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Box Factory Will Add To Industries.

The box factory to be operated here in connection with the Prince Rupert mill will be a valuable addition to the local industries in that it will enable the operators to dispose of the low grade spruce to advantage. In this part of the world the low grade spruce is always a drug on the market. The distances are so great that it does not pay to haul it to the prairies and it is not in great demand there. By manufacturing box shooks the lumber can be marketed to advantage.

Little Knowledge Is Dangerous Thing.

A little knowledge is a dangerous thing. Just now the natives of Africa are acquiring a little knowledge and the result is that they are in a condition where any agitator can easily persuade them that they are ill-used. There are many millions of them in the country and they are learning to keep in touch with each other by using modern methods of communication. The result is that they are finding themselves of greater importance than formerly and in the course of development are likely to be troublesome. It is a phase that has to be passed through.

Government Can Hardly Compete In Business.

It would be hardly fair to private interests for the Provincial Government to step in and compete with them now that they are established. The government at Victoria intimates that it will not do so in connection with the establishing of a milk distributing business at Prince Rupert.

We should all like to see a big milk depot established here. We do not use enough fresh milk, nothing like our proper proportion according to population. The establishment of a depot here would increase the supply and would do more business than is done today. What milk was not used for private consumption could be made into butter, ice cream and similar products.

It would be better to import our supply from the interior valleys than get it from Vancouver. We want to help the farmers and the farmers might help us by increasing the supply. The difficulty is in establishing the business. It is is to be hoped that the minister of agriculture will be able to solve the problem and give relief both to the farms and the people of Prince Rupert and that without injuring those who are already doing business in Prince Rupert.

Clean Up Week Ends On Saturday.

A good many people are forgetting that this is "clean up week" as well as "save the forest week," and that those who do not accept the polite invitation to tidy their premises are likely to have a more persuasive tone used next week.

Th idea of cleaning up vacant lots is one that will commend itself to everyone. If the city is to be worth anything it must be neat and clean. Cleanliness is necessary to health and neatness is necessary to mental health. If we are careless with our vacant lots we shall be careless with our business and everything else and cannot expect to succeed.

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ARE NOT KEEN FOR RAILWAY

Newspaper Thinks Neither of Railway Heads at Present Anxious for Task

Quite evidently neither Sir Henry Thornton nor President Beatty of the C.P.R. is anxious to build a new railway outlet for Peace River products says the Edmonton Bulletin. After considering and consulting all winter they have nothing to propose, and there is no promise that they will have anything to propose in time for Parliament to start construction this summer. The supposition was that the railway chiefs would hand out a ready-made solution of this problem, with minimum delay, and carrying the authority of a plan devised by experts. The Provincial government found the situation too difficult for it and asked Ottawa to help work out a relief plan. By mutual consent the whole question was handed over to the railwaymen, with a request that they say what had better be done about it.

Not Philanthropic

Perhaps from the railway standpoint there is no solution to which the head of either system is willing to tie himself up. Sir Henry Thornton has just announced that the National lost fifty odd millions last year. His disinclination to father any scheme for building a line, unless one with a guaranteed prospect of paying its way from the start, can be understood. The C.P.R. is not a philanthropic organization formed to provide railway accommodation without regard to financial consequences. That another railway into the Peace River district from any point would be a money-maker from the start can hardly be supposed. And the traffic it secured in early years at least would be taken away from the existing road, which is not paying interest on its cost. From the viewpoint of the railway executive, who has to answer for the kind of a financial report he brings in at the end of the year, a hesitancy about committing himself to a construction project is not surprising.

Stranger things have happened than that the problem which the politicians handed to the railwaymen should be handed back, with nothing more binding than non-committal suggestions as to how the difficulty might be got around. After all it was not railway operators who projected the C.P.R. and the lines which were finally linked up to form the C.P.R. system. These undertakings originated with the public and with men who were railway promoters rather than operating executives. On the basis of immediately available traffic neither project was one to commend itself to men concerned in seeing that the earnings each year are more than the expenditures.

Risks Involved

The building of pioneer railways involves risk, and confidence in future development and backing by the public in one way or another. A new railway outlet for Peace River would have to depend upon future rather than present traffic for justification of the cost. If one is to be built it may be that the provincial or Dominion government will have to say when and where, and assume responsibility for the difference between operating costs and revenues. The railway chiefs do not seem at all willing to take on the risk.

The Man in the Moon SAYS:-

MONDAY the papers reported that a man named Nikoff was chief bomber at Sofia and yesterday it was Yankoff. Both names were appropriate for such a job.

IS somebody pulling Gowper's leg over the Janet Smith case or is the Chinese boy really a captive on the grill?

OVER in Alberta one of their chief sports is a calf feeding competition. Here feeding the chickens seems rather popular.

SOME day I intend to write a book about how to farm the muskeg and make it pay. No. Jemina, I do not know anything about it. That is why I shall write the book.

WE hate to hear any outsider knocking the city, but all do our shares at home.

WHEN I think about days that are passing,
Of plank roads and muskeg galore,
I really feel sad
And sometimes am mad
That I've nothing left here to gloat o'er.

WE shall now hear of the crops coming along fine on the prairies and the bumper crop that is in store and we shall at once mortgage our prospects for a new scarlet tie and handkerchief.

I own a quarter section
The wheat is coming fine
I feel just now a millionaire
Or owner of a mine.

I'll sell five thousand bushels
Or pretty nearly that,
And I'll get two dollars apiece for them
You may be sure of that.

Yes, I'm a bloated capitalist
My fortune is nearly made
But every year I feel this way
Till I see my fortune fade.

Ten Years Ago in Prince Rupert

April 22, 1915.

Prince Rupert people are responding in a hearty manner to the cry for "patriotism and production." Even domestic gardens reflect the answer to the appeal. Especially as far as the schools are concerned is a good showing being made says A. H. Tomlinson, provincial horticulturalist.

The Prince Rupert Cadet Corps gave a concert in the K. of P. Hall last night. Rev. Canon G. A. Rix presided and among those taking part in the program were Capt. Bob Ritchie, Corporal Willie Cummings, W. Vaughan Davies, Miss Violet Mortimer, Mike Syrotuck, Mr. Lancaster and F. G. Kirkpatrick. George Leek was in charge and short addresses were delivered by Rev. W. W. Wright and O. H. Nelson.

The schooner Chief Zibassa, Capt. Parsons, has returned to port. The vessel picked up three Austrians who were adrift for fourteen days in Queen Charlotte Sound after the boat in which they were proceeding from Seattle to Ketchikan broke down.

CROSS-WORD PUZZLES ARE IN EVERY JOURNAL

Every journal is running cross-word puzzles these days. They are to be noticed in Journals as far apart as the C.N.R. Magazine and the War Cry! They have not yet appeared in the Board of Trade booklet, but doubtless in the next edition there will be some there.

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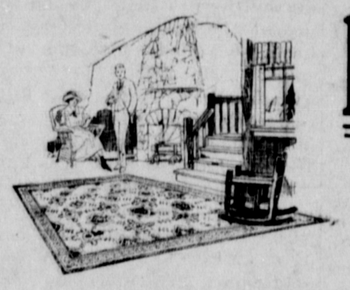

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