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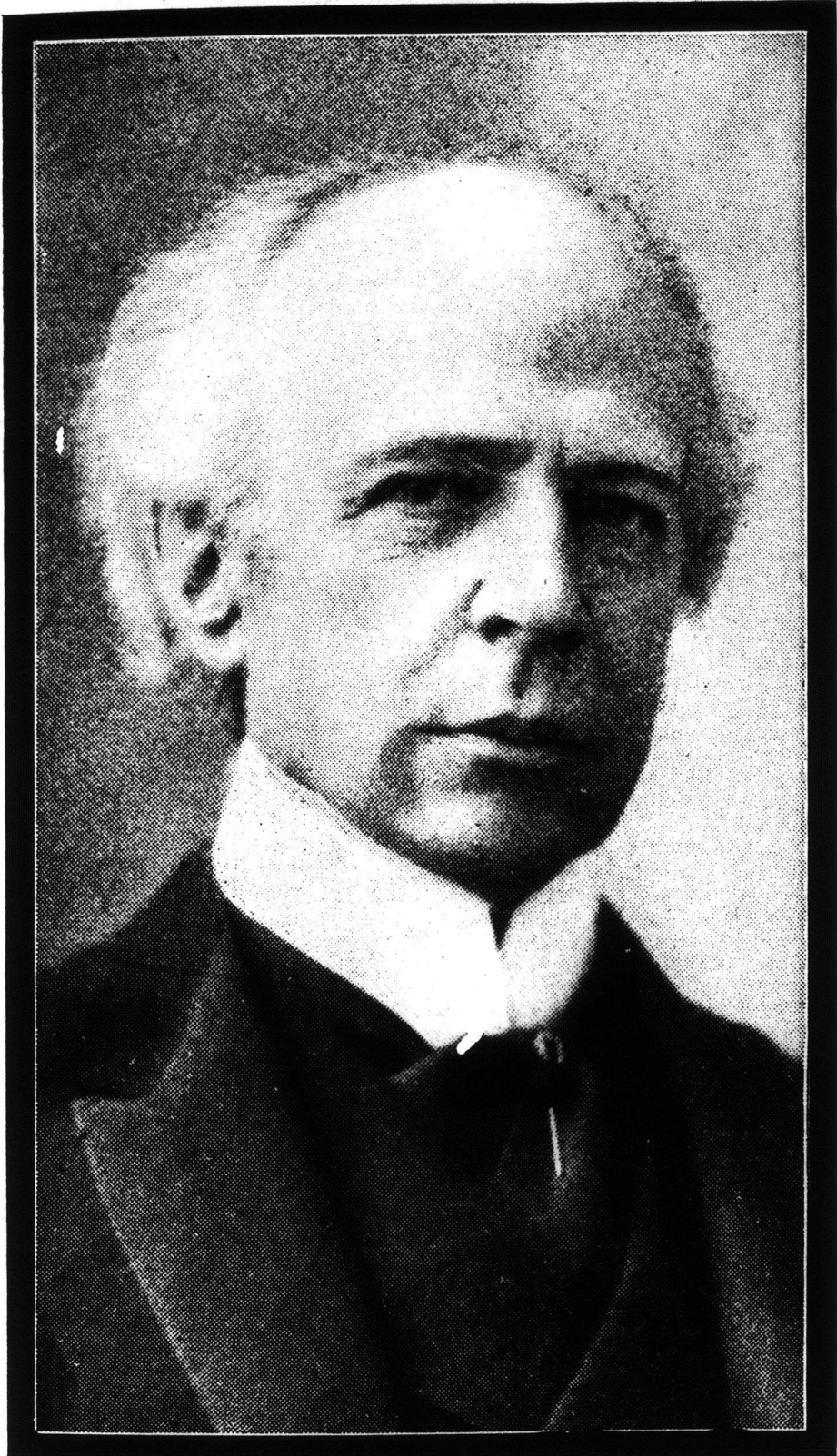
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Poor Mary, it had fallen harder on her than on him, as it usually does in these and similar cases, and, like many another man during their happy married life, he had watched her grow from radiant womanhood to the rather wistful, but still sweet-looking, woman she now was.

John found his tools, and, quite unthinking of his now nearby neighbors, was, soon lustily enjoying all and sundry to "Join in a song with sweet accord, Join in a song with sweet accord, and thus surround the throne, and thus surround the throne." His audience was either unwilling to do so, or unappreciative of his vocal powers, possible both, as it was not yet six o'clock, and townspeople do not rise with the lark. After sundry vigorous knocks and thumps on the walls on either side of the room he was working in, it

past forty years, the same dear hands that had toiled for her, and the same loving heart whose only wish had been to do something for her, although often at the wrong minute, as now. So resolutely putting the thought of sleep behind her, she forced a smile, and, reaching one hand for the tea, with the other pulled down his face for a kiss. What did it matter if in returning it he knocked the cup over? Were they not starting life afresh? Just him and Mary, Mary and him, no one, not even Jim, their only boy, to share her with. Jim had taken to himself a wife, and they had handed the farm over to him and come to live in town. But the mother-heart breathed away from Jim—her Jim, her boy. She did not mind him getting married one bit and to such a nice girl, too, so suitable in



THE LATE SIR WILFRID LAURIER.

The late Right Honorable Sir Wilfrid Laurier, born at St-Lin, Quebec, Nov. 20th, 1841. Died at Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 17th, 1919. Prime minister of Canada 1896 to 1911. Liberal leader for 32 years.

gradually dawned on him his neighbors wanted him to desist.

However, he had Mary to fall back on, so he made a cup of tea, and putting the last of the milk they had brought with them into it carried it up stairs to her. Mary, rather more used than the new neighbors to the genial invitation to "surround the throne" had just dropped into that blissful, unconscious state where even a cup of tea, that panacea for all woman's woes, was unappreciated. Pulling herself together she roused to see her faithful spouse by her side, the peace offering in his hand, and to hear him saying apologetically, "Sorry I woke you up just now, dearie. Hope you hadn't just dropped off to sleep again."

What could she do? It was the same dear face that had smiled on her all these

every way, as all the neighbors kept telling her, but she longed so much to be able to see him off and on all day, if only from the window, even if she could not now cook his dinner for him and mend his socks. However, John decided it would be better to leave the farm to his son altogether, and after all, it was him, and him only, she had to consider now. So, dressing herself, in a few minutes they were seated opposite each other at the breakfast table. Her husband had never tired watching the "play" of her hands among the cups and saucers, although it was strangely quiet after the busy farm kitchen, with its cats and dogs jumping around, waiting to be fed, and Jim and the hired man talking and arguing most of the time, and the poultry crowing and clucking

Government of the Province of Manitoba

COMBINED BALANCE SHEET

As at 30th November, 1918

ASSETS		
CASH ON HAND—		\$ 2,750,388.60
Available for:—		
Public Works and Undertakings.....	\$ 1,103,707.91	
Drainage Districts Capital Outlay.....	33,866.67	
Current Expenditure.....	258,607.30	
Extinguishment of Bonded Indebtedness and Held in Trust.....	690,350.40*	
Patriotic Purposes—Unexpended portion of Treasury Bill.....	663,856.32	
	<u>\$2,750,388.60</u>	
INVESTMENTS—		2,791,625.13
Capital Monies.....	\$ 1,006,670.75	
Sinking, Replacement and Trust Funds.....	1,784,954.38*	
	<u>\$ 2,791,625.13</u>	
SECURED ON OTHER ACCOUNTS—		8,535,119.38
Secured Accounts—Capital Monies.....	\$ 457,569.86	
Other Accounts—Revenue Monies.....	675,124.34	
Outstanding Revenue.....	786,019.23	
	<u>\$ 1,918,713.43</u>	
Add:		
Land Agreements, Judgments and Succession Duties (see Deferred Balance Sheet)....	\$ 6,616,405.95	
	<u>\$ 8,535,119.38</u>	
DOMINION OF CANADA.....		\$12,110,534.56
PUBLIC WORKS AND UNDERTAKINGS (Book Values)...		27,828,277.89
DRAINAGE AND JUDICIAL DISTRICTS:		
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE (Net).....		6,143,095.65
UNSOLD LANDS—See Deferred Balance Sheet.....		13,263,566.95
		<u>\$73,422,608.16</u>
LIABILITIES		
TREASURY BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE—		\$2,900,974.21
Payable out of Revenue:—		
Treasury Bills.....	\$ 2,425,000.00	
Accounts Payable.....	46,914.09	
Interest and School Grants Accrued.....	429,060.12	
	<u>\$ 2,900,974.21</u>	
SINKING FUNDS, REPLACEMENT RESERVES AND TRUST FUNDS—		2,475,304.78
Acquired by Levy.....	\$ 861,572.95	
Appropriated from Revenue.....	1,038,178.41	
Obtained from Trust Deposits.....	575,553.42	
	<u>\$ 2,475,304.78*</u>	
STOCKS AND BONDS—		33,890,870.34
Revenue Bearing.....	\$19,347,317.02	
Non-Revenue Bearing.....	14,543,553.32	
	<u>\$33,890,870.34</u>	
PROFIT ON BOND CONVERSION—		449,403.30
SURPLUS:		34,238,688.15
Being excess of Assets over Liabilities:		
Capital Surplus.....	\$14,415,992.67	
Revenue Surplus.....	238,929.53	
Deferred Surplus.....	19,583,765.95	
	<u>\$34,238,688.15</u>	
Deduct:		
Appropriation of Revenue for Extinguishment of Bonded Debt exclusive of Telephone Appropriation.....	532,632.62	
	<u>\$73,422,608.16</u>	

NOTE:

A—In addition to the above Liabilities the Province has guaranteed the Principal and Interest on Securities, as follows:
Canadian Northern Railway Securities..... \$25,663,553.33
Municipal Debentures, etc..... 1,685,329.55
Manitoba Farm Loans Association Securities..... 1,773,806.46
\$29,122,689.34

B—The Province has also guaranteed the Interest only on Municipal Debentures of a total par value of \$99,500.00, and has guaranteed the rentals payable to the Northern Pacific Railway Company in respect of certain Railways in Manitoba leased.

J. G. STEELE, Comptroller-General.