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PROVINCIAL DEVELOPMENT. The public will wait with great interest the presentation of the plans which

Columbia, which means that this exceedingly prosperous and progressive portion of the province is contributing very largely to the revenue. But what is Kootenay in comparison to the remainis, that what they cost will be paid back again in the way of revenue. The

The Colonist has also insisted that a line is built down from the North. good road could be made and kept open lin, so that it would be possible during feasibility of the proposed plan feared that for this season it would be imprac-

tion in this matter is, however, a mat- have seen how Mr. Corbin got his hands purely personal interest whether or not the country thereabouts and how difficult any writer is correct in the views he it has been to secure a competing line. takes upon any particular subject. The Only by the payment of a large subsidy value of the demonstrated fact lies in was the Dominion able to bring about the bearing it has upon the future of the the construction of a line to recover Yukon transportation problem. One of portion of the trade which has been divthe objections taken to the construction erted by the road from Spokane. The of a railway from Glenora to Teslin Lake has been that the road would be very different position as regards Bound-cut off from all connection with the seacut off from all connection with the seahoard. This will no longer hold good. It is clear now that unless the winter is year, and all that the majority of the no other nations in the world could such exceptionally mild it will be possible for people of British Columbia ask is that a a tension exist without hostilities followa considerable portion of the winter to railway having as direct a communicakeep a snow road open over the ice. We tion as possible with British Columbia submit also that there is reason to be- cities shall be given the preference over lieve that by pursuing the plan indicated one that will be tributary and make the lieve that by pursuing the plan indicated one that will be tributary and make the there is only one step that in a recent issue of the Colonist, that is Boundary Creek district tributary chiefby working down from Glenora instead ly to Spokane. of up from the mouth of the river, it will be possible to make a winter road that just named sprang into new life after will be available for the greater part of the opening of the Trail Creek district, the season. This statement is made will appreciate what our cities will lose from some knowledge of the conditions if the trade of the new region is diverted under which the snow roads are made. from this province. Mr. Blair's argu-If this view is correct, then during the ment, based on the proposed export duty that if the measure is thrown out there season of navigation, that is for seven on ore and the import duty on merchan-

opened over the snow from Telegraph duty is to prevent any one from sending state little short of despair unless the Greek to Teslin Lake supports another proposition advanced by this paper, know why Mr. Corbin will want to build namely, that when the railway has been any road at all. We repeat what we the railway. constructed it will be possible to main-tain connection down the lake and the opposed to railway competition from the A resolution has been introduced into Hootalinqua river to Yukon points. We South, but we do not think it wou'd be the United States senate recognizing Co.

a stage line can be kept going all winter build, by all means let him do so. o Dawson City.

This is a subject of very great importance, or it will be of very great importance, or it will be of very great importance the house to vote liberal sums for pubthe first mentioned. the government have formed for advancing the development of the province. is built. It will be of even greater imwe are satisfied that any well-considportance if the railway is not built. If
was justly characterized by the Premier be regretted that the United States auered proposition will be well received. there is to be a railway, private enter- as an insult to the intelligence of the thorities have not taken care to see that Last year's railway policy will bring rise may be trusted to see the the nec country. It might with equal truth be the agreement with Canada as to the Last year's railway policy will bring forth good results. We have every expectation that every mile of road then subsidized will be constructed and if so, that single piece of legislation will mean more for the province than anything of shelters and depots between Glenora that has been put upon the statute book in a long time.

Steps must be taken to open this near that the province will be in the legislation of shelters and depots between Glenora are a majority of them fools. They have the latter that the agreement with Canada as to the said that a government by seeking to do what is right by the province is seeking to the agreement with Canada as to the said that a government by seeking to do what is right by the province is seeking to what is right by the province is seeking to the agreement with Canada as to the said that a government by seeking to do what is right by the province is seeking to what is right by the province is seeking to what is right by the province is seeking to what is righ Steps must be taken to open this pro-been demonstrated, it will be little short not had so many illustrations of supervince. We do not half know its re- of criminal if another season is allowed for wisdom on the part of the opposition sources. Every day a cry goes up that to pass without means of communication that they will view with complacency Kootenay is the milch cow of British being established between the coast at

those who do not require to have some pondent will appreciate on motive in not desiring to begin discussion over the subject with which he deals.

The British Columbia, Seattle and Paexample of Kootenay shows that we cific Coast railway company is the title example of Rootenay shows that we may expect just such a result, if a wise and liberal system of development is begun. Highways and railways cost money, and built through a productive country they will pay back all they cost.

The Coloriest is prepared to consider The Colonist is prepared to consider of Washington and Oregon over its own in the most favorable spirit any plan rails. At present the C.P.R. runs into

We do not dissent from Mr. Blair's between Telegraph Creek and Lake Tes- proposition that there is no implied agreement that lines shall not be built the winter to keep up constant communi- from the United States to compete with cation between the mouth of the river the Canadian Pacific or any other doand the lake. The facts show that this mestic railway; but we take the position the reverse of what he argues now; but view was wholly correct. It is true that that when Canadian roads are reaching at present he is engaged in manipulating for a time in the early part of this month out for the trade of a district, it is right even the most sanguine believers in the that they should not be blocked by permission being extended to an American line to get first on the ground. The Colticable, but this has proved not to be onist is not disposed to take a narrow the case and to-day the only route into view of railway competition. It realizes the Yukon valley is that via the much how very important competition may be maligned Stikine. To-day it is possible to a community, but it is not so clear to get aboard a sleigh and drive through that the way to secure competition for to Teslin Lake on a good snow road. I the Boundary Creek country is to allow The vindication of the Colonist's posi- an American road to get in first. We upon the traffic of Rossland, Trail and

country seems about to be placed in a that Canadian roads will be built this

Those persons who know how the city months, and doubtless for three disc, is specious but it is not sound. If been competing with British Columbia more, Glenora will be accessible he proposed so to austall the characters. months more, Glenora will be accessible he proposes so to curtail the operations and other parts of Canada for the trade of the Yukon. If the measure is lost.

river it would be possible to keep such a road open during the winter, but be- lieve the only question is as to food and Give the Canadian roads the first chance. Both these resolutions have gone to the shelter, and that if these are provided and if, after that, Mr. Corbin wants to committee on foreign relations. Many

Wrangel and points on the Yukon river.

A correspondent sends us a letter conpublic works is not needed for the public troverting what the Colonist said on benefit. No one can put his finger upon Sanday as to the "monstrous life" of a single appropriation under this head and say that it should not have been inder of the province? We mean in point the whole, aind although its wealth and the whole, and although is wealth and possibilities are of the highest order, no one can undertake to say that it cannot be re-cated over and over again within the limits of our imperial domain. But Kootenay itself is not half developed or anything like it. Open the district as it ent countries and different eras for the anything like it. Open the district as it meeds to be opened with highways and byways for traffic, and its wealth and its contributions to the revenue of the province will expand by leaps and bounds. This is one of the arguments for provincial development. It is not the only argument, because it would pay to expend largely in extending transportation facilities to all parts of the province on the province of the same time showing what part women have played in determining the fate of nations. In doing this we shall endeavor to avoid controversial questions. The observation to which our correspondent takes exception was simply intended to convey the idea that would accrue to the people; but all persons do not take this view of things, and those who do not require to have some those who do not require to have some to a part of the purpose of illustrating the character of the various ages since historic times beginned to the various ages in the

buying the voters with their own money. We think some explanation is needed

which have a some in which will arbit be a pay invertinent, but we cannot expect capitalists to have confidence in the country if we have some in it ourselves. The only way in which this confidence in the country if we have some in it ourselves. The only way in which this confidence in the welcome for take part in the trade of South and the country if we have some in the weak sone; no one could be content with the first and the propose and and the propose and and the country if we was so, one one could be made and in the first and the country if we was so, one one could be made and the day of very some of this will count be a prefix to those wards solid will render the province. If this is not done progress will be slow; if it is done, there is every reason to think that the advance will be slow; if it is done, there is early reason to think that the advance will be slow; if it is done, there is early reason to think that the advance will be slow; if it is done, there is early reason to think that the advance will be slow; if it is done, there is early reason to think that the advance will be slow; if it is done, there is early reason to think that the advance will be slow; if it is done, there is early reason to think that the advance will be slow; if it is done, there is early reason to think that the advance will be slow; if it is done, there is early reason to think that the advance will be slow; if it is done, there is early reason to think that the advance will be slow; if it is done, there is early reason to think that the advance will be slow; if it is done, there is early reason to think that the advance will be slow; if it is done, there is early reason to think that the advance will be slow; if it is done, there is early reason to think that the advance will be slow; if it is done, there is early reason to think that the advance will be slow; if it is done, there is early reason to think that the day of the transport the control of the transport the control of the transport the control of the transpo

divide. To him a row of figures with a \$ at the end possesses ten times as much attraction as Hogarth's line of beauty. Of course it would be an easy matter for Mr. Sword to take his figures, group them in some other way and prove quite units, tens and thousands to show up de ficits and extravagance. If he would take the other side of the question he could make even a better showing.

Great Britain's share of China in the new deal is said to be 10,000 square miles. That will do for a beginning. The conditions over that 10,000 square miles, if the report is true, will soon be so different to that of other parts of China that the adjoining semi-independent mandarinates will seek British control In the consideration of all Chinese questions we must not lose sight of the fact that the tie between the provinces and the imperial government is very weak and that there is no tie at all between the provinces themselves.

If the scenes in the United States senate to-day and the demonstrations in Spain are not immediately preliminary to war, then all signs fail. ing as a matter of course. The feeling of both countries is being worked up t efver heat. There is only one step furmust back down if war is to be avoided now.

Whether or not it is true that American lobbyists have succeeded in working the Canadian senate up to not know, but of this we are certain, The fact that a good road has been haul ore out of the country, and if the the whole of this province will be in a opened over the snow from Telegraph duty is to prevent any one from sending state little short of despair unless the

do not know how far down the Yukon wise policy to permit an American road Cuban independence and declaring was very bellicose proposals have died in that body, but we believe none has ever

It is evident that a great deal of the repose of manner, with which our United States contemporaries are treating the Spanish question, is due to their utter inability to know what suggestions to make.

Somebody has been telling the Tacoma News that profanity and disorder prevailed in our legislature during a debate

They will be before the electors in a few months. Let them tell the electors now what sums they believe the government is asking in order that the votes of a district may be bought by the people's own money. Let them take any discredit. Which of the items for Kootenay, which of the items for Alberni, which of the items for Cariboo have been put into the estimates for the purpose of buying the voters with their own money.

While holding this view we find our from the left of Mr. Speaker on this selves utterly unable to assent to the proposition laid down by Mr. Blair in regard to the new Corbin line. His pothat shall be proposed for opening the province to the enterprise of the world. We have a domain which will richly repay investment, but we cannot expect this will shut he Canadian road out.

Russia announces that in occupying stiton seems completely inconsistent with his attitude in regard to the Crow's Nest Pass railway and irreconcileable wards other powers and that all comers with the views publicly expressed by

He tells his readers that in view of the number of rotten tubs that have been sent north from the Sound ports "the selection of a ship for the ocean trip is very important." He has nothing but praise for the rigorous inspection insisted upon by the Canadian government. We quote what he says on the subject of routes, premising that as he did not come to Victoria, apparently, he did not learn of the advantages of this city as a starting point. We may mention for the information of the Milwaukee paper that persons coming West over the Canadian solutions. It is the head of the lake, and transport himself, stopping to prospect as he goes, the Hootalingua and connecting rivers being all gold-bearing streams.



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To the Editor:—The people in Australia and New Zealand are unable to obtain accurate and reliable information about British Columbia or the Klondike. That is the tale which every new arrival brings from the Antipodes. As far as Victoria is concerned nobody ever hears of such a city, while Vancouver is becoming well known as the terminus of the Canadian-Australian steamship line. It was in 1893 that this line was inaugurated the Canadian government agreeing to pay the company the sum of \$125,000 per annum, and the government of New South Wales \$50,000 per annum, as subsidies. The monthly service contracted for has of necessity been but imperfectly performed by two steamers, and the steamer Aorangi has lately been added, the three boats now calling at colony having within the past two months voted a subsidy to this line.

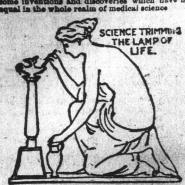
Notwithstanding that the C.P.R. Co. has, in conjunction with Huddard Parker, been doing all they can to popularize this route, the fact remains that two-thirds of the malls, passengers and freight comes across the Pacific not to British Columbia, but to San Francisco. The Australian-American line has been running between San Francisco and the Australasian colonies for the last quarter of a century, and the Americans are far ahead of the Canadians in the matter of pushing business and cultivating trade relations with other countries. Thus it can easily be understood how most of the trade goes to the States instead of coming here. The Americans send their travellers out to the colonies to establish agencies in all the principal cities. Men have recently been sent out there with a view of securing the Klondike outfitting and transportation trade for San Francisco. Some one should be sent out from here to correct the false statements those men are circulating.

Bureaus of information established in Sydney and Wellington would be self-supporting, for thousands would gladly pay a small fee for information of a trustworthy nature re British Columbia and the Yukon gold fields.

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