

CANADA AT THE PAN-AMERICAN.

The Dominion of Canada has erected at the Pan-American exposition what is in many respects the finest and best furnished of the foreign buildings at that great assemblage of the achievements of Pan-America. The dedication of this building on July 1st, Dominion Day, was a notable event and will do much to draw closer the relations between Canada and the United States and other portions of the three Americas.

The Canadian building is a handsome structure, 60x108 feet in dimensions, and two stories high. The style of architecture is Elizabethan, and staff work representing stone in the first and timber in the second story. The shingled roof is stained with crocote. There are two wings extending from the front at the sides of the main entrance to the building and between these a veranda and a balcony. Over the north wing is an octagonal tower. In this corner are the ladies' reception room, and a meeting room for the Canadian exhibitors. In the south wing are the offices of the commissioners of the Dominion government and the province of Ontario and their staffs. In the rear of these quarters is an exhibit room, 40x60 feet. Here are shown the natural resources of Canada only, the individual exhibits being shown in their respective divisions in the various exhibit buildings of the exposition.

The staff covered walls of the building are beautified with color in pleasing tints, the harmony of the color scheme of the exposition being maintained here. The interior decorations are rich and in the best of taste.

The Canada building has been opened for two weeks previous to its dedication. The ceremonies in connection with the dedication afforded opportunity for a most imposing military display which was participated in by the 48th Highlanders of Toronto and all officers of other Canadian military organizations, the governor-general being represented by the minister of militia and defense, Hon. F. W. Borden, M. D.

The construction of the Canada building and the arrangement of exhibits were authorized and arranged for by the department of agriculture of the Dominion, of which the Hon. Sydney A. Fisher is minister. The building is located on the north of the Mall to the east of the agriculture building and near the great stadium for athletic sports. The grand canal of the exposition, with its avenue of poplar trees, runs along in front of it. It is convenient of access from the big live stock barns to the south of the Mall. The building resembles somewhat the British building at the Chicago world's fair, of 1883, although it is by no means a copy of this building. Flowers and fruits are used to brighten the appearance of the building. The interior presents a most effective appearance, arranged as it is with the exhibits of Canada in a most attractive manner.

Although Canadian exhibits are seen in the various exhibit buildings in greater extent and variety, the notable productions of the Dominion have been arranged so as to give on the whole a most interesting presentation of the products of this vast country. The cereals products of the Canadian farmers are woven into figures and patterns suitable for the decoration of the building. Conspicuous in the display are the specimens of game animals and birds. The New Brunswick legislature has loaned to the Intercolonial railway for exhibition in this building some of the most interesting articles in its collection. One of the features of the decoration of the building upon the interior is a splendid buffalo. This stuffed buffalo is one of the largest specimens to be seen. There are also fine specimens of the musk ox. The bison shown was the grant of a herd in the Canadian Northwest territory and was killed by Warburton Pike, an American writer, who had it stuffed and mounted and presented to the Dominion government. Other stuffed animals shown are moose, elk, caribou, beaver, lynx, wild cat, mink, seal, marten, fox, bear, wolf and different varieties of birds and fish.

There is a splendid moose head with antlers spreading 68 inches, loaned by Col. Charles E. Turner, U. S. Consul general at Ottawa, who shot it 150 miles north of the Dominion capital. It is said to be the most perfect specimen in existence.

The Canada building has apartments for visitors and for the officers of the commission, and these are handsomely

furnished throughout. Just off the main court is the office of Commissioner J. Hutchinson and his secretary, Wm. A. Burns, and here there is a register where Canadian visitors are requested to inscribe their names.

The Canada building is illuminated at night in harmony with the other exposition buildings, so that it is a beautiful sight in the evening as well as under the sunlight of the day.

The Ontario fruit exhibitors made special preparation for Canadian Day in the way of a complete display of choice apples from their ample supply in cold storage. There is also a very complete and attractive exhibit of strawberries, gooseberries and cherries. In addition to this a large number of patriotic Canadians sent over for the embellishment of the exhibit a plentiful display of the finest cut flowers of the season, including roses, carnations, lilies, sweet peas, verbenas and a multitude of other varieties.

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R. P. Rithet & Co. say: The advance in grain freights, mentioned in our last, has been well maintained during the past month, with a further slight increase in rates. The arrivals of grain carriers have been few, but more tonnage is bound for the coast, attracted by the good wheat crop now being secured. At northern points no business is offering and a vessel on the spot, available for Tacoma or Seattle, has been chartered for San Francisco loading. Lumber freights are quiet at unchanged rates, with very little inquiry for tonnage. We quote freights as follows: Grain: San Francisco to Cork, f.o., 38s 3d to 38s 9d. Portland to Cork, f.o., nominal. Tacoma and Seattle to Cork, f. o., nominal. Lumber: British Columbia or Puget Sound to Sydney, 40 to 42s 6d; Melbourne or Adelaide, 47s 6d to 50s; Port Pirie, 47s 6d to 48s 6d; Fremantle, 60s to 62s 6d; Shanghai, 50s to 52s 6d; Kiao-Chau, 50s to 52s 6d; Taku, 55s to 57s 6d; Vladivostok, 47s 6d to 50s; W. Coast. S. A., 55s to 67s 6d; South Africa, 65s to 67s 6d; U. K. or continent, 75s to 77s 6d.

During the week ending Saturday last 2,839 head of cattle were exported from Montreal and 3,203 head of sheep.

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