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### An Important Day.

This is an important day in the history of this country. At an early hour this morning after a great speech by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the House of Commons ratified the contract which will launch in Canada the greatest railway project the world has known, excepting the trans-Siberian. The Grand Trunk Pacific will stretch from the Atlantic to the Pacific, 3,500 miles, constituting the shortest highway across the American continent. Every inch of it will be on Canadian soil and it will traverse every Province of the Dominion excepting Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. Eight hundred miles will be built in the Province of Ontario, at an average distance of 100 miles north of the Canadian Pacific Railway. From Winnipeg the prairie section will proceed in a northwesterly direction, touching Battleford and Edmonton and crossing the Rockies at a point 500 miles north of the international boundary line.

The cost of the road is variously estimated. The leader of the Opposition puts the cost of the eastern division, Winnipeg to Montreal, which the Government will build, at \$75,000,000, or \$40,000 a mile. The Government's figures are \$55,000,000, or about \$30,000 a mile. The prairie section at \$20,000 a mile will cost \$20,000,000 and the mountain section at \$50,000 a mile will cost \$25,000,000. Here is a total expenditure of \$100,000,000 for construction alone. In addition, the Grand Trunk Pacific must provide \$20,000,000 worth of rolling stock and there will be an outlay of many millions more for sundry purposes.

The expenditure of this enormous sum of money in Canada within the next ten years will give an impetus to industry and every branch of business and furnish employment to many thousands. But this benefit will be small compared with the stimulus which another transcontinental highway will give to the development of the country. A great era is opening for the Dominion.

### Uncle Sam Takes Alarm.

The Washington Government is greatly concerned over the drain of the best blood of the United States to the Canadian Northwest. It has sent agents to this country to study the question, to mingle with the incoming settlers from the Western States, talk with them and find out why they are deserting their country, and what steps may be taken to keep Americans on American land. United States land companies are making frantic efforts to stem the tide. At Neche, one of the gateways through which American settlers pass into Canada, a huge sign, painted white, with black letters, implores the Great Northern Railway passengers to "Stay in God's country, and Buy Lands of the Lorton Land Company." Signboards at other border towns shout similar appeals, "Stay Here and Be Citizens of a Republic; Don't Be Subjects of a King," is a choice specimen at St. Vincent.

A correspondent of the Toronto World records a conversation at Winnipeg, with a Mr. Harrison, one of the emissaries of the Washington Government now in this country. He confesses that the Canadians are using fair means to attract American settlers, and calls it "one of the most extraordinary exhibitions of energy of the century." But he complains that the Western States are as badly in need of good settlers as Western Canada, and says the emigrants from his side of the line are passing through most desirable free lands in the United States to reach the Dominion. There are plenty of free homesteads, he says, to be had in the Dakotas—as good Canadian land as Canada—but last year these two States lost to this country 4,000 heads of families. Every state and territory of the forty-four in the Union helped to people Canada last year, excepting Alabama, Mississippi, and Delaware, the number of Americans—heads of families—who entered homesteads in the Canadian West reaching the amazing total of 13,471. These people, mostly from the Dakotas, Kansas and Nebraska, fine farms and bring their cash to Canada, causing loss of population and wealth to the United States. The American agent adds:

"Those Canadians who resent our counter plans to turn this movement backward must of course remember that many of the same immigrants cost the Washington Government and the different state governments and the railroads which transported them a considerable amount of cash originally. Just as Canada today gives them free homesteads and her railroads concede them vastly reduced rates, and the provincial and territorial agents supply the newcomers with every possible convenience; so the States went through this same struggle with these same settlers during the boom days of the Dakotas, Kansas and Nebraska. This represents an initial outlay of enormous proportions. Therefore it naturally follows that what has cost the country so much to acquire should be retained even at additional expense. This is a proposition that will appeal to the States.

"The farmers who go to Canada from the States must be replaced in time from some other section. That means an additional outlay to the railroads and to the Government at Washington. The sums involved in promoting emigration from foreign countries and bringing these natives of Bohemia, Italian provinces and the less desirable sections of Europe into the United States, originally, were enormous. Then these new settlers were a source of expense and loss to the states in which they settled for some time. Now these people have reached a stage of development that renders them most desirable as citizens. They are just paying back to the state indirectly the original cost of their importations—and they start for Canada by the thousands."

All this is a splendid tribute to the

Canadian Immigration Department. The American authorities have as much right to try to check emigration to Canada as the Canadian authorities have to promote it. It is an honorable rivalry if honorable methods are used. The James J. Hill plan is to decry the Canadian West, but nothing can stop the movement if the Americans who have crossed the line are satisfied with the change. Every prosperous settler from the States will write to his old friends and neighbors, and do missionary work for this country. There is no better immigration agent than the contented immigrant.

After the Toronto blaze we shall not hear very much about municipal insurance.

There are still some Canadians who think Ontario and Quebec are bounded on the north by the Laurentian range.

If the Ontario Government gives the Western Fair a lift it will be a case of helping those who have helped themselves. This is more than can be said of all Government beneficiaries.

The common sense of the American people is asserting itself and there has been a landslide among the Democrats toward Parker. The yellow peril, William Randolph Hearst, has frightened the party into sanity.

There are about one dozen millionaires in Ottawa—Ottawa Citizen. And the country has to put up \$600 a year to beautify what the Ottawa millionaires have disfigured with their sawmills and lumber piles.

The London county council's loan of \$25,000,000 has been enormously oversubscribed. There is a good deal of idle money lying around Europe, and Canada can offer the best security. We ought to do better than 4 per cent in our railway financing.

Many will pay the tribute of a sigh to the late Dr. Samuel Smiles, the author of "Self-Help," who died the other day. He was not a great writer, but few great writers have had more readers in their lifetime and few have been more helpful to the masses.

The Niagara peach belt is a furor over the flat-earth theory, and the Hamilton papers can talk of nothing else. City Clerk McClelland, of St. Catharines, the flat-earth champion, addressed an unruly Hamilton audience Tuesday night. The Times sums up his arguments thus:

"Briefly stated, Mr. McClelland appears to hold that the earth is flat in shape, of extent unknown, lying on the waters, which in turn lie on—he doesn't suggest what; that the moon is another 'light,' not over 2,000 miles away, and always over the flat earth, revolving in concentric circles around a central point; that the moon is another 'light,' about 50 miles distant; that the stars are not great bodies, but mere specks just a few miles away; that eclipses are caused by unseen non-luminous bodies that wander about in space; that every direction from the 'central point' is south, and that right angles from south is not a straight line, but a curve that carries one around the central point; that degrees of longitude widen continually as we proceed south of the equator, and that although the sun is not always over the equator that region is somehow the hottest. And he charges that lack of acceptance of these theories—he calls them 'facts'—are responsible for the unbelief and infidelity of the age."

### IMPOSSIBLE.

[Philadelphia Bulletin.] He can compose sonatas, suites, and symphonies, even, maybe. But he's quite at a loss when his wife requests That he'll compose the baby.

### THREE OF A KIND.

[Chicago Journal.] He—Am I good enough for you, darling? She—No, George, but you are too good for any other girl.

### A DETAILED EXPLANATION.

[Cleveland Plaindealer.] "The city of Lassa is high up in the hills, the hottest. 'I dunno.' 'I was going to say that the British invading force might suffer from the altitude.' 'In what way?' 'Why, the altitude might bring on Lassitude, and the—hold on there, what's your hurry?'"

### WANTS IT BADLY.

[Chicago News.] If a man ever wants the earth it is shortly after he starts on his first ocean voyage.

### THE IDEAL ASSESSMENT ACT.

[Hamilton Times.] Some day we shall have an assessment act founded on the idea that a man should return to the community according to the degree in which the community benefits him, and not on the theory that we shall take most where we find most. But our statesmen, Grit and Tory, need a good deal of educating to bring them up to an appreciation of the honesty and wisdom of such a principle; so till then we must put up with crazy quilt measures that do not a little to hamper progress.

### A PICTURE OF SIR MICHAEL.

[From M. A. P.] Sir Michael Hicks-Beach was called "Black Michael" because of his dark complexion and hot temper. The frigate was in many rather than in private. People used to whisper sometimes with almost a shudder the terrible things he would now and then say when he was crossed or when he was bored. The language was, it is reported, that of the eighteenth rather than of the twentieth century. He is not a man who has many friends, or even many acquaintances. In the House of Commons he was through it now, after his 40 years of it, as though he were somewhat of a stranger and lonely figure there. But he has everybody's respect for his fine parliamentary gifts, for his courage and strength of will, for his many and great achievements. In spite of the faults of temper which he is

credited, he was a most successful leader of the House when he had to lead it, either as leader or as minister in charge of a bill. He could steer a most difficult and contentious measure through the assembly with tact and courtesy and good temper. He was ready to listen to reason; was able to conquer his natural impatience; and was always glad to make a friendly deal. His passion was for the poor, very much poorer in intellect, in experience and in character.

### XLCR.

(Detroit Free Press.) The shades of night were falling fast As through a Russian village passed, A youth, who bore, mid snow and ice, A banner with the strange device, "Teheroffitchskitch." And that's the end of the poem, because the Japs got him before he reached the second stanza.

### HINDSIGHT.

[Buffalo News.] If we took half the pains to win the favor of Canada that he did to gain grace in the eyes of nations to the south of us the two magnificent lands and peoples would be now parts of a common country, leading the world in the arts of civilization and blending all energies into the paths of permanent peace.

### SUNDAY IN DAWSON CITY.

[Toronto Star.] In contrast with the indulgence shown toward drinking in the north is the strict observance of Sunday, when it is impossible to get liquor in a saloon. Moreover, the criminal code prohibits working on Sunday, and in Dawson the day is one of complete rest. Last fall a number of workmen who were engaged in repairing a saloon were charged in the police court with "desecrating the Sabbath," and were fined \$5 and costs each. The police enforce the Sunday sections of the code on complainants and as there is a strong church element in Dawson, the complaint is never lacking.

### DON'T RISK A PENNY. GET WELL FIRST.

For 20 years I've been a physician! I have treated nearly two million cases. Surely you'll admit that such experience must have taught me some certainties. And—All that I know of disease and cure—all that I have proven to be worth knowing—is condensed into my six books for the sick.

Write for a free copy today. They tell of my great discovery that practically all diseases can be permanently cured through the Sympathetic Nerves. Not the nerves we feel with, hear with, but the inside nerves. It is these that the vital Organs—the Heart, Liver, Kidneys, Brain, etc. When the inside nerves get run down, that Organ which is weakest in the body loses its power to act properly. It then throws its work upon the other organs.

These Organs, in turn, become affected through overwork, and all secure any case is found without complications. I proved it useless to doctor the individual Organs themselves, while the Nerve-power to fully operate them was lacking. Sedatives temporarily deadened the pain, but increased the distress afterwards.

Tonics revived the drooping powers, only to insure relapse so soon as the stimulus of food was withdrawn. Of what use to hourly move ahead the hands of a watch if its mainspring be seriously weakened? There is but one sensible thing to do, viz—strengthen the mainspring. That's what my new, safe, prescription—Dr. Shoop's Restorative—does. It acts almost immediately. The Nerve Centers just as steam acts on an Engine.

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### TOLD OF SAMUEL JOHNSON.

Dr. Samuel Johnson married a Mrs. Porter, of Birmingham. That lady's daughter thus described the doctor's wooing: "His appearance was very forbidding, as was his manner. He was so that his immense structure of bones was hideously striking to the eye, and the scars of the scrofula were deeply visible. He always wore his hair, which was straight and stiff, and separated behind; and he often had, seemingly, convulsive sobs and old-fashioned pretensions, which tended to excite at once surprise and ridicule. Mrs. Porter was so much engaged by his conversation that she overlooked all these external disadvantages and said to her daughter: 'This is the most sensible man that I ever saw in my life.' Mrs. Porter, who was twice Johnson's age, was not easily won. Urged by her learned lover to say why she should refuse him, she said 'an uncle of hers had been hanged and she did not wish to bring disgrace on him.' 'Is that all?' said Johnson. 'Why, though I have never had an uncle hanged, I have two or three uncles who deserved it. So let's get married and say no more about that.'—Chicago News.

### COW IN NATURE AND ART.

In a New York art gallery there is a picture of a black and white cow, with a background of landscape, trees and fence. The cow, however, is the subject. The picture was painted by a famous artist. A card on the picture says that it was purchased by its owner at the price of \$5,000. These facts and figures have moved the New York Times to a discussion of the relative value of cows on the hoof and cows on canvas. There can be no question of the fact that the artist who painted the cow was a realist, and that the cow he painted was a real cow. A real cow standing in a real pasture, would be much more realistic than the painted cow in the painted pasture. To the admission that the artist painted a much more desirable picture. And yet here the painted cow is sold for 100 times as much as the real cow of good blood would cost. It may be argued that it is the environment that puts the price. But look at it this way: A cow can be bought for \$5 dollars, and a first-rate bit of pasture can be bought for \$50. For a few dollars more some artist's bit of old fence can be erected. There, then, would be the environment, at a saving of more than \$5,000 for the whole as compared with the cost of the painted cow.—Savannah News.

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## SYMPATHY FOR THE QUEEN CITY

Legislature Expresses Regret Over Toronto's Disaster.

## OPPOSITION RAISES A ROW

Declares Premier Used the Fire in an Attempt to Force a Division in the House.

[Special to The Advertiser.] Toronto, April 21.—The Premier, leader of the Opposition, and the Toronto members of the Legislature expressed their sympathy with the fire sufferers in the House yesterday afternoon. "We all very much regret this terrible calamity," the Premier said. "We share the sympathy of Toronto as a legislative body, and we are delighted at the progress it has made. It is only right that we should sympathize with its business men and its citizens generally in this hour of their affliction. Many of those who have suffered loss were personal friends of my own, and friends of honorable gentlemen of this House and we all feel with the sufferers in this hour of their affliction. We will hope that this baptism of fire will result in that heroic and fortitude which more than makes up for any loss, and also in that charitable enterprise of the business men of the city." (Applause.)

Mr. Whitney agreed with the Premier that the fire was a most deplorable event. There was no doubt, however, in his mind that Toronto would go on improving, as it had in the past, notwithstanding this terrible setback. The effect of the disaster could not as yet be fully realized, even by those who were directly connected with the disaster. He expressed the earnest hope that the city would not suffer any material setback as a result of the fire. (Applause.)

After the Toronto members had spoken in a similar strain, the Premier announced that the Government appreciated the services of the Toronto business men and the sympathy of the House and the Legislature. He said that the Government would do its utmost to assist the sufferers in this hour of their affliction. He said that the Government would do its utmost to assist the sufferers in this hour of their affliction.

Mr. Smyth (Algoma) said that on Tuesday night he was greatly embarrassed by the services of the Toronto business men and the sympathy of the House and the Legislature. He said that the Government would do its utmost to assist the sufferers in this hour of their affliction.

Mr. Whitney said that it seemed a pity that the comfort and property of members should depend upon whether they were in the House or not. If he had gracefully agreed to adjourn in the first place, he would have saved a great deal of inconvenience and personal loss and suffering.

The Attorney-General—There was nothing to prevent interested members from leaving the House, but the discussion should not have been injected into the House.

Mr. Whitney—I was informed that the Premier had intimated that Mr. Cameron (Huron) would follow Mr. Smyth in the debate, but that a note was sent across to this side of the House from the Government whip saying that he would not speak. That standing order of the House wanted us to put up two men to their one, and then contemplated taking advantage of the circumstances down town, by forcing a division.

The Attorney-General denied this and the incident closed.

**"UPON THAT WE STAND OR FALL"**

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railway they would have to spend a great deal of money. But by helping the Grand Trunk Railway—a powerful railway company—and by forcing it to take the eastern section and pay 2 per cent on the cost of it, the Government thought they were minimizing the expense to the country to a few millions. One or two things would happen—either there would be default or there would be no default. If the Government's calculations were correct, the Grand Trunk Pacific would be in a position not only to meet all the liabilities from the profitable western section, but to pay the rental for the eastern section. If these expectations were realized the country could have a new transcontinental railway at a much lower cost. Had the suggestions of the Opposition been adopted and the results been the same as on that railway at present, the country would have been saddled with an enormous debt, every cent of the interest on which the country would have to provide annually. Nothing could be truer than the statement that when the Grand Trunk Railway came to the Government it was with a proposal not to build from ocean to ocean, but from North Bay to the west. The Government had told the company that so long as the present Government were in office they did not have a dollar of public money for such a line. (Cheers.) The Government told the company that they were anxious to have them extend to the northwest and to take their share of the growing trade of the west, but they told the company also that the trade collected

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