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THE NOR-WESTER.

CALGARY, TUESDAY, JAN. 6, 1885.

1885.

The "compliments of the season" to our readers one and all, and this leads us to inquire what compliments there are worthy of being received by those for whom we have that esteem which is supposed always to exist between writer and reader. The weather has been to use a Northwestern phrase Manitoban like in its Arctic simplicity, mean in its temperature. A compliment of that kind it is not in our nature to wish our readers. There is really not such a coolness, we hope, between us for we have been sighing for a chinook, and we know that the advent of such a zephyr could hardly be realized without every one in this latitude and longitude participating. The quality of the chinook is not strained. According to Professor Macouin it droppeth from the clouds even as the gentle dew from Heaven, at least blessing him that receives. Such is the chinook when it is present. We fancy we can see it gathering in the vicinity of that sentinel which is termed mephistophiles Caput, and we can almost hear its sonorous but musical roar as it courses its way down the valley of the Bow—but it is only fancy, because that kind of fiction has been running riot for three weeks and there is a sameness about the probabilities that is monotonous. We certainly do wish our readers, far and near, A HAPPY NEW YEAR, with a real chinook thrown in.

THE CONVENTION.

In our last issue we gave a summary of the proceedings at the recent Conservative Convention in Toronto, and of Sir John A. Macdonald's reply to the address from the Conservatives of Ontario. We also gave the address presented by Hon. Mr. Norquay on behalf of Manitoba and the North-West. In this number we give an excellent summary of Sir John's reply taken from the *Winnipeg Times* a journal that has shown commendable enterprise in supplying very liberal reports by telegraph of the proceedings at the Convention. No one who has lived in the North-West under both administrations can deny the truth, and consequently the force of what Sir John said in his reply, especially when in alluding to Mr. Mackenzie's Government he said that "they made some mistakes though crediting Mackenzie with all earnestness. A prominent writer in the *Manitoba press* in 1875 speaking of the blundering North-West policy of Mr. McKenzie, said that his administration may have been thoroughly paved with the most excellent intentions, but beyond all question it was the most stupid and incompetent government that history had ever known.

The late Chief Justice Wood, when a member of the House of Commons, had in tones of thunder declared that the Canadian Pacific Railway was "the mad scheme of a mad government." Sir John happily remarks in his reply, "We were charged by those opposed to us with having a wild and reckless policy in agreeing to pay twenty-five millions as a loan on the roads nearly completed, but we knew the responsibilities we were assuming. We know of what immense consequence it was to the best interests of the whole Dominion to have that great enterprise completed as speedily as possible. We boldly ventured to

charge the people with the payment of these large sums, confident that we would be more than repaid by the development of that country, and by a large addition to the wealth, strength and resources of the Dominion, through the instrumentality of that great work. It is true, gentlemen, that you older people of Canada, the older Provinces of Canada, have charged yourselves with the expenditure of twenty-five millions in building that road, but I venture to tell you, as we told Parliament, that that country will repay every dollar of it, and that not one single sixpence of that large sum will fall upon you or your children, because the lands of the North-West reserved for the purpose will recoup and pay every farthing."

Good for you, Sir John. Truth stares out of every word, though the traditional Grit bending to his inherent perversity and having a woful lack of candor and manliness will never admit it. Those of us who have been a number of years in the North-West and who witnessed with intense disgust the snail like progress, and the incompetency of your opponents in their cordial approval of your sentiments. The great bulk of the North-West people know which is the most enlightened and the most progressive party notwithstanding this mischievous agitator who is going about crying "Wolf," and the Grit puist who is wandering up and down the land traducing his opponents and maligning the country.

The *Toronto Monetary Times* succeeded in convincing the *Winnipeg Times* that the Ordinance passed by the North-West Council at its last session and protecting creditors in the North-West Territories under certain circumstances is a just and equitable law. Our *Toronto* contemporary has made out a very good case in favor of the Ordinance, and the *Winnipeg Times* is now willing that the Ordinance should have a fair trial. The *Monetary Times* on such a question is not likely to take sides with dishonest debtors, so that its defence of the Ordinance may be looked upon as not only sensible, but based upon far seeing grounds of commercial prudence.

Would it not be nobler, more transcendent, for the *Toronto News* to point out to the young Torontonians that the crop of statesmen in the Dominion last year was a large one and that the trails through the North-West don't all lead to Indian graves, but often to the ranches of cattle kings, and the quartz mill of the prosperous miner rather than to be continually spouting flapdoodle about Canadian nationality— independence and similar nonsense? The way to Canadianize the North-West and build up the country is for the young Canadian to take off his coat, roll up his sleeves, and come west.

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W. T. RAMSAY, Calgary, 22nd November, 1884.

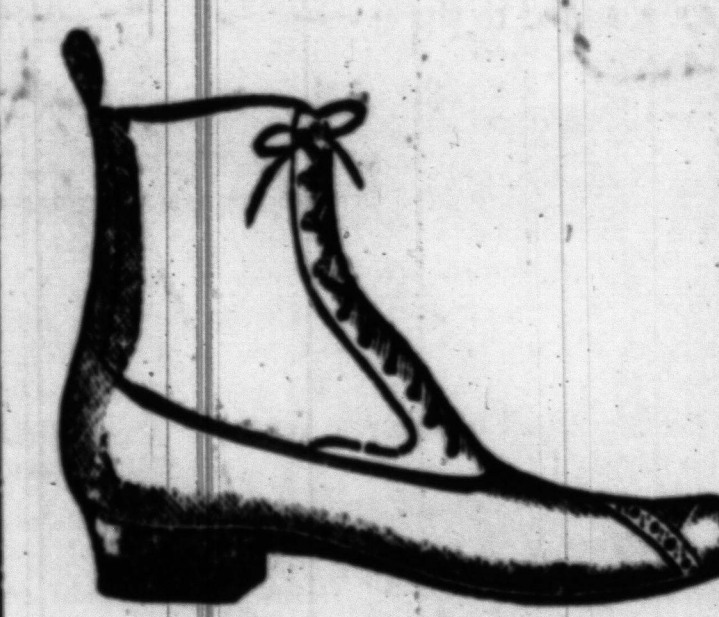
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Letters for Registration must be posted half an hour before the mail closes.

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Signed: W. BANNERMAN, Post-master.



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W. T. RAMSAY, Sec. Treas. Oct. 20th, 1884.

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What he said to Sir John, in acknowledgment of the address received at the time of the administration member at the time considered the creation of the English, Irish, French, European would come and settle in our land west from being a westerner called in the land of the buffalo and red in getting possession of the land and it has been pride to see it the road of Ontario and of the to see it peopled by the old country. (He element of the Northwest our time was in a state not only the Government member before 1883. Government had to be yet involved in a great here to state that I Mr. Mackenzie's Government of their intention could according to the settlement of that country.)

THEY MADE SO but we have earnestly experience how best to and development of territory. (Cheers.) In we come in again in liberal land policy. (Great inducements to make it their own. (C with some care and a that had been in success United States, and our in principle on them, but system in very many (Cheers.) I shall not men, with a discussion Northwest, because you policy has been. I and audience by entering at policy of the immigration with the Northwest is, no doubt, impatient speakers who will address will say that we have our knowledge with all honesty to advance the country. In our ideas of settling that country, the voice of the Parliament of the approbation Dominion who have vental, to charge them penitence of large sum construction of

THE GREAT TRANSPORT (Cheers.) We were proposed to us with having pity in agreeing to pay as a loan on the roads we know the responsibility We know of the quence it was to the whole Dominion to have price completed as early boldly venture to char the payment of these la that we would be more development of that condition to the west, it, of the Dominion, through of that great work. gentlemen, that you did the old Provinces of yourselves with the expense millions in building venture to tell you, as that that country will it, and that not one large sum will fall upon because the lands of the for the purpose will recou farthing. (Cheers.) At will state on behalf of Parliament that we are hurry to get that money would rather see the im of the country, the most steady, the encouragement into the Northwest then and demand the money eventually come back, est, and we are rich and ful enough to wait. (Gols.) I thank you very flattering address. It is to me that it should be

THE FIRST MAN IN the prime minister of the great already originated great pleasure to have it of such known influence that country. (Cheers.) to receive the address fr the Northwest. Regard those who acted with me the selections of English as per son has shown it to the most be useful and beautiful and fertile coun assured. It is in the ric Northwest from an ag view, is on the line of the one can reach it from all mission with railway obliged to the gentlemen in Prairie. The address that I may visit the pl Northwest. It will be to do so and I shall take soon as I can go there rattling of my old bones from Montreal by Vancou the whole distance by the railway (cheers)—a time the Provinces by an never be broken. I have Norquay for the kind towards Lady Macdonald