

in its power to rid us of this Syndicate of fishy speculators, which can only thrive by monopoly and oppression. Canada has already given \$65,000,000 and 25,000,000 of acres toward this great enterprise. What have these men given? Nothing. They have taken money which should have been devoted to the construction of the road to invest in other enterprises and thereby encountered the hostility of corporations with which it was obviously their interest to have been on friendly terms. The Dominion never entrusted these men with the public funds for the purpose of wrecking and squeezing railroads and buying lines in which ministers are interested as the price of their support in the Cabinet.

These gentlemen would have the public believe that they have largely invested their own private means in this enterprise. We have at present no evidence of this, but the palpable fact exists that they have one and all built palatial residences far more costly than that in which the late Commodore Vanderbilt lived when he possessed sufficient means to have built a Canadian Pacific Road at his own expense. There is not a mortgage registered on any one of the mansions of the Syndicate. Here is a pack of princely paupers applying for aid at the portals of Parliament! Do the people intend to pamper an oppressive, monopolizing clique, which has not, nor ever will have, the confidence of the financial world? As they have failed, let them retire and cease bringing discredit not only on the road, but on Canadian securities abroad. They have tried too much, and like the small but conceited hen, have endeavored to hatch out a square yard of eggs, and failing are cackling loudly for the Government incubator to come to their aid. If the Government incubator is to hatch out the Canadian Pacific eggs, the services of the Syndicate then can be dispensed with. The clique, however, with its accustomed conceit, will crackle loudly--after receiving enough money to build the road from the Government. "Behold, alone we did it," and in reward for their services claim to be knighted all round.