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STEAMSHIP LINE TO PRINCE RUPERT

Grand Trunk Pacific Not Yet Considering Building of Line Down Island

C. M. HAYS AND PARTY HERE

President of New Transcontinental Discusses His Trip of Inspection

(From Wednesday's Daily) While declining to make an officia nnouncement, Chas. M. Hays, presi-ent of the Grand Trunk Pacific rail way, gave it to be understood yester-day that his company will ere long, have a steamship line running into Victoria from Prince Rupert. The company, however, has not considered the building of a railroad into this city. This is the gist of a conversa-tion had with Mr. Hays at the Empress hotel yesterday after a day spent in conference with the members of the overnment.

Mr. Hays and party arrived in Victoria yesterday at 2 a.m., after a three days' visit to Prince Rupert, and dis-

"I left home early in September with the officials of the road to make our annual trip over the system. From Winnipeg we rode over our line to Battleford, a distance of 600 miles, over which we are giving a tri-weekly service notwithstanding the fact that the road is still in the hands of the construction department. We are doing this for the convenience of settlers, and we are hauling a great deal of supplies and effects as well as a lot of grain over the road. There has been a nice movement in grain this year and more land is being broken each season, now that a reliable train service is assured. The great development is especially wonderfully to me as it is only two years since Mr. Morse and I rode over the route which our line now takes from Edmonton to Winnier. Winnipeg. At that time most of the land was vacant. Now it is nearly all taken up and there are farms in all directions.

"Our towns are doing well, especially those situated at the divisional points. Wainwright is perhaps the furthest ahead of any of them. We have one or more elevators either built or building at each of them. have one or more elevators either built or building at each of these points. At Battle river our progress is barred by a big bridge, but the contractors promise us that this will be finished by Nov. 1. The grading from Battle river to Edmonton is complete,

so we were able to get a good idea of the place. We think it is a most destrable location for a town, and we were especially impressed with the great value of the port which we consider the first transfer of the port which we consider the first transfer of the port which we consider the first transfer of the port which we consider the first transfer of the port which we consider the first transfer of the port which we consider the first transfer of the port which we consider the place. great value of the port which we consider the finest on the Pacific ocean. The townsite surveys are nearly completed, so that we will be able to put the lots on the market by the first of May."

Asked concerning the statement that
the plan of selling lots by auction had
been changed and that they were to be
sold by private auction, Mr. Hays said:

Plans For Prince Rupert "The story is not and cannot be true, for the reason that no plans for disposing of the lots have been made, though several have been discussed. This is one of the questions upon which we have been conferring with the provincial sovernment. You know that the cial government. You know that government is a partner in the townsite and we must act in unison in the

be thus taken in, and referred particularly to the Point Edward townsite.

The Grand Trunk Pacific party consists of Chas. M. Hays, the president of the road; Frank W. Morse, vice-president and general manager; B. B. Kelliher, chief engineer; J. W. Loud, freight traffic manager; W. S. Davis, passenger traffic manager; D'Arcy Tate, assistant solicitor to the company; G. H. Pope, right of way agent; J. H. Bacon, harbor engineer with headquarters at Prince Rupert; G. A. McNicholl, purchasing agent; N. Smithers, son of one of the London directors of the company; D. E. Galloway, secretary to Mr. Hays; N. Kinsella, secretary to Mr. Morse; and A. S. Loucks, secretary to Mr. Loud. A. S. Loucks, secretary to Mr. Loud.

Messrs. Loud, Davis and Smithers went on to Seattle yesterday afternoon, but the others are remaining here until the business with the gov-

(From Wednesday's Daily) Will Erect Dwelling. Building permits were yesterday issued to C. F. Beaven, who will erect a dwelling on Pandora avenue, at a cost of \$1,800, and to J. Taylor for a dwelling on Edmonton road, to cost \$1,500.

Splendid Fruit Collection. Frank I. Clarke, of the Bureau of Information, has received word from R. H. Palmer, deputy minister of agriculture, who is on his way to England with an exhibit of fruit, that he has this year the best collection of fruit that has ever been despatched. There was more than the car would hold, but the remainder is being sent by express on the same train.

Seeing the islands.

Mrs. George Cran has decided to see something of the islands before see something of the islands before returning east, and her impressions of the gulf and its denizens will figure the book she is writing. Mrs. Cran left yesterday for a visit to Salt Spring island, and will probably be back about the end of the week, when she will start, on her homeward journey. journey.

Adjusting Right of Way. P. McPherson, of Winnipeg, the C. P.R. right of way agent, is in town adjusting matters concerning rights of way in the Kootenays. The road has a statutory right to a title to its right of way, but although the line has been built and is in operation, the legal steps necessary to complete title have never been taken. Mr. McPherson is now adjusting these matters with the

New Building on Johnson Street.

Work has commenced on the new two-story brick building to be occupied by the Vancouver-Prince Rupert Meat Company, Limited. The building, which is being erected on the north side of Johnson street, west of Government street, will cost \$8,000. Yesterday, building permit was included.

Taxes Paid Promptly.

The city tax collector and staff is kept busy nowadays receiving the yearly taxes. The time for securing the reduction of one-sixth in the taxes expires at the end of this month and ble and we hope to have trains running into Edmonton by the first of the year. Another big bridge which we are building at Clover bar, in north Sakatchewan, is also nearly finished.

"From Edmonton west our line is well advanced as far as Wolf creek, a distance of '120 miles, and before the season closes we hope to have it completed as far as Pambina river.

Went Up the Skeens

"Record Note the end of this menth and taxpayers are not slow to take advantage of the rebate. Just, how much money has been taken in at the city year collector's office is not yet known, not having been estimated, but payments this year are well up to those of previous years, and it is expected that but a small percentage of the taxpayers will fail to take advantage of the rebate.

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"Leaving Edmonton we came round to Vancouver, whence we went to Prince Rupert. There we took the company's supply steamer Distributor and went up the Skeena to Copper river, at the end of Foley, Welch & Stewart's 100 mile contract. That is an expensive piece of work, and of a very permanent character as much of it is blasted out of the solid rock. We were two days up the river. At Prince Rupert, the 2,000 acres of townsite has been cleared since my last visit, and so we were able to get a good idea of

HON, R. G. TATLOW IS INTERVIEWED IN LONDON

Tells Britishers of the Progress Made by British Columbia of Late Years

(From Wednesday's Daily) Frequent and favorable comments upon the advance and progress of British Columbia are made in the ernment is a partner in the townsite and we must act in unison in the matter. As our conference is not yet concluded, I do not think it would be proper to go into the questions that have been the subject of discussion, but I may say that one of the matters—which has been occupying our joint attention today is the matter of public improvements in Prince Rupert. It has to be settled how much we shall do in the way of installing waterworks and a sewerage system, as well as making streets, in order to make things convenient for the influx of people that may be expected next year. Our meeting was most harmonious, and our relations with Mr. McBride's government are most pleasant. We have always found him willing to do what is reasonable."

Steamships For Victoria

Asked what the company's intentions were in regard to coming to Victoria, Mr. Hays said:

"We are certainly coming to Victoria, We have got to, but our plans are not sufficiently advanced to warrant an official announcement."

Asked if it were true that the Grand Trunk Pacific had brought water frontage on Victoria harbor, Mr. Hays would not deny or confirm the report, saving that he could not make any to the country have prospered to such an extent that the province must be regarded as one of the most favored spots on earth.

The Hon. R. G. Tatlow (minister of the number, and the mining interests of the country, has given a representative of The Financial News some interesting facts concerning the fair destroy that is could not make any the province and progress of Great Britain, in connection with the present holiday there of Hon. R. G. Tatlow, finances. It follows:

In spite of the disastrous panic in the United States, in spite of a period of comments and interview with him published in the London Financial News gives an excellent idea of the buoyant tone of the United Sta

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"I take it," remarked the interviewer, in an interrogative way, "that public works are not to be developed at the expense of other departments; that due regard is being paid to the agricultural prospects of the country?"

The reply of the minister was that everything was being done to foster the natural productiveness of the province. "The progress made in that great industry in 1907 was, all things considered, satisfactory. A very late spring, followed by a dry summer and, in some districts, unfavorable harvesting weather, contributed to reduce the average production; but, on the other average production; but, on the other hand, there was a material increase in the acreage under cultivation, and prices ranged higher than in former years; so that when the returns are complete it is confidently expected that they will show a total equal to that of 1906, when the estimated value of the products of farm, ranch, dairy, and orchard aggregated \$7,500,000."
Upon the subject of the dairy indus-Upon the subject of the dairy industry he was just as eloquent, and his comments breathed as optimism abundantly justified by quoted figures. "The output of butter for the year from 18 creameries," he said, "amounted to 1,661,304 lbs., valued at \$549,421, compared with 1,619,000 lbs., valued at \$430,000, in 1906. The increase (32,000 lbs.) seems inconsiderable; but the higher prices secured netted the patrons of the creameries over \$100,000 more than they received in 1906. It is estimated that the farmers wives and daughters contributed about 400,000 lbs., and, adding that to the output of the creameries, we have a total production of over 2,051,304 lbs., against 4,317,000 lbs. imported from other provinces and foreign countries."

Just as jubilant was the minister in

Just as jubilant was the minister in speaking of fruit-growing. He rattled off figures with the ease of a man with a powerful memory, and gave an interesting touch to all. "The most gratifying fact in connection with the fruit industry." he said. "Is the increase of the acreage of orchards and small fruits. In the Kootenays, the Boundary, Okanagan, the Lower Mainland, and Vancouver Island new neople are coming in. all possessed of more or less capital, and establishing themselves as fruit-growers. The Just as jubilant was the minister more or less capital, and establishing themselves as fruit-growers. The growth of the fruit industry may be realised from retisens furnished by the provincial fruit inspector. For the planting season of 1907 the number of fruit-trees and bushes imported was, in round numbers, 1,500,000, and about in round numbers, 1,500,000, and about an equal number was produced by provincial nurseries. This would represent the planting of at least 50,000 addition acres; and increases the total fruit-growing acrease of the province to over 100,000 acres—a fairly good showing, when it is considered that in 1901 there were only 7,430 acres in fruit. It does not require much exercise of the imagination to look forward to a day when British Columbia will be one of the greatest fruit producers of the world."

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POSTAGE REDUCTION

many years, and dit is remarkable that he did as well under the circumstances as he. did. She will be after the circumstances as he. did.

News was brought by arrivals from Dawson by the Princess May that, the work of lifting a river of water 70 miles over mountains and turning it against the folden gravels of the heart of the Kuhon Gold Company. The tremendous work involved has required three Yukon Gold company. The tremendous work involved has required three Yukon Gold company. The tremendous work involved has required three Yukon Gold company. The tremendous work involved has required three Yukon Gold company. The tremendous work involved has required three Yukon Gold company. The tremendous work involved has required three Yukon Gold company. The tremendous work involved has required three Yukon Gold remendous work involved has required three Yukon Gold plant will be required three Yukon Gold plant producers of the world."

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New Rate Only Applies to Letter That Are Mailed to Points in the City

Since the new one-cent rate was put in force on city letters there has been considerable misunderstanding with regard to the district in which the rate applies. It is confined solely to places within the city limits, and letters posted from or to places in the suburbs are not sent at the one-cent rate. It is necessary to put two cent stamps on letters sent to or from places outside the boundaries of the city. The places where the one cent rate applies, at which letters may be posted with one-cent stamps are: Victoria City, Victoria West, and the following sub-offices, No. 1, at Oak Bay Junction, No. 2, on Douglas St.; No. 3 on Craigflower road and No. 4 at Spring Ridge. On all letters mailed at Victoria two cents postage is required on all communications addressed to the Barracks, Esquimalt post office, Beaumont post office, Thoburn post office and Oak Bay post office, If one cent stamps are placed on these letters two cents will be charged on delivery. Since the new rate came into force many letters have been sent into these districts with one cent stamps on them, and not only delays have occurred, but the recipients have been called upon to pay 2 cents on delivery.

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SURVEYORS ARRIVE HOME

State That William Ogilvie's Line Made in Eighties Was Almost Perfect

(From Wednesday's Daily)

The steamer Princess May, Capt. McLeod, which reached port yesterday morning, brought a full complement of passengers from the north, every available berth being filled and 300 more passengers could have been taken from Skagway had there been accommodation. The autumn exodus from the north is on in full swing and all the steamers plying to Lynn Canat ports are getting good complements, their full accommodation being sold long before the sailing date.

C. M. Hays, president of the G.T.P., C. W. Morse, general manager and Messrs. McNieholl, Darcy Tate, J. W. Loud, Pope, McCaffry, Kelliher, Davis, Hessick, Smithers and Shaw, a party of Grand Trunk Pacific officials, returned by the steamer Princess May from a tour of inspection at Prince Rupert and Skeena from Port Essington on the steamer Distributor, which went to the scene of the accident to the Port Simpson, which vessel had meanwhile been temporarily repaired in order to make the trip to Port Essington. (From Wednesday's Daily)

Simpson, which vessel had meanwhile been temporarily repaired in order to make the trip to Port Essington.

A. J. Brabazon, head of the Canadian contingent of surveyors which has been engaged in marking the boundary between Alaska and the Yukon Territory, G. C. Baldwin, of the American contingent, and other members of the survey party were among the passengers, coming out for the winter after their summer's work, which ended this year a mile east of Klutson Creek, 45 miles from the head of White River. The surveyors found that the majority of the mining claims located for copper within the past few that the majority of the mining claims located for copper within the past few years are on the Canadian side of the line. The surveyors complimented William Oglivie, the earliest surveyor of the Yukon district, whose line run in the early eighties between the Yukon and Alaska was very close to the line that the difference was scarcely worthy noticing. "Although Oglivie worked against obstacles those who followed had not to contend with and had far less complete equipment, he did splendid work," said one of the American members of the party, "and cannot be too highly commended. His line has served every purpose these line has served every purpose these many years, and it is remarkable that he did as well under the circumstances as he did.

capt. McCoskrie, of Hartley Bay, was a passenger to Victoria by the Princess May. Miss O'Keefe, who has been visiting her sister at White Horse, was another passenger.

The steamer will sail again tonight for Skagway and way ports.

CIVILIAN RIFLEMEN ARE ENTHUSIASTIC

New Association Receiving Better Support Than Most Sanguine Expected

At a recent meeting of those interested in the formation of a Civilian Rifle association the initial steps in that direction, such as the adoption of a constitution and by-laws and the election-of officers, were taken and it was decided that the consummation of the project should be attained as expeditiously as possible. Those who were present, and there was a large number, expressed a desire to indulge in practice just as soon as the new Ross rifle, promised by the militia department, could be obtained.

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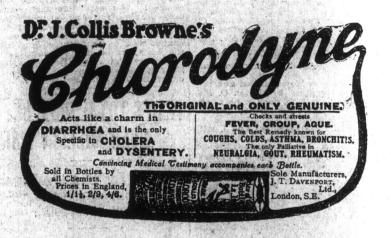
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