## C.N.P. TO BUILD MORE LINES

Further Railroad Development in B. C. is Subject of Negotiations with Provincial Government.

Sir William Mackenzie, who has just completed a through trip westward over the fast-growing line of the Canadian Northern through system from sea to sea, left Victoria with his party this morning, having yesterday had several protracted conferences with Premier McBride. He has nothing to amend or to qualify in respect to the full redemption of the company's promises to the Canadian people with re gard to the new transcontinental line. Rather the contrary, for he assured a representative of the Colonist staff last evening that progress reports from all along the line confirm the assurance of his pledge that the system will be completed and trains in operation across Canada to the Pacific seaboard early in

"The gap between the Eastern section and Port Arthur," said he, "is now all under contract, and by fall two hundred and fifty miles of the five hundred miles of track will have been laid. And as for the line at this end, my general manager reports to me that he expects to have the tracks at the summit of the Rockies this fall also The track is now practically completed up to Fort Hope, and the balance of the work from there easterly is covered to above Kamloops, for a distance of upwards of a hundred miles. The work is going right ahead all the way along.

'Naturally I am greatly pleased with the rapidity of progress we are making. The estimates of our contractors show that last month was the largest since we began operations. It makes me quite safe in sticking to my prediction artery-will be through and trains running over it early in 1914. We will be able to run transcontinental trains over our own metals by then.

"Here on Vancouver Island the work of construction is moving ahead just as quickly as on the mainland. The first thirty-five miles out of Victoria are now practically completed as far as the grading is concerned. And the las part of the hundred miles provided for is under way.

#### Perry Connection

"With respect to the arrangement for our fast ferry connection between the mainland and island portions of the road, and as to our necessary terminals here, as well as the ferry terminal on the mainland, we are going ahead as fast as is possible in view of the very careful investigations that must be made in order that permanently best arrangements may be secured. It isn't well to go into details while a matter of this kind is being worked out, but I may tell you that these parts of the programme are being actively prosecuted, with a view to the public being fully satisfied as well as the company. And with regard to the ferry, let me say that it is going to be one of the best. We are determined to have it the most modern and the best in every way—the fastest thing of the kind that it is possible to get with assurance of safety. It will be about the last word in ferries.

#### Important Plans

can tell you just now. We have certain new and important plans now under construction that will work out for the advantage of British Columbiathe Island of Vancouver quite as much as the mainland. These plans are now matter of negotiation and are being closed up at present with Mr. McBride and it is quite likely that he will have an announcement to make concerning them before so very long.

"The past season has been a very heavy one for our road. To illustrate I might mention that at our Port Arthur terminals the elevators have been so filled up since navigation closed that the course was necessarily adopted of sending some of their contents by our road out of Duluth. The Canadian Pacific could not take the grain east from Port Arthur as fast as it was being delivered to the elevators there."

#### QUEBEC FINANCES

Treasurer is Able to Announce Substan tial Surplus for Past Year-Increased Prosperity

QUEBEC, Jan. 25.—At this after noon's session of the house hon. Mr. Mackenzie provincial treasurer, delivered his annual budget speech, which proved an interesting review of the financial state of the province for the past year, with encouraging estimates for the coming 12 months. The ordinary receipts amounted to \$7,032,744 and the ordinary expenditures to \$6,126,834, making a surplus of \$905,910, but as there had been additional extraordinary expenditure of \$298,065, an actual surplus was announced of \$607,845. The speach emphasized the increasing prosperity of Quebec, enabling provision to be made for increased amounts for education, for construction of bridges, for the abolition of toll gates and large loans for improvements of roads which are to be built with the co-operation of the municipalities of the province.

#### REPUBLICS AT WAR

BUENOS AYRES, Jan. 25 .- Diplomatic relations betwen the Argentine republic and Paraguay have been broken off and the Argentine minister at Asuncion has retired from his post. The Argentine minister of foreign affairs, Ernesto Bosch, has received a telegram from the minister at Asun-

received a reply from the Paraguayan government to Argentine's demand for atisfaction, he has withdrawn from the legation this afternoon, and with his whole staff had gone aboard the Argentine gunboat Parana.

On January 24, the Argentine government ordered the despatch of four warships to Paraguay in anticipation of the breaking off of the diplomatic

The Argentine foreign minister recently instructed the Argentine minister at Asuncion to present a claim for compensation for the attacks on Argentine shipping and property. The Paraguayan government refused to disthen instructed to demand satisfaction within 24 hours. The trouble arose through Paraguayan revolutionists firing on Argentine vessels lying in the

#### FOUND DROWNED

Disappearance of Caleb Evans of South Wellington Explained by Discovery of His Body

NANAIMO, Jan. 25 .- All doubts as o the whereabouts of Caleb Evans, who has been missing from his home in South Wellington since last October, were at last set at rest by the finding of his body washed up on an island in Nanaimo river.

The body was found on the shore on Tuesday by Andrew McKinnall, a rancher of Cedar district, and was recovered vesterday by the provincial police and was identified as that of Evans.

Evans once before mysteriously disppeared from his home in South Wellington and was missing for several days. It has since been learned that on that occasion Evans had left South Wellington for parts unknown without informing anyone as to his intentions, returning several weeks after. His actions then gave the impression that he was of unsound mind, and it is now thought that he deliberately umped into the river while temporar-

The remains recovered yesterday were identified by a brother of the deceased by means of the clothing and shoes as that of Caleb Evans. Deceased was a native of Aberdare, South Wales, was aged 34 years, and for some months prior to his death had worked as a miner in the South

#### BAPTIST UNION

speeches and Reports at Vancouver Convention Point to Need of Re-Statement of Principles

VANCOUVER, B. C., Jan. 25,-The tone of speeches and reports delivered at and submitted to the Baptist Union convention at their first meeting today, indicated a conviction of the nec of a re-statement of Baptist princ ing of their position that seems to exist in the public mind.

Rev. W. P. Reekie, of Saskatchewan, said they must make their position clear as Baptists before the people, and remove the prejudice which existed against the name.

Mr. W. Marchant, of Victoria, tended that they must not go too far in restating their principles, but they should nevertheless strive for hearty fellowship with other denominations. He took the side of the village church as the feeder of the city church with the best ministers as well as the Low

Professor Wolverton, of Nelson, speaking of the depletion of the rural churches by the city churches, thought they should not gauge the church's importance by its size.

fact that the farm hands today were nachines who did not go to church.

#### FOG ALARM AUTHORIZED FOR CAPE MUDGE

Plans Being Prepared For Additional Aid to Wavigation at Entrance to Discovery Passage

The Dominion government has auth-

orized the establishment of a for alarm at Cape Mudge, and plans are now being prepared. The steamer Cottage City stranded near this point, and navigators have recommended that a fog alarm be placed there. Cape Mudge is the southern point of Quadra island, and forms the eastern side of the entrance to Discovery passage. cliff is 230 feet high at its highest point and decreases gradually in height to the westward until it joins the shore line at the entrance to Discovery passage. A boulder beach dries for a distance of four cables, and patches of from four to five vathoms extend for a mile and a half off the southern extremity, the edge being fringed with kelp in the summer. The flood stream sets strongly over this reef causing a dangerous race, often extending across the Willow point opposite on the Vancouver island coast. A light, in a lighthouse 30 feet high, is on Cape Mudge. The cape was named by Vancouver in 1792 in honor of Zachary Mudge, first lieutenant of the Discov-

The Dominion government has also authorized the placing of a spar buoy on the rock where the steamer Tees stranded some weeks ago at Easy creek, Kyuquot sound.

### Panama Canal Traffic

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 .- The ultimate control of shipping through the Panama canal by the foreign "ship-ping trust," with chief benefit to such big American shippers as the United States Steel Corporation, would result from the admission of foreign ships to the American coastwise trade, according to President George S. Dearbourn of the American-Hawaiian S. S. company, who testified today before the public committee on interstate commerce. Protests have been sent to the war department against the proposed advance in the rates on the Panama cion, announcing that as he had not railroad on February 1st.

Convention of Farmers Institutes Takes Up Many Matters of Importance to Agriculture in the Province,

The most important sessions in the onventions connected with the agricultural department of the province of British Columbia, which are being held at this time were opened yesterday in the botanical chambers of the parliament buildings when the Farmers' Institutes congregated for the discussion and transaction of the many broad and vital questions of business affecting the farming industry in the province. The ession lasted throughout the day, and it is likely that an extra session will have to be held tonight in order to com plete the business. Many questions were discussed, and in a few instances action was taken by means of resolu-tion. Perhaps the most important question that arose throughout the day was that concerning the telephone service in the province. A resolution was brought in recommending that the government be asked to facilitate the granting of charters to private companies desirito operate in the province, but when the found that the vast majority of the delegates-and there were about a hundred of them-favored much more Irastic steps being recommended. Governthe argument against the private owner being the dual one that where he did cperate a line he charged an exorbitant rate, and that in any case he was not likely to invade the parts that could not be expected to pay, the parts which, so it was stated required the telephone the most on the account of the railway and road isolation. Finally the matter was left to the committee to draw up another resolution. Another resolution fixing the limit of assessment of agricultural land at \$500 per acre was pass ed by the convention on a division. Mr. Scott, the deputy minister of agriculture, presided over the meeting, and the Hon. Price Ellison delivered an address

#### Mr. Scott's Report

Mr. Scott, who also acted in the capacity of superintendent, submitted his annual report, in which it was stated that the past year had witnessed splendid development and forward move-ment in this most important branch of ment in this most important branch of the department of agriculture. "Agri-culturists and fruit growers are, I am sure, beginning to realize that the work of the farmers institutes is proving a live issue, and a strong educative factor in the development of agriculture in the province. The cordial co-operation of the members of the different institutes has made me work as you, superintend

has made my work as you, superintend-ent, a pleasure, and I sincerely trust that the satisfactory progress may continue and increase each succeeding year, and that the spirit of co-peration may be engendered thereby toward the protec-tion and improvement of multial inter-

The superintendent went on to say in his report: "When last I submitted my report there were forty-nine institutes incorporated in the province with a membership of 5,226. Fourteen new institutions have been formed during the past year, making a total of 63 with a membership of 6.167, making an in-crease in the membership for the year of 941. These figures show that the average membership of each institute Mr. Mitchell, of Saskatchewan, said is 98, which I consider a very satisfaction the secret of the decline in the attendthe fact that the new institutes that have been inaugurated are in comparatively new districts, where as yet the farming population is sparse. The fol-Ckanagan Centre, Westbank, Martin's Prairie, Sumas, Kitsumkelum, Salmon Valley, Glenside, Fire Valley and Lake Greenwood, Celista, Valdez Island, Howe Sound, Rosehill and Siccan Valley."

In regard to the holding of meetings the report said: "I regret that owing to the unaccountable delay in the transmission of the mails, through the post the Institute were not as well attended as they would otherwise have been, many of the members not receiving the itineraries in time. Ample time was allowed, and no blame can be attached to the department in this respect.

#### Attendance Satisfactory

Attendance at the spring and fall meetings has been eminently satisfacory, and a decided improvement on previous meetings. This is most encouraging to the department, and I trust that the improvement will be continued. In connection with the Farmer's Institutes short courses were held at many points in the province, dealing with the different phases of horticulture, and relating to the theory and practice of fruit and vegetable growing. The attendance at these short courses was most satisfactory, averaging from thirty-five to forty people, and showed keen interest in the addresses delivered by the horticulturists. This work is being carried out to a great extent this year, and in so far as possible every institute which would guarantee a fair attendance has been granted these meetings. There is a limit, however, to what can be done by the present staff, but every endeavor is being made to carry out the work effectively, so as to cover all the principal fruit producing sections of the province. This work has in all cases met with the hearty support of the farmers and the fruit growers, and I think that much good will result there-

"The work of the department in conducting packing schools which was inaugurated two years ago by the establishment of several in the Okanagan has grown to large proportions. During the past no less than thirty packing school courses were held at different points throughout the province. Each school was limited to fifteen pupils at a fee of \$2 each. The department endeavored to secure the best possible for packing instructors, and in addition paid for all Lake, Karl Newbrand; Arrow Park, Al- two children.

the fruit and material used in the schools. The attendance at the thirty schools was 390, and the series covered the entire province.

#### Fifty Packing Schools

Arrangements have been made for the present year to hold a series of fifty packing schools. This necessarily entails a very heavy expenditure on the department, but I consider that the results accomplished fully ustify the ex-

In dealing with the question of cooperation which the superintendent advocated strongly, the report said: The dealers to whom you sell your produce and from whom you secure your sup plies are thoroughly organized and therefore you are at a great disadvantage unless you can meet them on an equal basis. Co-operation in marketing your produce and securing your supplies is the secret of success and I trust that this phase of the Farmer's Institute work may be taken in hand by all the Institutes in the province.

The department has issued during the past year no less than sixteen bulletins and reports, the great majority of which have been sent to the members of the institutes

The foregoing report was adopted by

The Hon. Price Ellison, in the course of an encouraging and flattering address said: It is very gratifying to the superintendent and to myself and more especially to the province as a whole that the great development in the farming industry has been made during the past year. I think it is entirely due to your efforts gentlemen and while I heartily congratulate you upon your achievement I must at the same time say that we look for a continuance of the same in the future. B. C. is being brought before the no-tice of the whole world and I think that much of that is due to the advancement that has taken place in the agriculture interests of the province. We only hope now that the transportation that the government is pro-posing to give us both in roads and railways will put you people in touch with the centres requiring your pro duce. We also hope that it will open up the great north country the vast possibilities of which either for agricultural or other purposes can only be guessed at. Another thing I know you all to be greatly interested in is the clearing of land. You want to abolish the terrible struggle that you have gone through yourselves in the earlier days for those that are coming after you.

Arrange Cheap Powder

In regard the department has not been idle. I think in fact it has done all that could be done under the circumstances in arranging for the cheap supply of stump powder, and in that connection I might say that I don't know of any cheaper method of getting know of any cheaper method of getting rid of stumps than this powder all the mechanical devices to the contrary not-withstanding. While these may be more efficient the conditions of the province where they would be much liver as to preclude the Possibility I using them at other than great cost. Of course what the farmer wants is, a cheap mode of clearing said and I think that the department in arranging with the powder clearing sand and I think that the department in arranging with the powder companies to have it delivered in car loads at the institute to be received there in box quantifies by the farmer when he requires it has done as much as can reasonably be done in that regard. I want to impress upon you however that while we may not be in a position to grant all you think you are entitled to receive at the hands of the department the more you help yourselves the more will we be ready and willing to help you along. It is the desire of the department to do everything that will foster agriculture in the province because the department recognizes that agriculture is the real backbone of the country. When the lumbering mining, and other industries of the province have passed away the farming will still go on because, unlike the others it consists of an encless proess of giving back what is taken awav.

At the conclusion of the Hon. Miniister's address the meeting passed a vote of thanks accompanied with musical honors in the form of singing with great gusto, while standing, the popular refrani. "For He's a Jolly Good

#### Fellow.' Fire Warden's Duties

By resolution it was agreed to ask the government to accord the fire wardens a greater measure of discretion in the exercise of their duty. In speaking to the resolution it was stated by several of the delegates that they had suffered in the past on account of the inability to secure permits to burn at the In regard to the desirability of de-

stroying noxious weeds, and especially Canadian thistles, a resolution was passed urging upon the government the appointment of officials to tour the various districts of the province with a view to exterminating this pest. It was suggested that the inspector of orchards would be the most desirable per son for the post but ultimately it was left to the government to decide. A resolution that failed to obtain the support of the convention was that asking the gvernment to supply the pro vincial farmers with a pure bred bull. It was thought by the majority of those present that the government had done all that was required of them in offering to meet half the cost of transport ing such animals into the province.

Irrigation was also made the subject of a resolution to the government but after the points had been thoroughly argued it was decided to refer the mat ter back to the resolution committee for further consideration.

An appeal was made to the Dominion government through the usual course of resolution to have an experimental farm inaugurated in the dry belt of the province. It was pointed out there is such an institution in Alberta and it was argued from that fact that British Columbia was entitled to one also in view of the growing importance of that particular type of farming in the prov-

#### Delegates Present

The following is a list of the delegates:

Alberni, F. Cowley; Arrow and Slocan

fred Keffer; Aldergrove, A. K. Goldsmith; Bella Coola, William Graham; Burton City, Sam Walker; Comex, R. Carter, Jr.; Cowichan, Walter Paterson; Chilliwack, G. Copeland; Central Park, J. Churchland; Creston, Wm. A. Pease; Cranbrook-Fernie, S. McDonald; Coquit-lam, R. J. C. Atkins; Crawford Bay, Philip J. Locke; Celista, William Thomson; Delta, H. J. Hutchinson; Fire Valley & Lake Shore, L. C. Morrison; Greenwood, Duncan McIntosh; Glenside Albert Letts; Islands, J. T. Collins; Kent, Geo. Nicholls; Kelowna, H. W. Raymer; Kamloops, E. Stuart Wood: Kettle Valley J. T. Lawrence; Kootenay Lake, W. G. Robb; Kitsumkalum, F. K. Wishart: Langley, Jas. Allen; Metchosin, C. E. W. Griffiths; Mission, J. A. Catherwood; Maple Ridge, F. Duncan Campbell: Mat squi, John W. Taylor; Myncaster, H. W. Whitting; Martins Prairie, J. G. Frazer; Nanaimo-Cedar, W. N. Shaw; North Vancouver, W. L. Keene; Nicola, R. Whittaker; New Denver, J. C. Harris; Northern Okanagan, Chas. W. Little: N. agan Centre, M. P. Williams: Penticton. W. A. McKenzie; Peachland, John L. Vicary; Richmond, J. Erskine; Robson, James Fowler; Rosehill, C. W. Greer; almon Valley, L. J. Botting; Surrey, E. F. Wade; Spallumcheen, W. F. Brett; Summerland, Chas. J. Thomson; Salmon Arm, J. S. McGuire; Sooke, J. W. Stuart; Shawnigan, J. F. Lenox McFarlane; Strawberry Hill, W. H. Pennycook; South Kootenay, Wm. Reith; Sumas, J. H. H. Nelson; Slocan Valley, H. Nixon; Victoria, F. G. Quick; Westbank, L. Fetherstonhaugh; West Kootenay, C. F. McHardy; Windermere, A. Tonniscliff

## DUNCAN BAY PORT-OF-CALL

C.P.R. Has Filed Townsite Located Just Opposite Seymour Narrows with Fine Spacious Harbor and Plera

That the C. P. R. in respect to the extension of the E. & N. railway to Duncan Bay on the east coast of the Island nearly opposite Seymour Narrows, has some serious object in view over and above making it merely a stopping place pending the further extension of the road to the north end of the fsland; is made clear from an inspection of the plans filed with the land registry office

in this city. These plans and profiles show that a townsite has already been laid out, to the extent that streets are shown and named. The new town is to face north, towards the entrance to the harber, on the northern point of which is wn a jetty on which trains will run out to meet the vessels docking there. The following are the names of the streets as shown on the map: Branham, Fleet, Queens, Bond, Oxford, Regcnt, Baker, Poitman, George. Here in tervenes the southerly boundary of the new townsite, when the streets to the north of the area included in the divisintersecting streets in the townsite running from north to south are named Discovery, Casey, Herne, Bakeman, King

The profile and plans on file in the a fine, spacious harbor, lying just east of Discovery Passage. The line which is to be built is officially described as the Comox Extension of the E. & N. railway, from Black Creek to a point on ampbell river, from Mile 59 to Mile

While no official announcement has been made as to what are the intentions of the C. P. R. in building to Duscan Bay, the theory obtains in well-informed quarters that the point is to be made an important one in connection with the plans for the transportation system on Vancouver island, a color is given to this by the fact that a townsite has aready been laid out.

#### Will Be Port of Call

While the hope is held in some quarters that the move to Duncan Bay may tut be preliminary to the announcement that the C. P. R. is planning mately form a connection with the mainto speak with knowledge of conditions on the island are firm in the belief that at any rate it is clearly the intention of the company to make the bay a port of call for all north and south steamers. - Thus after the busts have left Vancouver for the north it would be possible to call at Duncan Bay, and pick up passengers from Victoria, who had left this city at a later hour than the departure from Vancouver. And the same service would be given from the north, passengers destined to Victoria and Seattle being debarked at Duncan Bay.

The profile plans show that consider able heavy work will have to be done in constructing the road, the grades in some places will be quite heavy, and a few large bridges and culverts will have to be built.

#### TWO DROWNED WHEN **GLEN ROSA SANK**

ing Poundered Alongside the Wharf at Prince Eupert-Diver Seeking to Recover Bodies of Victims

PRINCE RUPERT, B. C., Jan. 25 .-Capt. S. A Tallander and his son, Rector, were drowned by the sinking of the tug Glen Rosa. The vessel was moored to the wharf and they were asleep on the boat when at 2 a. m. the moor ing was tightened by the tide and the tug sank immediately. The accident was seen by Ed. Nor-

man, a herring fisherman, but there was not time to save the Tallanders. The vessel lies five fathoms deep, close to the wharf and a diver is trying to recover the bodies. Capt. Tallander leaves a wife

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