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Western Fair—Wm. Mulholland.
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Notice—Nathaniel Meyers.
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Huron Signal.

GODERICH, Sept. 9, 1874.

The Crop Prospect.

The greater portion of the crop of 1874 has been harvested, and the farmers are devoting their energies, previous to the opening of the market season, to preparing for the fall crops. The reports we receive from all quarters are most cheering; for we know how to accept the grumbling that we hear from some quarters. There is a certain class of "Mo're be pleased" farmers, and if their crops are good the prices are low, and if the prices are high the crops are poor. Throughout the County the returns of grain have been unprecedented, and a season of great plenty has opened to us. The adverse circumstance of the last year have been many. During last winter the absence of snow and the severe frosts were alarming to those who had much fall grain in the ground; while throughout the summer the dry and burning weather of July and August threatened to cause short straw and poor grain. But a kind Providence ruled everything to the happiness and satisfaction of a thankful nation.

The reports are yet incomplete, though in our own direct neighborhood we are acquainted with the result. Throughout the Dominion, notwithstanding the efforts of the various insects, the result is good, except where the raging bush fires have completely destroyed the crop. In Manitoba, except for the visitations of the grasshopper pest, the average product has been much larger than in previous years.

Reports from Europe and our own continent announce a large surplus.

Such reports cannot help but be cheering to the general public, although there is ill blown to some one with every good wind. The price of grain will fall to the benefit of the consumers, but leaving a smaller margin of profit to the farmer. But the farmer may content himself with thinking that what is his loss is the public's gain; and "turn about is fair play."

An Important Matter.

Within the last few years, Goderich has taken a decidedly "new departure," and from its proverbial immobility has rushed off into the exciting race of progressiveness. One incident leads to another; and, having begun at the small end, we are now experiencing larger and more important events, and we begin to put on the robe of prosperity and thrift. Our outlook at the start seemed wide and extensive enough; but the practised and experienced eye gets accustomed to large limits and seeks to peer beyond. Our long time facilities, which answered every practical purpose of shipment and import, are cramped and incapable in the supply of our new necessities; and seeking a reform, a new railway project springs up that tends vastly to benefit and improve us. The liberality of the town has brought certain important interests to us, but large companies require more substantial support than bonuses. The agitation over the Quebec and Huron Railway and the many improvements to the harbor have turned the attention of manufacturers to our town as affording a good field for enterprise.

For a week or more our citizens have been discussing a matter which was mooted to them by a party of American gentlemen who have been looking out for a site whereon to erect a large smelting establishment and rolling mill. They propose to go into the business very extensively, and to manufacture ore brought from the Marquette region. Goderich offering many facilities for an extensive business, with her advantages of water and rail communication and her close proximity to the iron fields, they paid us a visit, intending at the same time to visit Sarnia and look about there. Consequently their negotiations resulted in nothing definite, further than to awaken the enterprising spirit of the town to take some action in the matter. They considered, however, that the town was in an excellent situation to induce them to come here.

Now here is a brilliant project, and an opportunity not to be lost sight of by any inhabitant. The advantages are apparent even to a stone wall, and such an establishment would to a unit benefit every manufactory in town, and would be a source of increased revenue to every tradesman. Nothing need be said of the benefits to result from the acquirement of such an addition to our interests; the matter of inducement is of more vital import. A liberal offer from the town in the shape of a remission of taxes, a lot of land or a liberal bonus we feel sure will be forthcoming, and some such offer should be made as an extra inducement.

The discussion that will be necessary to settle this matter will bring Sarnia and Goderich into rival positions. Both places are well situated for our industrial purposes, but we cannot but fear that our sister possesses many natural advantages in the first place we are much nearer the iron fields, which would save a great item in the carriage of so weighty an article as iron ore is. What is required by the company is to get as near to the mines as possible, and to in the neighborhood of good facilities for shipment and disposal. During the following session we have no doubt advantages will be fixed upon and made with emphasis. During the last presidential election across the line, our representative settlers were shocked at the style in which public discussions were annulled there, and particularly with one case where the next of kin of Guiteau was mentioned in connection with the Nathan murder. We do not consider that Canadian journalists have got to the level of Americans in their style of political discussion; but we are evidently drifting thitherward. This constant driving and maligning will have no good effect; but an honest opposition conducted on the basis of a fair argument and good underlying principles is a power in the land, a benefit to their opponents and a source of honor and dignity to those who conduct the struggle. It seems within their province, and without detracting to their claim to purity of motive, to make exposures of characters that have become a disgrace to the public name; but where, as in the case of the present Opposition, the great issues of the country, in the discussions which are expected from them, are not aside in preference to subjects that find birth in unfruitful brains, there is a strong evidence of the death of the old spirit of the party and the springing up of a dangerous weed.

"Their labor is to pervert that end,
And out of good still to find means of evil."

Journals of both parties cannot be too guarded against this bane of their existence, and to be judicious in the exercise of their privileges requires deep judgment. Faults may occur; but where a spirit is shown to correct those faults and to make amends therefor we have indication of a healthy state of morals. But there is a subtle influence surrounding slander, and to the right-minded we address, in closing, the caution which was given of old to the Archangel:

"I forewarn thee, slim
His deadly arrow; neither vainly hope
To be invulnerable in those bright arms
Though temper'd heavenly; for that
fatal dint,
Save him who reigns above, none can
resist."

Scandal.

It is seldom that a political journal has opportunity or space to devote to moralizing, but the present lull in the discussion of matters of governmental interest gives us leisure to look closely into other matters. Naturally the mind reverts to the contemplation of the next most important subjects; and what a feast of sensation, scandal and disgusting detail is provided. Political scandal is of common occurence, and is not forreted out with so much avidity and truthfulness, for it only assails one's honesty, which is very little use to any one in position now-a-days; but a moral scandal—anything that has the savor of obscenity—is not so frequent of exposure, and consequently provides a more novel and satisfactory field for the ingenuity of the sensationally inclined, who follow every clue and detail like vultures in search of carrion.

First on the list is the Beecher-Tilton affair which has threatened to defame one of the ablest divines in the world, and to shake and revolutionize the faith in and the purity of the advocates of christianity. Many criminal charges have been brought against famous preachers, within the recollection of this generation, but none of them succeeded to make so profound an impression or create so serious self-examination amongst people of good profession as does this one. It has opened the eyes of many, and the relation between minister and congregation—the differende botwixt othereal and spiritual—the human nature of a spiritual advisor—is now better understood and appreciated. As a Chicago paper somewhat truthfully says, ministers, with women especially, had become to be looked upon either as an angel or a devil, accordingly as they were impressed. This spiritual adviser was their ideal of manly perfection—the associate of angels—and their natural love surrounded them with the inconsistency of its passion. A fatal admiration; but yet a great help to religious progress. This faith will be shaken by the late investigation, notwithstanding the sweeping verdict of the Plymouth church committee. The charge has been made and the name of Beecher sounded in an immoral connection, and the envious, the sceptical and ostentatiously pious will be only too glad to doubt. We have every faith in Beecher, and look upon Tilton as a fanatic; but the name, hereafter, will always suggest the incidents of the affair, the reports of which a Detroit paper has styled the "Brooklyn filth."

This sad affair will have a marked effect upon the cause of christian religion. The hordo of social and moral reforms that are springing up like a poisonous fungi about the seats of learning and advancement will take new life from the effects of this internal disorganization. The poisonous atmosphere of Free-love will find many new and enthusiastic inhabitants, notwithstanding the failure to prove a defective feature in our beloved religious institutions. Such "new departures" as this is a specimen of do not require positive evidence; but the merest shadow of a possibility is sufficient with them to convince the most sceptical. Let it rest there however. "Truth is mighty and will prevail," and the loss of these sceptics will be a benefit to the cause of good. Henry Ward Beecher has been overtaken by the course of human compensation, and his brilliant, gratifying career has been stirred up with this bitter potion of slander.

Of political slander we have had more than our quota; and this particular article more nearly affects us, as belonging to the class from whom it most directly emanates. We speak of it more particularly, because it affects the fair reputation of the press, and tends to degenerate pure journalism. Under the guise of a political discussion the Government journals have been constantly refuting the charges that have been brought against the characters of their representatives, without either foundation or cause. It is a good thing to expose a bad public character; but it is mean and contemptible on the part of any newspaper, no matter how low it may have sunk in the scale of indecency, to institute a vile libel against the character of any one without having some ground for it. How contemptible appears that charge that has gone the round of the Tory organs lately against the fair fame of Hon. A. McKellar; and how ridiculously humiliating the position in which the splenetic originators now stand in the light of the latest revelations. The whole stigma attaches itself to the name of their erstwhile angel of perfection. What a high moral instinct must have dictated the libel instituted against a private character like George Brown. Had Mr. Brown held an office, or stood in any place where his character would affect the country's name; this charge would not have such a hideous aspect, but a person following up his own business pursuits and such duties he may be called upon as a man well acquainted with public matters to perform, viewing it in this light, the shade of shamelessness deepens to a baleful disregard of purity and truth to speak of the slanders that allege in no way and integrity of public men would be waste of time; for, as we say, these charges are of common occurrence, and this paper to small honesty has been adopted as a privilege and a license, for the especial benefit of the Opposition, to be exercised in connection with the name of public men.

"Whither are we drifting" might be asked with emphasis. During the last Session in shipment to the Eastern states much better attested to transhop to Chicago and the West. We have sight by the advantage, in fact, in shipping to the East, for it pays better to carry the stuff manufactured ready for the market than in its rough state; and by still we are in just as direct communication with the Canadian and Eastern American trade, and much nearer. Our dock accomodation is good and is improving; and there is the fact that we have a quiet basin in which to moor vessels. The new railway is another great item, which will place Goderich several hours nearer Toronto, Montreal and the other important cities of Canada. Coal can be had in great abundance here, and at a low figure. Building material is about the market at first class quality and easily reached, and this will be an important matter to the projectors of the scheme. Besides we have the neediness of a growing trade, which will call to us the assistance of the most complete facilities for transportation. The need we will have of a good line of vessels will bring lake captains here, and we will be able to have more direct and frequent communication with all the lake ports.

No definite facts can as yet be stated, but the town should not await a proposal but should discuss the subject, make advances, and when the question is asked, be ready with an answer. We have many available sites for an establishment like this, and it only requires the initiatory step on the part of the citizens to bring about a decisive result.

Stanley.

Council Meeting.—The Council met pursuant to adjournment at Varna, on Monday, the 31st Aug., at 2 o'clock, P. M. Members all present, the Reeve in the chair. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Mr. Peter Creerer, pathmaster, was ordered to open the assumed road across lot No. 15, con. 4, without delay.

A letter from the County Clerk was read, intimating that the nice little sum of $4143.04 would be required from Stanley for County purposes.

Moved by Dr. Woods, seconded by Mr. G. Anderson, that the by-law for a grant of $10,000 for harbor purposes be now finally passed, and that the Clerk forward a copy thereof duly certified to the Provincial Treasurer for Ontario.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. G. Castle, seconded by Mr. Thos. Keys, that the by-law authorizing the Clerk to levy the sum of $6343 for County and Township purposes be now passed.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. Geo. Castle, seconded by Mr. Thos. Keys, that the by-law authorizing the Clerk to levy the different sums required for School purposes by the several School Sections be passed.—Carried.

By-laws Nos. 5, 6 and 7 giving effect to the foregoing resolutions were then adopted, also, No. 8, authorizing the Trustees of School Sec. No. 7 to borrow the sum of $350, and debentures issued in accordance.

Moved by Mr. Geo. Castle, seconded by Mr. Thos. Keys, that the account of Mr. Jas. Dallas for gravel, $6.45, be paid.—Carried.

Moved by Mr. T. Keys, seconddd by Mr. G. Castle, that this Council do now adjourn to meet at Mr. King's Hotel, Bayfield, on the first Monday in November at 2 o'clock, P. M.—Carried.

WM. PLUNKETT, Clerk.

An Evidence of the appreciation of American manufactures in conservative England, is found in the fact that at the Royal Agricultural show, held last month in Bedford, England, a silver medal offered "for articles in which the judges think there is any special merit," was awarded to Fairbanks' hay scale, or as it is called in England, Fairbanks' "weigh bridge for carts and wagons."—*Boston Journal Aug. 7.*

On Friday last Mr. John McCrostie, lot 13, con. 10, West Wawanosh, had his barn and all its contents destroyed by fire.

LOCAL NEWS.

Sheep.—Two car loads of sheep were shipped from the Station on Monday.

Rain Costs a Farmer's new adventisement. They will for cash, and the goods are all marked in plain figures.

The last number of the Canadian News contains a faithful representation of the "burnt district."

A Town Team.—Wm. Lukey, of the township of Hay, has a four care field from which he raised 324 bushels of oats this year.

Accident at Winthrop.—Mr. McKay, carpenter, while falling a tree last Monday slipped and falling against a block crushed in two or three of his ribs and was obliged to lay up for 2 or 3 days. He is now walking around again.

In Camp.—On Thursday the noble 33rd Battalion will go into camp here, for the regular annual drill of 12 days. The ground selected is Indian Island, below Maitland Mill. Fine weather and lots of fun to our boys.

A Day Out.—One day last week, a on of Mr. Case, station master, was playing on the Goderich School yard, and in the absence of the referee in the band, fell to the ground striking on his head. The forehead was badly, but not seriously cut, and he was slightly stunned.

By-Law Passed.—At the last meeting of the Stanley Township Council the by-law for a grant of $10,000 to Bayfield Harbor was passed, and the Clerk was instructed to forward a copy of the by-law to the Ontario Government, in order to obtain the amount from the township share of the Municipal Loan Fund money.—Exposition.

Warning to Boys.—Boys in their play are apt to be rough, and thoughtless. An instance of this occurred in the school yard the other day, whilesome boys were playing one of the lads having had his finger dislocated, through the roughness of their play. Boys remember that you are not made of iron.

Fashionable.—As two of the young men were being brought to the Court House the other day by a stout Irish lad, one who had stolen a pair of pantaloons asked the other whose offence was watch-stealing what time of day it was. "Time to put on three pants," was the sharp reply.

For the Northwest.—Two large parties of Mennonites passed up on Wednesday by the *Ontario* and on Saturday by the *Manitoba*. They were on their way to the Mennonite Reserve, and looked a hearty, good-natured, industrious set of people. The men were strong and robust looking, and seem to be well adapted for pioneer life.

Y. M. C. A. Meeting.—A meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association will be held at the rooms on Friday evening, to receive the report of the delegates to the convention recently held at Fort Hope. This will be a very interesting occasion, and all are invited to be present. The chair will be taken at 7.30 o'clock.

Ohio Stone.—On Monday morning a large shipment of Ohio stone was received at the dock, consigned to Scott, Winstone & Co., who are doing a large business. Some of our fond lovers of change should have a crane erected for the convenience of ship owners in unloading heavy freight.

Over the Bank.—On Saturday, Mr. Vanevery's horse and buggy were driven too near the edge of the bank where the repairs are going on at the old dock, and slipped over with the yielding ground. The water was about sixteen feet deep at the place, but by catching a boat hook into the hitching ring, the horse's head was kept above water until he could be rescued. No damage done.

Runaways.—Wingham had two runaways last week. On Monday a team of horses belonging to Mr. Jas. McClanaghan got scared and succeeded in smashing the waggon and spilling the contents about the ground. On Tuesday Mr. Anderson, of Culross was getting into his waggon when the horse started throwing him to the ground. He held on to the reins, however, and succeeded in upsetting the vehicle, when the horse broke loose but it was stopped after proceeding a short distance.

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Inquest Sunday.—These cases were tried before Judge Toms on Friday. Bernard Walters for stealing a watch was sentenced to twelve months in the Central Prison, and William Johnson for stealing clothes, eighteen months. The three boys who made the answer to persons, received one week in jail.

Fire, Fire!—This renowned musician intends making a tour through the quality along the line of the Canada Southern and A1C Line. Mr. Ferguson has not been through this section for some time, and the people throughout will be glad to greet him. The papers on the line of the route should announce the fact.

Departed.—Mr. Jos. Whitehead, the contractor for the Pembina branch of the Pacific Railway, passed through Goderich per steamer Manitoba, on his way to the field of his labor. He speaks favorably of the prospects of the building of the road, and says that if the frost keeps out of the ground for the next two months he will have the track graded.

A Mis statement.—We were misinformed in speaking of the harbor repairs as regards the cause of the failure to get the breakwater finished this season. The present contractors have been working upon the repairs since they were first begun, and it was owing to Government indecision as to the position of the breakwater that so little has been done to it. Knowing that it was impossible to finish it this year, they devoted all their energies to the dock, and with capital success.

Obituary.—We regret this week to have to chronicle the death of our brother in the profession, William R. Simmons, on Wednesday, at the early age of 22 years. We recollect him as a good hearted, pleasant friend, and one whose presence we shall miss in the active profession of our town. Skilled in his business and attentive, he bade fair to excel in the "art preservative," but providence had a course to fulfil that wrung the hearts of many friends. The funeral took place on Friday afternoon from his father's residence, on Montreal street, and was attended by a large concourse of people, about sixty vehicles following in the procession to the graveyard. Rev. Mr. Graham read the funeral service. The family of the deceased have the sincere sympathy of the public in their untimely loss.

Wanted for the Camp.—At a meeting of the Directors of the Young Men's Christian Association held yesterday, it was resolved to open a reading room at the volunteer camp to assemble here to-morrow. For this purpose Contributions of magazines, illustrated papers, text and motto cards, tracts, writing material, &c., will be received by the Executive Committee. Clergymen or Sabbath Schools who have suitable reading matter (in a fresh condition) which they can conveniently part with, will please leave their contributions at Y. M. C. A. Rooms as early as possible. About 300 men will be in camp during twelve days, from Thursday, and the Y. M. C. A. have arranged to provide a reading-room, distribute tracts, &c., visit the men, and conduct religious and social meetings, in a temporary building to be erected for the purpose. Should any one desire to be disposed to aid them with funds for this special work, they may rely upon the Association expending the money judiciously. Cash contributions enclosed to the President, Mr. Moore, or to any member of the committee, will be promptly and thankfully acknowledged. We feel sure the public will liberally sustain this "camp work," and stand by the Young Men's Christian Association, with kindly sympathy, prayers and contributions. Our citizens should act promptly and generously toward the Y. M. C. A. in aid of the volunteers.

Clinton Items.—From the *New Era* we glean the following:—The Town Council have commenced to lay a plank sidewalk from the G. T. R. station up to the town, which will be a convenience to parties going to and from the station.

The new bridge which is now being constructed across the Bayfield River, here, will soon be finished and is working order. It will be the best bridge in the country.

Mr. and Mrs. Hendman Barnes, formerly of Daly's theatre, New York, have made Clinton their head quarters for the winter season.

The annual meeting of the H. T. A. will be held in the Central School here, on Saturday, the 19th inst., to commence at 9 a. m. The election of officers for the ensuing year, the centralization of the Association, the establishing of Local Association, and other important business, make it desirable that there should be a full attendance of teachers.

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Telegraph Company have commenced the construction of a telegraph line from Listowel to Seaforth, via Trowbridge, Ethel and Brussels.

Mr. Duncan McLean, of the Twelfth Concession of Tuckersmith, had this year ten acres of fall wheat, which, when threshed and cleaned, yielded 35 bushels to the acre. The grain was plump and of excellent quality.

We regret to learn that a young daughter of Mr. Daniel Campbell, of Winthrop got badly scalded a few days ago. Mrs. Campbell had placed a pail of boiling water on a bench, and while her back was turned to it, the child caught hold of the bench and pulled it over, upsetting the scalding water over her person.

Mr. James H. Benson, Reeve, leaves for Toronto, on Monday, for the purpose of making application to the Government to have Seaforth proclaimed a town, all the necessary formalities having been complied with. The Town of Seaforth! Don't that sound nice!

The Directors of the South Huron Agricultural Society, in connection with those of the Stock and Horse Breeders' Association, met and selected the dates for the fall Show. The show will now be held on Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 5 and 6, instead of Tuesday and Wednesday, Oct. 6 and 7, as formerly announced. This change has been made on account of Mitchell and Allen Craig shows being on the days first selected.

On Monday evening last a man—a stranger in the village—who was considerably under the influence of liquor, went into Powell's stables, and, in spite of the warnings of the hostler, persisted in amusing himself by walking up behind the horses in the stalls and hitting them with his hand. He, however, practised this prank on one too many, for his own good, for, no sooner had he hit one more, than it kicked and struck him on the forehead with both its hind feet, the shoeing blow sent the floor of the stable and inflicting two large wounds. The man was conveyed in an insensible condition to Powell's Hotel, and medical aid obtained. His wounds were attended to, and by the next morning he had recovered consciousness and become sufficiently sober to give an account of himself.

Mr. Hugh Love, Sr., of Hay, has sold one of his fine Cotswold rams which he imported from England last year, to Mr. William Blair, of Stanley, and Mr. James Cooper, of Tuckersmith, for $120.

The following items are from our Seaforth correspondent,—

Typhoid Fever.—There are over a dozen of cases of this disease in town at present, and new ones are occurring almost every day. It is supposed by some people that the great drought of part of this summer has been the cause, by drying up the natural moisture. At any rate the disease is prevalent all over Ontario at present.

Pic Nic.—The pic nic of the Seaforth Orange Young Britons, which came off in Payne's grove on Saturday last was a very pleasant affair, though the turn out was not what was expected, about 250 being present. A splendid band was in attendance, which hailed we believe from Clinton. Speeches were delivered by the Revs. Cuttler and Lavell, and every body seemed to be well pleased with every other body, and towards evening

"Each took off his several way."

Resolved to meet some liker day."

Strawberries in roses.—Some specimens of these delicious berries arrived in town a few days ago. They were all clad alike, namely, in a green uniform. They first made their appearance at Mr. McCallum's Hotel in the capacity of daring robbers. The point of attack was Mr. McCallum's garden, and the commodity which they seemed to envy most was the tomatoes. Finally Mr. McCallum captured the ringleaders of the gang and confined them in a box with a glass lid, where he exhibited them for several days free, to an admiring crowd of spectators as the best developed specimens of tomato grubs which have ever been seen in town. They are yet on exhibition at Mr. McCallum's Hotel, "free gratis for nothing." If Mr. McCallum would only charge ten cents per head he might almost make as much money as Barnum, without as much humbug, but he says that knowledge like air and water ought to be free to all, "without money and without price." Come one come all—behold the grubs.

A Broken Arm.—A young man of the name of James Patrick, who lives on the boundary between this township and Tuckersmith, but who has been working for some time it seems at Mr. Kyle's mill, Seaforth, met with an accident last Saturday, by which his arm was broken at the elbow joint. He was taken to Dr. Campbell's office and had the fracture attended to, but as the fracture extends into the joint, it is feared that the joint may remain somewhat stiff for the rest of his life.

Lucknow Items.—From the *Sentinal* Mr. James, of this place, on Monday last while ascending the scaffolding in front of Mr. McCarrol's stone building now under erection, stepped on a loose plank and fell to the ground, a distance of fourteen feet, striking his leg on the stone step in the doorway. No bones broken.

About a month ago some evil disposed person fired the bush in the rear of lot 20, con. 10, West Wawanosh, which, owing to the dry weather and prevailing south winds, spread to the clearances of Mr. T. Saunders, E. ½ lot 20, and consumed a large number of rails. His crop and barn had a very narrow escape.

A Brilliant Speech.

On Wednesday evening, the members of the Toronto Club entertained His Excellency the Governor General at dinner, at which a large number of prominent gentleman were present. Hon. John Hillyard Cameron President of the club, occupied the chair, and after the usual initiatory toast, he proposed the health of His Excellency and referred to the admirable public entertained towards him, the confidence they had in his capacity to represent them and the loyalty that had been manifested on his recent tour.

His Excellency replied as follows:—

Mr. Cameron and gentlemen,—I cannot but consider it a very happy circumstance that one of the most gratifying progresses ever made by a representative of the Queen in any portion of the British Empire, should find its appropriate close in this cordial and splendid reception, at the hands of a body of gentlemen which, thought non political in its corporate character, is so thoroughly representative of all that is most distinguished in the various schools of political thought in Canada. It is but a few short weeks since we left Toronto, and yet I question whether many born Canadians have ever seen or learnt more of the western half of the Dominion than I have during that brief period. (Hear, hear.) Memory itself scarcely suffices to reflect the shifting vision of mountain, wood and water, inland seas and silver rolling rivers, golden corn-lands and busy prosperous towns, through which we have held our way; but though the mind's-eye fail ever again to re-adjust the dazzling panorama, as long as life endures not a single echo of the universal greeting with which we have been welcomed will be hushed within our hearts. (Great applause.) Yet deeply as I am sensible of the personal kindnesse of which I have been the recipient, proud as I feel of the honour done to my office, moved as I have been by the devoted affection shown for our Queen and for our common country, no one is better aware than myself of the imperfect return I have made to the generous enthusiasm which has been evoked. If, then, gentlemen, I now fail to respond in suitable terms to the toast you have drunk, if in my hurried replies to the innumerable addresses with which I have been honoured, an occasional indiscreet or ill-considered phrase should have escaped my lips, I know that your kindness will supply my shortcomings—that naught will be set down in malice—and that an indulgent construction will be put upon my hasty sentences. (Laughter.) But gentlemen, though the language of gratitude may fail, the theme itself supplies me with that of congratulation, for never has the loyal sentiment of our most favoured people been more strongly pronounced than during the past few weeks. (Cheers.) From the northern forests, where primeval lumbermen are being cleared and infested by the rough and ready cultivation of the first great settler, to the trim residences and wheat-laden homesteads of more ancient settlements, from the cornices of the lakes, from the hunting grounds of Nipigon to the mining grounds of Nanaimo, in the wigwam of the Indians, in the homestead of the farmer, in the workshop of the artizan, everywhere I have met with the people are satisfied—(applause)—satisfied with their own institutions, their Government, and with the institutions under which they prosper—(applause)—satisfied to be the subjects of the Queen—(tremendous applause)—satisfied to be members of the British Empire. (Renewed applause) Indeed I cannot help thinking that quite apart from the advantages to myself, my year through the Provinces will have been of public benefit as exemplifying what spontaneous, unanswering unanimity of language the entire Dominion has declared its faith in itself, in its destiny, in its connection with the Mother Country, and in the principles of freedom of a constitutional government. (Applause.) And, gentlemen, it is this very combination of sentiments which appears to me so wholesome and satisfactory. Words cannot express what pride I feel as an Englishman in the loyalty of Canada to England. (Hear, hear.) Nevertheless, I should be the first to deplore this feeling if it rendered Canada disloyal to herself. If it made a dwarf or a mere effete Canadian patriotism, or generated a sickly spirit of dependence, such feeling, however, is far from being the case. The legislation of your Parliament, the attitude of your statesmen, the language of your press, sufficiently show how firmly and intelligently you are prepared to accept and apply the almost unlimited legislative functions with which you have been endowed, (hear, hear)—while the daily progressive disposition to extinguish sectional jealousies and to ignore an obsolete provincialism, proves how strongly the young heart of your confederated commonwealth has begun to throb with the consciousness of its nationalized existence (Great cheering.) At this moment not a shilling of British money finds its way to Canada, the interference of the home Government with the domestic affairs of the Dominion has ceased, while the Imperial relations between the two countries are regulated by a spirit of such mutual deference, forbearance, and moderation as reflects the greatest credit upon the statesmen of both. (Hear, hear.) Yet so far from this gift of autonomy having brought about any divergence of aim or aspiration on either side, every reader of our annals must be aware that the sentiments of Canada toward Great Britain are infinitely more friendly now than in those earlier days when the political intercourse of the two countries was disturbed and complicated by an excessive and unnecessary interference (cheers); that never was Canada more united than at present in sympathy of purpose and unity of interest with the Mother Country, more fervent with her in social habits and tone of thought, more proud of her claim to share in the heritage of England's past, more ready to accept whatever obligations may be imposed upon her by her partnership in the future fortunes of the Empire. (Tremendous applause). Again, nothing in my recent journey has been more striking, nothing indeed has been more affecting, than the passion ate loyalty every where evinced towards the person and the throne of Queen Victoria. (Great cheering.) Wherever I have gone, in the crowded cities, in the remote hamlet, the affection of the people for their Sovereign has been blazoned forth against the summer sky by every device which art could fashion or ingenuity invent. (Cheers.) Even in the wilds and deserts of the land, the most secluded and untutored settler would hoist some cloth or rag above his shanty, and startle the solitudes of the forest with a shot from his rusty firelock and a lusty cheer from himself and his children in glad allegiance to his country's Queen. (Applause.) Even the Indian in his forest, or on his reserve, would marshal forth his picturesque symbols of fidelity, in grateful recognition of a Government that never broke a treaty or falsified its plighted word to the red man—(great applause)—or failed to evince for the ancient children of the soil a wise and conscientious solicitude. (Renewed applause and cheers.) Yet touching as were the exhibitions of so much generous feeling, I could scarcely have found pleasure in them had they merely been the expressions of traditional habit or of a conventional sentimentality. No, gentlemen, they sprang from a far more genuine and noble source. (Cheers.) The Canadians are loyal to Queen Victoria, in the first place because they honor and love her for her personal qualities,—(cheers)—for her life long devotion to her duties,—(cheers)—for her faithful observance of all the obligations of a constitutional monarch—(cheers); and, in the next place, they revere her as the symbol and representative of an glorious a national life, of as satisfactory a form of Government as any country in the world can point to—a national life illustrious through a thousand years with the achievements of patriots, statesmen, warriors, and scholars (great cheers) a form of Government which more perfectly than any other combines the element of stability with a complete recognition of popular rights, and insures by its social accessories, so far as is compatible with the imperfections of human nature, a lofty standard of obligation and simplicity of manners in the classes that regulate the general tone of our civil intercouse. As you know, on my way across the lakes I called in at the city of Chicago—a city which has again risen more splendidly than ever from her ashes—and at Detroit, the home of one of the most prosperous and intelligent communities on this continent. At both these places I was received with the utmost kindness and courtesy by the civil authorities and by the citizens themselves, who vied with each other in making me feel with how friendly an interest that great and generous people who have advanced the United States to so splendid a position in the family of nations, regard their Canadian neighbors; but, though disposed to watch with genuine admiration and sympathy the development of our Dominion into a great power, our friends across the line are won't, as you know, to amuse their lighter moments with those "large utterances that pleased the early gods." (Laughter.) More than once I was addressed with the playful suggestion that Canada should unite her fortunes with those of the Great Republic. (Laughter.) To these invitations I invariably replied by acquainting them that in Canada we were essentially a democratic people, (great laughter) that nothing would content us unless the popular will could exercise an immediate and complete control over the Executive of the country, (renewed laughter) that the Ministers who conducted the Government were but a Committee of Parliament, which was itself an emanation from the constituencies, (loud applause), and that no Canadian would be able to breathe freely if he thought that the persons administering the affairs of his country were removed beyond the supervision and contact of our legislative assemblies. (Hear, hear, cheers and laughter.) And, gentlemen, in this extemporized repartee of mine—(laughter)—there will be found, I think, a germ of sound philosophy. In fact, it appears to me that even from the point of view of the most enthusiastic advocate of popular rights, the Government of Canada is nearly perfect, for while you are free from those historical complications which sometimes clog the free running of our Parliamentary machinery at home, while you possess every popular guarantee and privilege that reason can demand—(hear, hear)—you have an additional element of elasticity introduced into your system in the person of the Governor General, for, as I have had occasion to remark elsewhere, in most forms of Government, should a misunderstanding occur between the head of