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## A Canadian Peerage.

IN these history-making times it may be said that nothing surprises; people are apt to take momentous occurrences as if they were merely matters of course. It was our purpose some months ago, but delayed at that time by lack of space, to note in the pages of the GENEALOGIST a development which seems to be coming about, and is indeed but a natural, though to most people unlooked for, sequence upon many events which have happened of late years and continue to occur with such a rapidity of succession, compared with the experience of our fathers and grandfathers, that we have ceased to feel surprise if we take up the morning paper and find an announcement of the occurring of some great event, such for example, as the addition of another broad state or important possession to Her Majesty's dominions, an announcement too which is not unlikely to be marked with a less conspicuous heading than the result of a local bye-election or a meeting of the city council. The development to which we refer is the gradual arising of a Canadian peerage—to be more correct we should perhaps say an Imperial peerage. On taking up the Canadian Almanac for 1900 we find that this has attracted the attention of others as well as ourselves, for here we find a list of "Titled Canadians," in which besides an array of titled commoners, of whom we have long had with us at least a