

VERULAM MAN WRITES OF WEST ADVICE TO THE YOUNG MEN

To the Editor: Dear Sir: Like a great many more, both in Ontario and other countries, I have had a great desire for years back to see the great west as it is commonly called. I took in the first excursion early in August and having stopped there until the last of October, I saw a great deal of that country and gathered a good deal of information and I will now give the readers of your valuable paper my impressions about that country. In the first place, no one that has never travelled by Muskoka route to that country can have any idea of the extent of rocky wilderness that you have got to pass through before reaching what we might term the great beyond. The snake like form that the train takes around Lake Superior is simply marvellous, and as we take in the situation of these waterways we can form some idea of the experience that Col. Wolsley and General Buller had in 1869, when they started from Toronto bound for Fort Garry which is now the city of Winnipeg in order to put down a rising of dissatisfied half breeds headed by Louis Riel, who objected to the transfer of the country from the control of the Hudson Bay Company to that of the Dominion Government. When we think of them making their way through a pathless, uninhabited wilderness of nearly 1200 miles, and having to pull and lug their boats and provisions over altogether forty-seven portages, which varied from 150 rods to three miles, the hardships they endured are better imagined than described. I might say that the further I went west the better I liked it in a great many ways. Saskatchewan is an excellent province, the land being more rolling than Manitoba, although Manitoba is better watered. In speaking of water, I might say that in my opinion this is the worst draw back that country has. There is neither the quantity or the quality that is required. I knew some threshers that had to draw water over six miles. I was very sick myself from drinking bad water, and many a time I would have given more for a drink of good Ontario water than I would for plenty of the farms up there. Of course there is good water in some places, but for the one that had good water there were half a dozen had it bad. There is certainly no discount on the land. If I had one hundred acres of some of the land in that country here in South Verulam, I would not take \$8,000 for it. I think that any good industrious young man can do as well in Ontario as the average young man can in the west and I do not want anyone to think that I am prejudiced against that country, but I am giving my opinion based on what information I could get. As is the case in any country, some are getting rich while others are making no progress. But what I want to impress on the minds of many young men who are thinking of leaving Ontario, is that they have plenty of opportunities right here where they can become independent in a short period of time. For instance, take a young man of 21, he starts to work out with the wages that have been paid in the last five years, and is likely to be paid in the future. He should be able to start for himself on a rented farm when he is 26 or 27. In as many more years as he has worked out, he should be able to make a good payment on a farm, and it must be remembered that there are many farms in Ontario that can be bought for very little more than the cost of buildings, so that by the time he is 45 or 50 he should be in easy circumstances and besides he has had more comfort and pleasure than the western farmers, as there are many things that we enjoy in Ontario that you are deprived of in the west. For instance take the fruit—the orchards, no fruit. I have paid 5c for one little apple, or 1c for 25c but you

Sir Thomas on the Grain Route

Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, President of the Canadian Pacific, was in Toronto last evening, and the World, in an interview with that gentleman, has the following: "Sir Thomas spoke definitely about hoping to have the new line from Midland (Georgian Bay) to Peterboro the new grain route, ready for next year's crop. The grades of this new section would be so slight that one train would move 50,000 bushels from bay port to Peterboro, two trains to Smith Falls, and one train from Smith's Falls to Montreal. The section from Peterboro to Smith's Falls would later on be improved as near as possible to the standard of the other two sections. Ontario, he said, would have a lot of other improvements—in all likelihood the company would soon start work on the new line from Smith's Falls to Toronto through the Lake Ontario towns—Cobourg, Port Hope, Oshawa, Whitby, striking the existing line somewhere east of Toronto. This is another big proposition."

Last Run of Old Engineer

Port Hope Guide: Mr. Geo. Mimms, of Toronto, engineer on the Midland Division of the G.T.R., is making his last run to-day, before retiring on his superannuation allowance. He is one of the best known engineers on the road, having been one of the first on the old Midland railway, and has continued in the service ever since. Some forty-six years and eight months. He is now 65 years old. Mr. Mimms is one of those careful men who has had few accidents, therefore he is considered lucky.

Mr. Thomas and The Home Bank

There is one unfortunate incident in connection with the Thomas Shoe Co. episode. That individual transacted business with the Home Bank and succeeded in borrowing a certain sum of money. The manager, realizing that Mr. Thomas was recognized by many of our substantial citizens as perfectly reliable and trustworthy, consented to advance him the money. His faith in the man's integrity and worth was further strengthened from the fact that operations on the proposed industry were under way. Work was proceeding on the factory and the proposition had all the earmarks of reliability. Many of our merchants had already done business with the man in question, and they, together with the manager of the bank, were deceived by a scheme which is unparalleled for originality and cleverness. Our citizens will sympathize with the Home Bank and its manager in this matter and we believe the management of the institution will readily realize the conditions which existed as well as the circumstances in connection with the act on of its local management.

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Peterborough Wanted Industry

Examiner—It may be interesting to Peterboro people to know that Industrial Commissioner Duggan was in communication with the now famous Mr. David Burton Thomas, the enterprising young gentleman who was to present Lindsay with a factory employing 360 hands, a tannery with employment for 50 more and other things. Mr. Duggan, however, took some precautions that the Lindsay people apparently neglected. He wrote at once to Cleveland for information, and his letter came back with the intimation that there was no such firm as the Thomas Shoe Company.

Institute Session Poorly Attended

The Farmers' Institute meeting in the Council Chamber on Saturday was very poorly attended. Wm. Channon, President, presided and the feature of session was addresses by Mr. D. A. Mackenzie on "The Handling of Poultry Products" and "Care and Management of Dairy Cattle and Hogs" by Auson Groh Hespeler. Dr. Margaret McAlpine, of Toronto, also delivered an interesting address. It seems unfortunate that so few of those who directly benefit from such sessions avail themselves of the opportunity by being present.

Thomas' Orders' for Typewriter

Mr. C. F. Smythe, representing the Oliver Typewriting Co. secured an order for seven of the famous typewriters from the Thomas Shoe Co., and left his sample machine for their use in the meantime, until the new machines arrived. Thomas informed the agent that his company had nineteen of their Oliver's in use in their Cleveland office and he was in town to-day looking up the sample machine, and wired his firm would use no other. Mr. Smythe to cancel the order. He says he was sorry to lose the order, but very pleased to secure his sample machine under the circumstances. Mr. Smythe is an enterprising salesman, and says he will have to hustle to secure for Lindsay an industry capable of using those seven Oliver typewriters.

A Deal in Real Estate

A good story is going the rounds about a well known citizen. It has to do with a speculative deal in connection with the "Thomas Shoe Co" of inglorious memory. Now this citizen, ever alert for a wise speculation hurried to Fenelon Falls during the "Thomas boom" and purchased two lots near the glove factory site from a resident of the Cataract Village. The poet Burns says "The best laid plans of men and mice gang aft a-gley." The puncture of the bubble left two lots on the citizen's hands, which he is anxious to dispose of.

Very Successful Social Evening

The first social evening of the season under the auspices of St. Mary's Catholic Club, was held in the Parish Hall last night and was a splendid success in every particular. The committee of young men having the details in hand are to be congratulated on the result. The event was attended by the full membership of the Society and their lady friends, and card playing was indulged in during the early part of the evening. The prize winners were Miss Nellie Costello and Ethel Murtha, and Messrs. James and Peter Murphy. Music was furnished during the evening by different members of the club and light refreshments were also served.

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Machine Phones In Three Weeks

The Machine Telephone Company is making phenomenal progress lately in installing their system in town and it is expected that within three weeks numerous phones will be in operation. The automatic exchange is in place in their office on William street and practically all the rest of the equipment. The office itself will be an attractive room, finished in a business like manner. Long distance connections will soon be established with Peterboro, Uxbridge, Toronto and many other places, so the use of this automatic system will be much broader than at first supposed.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Butler last week, leaving a fine baby boy. A good time is expected at the... Mr. Wesley Benson, of the 8th. con. extinguished before much damage was done. Continued on page 4. this month.