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BUYING AT HOME

We have a number of letter on the subject of "Buy- ging on the Ecstall River and exing at Home" and also on the merits and demerits of em- pects to be operating steadily in ploying married women. We do not think anything is future. to be gained by continuing this discussion. One of the letters has been published elsewhere and one or two of the letters would not tend to the success of the city of Prince operating one camp in Skidegate Rupert. We do not intend to make this sheet the place Inlet. Their No. 1 and No. 2 where the members of the "Knockers Club" may air their spruce output is going through A. views.

Prince Rupert merchants sell most of their goods at Spruce Lumber Co., Vancouver. very reasonable prices. Fruit and vegetables have an The lower grades are bing disextra handling and the waste is often very great by the posed of to Pacific Mills and Powtime they get to the local customers. We agree with the ell Rive. Retail Merchants Association that to build up a town the local merchant must be supported. Every dollar sent away is a loss to the community.

Lumber Industry Is Showing Considerable Improvement And Logging Is Picking Up

The lumber industry on the coast of Prince Rupert district has shown an increase in activities during the if not larger. The marketing of year 1928, according to an outline of the year's activities which has been issued by the Forest Branch. The Big Timber Co. Bay Lumber Co. Ltd., of Georgetown has moved its plant | Cedar pole production on the to Prince Rupert and has almost doubled its capacity, the coast has been practically connew mill having an average daily capacity of 50,000 feet fined to the operations by the J. per day. The Billmor Spruce Mills, owned by W. E. Wil- H. Baxter Co. and small sub-conliams and J. R. Morgan, is erecting a 50,000 foot capacity ter Co. has finished operations at mill at Porpoise Harbor, seven

miles south of Prince Rupert on closed down. The Hudson Bay tivities to Mayer Lake near Port Kaien Island. This mill should be Mountain Lumber Co., Smithers, Clements. It is expected that aprunning in a short time. Brown's has operated part time. mill, Ecstall River, has operated

steadily during the summer. On While the local lumber market the Queen Charlotte Islands, does not show much increase over neither the Canadian Lumber last year there has been no de-Yards mill at Port Clements; the crease, the box business being Los Angeles Lumber Products about the same as it was last year. mill at Buckley Bay, or the Sitka However, the export and rail ship-Spruce Mills at Queen Charlotte ments show a considerable in-City has operated this year. In- crease both in quantity shippe

terior mills that have operated and prices obtained. throughout the years are the George Little mill at Terrace, Kitsumkalum. and Vanarsdol Lumber Co., at still very quiet, shows a slight im-Copper City. The Little & Watt provement over a year ago. In-

Logging Industry

The logging industry, while mill at Amsbury operated until creasing prices for logs on the about the first of July when it Vancouver market has a tend-

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will supply the requirements of the Bilmor Spruce Mills. The Pateen million feet of logs from the Swanson Bay district through M. Smaby who has about eight power operators and numerous hand loggers putting logs in the water for towing to Ocean Falls. Louis Locker, who has completed his operations on Porcher Island, is moving his outfit into Baker Inlet and will continue logging for

should be greatly increased.

the northern coast.

the Big Bay Lumber Co. The National Airplane Spruce Lumber Co. has commenced log-

On the Queen Charlotte Islands, Ed. Crawford is operating in Masset Inlet and Gillespie & Pohl are P. Allison to the Big Bay Lumber Co. at Prince Rupert and the Sitka

Tie Industry

Tie production for the year will maintain and probably exceed that of 1927 when the total produced in the district for the Canadian National Railways amounted to 809,-611 standard railway ties. The centre of this industry is now at Burns Lake. A feature of the year's contract is that an increasing number of small contracts are

Last year saw a marked increase in the production of cedar poles and piling in the interior districts -1928 production will be as large interior poles is almost all done through the Hanson Lumber &

Ferguson Bay and has shifted acproximately the same number of poles wil be put into the water and shipped by boat to California as in 1927. Grade and size of the Massett Inlet poles is particularly

Crown timber sales show an advance in number over last year and there has been an increase in the number of railway tie timbsr sales as well as pole sales. The activity on the coast is about the same as in 1927.

The 1928 fire season involved a considerably heaver damage and greater cost than in 1927. One hundred and forty-eight fires were reported involving an expenditure of \$13,443.54 to suppress them. The prevention organization functioned well and the rapidity with which fires were reported was again indicative of an increased fire consciousness on the part of the general public and earnest desire to co-operate in stamping out the evil.

THREE CANDIDATES FOR THE MAYORALTY SEEM QUITE LIKELY

Alderman M. M. Stephens Among the Aspirants for Chief Magistracy of City.

Although it will be almost three months before the contest takes place, considerable gossip is heard anent the next civic election in Prince Rupert and three names are prominently mentioned as aspirants for the mayoralty. .

It is generally believed that Col. S. P. McMordie, D.S.O., the present incumbent of the mayoral chair, will be in the field for re-

election. Ex-Alderman M. M. Stephens is also generally mentioned. That

ency to strengthen the market on he will at least be in the aldermanic field sems certain though The Pacific Mills, Ocean Falls, just now his name is more assoare the largest buyers of logs but, ciated with the mayoralty.

with the increased capacity of the It also appears to be pretty Big Bay Lumber Co., the erection much of a certainty that S. M. of the Billmor Spruce Mills and Newton will be back in the arena the National Airplane Spruce again seeking his ninth term as Co. which holds large timber in- chief magistrate.

terests on the Ecstall River and There is much speculation as to contemplates the construction of a what would be the outcome of such .50 future, the local market for logs sible that the power question may crystallize into an issue before

Besides the mayor, four alder-Falls with some ten million feet men will have to be elected in Ald. Tinker and Ald. Linzey are the retiring aldermen this year. Most of them, it expected, will seek re-election.

> Three vancancies on the school board are also to be filled, the retiring trustees being H. B. Rochester, S. D. Johnston and William Gilchrist.

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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 400, is taken between one station on Vancouver

lotte 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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