

her connection in the timber-trade with Ottawa is considerable. But Toronto dreads being left out in the cold; and although a recent railway which it has opened is called the "Toronto and Nipissing" Railway, it is very far from reaching Lake Nipissing.

Whichever route is chosen, must be beneficial to the Dominion. For Montreal with its 107,000 inhabitants, or Toronto with its 75,000 are not likely to allow themselves to be put aside. Additional railroad communication must, therefore, ensue; more arteries to carry life into the body of this beautiful and healthy country, this land of health and freedom, which is hungering for men to come and till it, to come and study its scenery, to come and enjoy its sport.

This land, I say, of health and freedom, this land where no man's body need hunger, and no man's imagination starve; for as there is food for the one, so is there beauty for the contemplation of the other. When I think what prices men pay for sport in England, a taste so manly and health-giving, that I trust it will never die out; and when at the same time I remember so many pictures in Canada of *real* sport, *real* healthy life, at a small cost, and an abundant reward, I feel, with pain, my inability to paint them with sufficient power.

It was only the other day, in 1871, that in a little more than a week after leaving Eng-