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Canada is a vast land with scattered pockets of people.

The Fathers of Confederation were able to bring the provinces together figuratively because they promised to bring them together literally. First it was done by rail—short lines connected Ontario, Quebec and the Maritimes and, in time, transcontinental railways connected the East and British Columbia. More recently it has been by highways—the outports of Newfoundland that were

isolated for centuries are now linked by a great circular road that is part of Canada's transcontinental highway system.

The roads in the west are flat and straight. In the evenings motorists, such as these moving between Lethbridge and Fort McLeod, Alberta, have spectacular sunsets before or behind them. Harold Clark took this picture in 1979.

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