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Importance Of Lumber Industry.

The importance of the lumber inlustry to Prince Rupert is seen by the perusal of the article on the activities of the local mill published today. It is possible that people of the city do not realize the difficulties of marketing lumber from here so as to keep the yards clear of all grades. For years the mill was closed because of that difficulty and if the present concern has solved it, much credit will be due to them.

It is satisfactory to know that the company plans to extend operations and improvements and that it is looking forward to installation of a pulp mill.

Entertain Those Who Come Next Week.

Next week everyone will be busy and especially the merchants of the city. In spite of this, efforts should be made to entertain visitors from out of town so as to make them feel that Prince Rupert has a welcome for them. It is difficult to carry out this to any great extent but wherever possible it might well be the privilege of citizens to extend their home hospitality to the many visitors who are to be in the city. When Prince Rupert people go into the interior or to the Islands it is found that the people there open wide their doors to us. We are their guests very often and this is an opportunity to return the compliment.

In town we have many activities and so many people come at once that it is impossible to return every act of hospitality at a time like this but it is well to bear it in mind and do our best. The honor of the city is at stake as well as its progress

Travel Greater Than Ever Before.

Travel is greater this year than ever before. Very largely it is tourist business but there have also been very many visitors to the Portland Canal mining district and they have all stopped off here. The elevator building and other activities of the district have tended to increase travel so that all the steamships have been busy and often have had to refuse bookings.

Queer That Edmonton Has Only One Newspaper.

Edmonton has only one daily newspaper. The morning paper had to suspend publication recently because it could not get sufficient support.

Edmonton is a city of between sixty and seventy thousand people and with a fine country surrounding it. The people there seem to be progressive and everything points to the development of a big city at that point. Incidentally it is the capital of the province of Alberta. In spite of this the second newspaper has not been a financial success. The other paper has such a lead there that it seems to crush out opposition.

The Bulletin was conducted for many years as a purely political newspaper and during that time it lost prestige and seems never to have been able to regain it. Several times it changed hands and, under one management, assumed the appearance of a real metropolitan journal. Still it lost money freely for its owners and now it has lapsed for want of someone willing to risk more money on its publication.

Probably another attempt will be made to revive the morning newspaper in Edmonton because there should be a good field for it in a city that size.

Edmonton Located East Of Prince Rupert.

In explaining the location of Edmonton, one of the directories says it is situated 946 miles east of Prince Rupert. That is quite a compliment to this city. To have Alberta's capital located in relation to this terminus is recognizing the stability and importance of Prince Rupert. Some day we shall be the shipping port for the city and the day should not be far distant.

PRINCE RUPERT SPRUCE MILL IS PERMANENT INDUSTRY AND IS MARKETING LUMBER FROM HERE

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ing cheese boxes. This company, which already has plants in Chicago and Montreal, is now building a factory in New Westminster. The Prince Rupert Spruce Mills has already supplied New Westminster with 500,000 to 600,000 feet of lumber cut into the dimensions required but Mr. Smith has been urging upon the concern the economy of making the boxes right here in Prince Rupert and, while the matter is still in the embryo stage, he is of the opinion that the company will come to see his point of view. Representatives of the company will be coming to Prince Rupert shortly and ,if they are convinced, as a result of their investigations that it would be more profitable for them to make the boxes here instead of ship the lumber to New Westminster and make them there the manufacturing will be done here. The boxes required for this purpose are 11 inches long by 3¾ inches square.

In any case, Mr. Smith expects to make big business of box manufacturing here from lower grade lumber produced in the mill. Machinery for a box factory has arrived and some of it is set up. With the pressure of other business since the mill has been in operation, it has not yet been possible to put the box factory in operation but it may start and day says Mr. Smith. It is expected to make all kinds of boxes here most of which will probably be shipped to Australia, though the mill will also be in a positin to accomodate the local fish trade. It is Mr. Smith's intention to gradually work into the spruce veneer business and later install a veneer machine here.

Mr. Smith stated that he had been figuring on the manufacturing of cans here but nothing had yet been definitely decided upon. The idea was, he said, to put cans in the boxes made at the mill and sell them to the local salmon canning trade.

Large Shipments

The Prince Rupert Spruce Mill is now operating to capacity on the basis of an eight-hour day turning out from 120,000 to 150,000 feet per day. The new pony side with shot gun feed and fast resaw recently installed is now in operation cutting airplane stock and edge grain lumber.

During the month of August eighty cars have been shipped from the Prince Rupert Spruce Mill. This is the highest shipment period since the mill was reopened and, now that the stock has been in the yards long enough to be dried and otherwise prepared for the market, and the production is getting up to full capacity, it is expected that 100 cars (or about 2,500,000 feet) will be shipped steadily from now on. With the planing- mill and box factory in operation, the plant will be busy the year round, even should snow prevent lumber cutting at times during the winter months.

Mr. Smith expects that he will be able to dispose of a good deal of the lower grade and cheaper lumber for ship lining when the grain elevator is in operation here and ships come to Prince Rupert to load wheat.

To Build Wharf

Most of the lumber so far shipped by the Prince Rupert Spruce Mill has been sent by rail, but, with the development of a market for lower grades and boxes, water shipping will become a factor. In order to handle this business, Mr. Smith announced that it was the intention of the Prince Rupert Spruce Mill to build a wharf next year so that ocean-going vessels may come to the mill for cargo. This wharf will be just to the east of the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.'s plant. Nothing definite as to its size has as yet been decided upon, Mr. Smith said.

Another new installation in the mill, Mr. Smith said, was a large planer now being put in. It will replace an old planer and is of sufficient size to handle large boards and box material.

About eighty-five per cent. of the timber being handled in the Prince Rupert Spruce Mill is spruce, but hemlock, cedar and balsam comes in incidentally and is used for special purposes.

The addition of a shingle machine under separate cover is also contemplated at the mill next year.

Log Supply

Log supply for the Prince Rupert Spruce Mill is an all-important matter in that only the best grade of spruce logs can be used in the plant so as to make possible the highest proportion possible of better grade lumber.

Mr. Smith owns a block on the Queen Charlotte Islands containing eighty million feet of timber and is interested with T. A. Kelley in another block containing twenty million feet. The latter tract is now being logged for the Prince Rupert Spruce Mill. Besides this, the mill has access to some 400 or 500 million feet on the Queen Charlotte Islands owned by a Minneapolis concern. Next spring logging on this will probably be commenced.

In addition to this supply of logs on the Islands, some 600,000,000 feet of timber in limits at Khutzamateen were acquired by Mr. Smith when he purchased the mill here.

In connection with the bringing of logs here from the Queen Charlotte Islands, Mr. Smith announced that the use of Davis or Kelley rafts was now to be discontinued. Instead the timber will be transported on hulks and the first hulkload will be brought here by the Hecate Straits Towing Co. early in September. A hulk carries about the same quantity of logs as does a Kelley raft, but the advantage of the hulk over the raft is that it eliminates the use of wires in holding the logs together and other assembling work and also reduces insurance charges.

No. 1 and No. 2 logs, brought to the mill here, are much over the general average of logs on the Pacific coast in size. The last Davis raft of logs averaged 3,000 feet per log. If it was desired to select the logs they would average as high as 7,000 feet.

Only No. 1 and No. 2 logs are brought here at present. The balance are sent to the pulp mills.

A Good Staff

Tribute to the efficiency of D. D. McMaster, superintendent of the Prince Rupert Spruce Mill, was paid by Mr. Smith when he said that there had not been a single day lost from any cause since the Prince Rupert Spruce Mill started operations on April 6 last.

M. A. Marley is local sales manager of the Prince Rupert Spruce Mill and J. A. W. Bell is Vancouver sales manager. A. E. Curtis is in charge of the office and R. E. Grieve is accountant.

There are at present 140 men employed in the Prince Rupert Spruce Mill. Forty of them are not of the regultr staff but are engaged in construction work in connection with the new installations.

CATHOLIC LADIES HOLD TEA AT HOME MRS CHAS BALAGNO

Presentation Made to Mrs. Henning by Rev. Father McGrath for Ladies

In spite of the inclemency of the weather, a very successful tea was held at the home of Mrs. Charles Balagno on Saturday afternoon under the auspices of the Catholic Ladies' Aid. Mrs. Harold McEwen, president of the society, received with Mrs. Balagno and those in charge included Mrs. Henning and Mrs. Curtin, who poured. Mrs. Peter Byrne was in charge of home cooking. Those serving were Mrs. Hubert Ward, Mrs. F. P. Kenny, Mrs. Lawrence Lawlor and Mrs. J. C. Gavigan. The raffle was in charge of Mrs. C. P. Reil and resulted in Miss Marie Murphy winning the pair of bath towels, the work on which was done by Mrs. H. F. Glassy. The winning ticket was No. 15.

The tea room was in charge of Mrs. J.A. Smith, while Mrs. D. E. Murphy was cashier.

In the course of the afternoon a presentation was made to Mrs. Henning, Sr., by Rev. Father McGrath on behalf of a number of her friends who took this occasion to show their appreciation of her work and friendship.

TOWING COMPANY IS INCREASING EQUIPMENT

Purchases Another Barge for Use in South—To Fetch Logs Here

Hecate Straits Towing Co. Ltd. report that they have purchased the American five - masted schooner "Betsey Ross," of 2,500 tons D.W., and will convert her into a barge and use her in conjunction with their barge "Drumwall" carrying hog fuel from Chemainus to Port Angeles.

The Betsey Ross is a wooden schooner, 243 feet long, 45-foot beam, and was built in Tacoma, Wash., in 1917.

The large steel barge "Drumrock," equipped as a log carrier, belonging to the same company, is expected to leave Vancouver for the Queen Charlotte Islands at the end of this week and bring her first cargo to Prince Rupert, for the Spruce Mill.

FINE COLLECTION MINERALS COMING HERE FOR THE FAIR

Samples of ores from forty mining properties in the Portland Canal district are to be on view here at the exhibition. They are to be forwarded by H. W. M. Rolston and are part of the Portland Canal News exhibit, the manager of the fair has been notified.

C.N.R. steamer Prince Charles, Capt. Neil McLean, arrived from the south at 10 o'clock, this morning and will sail for Stewart and Anyox at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The Charles brought 61 passengers, including local people and people for the Queen Charlotte Islands, Anyox and Stewart and the train East.

LAND ACT

Notice of Intention to Apply to Lease Land

In Queen Charlotte Land Recording District of Prince Rupert, and situate about two miles in a northerly direction from Rooney Point. Massett Inlet, Graham Island, British Columbia.

Take Notice that Langara Fishing & Packing Company Limited, of Massett, B.C., occupation Packers, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted two miles in a northerly direction from Rooney Point, Massett Inlet, Graham Island, British Columbia; thence easterly five chains, more or less, to low water mark; thence northerly along low water mark one hundred and sixty chains; thence westerly five chains; thence southerly one hundred and sixty chains, more or less, to point of commencement, and containing eighty acres, more or less.

LANGARA FISHING & PACKING PACKING CO. LTD.
Applicant.
Per E. H. Simpson, Agent.
Dated June 13th, 1925.

LAND ACT

Notice of Intention to Apply to Lease Land

In Queen Charlotte Land Recording District of Prince Rupert, and situate about one and a half miles east of Massett Lighthouse at the mouth of Massett Inlet, Graham Island, British Columbia.

TAKE NOTICE that Langara Fishing & Packing Company Limited. of Victoria, B.C., occupation. Packers, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:—

Commencing at a post planted at the northwest corner of Lot Seven, Graham Island, British Columbia, about one and a half miles east of Massett Lighthouse at the mouth of Massett Inlet, Graham Island, British Columbia; thence northerly five chains, more or less to low water mark; thence westerly, along low water mark one hundred and sixty chains; thence southerly five chains; thence easterly one hundred and sixty chains, more or less, to point of commencement, and containing eighty acres, more or less.

LANGARA FISHING & PACKING CO. LTD.
Applicant.
Per E. H Simpson, Agent
Dated June 12th. 1925.

LAND ACT.

Notice of Intention to Apply to Lease Land

In Land Recording District of Prince Rupert, and situate at Ferguson Bay, Massett Inlet, Q.C. Islands, B.C.

Take Notice that Gosse-Millerd, Limited, of Vancouver, B.C., occupation Salmon Canners, intends to apply for a lease of the following described lands:

Commencing at a post planted approximately 20 chains east from northwest corner Lot 1571; thence south 3 chains; thence west 10 chains; thence south 2 chains; thence west 10 chains to west boundary of Lot 1571; thence south 8 chains; thence west 10 chains; thence north 20 chains; thence east 2 chains, more or less, to beach; thence following meandering of shore line to point of commencement, and containing 22 acres, more or less.

GOSSE-MILLERD, LTD.
Applicant.
Per Wm. G. Mitchell,
Agent
Dated June 26th, 1925.

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