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**MAKING DISCOVERIES**

The other afternoon in a talk to the pupils of the local schools, Harold McCracken remarked that there was still plenty for the people of the world to discover. And he was right. How many could make a voyage of discovery in their own back yard or front garden? Who knows the history of the spider, whose web glistens in the morning dew? How many of the older people are aware that the plant lice which are so common do not reproduce like most insects but bud out almost like a plant. What about the bee that sucks the nectar from the flowers or the wasp that occasionally strays along? How many know anything about the manner in which the plants in their garden live, grow, reproduce, fight their enemies, succumb to pests, or rise victorious over them. On any city lot there is enough discovery to last a lad or lass for years.

**FOR SERIOUS STUDY**

We understand that in the schools teachers and pupils are allowed a certain amount of latitude in taking up an individual line of study. Here is a suggestion. Make a study of the live creatures in a garden for a month and it will prove one of the most interesting of all the things learned during the year.

**LIBERALS CLEAR THE AIR**

The British Liberals have cleared the air in regard to the policy they intend to adopt during the coming election. In his big speech yesterday at the Liberal convention at Yarmouth, England, Lloyd George stated the position clearly. Also it is noted, he was very optimistic as to the outcome.

A short time ago the Labor position was outlined at a convention of that party and was shown to be largely socialistic. The Conservatives are opposed to that and also to the middle course taken by the Liberals. Now the Liberals have cleared the way for themselves and outlined what they will do.

From this time on the campaign in that country may be said to be under way and it will be a very exciting one. It will be even more interesting to Canadians than the big political war being waged in the United States just now.

**WATCHING THE ZEPPELIN**

Many people are taking a great interest in the success of the Zeppelin flight now taking place across the Atlantic from Germany. To be blown a thousand miles out of the course and yet to weather the gale was looked upon as an important development yesterday. Today she is still making progress and the rest of the flight will be very keenly watched through the press despatches that are broadcast. Tomorrow, if there are any developments they will be bulletined in the Daily News window.

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**EXPEDITION IS LEAVING SOUTH**

Sails for Halibut Banks October 20 to Learn About Distribution of Young Fish

SEATTLE Oct. 12. — To learn more about the life of Alaska halibut, particularly the very young, whose numbers are being rapidly depleted, another research expedition of the International Fisheries Commission is to sail from Seattle October 20.

"The decrease in the productivity of the halibut fisheries is a serious matter," said Dr. W. F. Johnson, director of the commission, in announcing the new expedition here. "Most of the work in the past has been devoted to the examination of older species, but this time we want to learn more about the distribution and movements of the very young fish."

The expedition is to work in the Gulf of Alaska until the first of the year, shortly after which a trip to Bering Sea is planned.

Trawling apparatus, some for work in water as deep as 1,000 fathoms and some adapted for shoal waters, will be included in the equipment. Fine mesh silk nets will be used to entrap halibut eggs and minute larvae. Deep-sea thermometers and "water bottles" are intended to furnish detailed information of conditions at great depths.

**MORE SUNSHINE AND LESS RAIN**

Summary of Meteorological Conditions in Prince Rupert for Nine Months

Summary of meteorological conditions show that Prince Rupert has enjoyed slightly more sunshine during the first nine months of 1928 than in the corresponding period last year while the precipitation has been slightly less. Those who believe that the weather is gradually improving year by year may derive some comfort from the fact that up to September 30 this year 56.39 inches of precipitation has been officially recorded here as against 57.17 inches in the similar period of 1927 while sunshine so far this year is up to an aggregate of 1,021.2 hours as against 1,011.4 hours last year. Something of a record for continuous fine weather was made in June when 216.7 hours of sunshine were recorded.

Following are the records of precipitation and sunshine in Prince Rupert month by month this year and last:

	Precipitation Inches	Sunshine Hours
January . . . . .	7.61	8.54
February . . . . .	8.49	6.51
March . . . . .	8.94	10.64
April . . . . .	5.21	9.35
May . . . . .	8.62	3.58
June . . . . .	1.71	2.91
July . . . . .	4.62	1.93
August . . . . .	3.37	4.09
Sept . . . . .	7.91	9.62
<b>Total</b>	<b>56.39</b>	<b>57.17</b>

**Ten Years Ago in Prince Rupert**

October 13, 1918.  
 Traffic over the Grand Trunk Pacific out of Prince Rupert for the month of September was over one hundred per cent greater than in any previous month in the history of the road. Not only has the business in airplane spruce assumed large dimensions but the carrying of shingles, pulp, fish and commercial lumber has also increased.

The government of Canada has declared a labor policy in the form of an appeal to employers and employees for a fuller co-operation toward obtaining a maximum effort in all industries engaged in war work.

Acting upon the report of a boy, Constable Adams yesterday found a boy's suit of clothes at the Salt Lake. So far as it is known, nobody is missing.

**LOG SCALING STILL SMALL**

Little Over Sixty Million Feet in District this Season So Far

Total log scalings for the month of September for the Prince Rupert district amount to 13,052,853 board feet, bringing the grand total for the year to 61,359,222 feet for the year to this date. This is very much less than last year, due largely to the shutting down of logging operations by the Pacific Mills, both on Queen Charlotte Islands and in the south. The cut for September is made up as follows:

Douglas Fir . . . . .	417,951
Red Cedar . . . . .	2,346,295
Coast Spruce . . . . .	4,100,489

Interior Spruce . . . . .	211,449
Hemlock . . . . .	3,644,172
Balsam . . . . .	2,398,277
Jackpine . . . . .	25,745
Birch . . . . .	385
Cottonwood . . . . .	8,090

The scaling of poles, piles and ties has increased rather than diminished, the total number of poles for the year so far being 1,823,823 lineal feet and piles going over half a million while ties numbered three quarters of a million. Details for the month follows:

Poles . . . . .	256,340
Hemlock piles . . . . .	1,745
Cedar Piles . . . . .	141,171
Woodwork (cords) . . . . .	117
Shingle bolts (cords) . . . . .	9
Hemlock ties . . . . .	4,561
Pine ties . . . . .	79,013
Fence Posts (cords) . . . . .	127
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The past ten years have seen this industry grow from 14 million to 27 million dollars... an increase of 89%. Our annual catch totals nearly half the entire Canadian production, and "King Salmon," our marine silver mine accounts for at least 15 million dollars a year.

The distribution from our Provincial hatcheries of millions of salmon eggs to renew the harvest that goes into the nets; the Treaty between Canada and the United States for the protection of the Pacific Halibut (March, 1923) providing a close season from November 16th to February 15th; modernized canneries, 83 in number, and sane Federal Fishing Laws, carefully administered, are the foundation of an industry that will continue to grow.

The fame of British Columbia's Whaling Fisheries is of long standing, and has materially increased the value of the products from this industry. The yearly catch, now about 300, is taken between one station on Vancouver Island and two stations on the Queen Charlotte Islands.

Much as has been done to develop and conserve our fishing industry, there still remains a great deal to be accomplished. The vastness of our waters and the extent and ruggedness of our coast make organized protection and administration extremely costly.

But the safeguarding of our fisheries is a matter which now commands the earnest attention of our government, who realize the importance of conserving this basic industry.

As the oldest industry of our Dominion, fishing has been one of the largest revenue producers, and it is significant that Canada's youngest Province, in less than twenty years, should secure a leading position in the world market. This aggressive search for foreign business has been an asset which undoubtedly has created one of the most amazing records of our basic industries. Well may we be proud of our Fisheries!

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