

to the square mile of the habitable area ; and this twenty years after the assumption of the territory by the Dominion.

—The country gave a guarantee for thirteen millions to indemnify the C. P. R. for the surrender of a monopoly to which, as far as Manitoba was concerned, the Company never had a right. Having got the guarantee the Company, with the manifest connivance of the Government, maintained the monopoly by blocking the construction of the rival railway. It is now doing the same thing again, and as before with the connivance of the Government, the object probably being to secure the exclusive handling of this year's harvest. So at least Manitobans are complaining. But, as Sir Richard Cartwright says, if any one calls attention to the wrong in Parliament, he will be voted down, perhaps without debate, by a majority at the command of the Government. Not only so, but Manitoba herself, as likely as not, at the next election, lured by some paltry and perhaps illusory bribe, will send up representatives to uphold the wrong. "Considerable indignation," says the *Winnipeg Sun*, is felt over the matter. Then let the people, instead of merely "feeling" indignation, show it.

—A curious letter signed "Maple Leaf" appeared the other day in the *Toronto Telegram*. It was written in support of a proposal to treat the English subjects of Her Majesty as aliens and impose on them a year of naturalization as a condition of eligibility to municipal office. From this it went on to inveigh with extreme bitterness against English immigration. Other writers have followed in the same strain. We believe the letter to have been a symptom of a feeling, which though unavowed, is growing. There is a singular contrast in this respect between American and Canadian sentiment. To Americans England is an object of traditional hatred ; yet the Eng-