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The Midland Railway is now ready for freight traffic from Gretna, Man. across the Assiniboine.

It is expected that the Dominion Government will shortly ask for tenders for the construction of 500 additional miles of the Transcontinental Railway.

The Grand Trunk Railway Company has decided to erect a handsome building at the Jamestown Exposition, Norfolk, Virginia, which will open in April next.

It is reported that several Canadians from Chatham and Tilbury, Ont., have purchased the American interests in the Windsor, Essex, and Lake Shore Railway, and will finance the road themselves.

The location plans of the Grand Trunk Pacific from Edmonton, Man., through Yellowhead Pass to a point about fourteen miles beyond the Rockies, have been filed with the Railway Commission.

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NEW CANADIANS IN 1906.

A list issued by the Department of the Interior this week shows that the total number of homestead entries in Canada during the last fiscal year was 41,869, representing 105,420 souls. The proportions of different nationalities are interesting: 12,485 of these entries were from the United States, 8,097 were English, Scotch and Irish; only 476 French and Belgian; 1,249 Scandinavian; 677 Russian and Mennonite; 3,217 German and Austrian. Of Chinese and Japanese there were none, they do not buy farm land.

Among the 12,371 homestead entrants who are Canadians, there were only 792 from Quebec, while 7,584 were Ontario folk. The Maritime Provinces contributed 769, Manitoba 1,531, British Columbia 122, the other Western Provinces 863, while there were 703 Canadians who had returned from the United States to take up land. A couple of dozen came from Australia and New Zealand, and from Europe, in addition to those stated, 182; from the West Indies a few, and 17 from Newfoundland.

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