

that the profits go into the pockets of Canadians instead of Americans as was the case for many years heretofore.

The St. Peter's Indian Reserve.

It is in connection with this question that Mr. Bradbury's name will probably be most permanently associated in Canadian political history. The St. Peter's Indian Reserve scandal was one of the worst of the many which disgraced the regime of the late Liberal Administration. Mr. Bradbury, immediately he entered Parliament, became the champion of these poor ignorant and defenceless Indians who had neither money or votes to give him in their turn. In a speech that is acknowledged by members of the House of Commons to have been one of the best argumentative speeches ever delivered in that chamber mercilessly exposed this disgraceful transaction and proving beyond all possibility of refutation that the Indian Department under the late Government had, through bribery and deceit secured the surrender of the valuable land comprising the St. Peter's Indian Reserve adjoining the town of Selkirk. Through the connivance of Government officials and Liberal party heelers real estate sharks were permitted to fleece the Indians out of their private holdings. Lands worth immense sums were by these methods secured for a few paltry dollars. The men who engineered this surrender were powerful financially and made the most strenuous efforts to head off Mr. Bradbury's exposure. Inducements, which to most men, would have been exceedingly attractive were offered him and when these failed threats were indulged in. Both, however, failed to deter Mr. Bradbury from his determination that justice must be done these Indians. The member for Selkirk chose to defend the weak though in so doing he knew he was making bitter enemies of powerful individuals and interests who, so long as they live or exist will seek at any cost to defeat him. Mr. Bradbury is confident that these efforts will be unavailing for he has entire faith in his constituents that they will recognize in the future as in the past the great service he has rendered his country.

An agitation has been going on recently for the apparent purpose of injuring Mr. Bradbury, politically. It is just as well that people who are not directly interested in these Reserves Lands should be made aware of the fact. The speculators involved in this notorious transaction are evidently attempting to deceive the people of the country. Their chestnuts are in the fire and they want the people to pull them out, thereby assisting to make hundreds of thousands of dollars out of these Indian lands and incidentally, out of the people, who, after all, would have to foot the bill by paying taxes to feed and care for the Indians who have been robbed of their valuable reserve.

Approaches to the St. Andrews Dam.

The bridge over the dam which was built at a cost of two hundred thousand dollars, stood for two years useless owing to the fact that no approaches had been constructed. The Laurier Government refused to build them, claiming that it was the municipalities interested who should bear the cost which was estimated at \$90,000. Mr. Bradbury on several occasions pointed out to the then Liberal Government that it was quite impossible for the municipalities concerned to provide this amount of money. After two years of hard fighting he succeeded in inducing the late Administration to authorize the work, but this was only done on the eve of the election of 1911. When the present Government came into power nothing had been