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Magnificent New Canadian Building in London

Attractive Proposal to Canadian Governments by British Syndicate—Proposed Site is One of the Very Best in the World's Metropolis

Every one who knows London knows Waterloo bridge, and for the information of those who have never been there it may be mentioned that it lies about midway between St. Paul's cathedral and the Houses of Parliament. At the northern end of the bridge and on the eastern side and here between the embankment and the Strand is Somerset house, and in front of Somerset house, in the very centre of the Strand, is the church of St. Mary le Strand, one of the gems of the city. The architect of the church, Sir Christopher Wren's architecture and further on eastward in the Strand is another of Wren's masterpieces, St. Clement Dane's. Less than half a mile further back from the river is the great thoroughfare known as High Holborn, and between High Holborn and the Strand, the London County council has opened a magnificent site, known as King's Way, which as it approaches the Strand descends into a semicircular area, the greater part of which is yet unoccupied. The western section of this site, and here are the Gaiety theatre and restaurant, fine palatial structure. The eastern section is under option to the Commonwealth of Australia, which proposes to erect a building there as its London headquarters. The part fronting on Aldwich will be occupied by what is known as the French group. The buildings of this group will consist of three main blocks and a small one-storied block. The

come, will be in the very centre of London and hence in the centre of the world. An important feature is that many of the hotels that are well known all over the world, such as the Gaiety, the Cecil and Grosvenor, are close to the building. In the Strand, the Metropolitan, the Victoria, the Charing Cross and Morley's less than a quarter of a mile distant.

The architects for the building are Marshall, McKenzie & Son, who were also the architects for the new Aberdeen university recently opened by

regarding the two-cent a mile rate. The evidence taken shows practically that the same railroad and population conditions exist in Vancouver as in London. The volume of the cars and grades of the Chicago and Northwest show that Vancouver would have as many greater expenses in the handling of passengers at two cents a mile than would the Nebraska roads.

Silk Firm in Trouble
Belding, Mich., Aug. 31.—Brinton F. Hall, vice-president and manager of the Belding Paul company, today ad-

the funeral, which will be one of the most imposing held in this city for many years, will be begun today, and it is expected that in addition to the high dignitaries of the church there will be present members of the political and civil life of the city.

Alderman in Pro. Ball.
Cincinnati, Aug. 30.—Ernest Diehl, amateur baseball player, Cincinnati councilman, and general all round sportsman, signed a contract and will leave today for Indianapolis, where he will join the Toledo American as-

BUBONIC PLAGUE.

Case on Steamer Sierra at Honolulu—San Francisco's Report.
San Francisco, Aug. 31.—Dr. Walling, health officer, reports that there is no change in the plague situation. No new cases have developed. The board of health has decided to fumigate and sterilize the city and county hospitals immediately.

Honolulu, Aug. 31.—A case of plague is reported on the mail steamer Sierra, just arrived here, a member of the crew being attacked. The cabin passengers have all been landed. The sailing of the steamer will probably be delayed.

Civilians Trespass.

London, Aug. 31.—The announcement is made at the war department that disciplinary measures will be used, if necessary, to put an end to the use by families of cars chartered by the government for the transportation of troops. It is stated that persons of a non-military character should not be permitted to occupy the cars without authority, and it is considered detrimental to the best interests of the service and a misuse of government transportation.

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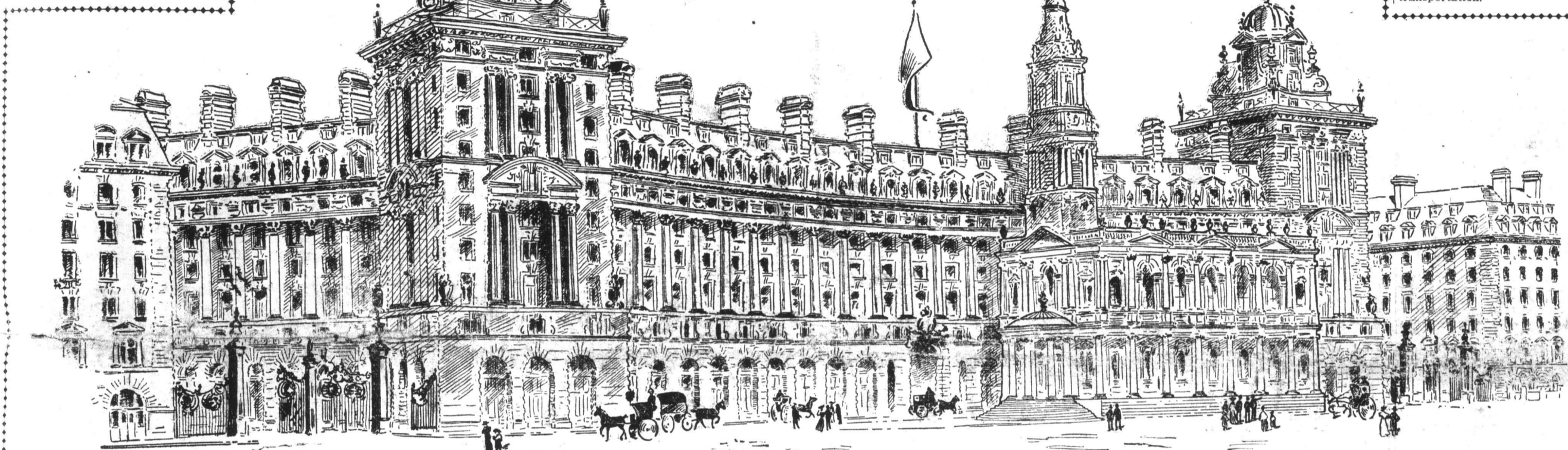
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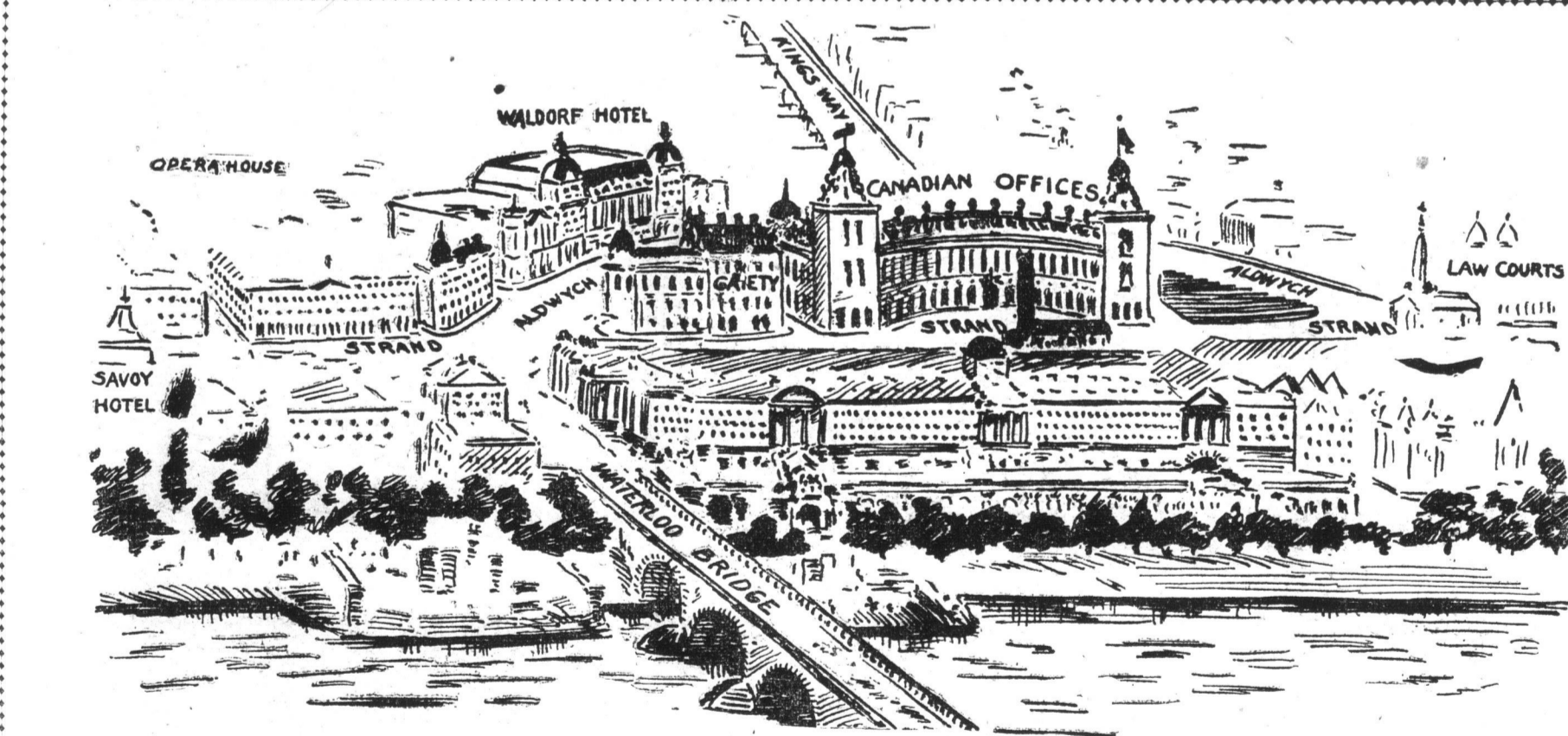
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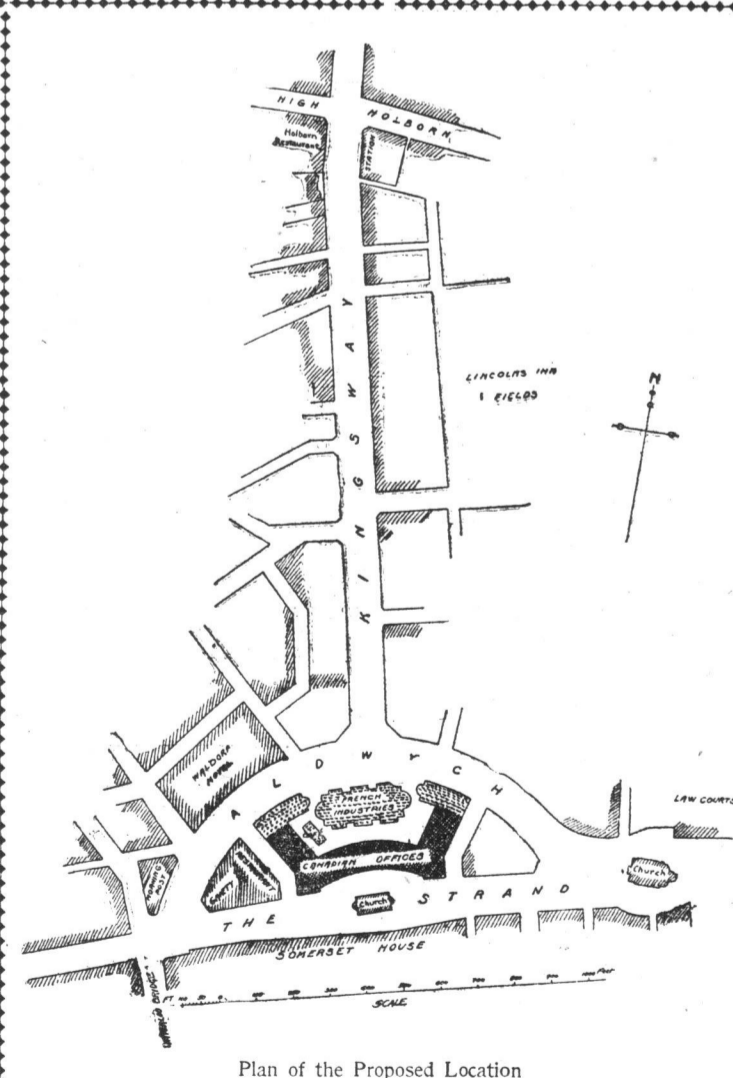
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The Proposed New Canadian Government Building in London, as Planned



Birdseye View of the Proposed Location



Plan of the Proposed Location

entire block will be devoted to the fine arts and other exhibitions, to a French opera, reception rooms, banqueting rooms, etc., on a palatial scale. The two side blocks will be devoted to shops, offices and flats and a small building will be a French restaurant. There remains the central area, which is in the hands of a syndicate. It is proposed that a hotel shall be erected on this area a magnificent building at a cost of \$2,000,000. This shall be the central headquarters of the Canadian government as well as of such provinces as desire to be represented at the seat of the Empire.

The plan and pictures which accompany this article, and for which the architect is indebted to the courtesy of Hon. J. H. Turner, will give a very excellent idea of the location of the proposed building and its characteristics. These illustrations have never before been published, and as far as the project has not been mentioned in the press of any country. The larger picture shows only the proposed Canadian

Building" but also St. Mary's church, which it was thought advisable to include in the drawing, in order to show how beautifully that famous structure will harmonize with that which is to be placed near it.

The proposed Canadian building will have a frontage of 413 feet on the Strand. One striking feature of it will be the handsome towers to be erected at each end; another will be the elaborate iron hammered grilles, which are to be near each end. The building will tower high above Somerset House and will be one of the great landmarks of London.

In this building it is proposed that all the various offices of the Canadian government in London, as well as the offices of the provincial governments, shall be grouped. There will be in addition a great hall, in which a permanent exhibition of Canadian products can be maintained, also a noble reception room. The interior design is admirable, special attention having been given to the question of lighting and ventilation, special arrangements having been made with the owners of

the proposed French group to permit of this part of the plan being fully carried out in the rear of the building.

The central character of the location is properly appreciated by a map of a map of London. It may be mentioned that the following important railway stations are within one mile and a half of it, namely: The Northwestern, the Midland, the Great Northern, the London, Chatham & Dover, the London and Southwestern, Waterloo, the Southeastern and the Charing Cross, all of which are nearer to the proposed offices than to the present Canadian office. A little more than half a mile to the westward is King Edward's, famous for past tragedy and present imperial activity, the distance to the colonial office being less than three-quarters of a mile. The Bank of England is about a mile and a quarter to the east. Such distances as these are nothing in a city like London. The site is surrounded by wide streets and magnificent buildings, and many more of the latter are being erected. In short, the Canadian building, if this is what it is to be-

mitted that that company is financially embarrassed, with \$500,000 in paper outstanding against the concern, but states that the company will get out of the trouble all right.

ARCHBISHOP WILLIAMS
Death of Veteran Dignitary of the Roman Catholic Church
Boston, Aug. 31.—Death came shortly before 9 o'clock last night to the Most Rev. John J. Williams, Archbishop of the Boston archdiocese, dean of the hierarchy of the Roman Catholic church in America, and for a generation or more the spiritual head of that faculty in New England.

The funeral will be held at the cathedral of the Holy Cross next Wednesday. It is expected that Cardinal Gibbons will come on from Baltimore and officiate at the solemn pontifical mass of requiem, which will be celebrated in the forenoon. The offices of the dead will be chanted by hundreds of priests on Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, when the body lies in state at the cathedral. Arrangements for

Two Cents a Mile
Topeka, Kan., Aug. 31.—C. F. Bratten, attorney for the state board of railroad commissioners, has returned from Lincoln, Neb., where he took testimony

sociation baseball club, for whom he will play shortstop for the remainder of the season.

John R. Goodrich Dead
Milwaukee, Wis., Aug. 31.—John R. Goodrich, for over 50 years identified with commercial and social life in Milwaukee, and well known throughout the state, died this afternoon aged 80 years. Death was caused from a complication of diseases.

Oil in Kansas
Topeka, Kan., Aug. 31.—A good flow of oil was struck late Friday three miles southwest of the state house at a depth of 543 feet

Wapella Mill Burned
Wapella, Sask., Aug. 31.—Wapella roller mills were destroyed by fire. A large detached warehouse for storing flour was with great difficulty saved. Loss \$22,000, partly insured.

Iron Range Strike
Eleveth, Minn., Aug. 31.—It is said that the Western Federation of Miners will mass their strength in Eleveth next Monday morning. Eleveth was the storm centre in the strike since it began, and it would seem that the leaders have selected the town as the centre of their endeavor to prolong the struggle