

V.V.&E. Railway Bill Endorsed

Board of Trade Approves Application Now Before Railway Committee of Commons.

Local Body Takes Hand in Fight of Rival Corporations at Ottawa.

Victoria's Interests Protected in Resolution Finally Decided Upon by Board.

AFTER a brisk debate on the expediency of such action being taken, the Board of Trade, at a specially summoned general meeting yesterday afternoon, passed a resolution endorsing the application for a charter for a line of railway from Kootenay to the coast, the stipulation being made that binding guarantees be exacted that the railway be built from Princeton to the British Columbia coast through Canadian territory...

Exploratory Correspondence

The chairman explained the purpose of the meeting and read the following telegraphic correspondence: Ottawa, Ont., May 5. S. J. Pitts, President Board of Trade, Victoria.

Strong Resolution Board Trade Endorsing V.V. & E. Proposed Construction to Princeton this year, and on to Coast, connects at New Westminster bridge and Cloverdale for Victoria, would be of great assistance before railway committee.

Send to Cline Pringle, who represents V.V. & E. Trade Boundary, reply if can be passed without opposition. W. TEMPLEMAN.

Victoria, May 5, 1905. Hon. Senator Templeman, Ottawa.

Council Board of Trade met this afternoon to consider subject, and in a hurried telegram and decided to call general meeting board Monday afternoon, with view to having proper resolution passed on behalf of the board.

Is your board taking any steps in connection with application for V.V. & E. to build railway to coast?

Wm. Skene, Secretary Board of Trade, Vancouver, B. C.

Vancouver, May 5, 1905. Victoria, B. C.

Have had no communication about it. WM. SKENE.

Ottawa, May 5, 1905. V.V. & E. Bill removes doubts as to right of expropriation; grants permission to cross boundary line between Black Creek and Osoyoos, to avoid very heavy grade over Anarchist mountain, returning to Canada via Similkameen.

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No Time for Delay

Mr. Paterson held that it was too late to wait for information, as before it could be obtained the application would be passed upon by the House of Commons.

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how anybody could object to the proposed endorsement. Mr. C. F. Todd thought it would be well to stipulate that Victoria wanted a daily service both for freight and passengers.

Mr. Paterson replied it was not to be expected that such a stipulation would be put in the railway bill at Ottawa. But the telegrams showed that the company intended to do, and when this connection was made Victoria would be in position to get proper treatment.

What had the promoters of the Coast-Kootenay scheme done? They had sold the charter of the V. V. & E. to Hill, and got the money; and ever since they had been trying to prevent the men who had bought the charter from building the V. V. & E. Coast-Kootenay line.

Hill Favors U. S. Towns

Mr. Mara said he had only mentioned the Coast-Kootenay as it was one of the schemes now before the government. The point was this, if Hill followed the route indicated, it would be to every public utterance of his own during the past ten years.

Force C. P. R. to Build

Continuing, Mr. Paterson said that if this charter were granted, within three months the C. P. R. would start on the Spence's Bridge route (hear, hear, hear) that British Columbia would get two lines instead of one.

Protecting Victoria's Interests

Mr. Oliver thought the resolution would be a better guarantee than the one that the railway be built from Princeton to the British Columbia coast, and that a daily freight and passenger service be given to Victoria within four years.

Through Canadian Territory

Mr. Mara thought the words "through Canadian territory" should be in the resolution, and that the routes from Anarchist mountain should be continuous through Canadian territory.

Resolution is Carried

This was agreeable to the members of the committee and incorporated in the resolution, which then carried with too many technicalities. The railway committee could be depended upon to preserve Canadian interests.

Mr. Mara was sure Senator Templeman was sincere in his telegram; but it was not to be forgotten that only a short time ago Senator Templeman had said the Coast-Kootenay would start easily.

Mr. Todd urged that it was to be stipulated that Victoria was to be benefited by the resolution with too much detail.

Mr. Mara again urged that it should be insisted upon that the routes from Anarchist mountain should be continuous through Canadian territory.

Whereas legislation is now being asked from the Dominion government to build a line of railway from Princeton to the coast.

Be it resolved that this board unconditionally support said bill, providing that suitable connection be made with Victoria upon completion of the undertaking.

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in this morning's newspapers reflect a lively anxiety as to the outcome of the delicate situation involved in the dispute between Japan and France on the neutrality question.

The Tension is Growing

Impatience at Tokyo increasing at France's indifference as a Neutral.

Alleged Breaches by Russian Squadron Subject of Protest.

Communications Pass Between London and Paris on Subject.

Togo's Fleet Concentrates

London, May 9.—The correspondent at Singapore of the Daily Mail telegraphs: "A private letter from London to a friend at Tokyo states that Vice Admiral Togo's fleet is concentrating in the Korean channel and that a portion of the Japanese navy is watching Vladivostok."

RIVAL MISSIONS TO FEZ.

German and British Ministers Have Ample Escorts.

Auditor General Asks to Retire

Sends in Resignation as Government Refuses to Alter Audit Act.

Sir Wilfrid Criticises British Columbia for Administration of Public Lands.

From Our Own Correspondent. Ottawa, May 8.—The auditor-general has sent a letter to the government requesting his resignation.

On Municipal Ownership.

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Greenwood Springs, Colo., May 8.—President Roosevelt started on his return trip this morning. His special train left here at 5 o'clock a.m. and is due in Denver at 5.15 o'clock p.m.

RACE ACROSS CONTINENT.

Automobiles Start From New York for Portland, May 8.—Two runabout automobiles, manned respectively by Dwight B. Huss and Milton Wigil and Percy Migargie and Bertin Stanchfield, started from New York today to race for Portland, Oregon, for a cash prize of \$1,000 offered by the National Good Roads Association.

A REMARKABLE DISASTER.

Out of 37 Sick Passengers Only One Is Lost in Collision. Vineyardhaven, Mass., May 8.—With the arrival here early today of the tug Dwight B. Huss and Milton Wigil, a remarkable marine disaster in the history of Vineyard Sound shipping.

ADMINISTERING MANCHURIA.

Japanese Organizing Civil Government for Portions Occupied. Tokyo, May 8.—The government is perfecting plans to convert the military administration of the occupied territory in Manchuria into civil administration.

TELEGRAPHERS CONVENE.

Annual Session of Order Opened in Buffalo. Buffalo, N. Y., May 8.—The initial meeting of the fifth biennial and fifteenth regular session of the International Order of Railroad Telegraphers opened here today with about 300 delegates in attendance.

Famous Round-the-World Yacht Arrives in New York.

New York, May 8.—The Times says: There were hundreds of people to see Lord Brassey's Sunbeam, the latest arrival for the ocean yacht race across the Atlantic.

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Local House Wins in Competition with Leading Firms of America.

E. G. Prior & Co., Ltd. are one of the largest shipping firms in the British Columbia coast. The contract was awarded on its merits, and makers in Europe, Canada and the United States, including the big steel corporation.

Lieut.-Governor of Alberta

Edmonton, May 8.—The Lieutenant-Governor of Alberta, Mr. C. H. Ross, here in July instead of having the inauguration of both provinces take place as at first intended.

PRINTERS WIN VICTORY.

St. Petersburg Fraternity Secure Observance of Sunday Holiday. St. Petersburg, May 8.—The printers who struck Sunday, April 25, have won a victory in their demand for the observance of the day.

Hard Work and Good Water Pressure Saves City.

Nansimo, B. C., May 8.—(Special)—Fire which at one time threatened the entire business section of the city broke out in the I. O. E. building at 10 o'clock this morning.

HEALTH OF RUSSIAN ARMY.

Headquarters Publishes Official Hospital Figures. Gunsh Pass, May 8.—In view of the exaggerated reports of sickness in the Russian army published abroad, the Association Press is authorized to publish the following figures, furnished from headquarters.

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Trials at London

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