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THE ALL-RED ROUTE

The mail brings us the text of Mr. Borden's proposed amendment to the Premier's resolution in regard to the All-Red project. It was as follows:

That this House in expressing its strong sympathy with the object of the said resolution desires to record its opinion that more favorable freight rates and a thoroughly efficient system of cold storage are essential features of any transportation project.

That having regard to the very heavy expenditure and obligations, in which the present administration has involved the country, the government should not commit Canada to any such plan, or to any contract or expenditure for such purposes until after the same shall have been submitted to and approved by the Parliament of Canada.

None of the accounts of the debate on the resolution represent the Premier as being very enthusiastic. Such enthusiasm as was shown was exhibited by Mr. Sifton, who admitted that the project in its line with the traditional policy of the Conservative party.

PACIFIC PORTS.

A good deal is being said in the eastern papers about the suitability of the Atlantic ports of Canada as terminals for the All-Red line on whatever plan that enterprise may be ultimately carried out.

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terling by that opening would be able in case of very thick weather to lie in comparative shelter using the straits of Vancouver Island, if it was thought necessary, before proceeding to Hardy Bay. The approach to Quatsino is together in the open ocean, and it is not unlikely that the boats will be safe as to any other harbor in the world.

The approach to Barkley Sound is also from the open ocean; the soundings are such as would enable a navigator in thick weather to keep well off shore, and in clear weather the entrance is not altogether untroubled.

RAILWAY SUBSIDIES.

The announcement of the railway subsidies to be granted by the Dominion Parliament will be received with interest, but not without some question as to the judgment exhibited in granting some of them.

The subsidies are at the rate of \$100 a mile, with a sliding scale where the cost is above \$15,000 a mile, so as to bring the maximum subsidy up to \$16,000 a mile.

THE ENLARGED PROVINCES.

Without having before us the exact text of the Bill extending the boundaries of the province of British Columbia to the Pacific coast, it is possible to say some things which are in some particulars, but which do not affect the general propositions advanced.

so numerous and so varied that it is folly to predict results. Personal influence counts, the weaker may lead to the defeat of a strong party. Local expenditures will influence voters. There is a certain prestige always attaching to a party in power, and among some people this prestige unfortunately is not greatly weakened by the disclosure of crooked transactions.

It is time for the people of Canada to ask themselves whether they think it is desirable to continue in office the men now at the head of affairs. The country will enter upon a period of very rapid growth, and exceedingly large expenditures will be necessary.

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vanced. We suppose that Quebec, having been extended so far to take in Ungava becomes the largest of the provinces. Its area may be upwards of 800,000 square miles, possibly 450,000 square miles having been added by the inclusion of the territory named Ontario's area is also materially enlarged. It must be nearly 100,000 square miles as large as British Columbia, and possibly it may be even larger.

Ontario under the new arrangement will acquire a large part of the southern coast-line of Hudson's Bay. Those who are interested in the subject by reference to any map of Canada can see at once that the new territory which is given to Ontario is a large and valuable one.

THE APPROACHING ELECTION.

We think it may be safely assumed that the federal elections will be brought forward by the Conservative party, but that it would be a good policy to put forward the best efforts in its power to carry the country. The Colonist does not believe in indulging in rash prophecies. The considerations, which determine the result of an election, are

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SOOKE INSTITUTE TO MAINTAIN.

Display of District Entered for Victoria Fall Fair.

(From Thursday) The secretary of the Sooke Institute, E. Mill Smart, of the B. C. Association, yesterday that it was the intention of that district to produce a display of produce in the fall fair.

GRADING NEEDED.

Cost of First Mile of Extremity. A gentleman who spot states that the mile in the first lot of road to be graded contract must cost \$17,000.

THREE STEAMERS FOR NORTH COAST.

Three steamers last night, the Amur, Queen Charlotte and Camouan, which is from the north coast for Prince Rupert and Barr.

Two of Governor's Office.

With a fair cargo passengers the steamer Prince Rupert and Barr, which is from the north coast for Prince Rupert and Barr.

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