

Greater Ontario

**FIVE MILLIONS BEING SPENT ON NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT—
A VAST ADDITION TO THE TERRITORY INCLUDING HUDSON
BAY PORT—TIMBER RESOURCES WELL MANAGED—
GOOD MINING LAWS—GOVERNMENT RAILWAY
EXTENDED**

Under the auspices of the Whitney Government 146,400 square miles have been added by the Dominion to the Province of Ontario, being known as the District of Patricia and securing to this province a Port on Hudson Bay by means of a strip of land five miles in width from over northern boundary to Port Nelson.

The work of developing our great northern heritage inaugurated by the present Government has been carried on with vigor and effectiveness. Large and increasing sums of money from year to year have been expended by the Colonization Roads Department in the construction of colonization roads; by the Public Works Department in the construction of bridges, drains, buildings and other works; by the Education Department in educational purposes, and particularly in special help to poor schools in the newer and outlying settlements; and by the Agricultural Department in providing District Representatives, supplying thorough-bred cattle, the establishment and maintenance of experimental farms, and in other ways stimulating settlement and agricultural activity in that section of the province.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

The Government has been successful in securing the construction of large plants in addition to those heretofore established for the manufacture of pulp and paper and other wood products at Abitibi, Metogami, Dryden, Fort Frances and elsewhere in the north, thus furnishing markets for the timber the settlers have to sell and greatly aiding in the building up and development of the country generally.

\$5,000,000 FOR DEVELOPMENT

In addition to the large sums above referred to annually expended for works in the north, in 1912 the sum of \$5,000,000 was set aside for the construction of works and improvements, the making of roads, the development of water powers, the advancement of settlement and colonization, assistance to settlers, the improving of transportation and the encouragement and assistance of agriculture in the north.

Mr. J. F. Whitson, a man of outstanding ability and integrity, and understanding and appreciating to the full the resources and possibilities of Northern Ontario and its requirements, has been appointed Commissioner of Northern Ontario Development and charged with the expenditure of this fund; and, under his direction, \$1,274,225 has already been expended in this work. In 1912 considerable progress was made in the construction of roads in Timiskaming. During the year 1913 work was carried on in every section of Northern Ontario, extending from the Quebec boundary to the Rain River valley. Seven hundred and sixty-four miles of road have been constructed, a large mileage of drains dug, and bridges and other important necessary works have been completed.