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THIRTEENTH YEAR THE N.P. TREE To Be Pruned Only That It May Fructify

AND BECOME MORE PRODUCTIVE But the Roots Will Grow Deeper Than Ever.

A Great Gathering in the Auditorium Last Evening—Thirteen Members of the Cabinet—Their Addresses—Solid Comfort for the Year—How Deeds Cry—The Return of the Premier's Speech—The Policy of the Past to Be the Policy of the Future—The Manitoba School Question and the Extension of the Intercolonial Railway.

One of the largest and most enthusiastic meetings ever held in Toronto was that which last night welcomed Sir John Thompson and his colleagues of the Conservative Government. The Auditorium was densely packed an hour before the meeting commenced and compelled a overflow meeting to be held in Temperance Hall.

The Chairman's speech: President Armstrong said: On behalf of the Young Men's Conservative Association I thank you, ladies and gentlemen, for this magnificent turnout in honor of our Prime Minister and his able colleagues.

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a new administration has been heralded in such a way that I feel most disappointed this evening. We have been heralded as having a new story to tell you. The party to which I belong obtained power nearly 15 years ago. We told you then what we proposed to do and we have done it upon the same platform.

The lines of that policy were laid in such a way as to mean far more than a mere tariff arrangement. It meant the opening up of the great Northwestern Territory, where a home was awaiting our farmers who had been till then attracted to the Western States. It meant the development of the country going forward with the extension of the railway and the promotion of the principal points in the older provinces but the desolate lands of the Northwest, and which were large tracts of land, the far, remote Province of British Columbia, with her sister provinces on the Atlantic coast.

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Mr. Thompson proceeded to a comparison of the methods of the two parties in dealing with this question of the exodus, and again generally and in a very simple and plain manner. He said: Ladies and gentlemen, the Liberal party in power did practically nothing to this end, the Conservative party had effectively checked the exodus. The Liberal party in power did practically nothing to this end, the Conservative party had effectively checked the exodus.

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of the Province of Quebec who were migrating to the United States, and the people of the Maritime Provinces, let us remember the fact that we have seen in the people these distresses in wages and are giving for wages now two millions of dollars a year more for the employment of labor in textile and leather manufactures which had hitherto drawn the principal part of the population who had emigrated to Quebec and the Maritime Provinces to the United States. This had been one of the results and achievements of the National Policy.

The speaker then reviewed the history of the Liberal-Conservative party in the past, to show what it would be in the future. He said: "I have described to you as a means of developing the resources of Canada and welding its people together, in the policy we intend to follow." (Applause.)

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THE PANAMA CANAL PROFITS A BANKER MADE 1,000,000 FRANCS FROM THE LOTTERY.

He also received 2,000,000 francs for suggesting the lottery scheme. He does not think he was overpaid. Evidence in favor of Count de Lesseps and his son.

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GOLD IN FRANCE. The Bank of France is Pouring Out Gold for the First Time in Ten Years.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—Mr. Laessle, director of the Mint, has received a cablegram from Paris stating that the Bank of France is pouring out gold heavily for the first time in ten years.

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RAILWAY WRECKS IN IOWA. A PASSENGER COACH TUMBLES SIXTY FEET.

Two People Killed—A Suburban Accommodation Train Telescoped—Three Were Killed—Coaches—Fifteen People Injured—Lives of the Dead—One Coach Caught Fire.

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LAST NIGHT'S MEETING. The feature of last night's meeting was Sir John Thompson's declaration that it was the intention of his Government to stand by the National Policy—national in the sense that his Government would do everything to build up this country as a nation, and extend its influence and to develop its resources, to strengthen our alliance with the Mother Land and to make this a great and prosperous country.

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DICKSON & TOWNSEND AUCTIONEERS. New address, 15 King-st. west. See advertisements on 5th page.

ONE CENT

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SPANISH MEANS BUSINESS. Four Men-of-War Ordered to Be Ready to Sail to Tangier as a Menace to the Dominion Home.

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