

pierced and indented by the rough-and-ready cultivation of the free-grant settler, to the trim enclosure and wheat-laden townships that smile along the lakes; from the orchards of Niagara to the hunting-grounds of Nipegon; in the wigwam of the Indian, in the homestead of the farmer, in the workshop of the artisan, in the office of his employer—everywhere have I learned that the people are satisfied; satisfied with their own individual prospects and with the prospects of their country; satisfied with their Government and with the institutions under which they prosper; satisfied to be the subjects of the Queen; satisfied to be members of the British Empire.”

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