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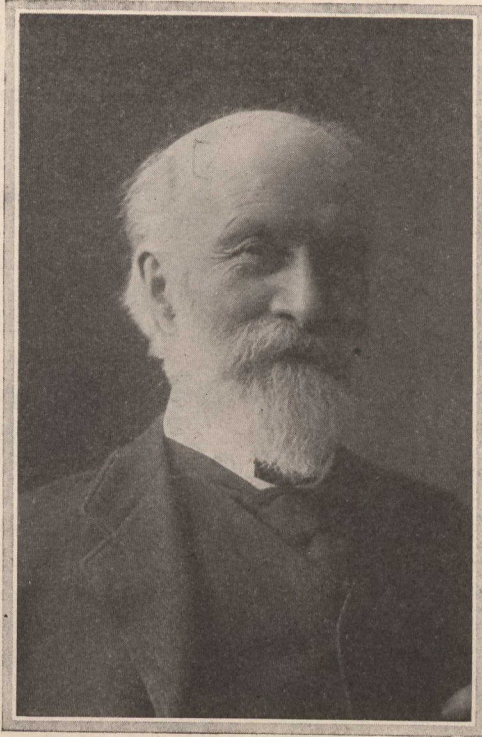
A Millionaire of Ideas

THE number of millionaires in Canada who spend part of their time on the evolution of ideas outside of finance is probably as considerable as can be found in any other country. Philanthropy—a much-abused thing—has not been forgotten by some of our kings of finance. Sir Sandford Fleming is a notable example. Sir Sandford has ideas. He is an Imperialist—which nowadays is often a mere catch-word. He is a student of history. Recently he delivered an address at the historic gathering of the Waegwoltic Club on the Northwest Arm at Halifax; speaking about the memorial tower to be erected in commemoration of the founding of representative government in the ancient colony of Nova Scotia. Sir Sandford was well qualified to become eloquent on that subject—for a number of reasons. The most compelling reason from a practical point of view is that the former townsman of Halifax gave one hundred acres of land for a national park about the memorial tower to be erected, besides one thousand dollars in cash. He told the people of Halifax that millionaires could build the tower without any trouble; but that it was better for the people to do it. Nova Scotia is particularly proud of Sir Sandford. He was one of the ten great Canadians adjudged by readers of the Canadian Courier last January. A man of eighty-two—almost as old as Lord Strathcona—he has been one of the great builders of Canada; a potent practical force in engineering and railroading, and now in these later times an exponent of art and of national ideas. Canada owes more than she will ever be able to measure to such Canadian Scotsmen as Sir Sandford Fleming.

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Educators Past and Present

THE Dr. Ryerson of New Brunswick has retired—Dr. Inch, Superintendent of Education in that province, being succeeded by Mr. W. S. Carter, formerly Inspector of Schools in St. John. A great responsibility devolves upon Mr. Carter. In succeeding Dr. Inch he in a manner interrupts history. Dr. Inch has been an up-builder of educational life in New Brunswick for nearly sixty years. What the educational affairs of New Brunswick are, Dr. Inch very largely has made them. He has been through all the grades and has studied problems of education from almost every angle. He began with the public schools away back in 1850; four years later going on the staff of the Mount Allison Academy. Thirty-seven years he spent in the Mount Allison institutions, fourteen years of the time principal of the ladies' college, and from 1878 to 1891 President of Mount Allison University—seeing and helping the institutions grow from scattered beginnings to a consolidation. Then he became Chief Superintendent of Education for the province and for eighteen years he has filled the office with distinction. He retires full of years and



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honour. Mr. Carter succeeds. Mr. Carter is well qualified to succeed. He is partly an Englishman; partly a Loyalist. Born in Kingston, Kings County, he was educated there and at Hampton; taught two years under a local license and attended the Normal School at Fredericton. After a few more years pedagogy he entered the University of New Brunswick, winning two gold medals and a microscope and graduating second in his class with high honours in 1881. For five years Mr. Carter was a mathematical master in the St. John High School. Then he became Inspector of Schools for the city and adjoining counties. He has therefore gone through all the grades in his day and generation, just as Dr. Inch did in his. He will wear the mantle honourably and well. Progressive and modern though he is sure to be, he will not go back on the traditions so worthily initiated and maintained by Dr. Inch—which is no slight matter; for there was something about the education of the former times which modern people are prone to overlook.

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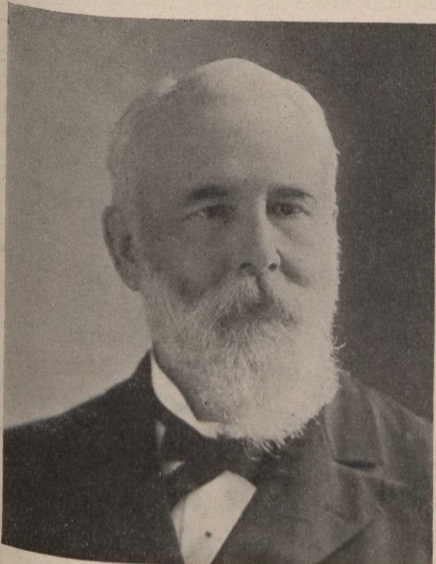
Westward, Ever Westward

THE University of Saskatchewan has come to McMaster University, Toronto, to fill its chair of History and Economics. Professor E. H. Oliver, who gets the new position, is an Easterner who ought to develop into a good Westerner. He is young—barely over thirty—vigorous, and his scholarship entitles him to a place among the rising leaders in his department. Professor Oliver is a native of Kent County, Ontario. He early came into prominence by his scholastic achievements at Chatham Collegiate. His record there did not suffer later in 1902, when he graduated with brilliant honours in classics at the University of Toronto. The next year he took his master's degree. From then until 1905 he studied political science at Columbia, of which institution he is a Ph.D. During 1905 he received a lectureship in history at McMaster. Professor Oliver has not taken many vacations. His summers have been strenuous. Some of them he has put in at work under the eminent economists Loop and Haupt at Halle; others he has utilised spelling out the past on archaeological and historical expeditions to Asia. He is the author of an excellent work on "Roman Economic Conditions."

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A New King's Knight

HON. R. W. SCOTT, the venerable ex-Secretary of State, is now a full-fledged knight. Sir Richard Scott, as he will hereafter be known to his admirers, has earned the honour bestowed upon him by His Majesty. Fifty-seven years of faithful service he has given to the public life of this country. Ottawa has been the scene of the greater part of his political career. He began work there in 1852 as mayor, when the capital was only a dot on the map, and its Parliament Hill had never been heard of. He was a member of the Parliament of Canada between 1857 and 1863. From Confederation till 1873 he was the Ottawa representative in the Ontario Legislature.



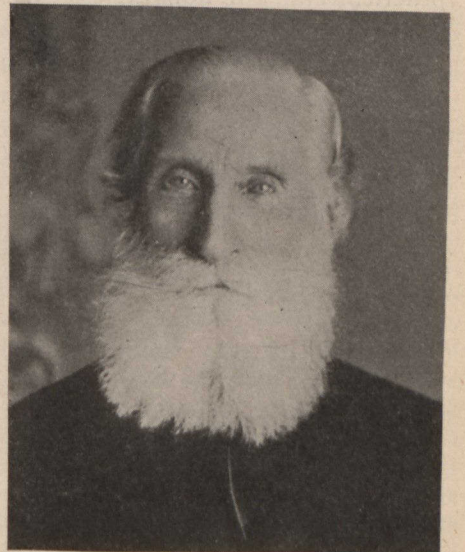
Mr. James R. Inch, LL.D.,
Former Supt. of Education in New Brunswick.



Mr. W. S. Carter,
New Supt. of Education for New Brunswick.



Prof. E. H. Oliver,
University of Saskatchewan.



Sir Richard Scott,
Who has just received a K. B. from the King