

revenue contributed to the Dominion purse between the years 1880 and 1890 by Manitoba, amounted to 16,901,624 dollars. The cost of the Canadian Pacific Railway in the province of Manitoba and the North-West, to the foot of the Rockies, was 15,767,419 dollars. The land subsidy given to this corporation for the work of construction was 18,206,986 acres. Putting this land at the very low value of two dollars per acre, it represents a sum of 36,413,972 dollars. Some Eastern politicians would seem to regard Manitoba and the North-West somewhat in a similar spirit that England regarded her colonies in days of yore, instead of being an integral and very important portion of the Dominion. This great western land is regarded as a possession of the east, to be utilised for the benefit of Eastern Canadians. We have been told that this vast track of country was purchased from the Hudson's Bay Company. Any person acquainted with English history knows that the Hudson's Bay Company had as much right to dispose of North-Western Canada as they would have to sell Ireland. Even the rights that had been originally granted to this company had lapsed by the efflux of time, and had not been renewed. We hope that under the fresh régime a more liberal policy will be pursued towards Manitoba and the territories, that more life will be infused into immigration efforts, and our vast tracts of unoccupied lands settled, and that the cry we now hear will not prove the mere echo of that we have year by year been deluded with, viz.,