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McDONALD & EVANS,

A Letter from Moosomin.

To the Editor of The Advance.

Moosomin is a town of 1000 inhabitants, situated on the main line of the C. P. R., in the midst of a good farming country. In this place there are four general stores, three hotels, two banks, four churches—Methodist, Presbyterian, Church of England and Roman Catholic. Nearly every trade and profession is fully represented.

Now, Mr. Editor, my opinion of the country is as follows: It is a great country so far as I have travelled. There are heaps of good land. I don't mean to say that all the land is good, but a large proportion of it is good. I formed my judgement of the quality of land by the crops which I saw, on my way out. Such immense fields of wheat on either side of the railroad as far as I could see! Field after field was standing thick with shocks of grain. When I arrived in this country a little over a month since, very little grain had been stacked, owing to the continued wet weather during the latter part of August, and first two weeks of September, but from the 15th Sept. to the 7th Oct., I never saw finer weather in Ontario in June, and the farmers made good use of it, for the country now is a forest of stacks. It is no uncommon thing to see a farmer have from twenty to thirty stacks of grain, principally wheat. The difficulty now is to get machines in to get it threshed. Threshing in this country is done different from that in Ont., viz., the man who runs the machine furnishes all the hands, so the owner of the crop has nothing to do but bag the grain and store it. There are no barns in this country such as there are in Ont. Indeed they would be of very little use here. Mostly every farmer has a grainery in which to store grain when threshed. These are built of logs and covered with sods. Stables for horses and cattle are built entirely of sod, and they are comfortable and warm. Farmers use very little straw for feeding; it is mostly burned up and sometimes spread on stubbles and set on fire to assist burning the stubble, preparing the ground for another crop, which is frequently put in this way without plowing; simply slap on the harrows and seed drill. Such crops are usually good. Mr. Editor, you would be astonished if you saw the crops raised by this means of tilling the ground. Breaking is usually done in June, or should be. It is considered very hard work for the animals but easy for men. Then the backsetting is done after harvest and the ground is ready for crop next year. It is rather a novel sight to see a span of horses and one large ox hitched up together on a self binder, or one yoke of oxen and one horse, or, if you please, three oxen harnessed, bits in their mouth and lines on. The driver mounts the binder with a long whip and gives the word, "Get up," Jack, Bill, Jim, etc., and I tell you they get, every time. The largest portion of the work is done by oxen. Mostly all farmers own a native pony and buckboard for odd jobs, running into town, etc. The country is becoming settled, but not so fast as it should be, owing to the large tracts of land held by speculators. Fancy one man holding six sections of land, each section containing 640 acres, and only tilling 700 acres out of the lot. Now, sir, I claim this is a serious matter in a new country. There is too much of this kind of thing going on. The N. W. T. L. Co. hold large tracts of land, also the C.P.R. and the H. B. Co., besides many private individuals. There are no taxes to pay except for school purposes, and they have to be paid by the actual settler whose land is under cultivation in that particular section. Now, sir, I claim those land grabbers should be made pay their portion as well as the poor person struggling to make a home for himself and family. If these fellows were made to contribute sharply on their property to funds of the Dominion they would be more ready to dispose of their farm lands at reasonable figures. But enough of this. The crops in this particular com-

munity this year are grand. It is generally believed wheat will average all round 25 bush. per acre, oats 50 and barley 40. Roots are a magnificent crop. Such potatoes and cabbage I never before beheld. I had the privilege of attending the Moosomin fall exhibition on the 10th Oct., and I tell you the fair would have put to shame many of the Ontario fairs, both in point of number and the excellence of the articles shown. I saw a span of heavy draught mares, which, I have doubts in my mind, could be beaten at the Toronto industrial, also some splendid thoroughbred shorthorn cattle as good as I have seen at the East Grey fall show. There were also some Polled Angus and Devons shown which were really good. In dairy products the show was good, but in roots and vegetables it excelled anything I have ever seen. The turnips were excellent, mangolds, carrots, radish, cauliflower and cabbage were great, especially the cabbage. I saw lots of cabbage heads which would not go inside of a half bushel. So much for the fair.

Now as to the houses the people live in. Out in the country it is usually a small shanty, about 12x14, in some cases built of sod, but mostly of lumber and nearly always occupied by a bachelor. In fact, I don't think there would be much room for a partner. Now, you will be ready to ask, are people generally content and are they prospering? To the first of these questions I would answer yes. Of course there are exceptions. There are some people who are never content, nor ever will be in this world. Now as to the second. The man who is industrious and careful is doing well. I find the men who came to this country with means, say from one to three thousand dollars, are the persons generally who have not been a success. They went ahead too fast and now find themselves under heavy mortgages, while the men who came here with scarcely enough money to pay for a week's board, as a general rule, are getting on well, have their one quarter section of land free of all encumbrance, have a nice little stock of animals, and are on a fair way to independence. The reason is plain. They were careful, economical, worked at anything they could get to do, got good wages and lived within their income. That is the kind of persons who will and must succeed. Dudes, and persons who think themselves too awfully nice to work are of no use here.

We are not without distinguished visitors in this part of the world. Last Sunday morning, in the Presbyterian church service, we had the presence of Dr. Washburn, of Constantinople, one of the professors in a college there. I understand we are to have a visit from the evangelists, Messrs. Crosley & Hunter, on their return from the Pacific coast.

I find the people generally kind hearted and obliging, and I believe anxious to have the blessed Gospel preached to them. I notice the plate collections are most liberal, and would put to shame some of our more pretentious congregations in the east.

Now, Mr. Editor, I am afraid my letter is already too long, but before I draw to a close I must tell you we have no potato bugs, no cabbage worms, and the people tell me there are no snakes or toads, but I tell you what there is plenty of—Game. Oh, Mr. Editor, I wish you were here. There are thousands of wild geese and ducks, prairie chickens, wild turkey and jack rabbits. These are all easy to be shot excepting turkey. It requires a good rifle to fetch them. We have had abundance of all these game except turkey. There is about as much meat on one of these rabbits as there is on a spring lamb, and I tell you they are fine. Another pest we have not got here is the Canadian thistle. I have not seen one at all since I came here, although I have helped to draw and stack 120 acres of grain. I enjoyed the work well and have excellent health. Now, I don't want to urge people who have comfortable homes in Ont., to leave them and come out here, but there are men

there on rented farms, paying big rents, and struggling for a mere existence, to those I would say "Go west." There are thousands of acres of fertile land waiting for settlers to break it up, and in a few years with care and economy become independent and have a home of their own, and won't have to work so hard as they do in Ontario.

With best wishes, I am yours,
J. R. A.

All Men

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