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AGRICULTURE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA AND THE NORTH-WEST.

The Editor of that very popular agricultural monthly magazine, The Farmer's Advocate, recently visited our North-West Territories and British Columbia. Mr. Weld (the Editor in question is an experienced farmer, as well as a clever journalist, and what he says in connection with these Western regions of our great Dominion, possesses much weight.

Speaking of the North-West, Mr. Weld says:—"Our North-West will now progress faster than any part of this continent..... Having just passed through a portion of our grain and stock-producing west, we saw over-flowing granaries and herds of fat cattle, and know that the necessaries of life are more accessible to a larger number of persons here than in any other part of the world; where we know of more millions of acres of available fertile land to be given away, and know that emigration is turning from the "sunny south" to the fertile, beef and grain producing north; even American farmers find that bread, beef and labor are better than lassitude, rags and bannanas. The great North-West is destined to be filled with millions of inhabitants; towns and cities must spring up."

In reference to British Columbia, however, Mr. Weld's remarks read very much like our old friend, Mr. J. M. Webster's, letters. British Columbia, says Mr. Weld, is very rich in its minerals and fisheries, but neither the soil nor the climate are favorable for agricultural pursuits. Speaking in this connection, Mr. Weld observes:—"There are a few small farms to be seen in the low valleys that are found on this line (Victoria and Ninimo railroad). The climate and soil make it a struggle for agriculturalists to make much here. A few farmers exist, but any emigration agent or Government that attempts to move the agriculturalist from our Eastern Provinces to British Columbia for the sake of getting the little money or property they have, ought to be tarred and feathered; and still we have such unprincipled persons in Government employ, and some of our Government officials know it. We could depict fearful results from injudicious movements."

If people will and must leave Ontario, and are desirous of settling down permanently in the best agricultural districts outside these Eastern Provinces, it is certainly obvious that Manitoba and our North-West Territories should be their destination, and not British Columbia or the impoverished Northern and Southern States and Territories. Contrasting the condition of the settlers in the North-West with those in the United States, Mr. Weld thus forcibly remarks:—

"Sudden squalls have fearfully shaken the British nation. For centuries past the ballast and helmsman have always righted her, and both appear as sound as ever despite her foes. One's worst enemies are apt to be those of one's own household. Yes, and when we compare the hungry soil, the parched land, the miserable-looking, half-starved hogs, dogs and cattle we saw when passing through Tennessee, part of Kentucky, Arkansas and Albama; when we depict the poor miserable looking homesteads, the ragged, dirty, sickly appearance of the "white trash," as many of the inhabitants are termed; when we know that the majority of the farmers there neither own their land, nor even the seed sown, where grass and wheat will not grow, and compare the healthy appearance, the well clad, hopeful independent spirit of the owners and tillers of the soil in our North-West Territories, and the unlimited extent of unoccupied rich fertile lands that will produce grain and grass—it is almost impossible to imagine the superiority of spirit and physique of these two classes. Crops of cotton, tobacco and oranges are very pleasing to the eye, but afford comparatively a poor substitute for beef and flour. The sunny south may be all very well to visit in our winter season, but the debilitating effects of continued residence takes the energy and spirit out of white settlers, thousands of whom have been drawn there by the laudatory, one-sided statements of interested agents."

That a great wave of emigration is already rushing on towards the vast and fertile unoccupied plains of the North-West, is undoubted. The tricks of unscrupulous Yankee agents are being exposed every day by duped emigrants; and in due time it will dawn upon the people of this country generally, that the Toronto World's stirring and patriotic cry—"*Canada for the Canadians*"—possesses a world of meaning.

The "Glorious Twelfth."

Big Gathering at Markdale.--Maxwell and Kimberley to the Fore.

THE CELEBRATION ELSEWHERE.

IN many parts the "Glorious Twelfth" is more generally observed as a public holiday than Dominion Day. The deeds of King William III, of "glorious, pious and immortal memory," seem to be as fresh in the minds of tens of thousands of people to-day as they were one hundred and ninety-eight years ago. And, although our natal day is pretty generally observed as a national holiday, there is not the enthusiasm manifested so characteristic of the twelfth. No doubt the gay colors, the stirring notes of the fifes, the thundering boom of the drums, coupled with the circumstances which gave rise to the celebration, have much to do with this. And then, too, more than a hundred years before the birth of this rapidly growing young nation north of the 49th parallel, the Orangemen all over the world had made the "Glorious Twelfth" their big day, and had been wont to assemble themselves to the sounds of fife and drum with every recurrence of that memorable day.

Artemesia Township is noted far and near for its Orange lodges; but more particularly for the respectability of its Orangemen. We use this term advisedly, for many rowdies and "riff-raff"—to use a common expression—have time and again found their way into Orange lodges to the disgrace of that noble Order. Artemesia Orangemen, as a whole, are as God-fearing, orderly, respectable and fine a body of men as can be found in Canada. Why? simply because they live up to the principles of their Order, which are founded on the only solid and sure foundation, viz., the Bible.

This year Artemesia's loyal sons went to Markdale to celebrate the 12th. About 10:30 a.m. a stream of carriages and vehicles of every description began to pour through the streets of Flesherton on the way to Markdale—carrying Orangemen and visitors. The horses, in many instances, were gaily decked with orange ribbons, artistically arranged, and with neat little Union Jacks attached to the bridles. The whole presented an animated appearance; and amid the booming of drums, the cheerful notes of fifes, and flags and banners gaily floating on the breeze, the procession moved on to our sister village of Markdale. Grand old "214" came out strong as usual, with Eugenia, 4th Line, Flesherton Station and our own town Orangemen largely represented. It is estimated that over 2,500 people, including Orangemen visited Markdale. Stirring and patriotic addresses were delivered by Rev. J. W. Shilton, B.A., of Flesherton; Major Joseph Rorke, M.P.P., of Clarksburg; Rev. A. Wilson, and Rev. Mr. Buggins, of Markdale. Thos. Kells, Esq., District Secretary, gave a very interesting report in connection with the Society. There were nine lodges of Orangemen present, which, when headed by the Markdale Brass Band, assisted by members of Flesherton Band, made an imposing procession. Dr. Sproule, M.P. for East Grey, having been called out to attend an urgent case in connection with the practice of his profession, was unable to take his place on the platform—a fact generally regretted, as the Dr. is an eloquent speaker and very popular with all classes of the people. Dr. Christoe, the grand old Reeve of Artemesia, was absent attending the National Division of the Sons of Temperance in Toronto, where, however, he had the pleasure of witnessing the magnificent Orange procession in the Queen City. The speaking in Markdale took place on the Agricultural grounds. The day's celebration passed off in an orderly and pleasant manner and the visiting brethren returned to their respective homes early in the evening.

The Twelfth was also celebrated at Maxwell, Kimberley and Dundalk in a fitting manner—large crowds visiting each of those places. In the first named place some three or four lodges marched in procession. In the latter village, the chief feature in the large procession was the handsomely uniformed members of the Young Men's Protestant Benevolent Association of Dundalk, who were the "observed of all observers." If Orangemen generally would adopt a uniformity of dress (or uniform) these demonstrations would possess much greater interest to outsiders than they do. It is not necessary to go to the expense of purchasing costly uniforms in order to bring about such a desideratum; but let there be a uniformity in the ordinary clothing worn, the same as obtains in city Orange lodges.

OUR MUSKOKA LETTER.

DEAR ADVANCE,—You will no doubt be somewhat surprised to find me here, yet here I be, as you will see if you come rusticating to Muskoka. Well, Sir, you have no doubt heard much of Muskoka, so that anything I can tell you will scarcely be news. Gravenhurst, as you will remember, was last year almost totally destroyed by fire, yet now I find it re-built almost altogether as thickly as ever and I am told very much more substantial. Several large and elegant brick buildings having been erected on the ruins of the old frame, flimsy, fire traps of old. After a run by rail of 6 hours from Toronto through a landscape, ever changing, beautiful uplands, luxuriant lowlands, spacious, elegant and well kept farms of the older townships with their pleasing homesteads, shining out in a June sun, on to Barrie, on Lake Simcoe's pretty shore, then, as one rolls along to the northward, gradually the face of country changes and in place of snug farmsteads, orchards and gardens, one becomes sensibly aware that the backwoods country is heaving in light, rough, rugged farms. Stoney land, saw mills, huge wood piles, lumber and timber flit past as the chariot rolls along over hills, through vales, across marshes, until the guard calls Orillia, which we notice is apparently a thrifty and pretty business place, situated on rising ground at the north end of Lake Simcoe. Let the school boys and girls get their map and look up the route and point out the place where I am. Come boys and girls, look it up, you will think you were here then. I'll think I see you. Toot on to the north we go. Not stones but a land of rock bursts on the view the R.R. bed blasted out of the solid rock and that in some places hills of rock on over bridges that span creeks, rivers and isthmas', through vales that echo back the shrill whistle of the iron steed, as he heralds his approach and warns all living out of the way of his unyielding tread.

Never in my life did I so sensibly, visibly understand the meaning of the term—"The Everlasting Hills." Promontary, hills,—nay, mountains of solid rock abound in this part of our Canada. What need to go to the far-off Rockies to see mountains of rock when 100 miles or so to the East of Flesherton or Eugenia such scenes abound. And lakeland truly is here along this road—now here, now there on the right, on the left, directly in front, for our coach appears to leap lakes like fun until right here Gravenhurst is reached. 112 miles from Toronto, planted on a plateau between two lakes; on the west Lake Muskoka, on the east Gull Lake—a town all over Pine Lake, Long Lake, Short Lake, Leg Lake, Bat Lake, Other Lake, Little Lake, Big Lake, &c., &c. not on the maps, with 3,000 population. And one must be very indifferent to landscape beauty if one would not at once vote this a lovely spot. What a picturesque scene bursts upon the view on arising on bright June morning, and for the first time gazing on Muskoka Bay—hid from the main lake by 3 miles of rocky headlands, covered with what remains of a once gigantic primeval pine woods. The smoke of fifteen sawmill chimneys blackens the air above. This appears to be the main industry of the place. Thousands of logs float in the Bay and hundreds of thousands yet to come. The constant hum of machinery in work hours and the busy flitting to and fro of many men demonstrate that this is no small trade done here. At present the employees are out on strike, demanding 10 hours as a day's work, instead of 10½ or 11, and pay every two weeks instead of monthly. The men being principally associated with the Knights of Labor, appear to be strong and consider they are right in their action, while the mill-owners think that ½ an hour a day would hurt no one, and as long as the money was sure to be planked down pay day the men had little to grumble at. So the matter stands just now, yet many think strikes are an unmixed evil all the same. F. T. C.

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TO SELL our Choice Varieties of Nursery Stock, either on salary or commission. Permanent employment to the right men. No room for lazy ones. Upright and honest are the ones we are looking for. Address, with references, MAY BROTHERS, Nurserymen.
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VOTERS' LIST,

1888.

Municipality of the Township of Osprey, County of Grey.

NOTICE is hereby given that I have transmitted or delivered to the persons mentioned in the third and fourth sections of "THE VOTERS' LIST ACT," the copies required by said sections to be so transmitted or delivered of the list made pursuant to said Act of all persons appearing by the last revised Assessment Roll of the said Municipality to be entitled to vote in the said Municipality at Elections for members of the Legislative Assembly and at Municipal Elections; and that said list was first posted up at my office at Lot 20, Con. 4, Osprey, on the 16th day of July, 1888, and remains there for inspection.

Electors are called upon to examine the said list and if any omissions or any errors are found therein, to take immediate proceedings to have the said errors corrected according to law.

WILLIAM MILNE,
Clerk of the said Municipality.
Dated this 16th day of July, A.D., 1888.

The Thorough-Bred Durham Bull,

Gray Champion!

Will stand for service at Lot 151 2 West, Artemesia—about one mile from Flesherton Station. This is a first-class animal and farmers desirous of improving their stock will do well to bring their cows to him. He is in prime condition.

TERMS.—$1 per cow. Reduced rates accordin to number of cows brought by any one man.

JOHN ADAMS, Proprietor.

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FLESHERTON

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Binders,	*Grain Drills,*
Reapers,	*Broad-cut Seeders,*
Mowers,	*Spring Tooth Harrows,*
Rakes,	*Iron Harrows,*
Waggons,	*Two-Furrow Gang Plow,*
Buggies,	*Plows,*
Sleighs,	*Scufflers,*
Cutters,	*Turnip Drills,*
Fanning Mills,	*Land Rollers.*
Spring Tooth Cultivators,	

Flesherton

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Fall Wheat	$0 78 to	0 80
Spring Wheat	0 78	0 80
Barley	0 50	0 55
Oats	0 45	0 45
Peas	0 60	0 60
Butter	0 15	0 15
Eggs, fresh	0 15	0 15
Potatoes bush	0 40	0 50
Pork,	6 50	6 50
Hay per ton	7 00	8 00
Hides	4 50	5 50
Wool	19	23
Sheepskins	0 50	1 00
Geese	0 06	0 06
Turkeys	0 10	0 10
Chickens per pair	0 25	0 30
Ducks per pair	0 50	0 60