to have the permission of examining any books, manuscripts or letters, which may cast light upon business, political or social conditions in what is now British Columbia at that time. is now British Columbia at that time. If any such persons will place their portraits with an account of their recollections of that period at our disposal we shall feel very grateful. We would also like to have portraits and biographical sketches of any persons who took a conspicuous part in the can see the most convenient to town, As soon as they have got beyond the city limits they will notice what is being done in the way of building and the setting out of fruit farms and in the course of the pext two miles fhey will look upon a scene, which it would be difficult to surpass for beauty and promise for the future. On both sides of the road are orchards and berry fields. How many acres are in fruit we can only surmise, but the area is yery large. Some of the trees are maearly history of the province in any very large. Some of the trees are mature; others are in all stages of deline of work, professional, commercial velopment. In many places long lines or political.

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At telegram anounced a few day, the strain of the Prince of Walsa. An invitation to enjoy the hospitality of the Herican Shaughnessy the strain of the Prince of Walsa. An invitation to enjoy the hospitality of the Herican Shaughnessy the Prince of all Canadians. Possibly the Prince only intended to make some titting and the Prince of the Herican Shaughnessy was expected to the possible of the Herican Shaughnessy was seen the genulus of present-day Canada personified. Let us not be supported to the Dominion is due wholly or even chiefly to the able President of the Canadian people and the Canad

a transcontinental railway, and the expansion of the system on business lines, and said that Sir Thomas had already exhibited in a remarkable degree the powers of organization and the mastery of details needed to make the Canadian Pacific the foremost of all the world's transportation companies. Events have borne out this anticipation, and wherever we look over the vast territory, both on sea and land, to which the operations of this com-

brain behind this great institution that is doing so much for Canada as a whole and from which Victoria has already received so many advantages.

A FRENCH OPINION

Le Gaulois expresses some views, which a good many Englishmen might well lay to heart. Almost daily we hear some one condemn in the most unqualified terms everything and everybody connected with the present as being incapable of honesty and maligned as enemies of their own country. The same things were said about Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, while he was premier. Unfortunately there are in every country men, who have worked themselves up to a belief that their political opponents are, from the very necessity of the case, villains of the deepest dye. They could not do right if they would, and they would not do right if they could. Le Gaulois, we think, expresses what will be the verdict of history, although it is not probable that Sir Henry will take up many pages when the records of the country come to be written.

We quote:

England has given France a great lesson. The English are a great people. The political adversaries of Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, those whom he had fought and beaten, associated

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meet the eye. Raspberry, blackberry and logan berry bushes are seen in abundance, and the whole landscape, especially now when the bloom is on the apple trees, presents a sight well

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work of all kinds, and it is the ploneer work that will tell in fitting a man to take his proper place in the community. Get out where the country is brand new. Sleep under the blue sky if need be. Pack your food upon your back. Go with the men who are invading new territory. It is the finest kind of work, and it may lead to success in a wide way. In this way a young fellow can become "a man who can," and to the man who can there is always a way open, provided he does not handicap himself with bad habits or a notion that there is no real life outside of the electric lights of a city.

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in our view, be construed as lacking in courtesy to the City Council or any members of it. Surely a business firm or a private citizen has the right to address even the Firewardens in respectful terms upon any matter relating to the administration of the very important affairs coming within the province of that body. We noted with a good deal of superies that one of the a good deal of surprise that one of the alderman said that the fact of the burst-

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