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Minister of Trade and Commerce

Predicts Big Things for

Pacific Trade

Ottawa, Feb. 23-In reply to a

question in the House from Hon.

trade in the Orient, the Minister

lieved, to develop a consump-

tion in the Far East of Canadian

cereals that could not afford to

richest countries in the world,

and yet was one of the least de-

due to the lack of transporta-

tion. Today China was forging

ahead with railroads and when

she got settled down to it that

would take on still larger pro-

portions. This would mean the

early development of her natural

resources and the opening up of

China was naturally one of the

be overlooked.

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According to the printed reports sent out by the provincial government, it has been known for the past forty years that the district usrrounding Francois and Ootsa lakes was a country of great promise. The McBride government seems content with possessing that information. No effort has been made to open up that promising country and getting it settled with ranchers who can produce the farm products which we now have to import from countries as far away as New Zealand. McBride's government even goes to the extent of stating that contemplated roads, particularly in the north, will have to be abandoned for the present. The most promising country in the world is no good if the government will not open it up. In the sensation of the new

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railway guarantees undertaken by the McBride government, a bill greatly increasing the direct taxation of the province is escaping notice. It is a bill to amend the trades license act. This measure will not only place a direct tax on business, but it will usurp a function which everywhere else in Canada is recognized as strictly belonging to municipalities. Wholsale houses, if the measure goes through,

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will after July 1 have to pay a the whole country to western idtax to the province of \$50 eas, western trade and western every six months. Retailers customs. will have to contribute \$5 | It would create a great market every six months. Lawyers, for machinery and tools, and far real estate men, land agents beyond this in importance would aid many others will be taxed be the food supplies of the four \$25 twice a year, while tran- hundred million of Chinese and sient real estate agents will the sixty-five million of Japanpay \$100; druggists, veterin- ese. These people today lived as aries and dentists, \$5; archi- a rule on scant supplies from tects and surveyors, \$5; every day to day, and strange as it pawnbroker, \$50; circuses, \$50 might sound, rice was in some per day; livery keepers, \$10 places getting too dear for the every six months; six-horse native. pack trains, freighters and This was because all the betstages, \$5 every six months; ter quality of rice was exported. less than six horses, \$2.50; All that was left was inferior cattle drovers, \$50; peddlers grades. They were now getting and hawkers, \$20; fruit can- the idea of eating flour products ning factories, \$25 every six and even though the increase of municipalities, but it in- flour and wheat products. tends to cut into the legiti- "We have a great front door mate revenues of municipali- on the Pacific," said Mr. Foster, ties and bleed those who con- "and we must keep our eyes optribute to them.

construction of roads, par- |ient." ticularly in the north?

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EDITORIAL COMMENTS ON NEW C. N. R. DEAL

(Continued from Page 1)

ther attempt would be made to add to our responsibilities for

(Victoria Times.)

the name of Messrs. Mackenzie & autocrat. Mann, and how much in the The government should come name of the Canadian Northern to the country and seek endorsa-Railway company? The people tion of its policy of reckless aidhave a right to know these things ing of railway promoters. As it for they are assuming all the is, the feeling is strong, alike risk. Sir William and Sir Donald among party supporters and opassume none, for if the prov-ponents, that the policy must be -

SIR HORACE PLUNKETT

that a clause be inserted en- fee of \$500 will stand. abling it to be decided by a plebiscite after a certain number of years whether any secernment any amendments that it was non-German. which could be incorporated in for the preservation of their taurant. liberties.

months; bowling alleys, roller might be but fractional it am- inces and federal government skating rinks, shooting galler ounted to a tremendous volume were to take over the road toies will pay \$10; danec houses, when it was among a population morrow in default of the pay-\$100 every six months. Ap- of more than four hundred mil- ment of interest, the two would parently the government not lions. The agregate would sum still be enormously wealthy in only wants to supervise and up very large. There was cer- the possession of millions of control the borrowing powers tainly a great field for Canadian millions of dollars' worth of private holdings.

(Vancouver News-Advertiser.)

The increase of the provincial en and every string attached guarantee to the Canadian What do the business men that will hold this trade. No Northern Pacific Railway comof Prince Rupert think of the country has a better chance to pany brings the total amount of silence of Wm. Manson while take advantage of that trade the guarantee on the main line this tax is going through for than Canada. Necessity and to \$15,000 per mile for 511 miles. the expenses of a government changing conditions are making This is a liarge liability, and can which has to abandon the the opportunity for us in the Or- only be justified on the assumption that the cost of the railway will greatly exceed this sum, that the security is ample, and that the net earnings, of the road will be sufficient to cover these fixed

(Vancouver World.)

Public opinion is the common C. N. R. and that the railway sense of all the people, and in would be constructed within the this matter of railway promoting contract time. Neither of these public opinion is straining the assurances have been observed. bonds and affiliations of party to the breaking point. At Ottawa revolt is imminent; at Victoria Not one cent of subsidy or Sir Richard McBride, by thrustguarantee should be given until ing upon the acceptance of his parliament and legislatures are followers an additional guaranfully informed as to the financial tee of five millions to the Canaoperations of Mackenzie & Mann. dian Northern Railway company, What is their personal relation- in a bill which had not even been ship with the Canadian Northern been discussed in party caucus. railway enterprises? What is showed that he feared to consult value of their private assets- his colleagues on the question. mines, street railways, timber There are few, if any, examples limits, power and light holdings, in history in which a government etc.? Can they realize on these without strong opposition has assets, and, if so, why do they not proved a good government. What do so? What is their profit measure of probability is there operating as the Northern Con- of improvement in a government struction company in building which does not even discuss govthe railroad for the Canadian ernment measures in party cau-Northern Railway company? How cus, but unloads it on the house much of the right-of-way is in with the fine air of a benevolent

abandoned. On a railway policy, as we have said, the present administration rode i nto power. The present railway policy, we are convinced, will end in disaster for the government, in spite of the most complete party organization that may be de-

The forcing of this latest bill on the house, without so much as the preliminary of discussing it by the party in caucus, is the beginning of the end.

It remains to be seen whether the house will tamely submit to this railroading of railroad measures. The voters in the province will not stand

Oakland to Double Its Saloons

Oakland, Cal., Feb. 26 .- Oakland citizens voted by a substantial majority to almost double the number of saloons proposed Who is noted for his advocacy of for the city, and to reduce by one Rooms open from 8 a. m. to 11 p. m. agricultural co-operation, half the license fee proposed to and whose opinion on Irish be charged each proprietor. s. D. MACDONALD, matters carries great weight Oakland now has about 400 sawith all parties. In the Daily loons. Recently an ordinance Mail he outlines a plan for set_ was passed to reduce the number Bookkeeping Taught tling the Ulster problem. He to 200 and increase the license By Private Lessons proposes that the Ulster Un- fee from \$500 to \$1000. Instead ionists should accept the bill of 200 saloons, the voters elected upon three conditions. First, to allow 393, and the old license

Kaiser's Hirsute Edict

Berlin, Feb. 26 .- The wearing tion of Ulster desires to con- of the "toothbrush mustache" tinue subject to the Irish par- has been forbidden to the solliament. Second, that both diers of Emperor William's body sections of Irishmen should be guard by an order issued re- switches of All Kinds and Hair Goods a invited to suggest to the gov-|cently. The reason given was

the bill by consent. Third, Visitors-Go to the Royal Cafe that the Ulster volunteers be for your meals. It is the best given an opportunity, to or- service and best selected menu in ganize as a territorial force the city. It is the popular res.

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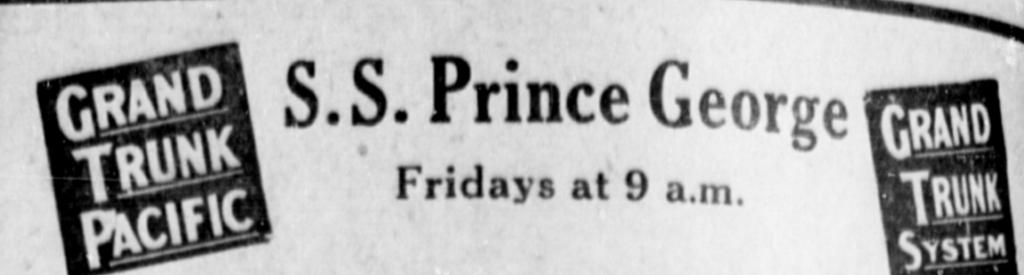
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