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ANOTHER GOOD ACT. The federal government has barked in another great enterprise. has assumed business relations the Canadian Northern railway com pany of the most important character. It has agreed to guarantee the company's bonds, for the completed and uncompleted parts of the road between Port Arthur and Montreal, the idea being to use more the Inter colonial railway in the shipping freight, at a rate not to be higher than that of any road, by an All Canadian route. The details of arrangement have been given in news columns. The government is de ing big things. It is pledging th credit of Canada to the extent of some millions of dollars in order to pro mote the transportation facilities the country, in order to give it the advantages of another transcontinental service. It will be amply 'secured. There is really no risk, and the most enterprising firm in this young nation will be invited to carry out and complete its plans. Against the proposition not a voice reasonably can raised. The more of this kind of work the country can have the more rapidly will it develop and become the attraction of the world.

APOLOGIES IN ORDER. There is one man who will not go to the North-West with Mr. Borden. one man who will not represent the loyal opposition on that junketing tour. Who is he? Col. Sam. Hughes. And why should he fear to face , the farmers, and especially the members of the Grain Growers' Association? Hansard contains the report of a speech mons. It was afterwards copied in was that he would gather be premier treal and Princess streets. to the papers of Manitoba, Saskatche of a province than director-general or wan and Alberta, and very widely cir- chief of staff in the loyal opposition.

grain growers as a gang which was it, and must find in it considerable made up of the "fellows we find hop- satisfaction. He had boldly given ping up in blacksmith statesmanship"; a dinner in honour of the man who they were "grit sympathizers and heel- had been called by some men and paers," and "their wives were at home, pers to the place he occupied, and he wearing long boots and cleaning out may have expected this to be another the cow stables and horse stables," sign of his going. Whereas the fact while their husbands were spouting was declared that in the opposition Tuesday, at 6 a.m., Jas. Swift & Co., by returning tourists and buyers. The about. "I know the gang," he shout- the leader has no equal or superior. Delicious Soda Water ed, "and I do not believe that one of McBride, the idol, has fallen from his them is honest at heart." All of pedestal, that make the stiffing hour an oasis them he verily believed were in the of comfort. Crushed fruits, purest pay of the liberal party, or of Jim Hill and his Yankee friends.

It does not matter to the colonel cause Sir Wilfrid Laurier is going to Use "Royal" Veneer. Dar or that the Grain Growers' Association non-political organization, that Next to Opera House. 'Phone 640. it contains as many conservatives as conservative, and that he and his associates must feel very keenly the insults of Col. Hughes. Mr. Borden may be asked about these serious reflections upon the farmers of the newer provinces and their wives, and it will be surprising if he does not the wisdom of apologizing for

> LAYING FOR MR. BORDEN. The Mail announces that the Grain Growers of the North-West-of Manitoba, of Saskatchewan and Albertaare preparing to give the leader of the opposition a warm reception, and it ais due. He has allowed himself to be misled by his supporters with regard to the petitions for reciprocity. Mr. Sharpe has informed him that the people of the North-West never thought of reciprocity until the premier put it into their heads during his trip last year. What does the re-

In the liberal tour across the continent Mr. Scallion, the honorary president of the Grain Growers' Association, headed a deputation of 250 men, who asked for better trade terms. He said the change would be strongly opposed by the protected interests, but these interests had shaped the tariff policy of the government long enough. hat was the first deliverance on the subject, and by a well-known conservative. The demand for reciprocity in natural products was repeated again and again. At Weyburn the farmers demanded recognition. "We ask no favours," they said. "We ask our rights. If we are slaves we ask our freedom. H refused that we must demand it. Our resources are not ex-

The opening of parliament saw in Ottawa the largest deputation that stands for had ever been there. All its memberswere farmers, or advocates of their interests. They met, and prepared their demands. These were presented in parliament. And the leader in the great movement, which Mr, Borden favoured at the burrass the government, was, D. W. Livel McCuaig, the chairman of the Mani-

DAILY BRITISH WHIG, published at by the Roblin government, and one of will return to Ottawa a sadder and wiser man-sadder, because he een misled, and wiser because see the folly of kicking against the

> THE IDOL HAS FALLEN. The visit of Premier McBride, to Ottawa, with some of the other dis tinguished politicians, en route England, there to participate in the coronation festivities, has been disappointing. No one for a long time attracted so much attention. He had been heralded as the coming man, as the sure and certain successor of Mr. Rorden, as the heir apparent, the one who at any time could rally the forces of conservatism successfully.

A good liberal paper has been advised by a correspondent, who accompanied Sir Wilfid Laurier across the continent and witnessed his reis worshipped and feted by the mem- tled. bers of his party. All went well with him until the banquet in honour of the visitors occurred.

Then, it is said, in the parlance of the street, he "fell down." He had been toasted by Mr. Borden, who, under a strange inspiration, never spoke so well. He had been invited to display his patriotism, his devotion the party, his willingness to make stration oo Place d'Armes, each school sacrifices in its behalf, by joining Mr. in the city is to send a delegation Borden and making battle for supremacy in the federal arena.

And he did not accept the propos- committee has already raised unsatisfactory. He did not sustain is required to carry out the anticipations and give out in clarion notes, the assurance that he was willing to do anything so long as the his colleagues, should be counted on in federal campaigning in British Co- tomer. Samples given this week

It was a remarkable disallusionment

EDITORIAL NOTES. Hon, Bob Rogers is annoyed be shine, and he has a burning ambition to be somebody.

The heading of an article in the Globe, written by a woman, is, "Shall We Wear the Harem Skirt?" Yes, dear, if it is your desire. The things you are wearing nowadays, from head to heels, are frightful, but we can stand it if you can.

Diaz, of Mexico, surrenders at last. His has been a stormy reign. He b gan as a revolutionist, and he end his reign in revolution. He had his day; and did not know when his fulness was over. He is like many others in this regard.

Dr. Macdonald, of the Globe, . who has been talking peace since h turn from California, where he went in the interests of his health, is ferred to by a contemporary as a"national figure." Col. Hughes will objeet to this unseemly exaltation of

McBride will not succeed Borden as leader of the opposition. The men ception at the coast, that the premier have been sized up in Ottawa. The of Canada had found his counterpart, premier from British Columbia is if not rival, in Hon. Mr. McBride. And big man, physically, and a good dressnow he visits the capital, is hailed as er, but he is not the peer or the a prince of the people, is surrounded equal of the man who now leads the everywhere he goes by an eager throng, opposition. That much has been set-

### DOLLARD'S DEATH.

Montreal Monument Committee Pre-

pare Plans for Ceremony. Montreal, May 10 .- The committee in charge of funds for the erection of a monument to Dollard des Ormeaux the Long Sault hero, have decided t bserve the anniversary of his death on the 22nd of June, by a demou twenty-five pupils. The guard on the Place d'Armes will be formed by various cadet corps of the city. ition. His language was vague and thousand dollars, but twice that much

The National Drug Company. Manufacturers of the Na-Dru-Co. line party might win. He was willing of specialties, support every article that his services, or the services of manufactured by them to the extent of refunding to the druggist any monv that he might return to lumbia, or the western provinces. But McLeod's drug stores, corner King which was made by him in the com- that was all. The impression he left and Brock streets and corner Mon-

General Merchant Assigns, P. W. Thompson, general merchant of Yarker, has made an assignment t In that speech he referred to the and Mr. Borden must be thanked for N. L. Martin, assignee, Toronto, for the benefit of his creditors, who for the 15th, when a statement of the affairs of the firm will be presented.

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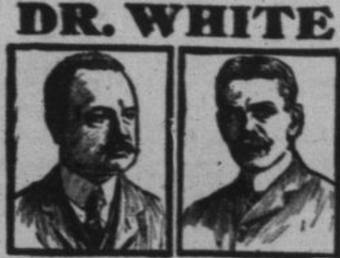
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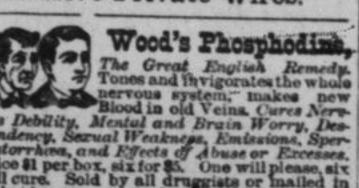
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