a region from the Ottawa river on the east 2,500 miles to the west, and then from the boundary line 2,000 miles to the north reaching the Arctic Ocean. To the north of the great lakes, Lake Huron and Lake Superior, there is the recently discovered New Ontario, one of the richest mineral regions in the world, where is Cobalt and some of the richest silver mines on the earth.

It is also a Great Forest region, where, when the trees are hewn down and the stumps rooted out, there is a great clay belt in which hundreds of thousands of settlers will find a living by and by, a region 500 miles one way and 150 miles the other—why, the size of an empire 1 It is a region capable of practically doubling the population, wealth, and power of the old province of Ontario, and through it the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway is about to pass. There on all sides in the course of the next five years a score or fifty little towns will be built up, and two or three hundred farming communities grow up. It is one of the greatest missionary fields ever opened up to the enterprise of the Church. Leave that out.

Leave out a similar region to the west, reaching from the boundary line 200 miles along the Rainy River and the Lake of the Woods, a rich district—a rich mining district, a rich agricultural district, and a rich lumber district—where towns are already growing up in Fort Francis, and Emo, and Keewatin, and Kenora—one of the promising regions of the new Dominion of Canada. Leave that out.