man muttered, as he started hunting through his pockets, though Evans was keen to notice that he never pulled the cap from over his eyes or the muffler from around his neck. "I've got a purse somewhere. Ayc! here it is," as his search was at last rewarded with success. Pulling out a sovereign he handed it to Evans. "You can give me the change in the morning, all I want now is sleep."

He replaced his purse in his pocket and turned to follow Evans out of the bar. As he did so, a piece of paper, shaken from a pocket in his fumbling, sleepy search, fluttered gently to the ground.
"David, look! Oh! Oh, look at this!" Martha, her face very white, pressed a scrap of paper into his hand. "I just picked it up in the bar. That man dropped it. Read it, man, read it," as Evans gazed at it stupidly. It was written on a half sheet of notepaper, and had been torn across as if it had been the writer's intention to destroy it. It was roughly scrawled, faint and hurried, but with some difficulty Evans gradually deciphered it. He read slowly, in a perplexed wondering tone: '. . . . . . in great trouble, you must let me have money somehow. I must get out of the country at once. It's a matter of life or death. Tell no one about it as you love me, but let me . . . . .' "Well?" he said slowly.
"Oh! don't you see? Can't you see it's 'im?. The murderer! I'm sure now. Something seemed to tell me from the first, though I did try to laugh it down, but this proves it. I know it's 'im. Call in the police, man, don't stand staring there. Think of the reward-one hundred pounds. It's just what we want for our son, our Jim. Besides, justice is justice. 'E's done it, and we ought to give 'im up. Go man, go! No, I'll go," she added hurriedly, "I couldn't stay alone in the 'ouse with 'im."

A sudden gust of wind, more violent than before, seemed to shake the house.
"Oh! supposing 'e wuz to come down 'ere now. Oh! Dave, Dave, wot's that."

Evans' usually red face slowly turned to the color of chalk.
"Lor', Martha, 'ow you frighten a man," he said, "don't talk nonsense. We can't call the police in on that. That note might mean anything. Fact is, you've got murder on the brain. Why should the chap come 'ere?"
"Oh! Dave, I'm going to the police. I know it's 'im. Didn't you see how muffled up 'e was and 'ow 'e never hardly spoke?"
"Yes," said Dave, slowly, wonderingly, "and 'e said 'e'd 'ave to go first thing in the morning and that 'e'd pay anything for a room. Why didn't 'e go to the George, then? That's a proper hotel. Martha, supposing you're right-one hundred pounds reward! It almost looks as if it's the hand of Providence to keep our son with us. Why, we could start 'im proper on one hundred pounds."
"Yes! Yes! I'm going, Dave, I'm going," Martha said resolutely as she picked up a shawl to wrap around her head. "If it shouldn't be 'im-why, there's not much 'arm done. But it is. I'm sure it is. I'll hurry, Dave."

So saying she began opening the door as noiselessly as she could.
"Martha," Dave's voice came slowly and hesitatingly. "Martha, 'ave you forgoten that we might be putting the rope 'round a man's neck? He mightn't 'ave been all to blame-'e might 'ave done it in a fit of passion, and remember 'e's a sailor, and our dear boy, our Jim-." He broke off confusedly.

The woman at the door hesitated a moment; then, as if stifing the feelings of pity that might be surging in her own heart, she said resolutely: "No, Dave, we're only doing our duty, we ought to give 'im up, even if the money didn't mean so much to us. Besides, 'e's sure to be caught. Remember what 'Arris was saying tonight. They always catch murderers nowadays. I'm going." And without more ado she slipped noiselessly out into the night.

Evans returned to the cozy parlor and listened fearfully for a sound from above. He was not a coward, but his cheek blanched as he wondered what would happen if the man missed the note or had heard Martha's exit. Murderers were desperate men. Perhaps at any moment the door he
was staring at so fearfully might burst open and a man with blocd upon his hands-or, perhaps, carrying a long knife-. Bah! he was a coward. He sat down with a resolute air, keeping a tight clutch on the poker nevertheless. And so the weary moments dragged. Every howl of the wind and creaking of the stairs made him start with sudden fear and grasp the poker yet more tightly. Would Martha never return!

At last his strained ears detected a low whistle. Creeping to the door he noiselessly opened it. Martha and three burly policemen were at the door. All crept inside. "Well, Evans," said the sergeant in charge, speaking in a low, half-eager, half-doubting voice: "I think I'll go and have a look at your interesting customer. It may come to nothing, but strange to say we got a 'phone message from Scotland Yard tonight warning us that they've reason to believe the man was in the neighborhood. It's a clue, and I'm going to risk getting into hot water over disturbing an innocent man's slumbers."

Sergeant Brady, keen, alert and intelligent, would clearly leave no stone unturned to help himself along that hard but glorious road that means promotion. If he could arrest the man of whom all London was talking! The man who up to now had baffled the most skilful of Scotland Yard detectives! Yes, he would indeed take any risk for that.

With a whispered word of command to his men, he crept cautiously up the stairs, followed by one of his subordinates. Silently he felt the handle of the door Evans had directed him to. It was locked. He could distinctly hear the heavy, irregular breathing which denoted to the sergeant's mind a man sleeping the nervous slumber of one who dared not long be off his guard. His mind was quickly made up. Well, he knew the value of sudden, unexpected action to take a man by surprise.

The silence was broken suddenly by a thundering knock on the door as he called in a loud, peremptory voice:
"Open! Open, in the King's name!"
The result exceeded his most sanguine expectations. The poor wretch withinsleeping the tortured, feverish sleep of a hunted beast, who snatches a few moments'
rest with the knowledge that his pursuers are close upon him, dreaming of the perils he had undergone, haunted, perchance, by the ever-recurring face of his victimseemed to hear but the fitting sequel to his dreams. Perhaps he thought he was dreaming still. Be that as it may, the sergeant's face lit up with sudden triumph as he heard a scream of terror, followed by a voice in accents of despair:
"Not alive! All the devils of hell won't take me alive."

With a shout the sergeant called his men to his aid. Together they pushed their shoulders to the door. It groaned and shook, but withstood all their efforts. "Again! Again!" Brady shouted, and yielding to their united efforts the door burst in.

A second's glance at a man standing in the middle of the room with the barrel of a revolver to his head, a wild frenzied rush to reach him, and then . . . . . a sudden sharp report, a sickening thud, and the gallows were cheated of their prey.

As the smoke cleared away, Brady knelt down by the prostrate figure. A moment's examination was sufficient. The man's soul was answering for its sins before a higher tribunal than Brady represented.

Thoroughly alarmed by the shot, Evans and his wife peered fearfully into the room, afraid of what they should see there, yet drawn inside by a seemingly irresistible fascination.

Brady drew himself up from a swift, but comprehensive survey. "Well, Mrs. Evans, you were right. That was our man, and the reward is yours, though he has escaped us."
"Dead! Is he dead?" asked Mrs. Evans fearfully, and with the impulse strong upon her to see the face of the man she had betrayed, she pushed forward.

For the first time she saw his face, his eyes fixed in the glassy stare of death, and that terrible gaping wound on the temple, from which the blood oozed slowly. And then she gave a sudden, fearful cry as she sank on her knees before the corpse:
"Dear God! Not that, not that! It is, it is, our Jim. Our boy come home."

And with one last despairing shriek, she fell senseless over the body of her son.

## Vancouver

## By Katherine $\mathrm{T}_{\text {rent }}$



ANCOUVER, fair Vancouver, Goodbye!
Well do I remember how, eve: as early as the first of March, you smiled thro' your tears and welcomed one more wanderer to fascinate with your charm and variety.

Good-bye to your sparkling sunlit waters, your opalescent moonlight nights, and dim cathedral aisles of pinc-bordered fragrance to Stanley Park with all its natural stately beauty.
Good-bye to your little fluttering white sails on a sparkling inlet, so blue that one scarce knew where sea ended and sky began.
Good-bye, little sister North Vancouver, lying there so daintily, protected by great mountain heights, your many windows, like diamonds, scintillating the light, and patiently waiting to clasp hands and be as one with your great sister across the way.

Good-bye, great mountain lions, looking with patient, far-seeing eyes, and guarding with imperial, indolent strength the heritage that lies at your feet.
Good-bye to your fleet of Pacific steamers. Good-bye to the throngs of mysterious Orientals.

Good-bye to your laughing, light-hearted young crowds, thronging avenues, parks and thearres, and filling the very atmosphere with joyous, eager life.

Good-bye to all your beautiful summer weather, day following day for many months like well-matched jewels in a fair necklace-beautiful beyond comparison. Farewell to the magnificent pictures of land and waterscape, of sea and mountain.
Good-bye to all your Saturday crowds (for Bohemian am I, and I love the vulgar crowd!) of hustling, thronging living humanity-a cosmopolitan throng-English, Irish, Scotch, Yankee, Jew, Lascars off ships in port, Orientals of every description, including the turbaned Hindu, smooth-
skinned, well-groomed Chinese in artistic native costume, and Japanese americanized in store clothes!
Picture shows and opera house, Japanese stores, in which to wander and admire and lose oneself in imagination amongst china, brass and teak-wood and beautiful work in ivory, with vague Eastern odors assailing one's nostrils-a welcome change from the prosaic Occident.

Good-bye to the wonderful growth of a lusty young city, feeling its way day by day and week by week with long tentacles of streets, ever building, building, building east and south, until one sees in imagination an immense metropolis second to none on either coast, east or west.
Good-bye to clarion calls at early dawn by your great forerunner of civilization and progress "dynamite"-blast following blast in every direction. In Alberta the sound of the hammer never ceases; here it is allied with detonations of dynamite continuously thrilling the air. Good-bye to my early rising gong!

Good-bye to the busiest thorouglfare of a busy city, Hastings street, with its long, curving dazzle of electric lights at dusk, and with little side street views of inlet, cloud and mountain - that make of them gems of beauty, land and water scapes painted by the Great Master Arist and unsurpassed by the hand of any mortal that ever drew brush over canvas. How it hurts to turn one's back on this place which has taken one's heart by storim. Surely, surely the Fates will be kind and bring me bark to you some day.
I close my eyes and dream again of all your beauty. Can one ever forget, after living five years of prairie life, the clear, homelike loveliness of your flowering fruit orchards, when in May and June they donned bridal attire of white and palest pink-apple, cherry, pear, peach and plum! trees all trying to outshine one another in loveliness, like unto a bevy of June brides? loveliness, like unto a bevy of fune a book
And your roses! One could write a
on their beauty and fragrance. All the front of my little house and verandah was a bower of color and perfume-hundreds of roses climbing over the portal and bordering each side of my pathway to the gate. For the very first time in my life I have had my fill of roses. Roses, roses everywhere. Oh, why do you fade? Goodbre, beautiful views of misty clouds that seem to change the mountains, of Fraser River, of salmon-fishing at the dawn.
Good-bye beautiful young city of Can-ada-gateway to half a continent, commercial outlet to an ocean. Would that I could see you many years hence! And indeed one's imagination need not be too vivid to picture in the very near future a glittering, thronged metropolis, emblem of a province that in days to come will outrival in richness India of old and assist in making of this beautiful Canada of ours
one of the wealthiest, healthiest and greatest countries the world has ever seen.

Good-bye, beyond all else, to the dear people I have met. Surely, it must be that climate and beauty of environment go to the making up of fine temperament, for I have found it true. British Columbians excel in kindliness and generosity.
"Howe'er it be,
It seems to me
'Tis only noble to be good;
Kinds hearts are more than coronets
And simple faith than Norman blood."
Presentiment tells me that surely soon again I shall see you, and this helps to ease the heartache that grips me as the long train steams away and I strain longing eyes to catch the very last glimpse of friends and city to which my heart has gone out.

After all, I shall say not good-bye, but au revoir.


# A Fruit-Growing Retrospect By R. E. Gosnell, Victoria 



HAVEN'T got any statistics on the subject, but I am safe in saying that you could grow all the apples shown at the Vancouver Apple Show on fifteen acres; and yet we are told that it was the biggest show of apples ever made. Now, if this were possible with fifteen acres, what would have been possible with the fifty thousand odd acres supposed to be in bearing in the Province at the present time? Let us multiply 50,000 by 50 , which might represent our possible fruit area, and we get some idea of the mammoth result in "Jonathans," "Gravensteins," "Mackintosh Reds" and in the other members of the apple family.

Why were the visitors so impressed with this immense exhibit of fruit? Because, of course, they saw it in mass, in great commercial quantities, a carload of one variety succeeding carloads of other varieties; apples uniform in size, color, shape, position; polished to a degree of positive lustre, arranged artistically in boxes, and stretching out in a long vista of varied colors, hues and tints. Strength and beauty in architecture consist in the repetition of one feature after another in exact replica, pillar after pillar, window after window, arch after arch. An army is but the multiplication of soldier units in symmetrical array. The unorganized mass is powerless before the organized mass. One is a liv'ing, beautiful picture, a symbol of power. The other is a blot on the earth, hopeless in its profusion. So the promoters of the Apple Show conceived the idea of massing the products of our orchards after the fashion of the architect or the military leader. They gave use a concrete result in glowing colors-fifteen carloads of apples, a picture which no words can paint. It was an object-lesson of past efforts and future
possibilities. It was a story of commercialism in apple culture.

If fifteen carloads of apples had been dumped in one heap it would have made a big pile, the biggest pile of apples ever seen, perhaps. It would have been worth seeing, but it, after all, would have been very uninteresting and uninstructive compared with fifteen carloads spread out, graded, classified, polished and arranged to carry out an attractive color scheme, the effect of which was wonderfully impressive. One began immediately to soliloquize, to become retrospective, and to think of how it all came about. This is the era of commercial orchards, of fruit-growing on a business basis. Strictly speaking, there was not a commercial orchard in British Columbia twenty-five years ago. Fifteen years ago the business was still in its infancy. We were then thinking very hard of mines and mining stocks.
I have been asked to tell something about the beginning of these things, and if I miss someone deserving of mention or some particular section, it is not because I desire to discriminate, but because my information is incomplete, and my memory is defective. Who planted the first apple tree in British Columbia? Who had the first orchard in bearing? I confess I don't know. I have read somewhere about the first tree having been planted at Fort Vancouver or Fort Nistually, Oregon. It may have been by Dr. McLaughlin, or Janes Douglas, or Dr. Tolmic, or Mr. Huggins. I think it was one of the latter two. I have seen a gavel made, in part, out of the original apple tree-Premier McBride las it in lis possession-but I forget the details. In British Columbia the first orchards were planted in and around Victoria, back in the fifties and sixties, by Hudson's Bay Conpany officials--Douglas, Wark, Tod, Penberton, Finlayson; the Muirs of Sooke, by Mackenzie at Craigflower, and by Dr. Tolmie and others. These were not commer-
cial orchards in the present sense of the term. They supplied home requirements, and some of the fruit found a market. They showed, however, what could be done. In truth, it did not require an apple show at Vancouver to demonstrate what our soil and climate could do in the way of fruitgrowing. That was demonstrated long ago. Very beautiful, luscious fruit of British Columbia growth was shown in London, Eng., at the Colonial and Fisheries Exhibition back in the early seventies, fruit which attracted general attention and gained the highest praise in the British press. We would be proud, even today, of fruit shown at our very earliest agricultural exhibitions. In 1889, 1890 and 1891 splendid specimens of fruit of various kinds and varieties were shown at Eastern Canadian fairs, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, St. John, London and Winnipeg.
What Vancouver did at the Apple Show was to illustrate progress, to make manifest the results of commercial orcharding, of the growing of right varieties, of a systematized industry in a province that in ten years has led all Canada in scientific and modern methods, governmental and private. It was a sort of general stocktaking and win-dow-dressing.
We had a very successful show of fruits in Vancouver in 1889. As samples the fruit shown then was suggestive. In 1910 we exhibited the fruit in carload quantities.
In thinking of the present and praising those successful men whose skill and enterprise have produced the present-day results, we are apt to forget the past-the pioneers who not less, even more, praiseworthily labored on these problems. We are apt to forget the men who paved the way, who showed us, somewhat imperfectly it may be, a future brighter in promise than the mines, the fisheries and the forest, rich and abundant as these natural assets may be. Fruit production in the past twenty-five years has made tremendous strides in the perfection of methods of growing and in the improvement of the appliances of trade. The pioneers groped in the dark. The great majority were inexperienced in the science of fruit culture. They were ignorant of the varicties best adapted to the soil and to the marlet. They knew little about the commercial aspect. Orchard sanitation,
pruning, picking, grading, packing, shipping and selling were either not understood at all or were misunderstood. So the industry advanced but slowly, and failure or stagnation or non-success was due, as the case may be, rather to neglect or want of knowledge than to natural conditions, which were all highly and unusually favorable. In the main, what success was achieved was in spite of the personal factors rather than on account of intelligent effort. Then, owing to certain well-known conditions, the local product was but slowly absorbed by the market, and for a time hardly at all. The condition referred to affected all farm products, but fruit particularly. Merchants imported fruit from Oregon, Washington and California, where there was a regular and systematic supply to be depended upon for market requirements. Hence the local product, not being sufficient for the trade, was rather more of an intrusion than a welcome factor.

The industry suffered, too, from want of commercial methods. In the old days apple boxes were mostly made of split cedar in the rough, of various sizes, into which were indiscriminately dumped apples of all varicties and of all sizes. When a box was placed alongside of the imported article in the store window it presented a sorry contrast. The old-time farmer was slow to learn that the package sells the fruit. Few ever did learn it. They cursed the commission men and the retailer, and ofttimes swore that they would sooner feed their apples to the hogs than sell them at the prices they could get for them in town. Little wonder that they did not succeed. It was the new men who studied fruit-growing as a business who made it a commercial success. The first two or three commercial orchards, developed on modern lines, gave the industry a fillip. Even then it wasn't all plain sailing. The story of the young industry's struggle to the fore would make a chapter by itself.

I have already mentioned that the first orchards were planted in and around Victoria by the Hudson's Bay Company's officials, and, if I mistake not, the initial experiment was made by John Tod on his farm at Mount Tolmie. The older generation of native-born Victorians will remember the old man who, when he went to
the city, had his pockets full of apples for the boys and girls. Miss Shaw, a sister-inlaw of the Rev. Dr. Evans, pioneer Methodist missionary, saw the fruit in Tod's orchard. Afterwards, and before the gold discovery in 1858, she told Thomas Cunningham, then a resident of Kingston, Ont., about it, and that decided him to come to British Columbia and grow fruit. By the same token the said Thomas Cunningham, on February 1tth, 1860, picked strawberry blossoms and strawberries in Victoria, sent them to his brother, James Cumningham, now of New Westminster, as a specimen of what the country could produce, and the fact induced the latter to also come west. Thomas Cunningham, for years fruit inspector and a member of the board of horticulture, was among the first to demonstrate the fruit capabilities of British Columbia, and in a general way has done much for the industry. Outside of those to whom reference has already been made, some of the first orchards planted were those by the late Joseph Trutch, later Lieutenant-Governor and Sir Joseph, in the heart of Victoria; the Wilkison and Elford orchards near Victoria; the Thompson, Brew, A. C. Anderson, Brettiours and Dr. Powell orchards in Saanich; by Anderson, afterwards member of the legislature, from the Lake district; by Fisher and Helgensen (Hans), in Metchosin ; the Sere orchards in Richmond road, and Van Tassel orchard on Edmonton road. Nearly all of these are still in existence.

I am not sure, but I think, outside of Victoria, an oblate mission father planted the first orchard in the Indian reserve near Cowichan Bay. Other pioncers were William Duncan and the Skinners, near Duncans.

Strictly speaking, the first commercial orchards on the Island of Vancouver were laid out by R. M. Palmer on "Rockside Farm," near Victoria; W. C. Grant at Gordon Head, and John Lamberton at Mount Tolmic. These orchards, and especially Rockside farm, were object-lessons to the rest of the province. Mr. Palmer's efforts, perhaps, more than those of any other person, showed the way to success. He combined practical and theoretical knowledge with excellent business abilities and sound judgment. In his official capa-
city as fruit inspector and member of the horticultural board, he was able to dis: seminate widely the results of his own private experience. In this connection wie must not forget the stimulus given to the industry by Hon. J. W. Turner, as min. ister of agriculture. Himself an amateur horticulturist, having an intense interest in farming as a profession, he laid the founda. tion of our present agricultural department, which is the foremost in Canada in useful and modern work. Mr. Palmer started his orchard about 1893 or 1894 .

To leave the island and come to Ner Westminster district, the first apple trees werc planted by the Rev. E. White at the Methodist parsonage, New Westminster. These were presented to the first Methodist missionaries by a Mr. Hull, of Olympia, on their way through to British Columbia from eastern Canada in 1859. The next were by James Kennedy, formerly a teacher at Langley, in a farm called "The Ramparts," below New Westminster on the river. Some were afterwards sold to Mr. Thomas Cunningham and planted in the Delham gardens at New Westminster. This was about $186+$. Captain Wit liam Irving, father of Captain John, planted the first cherry trees in New Westminster, and these same trees are growing vig. orously today. The Delham orchards were the first real commercial experiment. William Clarkson, a New Westminster pioneer, planted an orchard alongside of them. At quite an early date, however, Colonel Moody put out trees at Sapperton. J. W. Armstrong was also a pioncer in the same line. Reverting to Mr. Cuminghan, it was he who sent the first exhibit of fruit from the province to the Tormono exhibition in 1888, and in the competition with the fruit of Canada won the governor-general's medal. This aroused a good deal of enthusiasm in the province abour its fruit capabilitics, and made easy the organization of a fruit-growers' association catly in 1889.

John Reece, Henry and Isaac Kipp, A. C. Wells, A. C. Henderson, John Henderson and the Methodist Indian mission were the first fruit-growers in Chilliwack, as were the Knight brothers at Popcum and the Chadsey brothers and McGillevray at Sumas. The H. P. Bates orchard at Dewdiney, on the other side of the river,
also used to attract considerable attention One tree of the Reinette de Canada variety once bore +2 boxes which were sold in Vancouver at $\$ 1.25$ per box, and, despite negleci, the tree is still bearing. Among other early planters on the north side were the Mission Fathers at Mission; Father Howison, Port Hammond; L A. Agassiz, at Agassiz, and Mr. Harris at Ilaple Ridge. M. J. Henry started a nursery near Mission later on and was about the first to ship fruit to the northwest. He was energetic and enthusastic, but not altogether successful. There were many difficulties to overcome in establishing an export trade. In Langley, James Mackic, at Fort Langley, took much interest in fruit, and was an early planter. In Delta John Kirkland, William and Thomas Ladner, William McKee, Thomas McNecly, William Arthur and L. Guichon were pioneers, and all had good orchards. Here E. Hutchison established a nursery, and although an experienced orchardist, he eventually failed to make the venture a success. Along with William Henry he took a prominent part in the early work of the fruit-growers' association. In Lulu Island and North Arm William McRoberts, J. IV. Sexsmith, O. D. Sweet, Matthew Milligan, Thomas Kidd (afterwards an M. P.), and McRory brothers led the way. There was a small orchard at Moodyville planted by the late S. P. Moody. The reason that Westminster district is not today an apple-growing section is due to the ravages of infectious diseases. Before they were imported, splendid apples in every part of it were raised. Once introduced, owing th the climate being so favorable, the rarious pests spread rapidly and killed the first mrat promise of the district.
The Okanagan has stood in this province recently for the best as a fruit district, and its great success in commercial orchards has been instrumental in bringing British Columbia to the front rank of the industry. The first orchard there was planted by the mission fathers in 1860, at the mission near Kclowaa, and Mr. Cunningham this year inspected trees which came in that year from Oregon, and which are still bearing and doing well. At a later date Carserso, who has made such a success of onions, planted an orchard that has done well com-
mercially. Carserso, an Italian who is now a wealthy man, once with his wife worked for his board for the mission priests.

There were other orchards, but what gave to the valley its repute was the Coldstream ranch, where some 1,200 acres of commercial orchards are bearing. About twenty years ago G. W. Henry planted 100 acres of Spies, Baldwins and other varieties. These were planted in unsuitable ground, too near the lake level, and were subsequently removed to the present location. It was not until Mr. Ricardo, the present manager, took hold that success was achieved. He was without experience as a fruitgrower, but applied himself thoroughly to a study of conditions and methods, and brought to bear exceptional business and organizing abilities-with present results. T. W. Sterling, an Englishman of means and excellent business qualifications, planted the first commercial orchard at Kelowna, which district won such honors at the apple show. J. L. Pridham, Knox and Rose brothers, whose orchards have been among the successes, were the first planters there.
J. W. Robinson, who has done so much in the way of publicity in this district, started Peachland-strange to say, as a mining proposition, and thereby hangs a tale: The settlers he induced to go there turned their attention to fruit-growing, and presto! a paradise arose. Twenty years before Robinson came C. R. Lambly, grew peaches, and for want of a better outlet fed them to the hogs. Gartrell's orchard at Trout Creek was the beginning of Summerland, another of Robinson's exploitations. Both apples and peaches are now grown, but the former are by far the greater industry.

In Thomas Ellis' old orchard at Penticton there is a famous cherry tree, said to have yielded over a ton of fruit in one season. There L. W. Shatford, M. P. P., started commercial fruit-growing on a large scale. The fine orchards there are just now coming into bearing.

Messrs. Richter and Bullock-Webster were the first growers at Keremeos. Richter's orchard has been a great success. Delicious grapes of several wine varicties are grown, also apples, peaches and apricots. W. H. Armstrong, the well-known contractor, who purchased the Hudson's Bay Company's farm there, is planting exten-
sively, and is taking a great interest in the development of the district, which has a very bright prospect. From a fruit-growing point of view, Kamloops is an older district than the Okanagan. William Fortune, of Tranquilley, planted an orchard fifty years ago, and W. J. Roper experimented at Cherry Creek. C. E. Cooney's orrhard next to Fortune's was cultivated on a small scale at first, but is now a very large one. Todd planted at Todd's Creek and Graham at Shuswap over twenty years ago. The latter fine property is now known as "Sunnyside." Apples grown there and nearby were long ago shown at the fairs, and there was much rivalry displayed among the growers. Several old-timers planted orchards in the Nicola district, but I am not sufficiently familiar with the facts to give particulars.

Nearer the coast C. A. Semlin, of Cache Creek, grew apples and prunes successfully, as did Phil Parke at the same place. Evans of Ashcroft is another pioneer. Judge Cornwall was long ago an enthusiastic fruit-grower. Captain Langley and Mrs. Penny were early growers on the river. The Penny ranch and the Barnes estate opposite have passed into the hands of an English company, promoted by the British Columbia Development Association, and is being developed on modern lines. The settlement is now called Walhachin, meaning, in Indian, "a fertile valley spreading out," or words to that effect. Yale and Hope have grown fruit for years, and are destined to be the finest cherry district in America.

Kootenay twenty years ago was, of all things, little thought of as a producer of fruit, but it is proving even richer in this respect than in minerals, and the orchards along and around Arrow lake and Kootenay lake have become famous. The fruit is noted for its fine flavor and keeping qualities, and the orchards for their remarkable freedom from disease and injury from winter kill. Irrigation is generally considered unnecessary, though in many cases it
is advantageous. Two orchards were plant. ed in 1895 opposite Nelson. One of these was purchased by James Johnston, who has been prominent in encouraging the industry since. Mr. Funk planted a 10 -acre plot near Arrow lake in 1901, and Mr. Shields planted another in 1902. Bush started an orchard at Balfour in 1889, and Robert Yuill at Kokance creek in 1901. Mr. Fauquier planted 100 trees on his place at lower Arrow lake in 1900, and three or four hundred in 1902. Other planters were Haughton and Cockle; and Taylor planted 20 acres near the west arm of Ten-mile creek in 1903 and 25 acres in 1905. This property was subsequently purchased by J. F. Campbell in 1906, who in 1904.5 planted 2,500 trees on the bench overlooking Bonnington falls. After moving to his Duntulin ranch at Six-mile he subdivided his Bonnington falls estate and a number of English gentlemen now own the orchards planted by him, and others are preparing and planting new orchards. There are now large settlements of fruit-growers at different points on Kootenay lake, Kootenay and Columbia rivers, Arrow lake, Slocan lake and river, and at Creston, where a fruit district has been opened up.

I have endeavored to indicate the beginning of fruit-growing which contributed to the great apple show. It is a large area to cover, and this article is necessarily ver! sketchy and imperfect. I hope some time to give the history of each district in de. tail. The chapter of early fruit-growing may not be as spectacular and romantic as is the story of mining, but it has a history all its own, full of trials and difficulties and many ups and downs. I could tell how the early trees were brought from Oregon and packed on horseback and manback over long, rough trails, but this sketch, already too long, must be brought to a close. The careers of the pioneer orchardists in a very literal as well as in a metaphorical sense have brought forth much fruit, and the present is but the beginning of the things that will be.


# The Story of the Fraser River Valley 

ENDOWED BY NATURE WITH ALL THE ELEMENTS, THIS SECTION IS DESTINED TO BECOME THE<br>Garden spot of british columbia


colossal proportions.

ITH the construction of the B. C. E. Company's line to Chilliwack the commercial operations of the districts traversed and those immediately accessible have assumed Hitherto the great dawback which still hampers vast areas of British Columbia, that of inadequate transportation, prevented the residents of the various sections from exhibiting their best in competition with their more favored neighbors. Notwithstanding this tremendous handicap, some of the districts have achieved a high reputation for the excellence of their products, notably Chilliwack.
It is seldom that a railway of such importance is conceived, surveyed, constructed and operated in a little over four years. The cost of the road, originally intended to be in the neighborhood of $\$ 1,500,000$, gradually increased until that figure was doubled.
Hitherto the C. P. R. transport steamers have carried most of the produce to and from the South Fraser Valley districts. The Chilliwack wharves handled 27,000 tons in 1909. Harrison Mills, on the opposite side of the Fraser River, form the junction where the C. P. R. trains drop passengers and mails for Chilliwack. Two trips are made daily by a river steamer between the north and south shores. Formerly this method was the only means of communication with the trade centres. Now the B. C. Electric Railway is open, the Great North-
ern Railway is almost in the Chilliwack district, and the Canadian Northern Railway will have completed their route through the valley in less than three years. In future the South Fraser Valley will be one of the railway centres of British Columbia.

The Chilliwack Valley, long designated the garden of British Columbia, lies at the eastern extremity of the Fraser Valley, on the south bank of the river. It is located about 70 miles from Vancouver. At the widest the valley is 10 miles across, which breadth occurs at Sumas Lake and Prairie, where Lower Fraser Valley begins. Chilliwack Valley proper contains in the vicinity of 55,000 acres of splendid alluvial land, composed chiefly of river and glacial deposits. Once heavily timbered, the land is now cleared and made into prosperous farms and orchards. However, there is still much uncleared land lying along the edge where steps rise, forming level plateaux at varying altitudes. These "benches," as they are called, are, when tested, prolific fruit areas.

There are fourteen public schools in the valley, besides a high school. Chilliwack's educational standing with the government inspectors is very high.

The valley's resources are almost unlimited. The wealth lies in the value of the land for general farming purposes, fruitgrowing, stock-raising, etc. The supply of timber is immense, and will provide all building material for many years. The use of concrete for buildings is increasing, and for its manufacture gravel can be had from the river beds in great quantities.

Enormous crops are raised on the farms, oats yielding an average of 100 bushels to the acre; wheat, barley, rye, etc., 40 bushels; roots as high as 60 tons, and potatoes from 20 to 22 tons to the acre. The hay crop is very large and profitable. Sheep and swine raising is extensive. Orchard
cultivation is tecoming more and more the big farming industry.

Cleared land sells at prices ranging from $\$ 150$ to $\$ 500$ per acre, according to location; uncleared and along the foothills brings from $\$ 25$ to $\$ 200$ per acre.

## MATSQUI DISTRICT <br> ©

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TIVENTY-FIVE miles or less up the Fraser River on the stream from New Westminster lies a chosen country. It is a prairie country surrounded by low wooded hills as fertile as the lowlands from which they take their gentle rise. These again are backed by the forest-clad mountains, the whole offering such a prospect of beauty and fertility, that the first prospectors of sixty years ago determined to settle here, and acquired and tilled the soil of this district. Today the settler is once more hastening hither with an enthusiasm that shows that he realizes the good thing that has been lying dormant for so many years.

Abbotsford is the name of this district, which includes the twin prairies of Sumas and Matsqui, the first containing 30,000 and the second 10,000 acres of the most fertile land of British Columbia, while the encircling hills form a wonderful fruit district, producing apples and other fruits that will rival the finest of the province.
splendid soll arrangement
These hilly slopes are clothed in a rich chocolate loam, of which the warm color is eloquent testimony to its fertility. Eighteen inches below this top-soil is a three-foot clay sub-soil, which finally gives place to a substratum of fine sand and gravel. No better soil for the cultivation of fruit could be devised. The clay ensures sufficient moisture, the gravel sufficient drainage, and the top loam sufficient nourishment, a combination of virtues which ensures the best of fruit. The clay without the sand and gravel would be a disadvantage, but as it is the roots strike down through the heavier soil to the porous gravel below, and thus avoid the excess of moisture which otherwise would be harmful.

## small fruits

In this land grow apples, cherries, pears, peaches and prunes. Best of all these are the apples. A wonderful crop of this fruit is produced, the trees bearing so heavily that the danger most to be feared is their breaking under the weight of their own produce. Besides these larger fruit trees the small fruits also flourish luxuriantly. To these both the high and low lands are equally well adapted. Strawberries, rasp. berries and currants produce enormous crops, and $\$ 1,000$ clear profit per acre is often made off small holdings in the district. Rhubarb and celery must be reckoned in the same successful catalogue, and it is thus clear that for a man with small capital such a fruit farming venture is full of possibilities.
versatile country
But one of the principal attractions of Abbotsford is its versatility. It is not only a fruit-growing country. To its horticultural features it adds vegetable growing, which here reaches a perfection hard to believe until it has been seen. Onions stand out as one of the most luxuriant and profitable of these crops, a profit of $\$ 1,200$ having been obtained off a single acre. At present Vancouver imports many onions from Australia, which is proot of the splendid market which awaits this segetable for ycars to come. Pumpkins, mangolds and all kinds of feed are grown in great quantities. and even alfalfa can be produced in the hills.

Cattle raising
The natural result of this excellent supply of feed is to make the country a great stock-raising one. Becf-cattle are already being fattened on the pastures, and pigs and sheep add largely to the profits of


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the farmer. But beef-cattle are not such an important product of the district as milkers. In fact, the Hygienic Dairy has chosen Matsqui as the location of its puremilk dairy, and it keeps there a herd of some 200 head. This choice is largely owing to the excellent supply of pure water with which this country is blessed. Matsqui prairic is already dyked, and almost all cleared, and through these pleasant meadow lands meander many little streams of clear water, which make this the chosen spot of those in search of purity.

## Comimercial conveniences

Sumas prairie is not yet dyked, but the hanks crectell and to be crected by the many railroads that are traversing or about to traverse the district serve this purpose almost equally well. The C. P. R. and the British Columbia Electric are already constructed and in operation, while the alvent of thic Great Northern, whose line is under construction, and of the C. N. R., grons daily nearer.
From this it is seen that in transportation, as in cererything else, Abbotsford is peculiarly lucky. Served by four railroads, giving equal facilities either east or west, the situation is ideal. The markets of Allerta and the prairie, and those of Vancouver and the coast, are equally accessible. The British Columbia Electric will transport the produce of the farms and orchards
to Vancouver over the intervening thirtyeight miles in one hour and a half, so that fruit or vegetables picked in the evening can appear on the market first thing next morning, and orders received during the day can be filled before the sun sets. Electricity in the form of power, light, telephone and telegraph gives the farmer-settler more of the conveniences of life than the inhabitants of the city suburbs, besides enabling him to drain his land by electrical pumps, and do all the mechanical business on the farm by the same economical and powerful agency.
In addition to this horticultural and dairying wealth, the agricultural resources of Abbotsford are also exceptional. The chief crops are oats, wheat, timothy, roots and clover. Oats run to 110 bushels an acre, while two crops of timothy can be taken off the land in one year. This last year one hundred acres of land produced $\$ 10,000$ worth of hay, a record which it would be hard to beat anywhere.
But there is another crop which will be of great importance in the future, but which will necessitate some draining first; it is the sugar-beet. Just across the river at Mission is a sugar-beet factory, and it is offering every inducement to the farmers to grow the product that they require in their manufacturing business. This will afford a regular and convenient market for the farmers, and will enable them to estab-
lish the sugar-beet as a staple crop of the district.

## SMALI FARMS

From what has been said it will be clear that Abbotsford is a district especially suited to small holdings, and these are the kind of properties that are being taken up here every day. The population outside of the town itself is about 9,000 , while Abbotsford is the home of 500 others, a number which is just about double that of three months ago, which gives some idea of the manner in which this district is appealing to the settler. Buildings are running up in the same proportion. Few people, however town-loving they may be, object to being separated by but a brief hour and a half from the metropolis.

Moreover, the fact that the land is divided into small holdings is another factor in favor of a big population, as by this system, to which the nature of the soil is so well suited, a large number of cultivators are carried by a small acreage, especially as the tendency to intensive cultivation, which needs a large amount of labor, is particularly strong in such a community.

OTHER INDUSTRIES
But the horticultural and agricultural aspects are not the only ones of interest in this many-sided district. Lumber, minerals, oil and other industries are among its resources. With regard to the first of this rich quartette, there are five sawmills in operation in this district, and much of the land is held under timber leases. As the land is logged off it is thrown open to settlement, and the settler is saved a great deal of expense in clearing, owing to the previous cutting of the lumbermen.

The mineral wealth is mainly situated in a dividing spur, which runs down between the two prairies. The wealth of this ridge of hills is hardly yet realized. Coal, oil and fireclay are the other three things that are at present being developed more or less, and the gathering of the three together in this one small spot enhances the value of each.

And all these are not the mere outcome of an excited imagination. Already a company with a capital of $\$ 250,000$, called the Clayburne Brick Works, is in active operation, and another capitalized at the same figure is about to commence the manu-
facture of sewer pipes in the same neighbor. hood. China clay is also found here, so that it seems that in this one department alone immense possibilities are to be found. In the field of oil, development is equally active. A company also capitalized at $\$ 250,000$ is already at work boring. Be. fore this large bore was put in operation a series of small experimental bores were made to secure sufficient indications of oil to justify further development.

These indications were forthooming to a most encouraging extent. Oil sand was discovered in every case, and out of fifteen pounds of this sand one and a half pints of crude petroleum oil was obtained.

This is a high percentage, but satisfaction was still more complete, when refinement of this oil showed the following results: The oil contained quantities of No. 1 oil, which is the equal to a Russian oil, a No. 2 oil and an engine oil. Moreover, there are no waste products owing to the petroleum base belonging to this soil. The company expect to have to go down 2,500 feet to reach the oil stratum, and the boring is at present in active operation, being pushed on with a zeal in proportion to the high hopes of the promotors.

## coal discovered

Coal is the remaining source of wealth, and is as yet insufficiently prospected. The seams already discovered are of a bituminous nature, and the 18 -inch seam originally discovered has been traced back to a width of four fect six inches. This coal is at present being used by the Clayburne Brick Company in the operation of their private line of railway. But it is expected that with the advent of the big railroads this mineral spur will be thoroughly examined and its resources energetically exploited.

In this case, those who know the district expect to see Abbotsford not only one of the most thriving agricultural and horticul. tural districts in Canada, but also a centre of industrial activity and mineral pro. duction.

SETTLER'S PARADISE
This then is a very settcr's paradise. Much of the land is cleared; ii fact, nearl! the whole of Matsqui prarice is free from bush, and the trees that remain on both the prairies are small, and removable at a cost of only. about $\$ 20$ or $\$ 30$ per acre.


DRIVATE: WATIEK PIANOM IN FRASER RIVFER VAI,J.EY

On the hills the timber is heavier, and would cost about $\$ 200$ an acre to clear in some places, but once cleared it is not long before the land gives a return that quickly wipes out any preliminary expenses.
Besides being the ideal situation for a farm, it is also, as has been pointed out already, ideally situated for a home. With all the beauty of the country it combines all the equipment of a town; its transportation facilities are unrivaled, its water and milk supplies are of the greatest purity, and the home builder will find special lumber rates offered him by the local sawmills.
To this fact many persons are now waking up. Farmers are selling out their
holdings in districts where prices have risen and are buying again in the cheaper but no less fertile country of Abbotsford, thereby reaping a double profit, one on the salc of their own land and the other in the increased percentage on their capital invested in the new low-priced land.

It is left then for those who read, to run; the land awaits them with its high profits and its pleasant healthy living, and it is for them to take them or leave them, as they like. Those who have taken them will tell the less enterprising of what they have found, and few will be able to resist the telling.

THE municipality of Langley, situated in the geographical centre of the Fraser River Valley in the New Westminster district, while containing only $77,0+6$ acres, with a population of about 3,000, is not to be overlooked in mentioning the favored spots in the province. Langley lies between the Fraser River on the north and the State of Washington on the south, and is twenty-two miles from Vancouver.

Like other municipalities in that district, Langley has been handicapped by the want
of adequate transportation facilities, the people having had to depend entirely on two ways of communication-the Fraser River, where an excellent steamboat service has been enjoyed for several years, and the Yale wagon road, serving the centre and south portions of the district. The completion recently of the B. C. Electric Railway to Chilliwack has provided additional and more equitable transportation facilities, and opened up a large section of the district that has heretofore been subjected to many inconveniences for want of proper shipping
methods. As the Canadian Northern and Great Northern systems will soon be added to the carrier lines now already in operation, it will not be long before the whole district will enjoy transportation facilities unsurpassed by any section in the province. Even now there is no point in the district more than four miles away from a railway station or steamboat landing.

## Soll UNExCELLED

The soil of the district varies from the rich alluvial deposits along the Fraser River to the sandy loam of the higher elevations, and with occasional exceptions of a few low spots along the river none of the land is subject to inundation. The dark loam and clay lands are admirably adapted to mixed farming, with dairying as a basis, while the higher lands are ideal for poultry and fruitraising. The whole district is watered with numerous creeks and streams, the main flows being the Salmon, Beaver, Nicomekl and Campbell rivers. No section of the province has been more munificently endowed by Nature for all-round general purposes. A rich soil, favorable climate and a thorough system of natural irrigation are here. Wheat, peas, oats, barley, hay, red clover and every variety of vegetables do particularly well on the higher soils, while all sorts of small and orchard fruits of the choicest quality are raised in abundance.

Until within the last few years the farmers depended principally upon hay and grain-growing, but the enormous demand created by the rapid settlement of the country, particularly in the city of Vancouver, for milk, butter, cheese, eggs and meat has diverted their attention from the old pursuits, and as a result, instead of growing hay and grain as in former years, the producers have turned their attention to raising those necessities of life demanded by the market. As an outgrowth of this the district has the only cheese factory on the Lower Fraser, two milk concerns, shipping pasteurized milk, while the egg, poultry and butter business has grown until the receipts run up into the thousands of dollars a month.

The price of butter varies from 25 to 35 cents per pound, and eggs from 25 to 60 cents per dozen in the home market. When it is considered that only one acre. in seven of the district is improved, it is hard to form any conception of what could be produced if the district was thoroughly utilized for farming purposes.

## P!!enty of land obtainable

Many of the large landholders have consented to cut up their sumplus acreage, which will enable homeseckers to obtain plenty of land at reasonable prices. The future of the district, however, lies in the fact that it is most favorably situated, both as regards transportation and soil, for subdividing into small holdings for chicken, fruit and vegetable growing. The soil of the higher elevations most suited for this purpose is of sandy or clay loam, neither too wet in the winter nor needing irrigation during the summer months. Both large and small fruits can be grown to perfection and delivered in the market with the minimum amount of cost, owing to the proximity of the district to New Westminster and Vancouver. The climate is known to be the most equable in Canada, the temperature rarely going above cighty degrees or below zero.

Owing to the fact that in the past there has been no means of getting out the heavy' growth of fir and cedar which, still unbroken, covers at least half of the municipaility, the fortunate owners of the land on which it stands will now be repaid for the iong delay. It has been estimated by timbermen that in the district today there are $500,000,000$ fect of marketable timber, mainly Douglas fir and celar. There are at present six saw and shingie mills in the district. This means great things to the district. It will afford work to new settiers if they require it, will make a home market, and will mean the keep. ing of a large sum of money among themseives. It also means that the new settler will be able to get lumber and shingles for his new home at bedrock prices.



HEED-CUTOING ILLANT ON FARM NEAR EBCRNE


LYING in a much more elevated position, with the soil very rich in all the elements of the plant foods, the timber consisting of deciduous trees, principally of alder, maple, cherry and birch, and coniferous trees of Douglas fir, spruce, cedar and hemlock, is the district of Surrey. It is one of the most fertile sections of the province. The land, teing mostly composed of a black sandy loam seceral inches in depth, is adapted to any of the different varieties of vegetable and grain growing, while fruits of all kinds and superior qualities are produced in abundance. Like Langley and Matsqui, the Surrey district is bounded on the north by the Fraser river, the valley of which is mostiy composed of sitt and alluvial deposits of great depth, and ranges from three to seven miles in width through the district. There is some low-lying land subject to overflow, but the area is so small that no inconvenience is ever felt from high water. The major portion is out of reach of the Hoocis. While there is still a large amount of timbler in the district to be removed before the land can be utilized for farming, it is of that character that is easily handled, and much of it is valuable for milling purposes. Purchasers of land will find this
more to their advantage than detrimental, as they can dispose of the mill timber for more than what the land originally cost, added thereto the expense of clearing.
It is essentially a district for mixed farming. The soil is unusually fertile and easily worked. It is light, full of humus, and with good, natural drainage. For the most part it is a dark, sandy loam on the surface, and has next a stratum of clay or gravelly subsoil. Almost at any time in the year gardening may be carried on. Most crops will grow, but it is the soil par excellence for fruit-large or smali.
For dairying there may be districts that surpass Surrey, because of lower lands and better pasture, but where the soiling system is adopted the best results may te obtained here, owing to the adaptability of the land to produce early forage crops, such as rye and vetches. These sown early in the fall and followed by crops of peas and oats, also corn as an early spring and summer fodder, and with plenty of roots for winter, will give a supply of green and succulent food the year round. Dairying, supplemented by the raising of hogs, is very profitable, as it takes less fertility out of the soil, and can be carried on with any other forms of agriculture or horticulture.

The market demand for good butter is constant, and as long as the quality is maintained good prices are obtainable.

Poultry-raising is also a money-maker when given anything like proper attention, and there need be no hesitation in embarking in such an enterprise in the Surrey district. The favorable conditions are all here, including a market never fully equal to the demand. It is common in this district, as elsewhere, to see chickens about the stumps of the newly-cut trees, turkeys farther afield in the yet unslashed woods, and ducks about the door of the hastilyerected domicile. Then, too, this is a branch of farm work that the women and children can manage while the breadwinner earns their living where he can, whether at his farm operations or at daily labor elsewhere.

Situated, as it is, with the Fraser River on the north and Boundary and Semiamo Bays on the south, the climate leaves no-
thing to be desired. It is as mild and moist as that of the south of England, yet fairer, brighter and sunnier. The moderating influence of the Japanese current and of the moist-laden winds from the Pacific are factors in bringing about this desirable result. The freshness of the air is delightful and health-giving, there being a marvellous invigorating tone to the atmosphere. The ocean breeze keeps the summer cool, or at most pleasantly warm. The rainfall is mostly during the winter months, and is never in excess of the demands of the soil or less than necessary for the production of large crops. There are no sand or dust storms, no hail, heavy snows or severe frosts, no tornadoes, cyclones or earthquakes, no droughts, intense heat or cold. It is simply an ideal section of the province, where living can be made enjoyable and where a competency can be obtained to provide for old age as it passes down the sunsetting hillside of life.


PRIGATE PCMPING PIANT FOR SLIBLRBAN RESIDENCE

(Vancouver Wor!d, November 1st)

THE Delta Municipality! There is a saying that there is not much in a name, and perhaps there is more truth than poetry in it, for one can think of scores of places, made hideous by name, but containing in themselves all that is most beautiful, enduring or useful in life. The Devil's Chasm, for instance, conveys terrible omens of disaster, but at its depth in reality may lurk the greenest of green things, the clearest of sparkling water, the sweetest of wild fruit.
And so it is with the Delta districtonly that in this case the name is pleasant.

Within the confines of this wonderful district, situated at the mouth of the Fraser River, in the finest agricultural section of Canada, is a garden spot, not only of beauty, but of the enduring and useful type. Within this district is carried on the best of farming, dairying, fruit culture, mar-ket-gardening and horse-breeding of any like section in Canada. From the hands of the tillers go forth into the hands of consumers all over the continent the best quality of products of the soil-and those who are aware of this fact, those who are building, the tillers and workers-are reaping their reward in the gold ever sought by man, and in the fact that they are doing a great work for the upbuilding of Canada, whose century is now.

## statistics that bring conviction.

For those who do not know, a few statistics right at the start will be invaluable for the lesson they teach.
The crop yield in the Delta is the largest per acre in Canada, between 40,000 and 50,000 tons of produce having been raised in the year 1909.

Annually there are shipped from the Delta district 20,000 tons of hay.
The annual yield of the district in wheat, barley and oats is 15,000 tons.

Two hundred carloads of cattle, hogs and sheep find their way annually from the Delta district into the marts of Canada.

The huge total of 450,000 gallons of milk forms a portion of the yearly yield in all industries in the Delta.

Each year the district supplies a greedy market with 60,000 dozen eggs.

The average hay crop produced in the Delta amounts to three tons per acre.

The average yield of oats in the district runs from 130 to 200 bushels per acre, one man, the Hon. T. W. Paterson, having already succeeded in raising the full 200 bushels per acre.

## GOOD ROADS

The council of the Delta municipality spends annually from $\$ 25,000$ to $\$ 30,000$ on the making and improving of roads in the district, some of which are the finest in this section of the country.

The total assessment of the municipality is $\$ 4,621,130$, or fifty per cent. of the value. The tax rate is $7 / / 4$ mills for general purposes and 11.20 mills for school purposes, the latter tax rate being the lowest of any municipality in Canada for that purpose.

In the memory of the oldest settlers there has never been a crop failure in the district.

The total acreage of the Delta municipality is $+5,000$.

The Agricultural Society own and maintain an exhibition ground, consisting of 24 acres, at which annual fairs are held and which contains a first-class race track.

The municipal council is now installing an up-to-date waterworks system, designed to distribute water over the whole district. Fifty miles of pipe are to be laid, and it is expected to spend $\$ 135,000$ in the whole undertaking.

These figures should speak for themselves. They need no comment, further than that word of thanks which must be returned to Mother Nature for having bestowed her bounty in such largeness upon this section of the country. They are eloquent witnesses for the fertility of the Delta soil. Read coldly or enthusiastically as
you will, they are sufficient in themselves to entice the most reluctant of investigators. a werthy slogan.
"Grown in Delta" is the slogan adopted by the Delta Board of Trade, and in fact by every resident in the district, and it is a worthy slogan which is having its effect in many ways. Not all the push and enterprise of a thousand capable business men would advance a poor country beyond the initial boom stage, but if the quality of the land is there the boom will stick and be cnduring. So it is with the Delta. The land is the best that can be found anywhere in Canada, and that is saying much. Watered by the great Fraser River, the fresh water highway to the Pacific, which is one day soon to mean vastly so much more to the Delta and to many other sections which it borders, the land is a veritable farming paradise. It is almost as if the only labor needed is the planting of the s.eed and Nature does the rest. Quantity results from the planting, but that quality also results is becoming amazingly more evident every day by an examination of the prices brought by the products of the Delta farms.

## potatoes sold as ashcrofts.

The production of hay and potatoes alone seems to be gaining an enviable name for the Delta, the Delta potato being offered on some markets as the product of Ashcroft potato farms, which have long been considered as producing the very best the market affords. By the consumer the Delta potato has not suffered a whit in estimation and comparison with the Ashcroft tuber, for it has created a steady demand and commands as high a price. The hay of the district is regarded by many of the most expert buyers in the Northwest as ranking ahead of that produced by any other part of this vast country. Again, as in the case of the potato, the hay is being sold on the Victoria market, it is said, as the Island product, which is proof enough of its standard among provincial buyers.

In view of the quality of Delta products becoming so widely recognized, the "Grown in Delta" slogan has also grown, and it is now being put forth strongly by the energetic members of the Board of Trade at Ladner, who see no reason, and rightly, why the Delta should not benefit in honor by
the quality of its products, instead of allowing its claim to be usurped often by other localities whose names may be older, but whose actual products will not rank as high as the Delta yield. Farmers of the district are also interesting themselves in this commendable movement for a recognition of the Delta rights, so that the movement, under capable direction, seems to be taking strong root and to be on the road to considerable progress.
prize winners.
It is in another way, and perhaps of more interest at this time of exhibitions of various natures, that the Delta products are gaining renown. Not content to exhibit their work at home alone, the tillers of the soil have sent displays, and wonderfully complete and excellent ones, to the various provincial exhibitions, and in every instance the exhibitors have proudly returned to their Delta homes with the best prizes offered in their class of exhibits. The mammoth size of the various products which have been exhibited by Delta farmers would cause astonishment anywhere but in Delta. Giant beets, immense mangolds and squashes are natural yields from the fertile alluvial lands of the district. Vegetables of all kinds which would excite the appetite of the greatest epicure are too common in the Delta to arouse more than passing comment.

## Stock free from disease

Aside from agriculture and dairying, stock-breeding forms one of the Delta's chief assets, and here again the stock shown by the ranchers of the districts have always captured their share of the blue ribbons, both at exhibitions and in the matter of high market prices. Getting down to hard fects, Delta has always been to the front in the showing of horse and cattle classes. Dr. Ransom, provincial veterinary inspector, who is thoroughly conversant with the stock raised in all parts of British Columbia, has stated that he has always found the stock of the Delta exceptionally free from diseases of all kinds, while he ranks the quality of the cattle and horses as second to none. Exhaustive tests made of the dairy cattle in the Delta have also proved that very little evidence of tuberculosis is to be found, a fact the value of which can hardly be estimated, and which speaks
more highly, perhaps, than any other, for the quality of stock raised.

## SUCCESSFUL IN other LINES

Not alone has the Delta shown worth in horses and cattle, but also in the raising of hogs, sheep and poultry. Alexander Davie, one of the Delta exhibitors at two of the recent shows, went home with ten first prizes for his shires and percherons, besides winning eight first prizes in Tamworth hogs and numerous other exhibits.
Poultry-raising is fast coming to the front in the Delta, its ranchers raising with the greatest success practically every important variety of fowl.
Fruit-growing has never been considered an important feature of Delta's industrial life, but there are many persons now engaged in the raising of the big red apple and other fruit, with such success and splendid financial returns that they have furnished proof of the fact that the district is available for use in almost any direction of land cultivation.

Probably the first question asked by an intending settler in any district is regarding the water supply. The difficulty of securing this precious fluid in sufficient quantities is always one of the hurdles that the incipient municipality has to negotiate. To stumble at this obstacle is to lose the race for ever and aye. Recognizing the all-importance of the question, the Delta municipality rulers got together for the purpose of evolving a plan that would not only tide them over the difficulty temporarily, but which would set them over and above it for ever. As a result of their deliterations a scheme was conceived which when completed will make the present limited supply of water and the improvised method of obtaining it more like a nightmare than a reality. The country being well supplied with water made the task much easier than it otherwise would have been. The water from these natural sources has been collected and developed with a view to having it led into a recervoir, from which it is proposed to supply the whole community.

This was the first step in the general process. It was commenced in the spring of the year, and now it is estimated the entire work will be completed and the new water supply in operation at Christmas.

The reservoir, which is situated on a hill at the eastern end of the municipality, is now partly excavated, and will be in readiness to receive its baptism long ere the necessary fluid is within hail. The water is to be operated by electricity power from the British Columbia Electric Chilliwack line. It will be carried down to Ladner and other places, supplying all the farms on the route. As they have a head of over 200 feet there is a good pressure ensured. At the present time a considerable portion of the piping is laid and the work is being proceeded with as expeditiously as possible. In that part of the country, which as everyone knows, is rolling in natural wealth and beauty, the water is of a very high quality, and in the past the only difficulty has been the one which the present scheme is aiming to abolish. But for the fact that the work of developing the spring water was delayed for some time in crossing the tracks of the Great Northern, that section of the work would have been nearer completion than it is. However, it is anticipated that there will be no further halts, and that the contract will be carried out on scheduled time. In order that no time will be lost in carrying out the project, now that it is fairly started, the authorities are not sparing the municipal purse.

The work of putting in the pipes and excavating the reservoir is being superintended by Colonel J. H. Tracy, who has a wide experience in such matters to place at the disposal of his employers. Once the work is completed the Delta municipality will have something on several of its municipal rivals. It will have one of the best water systems in the whole countryside, and that is about the best asset that any budding place can have.

## SHIPPING

In the matter of shipping facilities boats leaving daily from Ladner run to Steveston and connect with the B. C. E. R. for Vancouver, while excellent service by water is provided to New Westminster. The Great Northern furnishes efficient rail transportation to New Westminster and Vancouver from Port Guichon.

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ROOM FOR FACTORIES
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However, when all is said, agricultural advantages, combined with all other facilities minus those needed for factory pur-
poses, are not sufficient to make a city really great unless the latter qualifications are also at hand. In the case of the Delta there is no need for worry, as the south bank of the Fraser River provides abundant room, and of the best sort, for indus-
tries of all kinds. The attention of in. vestors has already been called to the advantages possessed by the Delta district in this regard, and it is understood that plans are now on foot whereby the Delta will receive the immediate benefit.

# Man's Heritage 

By Garnett J. Weston

Pleasure fraught the years are rolling o'er this care-frce life of mine, And I've spent them mostly roaming 'neath the balsam and the pine, Where the sun-shafts pierce the cover, turning earth to yellow gold, In my youthful days I loved it, now I love it when I'm old. It has blessed me and caressed me and I'll never leave its shade, For the avenues and highways that the hand of man has made; In the golden dusk I worship, bending low at Nature's shrine In that stately vast cathedral builded by the hand of Time; And it thrills me with a rapture, fills me with the thought divine, That this great and wondrous country, this elysian land is mine.

Oh! I've scaled its rugged mountains and I've climbed its rolling hills, I have hunted in its forests and I've slept beside its rills;
I have watched its foaming rapids leaping madly on their way, I have seen the golden sun barbs dancing in the silver spray. It has loved me as a mother bending o'er her only child, It has shown to me its secrets and the mysteries of the wild. When the north wind comes a'sighing in the long cold winter nights, Bringing frozen lakes and rivers and the dancing northern lights, Shivering through the icy silence, borne upon the frosty air, Comes the hoarse bark of the wolf-dog creeping from his daytime lair; It is wild and weird and lonesome but to me it whispers low, Of the silent distant places where men's footsteps never go. And it thrills me with a rapture, fills me with the thought divine, I am one with God and Nature 'neath the balsam and the pine.

# From Shack to City-History of Regina at a Glance 



RJ:CINA IN 1SE3

Editor's Note.-Owing to an error in the make-up of the October number, an article on the wonderfully progressive city of Regina was unaccompanied by a number of pictures illustrating the city's development. The following views are eloquent of the growth of one of Canada's splendid cities, cities growing along clean lines which lead upward to the high standards Canadians are in the habit of setting for their achicvement. The following pictures, "From Shack to City: The History of Regina at a Olance," tell their story better than any number of words.















# H. M.C.S. "Rainbow" 

first reprlisientative of new Canadian navy on the pacific coastformal, transfer of historic dockyard and naval station aT ESQUIMALT FROM IMPERIAL TO CANADIAN PROPRIETORSHIP

(ONDAY, the 7th day of November, 1910, will have a place distinctively its own when the history of the nationhood of Canada comes to be written, marking as it does two moteworthy events, each of which maly be regarded as possessing epochal significance. First, the arrival at her home port, lisquimalt, of H. WI. C. S. "Rainbow:" the first representative of the new Canalian nawy to plough Pacific waters, destined to be the new theatre of contest for world-commerce control. Second, the formal transfer of the historic deckyard and naval station of Escuimalt from Imperial to Canadian proprictorship. The receprion of the new cruiser, symbolizing somers:at tardy Dominion recognition of Canala': responsibilities in proportional maritime aldefence, was pleasantly informal, ti. ueg semi-official in character, felicitation to the commander, officers and crew of $\cdots$ ship being appropriately expressed $b$ : fon. William Templeman in behalf oi he Dominion government, H is

Honor Lieutenant-Governor Paterson and Premier Richard McBride, as spokesmen for the Province of British Columbia, and Mayor Morley for the capital city of Victoria, to whom were successisely addressed Commander Stewart's courteous acknowledgments, phrased with excellent discretion and grood taste. The formal transfer of the station of Esquimalt, marking the end of the regime of the Imperial navy as resident protectors of the western Canada seaboard, was even more divested of all formality, being unostentationsly conducted as a simple business transaction by Commander l'ivian, R. N., of H. M. S. "Shearwater." as representative of the immortal sea power of Britain, and Deputy Minister S. J. Desbarats, of the Canadian nave department, with whom was Admiral Kingsmill and his chief-of-staff. Commander Roper, acting for Canada.

The "Rainbow" is not regarder! as a fighting ship, but as a tangible token of a promising beginning already made in the uphoulding of a truly national navy. Her significance is not in her tonnage, her steaming power, her speed, nor yet her weight or power of offensive metal, but in
that she is manned by fighting men and is herself sufficient and adapted for her mission. which is the practical training of youne western Canadians againse the day of posisible emergeney, so that at its coming they may be found ready and competent and worthy to defend their country from invasion, to protect its commerce upon the seas, and to maintain the dignity of the Empire of which this broad Dominion is an integral part.

As for the "Rainbow" herself, she is a second-class protected steel cruiser of 3,600 tons, of 7,000 h.p. under normal or 9,000 under forced draught, developing 18.1-knot specd; coppersheathed and protected with a steel deck 2 inches in general thickness, but 5 inches over the engine - room, gun shields $+1 / 2$ inches and conning tower 3 inches. She was built by Palmer's Shipbuilding Co, at Jarrow-on-Tyne at a cost of 22000000 and launched in 1891. She carric: two 6 -inch, six $+.7-$ inch, eight 6 -pounders, one 3 -pounder. one 12-pounder field gon, and four Maxims. She is one of a class of seventeen ships built under the Naval Defence Act of 1889 , of which six remain in employment in the Im perial nary and eleven were in 1905 placed in the reserve, of which seven have recentIV been taken into use again as mine ships and three for subsidiary service. Having been thoroughly refitted at Portsmouth dockyard, the "Rainbow," which is the fourth of her name on the British navy list, was commissioned on the the of August last with a complement of $20+$
officers and men, under Commander J. 1). 1). Stewart. The crew is composed of men who have just completed their full time, and have been pensioned from the Royal navy, men who have completed their first period of service in the Royal nary and belong to the Royal Heet reserve, and some younger men who have been recruited directly for the Camadian service. These Portsmenth during July, and were accommodiated in the Royal maval barracks there until the commissioning of the ship. In addition there are thirty-two men belonging to the Imperial navy who were carefully selected, and who have been loaned to the Camadian government for two years for instructional purposes.

With the advent of the "Rainhow" the lons - pending transter of the Esaumalt maval yard from Imperial to Camadian jurisdiction becomes a fact accomplished. and the Dominion gorcroment will hereafter take care of Whatever warships Great Briain may see fit th. maintain on this R, cific station. Sine: 905 the British Patic stition has ian officially abo: word, and
of Amerii :ne "Shearwater" and "Algerime" ha been retained at Espuimalt, while the hadrograp: a arvey work. It is expected that the lmberial government will complese its stabers in March next, and the "Feria" will not be recommissioned, but aill be sohd out of the service. The "Shearwater" will recommission this month, the new draft arrivine about Sorember - 'trll.

Henceforward, however. C'anada will rule at lisguimalt, endin! the occupation by the aldmiralty which has heen in effect since 1855. when the frigate "America" came, followed one year later by the Heet consisting of the "Commont," "Herald," "Inconstant," "Modeste" and "Pandora." In 18+7 the "Conllingwool" and the "Asia" came, and the "Cilypre" followed in 1848. In all there hase been in the 67 rears durin!e which the lmperial narr has maintained a hase at Fisquimalt, no fewer than 119 British warships stationed there. When Admiral Bings syuadroun returne: from Petroparlews after the historis cevents off the Kemschatkan const, Uuring the Crimean war of 185+6. it is to lisquimale that the watcrippled tre ing craft came to refit. Victoria was : a puny village-little more than a $1 H$ Gon's Bay Company trading prost, with stockades and Indians swarming about- : hen the Escjuimalt naval station was (blished.
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Visquimalt, arrived in $18+5$ in command of Captain the Hon. John Gordon, brother to the then Earl of Aberdeen, prime minister of Eingland. The boundary question with the Uinited States was pending. It was the time of "fifty-four or fight." The "America's" mission was to obtain information to assist Great Britain in the settement of this question, and Captain Gordon spent some considerable time in Victoria and its vicinity. He noted the excellence of Esquimalt harbor and as a result the station was established. It was in connection with the Foundary settlement that several of the carlier arrivals of British warships occurred. The treaty whereby the present Foundary was defined was made in 18+6, and in that year the "Cormorant." "Fishguard," "Constance" and "Inconstant," with the survering ships "Herald" and "Pandura" were sent out. Commander R. C. Mayne, who came to Fisquimalt in $18+6$ in the "Inconstant" as a midshipman, and who was in the "Plumper" during a subseguent commission, and still later in H. M. S. "Hecate" at Fsiquimalt, in his book. published in 1862, gives many interesting facts regarding the earlier days. He says that the Indian name of the port was "Isch-oy-malt," and it was so written in the early letters of the first colonial governors. Writing in 1862 he says:
"In 18+9, when I was in the "Inconstant," there was not a house to be seen on the shores of Esquimalt. We used to fire shot and shell as we liked about the






hartore, and at night send parties ashore and cut as much wood as we wanted without interruption from anyone. When I came again in 1802 there was a row of welikept buildings to the southeast point of the harlor's mouth, with pleasant gardens fronting them. 'This was the naval hospital erected in 185 t, when we were at war with Russia, to receive the wounded from Petroparlesk."

When the first governor of Vancouver Island, Richard Blanshard, arrived in 1850 it was in one of the warships stationed at Esquimalt. II. .I. S. "Driver," and on board this resel he took up his quarters for a time. Thee warships were frequently used br the enownors in those early days. When Governor Blanshard left the colony he sailed on !!. MI. S. "Daphne." When Governor Seremor visited the northern coast he went in :. M. S. "Sparrowhawk"; and when erived on a mission to make peace between ; warring tribes of the Naas and Tsimpse; Indian nations, he died on board th. "Sparrowhawk," the body being brought : Esquimalt and interred in the
naval cemetery which had been opened there in 1808.
'The nave's own church, St. Paul's, was erected at Espuimalt in 1866 and was pulled down in 190t, when the site was expropriated by the government in connection with the mounting of the battery of 9.2 guns on Signal Hill, then begun but never completed, the pedestals being placed in position and part of the mounts, while the shields and other parts were left until this day scattered about the hillside, where the guns lie in a ditch near the old canteen. Some interesting memorial windows and tablets are in the naval church, notably the tablet to the memory of Lieutenant Heyman and seven men of the "Satellite," who were drowned in 1896, when forming a volunteer boat's crew to assist a doomed ship stranded at Dutch Harbor; and a brass tablet to the memory of the 104 officers and men of H. M. S. "Condor," which foundered soon after leaving Esquimalt in 1901, being lost with all hands. One of the "Condor's" lifebuors, found on the
desolate Vancouver Island coast, is also hung in this little church.

There have been alarms of war on various occasions at Esquimalt, and once at least the naval forces were called upon by the authorities of Victoria to quell disturbance, this being in thie exciting days of the Cariboo gold rush, when Heets of ships and steamers from San Francisco were landing their thousands of adventurous followers of the golden fleece. One of the most interesting episodes of the occupation of Esquimalt by the Imperial navy was the nearwar on San Juan Island, when the dispute arose between Great Britain and the United States over possession of that island, subsequently awarded to Uncle Sam by the selected arbitrator, Emperor William. There have been numerous other notable incidents during the stay of the 119 warships of Great Britain which have spent commissions at Esquimalt. When the Fa-
:hoda incident developed, Admiral Fimnis, then Captain of H. M. S. "Amphion," was instructed to procced to Tahiti, and the cruiser was ready for departure when countermanding orders were reccived. The late Admiral Palliser, who commanded the station from 1896 to 1899 , made a unique cruise with his Hagship H. M. S. "Imperieuse" and H. M. S. "Amphion" to $\mathrm{C}_{0}$ cos Island, to search for the buried treasure reported to be there. Their quest was unsuccessful, and the admiralty had something forcible to say at the time regarding the Admiral's action. The greatest disaster to befall any vessel on the station during Imperial occupancy was the founding of H. M. S. "Condor," which encountered a heavy gale on the 3rd and th of Decemter, 1901, when bound out of the straits en route to Honolulu in command of Captain Sclater-a disaster in which $10+$ lives were lost.




ANADA took over the Esquimalt naval yard from the British Admiralty at noon on Wednesday, the 9th November, the rain descending in torrents when the bedra.. Jed Union Jack came slowly down the tall agpole, to be replaced in a few minute: tuer by the new banner of Canadathe hile wet guards of honor presented arm bugles blared joyously, and the officers f the respective services formally salu: s one another. Deputy Minister Des-
barats, of the Canadian naval department, and Admiral Kingsmill, its head, had arranged to have the guards from H. M. S. "Shearwater" and H. M. C. S. "Rainbow" drawn up on either side of the flagpole on Duntze Head, from which the Union Jack of the admiralty so long has wooed the brecze. The guards-thirtyfour men from each of the ships-were marched into the sail-loft, and at noon gunfire a bluejacket of H. M. S. "Shearwater" hauled down the admiralty's flag, while the guards presented arms, the bugles sounded bravely, and the officers ceremoniously saluted. Then a bluejacket of the "Rain-







mur" hauled ip another Limion Jack, thin "ule the thas if the Dominion, white the suak again presented arms. the bueles notwe more henew, and the officers re-salutal.
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to suceed himself as maval storekeeper and superintendent of works in the Canadian service. Commander Stewart takes charge of the namal rard.

The preliminary details of the transter were long ago arransed. With the cominge of the "Rambow" Mr. J. S. Deshamats was despatched from ()ttawa to complete the transfer, and with the brief ceremony here told of the lisquimalt namal yard mass(d) to Canada.

It was the part played by Eisqumalt in the Crimean campaign that resulted in the establishmont of a British naval yard and depot at that pore at the southern end of Vancouser Istand. When war was declared. H. M. S. "Pigue" was sent to the Pacific to augment the British Aeet then
herc, in command of Rear-Admiral David Price, his flagship being the "President," and his squadron comprising the "Trincomalee," "Amphitrite," "Dido," "Virago," "Brisk," "Daphne" and "Cockatrice." This fleet joined with a French squadron under Rear-Admiral Febvrier, who was instructed that:

> "The naval forces of England and France will therefore mutually assist one another in the most istant regions of the world ; also that the ports of the Russian establishments in the the North Pacific Ocean wwill become ethe sphere of operations-it is therefore of the most absolute importance to promptly seize upon ethese strongholdd. The chief object of your united efforts it sweep the Russian flag from off the seas bounded by America and Asia, and to affect this in the shortest period possible."

The feet selected to meet the Russians was made up of the "President" and "Piquue," sailing frigates, and the "Virago," a paddle-wheel stean sloop of Britain, with the French frigates "Forte" and "Eurydicc" and the briy "Obligado." The combined fieet met at Honolulu and proceeded to Petropavlovsk, and there Admiral Price, his mind overwrought by anxiety, committed suicide. The tragedy had a bad mora! effect on the combined fleets, which attacked the Russians on August 31st, 1854, but with rather more loss than gain. The French commander then suggested that the attack be alandoned, but the British offcers and men "wanted another go," and the fleet again attacked on September 4th. This attack failed, the landing party being driven off and re-embarked under damaging fire. The casualties were severe. Both British and French information regarding the strength of the Russian forces had been incorrect, and the narrow entrance to the inner harbor made attack by more than two frigates at a time an impossibility. The British loss was twenty-six killed and eighty-one wounded; the French lost twenty-five killed and sixty-nine wounded. The Russian merchant vessel "Sitka" was captured, and the fleets then separated, abandoning further attack upon Petropav-
lovsk. The "Sitka" was brought to Esqui. malt, whither the crippled forces returned with their wounded. The coming of so m:any candidates for surgeons' skill and nurses' care demonstrated the need of a naval hospital, and when Rear-Admiral Bruce came during the following year, in H. M. S. "Monarch" with a fleet, on his way to Petropavlovsk, a hospital building was erected. The allies proceeded again to the Russian forts across the Pacific in 1855, but the forts were found dismanted, the Russian ships gone, the place deserted and after a cruise in search of Russian ves. sels, in which none were encountered, Admiral Bruce returned with his ships to Esquimalt.
The little wooden building at the entrance to the naval yard-each structure has its date, and this one is marked " 1854 "was the first erected for the use of the wounded from Petropavlovsk. Two other buildings were constructed in the yard at the request of Governor Doughs by the Hudson's Bay Company, this company setting aside seven acres of land for them. The first transter at Esquimalt took place in 1857. The Admiralty had not taken over the buildings heretofore, objecting to the cost, [1,000; but finally, after a minute inventory. Captain J. C. Prevost, R. N., of H. M. S. "Satellite," accepted them from Governor Douglas on August 21st, 1857. Two of the three buildings still are standing. Governor Douglas was especially eneryetic in urging the Admiralty to take over Esquimalt, even offering to build a storhouse with colonial funds. There was much correspondence, and finally the admiraty decided to locate its depot for the North Pacific squadron at Esquimalt, and wooden buildings were erected as required. one by one. In 1890 the construction of brick buildings was begun.

While the transfer was mad: from the admiralty to Canada of the Esqui...alt naval yard, Lord Charles Beresford is aryocating in an appeal for the bettermer: of the British navy that "ample provis", should be made at once for replacing diss: ytled repair stations abroad, replacin: ilepleted stores and making a coal reserve he various outlying naval yards"-and on of these is Esouimalt.

# The Magnetic West 

## draws from all points of the compass-history repeating itself

 ON THE PACIFIC AS IT DID ON THE ATLANTIC COAST
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HE glamor of northern exploration has been broken, and today the more profitable western portion of Canada has evolved a "magnetism of the west" which is attractive to the physical and mental faculties. The terrestrial influences still exist, but it is due to that which appertains to the value of land for cultivation and the establishment of manufacturing industries that this attractive force is gradually permeating not only the people of eastern Canada, but the business interests of our kren-witted American cousins and the energetic sons of the Motherland.
Arcadia and the coast of the Atlantic frist attracted attention; then followed explorations into the unknown wilds and the establishment of trading posts, which have developed into great cities. The trend of civilization has ever been westward, and when Macken\%ie and a score of other intrepid pioncers pushed their investigations onward a new realm, greater than any existing in the Old World, was opened to view. It took years of struggle with the forces of Nature to open up the paths of civilization, but Simon Fraser finally conquered, and traversed what is known now as the Fraser River almost to the Pacific coast; to the very spot, in fact, where today exists the wonderful city of Vancouver.
History is repeating itself on the Pacific as it did on the Atlantic coast; the bark canoe of the Siwash has given place to the four-master and stately steamship from the farthest werers of the world; the forest
wilds are so broken up as to almost be changed into parks; the deer and bear, although still existing, have to be sought for with patience far away from their former haunts, for the old Crown Colony has developed with wonderful rapidity. This development resulted, primarily, from the discovery of gold in the sands of the Fraser River in 1858, and gives not merely a promise but the absolute certainty of placing the western gateway of the Empire in the highest rank of opulence.

## LOOKING BACKWARD

Many readers may not be aware that Lord Lytton-then Sir Edward Bulwer Lytton, English secretary of state for the colonies-was the individual most responsible for our present prosperity. The story is too long to tell at length, but it is so fascinating that a brief sketch may be of interest to many readers in the province, equally so to many whose fortune it has not been to dwell in this delightful res:on.

The discovery of gold near Lytton in 1857 was followed by a rush from all parts of the United States. On April 25, 1858, Governor Douglas reported to the government the arrival of 450 miners. By the middle of July there were 30,000 gold seekers on the Fraser River, and James Douglas, representative of the Hudson's Bay Company, was appointed Governor on July 16, in accordance with an act passed in the British House on July 8, 1858, which provided for the proper government of New Caledonia. Sir Edward Lytton, with praiseworthy speed, immediately sent a detachment of specially selected men from the Royal Engineer force, and a company

of 160 sappers and miners. Captain Parsons, with twenty practical surveyors, left England on September 2, arriving at Victoria on October 29. Captain Grant, with twelve carpenters, arrived on November 8, and Colonel Moody, formerly Governor of the Falkland islands, arrived on Christmas day, 1858, with his wife and family. The main body, which came around Cape Horn, left England on October 17, 1858, but did not reach Victoria until April 12, 1859.

## birth of british columbia

The birthday of British Columbia was November 19, 1858. On that date

Today the old-time camp is a city of importance, and gives promise of becoming world-known as a port and mercantile centre. The lumber industry has found this to be the most convenient district for operating, and many large mills line the river banks, among them being the Fraser mills, which, although the largest in the world, are now being enlarged by the erection of additional buildings and machinery. In 1909 no less than $40,000,000$ feet of lumber were cut in the Fraser Valley mills, and the estimated amount of timber therein was $3,000,000,000$ feet. On every hand are shingle and lath mills, box factories,

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Gorernor Douglas and the new officials were ceremoniousiy received at Fort Langley by Captain Grant, and there assumed the reins of government of the province. Colonel Moody, not approving of the site selected at Derby or New Langley for the capital, proceeded to seek for one more suitable to commercial, military and political purposes, which he found at the junction of the Brunett and Fraser rivers, and to this point the military force was removed in March, 1059 . The main body arrived a month later and were safely landed at the military amp established at Queenshorough, ow known as New Westminster.
sash and door factories, wooden pipe works and kindred branches, while large amounts of lumber are brought up from Vancouver Island and other points on the seaboard.

## FISHING INDUSTRY

Thousands of men earn good livelihoods in the salmon-fishing industry, as one-third of the entire output of Canada is obtained from the Fraser River, which has thirtynine canneries located along its banks. The scene when the fishing boats start out on Sunday night is one never to be forgotten. As the sunset-gun booms out thousands of boats set sail, headed for some favorite spot, and speedily disappear into the
distance in the Gulf of Georgia or up the winding Fraser, to return laden with the "spring" or "red cohoe," so esteemed in the markets of the East and Great Britain. Salmon, however, is not the only fish obtainable. Magnificent trout of several varieties and sturgeon-delight of the epi-cure-are frequently caught in the Fraser. The last-named have been caught weighing as high as 860 pounds, while the halibut fishery alone engages the attention of one enormous cold storage plant.

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CITY OF WESTMINSTER
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For picturesqueness of location, few sites could have been obtained for establishing
by reason of the wonderful purity of the atmosphere ; it extends 80 to 100 miles eastward to Mount Baker, with its eternal snow and ice, and westward to the coast range on Vancouver Island.

## THE HARBOR

The trains of three railroads-Canadian Pacific, Great Northern and B. C. Elec-tric-run along the entire waterfront and provide transportation facilities both in Canada and the United States from the Atlantic to the Pacific. These roads rum within a few yards of both wharves, thereby reducing the handling of freight to a minimum and saving great expense.


HIGH SCHOOI,-NEW WESTMINSTER, R. C.
a city to equal that selected by Colonel Moody. The harbor is broad and deep, while the river divides at this point into two channels, with a magnificent island about sixteen miles in length between the two streams. The land on this island cannot be surpassed anywhere for fertility, particularly in the production of root crops. On the north bank, where the city is built, it slopes upward to a level plateau which is rapidly becoming covered with fine homes, surrounded by fruit and foliage trees, beautiful gardens, and all that tends to make a home comfortable and attractive. The view from this wide plateau is magnificent

New industries are developing on every hand, while the old ones are constantly enlarging their plants; land values are not inflated, and wharf sites are srill obtainable with deep water frontage. The mercantile establishments are up to date with stocks, including everything required by the most fastidious; while whether it be wholesale or retail, the pries compare favorably with those which cttain at an! other point in the Dominion. Among the seventy industries in the city may be mentioned three iron foundries, t:riler works, gasoline engine works, the larest machine shop west of Toronto, the only ar-building
shops in the west. a distillery costing $\$ 120,000$, a large brewery, two mineral water works, creamery, condensed milk factory, tin can factory, four cigar factories, light and power works, oatmeal mill, four planing mills, steel pipe works, bookbindery, carriage works, grit mill, steam laundry, marble works, shingle mills, a tannery, several shipyards, etc. The pay roll from these industrics is immense; but besides these and the large Fraser mills-a town in itself employing 1,600 hands-there is the pay roll of the fishing industry and the large lumber mills of the Royal City Company, Brunette Company, Small \& Backlin
colleges-the Columbia and St. Louis; also a Roman Catholic seminary and orphanage. The city is also the centre of Episcopal government for both the Anglican and Roman Catholic dioceses, that of the former including the entire province as far as the Kootenay district.

The seat of government of the province was removed to Victoria, but the government has, however, many public departments still in the city, including mining recorder, water commissioner, land registry office, public works department, customs office, provincial court, penitentiary, provincial hospital, Indian office, gaol, post office, etc.



Company, McDonald Company; and others sarcely less important.

## city utilities

The citizens own the entire waterfront, estimated conservatively at $\$ 2,000,000$, the electric light and water systems, either of which cannot be excelled by any of the principal cities of the continent; a public market, free library, several buildings in Queen's Park used by the provincial exhibition, four fire halls, with a new one under construction, a magnificent block now used as a high whool, besides several completely equipped priblic schools. In addition to these educational institutions there are two

## THE HOME SEEKER

It is a difficult matter for the average man to select a new locality in which to make his home, and when considering the subject he should not fail to ascertain the climatic conditions, sanitary conditions, quality of water and supply, ease of accessibility to and from the surrounding districts, market facilities, public parks and pleasure resorts, and finally the hotel accommodations. In all of these the enquirer has only to come and see for himself to be satisfied that New Westminster possesses them.

No district is more attractive to the
investor than this city and the country surrounding. The basis of commercial prosperity and industrial development is so firmly established here that even the most timid realize the immediate prospects to be unequalled anywhere in the Dominion. port mann
The selection of Port Mann by the Canadian Northern Railway Company as the site for their car-building works and western terminals has already materially increased the prestige of New Westminster and the district surrounding. When the road is completed it will mean a new city south of Westminster bridge with a popu-
line traversing this region, but the Cana. dian Northern will shortly follow rers closely the south bank of the Fraser River on its new route to the Atlantic, and in so doing will open up a wonderful district for the miner, the agriculturist, and the investor generally.

## NEW FRASER VALILEY IINE

Too much emphasis cannot be placed on the work done by the B. C. Electric Rail. way Co., the lines of which are radiating in all directions from New Westminster. Last year the company opened a new service through Ehurne along the north bank of the Fraser, and in October it opened a new


lation of probably 10,000 within the next three or four years. This magnificent bridge across the Fraser River is the main road by which the agricultural population reach the market. It is 11,985 feet long, double-decked, built of steel, used for both foot and vehicular traffic, as well as by all the railway lines entering the city.

North of the bridge the life is residential, commercial and industrial, but after crossing to the south side a new phase of life is found. This is the greatest agricultural, dairying and fruit-growing area, possibly, in the whole of Canada. The Great Northern Railway has until recently been the only
line along the south side of the river, extending a distance of sixty-five miles, bring ing the city of Chilliwack, the present head of navigation, into touch with Westminster, allowing the farmers along the road to reach the city in less than three hours from the terminus, with frequent train service. A third line to this city is being pushed rapidly, and will open up a beautifal residential area adjacent to Burnaby and Deer Lakes.

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lamb. capable of growing anthing in the way of ronts, frnits or regetables. Eiven peaches and srapes ripen in the open, while pumpkins, melons and many other products of the mone southern latitude mature here as well as in the south. Dairying and poultor ravings. cattle and horse breeding. chese and huttermakinge are the principal imbustrics although there are scores of shingle and humber mills, giving employment to these who do not apprectiate the l:arm.

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forts being enjoyed. The New Wesmmin. ster district covers an area of t.90.(日) acres and at least one-fourth of this is suirable for cultavation. 'To sumte the work of the present Governor-Gencrat:
"Fruit-growing in your province has abquired the distinction of beines a beamtial art as well as a profitable industr. Ater a maximum wait of five years ! monderstand the settlers may look forward with satam. able certainty to a net incon? of from $\$ 100$ to $\$ 150$ per acre after :.: "xperis" of cultavation have been paid.
"Gentlemen. here is a state which appears to offer the ops wimity of lising under such ideal on sum a struggling humanity has only:- add in reaching in one or two of the an fard spots upon the carth."

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Progress of the West in Pictures










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lead in national affairs and maintain a position of greatness by personal prestige. The disturbing forces in both countries are not so much anti-monarchial in their character as social or socialistic. A king, strong enough as a politician and leader and wise enough as a man, could easily retain control in cither country; but court influences and court traditions have been huge masks that obscured the king to the people and the people to the king. A feature of the situation in both cases is the anti-clerical nature of the feeling that is being displayed. It is a curious commentary on the state of affairs that, outside of Austria, the essentially Catholic countries-Portugal, Spain, France and Italy-are so anti-clerical in their tendencies, while the strongholds of Catholicism are really in the great Protestant na-tions-Great Britain, Germany, the United States and Canada. If we were to draw conclusions, anomalous as it may be, it might appear that Catholicism flourishes better in the atmosphere of religious freedom and civil liberty than among conditions which it is generally supposed it itself has created.

Statesmen in the two countries do not seem to be perturbed over the ebullition of feeling in Mexico towards the people of the United States. The allegation on both sides is that it does not represent any general sentiment of antagonism or revenge. On the borderland there are local dislikes and prejudices which do not extend far inland and, on the surface at least, the trouble is regarded as one that may be smoothed over by an exchange of polite and conciliatory diplomatic notes. Nevertheless, locally at all events, the feeling is too deep-seated to be extinguished by the governmental glad hand.

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TIIE elections in the United States were significant expressions of a change of feeling on the other side of the line. It is not so easy to account for the sweeping victory of the Democrats. Two years ago the Republicans were apparently more strongly entrenched in power than ever before, and it cannot be explained on the theory that Democratic principles or Democratic politicians have suddenly become popular, because nothing has occurred
to develop either great policies or greas leaders within the ranks of that party. Either by microscopic examination at cloie range or by telescopic observation at long range, no one could say, as the result of investigation, that the Democratic leader. W. J. Bryan, is a stronger or a bigger man than he was two years ago. Whatever may be his own views on the subject, opinion as reflected by the press or on the platiorm would lead us to suppose that his prestige has been very much on the wane, and l cannot think, at this moment, of any other man who has taken his place in public es. timation or who, as a Democratic leader. has contributed to the success of his party. To an outsider, not perhaps sufficiently acquainted with the real situation, two things would appear to account for the political landslide. One was the aggressive intrusion of Theodore Roosevelt into public affairs. The other was the reaction of public sentiment against "bossism" asserted by Republican leaders and the exercise of the influence of "special interests" cited by and in behalf of them. His strenuous protest against these and the strong support given Colonel Roosevelt in his fight by an army of writers, were sufficient to bring them into a very strong light, and to emplasize them in the public mind; but his good intentions in the interests of the Republican party itself, the leadership of which he wrenched from the old-time bosses, and the dictatorship of which he voluntarily assumed, were not sufficiently manifest to stem the reaction against his party. Colonel Roostvelt by this time realizes that it is easy to start a fire but not so easy to control the conflagration which follows. By his stupendous fight and a campaign possibly without a parallel in American politics, he led the insurgent forces to victory in the $R_{i}$ publican primaries, but it was a differmt thing when the actual elections came on. wherein it was shown that the Republican defeat in Maine was only the precursor 0 : general defeat. In the elections just closed it is obvious that the "stand-mat" element in his party, embittered by his attitude. joined forces with the Demoreats and ac: complished his fall. It is not so sure eren yet, however, that in a presidential campaign, with Roosevelt as a cimdidate his paign, with Roosevelt as a c.aling foric
personal popularity and great fulting
would not win again for him his election． The Americans are a spasmodic people about whom，is was said of the Japanese by Sir Fidwin Arnold，it is impossible to predict． It might be difficult－indeed，in the present state of feeling，impossible－for him to secure the nomination；but another year may see apinion entirely changed，and however his personal status may be altered by the Demo－ cratic victory，he will always be a great force among the American people，even though for the moment that instinct，the worship of success，may have removed the idol from its pedestal of popularity．Inci－ dentally；it is worthy of comment here that a great and inherent weakness of the Ameri－ can constitution stands revealed by the pre－ sent situation．For two years more a Re－ publican President and a Republican gov－ ermment will rule the United States，though the elections have shown that they have lost the confidence and support of the American rlectorate．In other words，the country will be governed not by the will of the prople as expressed today，but as it was expressed two years ago．

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THE political situation in Great Britain grows in interest．The failure of the two parties to agree in confer－ rnce upon the vital issue of the new powers of the House of Lords－apparently mutu－ ally remaded as inordinate as a check upon the House of Commons－has decided the wowernment upon a second appeal to the perple．Undoubtedly the position of the liherals has been strengthened by this re－ wive．not that they are more loved by the people．but because they have shifted their base of action and have gained a better rantage ground．As a fighting force and as a political organization the Liberals are tronger than the Unionists，without the timulus of Chamberlain the elder． Twenty or even ten years younger，Cham－ terlain would carry the country in the com－ me chation．The Unionists are active emomet，and so far as they are represented by the ：ress are in the better position，but they are not so united in policy and have a lealer who．though intellectually and in
some other respects is not surpassed in the United Kingdom，lacks that virile force and decision of character so essential in such a crisis as at present faces his party and his country．In saying so much I，perhaps，do not do Mr．Balfour full justice，because he is a man of strong character and deter－ mination，and is intuitively a leader posisess－ ing extraordinary tactfulness．He is，how－ ever，too philosophical in his mental atti－ tude to be forceful in a single direction，too upright and high－minded to follow a course dictated solely by regard for political suc－ cess．Perhaps，too，he has not got far enough away from his former self and the traditional policy of his country to enter as enthusiastically as he might into a cam－ paign of untried policies．He is hampered in his course，too，by a certain influential following，who are rery reluctant on the score of tariff reform．Altogether，he and his party are too slow in adapting them－ selves to a change of policy rendered necessary by changed conditions and chang－ ing sentiment．A new issue has been forced upon the people－Home Rule，not Home Rule for lreland，but Home Rule ＂all round．＂This is not a new thing． Chamberlain advocated it many years ago， but found little support for it on either or any side of politics．It has been dis－ cussed academically in the press over and over again．The success of the federal system of govermment in Canada，and its imitation in Australasia and South Africa， have brought it prominently to the fore， and it is sumprising that the cumbrous and anomalous form of govermment in Great Britain had not long ago heon re－ placed by it．At least，it would be sur－ prising if we did not know the British people－dear，sumed people fire the mowt part，people whon we lowe for their pect－ liatrites，but who are wedded to their idols of existines institutions and well－wstablished precedent．We are all．howerer，the slave of circumstance．＇Todaly，as the have heren before，the Irish members combitute the balance of power．The crux of their politi－ cal faith is Home Rule for Ireland；but that as an exclusive prisilese．for the Irish are never likely to le conceded it by a British parliament．（iladstone went ode－ feat on that iswe，and wo wher gonern－ ment has been bate comogh we reat the
c：iperiment．Home Rule all round，how－ e：cr，is，in homely parlance，a horse of an－ （hier color．It has been suggested by the l＇ish party，it would appear，as a means of beating the devil around the bush and echieving their own ends．Heretofore，as vittily expressed by T．P．O＇Connor，they did not believe in the principle except for themselves．Now it is put forward as a solution of the deadlock in Great Britain， much as confederation was the solution of an almost impossible situation as between Uipper and Lower Canada prior to 1867. The Liberals have adopted it apparently with sudden zeal，and will make it the issue of issues，in which Lords and Tariff Re－ form，and Budget and Social Reform will t：e submerged．A federal form of govern－ ment，with local legislatures for England， Ircland，Scotland and Wales，will necessi－ tate an entire reorganization of the present sstem，and out of the crucible will come， in a political sense，a new heaven and a new earth，with a second chamber in the federal parliament quite unlike the present in its constitution，but sufficiently like it in form and substance to satisfy the Conserva－ tive elements，whose influence，even in the Liberal ranks，is not to be disregarded in essentials．The reconstruction of the Brit－ ish Empire on the federal plan will natur－ ally suggest as the next step the federation of the federations，resembling in their future relations groups of orbits revolving around a common solar centre－an old－ time dream of Imperialists．It is a senti－ ment which should insipire little Englanders and hig Englanders alike．

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THE creation of the new issue will be embarrassing to the Unionists．Un－ less their objections were to the de－ tails of the new form of government，it would be extremely unwise to oppose the principle．even if for the purpose of ap－ pealing to national prejudices；by defeat－ ing Irish aims，it were．for the moment， grood politics．Responsible local govern－ ment，as we have it in Canada，is the most important quesstion affecting the govern－ ment of Great Britain that has arisen since the dass of William and Mary，and is
bound，if carried into judicious effect．to bring about great internal results．It will free the Parliament of Great Britain and the general executive from the burden of a mass of local detail，and enable them to devote their attention，untramelled by parish politics，exclusively to the laryer topics of the Empire and the administra－ tion of affairs of only general interest．The local legislatures will deal with matters within their own ken and jurisdiction．We need not expect perfection in the propaied new form of government in Great Britain． any more than we have perfection in Canada；but we may expect，by a division of legislative authority，to find ench conn－ try making a determined effort to solve is own local and social problems in its own way，and with some degree of success，some－ thing which is quite impossible under the present system．Ireland and Scotland and Wales and England can then each work out its own land system，its social reforms． its educational schemes，and so forth，in conformity with the wishes and require－ ments of its own people．In this way a vast amount of work of purely local charac－ ter，and usually the most contentions，will be relegated to local bodies．In view，ther－ fore，of the vital import of the issue，the part which the Unionists should play is obviously to endorse the principle，subject to the right to oppose or anmend the Liberal plan when presented in detail，and to con－ centrate their energies on Tariff Reforn． because，after all，if the constitution be the official abode of the people，a fiscal polity is their meat and drink．

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OF not less interest to Canadiun： than the recent election results in the people of the United States：； the result of the Arthabasta nationalist campaign．It is not only a body blow ${ }^{\text {an }}$ Sir Wilfrid Laurier，but it is significant of the attitude of the French－Camadians in regard to a Canadian Navy，which，to say the least，is discomforting to the politizal peace of mind．No doubt the Conserra－ tives are more or less elated over the Liberal discomfiture，as all fish are weleme to their net ；but it would be unjust to sas that the：
chiouraged such an attitude or assisted in briuging about the result of the issue in nuestion. It is true that Mr. Monck, leader of the French-Canadian wing of the Cimservatives, was an active factor in the liollh, but he camot be said to represent the Comerratives of Canada as a parts, any move than Bourassa does the Liberals. The mest that call be said is that he is a Conservative from the French-Canadian point of riew. Conservatives would be very silly to endorse and ally themselves in any way with the authors of a programme so diametrically opposed to their own. Nor is it certain that the Conservatives will lenefit more than Sir Wilfrid Laurier himself ly what is happening in Quebec. The Conservatives have severely criticised Sir Willirid on the ground that his naval defence programme was not sufficiently Im-prrial-in fact, that in order to please the French-Camadians, and, incidentally, to please his own real sympathies, it was antilmperial. Now that his own people have emphatically condemned his policy because it is too lmperial, it is likely to give him kudos, at least among some observers in the other provinces and in Great Britain as an luperialist. This whole business of appealing to race and sectional prejudices is very two-edged in its results, and is apt to cut exery way. However, if the feeling of Arthabaska proves to be an index to the iecliny of Quebee, as a whole, as the result in Maine proved to be an index to the general result in the United States electims, Sir Wilfrid Laurier may find himself in the minority at the next general clections. That would not be consoling to Conservatives, because a solid nationalist Quethee would hoid the balance of power,
and the situation would not be unlike that in Great Britain at the present time. In other words, both partices would be at the merey of the French-Canalian members. That is more or less the position of the Liberal party today, but it is much better that way than a social pol:tical fight against Quebec, umless, indeed, Quebec dominiation were to be ended by a combination of toress determined upon a definite lomperial prom gramme consonant with the views and simpathics of a mejority of Camadians.

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THE fire in \ictoria, serious as it was. has not been an momixed evil. New blocks, modern in design and construction, are to take the place of those destroyed, and other new blocks are in contemplation. D). Spencer, Led., the heaviest of the losers by the fire, are displaying great enterprise, and in addition to erecting a fine business block on the old site betwren Government and Broad stretes. they have purchased the Driard Hotel and the Imperial Hotel building (containing the Opera House) and will convert them into stores. When liew street is extended through to Governument, the firm will have extensive frontage on Govermment, View. Broad and Douglas, and will thus have: commanding situation in the business centre of the city.
As a result of the recent ammomememe: in regard to the location of the C. N. R. on the Istand, and the settlement of the Songhees Indian reserve dusstion. tugether with the new building programme, Victoria is experiencing a gemuine brom in real a tate, and there is a yreater freling of optim. ism existing there than erer before.


WHAT has, without doubt, the most exhaustive and far-reaching consequence for the betterment of the road and road conditions of the entire Pacific slope is the launching of the Pacific Highway Association.

This association was effected on the 19th day of September, 1910, in Seattle, and was the outgrowth of several previous meetings which had been held for the purpose of establishing a Western Automobile Association; but it soon developed that a wider influence could be exerted by a good roads association than by an automobile association.

At the meeting which gave birth to this organization, Judge J. T. Ronald, of Scattle, a good-roads enthusiast, was unanimously elected president ; Chas. A. Ross, of Vancouver, B. C., was made treasurer, and Frank M. Fretwell, of the Seattle automobile club and editor of the Western Motor Car Monthly. was elected secretary.

The sole purpose of this highway association was to promote and encourage the establishment and construction of a continuous first-class trunk highway, to be known as the "Pacific Highway," along the entire Pacific slepe of North America. The members, who are representative of the most prominent automobile and good-roads clubs of this section of the country, pledged themselves to strive to create a lasting activity in the upbuilding of this great project by arousing the sympathy of all the people in the territory covered by the association. Furthemore, nothing will be left undone to secure and promote legislation which will tend to aid the construction and maintenance of the Pacific Highway and also the aiding of the county officials through whose territory this roadway will pass as to placing and maintaining suitable guide posts and landmarks. Information regarding the best and latest methods of certain phases of road development is also to be dealt with as far as practicable.

To have this entire highway of a uniform standard in every locality is also one of the aims of the association, fixing the maximum srade at 10 per cent., as far as possible
avoiding all ups and downs. The benefit of such a road will indeed be great, both as to wear and tear on the car and to the road. It is worthy of note that steep roads also have the disadvantage of needing a constant upkeep expense for repair caused by the rain water, which persists in gullying itself out.

The self-appointed task or purpose of the Pacific Highway Association may at a cursory glance appear new, but in reality it is a deep-seated one, and only embodies the wishes of the coast people which have been lying dormant through lack of initiative.

As the motor car has gradually reached its stages of perfection, it has constantly come into greater usage by not only the city folk but the farmer as well. Bit by bit it has grasped him, as he was quick to see the money and labor saving that accrues trom it, and it gave him a greater social prestige by affording greater means to travel and mix with people. In so far, then, as the automobile and road are affected, the country and city folk share practically the same views, and this alone will do much in securing the co-operation so earnestly sought in a movement of this kind.

Although organized in Seattle, the Pacific Highway Association must not be mistaken as working for the benefit of that territory alone. The earnest endeavor to give intpetus to this co-operation along the entire western slope of North America has been met with surprisingly energetic response from lower California to British Columbia. Well is this attested by the tours various motor clubs have made into each other's territory for the purpose of solidifying and sriving concerted action on this immense project. Up in Canada they are quite a bit in advance of us in their road construction, but, realizing the benefits to be derived, are the most eager to join in the morement now well on foot, and seme of the most frequent applications for membership in the Highway Association come from residents of Britisi Columbia.

For a portion of the land which contains so many scenic beauties as that section west of the Rocky Mountains, it is cumms to
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| 1910 | \$36,533,143 | \$40,428,521 | \$40,115,870 |
| 1909 | 24,969,077 | 28,035,000 | 30,918,956 |
| 1908 | 15,483, 153 | 16,991,346 | 17,502,569 |

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Other Revenue
\$43,974
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Total
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## Building Permits-

## 1909

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