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Dr. R. T. Walkem Writes About His Trip In a Very Interesting Way.

His Impressions of the North-West and of the Southern Land-Labor Party Is a Compact Body-News. papers Are of a High Class-A Review of the Elections and Politics Generally.

On March 30th I left Kingston by spring and summer climate is delight the Kingston and Pembroke railway, ful and flowers and shrubs seem and in the evening joined the western spring out of the ground spontaneous-bound Canadian Pacific train at Ren-frew. With great respect for the particularly beautiful. During the for the well appointed C.P.R. car. My round our house was sown with grass, at noon of the day after our arrival. destination was Sydney, New South seed. It had never been cultivated, very much pleased with what we had pany of extensive sugar plantations in venience. Short and angular cuts run Canada seem to be afraid to accept Wales, Australia, via Vancouver and but the ground had simply been dug seen, and steamed away to the souththe Canadian and Australian steam- and leveled. On my return from Ausship line. I had crossed the contin- tralia, after an absence of about ten Suva, the capital of the Fiji Islands. ent several times and had always weeks, the lawn was in excellent confound the land journey interesting, dition, covered with a thick growth of We erossed the equator without any certainly never tedious or tiresome. blue grass and clover. can always find pleasant and interest general bustle and activity were un- tion to have a clean shave early in the attention to some elementary facts, way lines run in every direction. So bridge to be educated. Some gradu-



westward until we reached Winnipeg. been tastefully treated and were now tainly would not grow before.

great improvement in Regina, formerpreciates this fact, for we found that of natural causes. The system works the larger stations had gardens and admirably. I cannot close my notice grounds prettily laid out. We passed of the city without acknowledging Calgary during the night or in the most heartily extraordinary kindness early morning, and on waking found and attention received from numerous that we were among the foothills of friends. scenery to better advantage. As we to secure me all the attention that I approached the western slope flowers could fairly desire. spring was well advanced. The air stormy and so cold as to make was laden with delicious perfumes.

The berths are very comfortable, the The business part of Vancouver meals excellent, and the attendance al' showed the same progress as the resithat could be desired, while there is dential parts. Handsome buildings fluenced by what they had heard of always something interesting at the were being creeted. The streets and the discipline practiced by Father Australian port at which we touched, the country when they were built. The collect taste. Wealthy. Australians principal stations. Moreover one sidewalks were being improved and Neptune that they took the precau- occupied six days. Here let me call streets are well paved and street rail- send their sons to Oxford and Caming fellow-passengers on the way, ex- mistakable evidences of prosperity. The morning. One of those who had sub- familiar, no doubt, to most of my great is the traffic on George street ates from these universities were perienced commercial travellers being population is claimed to be 48,000. mitted to this discipline on the advice readers, but a statement of which that policemen are stationed at all amongst my professional brethren. preferable to all others. They know The city is shaped like a turtle. On one of the chief officer seemed to regard it will tend to illustrate the subject, points where the principal cross There are excellent universities the country and can usually discuss side, the north, is Burrard Inlet, which as a grievance that I had not to un- Australia is 2,500 miles from east to streets enter the main street, to reguany subject relating to its condition runs eastward for several miles. On dergo similar treatment, but was inwith great intelligence. Fortunately the south side is English Bay, on the formed that Neptune did not insist on Its most northerly point is about ten On May 28th I attended morning dren to colleges from which for me, I found two Ontario travel- west is Stanley Park, which may be it in the case of those who habitually degrees south of the equator. It is di- service at St. Andrew's Cathedral themselves graduated. The young mer lers on board and had the advantage said to represent the head of the tur- wore beards, an explanation with vided into six states: New South (Anglican), a very beautiful church, of their company until we reached the, and on the east is a neck of land which he appeared to be perfectly sat- Wales, Victoria, South Australia, con- on George street. It happened that along which run the lines of the isfied. Several flying fish flew on to sisting of North and South parts, there was a special service for Empire The snowfall in Kingston during the C.P.R. company, to which nearly all the vessel and were caught by the sail- West Australia, and Queensland. These day. The Archbishop of Australia At Sydney I took train for Adelaide winter had been unusually heavy. Two the northern shore belongs. It has ors, who dressed them so as to make states, with the Island of Tasmania, (Saunmarez-Smith) preached an elo- The principal passenger trains trave or three showers of rain before I left built substantial wharves for the ac- them very pretty and interesting ob- which lies about 140 miles to the quent and patriotic sermon. At the at night. The train service from Syc had, however, carried off a large part commodation of its steamers, which jects. The vessel was surrounded by south across Bass' Straits, constitute close of the service I was introduced new to Melbourne is very poor, as of it. I had expected to find the run to the East, and has constructed a dolphins, who prey on the flying fish "The Commonwealth of Australia," to him and to the rector and was reground on the line of the C.P.R. cov- handsome station and offices. The land can be seen playing about the formed in 1900 by imperial statute. ceived with great cordiality. The United States. The railways are run ered deeply. I was agreeably disap- city rises in the centre by a gradual vessel's bow. They would keep up this Each state has a separate constitu- Church of England is very strong in by the respective states in which the The rains had extended curve, and street railway lines judici- position for miles, showing that they tional government. The earliest set- numbers and wealth all through Aus- are situated. I see no advantage north with the result that along the ously placed give easy access to every possessed marvellous speed and endur- tlement of the country was effected in tralia. It embraces over forty per line of the railway the snow had al- part of it. The power for lighting ance, for our vessel was running about 1788, when a penal colony was estable cent. of the population. A few days and want of attention on the part was no obstacle to our progress. furnished by a chute or fall from a Swiftly the train pursued its journey lake six or seven miles up Burrard In-Swiftly the train pursued its journey lake six or seven miles up Burrard In- Suva, which is in latitude 18 south, were established in Tasmania in 1804 Bishop of North Queensland, on "The in England. The sleeping cars are like is a favorite bathing place and the ricorn. As we called again on our re- The deportation of criminals from in Australia." The bishop says that early in the morning all the passeng

a considerable stretch of it and is con- observations during the two visits. 1839. About 100 miles from the east | Christian service was held in 1788, unstructing a large and fine pavilion. The town is the capital of the Fijian and south-east coasts runs a chain of der a great tree near Sydney Cove, our berths because we had reached ery evening to listen to the band and ain. As we approached the land we from the east and south slopes of the only church in the country.

called "Capilano," Vancouver draws features good, and in many cases at 1000; Melbourne, in Victoria, population told, is the sleeping place of a great latter was carved out of New South having a few hours to spare I drove its supply of water. It is brought tractive, and their hair-well, if the tion about 460,000; Adelaide, in South many hundreds of Sydney's popula. Wales and owes its great prosperity with them round the city. They were across the entrance to the harbor by reader can imagine a door-mat with Australia, population about 147,000; tion. The climate is so genial that largely to its output of gold, which ing our visit to the dam, two Jap- seemed to be about five inches pers, so that I need only say that the anese passed with two rainbow trout thickness. Needless to say, no head progress surprised me. I had always slung on a pole, each of which weight coverings are worn except what na regarded Winnipeg as irredeemably ed nine or ten pounds. One of the ture provides. The coral brought for ugly, but found that several of the most remarkable features of Vancouver sale is very attractive both in shape broad streets, formerly distinguished is Stanley Park, to which I have all and purity. The flowers are of many for their gauntness and bareness, had ready referred. It is a close jungle of kinds and brilliant in color, and the trees, some of which, the Bouglas fir, fruit consists of oranges, cocoanuts handsome avenues. A large number attain to extraordinary size. I saw and other indigenous fruits of the of fine business places and private several the trunks of which were not country. The islands are governed residences had been built during the less than thirteen or fourteen feet in practically by the colonial office two years. The streets had been diameter, at about eight feet from the through the medium of a governor and planted with trees which, in conse- ground. The city engineer two years council. Some of us called upon the quence, no doubt, of the shelter pro- ago told me that he had removed one vided for them, grew where they cer. tree the trunk of which measured fifteen feet in diameter. Round the On our journey west, we found a park has been constructed an excel- been Ceylon and he showed us a very lent road and through it have been interesting collection of Indian curiosa forlorn-looking place. It has cut paths in different directions, afnow the appearance of a flourishing fording a most agreeable and picturtown. All these prairie towns are de- esque trip. Its control and manage- included a large number of Fijian curpendent for their attractiveness on ment are vested in commissioners. The los. Amongst other articles I noticed westward and slipped between lofty what is done to beautify them, for drainage of Vancouver is conducted to several bunches of whales teeth, natural advantages in that respect septic tanks, closely sealed up, in strung together, some large, some

the Rockies. The journey through the In due time my ship, the Miowera, the Church of England, he doubted the "Circular Quay," the centre of the sea mountains has been so well and frequently described that I will not dwell upon it further than to say that as the mountains still retained their winter acquaintance, Mr. Hemming, Q.C., one of the first things that was pre- disappointed that we had been unsnow caps in all their whiteness and from the eastern townships, whom I purity; the effects produced by the sun met at the Provincial Synod in byon the lofty peaks, particularly in the gone times. I was, therefore, at once at early morning, were singularly beauti- home on the vessel and it needed not ful. In fact I had never seen the the earnest injunction of my friends

and shrubs appeared in bloom, for the The early part of our voyage was wearing of an overcoat a necessity. I On Tucsday, April 4th, we reached had always been under the impression Vancouver, where I found a home with that the Pacific was honestly entitled my sons for about three weeks, the in- to its name and was a quiet, peaceterval between my arrival and the ful sheet of water, but our captain, sailing of the vessel in which I had who had had experience of both seas, jects. He has lately made many im- Mr. Froude visited Australia several taken my passage to Sydney. I had told me that in his judgment the provements in the government house years ago the government placed at been in Vancouver for nearly two "Pacific" was far more stormy than and grounds, which are on a high his disposal a steamlaunch, by means months in 1903 and was then struck the "Atlantic." As we proceeded on plateau overlooking the sea. During of which, with a competent guide, he He has a high reputation and is head with the extraordinary progress made our voyage, the direction of which is the afternoon we were driven through was able to visit all parts of it. He of the federal court, which corresponds and activity in all departments of since 1889, when I had last seen it. But two years had made a marvellous of the tenth day out late in change. The neighborhood in which the evening we ran into the harbor of are sugar and cocoanuts. The work nately we obtained an excellent view Sir Edmund Barton, who had been bim and heard a case which under our change. The neighborhood in which my sons built had been filled up to a great extent with new houses. Lots which I could have bought in 1903 for from \$750 to \$1,000 were being sold at \$2,000. Scores of tasteful and expensive buildings were in course of construction and the design and coconauts. The work of the whole harbor from the trambor of the whole harbor of the whole harbor from the trambor of the whole harbor of the design and the design and the design and the design and the desi

ulation is, I understand, over 40,000. It has several good hotels, many comfortable private residences with wellkept grounds and an excellent streetcar service. The principal industry of the islands is the growth and manufacture of sugar. The sugar plantations are remarkable for their productiveness. In 1899 they yielded, 2,239,376 tons and it is said that the cultivation of sugar is being rapidly increased. Fruits, particularly pineapples and cocoanuts, grow in great abundance, and the private gardens and public grounds are ablaze with the brilliant colors of tropical flowers. The Hawaiian Islands became part of the United States in 1898, consequentpublic officers wearing the American uniform. This incorporation was very fortunate event for the islands It put an end to domestic strife, gave a stable and orderly government the country and was the means of troducing into it a large amount American capital and enterprise. The islands lie between the 19th and degrees of north latitude, just within of Cancer. The climate is said to

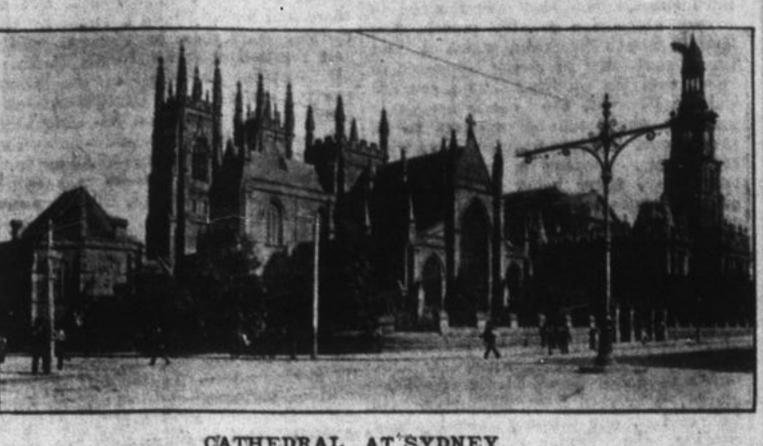
west, our next stopping place being

Our journey to Suva was uneventful.

of the ceremonies usually associated with that event, though it was noticed that several passengers were so far inlet. The south shore, on English Bay, within the limits of the Tropic of Cap- and at Brisbane, Queensland, in 1825 | Foundation of the Church of England | those in use on this the natives themselves. We all agreed Across Burrard Inlet, on the north | that they were superb men physically, side, is a range of mountains, con- tall, well-made, and muscular. They stantly capped with snow. From one were usually naked to the waist. Their

governor, his excellency Edw. F. I. M. Thurn, C.B., C.M.G., being hospitably received. His last sphere of labor had they have none. The C.P.R. fully ap- which it is destroyed by the operation small. The governor said that these

> ing in value what he had brought with are entered. Going through the harman with a world-wide reputation for in what direction the water will lead his knowledge of many scientific sub- you or where the channels are. When



CATHEDRAL AT SYDNEY

homes. They appeared to be perfectly and courtesy received from happy and contented. The scenery in friends in Sydney and the other Aus the vicinity of Suva is very beautiful, tralian cities. They seemed to The roads run over hills and descend into fertile valleys, giving alternately | give me pleasure or contribute to views of the deep blue sea in the disvery delightful, perpetual summer without enervating heat. The time of our vegetation. At Suva we were joined tractive for that reason. When it was stay being limited, we left Honolulu by the Hon. James Murray, who is originally occupied very little

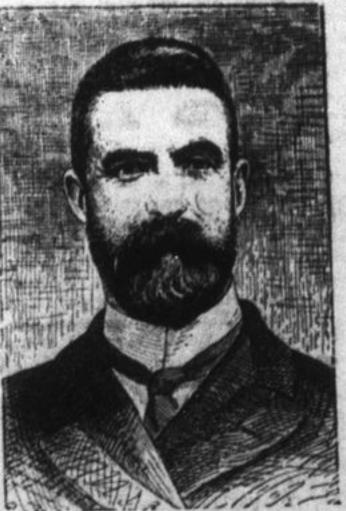
> The total population of the country a short time ago was a little over

3.700,000. It has not increased but has rather diminished during the past Brisbane in a substantial looking city, with good shops and fine public buildings. Its prosperity has been checked lately by the prevailing hard times in Australia, following the fearful drought, which lately carried off a large proportion of the sheep and cattle. I found in the book stores excellent up-to-date books. As is the case in the other Australian cities the goods sold in the shops are mostly direct importations from England. Leaving Brisbane we steamed south to stay in that country. His collection Sydney in the teeth of a furious storm. During the night we turned cliffs through a narrow channel into Port Jackson, better known as "Sydnev Harbor." The cessation of the were used as gifts and funeral offer- pulsation of the engines awoke me ings. He told us that a short time and I found that we had anchored a before our visit he had been invited to short distance from the entrance. The the funeral of one of the principal following morning was misty, but, the chiefs. Knowing that the chief had anchor being lifted, we steamed up been a serious and devoted member of to our berth beside the celebrated sented to him at the house of mourn- able, tw reason of the mist, to see it ing was a magnificent set of teeth, to advantage. It cannot, however, be which he showed us. He was some seen from the deck of a vessel which what ashamed at the poor appearance simply enters the port and goes to its of his own gift, but was told that it | berth, It extends like the spread finggave the family great pleasure to ers of a hand, in every direction. In know that they had been able to pre | fact, it consists of a number of bays sent to the governor a gift far exceed- or arms of the sea, invisible until they bor is very like going through the The governor is a highly cultivated Thousand Islands. You do not know

sider no trouble too great if it would

superintendent for an English com- tion was paid to anything but conthe island and is a member of the in every direction. In its principal these positions, a fact significant of legislative council. I am indebted to feature it reminded me of London. It important differences between the two him for a great deal of information re- is substantially built, every foot of countries which need not be definitely specting the islands and for many acts ground in the business part being ocof kindness and courtesy. Mr. Murray cunied. The churches and public and other residents of Suva frequently buildings are very fine-stately I tunity, during my short stay in Syd go to Australia on a holiday trip. | should call them-and must have cost The run from Suva to Brisbane, a large amount of money. They furn-

which blows across Vancouver Island and some in catamarans, in which they in a south-westerly direction into the resident, I visited the "Domain," a beautiful views can be seen than this and islands with loads of coral, fruit Murray and Darling rivers, which un- which stretches from the rear of the laid down a road with a 5 ft. 6 composed to a large extent of waste splendid order, regardless of expense. no other has a right to occupy. The end are gardens and greenhouses. large number of pictures by celebrated English artists, which must have cost a great deal of money. There was also collection of beautiful statuary and pictures of great excellence by Australian artists. The Houses of Parlia-



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AUSTRALIA. ment are not creditable to the state. They are old and inconvenient, like charming Sir Samuel Way," and I the courts of justice. On the occasion | can certainly indorse that gentleman's of my visit to the courts the Chief Justice of Australia, Sir Samuel Grif- tiful home, commanding a view of 6th, sent me a courteous message resive buildings were in course of construction, and the streets were being rapidly reclaimed from their wild condition, and being graded and paved. Granolithic sidewalks were being put down in all quarters. Nature is lavish in benefits to Vancouver. The

ling allowances, which action objected to as being unauthorized and an invasion of their rights and

public being with the judges, who ultiin dispute was settled by order-in Since I left Australia the Reid ministry, to which the attorney During my stay in Sydney I met M

W. Brother Remington, grand master of the grand lodge, A.F. and A.M., of New South Wales. Needless to say, I was received by him and my other brethren with great cordiality and they did much to make my visit tresting. Freemasonry occupies much held by the most prominent men is the country. Just before I left Aus tralia I learned that Sir Harry Raw son, governor of New South Wales had been elected grand master, and I found on visiting Adelaide that the chief justice and acting governor of South Australia, Rt. Hon. Sir Samuel Way, P.C., was grand master of the

capital of Queensland, and the first ish strong evidence of the wealth of are evidences of great wealth and ex

city corporation has lately purchased turn trip I will give the results of my Great Britain, virtually ceased in the first Church of England or even were told that they must turn out. It Thousands of people visit the bay ev- group, which belongs to Great Brit- mountains parallel to the coast line, and that this tree was for some years bury, on the border line between New enjoy the delightful coolness of the saw a large crowd of natives waiting which short rivers run into the sea. Under the guidance of the president take another train at this place. The western breeze from the open ocean, our arrival. Some were on the wharf The streams on the reverse slopes flow of our club, Mr. Dangar, a very old state of Victoria, disdaining to use the same guage of line as New South and the intervening Sound. Few more had come from the neighboring coast plains in the lovely park in the centre of the city, Wales (the standard, 4 ft. 84 in.), had bay on a fine evening, the distant and flowers. These made a brilliant ite near Adelaide. The western part parliament buildings and Government guage, thus making it impossible for hills on the island being illuminated show, but I was most attracted by of the continent, sparsely settled, is House down to the sea. It is kept in a New South Wales train to pass over a Victoria road. This curious piece of land. The principal cities of Australia Here and there may be seen the sta- perversity illustrates the feeling which are: Brisbane, in Queensland, popula- tues of the great men instrumental in prevails to a large extent between the tion about 49,000; Sydney, in New making Australia what it is, beginning states. There is no friendship between of the valleys in these mountains, skin was of a rich copper color, their South Wales, population about 440,- with Capt, Cook, This park, I was New South Wales and Victoria. The made since I had visited them two years before. These are all fully re
These are all fully re
The river teems with trout. Dur
The river Domain is tastefully laid out with a city of about 460,000 inhabitants, flower-beds and shrubs. At the lower Victoria is disposed to claim the principal place in the confederation of Near by is the art gallery, with a States. It regards itself as entitled to supreme court and the contest for these honors between it and the sister state of New South Wales is very keen the most recent photo of our very and has caused a good deal of bitter popular Governor-General. These cabfeeling. There is in Froude's "Ocean excellent description of the any parlor or sitting room. states of Victoria and New South | Please note well the conditions. One

Melbourne appeared to be laid out like many modern American cities, in rectangular blocks. Its public build- age dyes will not be accepted ings, offices and shops are very fine and compare favorably with those of ber 30th, 1905. Send in your address any other city I have seen. It has at once with the four empty envelopes not the natural beauty of either Syd- so that you may get this photo with ney or Adelaide, but I was told that out delay. be procured in Melbourne. Its art gal- Wells & Richardson Co., Limited lery, public library, and museum have been placed in one magnificent building. I have never seen a finer collection of interesting objects. After staying a short time in Melbourne, on my journey west, I left for

Adelaide, the capital of South Australia. The service on this section of railway was very good. The sleeping berths, which are in little cabins extending across the car, were very comfortable. On reaching Adelaide I SOLUTELY pure; put up in sterilized was met by Chief Justice Way, to bottles. It is the best. Try it. whom I had forwarded a letter of chief justice innisted on my being guest during my stay in Adelaide. is spoken of by Froude as "the opinion. The chief justice has a beauvalley beneath and of blue mountains in the distance. Lady Way is dismore interesting than the other cities (Continued on Page 10.)



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