

centres of large and thriving communities, and, finally, Provinces which will add vastly to the importance, exporting power, and physical strength of the Dominion. The facilities for communication by roads, railways, and water, and by post and telegrams, keep pace with the growing requirement, and will aid them. Their horses and vehicles are suitable and plentiful, and materials for road-making are abundant everywhere. Canadian tools, implements, and machinery are well suited to economize labour. School-houses and churches are co-existent with settlement, and co-extend as by magic with the growth of the population. The minds of many Canadians are being enlarged and cultivated by travel and intercourse with other people; art is beginning to receive encouragement; embellishments similar to those which adorn other lands are being copied, or others created for future development, as wealth accumulates. The grand canals are being enlarged and deepened. The tonnage of the Dominion gives it fourth rank with countries celebrated for shipping, and the five hundred lights and alarm whistles now existing, permit navigation along its rivers, lakes and coasts at all times. These facilities and advantages, with the development of which they are capable by a practically educated people, and the three Atlantic Provinces grouped into one, if such be possible, for representation in parliament, and for united thought and action