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Premier McBride says hard times make it necessary to stop building roads, particularly in the north, yet he increases the mortgage on the people by nearly \$200 per head to aid railways for the purpose of benefitting Vancouver. William Manson, the gumshoe politician who is supposed to represent Prince Rupert, is afraid to speak up.

The morning Conservative organ has announced that the excavations for the new armory will be done by day labor and advertises this as proof that the Conservative party is a friend of the working man. As a matter of fact this work is done by day labor so it will be necessary for the working man to make personal application to the Tory boss to get a job. The friendship consists of making the working man a political slave who is compelled to pay tribute to the Tory party.

When the miners of Vancouver Island went on strike to get a government commission to investigate the conditions under which they labor, the Conservative government did not show itself to be a friend of the working men.

Another guarantee for the Canadian Northern railway. It is about time that the people of northern British Columbia woke up. We have been robbed of our natural resources and our credit, and our money

is being used to guarantee railroads, terminal facilities and sewerage schemes, all in southern portion of the province. We are always ready to do our share for the south, and we believe that the south would be glad to assist us, but the government isn't. Individuals can get rakeoffs and corporations guarantees ad libitum, but the rest of us pay for it.

British Columbia is a rich province, but the wastefulness of the past few years through the innumerable hangers-on in the pay of the government would probably build the Pacific & Great Eastern railway. The trouble is that those in charge of affairs governmental have the idea that the main function of an administration is to stay in office. The development of the province is purely incidental. The result is that the gang of hangers-on spend a great part of their time trying to keep people in line in support of the administration. Those who cannot be cajoled are bludgeoned.

However, a pestilence sooner or later runs its course, and in this instance it looks as though the virulence of the fester now sapping the vitals of the province will soon be arrested through the efforts of Dr. Brewster and the application of the panacea called Liberalism.

P. & G. E. RAILWAY EXTENSION
BENEFITS CITY OF VANCOUVER

GOVERNMENT FINANCES DEAL WITH CREDIT OF THE WHOLE
PROVINCE TO BENEFIT CITIES OF THE SOUTH—
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The following is taken from the Vancouver Province descriptive of the P. & G. E. railway extension. Particular notice should be taken of the fact that this is planned solely for the purpose of benefitting Vancouver and sidetracking Prince Rupert:

"The proposal to go 'on to Peace river' with the Pacific Great Eastern is probably the most interesting and important of all the railway program here outlined, especially from Vancouver's own standpoint. It is understood that a new contract will be signed with Foley, Welch & Stewart for approximately 330 miles of railway running north-east from Fort George, traversing the entire Peace river section, through Pine River pass to the eastern boundary of British Columbia. Hundreds of men will soon be released from construction work on the Grand Trunk Pacific. These, it is proposed, will be turned loose on the new line, on which work must start within three months of the date of passage of the act by the legislature. The line is to be completed in two years.

"This is the feature of the forthcoming legislation that will be particularly interesting to Washington, D. C. It is well known that eventual connection with Alaska by a north-and-south railway meeting the Pacific Great Eastern is a favorite

theme with Premier McBride, a dream he expects will come true and that comparatively soon. If this railway ever comes it would naturally branch off westward from the extended Pacific Great Eastern from a point about 100 miles beyond Fort George, somewhere near to the crossing of the Parsnip river. From there to Fairbanks is a matter of 1,200 miles or so.

"But in the meantime the 'on to Peace river' proposal is to be submitted simply as a business enterprise for the good farming country it will open and the trade it will bring to Vancouver. It is stated that the proposed route from Fort George will be almost due north for a distance of 140 miles, where the Rockies will be penetrated at Pine river, and from there, swinging northeastward, the line is to traverse the open country for a couple of hundred miles to the Alberta boundary. Early completion of the line is urged to be important that the trade route may be opened to Vancouver, rather than be established by the McArthur line, now building from Edmonton. The country is described as mostly well wooded and rolling, often giving place to bush-besprinkled prairie. Railway construction will naturally not be nearly as heavy as in southern British Columbia, for instance."

Newest Notes on Science

Only about one-fifteenth of Canada's estimated water power has been developed.

No two nations have the same laws regulating the handling and storage of explosives.

In some parts of Switzerland all the dead, rich or poor, are buried at public expense.

Carbonate of soda applied dry will remove the most obstinate mud stains from textiles.

Bricks made of furnace slag, according to German makers, increase the strength with age.

The first use of asbestos was in the manufacture of crematory robes for the ancient Romans.

More than 40 per cent. of the world's annual production of tin is used in the United States.

Russia last year nearly doubled its production of hops over the figures for the previous year.

A reinforced concrete silo 62 feet high and 16 feet in diameter is a novelty on an Illinois farm.

The number of gas consumers in the United Kingdom increased at a rate of more than 500 a day last year.

Stockings for women with pockets for valuables woven in to the tops have been patented by a Pennsylvanian.

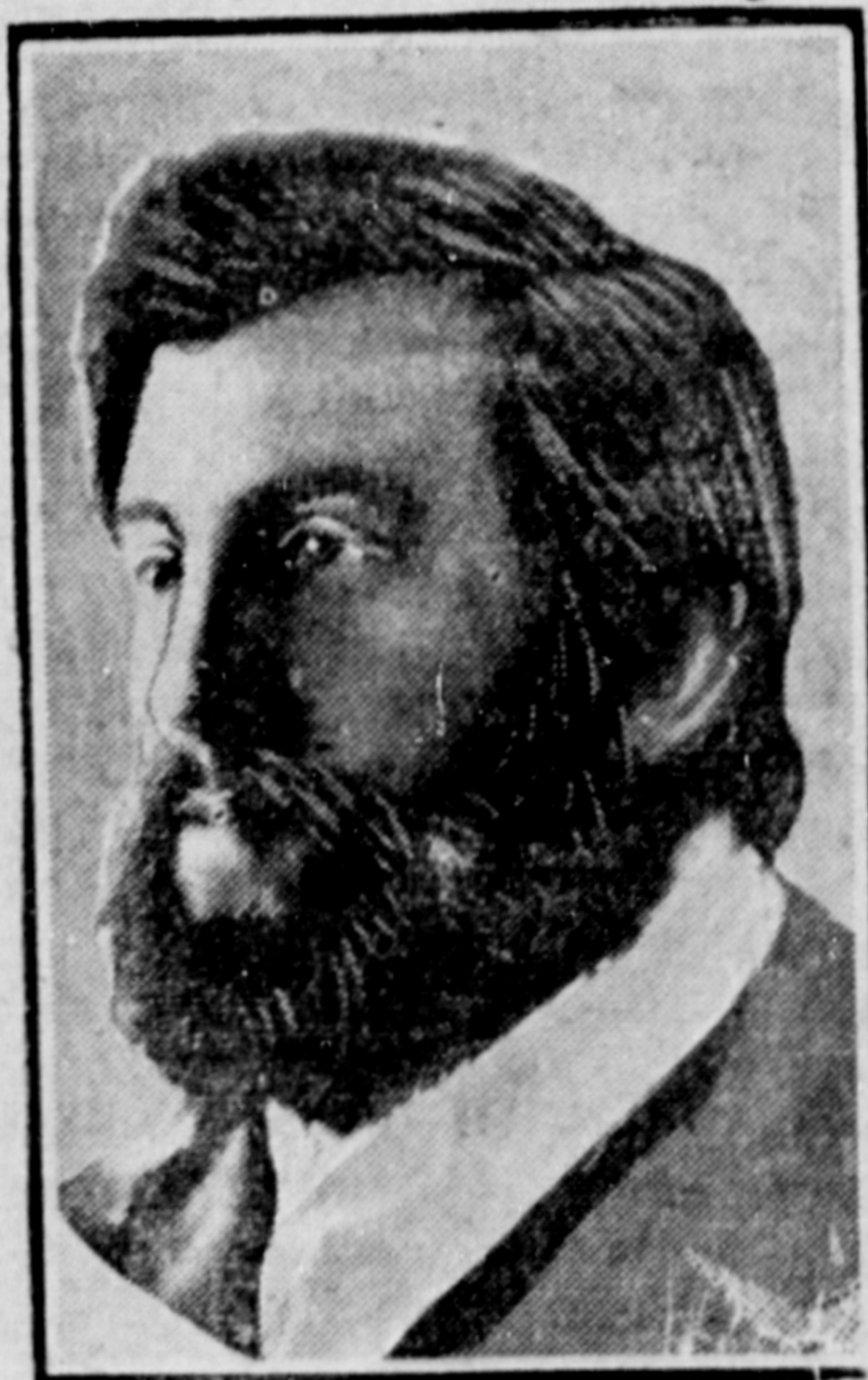
Forty-five electric mail wagons recently were put in service in Vienna after an exhaustive test lasting more than fifteen months.

A machine has been invented for washing large quantities of eggs rapidly.

Four mirrors distribute the light evenly in a new English acetylene automobile headlight and avoid any glare.

One third of the world's supply of platinum is required in dentistry and another third for electrical purposes.

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Roman Catholic priest convicted of murdering Anna Aumuller, a domestic, at St. Boniface Catholic church, was sentenced to die in the electric chair at Sing Sing some time during the week beginning March 23. His sentence was pronounced on the 14th of February.

The High Cost of Living

At the present time possibly no other subject is receiving quite so much attention in Canada as this one. It will be a surprise to most readers to know that during the fiscal year which ended March 31st, 1913, Canada paid \$11,500,000 in duty on food, and all of this large sum is virtually a direct tax on the consumer.

In glancing over the list it is easy to understand that the buying public are themselves largely to blame in many instances, for there are articles of food produced in Canada that are equal in every respect to those made in any other country in the world.

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