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## MINISTER HERE FOR A HOLIDAY

Hon. T. D. Pattullo Sees General Outlook For Province This Year Good

### SPEAKS OF ROYALTY ACT

Urge Dealing with Power Question as Means to Ending Troubles

Hon. T. D. Pattullo, minister of lands and local representative for this district, arrived in town yesterday for a short holiday.

Speaking of matters generally, the minister said:

"The general outlook for 1925 is good. Leading men in all parts of the country look for a fair year. British Columbia is peculiarly situated to benefit by any general movement."

I am glad to see that this northern country and that my home town of Prince Rupert continue to preserve a hopeful spirit of optimism and I would like to compliment the editor of the Daily News on the buoyant, but sane spirit of optimism which characterizes his editorial column. Some people are afflicted with a disease called pessimism, and it is astonishing how easily pessimism can become a serious disease. If you tell people that you are sick and broken down and worn out they are very apt to take you at your word and you are not likely to get half the sympathy that you expect. On the other hand, if you make the most of your virility and strength you will always find somebody ready to help you out.

"I am pleased to see that the city council is struggling with the power question. If Prince Rupert had a large body of cheap power which it could advertise for sale, I think the troubles of the city would soon be over.

**Work of Session**

"With regard to the work of last session, we got through in gratifying shape. The work was well in hand before the session began, in addition to which, the members showed a splendid spirit of co-operation and collaboration in putting through the business of the House. Many measures of importance were put through, the most important probably being amendments to the Royalty Act. In this regard, the discrimination against the Fort George district, as compared with the Vancouver district, was reduced. Under the old Royalty Act Prince Rupert district was on the same basis as Vancouver. This was manifestly unfair and I am glad to say that the Vancouver timbermen themselves agreed that it was only right and fair that an adjustment should be made."

**Buckley Bay Mill To Operate Again.**

Following a shut down of some months the Buckley Bay mill is to reopen soon and it is announced that henceforth the lumber will be shipped in the form of rough boards instead of large cants as was done last summer. The result will be that more work will be put on it at the mill and more men will be employed. This is a welcome change. There has been some criticism in the past at the action of the company in shipping the big timbers and spending the money on manufacture in the United States. Now this cause for criticism will have been removed.

### Newspaper Gives Views On Many Questions.

The opinions seems to obtain in many quarters that the Daily News should not publish news or views except such as are pleasing to its readers. This is absolutely contrary to the views of modern journalism. The newspaper of today is willing to tell about anything new if the information is available and is considered of sufficient interest to the readers. We do not hold ourselves responsible for such views. There is never a day but what some person doubtless does not like something published. If it were otherwise the newspaper would have little interest to the average reader. We shall continue the policy which we have set out to carry through. We expect to give every side a hearing and to make the newspaper as interesting as possible to every one of its readers, be he Liberal, Conservative or Labor, Catholic or Protestant or atheist, old or young. Often we shall fail but the attempt will be continued.

## "Liver Trouble so Severe I Had to Quit Work"

Mr. Thomas Honey, Brantford, Ont., writes:

"I was a great sufferer from enlargement of the liver for ten months, and finally I had to quit work. I would wake up in the mornings with a bitter taste in my mouth, had frequent headaches, yellow complexion, and pain in my right side, and between the shoulder blades. It was almost unbearable, and terribly weakening. I could not sleep at night and my heart also bothered me. But the whole trouble has now left me, thanks to that wonderful medicine, Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills."

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## Ten Years Ago in Prince Rupert

February 12, 1915.

There was nearly 200 persons in costume at the Eagles' masquerade ball in the McIntyre Hall last night. On the committee were W. H. Derry, George Leek, W. A. Selig and Mr. Ross.

Reduction in the city hall staff is proposed this year but the council decided at a special meeting last night to defer action until the return of Mayor Newton to the city.

Mrs. Gordon C. Emmerson,

and southwest of the same point, is. The use of some of the western passes, should they prove feasible, would give direct relief to the most promising part of the western Peace, and would probably bring the line closer to the great coal measures than the Brule road. It might even be shorter than the latter, if it tapped the G.N.R. not at Fort George, but at a point further east.

In that alternative there is nothing that necessarily involves the acquisition of a part of the P.G.E. But a common development of the territory by the two Canadian railways might make both Fort George and the P.G.E. logical factors in the scheme. If so, they should not be ignored because of some hasty preliminary decision to either adopt one route, or exclude another.

### Study Facts

The eventual outlet should be chosen, not by a casual "look at the map," but should be based on engineering and economic facts. Its selection will to some degree be influenced by possible colonization plans of the government and the degree to which existing lines can be utilized and co-ordinated profitably in those plans. The Free Press, which can contribute so powerfully to a solution, will still further help if it can induce all concerned to approach the question with an open mind.

### The Man in the Moon

SAYS:-

LIFE is dreary. Weather's bad and the girl has given me the air

AN intelligent person is one who knows a lot about things that don't matter.

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THERE are two kinds of skunks. One leaves no doubt of his identity, but the other is difficult to locate.

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ONCE upon a time there was a city where the people cared more about the health and welfare of the children than they did about making money. It was a fairy tale.

SOME people spend much time in the public service and others spend much time criticizing them for not doing it right.

WHEN a noted Englishwoman was spoken of as "a woman with a serpent's tongue" the idea was that she "listened in" when she should not have done so. It is said that the serpent hears with its tongue.

SOME girls are so careful they won't even play with the joker when it's wild.

THE city council seems to be making some progress. It actually does a little business occasionally.

TORONTO the Good has always been looked on as the shining light of Canadian life. Now some little chit of a New Zealand school teacher has the audacity to say that the people there are ill-mannered. And Toronto feels the sting and is angry.

IT is not a good precedent to have visitors go away and say unkind things about a city. They may visit Prince Rupert some day.

### Not Necessarily P.G.E.

It is on sound ground, too, when it declares that the purchase of the P.G.E. should not necessarily be made a part of the plan. But it is wrong when it holds that the exclusion of that route should be made conditional to the undertaking. Few who know the Peace River country will share the Winnipeg paper's conviction that the Brule cutoff is the only practical outlet for it. "A look at the map," on which its opinions are seemingly founded, and to which it invites its readers, is by no means so conclusive as in the strictly prairie country with which, perhaps, the Free Press is more familiar. The country southwest of Grande Prairie, toward Brule, is not attractive in a farming sense; the district west



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