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Still Are Building Stores In City.

Although there are several vacant stores here, others are being erected, a new business block having just commenced on Third Ave. within the last few days. Apparently there are some people who have faith in the place and who expect it to grow.

While there are plenty of stores here at present there is a scarcity of good houses. It is almost impossible to rent a good place today. People looking for houses have to wait until one is vacated. There are a few houses of a sort offering but as a rule a well located house with any modern conveniences is snapped up long before the vacating tenant leaves.

Alberta Crop Is Best On Prairies.

According to the latest reports the Alberta wheat crop is much better than the crop in Saskatchewan or Manitoba. In the latter province it is not very good in spite of the early prospects. Rust and saw fly and other pests have done their work. Judging from the despatches the prairie crop this year will be an average one but the long straw will make harvesting expensive with no larger yield than usual. The section of the prairie that ships to British Columbia has the crop, however, which is something to be thankful for.

Need Of Better Mail Service.

There is great need of a better mail service in and out of Prince Rupert. It seems curious that with a daily train service we cannot have a daily mail service. Also it seems odd that places near this city should have its mail by way of Vancouver instead of distributed from here.

Now that we have a good train service and that the railway people are making a real effort to popularize the National Railways, it is to be hoped that they will also be allowed to give the mail service. It rests with the Post Office Department to arrange. Possibly it might be well for people here to once more urge upon that department of the Dominion Government the need of this service and the desirability of establishing it as soon as possible.

Wages Depend On Buying Power Of Dollar.

The majority of factories are working full time, and many of them report that as a result of satisfactory crop prospects in the Canadian West, a larger volume of orders is being placed than for some time, says the Bank of Commerce report. The complaint is made, however, that prices are tending downward, and that as it is difficult to make a corresponding reduction in costs, the chief item of which is labor, the margin of profit is contracting. Workmen leaving for the United States claim that wages in that country are on a more favorable basis than in Canada, but it is not so much the actual amount paid as what that amount will buy that is of importance. Whether a dollar spent in the United States will buy as much as a dollar spent in Canada may be an open question, but as long as the workman is of the opinion that it does, he will go to the United States. There is, however, by no means unanimity as to the relative advantages enjoyed by labor in the two countries, as is evidenced by the return of many men who decided after practical experience that conditions in Canada were preferable.

GOEDETIC SURVEY PARTY ARRIVES

Will Measure Distances and Give Signals From Mount Oldfield

The federal goedetic survey party under Major McLaren, which is operating on this part of the coast this summer, put into port yesterday afternoon on their launch Metro. Two members of the party, Gordon Kirkpatrick, and Harold Watts, will remain here until the end of the month measuring distances and giving signals from the summit of Mount Oldfield back of the city.

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GREAT SUCCESS FOR LOCAL MAN

Deputy Minister of Finance Praised by Municipal Journal of England

AHEAD OF ALL OTHERS

The department of finance over which E. D. Johnson has charge under the minister of finance has just received a well deserved compliment from England. It is expressed in an article in the Municipal Journal under the caption "Colonial Accounts a Lesson for England," and as follows:

"British Columbia is a typical example of efficiency and loyalty in colonization. From the accounting point of view it is also a good instance of that freedom and elasticity which youth so freely imparts into the rigidity of the home systems of an old country.

"We have before us, in setting down these reflections the published accounts of British Columbia, printed by authority of the legislative assembly for the fiscal year ending March 31, 1922. After the formal preface to the volumes, consisting of two lines of print from the minister of finance and the comptroller-general, respectively, the whole spirit of the publication may be understood from the unofficial preface at the head of the index: 'The form of the accounts should bring to light extravagance and inefficiency, and enable criticism to be usefully applied.'

To Educate Public

"It can be said without reservation that the volume consistently maintains this note, namely, that the accounts are for the education of the public and give them the maximum assistance in applying useful and constructive, as well as destructive criticism. Those familiar with many similar publications at home will realize the force of this judgment of the British Columbia statement, but the book proves its worth when tested either by general or specific instances.

"In general terms, the arrangement of the volume is simple, the sections are sequential and logical in order and in form, until we get to the statistical appendices, which might be improved in classification and, indeed, would form the nucleus of a separate section of the book capable of arrangement in as good a form as the accounts themselves which precede the statistics.

A Balance Sheet

"Here is a government which submits a balance sheet. Moreover, it is an understandable balance sheet which even government officials could understand. There is a summarized statement of the income and outgoings of the government superior to anything published in Britain, and even making allowances for the comparative simplicity of government by a legislative assembly in British Columbia, there is sufficient to prove that the more complex conditions of national life in Great Britain do not render impossible the publication of simple statements of accounts giving the nation's financial position, and its annual turnover in a simple form which could be understood by the people.

"The details of the expenditure given in full, down to the humblest messengers salary, would of course be too great at home for publication in a handy volume, but the way in which one can test the cost of various branches of government of the province in relation to the return in cash form obtained from such outlay, is surprising.

Public Benefit

"There is always, of course, the element of public benefit not to be expressed in cash form, to be derived from the outlay of a department like the public works, which has to be borne in mind and which no formal accounts can satisfactorily illustrate. This, however, is a difficulty inherent in local government accounts and can only be tested, even approximately by statistics as to the volume of work done, docks and harbors built, streets and roads constructed, and so on.

"The volume is capable of improvement in this particular, and the statistical results or facts expressed in summarized statements of work done or in the form of costs per suitable unit of work done, might advantageously be incorporated in future volumes.

"These accounts are, however, so far ahead of any publication by the British government that it might almost appear captious to suggest the improvements mentioned."

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The Man in the Moon SAYS:-

ONE of the Senators has wakened up and states he thinks the Senate should be allowed to run the country and that the House of Commons should be abolished.

IT will be good news to husbands who pay the bills to know that women are to wear their dresses longer.

A SQUEAK from the progressiveites intimates they do not think John Oliver should say he likes his job or that he is getting well paid for it. Happily John is not a professional financier or a millionaire, or even a general.

MARATHONS may be all right in the running game, but we hear now of a man who was drunk for forty-eight hours without even a stop for meals.

THE difficulty in this part of the country this year is that the rain won't rain.

IF Wordsworth had lived here he would have written: "It is not raining rain today, It's raining bright sunshine."

"Aren't you bathing this morning?"

"I had my swim before breakfast."

"Before breakfast! Why there couldn't have been anyone to see you!"

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Ten Years Ago in Prince Rupert

August 17, 1913.

H. C. Brewster, recently appointed leader of the liberal party in the province, sends a rousing message of cheer to all parts of the province. He predicts an early return of the party to power.

Many rumors have been circulating concerning an old three-masted Japanese sailing ship which is moored at the quarantine wharf. She was suspected of being a smuggler but it turns out she happened to make this her first port of call coming from the Orient to New Westminster for salmon. The passage across the Pacific took thirty-eight days.

"You can state positively that there will be no delay in completing the building of the proposed trail from Stewart to the Groundhog so that by next year it will be ready for use," is the announcement by C. J. Gillingham, road superintendent.

PEOPLE ARE ALIKE EVERYWHERE

Some ruralites were talking of the strange sights to be seen in a great city, and one paid tribute to New York.

"I don't believe any one of you could think of any combination of circumstances that hasn't at some time occurred on the streets there," he said.

"I reckin I know of one that's never occurred there," said Si Wilson.

"What's that?" asked the other curiously.

"I guess," said Si slowly, "that you've never seen, nor ever will see, a brass band that's going in one direction and the heft of the folks goin' in the other."—Everybody's Magazine.

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