

CANADA WELL SETTLED.

MAJOR A. B. PERRY PRAISES POLICY OF GOVERNMENT.

Head of Royal Northwest Mounted
Police Gives Interesting Interview
of Existing Conditions on the
Plains—Pleads for Home Missions.

"Canada has laid her foundations for nationhood well," said Major A. B. Perry, head of the Royal Northwest Mounted Police, to a Globe reporter yesterday. "There is no other country under the sun," he continued, "where the settlement of her lands has been accomplished by such a good class of settlers. And it is a matter of pride with us in the west that churches, hospitals, and schools should be established so soon after the opening up of our new territory. Canada's immigration, railway, and educational policies for the west were planned and carried to completion with great wisdom. It matters not at all what party had the doing of it. It was all done for a greater Canada, and the generations to come will return thanks that it was so done."

"You hear a good deal of talk," continued Major Perry, "of the wide gulf separating the eastern section of Canada from the west. This is a thing to be deplored, for there is no such condition existing. Canadians should learn to think Canadian-wise first and Provincially last. Every settler taking up a homestead in the west becomes a customer for the manufacturer in the east, and every settler benefits Canada as a whole. The so-called western spirit you hear so much about in the east is something I did not know existed; how can it, when the leaders of thought in the west have almost all come from old Ontario? And Ontario can still do many things for the west. She can give of her money freely for the Christianizing of the foreigners coming in ever-increasing numbers to settle on our western plains. This generation may not reap the results of this, but the next will, for the plains will be peopled by a population standing as a living monument to your philanthropy."

Speaking of his own work, Major Perry declared the west to be peaceful and quiet. "Every settler on the plains, no matter how remote, sees a red-coated policeman at least once a year," he said, "and you have no idea how fully these outlying people appreciate this visible evidence of Canada's protection."