

tinct from each other as are Canada and Australia to-day. What Canada is now the Editor has told us in a delightful manner in this interesting book, descriptive of her journey in 1890, which journey, by the way, would not have been possible but for the efforts of Sir John Macdonald and his colleagues to consolidate the Dominion by the building of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and other public works.

I have nearly come to the end of the space allotted to me, and I cannot write all I should like to say about the many wise measures with which Sir John Macdonald's name is especially identified, besides those dealing with the formation of the Dominion, and the construction of the great railway, which have helped to make the country what it is to-day. But I may add that, apart from the high position he occupied as a statesman, which was recognised in every part of the Empire, he was in his social life a most charming man. No one was more popular in the Dominion among old and young, and no one had more friends. To be in his society was both pleasant and profitable, for he was full of reminiscences and anecdotes, had read everything that is worth reading, and was gifted with a wonderful memory. He was the recipient of many honours from Her Majesty, and his loss has been lamented, not only in the United Kingdom (which found expression in the memorial service in Westminster Abbey), but from one end of Canada to the other. There is very general sympathy with Lady Macdonald in her great grief, and the announcement that the Queen has conferred a peerage upon her, in recognition of her husband's great services to the Empire, has given much satisfaction. It is said that a memorial is to be erected to Sir John's memory in St Paul's Cathedral, and the proposition is such an excellent and appropriate one that it is sure to receive much support. His life affords an example that may well be followed by all young men, both "at home" and in the colonies; for it shows, in the first place, what a man can do for the good of