

A Lovely Lake on the Pacific Slope



Okanagan Lake and Kettle Valley Railway. Inserted is a C. P. R. steamer at Penticton, on the Okanagan Lake.

What an afternoon! The sun is shining brightly, and a comfortable day of travel follows as the panorama of ports passes by. The shimmering waters that reflect every passing sun ray or coronation of scy cloud, are bordered by green fertile mountains. At their base rest tier on tier of bench lands that spell rich fertility, for they bear the fruits that have spread the fame and name of Okanagan for afield. How the eye wanders on smiling orchards and vineyards, as the mouth feasts on their luscious crops. Down the steep slopes come the leashed waters that irrigate when and where irrigation is needed, the life-giving streams being trained on tree and vine and garden with wonderful results. Fields of grain and patches of grass make a checker-board of color while the water-side towns add their note of human civilization. Their

very place names are musical and attractive, such as Kelowna, Peachland, Summerland, with many a charming in-between settlement. Then there lies in the landscape the frame the cozy, picturesque hangings of the rancher farmer or fruit grower set in a garden and facing an incomparable view. Down at the wharves, the steamer receives its freightage of crates and fruit that will feed many mouths in many a distant home, for the great west is an eager customer for the peaches and pears, the apples and the grapes of this favored fruitland country. So one drinks in the beauty of the Okanagan from the deck of the steamer during a journey that takes most of the lighted hours of a day. And so one may travel above the lake over a wonderful stretch of rail way, for the Kettle Valley line, defying nature's obstacles, makes its sinu-

ous way near the crests of the mountains. A thrilling scene greets the eye in a bird's eye view of the entire lake hundreds of feet below, nestling like a crystal gem in its granite basin, and taking on a silver hue as the setting sun lays its carpet of shimmer on the waters. Each cluster of homes stands out clearly against its background of foliage or forest, motor craft speed along, looking very small in the wide space of waters, and glimpses of shore roadways show that the traveller could circle the lake by land if he so desired. Finally, the train dips from the heights to the lower levels, from the hill crests to Penticton town. The sun has done its day's work, the shades are swallowing up the beautiful world of water and town and mountain, and the Lake of the Okanagan sleeps, like all nature and some humans.

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Mysterious Subterranean Chambers



Under six feet of snow. THE Nakimu Caves at Glacier, B.C., whose mysterious subterranean chambers, washed out of the marble heart of a Canadian Rocky Mountain by a glacial river, are reached in summer from an Alpine meadow six thousand feet high, surrounded by beautiful snow-clad peaks, though the meadow itself is dry with sewers. In winter, however, the snow falls deep, and in early spring Mr. Deutschman, who originally discovered these caves, and who is employed by the Canadian Government to show them to passing tourists, has to prospect for the entrance, which may lie ten feet under a snow drift. All around are the tracks of wild animals which pass this way in winter over the Baloo Pass to the heights where only the keenest hunter is likely to follow them—grizzly bear, mountain lion, wolf, caribou, goat and mountain sheep. In summer, of course, the fiercer animals are but rarely seen, but the whistling marionettes come and play around the cabin door, cheekily begging bread from the luncheon sandwiches, while overhead the eagle flies in tireless watch for his own prey. The caves themselves are entirely uninhabited, and so far no fish have



Mr. Deutschman digging for the main entrance to caves. been discovered in the waters of the river. Under the blaze of a man does not find any exit in the illicite neelum ribbon, however, there is scenery enough, and to spare—the strange springs on the mountain side marble flowered walls contrasting strangely with the water torn floor. Up to the present no one has discovered what becomes of the torrent

MAY ADOPT DECIMAL SYSTEM

England Seriously Considering Abandoning Its Antiquated Currency in Favor of Simplicity.

England may adopt the decimal system for its currency. The agitation for this reform appears to be gaining favor with the British people, and among the important agencies behind the movement is the Associated Chamber of Commerce of the United Kingdom. For generations schoolboys have been learning this: Four farthings make one penny, twelve pence make one shilling, twenty shillings make one pound, twenty-one shillings sterling make one guinea, twenty shillings sterling make one sovereign. Then there were the symbols to learn—the capital "L" with a short horizontal stroke for the letter for the Latin "libra," or pound; the little "s" for shilling, or the Latin solidus; the little "d" for denarius, or penny, and the "qr" for "quadrans," or quarter of a penny, standing for farthing, much latterly "far" came to stand generally for farthing. All American schoolboys have studied the table of English money in that part of their arithmetic dealing with "reduction," which is the changing of numbers, either single or compound, from one denomination to another without altering their values. Many men will probably remember that as boys they worked and labored over two kinds of "reduction," which were called "reduction descending and reduction ascending."

The decimalizing of English money is, of course, in the line of simplification. Some of the financial powers and papers are urging that parliament take the matter under consideration, and it is likely to come up for official treatment and discussion at any time.

Fuel Value of Coal Lessened.

Careful estimates made by the director of the bureau of mines and his associates indicate that while last year's coal output of 600,000,000 tons will probably be increased to 650,000,000 tons this year, the effectiveness of this fuel will be equivalent to a production of normally prepared coal aggregating only 570,000,000 tons. The reason for this surprising discrepancy is that much of the coal is not being prepared with the usual care. It is calculated that there is 5 per cent more ash content in this year's coal than in that of previous years. In other words, approximately 600,000 carloads of ash are being added to the burden borne by the railways.

It has been shown that the inclusion of 5 per cent more ash in the coal means a reduction in efficiency in the remaining good coal of 7 1/2 per cent. Stating the case another way, the total reduction in the coal's effectiveness is 12 1/2 per cent.

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