

with astonishing rapidity, and their influence is a factor in mediating the lessons of liberty, fraternity and equality. Let it be our aim to cultivate with the great nation to the south feelings of peace and good-fellowship. There is room on this continent for two great nations, and Canada has made up her mind to be one of them. There exists no occasion for jealousy or ill feeling between these two countries—our interests are common. Should not our hands be joined to uphold them? It is obviously the interest of both Canada and the United States to live on terms of cordial friendship. That Canadian Clubs are being a means in a measure of drawing more closely the ties between these two great branches of the Anglo-Saxon race would in itself be ample justification for their existence.

Mr. Glass then proposed the health of the King, which was drunk most enthusiastically.

"Canada and Her Resources."

Mr. Frank Lawson introduced the toast, "Canada and Her Resources." He said:

"Most of us are in the habit of congregating together, from time to time, under different auspices, and with different objects, and in our gatherings we are prone to laud the tenets and objects of our societies, lodges, clubs, or other organizations, as though they were the most important considerations for which we have to live. All of these organizations, too, while not necessarily antagonistic toward each other, have divisional tendencies, and sometimes make class distinctions.

"In assembling at we have tonight, we have no objects, no thoughts, no teachings, but those embraced by every citizen of this country, and there can be no objects in our lives, except in connection with our churches and our homes, that are more worthy of our efforts and our loyalty than those in which we are interested for the benefit of our native country.

"It must be a source of satisfaction to the Canadian Clubs generally that the spirit of true patriotism is continuing to grow among our people. There was a time when our ancestors, through their struggles (whether of pioneer work or forced engagements on the fields of battle), developed a very strong affection for the land that they worked for or defended. But a time followed (within the memory of many of us here present), when numbers of Canadians could be found quite indifferent to the fate of this country, and quite ignorant of its resources and its possibilities. Today we are enjoying a universal appreciation of Canada (not as our forefathers, through struggle and adversity), but through one of the most prosperous eras that has ever come to any nation, and it is, therefore, with pleasure and with pride that we will drink this most important toast to this country of which we are all proud to be citizens.

"We are especially favored tonight in being able to couple with this important toast the name of one of the history-makers of this country. I need not attempt to introduce to you the Hon. Clifford Sifton; it is quite enough that I have the honor to associate this worthy gentleman's name with this toast, to give us double pleasure and pride in drinking it.

"I will simply ask you to fill your glasses and drink to 'Canada and her resources,' coupling with it the name of the Hon. Clifford Sifton."