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THE FUTURE OF WESTERN CANADA

A Sketch of the Future of the Canadian West as it Appears to an Observant Ontario Man Who Has Been Over the Ground.

The Editor of The Advance has asked me to let him have a "column of impressions" formed on my recent tour of Western Canada. Everyone has been told over and over again what the West is. No doubt all have heard both favorably and otherwise, and I will not attempt to either build or tear down their castles. It is worth their money to go and see for themselves. The present Western Canada was not what I went to see; but to form an idea of the future Western Canada, and in the face of a large amount of correspondence left for me to dispose of on my arrival here, I have only time for a few remarks.

The future Western Canada is this: Each township containing one to six farmers, or Lords (the survival of the fittest) who have acquired their land from the homesteader and poor farmer, who has endured the miseries of homesteading, and dissappointments of frosts and blizzards until he can not hold out any longer against the onslaught of the boodle. The great nobleman who will own these vast estates and make the English Lords look like homesteaders is the simple farmer who is to-day making ready to sow his hundreds of acres and hoping for the best; or one of the number may be a real estate man now selling on commission The poor little business man in the now growing village will eventually find that he has only a few customers to look at his measly little stock of general merchandise; and the village lot, which the Canadian Northern skinned him on, will later on be holding out to the sight of the travell r at the car window the growing wheat instead of the flashing-eyed hopeful youth at his store door.

Just a word about the town lot skin game. The town lot agent is found and he accepts your money in a sort of condescending attitude, but is careful to advise you that the lot which you have paid for may not be granted to you by this great philanthropic Company. You question him further and find it may be six months before you know whether you are going to get it or not, but he advises you to build. The application which you sign to coax this $1,000 lot away from them contains the agreement that in case you are not awarded the "prize" your money is applied to the purchase of some other lot in that town. But you ask the price then of the lot alongside your original investment, and it is now $2,000, and you must buy it or forfeit money paid on first. They have grown to love you and cannot bear to see you leave!

Until the time comes when the land is held by the farming kings, the cities will grow and money be made, but eventually there will be a crash—down they'll go and we will hear the groans and wailings for Ontario's water-powers that give bread to so many millions in factories operated by electricity—the immense mineral wealth owned now by poor despised and rejected Old Ontario, and the land where the monied farmer can't grow fast enough to absorb the life of his fellow man.

Of course in Southern Alberta, where mixed farming will predominate, conditions will be different. Mixed farming requires help at all times of the year and there will be more people in a mixed farming district, and more business, and more pleasure as it is here. The wheat grower proudly says "Oh farming is easy here—machinery for everything," and there is the point, machinery is busy working his fortune or finish. The individual who will own the township will have gasoline doing his work instead of the strong brown arms that go to make a country.

You business men here, who pine for a flourishing business in one of Western Canada's new and growing towns, just stand back and look at Flesherton and imagine Artemesia township as a wheat field with six farmers in possession of same, and machinery doing their work. Recover yourself now, and loosen up. Flesherton may have gone into a decline, but they haven't started to plough in Munshaw's square yet.

Pleasure is the best we may expect of life. Different things please different people. If money is your whole source of pleasure and you are willing to sacrifice certain comforts go to the Golden West. But mark you—you will not appreciate your millions any more than you now do your thousands. You may experience greater pleasure in winning because you may win a bank account of six figures, but after you have won you will be no happier than if you had only won the account of four. I didn't try it, of course, because these were my sentiments.

—I. HARVEY PERIGOE.

PortLaw

Mr. Sid Jackson left on Tuesday for the West.

Messrs. Elmer and Ben Fyke have gone to Oregon. The former expects to locate in that state.

Grippe has been prevalent, a number of people having had severe attacks.

Mr. J. W. Benson and family have removed to the farm recently purchased from Mr. Gibson at Rock Mills.

The people here deeply sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. John Lyons in the loss of their infant as related in last week's Advance.

At the R. T. of T. meeting on Thursday last the society put on a program that would do credit to any public entertainment, and the meeting was thoroughly enjoyed. This society is prospering.

Mr. Thos. Boyce, a former resident of the 4th, and his bride, are visiting with the former's parents here. They intend to leave soon for Saskatchewan, where Mr. Boyce has been doing well financially.

Mr. J. A. Hutchinson, a former teacher in our school, is now principal of the public school at Aberdeen, Sask., and Overseer of the town, equivalent to our Mayor. Mr. Hutchinson's many warm friends tender congratulations on the promotion of one whom they know to be deserving.

Kimberley

At a largely attended meeting held in the public hall on Saturday afternoon last, composed almost entirely of the landowners along the Beaver river between here and Heathcote, some $800 was subscribed toward the lowering of that river for drainage purposes. The above sum will in all probability be increased to some $1200, together with a like sum from the government will probably be sufficient to take out the gravel bars and jamb piles that cause the river to overflow its banks. Messrs. P. A. McCauslin, W. S. Bishop and Herbert J. Reid were appointed a committee to proceed as soon as possible with the work which, in all probability will not start until August or September.

Mrs Samuel Thompson and sister, Miss Maude Hill, left on Tuesday of this week for Spirling, Man. We wish the young ladies a pleasant trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Neaves and little son, Ernest, of Toronto, are holidaying with Mrs Neave's mother, Mrs. Eber Smith.

The maple syrup season will soon be in full swing. To the writer maple syrup always had a moreish taste.

Mr. Walter Loucks of Flesherton was a caller in our burg on Sunday last. Yes, Walter, the Kimberley ladies are all nice.

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Fawcett of Heathcote were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Fawcett recently.

Well, Mr. Editor, we were much pleased to learn that your town is to have a new high-school in the near future. You certainly have an ideal town for the same, on account of the fact that there are no licensed hotels to entice the young men to start on the downward road. Markdale, we believe is also after a high school, but who would want to send their boys to Markdale, where there are three licensed hotels.

Mr. Albert McConnel of Sturgeon Falls is holidaying at his parental home here.

Miss Lucy Walton entertained the officers and teachers of the Sunday school at her home on Monday evening. An enjoyable evening was spent by all.

Mrs. Webb of Innisfil is the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. Walton, Sr.

The brick residence of James Barber, near Honeywood, was destroyed by fire. The building was insured for $500 and $300 on contents.

Another Booze Seller Caught

Costs A Swinton Park Man $100 To Sell Booze To a Friend.

An interesting liquor-selling case was tried at Dundalk on Thursday of last week. A man named John Henry Richardson was returning to his home at Swinton Park from Dundalk, and had a cargo of booze along with him. Meeting a friend he played the part of the good Samaritan, and gave him a drink of the "ch be joyful." However, the drink produced a thirst, and then J. H. refused to part with any more of the precious fluid unless he received a fair remuneration in the coin of the realm. He was not running a political campaign or a free drink ranch—not just then—so the story runs. The story ran so well in fact that it brought John Henry before the mag strate at Dundalk as before stated

The magistrate managed to part Richardson from $100 of hard-earned cash, in addition to the costs of the case. It was claimed that the money paid was a threshing bill owing Richardson and that out of his goodness of heart he played the good (or bad) Samaritan, but the magistrate was skeptical of his charity.

Eugenia.

We are now getting the robbin's storm. The poor birds look pretty cold. They wonder why they left their sunny clime so soon.

Mr. Carl. Walker is home from the city in very poor health.

Miss Ethel Armstrong is suffering from a severe attack of la grippe.

Messrs. Wellington and Bert Graham are visiting at Clarksburg.

The next meeting of the Women's Institute is to be held at the home of Mrs. Large on April 5th. Visitors cordially welcome.

Mr. Levi Betts of the Collingwood gravel had a narrow escape during the thunder storm of a week ago. He and his little boy were in the barn when a bolt struck both barns, knocking both he and the child down. When he came to and got to the house he saw the barn was on fire. Fortunately help was at hand and the fire put out before much damage was done. Both barns were badly splintered by the bolt.

A great many people are suffering from bad colds at present.

Mr. W. T. Pedlar of the Collingwood gravel had a severe loss by the death of a fine yearling colt the past week.

Maxwell

The home of Mr. Jas. Buckingham had an agreeable surprise on Tuesday last, when the superintendent of the Methodist Sunday school presented the Misses Etta and Alma with a glass tea sett each, also Miss Mildred with a fancy celery dish accompanied by a timely address of appreciation of their faithful service both in Sunday school and League. The faithful service and cheerfulness with which that service was ever performed won for them the esteem and confidence of all those with whom they labored.

Messrs. Arthur and Keith Robinson of Hawarden, Sask., who have been visiting with their brother, Mr. John Robertson, for the past two and a half months, returned home this week, unaccompanied. The boys took a car of horses home with them, shipping from Meaford.

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Fatal Accident At McWilliams

Jos. Richardson of Swinton Park Instantly Killed by Falling Gin Pole.

An extremely sad accident occurred at McWilliams station on the new Walkerton branch of the C.P.R. when Joseph Richardson was killed on Monday morning about 9 o'clock. The young man was assisting to load logs on a flat car when a guy wire holding the gin pole broke letting the heavy pole fall. It struck him on the head, and death was instantaneous.

The deceased, who was a son of Wm. Richardson of Swinton Park, was only 15 years, 6 months of age, and was highly esteemed by those who knew him. The funeral was to Swinton Park cemetery on Wednesday.

The Advance extends its deepest sympathy to the bereaved parents and relatives.

Priceville

The maple syrup season is at hand.

Mr. Herman McLean was operated on in Toronto two weeks ago for apendicitis, and seemed to be doing well since. It is expected that he will be able for removal to his home this week.

Owing to some irregularities in the formation of the rural high school, and also a general feeling that such an institution would not have any practical benefits for them, some of the school sections in Artemesia will likely withdraw their support.

The depth of snow this winter has resulted in a reduction of the output of sawlogs, poles, wood, etc., but after all there is quite a quantity delivered at the sawmill and also at the station yards, and still more coming in.

Andrew Shaw of Euphrasia was fined $15.70, including costs, for assaulting Herbert Thompson at an auction sale.

TOO ILL TO WORK"

In Deepest Despair—All Run Down—Health Was Restored.

When you are sick and undecided is to the best remedy to use, there is nothing so convincing as the personal experience of some one who has suffered like yourself.

From St. Francis, Maine, comes the following statement from Mrs. Ovila Daigle: "I want to write you a few lines in order to tell you how much better my health is since taking Ferrozone.

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COUNCIL WILL GRANT 13,000 FOR SCHOOL

At Special Meeting on Monday Night Artemesia Council Passed a By-Law to Provide the Funds for Building Rural Continuation School

A special meeting of the Artemesia Council was held in the town hall Monday evening to deal with the Continuation School question, with all the members present and the Reeve in the chair There was a large number of ratepayers present, some to protest against and some to favor the request of the Continuation school board for the issue of $13,000 debentures to erect a building, as read at last Council meeting. The Reeve explained why the meeting was called and that the Council could only agree or disagree to issue the debentures, reading the clauses of the School Act covering the case.

It was moved by Mr. Best, seconded by Mr. McLeod—That the application of the Township of Artemesia school board asking this Council to issue debentures to the extent of $13,000 for the purpose of building and equipping a continuation school in this township be approved by this Council and that a bylaw be introduced and passed giving effect to the said application.

Mr. McKenzie moved, seconded by Mr. Graham—That the application of the trustees of Artemesia continuation school board for the issue of debentures for the purpose of purchasing a site and erecting a school building be not approved by this Council.

After the reading of the above resolutions the Reeve gave those opposed to the motion an opportunity to speak and read the resolution of Priceville school board which was published last week, also a petition from ratepayers of Eugenia section and another from No. 9, also one from the Cheeseville U. S. S..

Mr. McKenzie did not wish to go on record as an opponent of the school but thought the matter should be left with the ratepayers.

Mr. Graham cited cases where the people were always consulted on money matters and agreed with Mr. McKenzie that it should go to a vote of the people.

Mr. Geo. Meldrum of Sec. 9, said it would be a great hardship for his section to be saddled with anything further as they had to build a school. Others who spoke against the proposed action were Mr. Wm. Pedlar of section 9, Messrs. Donald McMillan and D. McLeod, trustees of Priceville, and Mr. Wm. Hill of the Stone Settlement school.

After these had been heard Reeve Boyd defined his position in a short but spirited address in which he said in part: We were paying to-day for two high schools in the north end of the county in which we had no voice. We would be ahead financially if there were no high schools at all in this county, as we could send our pupils out of the county to other schools for considerably less money, giving figures to prove this contention. But surely, he said, no one would be disloyal enough to say the county should not have a high school. Artemesia was paying out now about $1000 per year for the maintenance of high schools and were not getting a proportionate benefit. Here we had the means of bringing a high school education home to our own children. There were important reasons why the Council should grant the petition without delay. Meaford and Owen Sound were both desirous of getting the county agricultural school and we wanted it right here, and were going to get it. This would be worth more than all the extra taxes we would have to pay. Our continuation school was crowded and if we did not supply more accommodation it would be a disgrace to the township. He believed the ratepayers would see with more favorable eyes the great benefits to be derived from such a school in a very few months. He had worked for the school from the beginning and was willing to stand or fall on the position he took. He conceived it to be his duty to support the motion on behalf of the rising generation and he believed the people of the township would support him in the stand he took.

Mr. Best was a friend to education and had known the want of it. The extra cost would only be about ninety cents on the thousand dollars and would increase the value of farm property far more than the amount of taxation.

Mr. McLeod, who seconded the motion had figured it out himself and found it would only amount to one mill extra.

Mr. Boland took the kickers to task for not objecting before when they had an opportunity. He claimed they had endorsed the principle when they elected Mr. Lucas to support Mr. Whitney's school law, and the Reeve on nomination day had told them exactly where he stood on the matter, yet they elected him by acclamation. He liked a good kicker, but not in a horse, and his object was to see that the kickers did not kick our boys and girls. He lived six miles from the proposed school and few men were assessed more than his family. While he had no children of his own to send he was in it to see that his neighbors boys and girls had a chance. Personally he had paid out more money in personal expenses since this thing began than would pay the extra taxes for ten years. He was a Liberal in politics, a liberal in religion and a liberal when it came to paying for education. It was the care taken in training our boys and girls that made Canada.

Mr. Henry warmed up to the occasion and delivered some hard knocks. We had to have additional accommodation for the continuation classes, and how were we going to get it if not in this manner. He caustically referred to Mr. Graham's position on the question, and charged him with being opposed to the school. He wanted to know if Mr. Graham would be here to-night if we had a say at him last January.

Mr. J. McMillan had only been in the township six years. He had a pupil attending the school and for five days' board per week he was only paying $1.62½. He believed everybody should be helped along educational lines.

Mr. Marcellus, principal of the continuation school, gave some facts and figures showing that the attendance had gone up from 24 to 43 within the year and they were literally packed like sardines.

Mr. Jos. Blakely had helped build half a dozen schools, then moved away, yet would be only too pleased to add his little moiety in taxes to help the boys and girls, although he had none of his own.

Mr. Alex. Muir referred to the hard struggle to secure an education in the past.

Councillor McKenzie wound up the debate by explaining that when the matter was up in County Council he seconded the motion on the personal understanding that the matter would be left with the people to vote on. So far as the extra taxes were concerned they were not worth talking about. It was the principle.

After some desultory conversation the vote was taken, resulting in a tie. The Reeve gave his casting vote and declared the motion carried amid loud acclaim from the large number present who favored the motion.

The yeas and nays being called were as follows: Yeas—Best, McLeod and Boyd. Nays—McKenzie and Graham.

The yeas and nays were called on Mr. Mackenzie's amendment and resulted as follows: Yeas—McKenzie, Graham. Nays—Best, McLeod, Boyd.

Later the bylaw was put through its various readings and became law.

Victoria Corners

Intended for last week.

We are glad to report that both Mrs. Moore and Miss Strain are able to be around again.

Mr. Chester Patton has been suffering from an abcess on his cheek but is better now.

Mrs. J. Corbett has been on a visit home.

Mr. Geo. Bannon has moved to Owen Sound.

A number of young people visited at the home of Mr. D. Wraggeets, Bethel, on Friday evening last and spent a most enjoyable time.

It will soon be sugar making again. You'd better get that sweet tooth fixed.

In a paper of a late date you made mention of what J. C. Eaton is doing for Toronto, but thought he had never done anything for Artemesia, though he gets much of our patronage. Surely if one can get as good or better article and pay express charges on it for less money than he could by dealing nearer home, he is being benefitted by Mr. Eaton if he sends to his store. We believe in favoring home trade when possible, but yet we think we have the right to buy where we can benefit ourselves.