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Chicago, August 2.—D. D. Mann, one of the builders of the Canadian Northern railway system, will reach Chicago soon from Stewart, the new mining camp at the head of Portland Canal, the boundary between Alaska and British Columbia, to make an official announcement whether Stewart will be made the Pacific coast terminus of the Canadian Northern lines. He went to Stewart to personally examine numerous mining properties in which within a few months he has invested millions, and to which he is now building a railroad. The probabilities that Stewart, even a more northerly port than Prince Rupert, will be chosen by the Canadian Northern largely are dependent upon the grade to be had in the pass from Bear river valley, in which Stewart is located, to the Nass river valley, an unsurveyed but fertile valley to the east. The other engineering problems in getting through the Rocky mountains on a prairie grade to Edmonton have been settled. The building of a railroad into the great fertile region of the Peace river, now unpeopled except by fur trappers and Hudson Bay company factors and their families, long has been looked forward to in Canada as epoch-making, because it is known that those prairies will support a large population and that coal and iron deposits are there in huge amounts. The dykes of gold, silver, copper and galena ore which have been opened up in the Stewart district of late contain huge quantities and of comparatively high values. One of the mines purchased by Mr. Mann contains a vein of over 60 feet in width. The town has sprung into being within a year and one-quarter of the original townsite lots, which the province of British Columbia sold at auction, brought \$430,000. As a port Stewart has the advantage practically of fresh water harbor, is four days nearer to Japan than is San Francisco and is some 500 miles nearer to Halifax than is Vancouver.

One of the most wonderful mechanical aids to card sharpening was a device unearthed in a London gambling den a short time ago. It consisted of a specially constructed table containing a secret and invisible drawer in the top which could be opened by a spring worked by slightly pressing the edge of the table. Covering the action with his hands and cards, the sharp dropped the cards he wished to transfer to his confederate into the opening, and a second spring shot them silently along a secret passage to the other side of the table, where there was another secret opening, whence the confederate contrived to take them.—*London Times*.

