

Railway and declared himself to be opposed to the government operating a railway. They would "borrow the money with which to build the National Transcontinental Railway at three per cent, and lease it to the Grand Trunk Pacific at 3 per cent, so that the road would not cost the government anything.

It will be seen that there is at present no great issue before the country for the electors to decide. The building of another transcontinental railway is not an issue because the Conservatives say there shall be another. Just where or how they are not so definite about. Mr. Haggart said in the House that it should be built well to the north, about the height of land. Mr. Monk, a colleague, does not agree but said that it should run down the Ottawa or St. Lawrence valleys. Mr. Borden himself proposed that it should go from Montreal to Scotia Junction, thence to Sudbury and then to Winnipeg, over the single track of

the C.P.R. along the north shore of Lake Superior, a scheme that Mr. Blair called "a wild scheme". The policy of constructing another railway is not, therefore, an issue between the parties, and the electors cannot be expected to worry much about route and details. With regard to the tariff there is evidently a sort of fiscal peace. The government has just imposed a duty of seven dollars a ton on steel rails, a protection so high that former Conservative governments would not have dared to impose it.

What then, is there to form an issue? We believe that the administrative policy of the government will be the chief issue—the reforms of the postal department, the success of the immigration, the improvements of the canals, the attention paid to agriculture and dairying by Mr. Fisher's department, the financial surplus, and the generous treatment of the militia by Sir Frederick Borden.



THE ENGLISH ROYAL SARCOPHAGUS AT FROGMORE

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