

graphic and interesting sketches. We had the pleasure of listening to his valuable address, and were more forcibly than ever impressed with the fact that the road to the Lake of the Woods can be easily made a good one. The Rev. Gentleman stated that he had been over both the Hudson's Bay, and the St. Paul's lines, and that neither of them was so good as the one he had just passed over, even in its present condition. We are happy to have this valuable testimony in favour of the route§", &c. Immediately after this, certain circumstances transpired, which eventually obliged the author to revisit England, and during his second sojourn in this his native land, his attention has been most closely drawn to the condition of these territories; and still finding considerable lack of knowledge respecting these immense regions, and entertaining a fervent desire for England to do her duty towards one of the oldest and largest colonies of the British Empire, he has compiled the following notes on the history, law, and resources of those parts, in the hope that they may be useful to all, and assist those who are in high station or authority by helping to place them upon proper vantage-ground on the questions in hand; and likewise excite interest among those who are blessed with leisure and means, and induce them to contribute their substance, weight, and influence to spread Christianity all over that continent, and to promote Christian colonization and