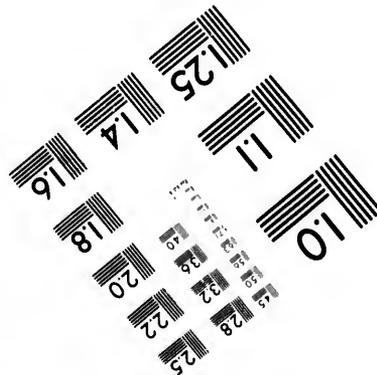
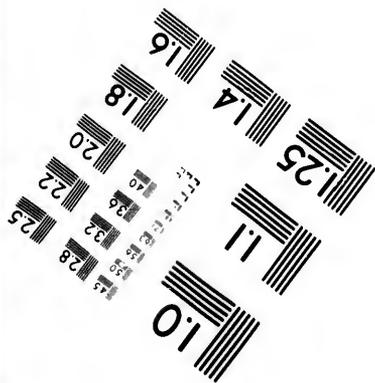
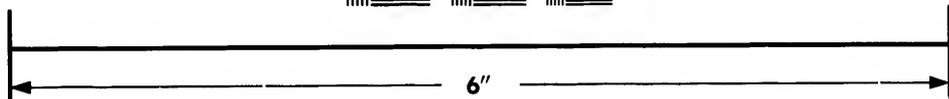
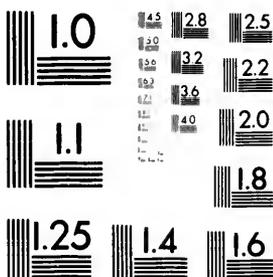


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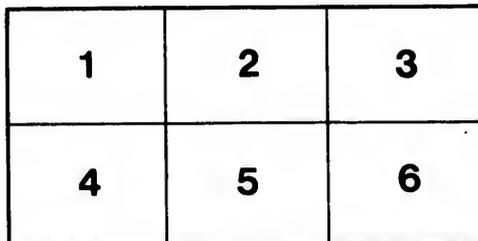
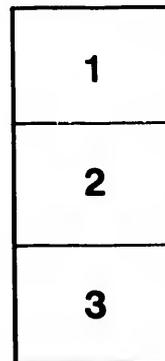
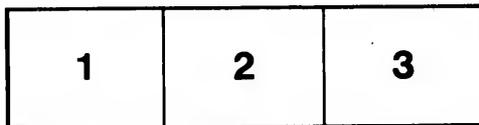
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The Confession of the Corruption of the Geological Survey

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NORTH-WEST TERRITORY MATTERS.

To Alfred R. C. Selwyn, L. L. D., F. R. S., Director of the Geological Survey of Canada.

1. DEAR SIR.—On the 20th ult. I sent to you my printed letter entitled the "CORRUPTION OF THE GEOLOGICAL SURVEY IN NORTH-WEST TERRITORY MATTERS," with the following note:—

DEAR SIR.—The enclosed printed letters addressed to yourself and Sir J. A. Macdonald are, of course, only preliminary, for I take it for granted that you will respond to my request and join with me in circulating them as described therein.

No other course can save the Geological Survey of Canada or your own reputation. Please telegraph me at once that you agree to this joint action, and prepare any letter you like to follow these which I send to various destinations.

Yours truly, HENRY YOUNG HIND.

Not receiving my acknowledgement of the receipt of the printed letter, or the accompanying packet of references, or to the above quoted note, I telegraphed at noon, on the 30th ult., to you as subjoined:—

WINDSOR, NOVA SCOTIA. April 30th, 1883.

TO SELWYN, Director Geological Survey, Ottawa.

I have you responded to my printed letter of 13th April. Large contemplated swindling operations dependant upon your action. Matter very important. Please answer immediately.

H. Y. HIND.

At 9.30 on the morning of May 1st, I received from you the following telegram:—

TO PROF. H. Y. HIND.

OTTAWA, ONT.

"I have no reply to make to your communication."

(Signed) ALFRED R. C. SELWYN.

While thanking you for your significant answer, there remains for me no other alternative now than to present you and the public with my summary of the matter and to persist in demanding justice in the premises.

2. You, as a scientific man, are aware that I have made no assertion in regard to Professor J. Macoun and Dr. R. Bell, your assistants, which I have not at the same time, or antecedently, proved by printed references or offered to prove in open court. (1) You are further aware, as a scientific man, and the superior officer over Macoun and Bell that there are numerous other shameful perversions of fact relating to the North-West, &c., in the writings of these officers of the Geological Survey (particularly Macoun) which I have not touched upon, but which if truly represented in open court would condemn them as misleaders, or as truthless delineators, or as reliable authorities in certain physical matters possessing commercial value. With regard to Macoun, the statements he has made and to which I have not referred, but which are necessarily familiar to you, would stamp him at once as an impudent impostor clearly protected in his perversions respecting North-West Territory advantages or resources.

3. Apart from your position as Director of the Geological Survey, with your ability to discern and your province to discover and check, both Macoun's and Bell's delinquencies, there is the added fact that after these delinquencies, or rather crimes, had been described in printed letters by me, you permitted Macoun to be appointed to a fresh office in the Dominion Geological Survey: you allowed him to publish his deluding work entitled "Manitoba and the Great North-West," (to which you refer in your recent report); to retain therein and magnify his fabrications and conclusions; to correct others, not correcting previous misstatements; to continue to appear before the public as the acknowledged and respected author of some of the atrocities perpetrated in Government emigration pamphlets, and as the reliable exponent of North-West Territory physical advantages under the patronage of the highest and most imposing authority in the land, thus making this high and imposing authority a party to the imposture on the public.

With respect to Dr. Bell, the Assistant Director of the Geological Survey of Canada, you have permitted his impositions upon the Royal Geographical Society of England for nefarious purposes, his misleading statements before the Geographical Society of Quebec, his description of a fictitious Agricultural and Mining area in the North-West Territories, and other similar delinquencies to remain unchallenged and uncorrected before the public. You have subsequently permitted him, as Assistant Director of the Geological Survey, to be examined in relation to kindred matters before the Parliamentary Colonization and Immigration Committee, and up to the present moment, you have taken no visible public steps to neutralize the evil effects of your Assistant Director's misstatements and false delineations.

4. I have pointed out in printed letters transmitted for your information the various leading infidelities and deceits of your assistants, and in some instances the nefarious purposes for which these deceits and infidelities were perpetrated, alleging that among other things they were directed towards the allotment of capital for questionable enterprises, the attraction of emigrants and other similar objects.

5. I have presented you with a loophole of escape, of which you have not thought fit to avail yourself, apparently relying upon certain political and financial forces by which you appear to be sustained and encouraged.

6. I have repeatedly pointed out my object in pursuing the course I have followed for two years, namely, to resist crime and imposture, with its attendant misery or ruin to many, and corrupt success to a few; its negation of truth and honour, and its support of fraud and wrong-doing.

7. In pursuit of my legitimate efforts I have been met with dishonest opposition, and opposition of a character viciously bad and misleading. In recent articles commenting on my work, appearing in the editorial columns of a reported influential financial paper at Montreal, "The Shareholder and Insurance Gazette," the tricks of the misleading editor can scarcely be surpassed in the way of disgraceful perversion of fact or concealment of the truth, but in addition to revilements he adds atrocious hints of grave misdirecting tendencies. (2)

— This unscrupulous finance-monger artfully refers to the United States Treasury Department at Washington, hinting vile things.

What conceivable interests can there be between that vast centre of surprising wealth and management, and the pettifogging deceits of the Montreal "Shareholder," or the selfish schemes of alien sharpers?

You have broken the seal which gave spurious validity to their "Bonds," and all honest men will thank you for the deed. It is FELONY now, or kindred to felony, to market the impositions on Macoun and Bell, but it would be difficult to estimate the extent and ramifications of the swindling and corruption which have been perpetrated on the bastard faith of their false "Reports" and writings, or those of their allies.

(1) See printed letter and arguments, dated Windsor, N. S., May 27, 1881, addressed to the Rt. Hon's Earle Granville and Kimberley. — Numerous copies of this letter were despatched to interested parties. See also other printed letters referred to in the documents transmitted with my printed letters of 13th April, 1883, entitled "The Corruption of the Geological Survey in North-West Territory matters."

(2) See the issues of the "Shareholder and Insurance Gazette" of Montreal, for April 6th and April 27th, 1883.

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These compel me to further action, and to state as a preliminary, that while in the pursuit of palpable duty, and knowing no other motives than those which spring from humane and just recognition of Right, I have had certain possible consequences pointed out to me in writing and over the name of the writer. Among these consequences, a high official, himself above and beyond reproach, kindly wrote to me in reference to my action, that under certain conditions I need not name, "You (I) would probably be shot through a window, or poisoned to get you (ME) out of the way." I am thankfully indifferent to the chances of such consequences, for I have my work in life to do, and know on what Power to rely in time of need.

8. In relation to proposed schemes of assisted emigration from Ireland, TRUSTWORTHY INFORMATION respecting the North-West is of vast humane importance. In matters of commercial enterprise it is also of equal moment. To intending emigrants of all classes and sources, it is of the highest interest. This "RELIABLE INFORMATION" has been enormously falsified.

9. I conclude by saying that on you as Director of the Geological Survey, rests a further responsibility of measureless weight in this matter, and that I shall pursue my course of action without fear or favour.

I intend to send copies of this letter and my earlier letter to each member of the Imperial and Canadian Governments, to each member of the Canadian Parliament, to leading Bankers in England and America, to the leading Scientific Societies, to officers of North-West Land Companies, &c., and to the public Press, claiming and imploring in the interests of humanity, of progress, of knowledge, of truth and of religion their active interference by sympathy, word or deed.

Very truly yours,

HENRY YOULE HIND,

Formerly in charge of the Assiniboine and Saskatchewan Exploring Expedition.

Windsor, Nova Scotia, May 2nd, 1883.

[NOTE.—In connection with this letter and forming part of it, are the various communications I have already transmitted to you.]

TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR GENERAL.

WINDSOR, NOVA SCOTIA, May 2nd, 1883.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,—I respectfully ask your Excellency's attention to the accompanying correspondence for State and personal considerations.

As a consequence of Dr. Selwyn's reply to my letter of the 13th ult. and the premises, I urgently call upon you in the interests of honest dealing, humanity and truthful official information, to be pleased to give instructions warning the public against the pernicious deceptions and impostures embodied in the work dedicated by special permission to your Excellency, entitled "Manitoba and the Great North-West," by John Macoun, M. A., F. L. S., an officer of the Geological Survey of the Dominion of Canada and a palpable scientific cheat.

Necessity for prompt action in this matter is more than ever apparent from the recent remarks of the editor of the "Shareholder," a Montreal financial paper. This paper coarsely magnifies and surrounds with adulation Professor Macoun's deluding work, the basis of so much of the trickery it appears to be the vend function of the editor of the "Shareholder" to "boom" in unison with unprincipled speculators of like kidney.

The Director of the Geological Survey, Dr. Selwyn, practically admits that my statements relating to the offences of his assistants, named by me, are substantially incontrovertible.

Full analysis in open court would greatly widen and intensify their force and gravity, but conspirators and promoters appear to shrink from the revelations of open court as they would from disgorging their gains, or social death.

Therefore, it follows that the uses of these offences in any form whatever, either by the Department of Agriculture, by any public body, or by any private persons are dishonourable, illegal and possibly felonious.

Dr. Selwyn has practically placed the issue so plainly, that any shareholder in certain North-West Companies may command his terms.

Your Excellency's official name being paraded as patron of some of these offences, and entreated or received as guarantee of their honesty in nefarious or doubtful transactions, compels a speedy repetition of my representations to your Excellency in this matter, with an added weight it is difficult to define, but impossible to over-estimate.

I have the honour to be,

Your Excellency's obedient servant,

HENRY YOULE HIND, M. A.

Formerly in charge of the Assiniboine and Saskatchewan Exploring Expedition.

TO THE RIGHT HONOURABLE SIR J. A. MACDONALD, K. C. B., MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR, CANADA.

WINDSOR, NOVA SCOTIA, May 2nd, 1883.

RIGHT HONOURABLE SIR,—I have the honour to submit for your consideration further correspondence relating to the malfeasance of certain officers of your Department of Government in North-West Territory matters.

The declared abuses of your Deputy and the significant rejoinder of Dr. Selwyn, narrow the circle of conspiracy to a degree which might render inaction or silence a source of further distress and grave complications.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

HENRY YOULE HIND,

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