

# GLACIERS and GOLD

# FROM THE COUNTRYSIDE



(1) Totem Poles. (2) Wrangell, Alaska. (3) Hanging Rock. (4) Near Glacier, Alaska. (5) Hydraulic Lift at work below Discovery, Glacier Creek.

**ALASKA** IS farther west of San Francisco than that city is west of Eastport, Maine. To the average American or Canadian the very name is synonymous with gold and glaciers, but of the country itself he knows less than of any other spot on the continent. He doesn't realize that Alaska contains forests equal to those of Norway, that Alaska contains more than two hundred immense and unmatched glaciers, some of them near neighbors to active volcanoes, such as Wrangell, whose smoking summit forms the eastern end of a chain of living and dead lava peaks a thousand miles long. Nor does he realize the climatic variations that are to be found in Alaska, where the coldest month of Sitka is no colder than that of St. Louis, the warmest months of San Francisco and Juneau are of identical record; and yet Point Barrow, on its northern fringe, is 300 miles within the Arctic Circle and has no sun for forty days out of every year.

Canadian Pacific "Princess" steamer, the traveller wakes next morning to his first view of the typical and wonderfully beautiful scenery of the so-called gold country. Seymour Narrows waters him into smooth, island-dotted bays that lead to Alert Bay, where he may see fifty-foot totem poles and a modern hospital in the cedar lodges of the Kwadwani.

At evening time Queen Charlotte Sound is reached and for the first and only occasion during the trip the vessel rides open water while the whale spouts in the offing and the basking shark lies in the last sunshine.

River, Inlet, Nana, Bella Bella, Milbank Sound, Finlayson Channel, they all slip by in the night as the ship steams northward. Morning brings Swanson Bay, where there is an impressive mill turning Douglas firs into paper pulp.

At the mouth of the Skeena a fleet of salmon boats is encountered and passengers leave for many points on the river, which is navigable for 180 miles.

Cape Fox marks the southern point of Alaska and soon Ketchikan is reached, a modern town solidly built on the most difficult of hilly ground. Copper has made Ketchikan, but the tourist will perhaps be more interested in the vanishing Indian with his woven baskets than in the advancing miner.

Wrangell Narrows is a fascinating and pulseless shadowland, where the vessel goes too slowly through the widening channel to break the reflection of the midnight sun in the solemn northern waters. At the end of the passage glaciers are sighted for the first time. These huge and awe-inspiring ice are characteristic of Alaska. In Sumdum Bay a hundred or more may be seen along the walls. The plunging bergs keep the water roaring like some vast foundry of gods. Farther north, the Taku Glacier stretches a mile wide along Taku Bay, the largest of forty-five streams emptying their gorgeous colored bergs in the path of the steamer.

At the bottom of a sheer 3,000 foot

mountain, Juneau has encircled itself as the capital of Alaska, and is a well-built city, although there couldn't be found a naturally level spot on which to place a single large building. The townpeople are up-to-date, phenomenally healthy and entirely sane despite the rush created past of the district and its present dependence on gold mining.

After leaving Juneau there is an all-day trip up Lynn Canal to Skagway, the end of the journey and the best-known town in Alaska. In the wild days of '88, Skagway was the door through which all trail-hitters struck for the gold fields, taking the line of the present White Pass & Yukon Railway. The Canadian Pacific steamers remain long enough for the passenger to take the road as far as White Pass, or up to White Horse, if a sufficient number wish to explore the dizzy peaks, the terrific gorges and the soundings of the north country. The round trip from Vancouver lasts nine days.

## Frontenac

**BATTERSEA**  
June 8.—Mrs. Charles Holder has returned home after spending four weeks in General Hospital, Kingston. All hope for her speedy recovery, Mr. and Mrs. James Hughes and Mrs. H. Keeler are visiting friends at Elgin. A number from here attended the funeral of the late Wesley Merriman of Latimer. Mr. Merriman formerly lived in Battersea, and his sudden death was a shock to the whole community. The bereaved family have the sympathy of all. A. Ennis has purchased a new seven passenger car. The Red Cross Society met at the home of Mrs. Earl Lake on Thursday, June 1st. Rev. Mr. Stewart is at Smith's Falls attending conference. James Holder occupied the pulpit in the Methodist church on Sunday evening. The Ladies' Aid Society met at the home of Mrs. Charles Smith. Quite a large number attended. Tea was served by the hostess and all enjoyed a pleasant afternoon. Edith Mills, daughter of Bert Mills, fell and fractured her arm on Sunday morning.

## Wilbur

June 9.—The roads are in a very bad condition on account of the heavy rains. Mr. and Mrs. A. Burton and little son Earl left here for Braeside last Thursday. S. Jackson has gone to Kingston for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. G. Horn and two children Merton and Harold are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Boyd. Mrs. Hunter, Harrowsmith, is visiting at R. Richardson's. Mrs. W. W. Roche is visiting friends in Kingston. Miss Bruno Thurston is visiting at her home here. Mrs. H. Cameron left here for Rockport, Miss Mary Moreau spent a few days at Lavant this week. Miss M. McFarlane spent Wednesday evening at Wilbur. Prayer meeting was held at Wilbur on Wednesday evening. Thomas Richardson from Kingston spent a few days with his mother this week. Thomas Miller from Snow Road at A. Miller's, Wilbur. Bradley Jacob visited friends at Wilbur on Wednesday evening. Miss Annie Thurston who has been visiting at J. McKenzie's has returned home.

## Harldwe

June 8.—There has been a great deal of rain but all expect an abundant crop of hay. Montie Mills, who has been confined to the house with rheumatism, is better. P. White-man and H. Black each made a business trip to Arden yesterday. Mrs. J. Wise, Cloyne, spent yesterday with her mother, Mrs. E. Scott. P. Thompson and Miss E. Marshall were at L. Thompson's on Sunday. A few from here attended the picnic at Dead Creek on Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. C. Bott and Florence spent Sunday evening at Cloyne, where Mr. Bott took charge of the service in the Methodist church. Rev. Messrs. Kelly and Lee have taken charge of the work here in the H. M. church. Mr. and Mrs. G. Bradshaw spent Sunday last at her mother's, Mrs. G. Wheeler's, Northbrook. Mrs. E. Morley and Mrs. Miller were the guests of Mrs. J. Miller on Sunday. Mr. E. Thompson, Barrieheld, spent a few days of this week at his home. Miss Miller has returned home from Kingston, where she spent the last few months. Mr. and Mrs. J. Thompson and Mrs. White are visiting at W. Thompson's, Belleville. Mr. and Mrs. C. Thompson and children, Northbrook, spent Sunday last at his father's, W. Thompson's. Mrs. Schriver and children, Webbwood, are at her brother's, W. Loucks'.

## Leeds

**WILLOWBANK**  
June 9.—Farmers cannot finish seeding for the rain. Planting cannot be done either. The meadows look well and there will be an abundant crop of hay if it can be saved. Miles Greenizen expect to have his new barn ready for the hay this season. William Clark is preparing to raise his barn on abutment last at his of his new stable wall to be built. Mr. Grice, caretaker, is kept busy this season, cutting the grass in the cemetery as so much rainfall makes the grass grow quickly. Lots of horses are going into town today as the military are buying up horses for the army. Mrs. Agnes Haig, Gananoque, has been visiting her nephew, George Haig. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Beaubien of Gananoque spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. Cowan. Ernest Eastwood has left for camp at Barrieheld. Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. R. Mc-Ninch. Mrs. George Haig is recovering after a severe attack of quinsy. Quite a number took in a motor boat trip to Burnt Island Monday and spent a very pleasant day, having dinner and tea in the pavilion. Other small picnics were held the same day.

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## Kingston

**MUCH EXCITEMENT** was caused in the village on Tuesday morning early when between twelve and one o'clock it was discovered that the buildings owned by John McPaul of Detroit were all destroyed by fire. The blaze started in the mill where Garnet Isted had recently put in a new gasolene engine and cracker. The Orange Lodge rooms and contents, along with the stables and dwelling house, which was unoccupied, were all destroyed. It is a very mysterious fire as no one had been in the shop and Mr. Isted had not done any grinding since Thursday. The Orangemen have started to erect a new hall on Allisonville square. There are several teams hauling gravel and stone today to start the foundations. The Allisonville Red Cross sympathizers held their sewing bee at Mrs. Charles Thomas' on Tuesday afternoon. The next meeting will be held in Mrs. Grant Vallet's on the 20th. Royal High School of the village is putting a metal roof on Charles Thomas' barn and drive house.

## A Trip Through the Cariboo Country

ON the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, is a little town crowded in between the Thompson River and the tracks of steel that span a continent and a Dominion. Its time table name is Ashcroft, the southern doorway of a famous British Columbian region known as the Cariboo country. For nearly seven hundred miles northward the route extends, for long years one of the most picturesque stage routes of the continent, a route operated by the "E. X." as the British Columbia Express Company is locally known. For many a long year the stages and freighters climbed the hills, and crept, no, rather galloped down grade, on this uprose thoroughfare—ten, eight, horse freight teams and capacious stage coaches drawn by the pick of the stables.

But today the automobile has invaded this mountain realm and there are still traditions of what happened and what was said when the Gugger heimer copper kings sent in the first motor car and had a fight for the right of way on a narrow bit of road with a huge freighter. It was a battle royal, chiefly in the language of the western type!

I know of no roadway in all Canada that offers a greater variety of human interest. Nature is revealed in an infinite variety of scenery as she exhibits her varied moods. Shacks of the old-timey variety alongside of comfortable modern homesteads. Here a semiarid hill bears only sage brush, there an irrigation ditch has turned a desert into a garden. Nearby is a beautiful stream, opening in a series of lakes, while a few miles along the way cascades leap from the upper levels. Indian villages alternate with the white man's town, and the Oriental looks out at you from his shop or laundry or cook place. It is a meeting place of the nations in this Cariboo road.

Every mile is reminiscent of the gold rush of the 'Fifties, when thousands of adventurers, afflicted with "the narrowing lust for gold," penetrated the wilderness from which few ever emerged. Legend and tragedy



(1) An Old Time Coach. (2) Ashcroft, B.C. (3) The Old Cariboo Trail.

## GREAT GROWTH OF CHAIN STORE IDEA.

Have Proved Their Value in Many Lines of Merchandise.

New York, June 12.—There has been a great growth in chain-store development since the United Cigar Stores gave their first lessons in scientific management. Chain-stores have proved their value in many lines of merchandise. There are now 26 different chains of grocery stores in New York alone, and it is said that all of them are making money. In fact, of the corporations, the Metropolitan stores, recently added a line of drugs to its grocery line. This was done on the theory that a member of every family in the country went into a grocery store once a week. The theory suggested that the daily visitor to the grocery would willingly buy his ordinary drugs at a grocery store and save a trip to the drug store. One large chain of tea shops was successfully launched from Wall street six months ago, and another has just been announced. It is not the novelty of chain stores which attracts business, but rather the service which these stores can render.

## United Fruit Earnings.

New York, June 12.—Directors of the United Fruit Steamship Company meet in Boston on Tuesday. This is not a regular dividend meeting, but action could be taken on an extra dividend or stock dividend. The May earnings, which will be made public after the meeting, will show the largest earnings in the company's history. Estimates for the fiscal year ended September 30th are in excess of \$10,000,000, against estimates made several months ago of \$9,000,000. An official of the company states that the earnings may even reach \$11,000,000. This would amount to about 23 per cent on the \$48,000,000 stock now outstanding.

## Paying Up Dividends.

Buffalo, N.Y., June 12.—The International Traction Company, of which the International Railway Company is the operating company, will pay 42 per cent accumulated dividends on the outstanding four per cent preferred stock of June 30th. It was announced here today. For the first time since the organization of the company in 1899, it also was announced, the directors have declared a 1-3-4 dividend on the common stock. The total dividend disbursement on June 30th will be about \$600,000. The International Railway system embraces all the electric lines in Buffalo and along the Niagara frontier, including Niagara Falls.

**Allison as Brewer.**  
Ogdensburg, N.Y., June 12.—Col. J. Wesley Allison, who is understood to be interested in the project to rehabilitate the Arnold brewery, which was sold to Cecil M. Brownlow, of this city, for the sum of \$22,010, arrived here to confer with Mr. Brownlow. The brewery will be reopened as soon as possible.

## Township Councils

**KINGSTON**  
June 5.—Members all present for Court of Revision of Assessment Roll, 1916, the first business. Mrs. H. E. Warrman's assessment reduced from \$7,500 to \$7,000; Mrs. J. W. Rankin's \$3,800 to \$3,000; Baker Bros. \$7,500 to \$7,000; Property of the Methodist Church, exempted from assessment by statute; assessment of Pt. Lot 22, Con. 3, included in assessment of Chas. McConville; assessment of a dog to J. W. Bell reduced \$300 and charged to Philander Donnell; Mrs. Druce assessed for Pt. Lot 3, Con. 3, at valuation of \$200. By resolution Court of Revision closed.

Minutes of former business meeting were adopted. Motion Heaton—Weller, That John Reid be allowed to use the Township crusher on County work at 25 per day; Motions, Heaton—Weller, That Oliver Robinson act as Poundkeeper to succeed Sherman Warrman, resigned; Motion, Weller—Coulter, That John Reid be given the contract to crush stone for Township of Kingston roads at \$8 per ton, providing all necessary oil and repairing all breakage; Motion, Stover—Coulter, That S. McAdoo be appointed to level and direct the laying of gravel, George Patterson to act as Pathmaster to succeed R. C. Hawkins, resigned. County Engineer to examine and improve condition of culverts on that part of Perth road passing through 3rd and 4th Concessions. Clerk to notify the Can. Pacific R. Co. that condition of culvert on their property, adjoining Lot 9, Con. 5, Township of Kingston, must be improved so as to accommodate the flow of water in such a way as to avoid permanent injury to adjoining lands and roads. Clerk to notify the Can. Pacific R. Co. to remove obstructions under the culvert or bridge on their property adjoining Lot 13 and 15, Con. 3.

Payments ordered: H. Henry Smith, repairing culvert on Con. 4; \$18.20, Mack Lillas, repairing Spongers Hill; \$3.75, J. O. Ellerback, 15 tons stone; \$6.60, J. O. Ellerback, 15 tons stone on Portland road; \$80, J. O. Ellerback, salary as overseer and extra work; \$2.20, Thos. G. Buck, inspecting sheep killed by dogs; \$7, G. W. Smith, 2 cords wood for Township hall; \$4.50, E. V. Gallagher, bonus on 30 rods fence; \$7.50, Jas. Hogan, bonus 50 rods fence; \$15.63, Jas. Keys, bonus on 104 1/2 rods fence; \$2.30, Harry Bearance, bonus on 22 rods fence; \$7.50, Herbert Buck, bonus on 50 rods fence; \$17, 70, bonus on 117 rods fence; \$6.67, W. J. Smyth, 2 lambs killed by dogs; \$6.90, W. A. Smith, work on boundary and on Div. 24a; \$6.25, Bell Tel. Co., tolls and rent; \$7.00, Chas. Walker, lumber and work; \$4.00, J. A. Redden, advance to George Elliott for repairing bridges; \$2.70, W. Day, repairing washout; \$3.60, Robert Crozier, work on Front road; \$5.40, Alf. Watts, repairs; \$28, John Brittan, repairs to road near school house of S.S. No. 13; \$3.80, Chas. Ewing, work on Sydenham road; \$12.30, John E. Peters, work on Road Div. 47 and 48. Council adjourned to meet July 3rd, at 1 p.m.

## Lennox & Addington

**STELLA**  
June 10.—The W.M.S. met June 7th at the Manse. A large number were present but a deeper interest by the young people is strongly advocated. A grant of ten dollars was voted towards the deficit of the general Council of the W.M.S. Contributions towards the clothing of a girl in an Indian home was generously volunteered and it is expected a well supplied bale will be forwarded in September. It was arranged to meet at the home of Mrs. (Capt.) Glenn to quilt two quilts donated by some of the members of the society. Lunch was served by the hostess, Mrs. Cumberland, at the close of the meeting.

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**BAKED GOODS INCREASE.**  
High Prices of Sugar Given As Cause For Advance.  
Watertown, N.Y., June 13.—Owing to the advanced price in sugar and other commodities used in baked goods, the prices of cookies, cakes, pies, fried cakes and other sweets have advanced from one to two cents a dozen.

It was quoted today that pies formerly selling for ten cents have advanced to 12 cents, while fried cakes have advanced from 14 cents to 15 cents per dozen. Cookies also took a two-cent jump from 10 to 12 cents per dozen, while cakes advanced from 12 to 14 cents each.

King Emanuel held a conference on Monday with the leaders of the various parties regarding the formation of a new Italian Cabinet.