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London Biography of Lord Mount
Stephen of the Generous Purse.

The romantic career of Lord Mount Stephen, whose great gift to King Edward's Hospital Fund, has been announced, is typical of the genius of his race, says the London Express.

Consider its stages. Born in Banffshire seventy-five years ago, educated at the parish school (since it was a Scotch school, probably an admirable one,) first a herd boy, then a draper's apprentice in Aberdeen, then an assistant at Pawson and Leaf's, in St. Paul's Churchyard, and then in 1850 an emigrant to Canada.

The Scotch are famous colonists, and Canada in particular owes much of its prosperity and much of its history to the men from north of the Tweed, and therefore it is not surprising to find George Stephen in a very few years a prosperous woolen merchant.

In Canada George Stephen found his cousin, Donald Smith, now Lord Strathcona, with whom years before he had bathed in the Spey and played among the heather.

Donald Smith had been in the service of the Hudson Bay Co., and at the time when he began to be associated in business with his cousin was a member of the Dominion House of Commons.

It was early in the seventies that the two Highland boys, even then middle-aged men, pooled their energies. Both were directors of the Bank of Montreal, Lord Mount Stephen being at one time its president.

But the turning point of the millionaire philanthropist's career occurred when in 1875 he joined a syndicate for the Dutch holders of the bonds of the St. Paul and Pacific Railway, a road which, when finished, controlled the Canadian Northwest.

The tastes for railway enterprise, begun in this way, soon had the opportunity of development. The entrance of British Columbia into the Dominion carried with it the obligation to build a transcontinental railway, and the work had been begun by the government.

As is not uncommon with government enterprises, the construction had been exceedingly dilatory, and in 1880, one year before the railway should have been completed, only seven hundred miles had been constructed.

But what the government could not do Lord Mount Stephen and his cousin did do. Their offer to build the line was received with scepticism but the thing had to be done, and they were the only men bold enough to attempt it.

In return for a subsidy of five million pounds, twenty-five million acres—about the total size, that is, of Ireland and Wales—and the part of the line already completed, an undertaking was given that the Pacific should be linked to the Atlantic in eleven years.

He is a great man, whose achievement doubles his promise; and nothing perhaps more clearly reveals the characters of Lord Mount Stephen and Lord Strathcona than the fact that the last spike promised for 1891, was driven in 1885.

The total length of the Canadian Pacific Railway is rather less than 7,000 miles. It has brought Liverpool 1,000 miles nearer to China. It has made the fortunes of its projectors, and of the country through which it runs. And, lastly, and most important, it is one of the greatest of Imperial assets, since it supplies an indispensable link in the all-British road round the globe.

Lord Mount Stephen was the Canadian Pacific's first president. For his services to his country and the Empire he was made a baronet. He left Canada to settle in the Old Country in 1888 and soon afterwards was raised to the peerage.

The Scotsman is keen and successful in the accumulation of great fortunes, but, as is shown by the careers of the two Canadian peers as well as by the career of Mr. Andrew Carnegie, the money they have made is used with no niggard hand in works of philanthropy and kindness.

Lord Mount Stephen's gifts have always been princely. As long ago as 1887 he gave Montreal £100,000 for a hospital. When he was a boy he broke his arm, and it was set in the Aberdeen Infirmary. In 1901 he repaid the obligation by a gift to the

institution of £25,000.

His master, when he was a "herd laddie," of the Mortlach, was the parish minister, a good, kindly man, who made the boy's hard work as pleasant as could be. When Lord Mount Stephen came home from Canada he invested £40,000 to ensure all the parish ministers of Speyside at least £100 a year.

Two years ago, in conjunction with Lord Strathcona, he gave King Edward's Hospital Fund £300,000, producing an income of £16,000 a year, a gift now augmented by a further £200,000.

As a practical protest against wills and possibly against death duties, a short time ago he divided over half a million among his relatives.

Lord Mount Stephen has been twice married. The present Lady Mount Stephen is the daughter of Captain Tufnell, R. N., and was married in 1897. She has for some years been honored with the friendship of the Princess of Wales, and she and her husband have frequently entertained the Royal Family, including the King and Queen, at their Hertfordshire house, Brockley Hill.

The Canadian peer has no children. Many years ago, however, he and his first wife adopted a little girl, who, soon after they came to England, married Mr. Henry Stafford, Northcote, now Lord Northcote, and Governor General of Australia.

Lord Mount Stephen, who shows few signs of his seventy-five years, has a kindly, pleasant face, with shrewd Scotch eyes. Certainly his is a great career, from shepherd boy to the friend of Kings and Princes—and it is a career that has in its fruition brought help to those who want it most.

Politically Lord Mount Stephen is a supporter of Mr. Chamberlain's scheme for fiscal reform.

BOILER KILLED FOUR.

Fearful Explosion at an Ontario Sawmill.

London, Ont. Jan. 23.—A terrible boiler explosion occurred at Geo. Whitehead's saw mill at Colfax, Norfolk, eight miles from here, yesterday afternoon at 5.30 o'clock, when three men were killed instantly and four seriously injured out of a crew of ten. One of the injured succumbed to his injuries today. The names of the killed were Chas. Danard, married man, left wife and family; George Aspden, George McCallum and Freeman Moffatt, all single men. The injured were George Whitehead, single man; Michael Aspden, married. The latter, whose death is expected any time, has a wife and ten children. Charles Whitehead was also slightly injured. Dr. Meek of Port Rowan was in attendance as soon as he could reach the scene of the disaster.

The mill was running when the accident happened. No cause is known for the explosion, as the machinery was practically all new, having been purchased last year. Report says there were two inches of water registered in the water gauge. The head of one of the victims was completely blown off by a piece of iron. The mill and machinery were blown to atoms and the noise of the explosion was heard for miles. The excitement was intense, as the victims were all residents of the locality in which the accident happened and were all widely known and highly respected.

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