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**T**HE Halifax Board of Trade has been notified that there are 7,000 Welsh settlers in Patagonia who desire to settle in Nova Scotia. This recalls the fact that when a delegation waited on the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, a few years ago to promote the emigration of these same Welsh settlers to Canada, they were told by Mr. Chamberlain that the climate of Canada was too rigorous for the settlers. Mr. Chamberlain, who advised that they be taken to South Africa, has always been hostile to Canadian interests, not only in matters of immigration but in matters of trade and legislative jurisdiction.

**P**REMIER TWEEDIE in his budget speech announced that New Brunswick had a surplus for the past year of \$16,500. His speech was buoyant in tone. He asserted that the province had a rightful claim against the Dominion government for depriving the province of its revenues arising out of the fisheries on inland waters. He announced a change in the game laws, with the object of encouraging foreign sportsmen to come into New Brunswick and hunt for game. He was convinced that sportsmen from abroad (which means the United States chiefly) spend from \$150,000 to \$200,000 a year in the province. Perhaps some bright member of the House of Commons will move the insertion of an item in the tariff placing a tax on these United States sportsmen for the protection of the native article. Mr. Tweedie announced the prosecution of the Grand Falls development. The Grand Falls Co. have made a deposit of \$50,000 and if the company expend \$3,000,000 within five years the deposit will be returned

with 3 per cent interest added. The company has a minimum of 30,000 horse power and they propose to build at Grand Falls the largest pulp and paper mill in the world with a capacity of 600 tons a day. Arrangements have already been made with United States parties for the purchase of 400 tons of paper a day.

**T**HE largest steel flume ever built is at Niagara Falls on the Canadian side of the river where the Ontario Power Company has secured rights for the development of 180,000 horse power. The flume in question has a length of 6,180 feet its inside diameter is 18 feet, and it will divert 3,900 cubic feet of water from the river above the Horseshoe Falls every second. This flume is so large that it was necessary to establish a temporary shop on the grounds for its construction. It runs through Victoria Park and is laid in a trench. In order that it may not mar the beauty of the park lands the great pipe is covered with earth, but before being so concealed was given a jacket of concrete so that there would be no unequal pressure of the earth. The flume is protected against electrolysis. From the water that will flow through this pipe it is expected to develop 60,000 electrical horse power. Three such flumes will be constructed.

**T**HE cover portrait this week represents the member of the House of Commons for the constituency most remote from the capital, Yukon. Dr. Thompson is not only a Canadian, but the son of Canadians. He was born 36 years ago at Nine Mile River, Hants county, N. S. He graduated as a medical doctor at Dalhousie University and married a Nova Scotia girl. In religion he is a Presbyterian, and in politics a Conservative, but Magurn's Parliamentary Guide adds: 'but elected now as an independent and not affiliated with either party.' He won a notable victory at the general election, defeating the government candidate and receiving a large measure of Liberal support.