

Q. Have you given any consideration at all to shipment out of the products from the Peace River district?—A. All that would be in the picture, certainly.

Mr. POULIOT: To fill the empty bottoms.

Mr. FULTON: Or fill a few empty heads.

*By Mr. Green:*

Q. That would require an outlet by rail from—

Mr. POULIOT: Mr. Chairman, I rise on a question of privilege. I heard the member for Kamloops speaking of empty heads after I had asked the question. I want him to withdraw it at once.

Mr. FULTON: Mr. Chairman, I did not hear the member for Temiscouata asking a question.

Mr. POULIOT: I heard him say—I spoke about empty bottoms and in reply, you see, with his genial smile, the hon. member for Kamloops—and I am very serious about it and I am not to be insulted by any juniors and I want him to withdraw at once, sir. I rise on a question of privilege. No one can call another colleague an empty head, so I would like to please ask him to withdraw it.

The CHAIRMAN: I think the member for Kamloops, if he said that, should withdraw it.

Mr. FULTON: Mr. Chairman, the position as I see it is this, that the hon. member for Temiscouata made an interjection which, as I understand the rules of procedure in the committee being the same as those in the House, is strictly speaking out of order because when an hon. member has the floor as the hon. member for Vancouver-Quadra had, I understood no other member should interrupt.

Now, there was an interjection made by the member for Temiscouata and, if you like, the understanding and temper and spirits of all those members of the committee were jovial and the members were in a good frame of mind after the questions which had previously been asked by the hon. member for Temiscouata and I made an interjection too, which was as out of order as the interjection of the hon. member for Temiscouata, but if the hon. member for Temiscouata feels that notwithstanding the fact that his interjection had been out of order and had not been objected to, but that mine which was also out of order should be objected to, well, of course, he is entitled to raise the point and if the hon. member will withdraw his interjection I am quite prepared to withdraw mine.

Mr. POULIOT: Mr. Chairman, my reference to empty bottoms was not with regard to the hon. member. Every member of the committee understood that I was referring to ships and the reference of Mr. Fulton to "empty head" cannot be applied to ships. It could be applied only to a human being. You have been very tolerant in listening to him and it is not for me to judge whether my interjection was out of order or not; it is you, sir, and therefore I am asking you, sir.

Mr. FULTON: Mr. Chairman, I believe there is a part of a ship called the head.

Mr. POULIOT: Mr. Chairman, as the boss of this committee will you please call him to withdraw what he has said in reference to one of his colleagues?

Mr. McIVOR: Mr. Chairman, I am anxious to know what the British Columbia members think of this. I was out there this year and the impression I got was that there was a great need for that railway. I would like to hear what the British Columbia members say.