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SIR AUCLAND GEDDES OPENS THE EXHIBITION

Declares Canada Is Sheet Anchor of the Empire—Tribute to Dominion War Efforts—British and American Interests Interwoven by a Million Ties, Ambassador Declares—Ideal Weather Attracts Large Crowd.

Toronto's big annual fair, now known round the world as Canada's National Exhibition, was officially opened for the forty-second time on Saturday, under the happy augury of rainless the cloudy skies, large and smiling crowds and the benediction of an empire statesman, Sir Auckland Geddes, who punched the button which figuratively set the machinery in motion for its two weeks' run.

The gates were opened at 10 o'clock, at which time a large crowd was already waiting for admission, and by noon thousands of visitors thronged the grounds and the buildings where Canada's wealth of production was displayed on a vaster scale than ever before.

The history of the great fair has been one of unbroken progress, and this year's event marks almost a leap in its forward march. While the fair is essentially a presentation of Canadian industry and natural resources, the more it advances, the more it has a lively appreciation of the need of providing healthy amusement for the crowds. Every kind of entertainment has been provided for this year, some of the events even bordering on the thrilling, such as motor races and fighting stunts.

Director's Luncheon.

Previous to the opening ceremony at the central band stand, a luncheon, tendered by the Exhibition directors, was held in the administration building with Sir Auckland Geddes as chief guest. Sir Thomas Lipton was also present and about 150 prominent Canadians.

Only five-minute speeches were included in the table. After the president had delivered a brief speech, Sir Auckland Geddes followed with a five-minute address.

Sir Auckland said he appreciated the warm reception, and added that he was glad to get back in Canada. Like Rip Van Winkle, he had found very great changes since his last visit. Speaking of the Canadian spirit, he said he had seen this spirit represented in the splendid pictures on the walls of the Exhibition gallery. "No nation can be great by limiting itself to one nation, and by being yourselves you will attain a greatness all your own," he concluded.

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President's Address.—Your Excellency—With a deep sense of the honor you have conferred upon the Canadian National Exhibition, the board of directors and members of the association share with pleasure in the privilege of extending to you a hearty welcome on this the occasion of the opening of the 42nd annual exhibition.

"As soldier, diplomat, statesman, administrator, a great empire citizen, your long and distinguished service to His Majesty and to humanity is known and admired, but perhaps nowhere more than in the Canadian spirit, he said he had seen this spirit represented in the splendid pictures on the walls of the Exhibition gallery. "No nation can be great by limiting itself to one nation, and by being yourselves you will attain a greatness all your own," he concluded.

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even now coming. In all sobriety of thought and in the greatest clarity of vision at my command, I see you, Canada, with your vast natural unwasted wealth, as the sheet anchor now of the empire that we love. Within a century (and what is a century in the history of the English-speaking peoples?) you will be numbering your population not by millions, but by tens, perhaps by hundreds of millions. With confidence made absolute by knowledge of you and your I look forward to the future of your land which, when my service to the empire is finished will, I hope, be mine.

England One of the Dominions.

"Work and prosper, yes, but working for yourselves under the protection of democratic laws remember that the work cannot be for yourselves alone and your prosperity preserved like treasure in a napkin. Work for Canada, that Canada may prosper mightily and, working for Canada, remember that you are working for that still greater thing, the British family of nations, whose existence, in unseen ways, in a manner that only the archives of the chanceries of the world capitals could reveal, serves, watches and protects your interests.

And remember, too, that outside the family of nations to which we belong is a great and powerful nation, the same old mother from the breasts of the same old England, mother of freedom, is now but the greatest of the sister dominions in the British Empire, but England and Britain were when Canada was not, and it was in England that a vague theory of democratic government was made into a

possible national practice. America, with all her power, owes much to England, but let us not forget that we all owe much to America. Her interests and ours are interwoven thru a million ties. It is vital for her I believe, for us I know, for the whole world I feel sure, that she and we should work together in friendship based on mutual respect and understanding. You, Canada, are her nearest neighbor. An invisible line, unforgotten, unguarded, separates you and her along thousands of miles of frontier. You have one great opportunity of interpreting to us her and her to us. Your prosperity must, for many years to come, be closely linked with hers. You and she are here neighbors not powerfully to affect one another. Your life and her life cannot fail to act and react each on the other, and as you grow more powerful and prosperous that action and reaction must increase in intensity. Were it possible to destroy by an effort of will all the other reasons which make friendship between all the English-speaking peoples essential, there would remain the all sufficient reason that you, a member of the British family, and she, great and legitimately proud, are such close neighbors as to be almost economically inter-dependent, while your and her ideals and ambitions run on paths so closely parallel that not even the watchman on the tower can see any reason why, with prudence and statecraft on both sides, they should ever clash.

"But I have no fear for your future. During the war with deepening pride I watched and heard of the doings of your fighting men. The nations, whose sons were such heroic fighters, the men who did the doughty deeds, the story of whose doing stands on paths so closely parallel to the Canadian corps, is not and are not of the sort that is going to fail. You are winning back fast to prosperity. This great Exhibition shows that the springs of confidence and energy have not run dry in Canada. What have you to fear? Your land and its resources we know. Your climate and its vitality, the joys of all who have experienced it. The rest is in your own hands. What the red man failed to do in the millenniums you will do in the decades, for you are workers, workers by brain and brawn. You have the opportunity to serve yourselves, to serve Canada, the empire, humanity. Take it, and may God remember that material prosper-

ity alone can never make a great nation. Greatness is not in outward things. No marble palace as a habitation is required to make a man great. It is the inward recesses of his being and in his soul, made strong by struggle and schooled to humility by disappointment, perhaps by pain and suffering. Remember the children, that they must be educated to understand the nobility of work and not permitted to believe that luxury bought by wealth for which their fathers labored is theirs by some divine dispensation. It is easier to be great in the midst of hardship than in the midst of wealth, and so I would amend slightly the motto of your Exhibition and say, 'Work that you may prosper spiritually and grow great.' For I know that if you do, material prosperity will be yours and your cup will overflow."

Cheers for King and V.C.'s.

It was about half-past two that the parade of veterans reached the bandstand, on which the Victoria Cross men and many notables, including Sir Auckland Geddes, Lieut.-Governor and Mrs. Drury had already assembled. By the use of the amplifier, a device which increases the carrying power of the voice several fold, the words of the speakers were heard distinctly by the thousands assembled about the stand.

The address of Sir Auckland was punctuated with cheers. At its conclusion the soldiers assembled led off with three cheers for the King and also three cheers for the Victoria Cross heroes.

After the opening ceremony at the central band stand, the initiation of Sir Auckland Geddes, as a life member of the Beaches Branch G.W.V.A., took place. The presentation was made by A. J. Shaw, secretary of the branch, and President C. G. Morgan and Comrade Perry, district commander. This is the fourth notable member who has become a life member of the G.W.V.A. The others are H.R.H. Prince of Wales, Sir Arthur Currie, Major-General Townshend and Sir Auckland Geddes. The Beaches Branch capturing the two last named. The members of the branch executive were present during the initiation.

Sir Thomas and the Kiddies.

After the speeches, which inaugurated the opening of the Exhibition, the crowd that had gathered about the grand stand

found a new attraction in greeting Sir Thomas Lipton.

"The world's greatest sport," as a woman in the crowd designated him, came out among the crowd and was soon surrounded. He shook hands with men, women and children indiscriminately and seemed to be particularly drawn to the wee tots, one of whom he lifted up while he had his photo taken by one of the camera men.

"Speech Tommy! Speech Tommy!" was shouted out by someone in the crowd, and the Sir Thomas satisfied the rathering by mounting to the band stand, where all could see him, sailor-like, he declined the speech. Notwithstanding this, he was the cynosure of all eyes, while on the stand.

"That's him with the peaked cap drawn down over his face. He's not a bit like his pictures," said a woman whose tone indicated that she found the hero much more satisfying in real life than when viewed from the pages of the paper.

When leaving someone called for three cheers, and then a tiger for Sir Thomas, the response being heartily given, with the addition of a final hearty cheer for "better luck next time."

Reception to V. C. Men.

A notable feature of this year's Exhibition is the V. C. Day, an occasion

It infuses brightly

Anticipating its exquisite flavour

"SALADA!"

is free from all dust and shrivelled leaf—just fresh young leaves, filled with true deliciousness.

in which Canada, thru the patriotic spirit of the C.N.E., is doing a signal honor to the greatest in the land, the V. C. heroes of the Dominion. This occasion reflects as nothing else could the spirit of national gratitude for services which saved the empire in the hour of need.

The grounds were thronged with relatives and friends of returned men from all parts of the Dominion, and the societies of returned men were as strongly in evidence among the public as were their relatives.

Veterans' Day at the "Ex." this year is guided by the able hand of the Veterans' Reunion Council, a body comprising representatives of every thorough returned men's body in the Dominion. The women who served the empire are ably represented on this occasion, and three of them will be among those guiding the destinies of the veterans on their most auspicious day.

Between the exhibits themselves and the general appearance of the grounds, Mr. and Mrs. Toronto more than entertained themselves. There was a touch of the evergreen in the appearance of the grounds, the flowers making a specially attractive feature, heightened by the peculiar lawn-like touch given everywhere, due doubtless to the strange-

ly springlike weather with which the province has been blessed this summer. The weather was really delightful, and added to the comfort of those on the grounds.

Electricity and all it represents has this year a building of its own. And, naturally, the inventive genius of the Hydro-Electric and other outstanding factors in the electrical world are presented here at their best.

A rather imposing feature of the transportation building this year is the fact that it houses practically two million dollars worth of automobiles and accessories of the best and most modern type. This building is housing only passenger automobiles, and the other types of useful motors, trucks are housed in two other buildings. It will readily be understood how immense the automobile industry has become in Canada.

Then again, one finds further afield the far reaching lesson of railway transportation in the exhibits of the Canadian National Railways, as well as those of the C.P.R. Besides these one notes also the exhibits of the Canadian merchant marine, a truly wonderful series, indicating the advance of the marine services. Always the Midway is a source of amusement and entertainment. This year this feature will be especially noteworthy, being a considerable improvement upon all former occasions. This year there is a sense of instruction coupled with the other features of entertainments, and the best of its kind has been infused into the undertakings operated by the John Jones interests, which have charge of the Midway exhibits.

As a fitting accompaniment to the many impressive features of the C.N.E. noted this year have been the art galleries and the war memorials, to which many fine additions have been made. And, added to all others, will be noted the general excellence of restaurant facilities and the bands. Creators' and other notable bands taking part. Perhaps most impressive of all is the display of keen initiative and daring shown by two branches of sportsmanship, the cult of the automobilist, and that of the aviator. The dozens in Canada of both arts are present at the "Ex." and both Colonel W. A. Bishop and Colonel Barker are again giving the public a chance to see what is being accomplished in the most modern and most wonderful of sciences, aviation.

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