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If there is anything about which you ought to be particularly sure the care of your eyes is one of them. Neglect in this has been the rule in the past and is only too common at present. Most people don't use as much care in getting spectacles as they do in buying gloves and will purchase from any smooth-tongued peddler who, ignorant of everything relating to the matter but the price of his goods, is utterly indifferent as to the injury he may inflict upon his customer's eyes.

That there was a real need for better methods than used to prevail here has been fully proved by the public appreciation of our effort in this direction.

Thoughtful people who find their sight defective come to us for advice. In all cases it is given free.

BRITTON BROS.

Foot of Kent St., Lindsay.

The Victoria Warden

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6 1893



A union of hearts and a union of hands
A union none can sever;
A union of homes and a union of lands
And the flag, BRITISH UNION, forever.

CANADA WILL PROSPER.

Pessimists assure the world of an exodus from Canada, because in Yankee cities are found many Canadians. Persevering energy is the characteristic of the Teutonic races from which Canadians as well as Yankees spring. Buffalo, Rochester, and Detroit are on the Canadian borders, and are built up by Canadian trade. Why then should not half their population be Canadian? The wonder is there are so few men from this country found in those northern centres.

After the close of the United States civil war, there was a rush for the free lands of the west. In many cases the railways paid the passages of settlers. Wherever one would turn would be seen placards, maps, advertisements of the free homes of Western United States.

Those days began twenty-seven years ago. The advertising has been kept up until recent years in both Europe and Canada, but now their best lands are all taken up and the railway magnates are wealthy.

In those years, the West was a consumer of farm stock, implements, and everything. The East was exhausted by the war, therefore despite adverse duties, Canada got good prices for all she had to sell.

It is now Canada's turn. The past six years have found Canada for the first time placed properly prominent before Western and Northern Europe and the United States. The wealth and worth of this great country are becoming realized on all sides, and the tide is turning strongly this way. During the year just closed—1892—there came into the Canadian North West and took up land, the great number of 36,000 settlers. Of these nearly four thousand are Canadians who for years have been trying to make a living in the Western States. They return again to their old allegiance, and will be staunch friends of Canada.

It stands to reason that nothing could be looked for in the way of successful colonization on a large scale in Canada until the country and its advantages could be made known to the world. Thanks to the Canadian government, Hon. Sir Charles Tupper, the Canadian Pacific Railway, and other leading causes, this fair land is now recognized on British and European maps, and the best classes of citizens are being directed hither. The next ten years will witness great development in Canada. This is a bad year for some who depend on the old methods of farming but many have done well. The future is bright for all.

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"GOOD ME OLD TONS."

Regularly once each year many well-meaning citizens "swear-off" some bad habit on New Year's day. Some keep their good resolutions, others keep them only for the day.

It is well perhaps to refrain from an evil habit even for a day; but it is a pity humanity is not strong enough in all cases to keep "sworn-off" for the entire year.

The world is always getting better. The percentage of sin, drunkenness, wife-beating, child-beating, and other brutal practices is rapidly diminishing; and victory is constantly perching on the banners of right and truth.

Man is becoming elevated; he sees he is born, not to be a beast, but to be a creature worthy of Him whose image he bears. He learns that the old depressing ideas of man being born low, debased, sinful, a creature of the devil, are so much superstition and ignorance. Hence is humanity standing forth to occupy the noble situation designed for it.

SONYA ONTARIO VS. GRAND RAPIDS MICHIGAN.

Last week just too late for publication the following letter from a former resident of Sonya, Ontario, then back on a visit, was received at this office. It is published to-day.

However, as we had indubitable evidence in our possession that Mr. J. J. Miller was "outing too heavy a swarth," the idea occurred to us of writing for the Grand Rapids Democrat, the journal he referred to. It is probable we shall be through Grand Rapids on business in a few months, but it was deemed better to get the papers now. In dealing with such men as our worthy friend seems to be, i.e., a Canadian-annexionist, "we don't believe anything we hear and not more than half we see."

This is his letter:—

SONYA, ONT., Dec. 25th, 1892.

Editor Victoria Warden:

DEAR SIR,—Seeing an article in your paper under date of Dec. 23rd, I as a Canadian born citizen who has resided in Michigan for the past 20 years, am somewhat amused. The article alluded to is headed "Pork \$7.50 per Hundred." I see I have to pay \$7.50 for my pork, besides high prices for my potatoes, cheese, eggs, butter, beef, fowl, and everything he eats except flour. I have here before me your Lindsay WARDEN market, and also the Grand Rapids Democrat of even dates and I write them down as they here appear:—

Fall Wheat, Lindsay.....	60c.
"Grand Rapids or Chicago.....	71c.
Oats, Lindsay.....	25c.
"Grand Rapids, Mich.....	41c.
Potatoes, Lindsay.....	35c.
"Grand Rapids.....	50c.
Apples, Lindsay, per bag.....	40c.
"Grand Rapids, per bush.....	80c.
Butter, per lb., Lindsay.....	17c.
"Grand Rapids.....	27c.
Beef, Lindsay.....	\$4.50
"Grand Rapids.....	\$6.00
Dressed Hogs, per cwt., Lindsay.....	7c.
"Grand Rapids.....	7c.
Eggs, Lindsay.....	17c.
"Grand Rapids.....	23c.
Salt, per bbl., Lindsay.....	\$1.40
"Grand Rapids.....	85c.
Hay, per ton, Lindsay.....	\$6.00
"Grand Rapids.....	10.00

Now I might take up considerable of your valuable space in giving you facts in regard to several other articles but do not deem it necessary. How the gentleman referred to can conscientiously make and publish such a statement I can not certainly understand regarding the American farmer that is known to be the most prosperous farmer under the sun, unless he is seeking notoriety, after being over on the other side of the line looking for gold \$8 on the corners of the streets and has been disappointed. As the gentleman has asked you to write to your friends near Chicago I happen to live within 60 miles of said city. Furthermore, as regards to annexation, the people of the United States does not trouble themselves, it does not concern them. It Canada is ever annexed to the States it will be by them asking admission, and not by being asked or driven to it by the Yankees.

Yours,

J. J. MILLER.

Our readers will please remember that Grand Rapids is a flourishing city on the Grand River in western Michigan, convenient to Lake Michigan, a railway centre of importance, and owing to the great water privileges is already a large manufacturing and milling centre. It is also quite convenient to the great forests of Michigan, and in that respect resembles what Lindsay was twenty years ago.

when the lumber camps demanded every article of farm produce raised. The beautiful city of Grand Rapids is also in the rich peach belt of South Western and Western Michigan, the moist balmy air off the lake rendering that industry especially profitable. The excellence of the Grand Rapids Democrat, the case with which its news, editorial and commercial reports are prepared, alone guarantee the place to be an important city.

Though Grand Rapids possesses all these advantages over Lindsay, with the additional one of being convenient to Chicago by both land and water, and everyone knows the great exhibition is booming not only Chicago, but the whole country near it, yet a comparison of the markets results to the advantage of Lindsay.

In exposing Mr. Miller we do not mean to charge him with attempting to deceive, or to misrepresent, or to tell untruths. He simply was displaying the ruling characteristics of the Yankee, i.e. upholding his country, even though he had to lie to do it. Before us are the Grand Rapids Sunday Democrat, a splendid twenty-four page journal, of Dec. 18th; the Grand Rapids Weekly Democrat of Dec. 29th, and the Grand Rapids Daily Democrat of Dec. 28, 29, 30, and 31. In not one of these are Mr. Miller's figures borne out. Let us compare his statements with those published. He says Fall Wheat is 71c. His paper says 65c. Mr. Miller says oats are 41c., but his paper says white oats are 39c. Butter, according to Mr. Miller, is 27c., yet his paper says Dairy Butter 21 to 22c., and the jobbing or business price is 16 to 20c. per lb. But in beef he completely eclipses himself. His beef is \$6 to \$7, but let us see what his paper says "Chicago Top prices \$5 to \$6.40."

Grand Rapids is worse, the "Local Market" quotations being as follows:—Meats, cows and heifers 4 1/2 to 5c.; medium heavy, 5 to 5 1/2c.; native steers, 6 to 7c.; hind quarters, 5 1/2 to 6c.; fore quarters, 3 1/2 to 4c. PORK, 6 1/2 to 7c. per lb. The following week pork was 7 to 7 1/2c. In the same paper cows are quoted at from \$1.70 to \$3.50 per cwt. In eggs Mr. Miller quotes the very highest for fresh laid candied eggs, and ignores the general market prices which are quoted 21c., "higher 22c." Their prices are far below Toronto's, say, or even Lindsay's for fancy selections. Salt is not quoted by the Democrat, so Mr. Miller draws a "long bow" on his own imagination there. His price may be for coarse salt while ours is for fine salt. At all events salt is not debarred from coming into Canada and grade for grade is as cheap one place as another. Hay is cheap this year in Victoria. Many parts are well adapted for growing it, and this year being wet and straw plentiful the price is low. But for a city on the confines of Michigan lumber camps, \$9 to \$10 per ton is very low for Grand Rapids. Take hay at Parry Sound or Sudbury, or North Bay, as near the camps as is Grand Rapids, and we venture the price will be much higher. Further, South Western Michigan is not specially adapted for hay growing, hence prices should always be higher.

Mr. Miller has given prices stating they are the Grand Rapids prices quoted from the Democrat. In several instances he has no authority for his quotations while in others such as butter he quotes "choice creamery." Let him try to purchase creamery butter in say Toronto, and if he gets three pounds for \$1.20 he will do well. In apples, Lindsay quotations are for local grown common apples, not for those retailed in stores. There the prices are higher than either those quoted by Mr. Miller, or in the Democrat for Grand Rapids or Detroit. Nor is the heavy level clay land of the southern part of this county good for potatoes, especially if the year be wet. Therefore, potatoes in this town will as a rule never be as high as in Fenelon Falls, Coboonk, Burketon or surrounding villages where the soil is more sandy loam, or sandy. In wheat, Mr. Miller took the worst quality in Lindsay and compared it not with Grand Rapids as he pretends; but with Chicago's best. He should have been honest and have given Grand Rapids prices high as 83c. for the best. Lindsay was 65c. and even higher for the best. In pork and beef he deliberately misrepresented. Lindsay prices quoted are those for common public sale; not fancy butcher's or special sale. These run in this town away up nearly double the prices quoted. The Grand Rapids paper goes more fully into the markets, it being a daily journal in a large city, and quotes all grades. But the common grade here is as high as the best there. Go to Mike O'Halloran and pick his choice quarters and ten, say twelve and thirteen cents per pound will have to be paid.

It was confidently hoped that Mr. Miller would enlighten the good people of Victoria in regard to barley. Now, Michigan grows the best barley in the United States, and Grand Rapids district being a sandy loam country should be, and is admirably adapted for that crop. The prices in Grand Rapids are quoted in that excellent journal the Democrat too. Then why did not Mr. Miller quote them? Grand Rapids barley is sure to be No. 1. The distance to Chicago, Milwaukee, Cincinnati and other western and central bar centres is short; indeed the situation in the midst of those places should guarantee great rivalry between the buyers. Yet Mr. Miller ignores the barley, the one thing of interest to all the United States to the Canadian farmer. The reason is obvious. The Grand Rapids Democrat quotes Michigan No. 1 barley 90c. to \$1.25 per hundred pounds. That is about 45c. to 62c. per bushel. Lindsay prices run to 45c. for No. 1. This year the level clay land of Victoria produced a bad sample of barley. Such low grades are not quoted high. Assuming the sandy loam land of western Michigan to produce as it does No. 1 barley the difference in prices is less than the difference in freight.

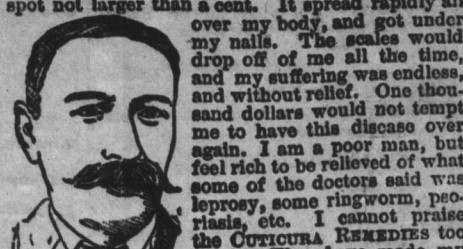
Mr. Miller also ignores clover seed though the Democrat quotes the price there. The jobbing or market prices there are started thus "clover seed \$5.50 to \$7. Timothy \$2." In Lindsay clover seed is \$7.50 to \$7.75. Mr. Miller also ignores cordwood. One enterprising firm B. E. West & Co., Grand Rapids, advertises in the Democrat that they have "5000 cords fine quality dry best and maple block wood which we are selling at \$2.50 per cord delivered promptly." How does that compare with Lindsay? Dry tamarack wood here brings wholesale on the market \$2.75 to \$3.00, while hardwood is \$4. Coal is as cheap in Lindsay as it is in Grand Rapids, though much farther away from the mines, and in spite of the National Policy.

Other articles show in favor of Lindsay, even in comparison with a fine manufacturing, lumbering and milling centre such as is Grand Rapids. A few weeks ago in listening to one of

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those Canadian Yankee free traders we offered to go with him for a visit among a number of United States towns similar to Lindsay and occupying kindred position in regard to large markets. We would compare buying and selling prices in both places and if it were found the Canadian farmer had not fully ten to twenty per cent. the advantage we would pay his expenses, but if not so round he would pay ours. He declined the offer. It is all very well to bluster and blow and refer to fancy prices in large United States cities, which prices prove purely visionary or are published by arrangement with Canadian annexationists; but "the proof of the pudding is in the eating." Buffalo quoted Canada No. 2 barley at 85c; yet a dealer in Lindsay has long had several car loads of No. "2x" in Buffalo and cannot get 73c for it. What is the honest practical, not the annual war-note newspaper price, for No. 2 Canada barley? If No. "2x" Canada barley weighing 52 lbs. will not bring 73c in Buffalo how can a lower grade No. 2 possibly bring 85c?

Mr. Miller is a true specimen of a loyal Yankee; but in undertaking the herculean task of proving that the Yankee farmer, even in the most flourishing State, Michigan, and adjoining the prosperous city of Grand Rapids, is to be compared with the Canadian, even in Lindsay district, he falls wide of the mark. At an early date we will publish a review from an eye witness of the actual condition of affairs in Michigan. Meantime the copies of the Grand Rapids Democrat are on file in this office and may be seen by anyone.

Marriages

WIMMO-SMITHSON.—At "Walnut Dell," Fenelon, the residence of the bride's father, Dec. 28 1892, by the Rev. L. McDonald, Mr. R. D. Nimmo, Toronto, to Miss Margaret E., third daughter of Thomas Smithson Esq.

POORE-STOKES.—By the Rev. Benjamin Great Little Britain, on Wednesday, 28th December, at the residence of the bride's father, John James Poore Esq., of Franklin, city of Minnesota, province of Manitoba, to Sarah Ann Bell, daughter of George Stokes Esq., of Mariposa.

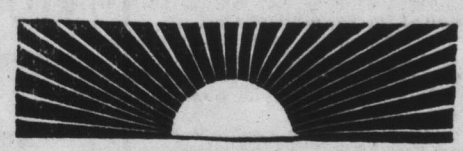
Deaths

STEPHENSON.—At 22 Peel street, Lindsay, on Saturday, December 31st, 1892, Mrs. George Stephenson, aged 61 years daughter of the late Peter and Margaret Moffatt of Benakia, County Fermanagh, Ireland.

Port Hope papers please copy.

MCARTHUR.—In Lindsay, on Monday, January 2nd, 1893, Anne McArthur, beloved wife of David McArthur, aged 87 years.

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Lindsay, December 17th, 1892.

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