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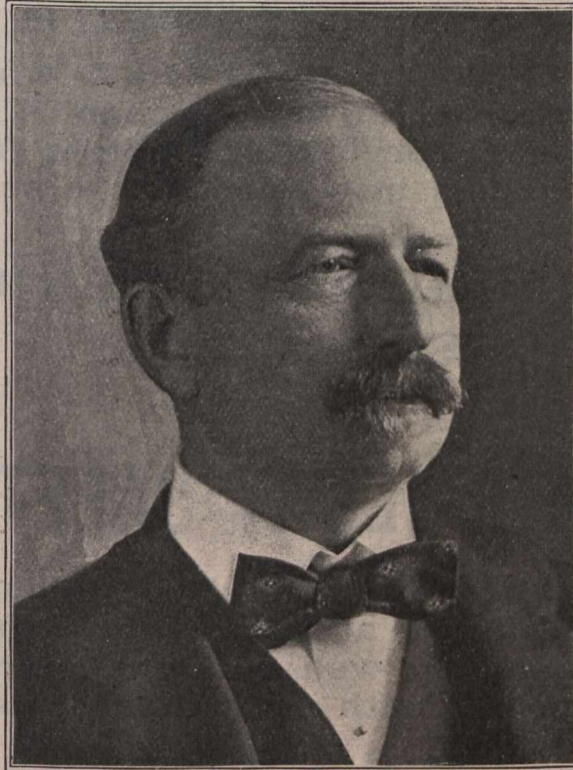
Toronto's Great Tribute to Sir Thomas Shaughnessy.

"Conquering Patriotism Reigns" was the new interpretation of the letters "C.P.R." given by W. F. Cockshutt, M.P., amid ringing cheers, at the dinner tendered to Sir Thos. G. Shaughnessy by the Toronto Board of Trade at the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, June 15. Over 250 members of the Board and guests, among whom were very many of the city's leading business, financial and professional men, attended the dinner, which was a brilliant function, an enthusiastic tribute to the C.P.R. President, and a fitting commemoration of the opening of the new line from Bolton to Romford, Ont., which gives the C.P.R. its own direct line from Toronto to Sudbury, and greatly reduces the time between the Queen City and Winnipeg and other north-western points. The President of the Board of Trade, L. H. Clarke, occupied the chair, and in addition to Sir Thos. G. Shaughnessy, the invited guests included the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, Sir Mortimer Clark; four C.P.R. directors, Sir Sandford Fleming, Hon. L. J. Forget, E. B. Osler, M.P., and W. D. Matthews; Hon. F. Cochrane, of the Ontario Government, and the Mayor of Toronto.

Sir Mortimer Clark, replying to the toast of the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, expressed the pleasure he had in meeting so many interested in the welfare of the country, and especially in the great question of transportation. He joined with them in doing honor to their distinguished guest, and incidentally to the great company which he represented. Sir Mortimer told of many experiences which had fallen to his lot in the course of his transcontinental journeys from the time when the buffalo roamed the plains down to the present. He could not on those occasions fail to think of the miserable opposition to those men who had helped to build the great steel road across the continent. If those men after risking their all had obtained great fortunes, then he was sure that they had only obtained their due. "Had it not been for that road," he said, "British Columbia to-day would not be British Columbia." He could not, when looking at the rails of that road, help but think of the word "Craigellachie," "Stand fast," cabled from one great Scotchman in London to another in Canada, at the time when the fortunes of the road were at its lowest. No one at that time had thought of the future before the C.P.R., a road which would be a highway between the east and the west, opening up homes for untold thousands.

"Every year that has passed, that road

has been more and more a blessing to this country," declared Sir Mortimer. "When it was first constructed it was the very salvation of this country. It was the means of retaining the Dominion intact, and making Canada what it is to-day. The more I think of this road, the more I think of the vast benefits it has conferred upon this country, the more am I animated by the spirit of gratitude towards those men who



SIR THOMAS G. SHAUGHNESSY, K.C.V.O.
President Canadian Pacific Railway Co.

conceived the idea of its construction, and the financiers whose ability enabled its completion. The great fault of the majority of our roads has been that they have been impoverished to pay dividends which ought never to have been paid; but the C.P.R. has been honestly managed, its stock is not watered stock, and I hope that Sir Thomas Shaughnessy will long be spared to manage it, and that the road will continue to prosper."

The President of the Board of Trade in rising to propose the toast of the evening expressed his great pleasure at Sir Thomas Shaughnessy having consented to accept such an honor at their hands, although averse to such public appearances. He had appreciated that the opening of the Sudbury line was an event of great importance to Toronto, and to this section of Ontario, and

well worthy to be marked in any possible way. They could only guess of what importance the line would be; perhaps Sir Thomas would hazard a prophecy during the evening. Mr. Clarke then spoke of the advantages to be gained by the reduction in distance to the West, and said the building of the new line had been unique in one particular, in that it was built without a dollar of bonus from municipality, local or Dominion Government. It had been financed by the company, and its operation by the same company was a guarantee that it would be such as they desired. If anyone was in doubt, let him travel by any of its lines of railway, or steamers, or stay at its hotels, and he would find nothing but compliments for the management and efficiency of the C.P.R. This was a matter of national pride, although people were liable to be a little remiss in giving credit for the magnificent development of the great transcontinental system. Behind it there had been a master mind that inaugurated it, and a genius that guided it, and most largely it had been the guest of the evening that had made the road what it was. He had other qualities besides ability, and was universally admired for his breadth of view and his fair-minded attitude in all things. This was evidenced by the fact that there was none of his 70,000 employes but would be willing to have Sir Thomas as sole arbitrator of all disputes. He was also possessed of a high sense of honor, and of sterling integrity, as was demonstrated by the fact that wherever the C.P.R. was known, its management was synonymous with honesty. In these days of graft, it was refreshing to look to the C.P.R. and see what its President had done. Every subsidiary company paid into the general treasury every dollar that it earned, and there was none who could say that any of the funds had been misapplied. It was a thing to be

proud of that the greatest corporation in Canada and the greatest railway company in the world was under a management that was absolutely honest and unquestioned. The saying that honesty was its own reward was never better exemplified, for Sir Thomas had only to make his requests known in the money markets to have them granted. It was to his credit that he had had, during the tight money period, funds lying in the banks that they were able to loan to business men. The President closed with saying that he always thought men should be honored during their lifetime, but he was safe in saying that there would be no brighter name in the history of Canada than that of Sir Thomas Shaughnessy.

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, who was received with a tremendous ovation, the audience rising and cheering for several minutes,