

The beauties of the land, the pleasant, ever-new and varying charms that the glorious face of nature presents to the eye, most bias the mind towards that love of the beautiful and pure, the elevation of sentiment and of idea which are the first essentials of a high and beneficent civilization; while the national prosperity, continually accumulating, which a rich and fertile country gives to its people, yields the strength and the power for an enduring civilization. 'Together—for enduring greatness.'

"If then the physical beauties and wealth of a country are determining elements to make the people happy, advanced, refined and powerful, this 'Canada of ours' should become a great nation. Springing from untouched virgin wilds into active life; under the ardent powers of a people sprung from Earth's two greatest of races; with their vivifying culture and high civilization—the slow growth of centuries—transplanted ready-made to the new, fresh soil; surely the wide land of the maple and the beaver has all the elements for a future—great and powerful."

"Waving her young flag over half a continent, she has diversity enough, range enough, verge and scope enough."

"No narrow metes and bounds confine her energies."

"The great Dominion, stretching from ocean to ocean, awaits but her millions to bring forth and vivify the vast resources she contains; vast and varied as her wide extent."

"Probably no other country is possessed of so great a diversity; so varied and so opposite a range of beauty in its natural scenery as this 'Canada of ours.' Within its great borders Nature seems to have selected a favourite field; and gloried in her work of grouping together every different and charming effect; every grade of magnificent picturing that her lavish hand could indulge."

"An infinite variety overspreads the land, and no sameness, no fatal uniformity of design mars the ever-recurring freshness and novelty of the wonderful alternation of the scenery."