

A COMPREHENSIVE RAILWAY POLICY

NEW LINES OF COMMUNICATION WHICH DEVELOP ALL PARTS OF THE PROVINCE

Reaching Towards Peace River—Opening
Vancouver Island—Joining Coast
and Kootenay

5,000 MILES OF RAILWAY IN OPERATION IN 1915

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The explanation and elaboration of the enlarged railway policy of the Government, by Premier McBride, occupied the close attention of Parliament and of crowded galleries during the entire afternoon sitting of the Legislature yesterday, the Premier speaking effectively upon the five several bills which were introduced in the House on Tuesday, and which are now on the orders for second readings, the debate upon each standing adjourned at the instance, respectively, of Mr. Brewster and of Mr. Williams. The First Minister was in excellent form and spoke extemporaneously with an enthusiasm and confidence in British Columbia's future which at times evoked pronounced enthusiasm. Taking up first the bill providing for construction of the Vancouver to Fort George railway, which is to bring the Coast into touch with the Peace River Country, the Prime Minister said: