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#### ROUTES COMPARED.

we are broad enough in our views of things to concede what is claimed for be conveyed. it by those who understand the question best. The Colonist can say for itself that it has been second to no paper in the Dominion in presenting the advantageous features, which that an editorial from the Toronto Globe.. route possesses. Therefore when we invite attention to some of the matters significance at the present time, we do invite attention to some of the matters significance at the present time, we do hot know, and having regard to the wherein a route by way of Vancouver not know, and having regard to the ERNMENT, IN AID OF RAILWAY CONSTRUCTION IN THIS PRO- of the mind that there should be a by way of Fort Churchill, no one can material. The people of Canada exby way of Fort Churchii, no one can be peet their public men to live lives that justly allege that we are influenced by peet their public men to live lives that PEACE RIVER COUNTRY WITH ernment could scarcely come before justly allege that we are innuenced by beet their public lifet of in this article to deal with the subject on the ground of gross immorality. TISH COLUMBIA. at all exhaustively, but only to present We have no reason to expect perfeca few of its salient features.

Hudson's Bay is navigable for four months in the year and possibly five.

Open to temptation; nevertheless the people have a right to exact from men, be adopted, the Dominion government sible from the sea every day in the year. There probably never will be a clean lives. Speaking generally, the ture should be made under its control. day when an ocean-going vessel cannot It is doubtful if this can be said truthfully of any other port in Canada. Quatsino and Barkley sounds have undoubted advantages over continental harbors, but so far as the approach from the ocean is concerned there is Juan de Fuca on the Northwest Coast of America.

couver Island ports will afford what land, Tacoma and Seattle, laden with

the Atlantic seaboard.

far as any one knows, around the instead of relaxing its requirements in Colonist is endeavoring as best it can would mean more for British Columbia shores of Hudson's Bay which Central this respect, will make them even more to devise some plan whereby effect can than anything else that can be pro Canada will consume and nothing in stringent. the region intervening between the shore of the bay and the wheat-growing area. Traffic over the Hudson's Bay railway will, as far as we are able

the disinclination of travelers to go by
the disinclination of travelers to go by route of travel to and from the Orient, which is as follows: "Resolved that earnestly hopes that they will act, did at starting. He was all right after

devoted to that purpose.

#### SHEEP RAISING.

Th Nanaimo Free Press directs atthe number of sheep raised in this very great majority of the people of province. We have been told that one British Columbia. of the reasons why this industry is not prosecuted more largely in this province is the lack of a local market for wool. We have before us the latest edition of Bulletin No. 10, issued by

Ewes are quoted from \$7 to \$9. The Coast market has been in part supplied from the Middle-West this winter." And this from the article on live

stock: "Sheep raising is another branch of agriculture, capable of great expansnterior objected to sheep, as they are such close feeders, and sheep-raising Churchill. We are hardly able to see

We are told that the Hudson's Bay yet received. One might gather from terior. We feel therefore greatly en- afternoon. route is a necessity, a pressing neces- the Bulletin mentioned that the pro- couraged in pressing the suggestion, sity, and out in this part of Canada vince is not adapted to sheep raising, as to a railway policy which has al-

# We print in this page this morning

route possesses. Therefore when we Whether or not this has any special tion from any one, and those who are invite the best consideration which the half of the railway without some ansible from the sea every day in the whom they entrust with the control will take the position that the expendireach Victoria from the open sea, when Dominion has been exceedingly for- as the work is done, it is immaterial once the safeguards to navigation now tunate in this respect. No one can to the Colonist who does it.

go back as far as the beginning of the provide the city of Vancouver with a For a large portion of the wheat- last century, a steady improvement in route to the northeastern section of growing area of Central Canada, the the character of public men has been Vancouver Island ports are as con- observable. We no longer have hard veniently situated as any port on Hud-drinkers and notorious gamblers in poson's Bay, and of course very much sitions of the greatest prominence. more so than the ports now in use upon With all his great ability Charles James Fox would not be tolerated in There is not very much which Cen- English public life today, and even tral Canada will import that will be William Pitt would have had to mend brought in by way of Hudson's Bay in his way of living, if he hoped to be preference to other routes, because the preference to other routes, because the shortness of the season of navigation present and the last generation of have not the least idea how Mr. Mcwill prevent its being utilized for that English public men have nearly all been Bride and his colleagues regard our River leads and his colleagues regard our River leads may be taken but account. purpose to any very great degree. It above the average in point of personal suggestion. We hope they will look is one thing to use a route for the character, so much so, in fact, that favorably upon it, so much so indeed Surely nothing more is wanted as a shipment out of the country of comright living seems to be almost necesas to use any influence which the legbasis of action on behalf of British Comodities already piled up awaiting sary to any great degree of political islature may possess with the Domintransportation, and quite another to success in the United Kingdom. This ion government to carry it into the government of Canada only reships goods into a country by such a also holds true of Canada, and we may execution. The suggestion has not been quired to be asked to act in order to Moreover, there is nothing, as rest assured that popular sentiment, thrown out "in a tentative way." The

to see now, be chiefly, if not almost will the papers and not propose to man, and ne has written to the papers wholly, in one direction. On the other on Sunday observance, or as he put introduce politics into the discussion about it. He says that we do not know wholly, in one direction. On the other of "the other of the other other other other of the other othe hand Vancouver Island is filled with it, flat shifted to answer is that the Colonist has not Messrs. Templeman, Smith and Sloan cities are very much behind the large natural wealth and can be made to done so. The attitude of the Colonist to take up the Commission's recomcities of the United States. He rewill be a certain demand in Central upon this question was defined in its mendation and will continue to urge calls another Englishman, who came will be a certain demand in Central upon this question was defined in its inendation and will continue to urge calls another Englishman, who came Canada, and moreover the traffic east- issue of February 22nd last, and was them to do so. Messrs. Templeman, to this country and was given a job Canada, and moreover the traffic east-bound from the Orient will naturally as follows: "Long established usage, Smith and Sloan are the representation on a railway survey party. When he seek these ports. A line to the Van- church tradition and practice and what tives of the Colonist, as far as a news- got out of the woods again, he cerseek these ports. A line to the vanmay be called the consensus of civilpaper can have a representative in the tainly was not as pretty a picture as carrier in both directions.

A railway to Hudson's Bay would not be a powerful competitor for passenger worship, and anything which needlesstravel because of the short period dur-ly interferes with this manner of obway of northerly latitudes. A rail- with the opening phrase of the reso- their inaction on some future occasion the survey was over, he knew a little way to Victoria would be a favorite lution adopted by the Board of Trade, to their discredit, but because it most more about Canadian forests than he Australasia, Mexico and South Amer- this Board, while assenting to the prin- promptly and successfully. When the he once got fairly started; but there We repeat that we have not a word as possible, devoted to rest and worto say against the Hudson's Bay route, ship." This resolution the Colonist ously as it knows how; but when the way. Probably they do not make any but on the contrary join in the ad-has endorsed and its endorsement is battle is over it claims the right, as more blunders about Canada than a vocacy of it, and applaud the decision absolutely in keeping with its original in British Columbia. to provide for its construction out of position on the question. At no stage in British Columbia, to urge upon its flying trip through England, only the moneys derived from the sale of lands of the discussion did this paper take in Central Canada; but we also urge a stand against Sunday observance; the building of a line from the plains but on the contrary its articles, which of Alberta to Victoria, and that the for the most part dealt with the quesproceeds of the sale of the land, which tion of Sunday newspapers and the the province of British Columbia gave jurisdiction of the legislature, laid suggestion to the Liberal members to secure railway extension, shall be great stress upon the fact that the provision in regard to newspapers would prevent press men from devoting their Sundays to such purposes. The Colonist is not afraid to change its position on any subject, if it finds tention to the fact that our present one it has seen no reason to depart the Conservatives as long as it can ladies to select from on their arrival it has made a mistake; but on this supply of mutton is chiefly from Ausfrom the principle laid down by it at
consistently do so; but when the electralia, and it suggests that it might be the outset of the discussion, a principle both feasible and profitable to increase which it believes is endorsed by the

## OUR RAILWAY SUGGESTION.

Yesterday the Colonist published an the Bureau of Information. It is ed that Senator Lougheed had probrought down to date and a very great posed that the 5,000,000 acres of a number of them have been printed for lapsed land grant in aid of a railway general distribution. The only references we find to sheep raising in it is the following in an article by Mr. lapsed land grant in and to handed over to a commission for the purpose of constructing that road. He says that the price of the land ought to be "There is little change in regard to not less than \$5 per acre, so that the sheep in the province, very few being grant would realize \$25,000,000. He kept and no large flocks. Prices are proposed that any surplus left after high in accordance with the general the road was built should be invested, scarcity of sheep throughout the con- and the interest be paid as a bonus tinent and the improved price of wool. upon all grain shipped by way of

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because we know very little about its Six months ...... 50 duced. These are the most favorable merits; but the former part is not Three months ...... 25 parts of the province for sheep-raising, only in line with what the Colonist has though they do well in many places in been urging in regard to the Peace We suggest to the Minister of government, but, what is more imwith advantage be made the subject gestion thrown out in the House of enunciated by Hon. Frank Oliver in of more detailed treatment than it has Commons by the Minister of the In- the House of Commons yesterday but this is not the intention sought to ready been made in these columns, and of the route of the wheat markets of is to the following effect:

LET THE PEOPLE OF BRITISH much at heart. COLUMBIA ADOPT AS A MATTER OF POLICY THE SECURING OF as 1886 the then government made pro-THE ASSENT OF THE DOMINION vision for a railway to Hudson Bay, GOVERNMENT TO THE APPRO- offering a grant of 6,400 acres a mile PRIATION OF THE PROCEEDS OF for every mile in Manitoba and 12,800 VINCE, SO AS TO CONNECT THE railway to Hudson Bay and the gov

This suggestion is one to which we

being established have been completed. claim that our political leaders have If in 1884 the two governments had always been careful to keep within the known as much as we all do now as limits which a sense of sobriety and to the value of the Peace River lands, such an additional outlet will be urgright living imposes; but as yet noth- and the necessity of providing an outing has happened to create gross let from Central Canada to the Pacific be built, even if it were constructed at public scandals, although there has Ocean, the Dominion government never once. At the same time it realizes been, as the Globe points out, sufficient would have asked, and the provincial that public opinion throughout Canevidence in our parliamentary history government would have given \$17,500,to serve as warnings for those who 000 worth of land to secure a bonus of moment, in view of the great obligatransgress. There is no place in Can- \$750,000 to 75 miles of railway. The adian public life for notorious evil- bargain would have included the ex-The Hudson's Bay route will furnish livers, no matter what their abilities tension of the E. and N. Railway to the additional obligations that would a means of communication with Europe may be,, and a political leader, who the eastern boundary of the province during a part of the year, but the Van refuses to tolerate them in places of by the Marcus Smith route, which was couver Island ports will afford what is even more important, a route to the Orient available at all times, and also Orient available at all times, and also stronger hold upon the good sense of the Settlement Act that the proaccess to a route to Europe, which is the people of Canada than the Ten ceeds of the sale of the land should be used for that purpose, but add that the land accruing from the disposal of the land should be used for that purpose, but add that the land accruing from the disposal of the land should be used for that purpose, but add that the land in the land accruing from the disposal of the land should be used for that purpose, but add that the land in the land accruing from the disposal of land in the land should be used for that purpose, but add that the land in the land should be used for that purpose, but add that the land in the land should be used for that purpose, but add that the land in the land should be used for that purpose, but add that the land should be used for that purpose, but add that the land should be used for that purpose, but add that the land should be used for that purpose, but add that the land should be used for the land should be used for that purpose, but add that the land should be used for the l During recent years, we may even the land is so valuable that it will also pre-emptions in the three prairie pro-

> British Columbia. We observe that our suggestion has been received by the Times in its usual narrow spirit. It asks if the Colonist will make pledges as to what the pro-vincial government will do; if the land in plain sight for an additional and is reconveyed to the province. We are in plain sight for an additional and not asking for any such reconveyance. Neither are we seeking to make any

be given to the report of the Royal posed. sion on Transr A Colonist reader asked yesterday that has any bearing upon the subject. found wanting by a traveling English-Bay railway will, as far as we are able to see now, be chiefly, if not almost why this paper had changed its position. It has not and does not propose to man, and he has written to the papers ization are to the effect that Sunday House of Commons, although it did when he went in, and when asked ciple that Sunday ought to be, as far Colonist is engaged in a political con- are some people—Oh, well, it does not its victorious friends, any course of ers in the newspapers.

action, which it deems in the public interest. Therefore we commend the above the members of the provincial legis- that they shall don male attire and go lature, no matter what their political in a body to the House of Commons associations may be. This is the Col- to demand their rights. In that case onist's position on this and all other we suggest to the British Prime Mingreat public issues. When elections are ister that he should provide a nice lot

tions are over its policy will be guided was confined chiefly to southern Van- the force of the latter part of the Sen- solely by what it thinks to be the

In this connection we quote the following from the Ottawa Free Press: River lands granted to the Dominion reference to assisting the Hudson Bay Railway project, promised by Sir Wil-Agriculture that this industry might portant, is in harmony with the sug- frid Laurier a few days ago, was

"It is, in brief, that the lands of the the world, which the West has so

"Mr. Oliver recalled that as far back

proposition which looks to the ignoring of the provision already made on be-Hudson's Bay is navigable for four in prominent positions are peculiarly public men of British Columbia can nouncement to the House and the country in regard to the matter. What they proposed was this:

"The government is fully convinced of the propriety of giving the Northwest an additional railway outlet by way of Hudson's Bay at the earliest possible date. The government is aware that with the increase in production of the West now in progress ently needed as soon as a railway can ada could scarcely be expected at the be incurred by providing immediately for the construction of a railway to Hudson's Bay unless special provision were made to meet that obligation. It believes, however, that there will b vinces under the terms of the proposed land bill, shall be considered as a pro-vision in place of the land grant stated in the act to meet the burden upon the credit of the Dominion as a whole that must be assumed at an early date-if not immediately—if a railway is to be in operation to Hudson's Bay in time

lumbia. Really the case looks as if declare in favor of a policy which

this purpose it is watching everything It is very sad to know that Canada that is being said and done elsewhere, has been weighed in the balance and victorious opponents, as well as upon Canadian would not publish his blund-

The Suffragettes of London seen resolved to do or die or any other old from British Columbia in the House of thing that will attract attention to Commons, and we commend it to all themselves. The latest proposal is on it proposes to fight the battle of of pretty petticoats for the belligerent

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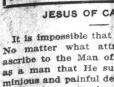
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One of the greatest vary is lost because which the Sufferer those who teach His whole thing has been forehand, if He was s part, however much th vary might appeal to people who are ready explanation of the cro His life and fear to qu so doing they may in pleasure, it would no majority of mankind. vine nature of Jesus appeals to men, but Hi We saw last Sunday of His life establish but as we look upon that this divinity was ing absorbed in His hu Doubtless there are s may think that to wr is quite needless, becau feel able to differentia minds betwen Jesus the Christ the Son of God there that the church itself understood by ter of people. If Christian hold upon many intell the land, it is because special qualifications a teach it, present it that it fails to appeal pathy. There is no use what is presented is a must not be inquired in inquire nowadays, and any particular piece of mysterious for investig be accepted on faith, be regarded by some, w ence the majority to a erend Sir, the time has simply because you say but there never was a tory of mankind, when many people as there would like to have a Jesus, so that they He is, and not as He lo ed through the mist

What the world was Saviour. We are told t when Jesus was born t ple were earnestly loo siah, but their earne nothing compared with the masses of the peo all Christendom are le now. The civilized v social unrest, an unres tending far beyond it a awakened the great F to action. Where shall found? It seems to us answer to this questio us that we find the ans tory of Christianity. tory back and it leads which with its sacred out against the night of ness. It leads us to C awful solitude of death self deserted not only to God. Here, if we re