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One Reason For His Coming

THE salary of Sir Henry Thornton as general manager of the Great Eastern Railway system was \$80,000; as president of the Canadian National Railways he will receive a salary of \$50,000. If he is as good a man as he is said to be, he will be worth the money to Canada. He comes well recommended. The British newspapers speak of him as a successful manager; United States papers refer to him as a competent man. He has a man's job in Canada. But his success here will not depend wholly upon himself. He cannot succeed without the whole-hearted co-operation of governments and people in the management of a publicly-owned property.

The London Daily Chronicle suggests as one reason why he is coming to Canada, that the Great Eastern system is to be broken into groups. These will be the Great Eastern, Great Northern, Great Central, North Eastern, Hull and Barnsley, North British and Great North of Scotland. There will be general managers of these groups; and it says that all of the available men cannot be general managers of the new Eastern Group. This reorganization, maybe, is instrumental in helping Canada by moving Sir Henry Thornton to try his luck with the Canadian Railways. The Chronicle does not think he has an easy task before him. It is right. But we are all hoping.

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