

There are many phases of a comprehensive railway policy. We have discussed several of them in preceding articles. Yesterday we referred to the relations which should exist between the Province and the Dominion in respect to an amicable understanding as to the lines that should receive joint aid and as to the terms upon which assistance should be extended by each to the other.

The physical characteristics and geographical position of the Province, have created a situation in respect to railways, which is unique in the Dominion, and having an important bearing upon the railway policy that should be adopted regarding railways having a Dominion charter seeking entrance to this Province.

This can be best illustrated by viewing the subject historically. Some years ago the Dominion of Canada gave to its special creature, the Canadian Pacific Railway, the right of way through this Province through lands which had been covered by it to the Dominion as a compensation for the building of the road.

At the time the Canadian Pacific Railway received the authority to build and operate through British Columbia, no thought was had of the changes to be created by future developments and the necessity that might exist for other lines of railway reaching the sea by the S. route.

Applying the experience and the lessons of the Canadian Pacific Railway to the northern part of British Columbia still undeveloped, and still tree and open as a field for railway enterprise, there are two or three passes in the mountains through which railways must run to penetrate this Province and to reach the sea.

The Province, as possessing the sovereign rights of a free State, is the master of the situation, and by virtue of those sovereign rights no railway, by whatever authority, can reach the Mecca in view without acceding to the conditions which the Province may impose in the interests of the people.

ters over which the Dominion has superior control, such as the rate of freight and the like which will be binding upon the company, even though accompanied by a subsidy conditional upon such control of rates.

The latter is, therefore, in a position to dictate terms to any railways wishing to enter our territory and to compel them to give running rights to other railways over their lines, so that the mistake committed in the case of the C. P. R. shall not be repeated, and certain areas of the Province made subject to their control and monopoly.

The Educational Proposal. Premier Haultain of the Northwest Territories has published an open letter to Sir Wilfrid Laurier with reference to the Bill granting autonomy to the proposed new Provinces. It is, in particular, a protest against the educational clauses of the Bill.

The first point to which Mr. Haultain refers is the question of the necessity of the creation of two Provinces instead of one. This was dealt with by the Colonist when the matter of forming new Provinces in the Territories was first considered, and the opinion was then expressed that the formation of the two Provinces was wholly unnecessary.

Mr. Haultain, however, urges very strong objection to the educational clauses. He points to the fact that the position taken by delegates who went to Ottawa to interview the Government was that the Provinces should be left to their own devices in the matter of education.

Mr. Haultain also contends that the Provinces are entitled to be recognized as the beneficial owners of the territory, and, as such, that their right to administer their own property is one that should not be taken away without their consent.

Mr. Frank E. Hodgins, a well known constitutional authority of Toronto, in a letter to the News asks that if the Dominion can thus create vested rights, against which a Province cannot prevail, then where is it to end?

The present Drying Act. The present Drying Act was conceived for the purpose of relieving the settlers in the various drying districts. The liabilities under which they are present labor on account of the various drying schemes were not of this Government's making.

of the future, or to submit some measure for the amelioration of the present situation by throwing off a portion of the indebtedness and apportioning the balance as equitably as possible under the circumstances.

A primary or initial fund for this purpose (in addition to other possible relief) is contained by the imposition of a customs impost of 1d. in the pound on all imports and exports throughout the Empire, excepting re-exports.

A financial proposition. Mr. John Houston, member for Nelson, has given notice that he will move upon the House going into supply, the consideration of a scheme of land bonds, something by the way, which has been on his mind for some time.

Waxing poetical. Mr. Macpherson, in a speech on the subject of the North-West Territories, has expressed his opinion on the subject of the Empire, which he has not only expressed in a manner that is not only original, but also strikingly effective.

Bonus to Mr. Pendray. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, in a speech on the subject of the Empire, has expressed his opinion on the subject of the Empire, which he has not only expressed in a manner that is not only original, but also strikingly effective.

The imposition of preferential customs duties on the Empire. Mr. Macpherson, in a speech on the subject of the Empire, has expressed his opinion on the subject of the Empire, which he has not only expressed in a manner that is not only original, but also strikingly effective.

It is also proposed that the Council of the League of Nations, and the Empire of the United Kingdom and the whole of the British possessions for the purpose of dealing with matters relating to production, trade, commerce, finance, immigration, defence, etc.

That in the opinion of this House the best interests of Canada and the Empire are best served by a policy of national independence, and the latter would be a military expenditure in the hands of the British Empire.

The speaker, however, has not only expressed his opinion on the subject of the Empire, which he has not only expressed in a manner that is not only original, but also strikingly effective.

It is also proposed that the Council of the League of Nations, and the Empire of the United Kingdom and the whole of the British possessions for the purpose of dealing with matters relating to production, trade, commerce, finance, immigration, defence, etc.

used to promote railway construction. The plan suggested by Mr. Houston has many merits, another plan is to give moderate aid to railway construction.

It is also proposed that the Council of the League of Nations, and the Empire of the United Kingdom and the whole of the British possessions for the purpose of dealing with matters relating to production, trade, commerce, finance, immigration, defence, etc.

It is also proposed that the Council of the League of Nations, and the Empire of the United Kingdom and the whole of the British possessions for the purpose of dealing with matters relating to production, trade, commerce, finance, immigration, defence, etc.

It is also proposed that the Council of the League of Nations, and the Empire of the United Kingdom and the whole of the British possessions for the purpose of dealing with matters relating to production, trade, commerce, finance, immigration, defence, etc.

It is also proposed that the Council of the League of Nations, and the Empire of the United Kingdom and the whole of the British possessions for the purpose of dealing with matters relating to production, trade, commerce, finance, immigration, defence, etc.

steer and butcher and dry goods man. Of course, there are many demands upon the civic cash box.

Advertisements under this heading are charged at the rate of 10 cents per line for the first week and 7 cents per line for subsequent weeks.

FOR SALE—Two draught horses, weight 1,500 and 1,650. Apply Victoria Phoenix Breeding Company.

FOR SALE—White, Black, and Buff Orpington, White Wyandotte, Brown Leghorn, Toulouse game and Pekin ducks.

FOR SALE—Eggs from hens guaranteed to lay not less than 200 eggs each per year. White, Brown, Black Leghorns, White Buff, Barred Rock, etc.

ROBERTSON—At Victoria, on 20th inst., to the wife of Robert Robertson, of Nelson, B. C., a daughter.

MARRIED. THAW-MESSEBER—At Christ Church Cathedral, by the Rev. W. Baugh Allen, on the 18th inst., John Thaw to Elizabeth Amy Messer, youngest daughter of George Messer, of this city.

Take care of your Teeth. CALVERT'S Carbolic Tooth Powder. This pleasant antiseptic dentifrice owes its popularity to the efficient way in which it cleanses the teeth.

FERRY'S SEEDS. The standard for 45 years! Best. They always produce the largest and finest crops.

FOR SALE—Single Comb Rhode Island Red and Game Rhode Island Red fowls.

Loc. (From Tuesday's Issue) Address on Agriculture, minister of agriculture has taken from a visit to North Vancouver in connection with the Institute and delivered an agricultural matter.

A Bicycle Stolen—Peter of Wharf street, is mourning a fine Massey Harris bicycle taken from his residence last. Mr. McQuade will be anyone giving information lead to the recovery of the

Peaceful Trade—The boat, No. 40, recently purchased from the Japanese navy on the United States, sailed for the steamer Empress of India.

Judgment Reserved—The case of Vermont vs. A. was given a new trial by the court yesterday morning. Justice Martin, judgment in the case had been tried before and appealed to Ottawa and it was referred back for

Leased Stone Quarries—The freight commissions for island stone quarries, as the properties which have been leased for a year and opened in an extensive Northwestern Construction

Hands. 'The' 'Attac' 'Four' 'Lake' 'Castl' (3)

THE COLONIST a new process of photo.

'De Win'. She Blow " morning hours of yesterday the gentle March breeze with more steadfastness Chimneys shed their up bricks; numerous windows pushed in; the yacht

THE COLONIST a new process of photo.

THE COLONIST a new process of photo.

DR. J. COLLIS BROWNE'S CHIROPDYNE. ORIGINAL AND ONLY GENUINE. Each Bottle of this Well-known Remedy for Coughs, Colds, Asthma, Bronchitis, Neuralgia, Toothache, Clapthrosis, Spasms, etc.

CHRISTIE'S GRAHAM WAFERS, per tin 35c. CHRISTIE'S RECEPTION WAFERS, per tin 35c. CHRISTIE'S SNOW FLAKES, per tin 35c. H. & P. BATH OLIVE BISCUITS, per tin 50c. H. & P. TEA RUSKS, per tin 50c.

DIXIE H. ROSS & CO., The Independent Cash Grocers. Water S. Fraser & Co., Ltd. IMPORTERS AND DEALERS IN General Hardware

Garden Tools, Wheelbarrows, Lanterns, &c. Enamel and Tinware for Householders. Wharf Street, Victoria, B. C. Telephone 3, P. O. Box 423.

BRAN, SHORTS, CRUSHED OATS, &c. Our facilities are unequalled for quantity, cheapness and quick delivery. THE BRACKMAN-KER MILLING COMPANY, LIMITED.

BONUS TO MR. PENDRAY. Sir—In dealing with Mr. Pendray's application for a bonus in connection with the railway, it seems to me that our Council will not be acting in the best interests of our city if it refuses to make some compromise in the matter.

BONUSES TO FACTORIES. Sir—The writer, who is in no way interested in the soap works or the paint works, desires to say that in his opinion the City Council should reconsider the matter of a bonus to the Pendray Company.

OPEN DAY AND NIGHT. For the convenience of our customers, our prescription department is accessible at any hour of the night; no need to wait. Walk right in.

Cyrus H. Rowes. 98 Government, near Yates Street.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR. WHERE MR. LUGRIN WAS. Sir—Your reference to me in your edition of the 18th inst. is a notice which I have received with surprise.

FULL PARTNERSHIP WITH THE EMPIRE. Ever and anon the old proposal of Imperial Federation has been revived and modified from time to time.

THE DYKING ACT. The present Drying Act was conceived for the purpose of relieving the settlers in the various drying districts. The liabilities under which they are present labor on account of the various drying schemes were not of this Government's making.