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We hope in succeeding numbers to begin the publication of the series of drawings promised by our art contributors, whose productions cannot come too scon nor too often.

PROSPECTUS.

"THE DOMINION ILLUSTRATED": that is THE illustrated weekly paper of the Dominion par excellence; also, the paper in which we intend to illustrate the Dominion of Canada, its scenery, its industries, its cities, its attractions and resources, its great public works, its prominent men. This we will do thoroughly. We propose to show Canada in its summer aspects principally; to illustrate our great prairie farms and ranches, our Ontario vineyards and mines, our Quebec parishes, pioneer settlements and timber limits, our great Lakes and noble St. Lawrence, the shipping, fishing and mining interests of our Maritime Provinces, the magnificent mountain scenery of our Rocky and Selkirk ranges, the salmon canneries, huge trees and growing Pacific trade of British Columbia, not to mention those northern fertile and temperate regions of Peace River and Hudson's Bay, only now coming into notice. The field is immense, the variety infinite. We will give such pictures, mostly from photographs, that Canadians will not be

ashamed to send abroad, and that foreigners and fellow subjects beyond the seas will at once recognize as truthful and trustworthy. Such is our aim; we want by this means to make our country better known, not only to other nations, but to the various and far spreading sections of our own Dominion. With this end in view, we have secured the hearty and active co-operation of the following distinguished members and associates of the Royal Canadian Academy, whose drawings will appear in the regular issues:

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Sketches of current events of importance will be reproduced, a few interesting engravings will be copied from the European papers, and we will also have some comic cuts, original or selected.

A prominent and attractive feature will be the weekly production of a fine art subject. of which "Dreamland" after Coomans, in this number, is a specimen.

The literary portion of "The Dominion Illust-RATED" will be under the direction of Mr. John Lesperance, who is so well known throughout Canada as an erudite, scholarly, and interesting

He will be assisted by a staff of able contributors and correspondents. The tone of the paper will be strictly non-partisan, and non-sectarian, but Canadian to the marrow. We are for building up a homogeneous, united, patriotic nation, and for ignoring all prejudices of race and sect; marching onward, shoulder to shoulder, to the goal of prosperity that looms ahead.

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The military bearing of our new Governor General has been noticed at once. He was a grenadier guardsman for years, and his sen belongs to his father's regiment. His Excellency is a solid man, like his father, the late Earl of Derby, but not so fluent. What he says, however, is to the point, as coming from a full mind.



It is a good sign to see that Canadian bodies can command a hearing in the British Parliament, but these bodies should be careful to hedge in their complaints by absolute accuracy. Thus the Toronto Trades and Labour Council charged that pauper immigration was encouraged by persons describing themselves as Government agents, but Sir Michael Hicks-Beach practically denied this, and thus the whole matter remains in abeyance.

Another point of interest is a resolution brought before the House of Commons by Mr. Baden Powell, urging the value of Colonial inscribed Stocks for trust investments. The Chancellor of the Exchequer could not back the proposition, however much he wished to maintain Colonial credit, and preferred waiting until there had been a judicial discrimination in the value of Colonial Stocks. Sir Charles Tupper has an automatic project in hand which the British Government are said to favour.

There is comfort in learning, that the reported death of Stanley, the great African traveller, is not confirmed. At first we were told that he was cut off by Savage foes; then that he had been wounded and had died; again, that the King of the Belgians, personally concerned in Stanley's expedition, had received a despatch giving particulars of his death. Now, we hear that Leopold II. denies the whole story, and especially that Stanley's fate had been hidden for Stock purposes. That Stanley has come to some grief, however, is probably too true.

There seems to be no doubt about the decline of the movement headed by General Boulanger, in so far as it was meant to take an aggressive and dominant part in the foreign affairs of France. The French peasant, like peasants everywhere, has a fund of common sense, and is not quite disposed to be disturbed in the enjoyment of peace and the competence of his little farm-by irresponsible men such as the soldier Boulanger, or the poet Deroulede, whose agitation in this matter has been utterly laughable.

The waters of two Canadian rivers have been tested-the Richelieu and the Ottawa. In neither case was the result satisfactory. Indeed, the Otta-wa, compared with samples of various waters of the Dominion, is pronounced inferior, with a quality not such as was thought. The government analyst further declares that there are some kinds of water which, without being properly impure, would create the germs of disease in predisposed persons.

The Toronto, and indeed the Ontario papers generally, have expressed surprise at the levying of an entrance fee to the Canadian side of the socalled International Park, at Niagara Falls. While every lane, path, street and standpoint is free on the American side; in Canada, where the view is the best, foot passengers are charged ten cents and vehicles, fifty. Surely the Commissioners are not going to persist in this paltry exaction, which is contrary to the spirit that dictated the establishment of a park there. Lord Dufferin, who broached the plan, expressly meant it to be free.

There are few cities in America, and perhaps in the Dominion of Canada, better provided for than Montreal in the way of public pleasure grounds. Besides Place d'Armes, Champ de Mars, Victoria, Dufferin, Dominion and St. Louis Squares, Viger Garden, Fletcher's Field and Logan's Farm, there are two places of outing peculiar to the city-St. Helen's Island and Mount Royal Park. It is now proposed to open another park by the acquisition of the Price Farm, west of St. Gabriel, between the Lachine Canal and the Lower Lachine road. The estate is of 207 acres and would contain a settling pond or basin in connection with the Montreal Water Works, which could be converted into an ornamental lake, as in New York Central Park, where the artificial water is that of the Croton reservoir.