



Captain Charles T. Knowlton, of the Canadian Cruiser "Canada," to his right is Canada's First Naval Cadet, John Augustus Barron, son of Judge Barron, of Stratford.



Captain Charles T. Knowlton, Officers, Petty Officers and Men of Cruiser "Canada," at the Quebec Tercentenary, the little "Canada" was anchored near the "Indomitable" and the contrast caused many smiles.

## Our First Naval Cadet

THE Royal Military College of Kingston, known in the fighting and engineering lines of the British Empire, has graduates in the Imperial service in all quarters of the globe. Naval training for young Canadians is a departure by way of discipline; but if we concede the advisability of providing military training for those young men who wish to enter the army, we must admit that the naval forces need similar preparatory study and practice. Canadians who belong to Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Ontario are in danger of for-

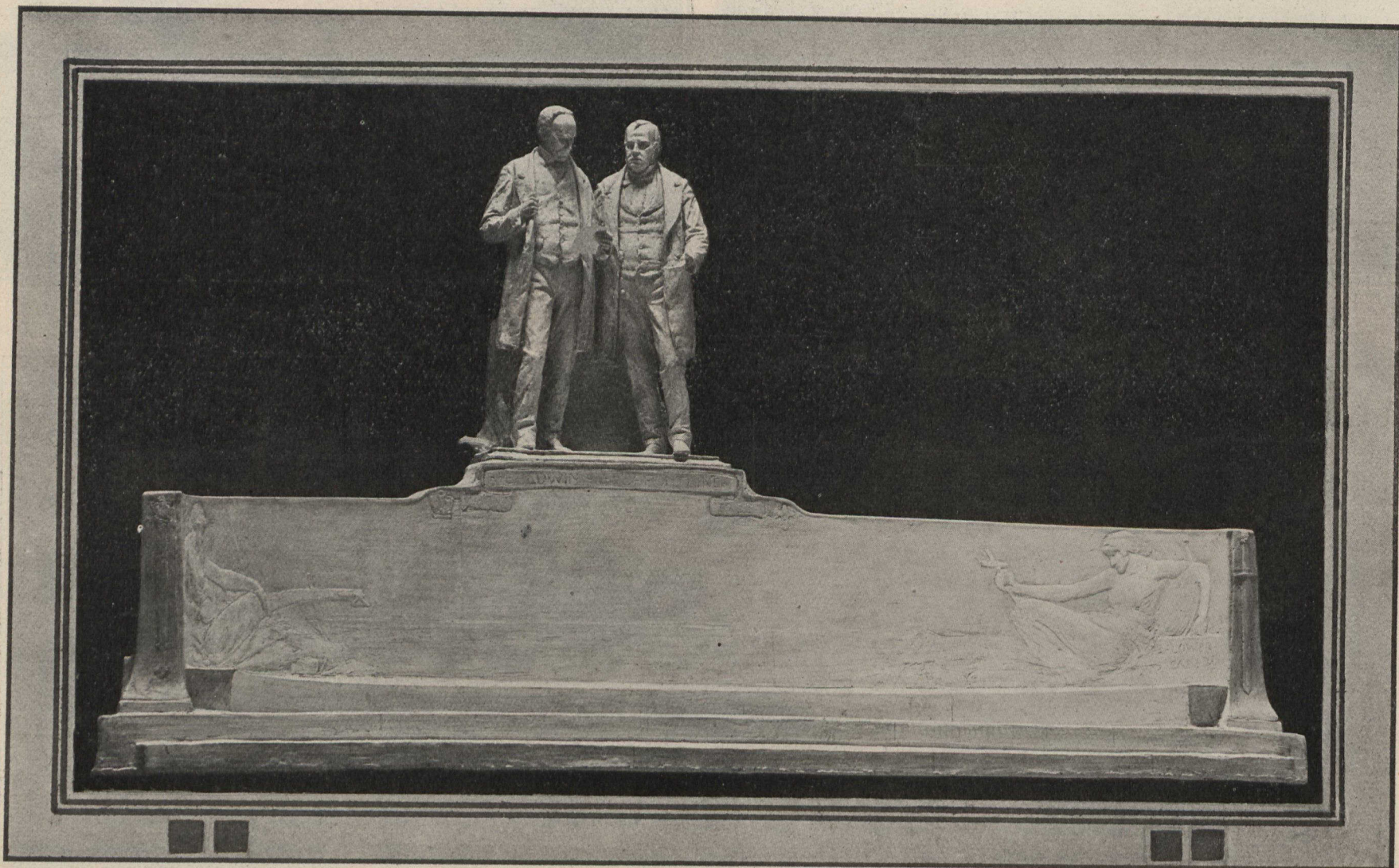
getting that the sea is the highway of the nations and that its mastery means commercial supremacy.

The appointment of John Barron, son of His Honour, Judge Barron, of Stratford, Ontario, to a cadetship on board the *Canada* is of the unique interest which always attaches to the initial venture. The *Halifax Echo*, referring to the young cadet, says: "It seems the Dominion is now committed to the cadet system, patterned on that of England. Cadet Barron is but fourteen years of age and seems pleased with his experience so far on board the trim little cruiser. He was anxious to be a cadet and his father did not oppose him in the idea.

"It is understood to be the policy of the Depart-

ment of Marine to provide in new ships being built or some of the others now in commission, quarters for a certain number of cadets who will be taken from different parts of the Dominion. The cadets will study seamanship, navigation, gunnery and discipline on board the ships and it is expected that Admiral Kingsmill, who is commander of the Canadian navy, will carry the system out to perfection."

It would be a strange thing if Canadian boys, in whose veins flows the sailor blood of Devon and the North, showed no fondness for the life of the "King's Navee." May our young cadet enjoy and prove worthy of the life, rewarding the wise father who wished him well in his chosen calling.



THE BALDWIN-LAFONTAINE MEMORIAL.

A photograph of the sketch model by Mr. W. S. Allward of Toronto, who was victorious in the competition for the Baldwin-Lafontaine Memorial, to be erected on Parliament Hill, Ottawa. The competitors, fourteen in number, were leading Canadian sculptors here and in France. The pedestal for the group is in the form of a crescent-shaped exedra. On either end of the wall are two symbolical figures, sculptured in low relief, representing Upper and Lower Canada; Upper Canada with the grain and the plough, typifying the agricultural pursuits of the early settlers; Lower Canada with the boat and the cross, is typical of the early voyageurs and their religion. The figures of Lafontaine and Baldwin (surmounting the pedestal) are in front of one of the old Parliamentary desks, over which has been thrown a map. The award was decided by the Commission appointed by the Dominion Government: composed of Sir George Drummond, Mr. B. E. Walker and Monsieur Boyer, of Ottawa.