

NEW ONTARIO: ITS PROBLEMS AND HOW TO SOLVE THEM.

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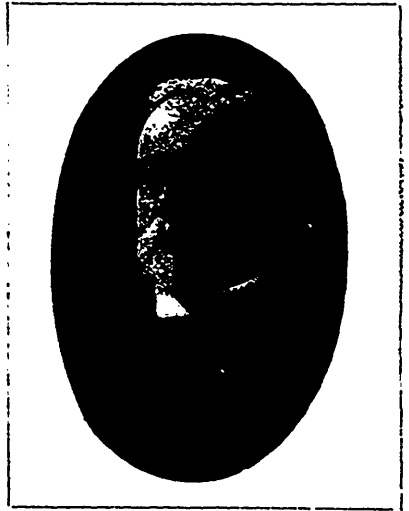


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HERE are striking points of similarity between our missionary operations in the Algoma, Sudbury, and Nipissing Districts and the condition of the Methodist Church in the whole of the Province in the early part of the last century. In development of country, Northern Ontario is now where Southern Ontario was three-quarters of a century ago.

The capital of the Dominion was then a little village called Bytown—the centre of lumber industries. Toronto was known as “Muddy Little York.” Hamilton was described by a Church of England missionary as “A rising village near Ancaster;” and he spoke of the Arctic severity of its winters in terms which might serve Nansen to describe the frost of Farthest North. In the environs of London, settlers



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were attacked by wolves in daylight. Mr. Carling, father of Sir John Carling, gave me a graphic description of an encounter which he had with one of these bloodthirsty animals, in which he defended himself