

of a permanent retention of such portions of the political machine as have become unsuited to their intended purposes, but as a natural counterpoise to the equally necessary principle of Radicalism, which otherwise would anarchically destroy instead of repair the complicated system called the constitution. *There*, also, all great measures of reform have long to be vehemently agitated and urged from without the Government arena in order to obtain their achievement ; while *here*, owing to a vast amount of heterogeneousness in a very sparse and diffused population, the necessary pressure to achieve any large measure of national reform or progress might reasonably be expected to proceed from within the Government and Parliamentary circles. But may it not be hoped, in regard to the important subject here very sincerely though feebly brought before the public, that, affecting neither party, race, class, nor creed injuriously, all will aid in such a general expression as will encourage the Government and Legislature to initiate a wise, prompt, and permanent action. As to whether this action would lead to the adoption of his views, the Author really feels but little anxiety, compared with his earnest hope for *some* action necessarily leading to the adoption of a system based on sound principles of political economy, and particularly on principles applicable to the present circumstances of Canada. That which he most especially hopes, in regard to *his* attempt at a system, is that it may be spared a profitless criticism of its language or style that would leave its matter uninvestigated. He hopes for a full and candid examination of the whole subject, feeling convinced that this would be productive of incalculable benefit to Canada, a country he has made his home ; in regard to which therefore, notwithstanding his own trials in it, he is in duty bound