

# ALASKA'S BABY METROPOLIS.

## Cordova to Be Gateway For New Rush This Year.

Rails of the Copper River and Northwestern will be laid to the mouth of the Chitina by July, when immensely rich mineral area will be accessible—a dramatic chapter in railroad construction.

By CARLYLE ELLIS.

On its second birthday the Copper River and Northwestern railroad, of which Cordova, Alaska, is the terminus, finds itself stretched 100 miles inland up the Copper river. By next July, it is now practically assured, the road will have reached the mouth of the Chitina river, where it branches, heading for the Kennicott copper mines, fifty-eight miles to the eastward.

The road's arrival at the Chitina means that the great Kotina-Chitina copper region is finally made easily available for mining and prospecting. This will be an event of considerable importance in Alaskan history. Excepting its two great coal fields, this is the richest known mineral field in the territory. Its area is very large, and the opportunities for prospectors and small operators there are almost unlimited. It is absolutely safe to expect spectacular developments at once.

In all of this Cordova is destined to play a conspicuous part, and the sixteen-month-old baby metropolis is preparing for it with quite amazing energy. With the Copper River railroad being driven inland by the powerful Morgan-Guggenheim syndicate to tap the coal and copper fields and the vast golden interior, Cordova becomes inevitably the Alaskan gateway par excellence, and for such a future she was chosen.

The essentials for an Alaskan gateway are a harbor, a town site, a railroad route and proved resources to run the road to.

Cordova has all four, each of more or less excellence, and her railroad has now passed the hundredth mile. The combination is a richly promising one.

Road to Copper, Coal and Gold.

The harbor, though not large, is excellent and susceptible of unlimited development, while immediately available for ordinary tonnage without dredging. The town site is a tundra covered, rocky and irregular hillsides, offering most unpromising material, but which has yielded astonishingly well to vigorous treatment. The railroad route, while containing some of the worst obstacles to construction ever encountered, is rapidly pushing forward despite these difficulties and reaching out to the copper region and the coal fields of Bering river as well as those vast interior regions, the riches of which apart from placer gold are still but guessed at.

Almost every foot of Cordova's streets had either to be blasted out of solid rock, cut out of four feet or more of mushy tundra or built over the tundra. The main streets, in places cut through thirty feet of hill, in others had to be built up as much. The cross streets climb a steep irregular rock hill. Over all there was heavy timber.

It is typical of Alaska and the Alaskans who have built and are making Cordova that these difficulties should have been so lightly regarded and so valiantly met. In her first year of life the baby town has been making such improvements as usually begin to be planned when a city has reached the 50,000 mark and feels the weight of wealth. She is still in swaddling clothes, ragged, unkempt, unfinished, but lusty with youth. The rapidity of her growth is amazing. In the year she has housed a thousand souls, built churches, schools, clubs, warehouses and shops that would be creditable in a large city. She has fitted herself with electric light, water supply, sewers and a telephone system and developed a complete municipal organization. She has also attracted to herself two newspapers, each of which receives a daily cable service from each of the Alaskan cities connected by wire or wireless—Seward, Valdez, Fairbanks, Juneau, Skagway, Ketchikan, St. Michael's and Nome.

Region of Opportunities.

These are some of Cordova's external indications of vitality. Even more significant is the spirit of her people, the dauntless adventure loving, chance taking spirit of the foreloper. They are opportunists all and wide eyed to the opportunity at their door.

As I have said, Cordova's reason for being is the Copper River and Northwestern railroad. Without the railroad or the hope of it she would quickly cease to exist. Her neighbor, Katala-on-the-Sea, which blossomed when two railroads made a false start from there, still lives, though in greatly reduced circumstances, in the hope of their return.

Meanwhile the millions from below are pouring through Cordova in supplies and materials and cash for the forcing through of the railroad to the famous Bonanza mine and neighboring properties in the region around the head of the Chitina river. The building of this road is one of the most daring railroad enterprises since the Rocky mountains were first penetrated.

The Copper river valley, up which the road must run, is notorious for its violent winter windstorms, its shifting, uncertain, silt falls; racing, vagabond streams; deep snow; rocky, slide scoured canyons and advancing glaciers. The river itself, the only



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"Figures of gold output are not yet available, but it seems probable that the production for 1909 will be between nineteen and twenty million dollars. The low price of copper has not discouraged mining of that metal, but about half a dozen properties shipped ore during 1909. It appears probable that the Alaska copper output for the year will exceed 4,000,000 pounds."

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For the first time the great southern coast of Alaska, more than 2,000 miles long, has this winter a lighthouse. Though one of the most dangerous and stormy coasts in the world and difficult of navigation, even in summer, this area has been wholly neglected until now. The first light is on Cape Hinchinbrook, at one of the entrances to Prince William sound. There are many other places where lights and fog signals are almost as urgently needed, notably Cape St. Elias, where steamers are often held up for days because of fogs and a long, hidden reef. Other lights are, however, to be added next year.

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