

of the world. This geographical factor is one additional advantage possessed by the Province. Industries located here can supply the needs of four-fifths of the Canadian population, and cater for foreign markets as well. Our unlimited forests, our deposits of asbestos and peat, our graphite mines, our titanic iron ores, and many other kinds of minerals useful in industry offer opportunities for the creation of large industries having an assured future.

It is not possible in this short space to do full justice to Quebec as an industrial centre, but I would gladly give fuller details to anyone interested.

## Ontario has Room for Millions.

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ONTARIO has always been proud of its record and its resources, and confident of its great destiny. Never did this confidence rest upon a more solid basis than at the present moment, now that the aftermath of war is being cleared away, and a great new era of prosperity and development is opening out ahead.

In this province, I believe, is found the most favoured portion of Canada. The fertility of its soil, the virility of its people, the illimitable mineral and timber wealth within its borders, its climatic advantages, and its fast-growing trade and commerce, all unite to make Ontario one of the finest portions of the British Empire, capable of supporting many millions of happy and prosperous people.

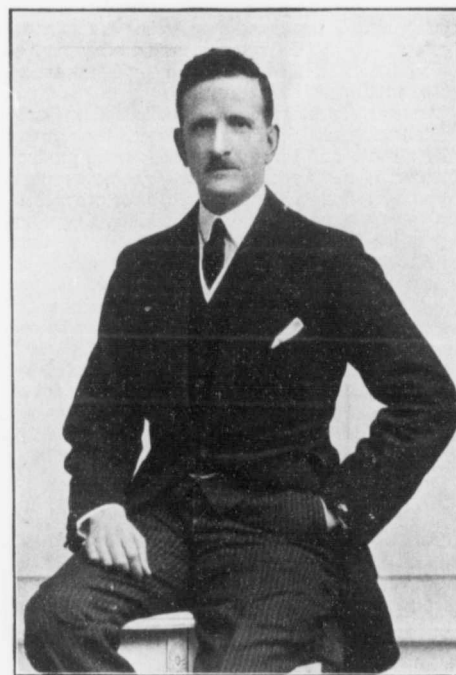
In my own mind there is not the shadow of a doubt that this great and fertile province is on the threshold of a more wonderful era of development, progress, and prosperity than it has experienced since it was first settled over a hundred years ago by the United Empire Loyalists, who by thousands abandoned their property in the seceding States of America, and hewed out new homes for themselves amid the dense virgin forests of Ontario. These hardy pioneers whose descendants are to-day the backbone of Canada, valued their British citizenship above every material consideration, and voluntarily chose banishment so that they might live under the Union Jack. To-day the same spirit of devotion to the Empire animates Ontario, and, above all things, its people desire to see in the years of peace which lie before them a perpetuation within that tried and tested League of Nations—the British Empire—of that close brotherhood and intimate sympathy which matured so splendidly during the stress of war.

In considering the resources of the country, one naturally thinks first of the great mineral wealth of Ontario. Last year Ontario produced minerals to the value of nearly £20,000,000. The principal minerals contributing to this total were nickel, silver, gold, and copper. Ontario is the greatest nickel-producing country in the Empire. As regards silver, which has lately risen so high in price, during the past fifteen years the mines of the famous Cobalt District have produced upwards of £33,556,000, or over three hundred million ounces. The general public still think of the Yukon as Canada's greatest gold-pro-

ducer, but, as a matter of fact, Ontario produced four times as much gold as the Yukon last year, and possesses one of the greatest gold mines in the world—the Hollinger—which last year produced one ton of solid gold every month, a record never before achieved by any mine in Canada, and one which has been equalled only by a very few in the world's history.

The timber resources of Ontario are practically inexhaustible. There are over 200,000 square miles of forests in the province, embracing hard and soft woods in great variety. A very extensive trade in log and lumber products and in wood-pulp has been firmly established, and is continually expanding.

Space only permits of a brief mention of Ontario's vast agricultural resources. The southern and well-settled districts of Old Ontario constitute one of the most beautiful and prosperous countries within the British Empire. The soil produces a great diversity



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of the best agricultural products—all kinds of cereals, pasture grasses, a wide range of vegetables, many kinds of the finest marketable apples, small fruits, grapes, and peaches. For varied and high-class agriculture the natural conditions are ideal. Prosperous and fertile farms are everywhere the rule.

There are splendid opportunities in Ontario for men of the English yeoman type, and small farmers as well, of course, as for all classes of agricultural workers and domestic servants. Fruit-farming is a highly-organized and successful industry, and the Niagara fruit-belt is one of the most beautiful and thriving fruit-growing districts anywhere in the