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MISS E. E. GREEN'S LETTER.

Nottingham, deer old Nottingham, how its memories crowd my thoughts as I write about it. The scenes of my childhood are mostly centred here, and it seemed like old times to meet the friends of long ago—the streets practically unchanged, excepting for the electric car, which seems so wonderful to the ordinary Englishman that the idea of using "a fishing rod for a trolley pole" took his senses.

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The city is of immemorial antiquity, being built on the site of the old cave dwellings and the castle which stands on a high rock affords a good oppor-tunity of seeing the caves used in by-gone centuries. The present building dates from 1674, the former being destroyed by fire. It was here that Queen Isabella with her favorite Mortimer were captured by order of the young Prince, afterwards King Ed-ward III. The underground passage called "Mortimer's Hole," shows the spot where the unfortunate man was taken prisoner. Darkness reigns su-preme, while the weirdness of this ghostly route savors of goblins and the deeds of wicked people.

The castle is now used as a museum

and the writer remembers the opening of the same by the present king and queen. The grounds are nicely laid out with flower beds and grassy plots, while seats surround the enclosure where a band plays, the music of which is wafted on the air and carried which is waited the air and carried to the people beneath who promenade the drives and walks at the base of the cliff. The rocks are strewn with shrubs and foliage, and wild goats are darting in and out, and pigeons flash hither and thither or fill the courtyard, picking up the crumbs dropped by passers-by.

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The principal feature of the building is its immensity and solidity, and one cannot help but ask why such strongholds have been built, and when we remember the castle was once a fortress, our questions are answered, for the requirements of safety on oldentimes called for refuges such as this. As we trod the pavement used by the Romans, we were thankful to live in a period of which freedom is the chief characteristic.

The entrance to the castle is still the same as when the Romans passed under the portcullis and just inside under the portcullis and just inside the gate the ivy covered walls look charmingly picturesque. The Riding School or Armouries is at the foot of Standard Hill, while the Hospital crowns the top and overlooks the Park, a residential portion for the well-to-do of Nottingham.

Passing along Addison street we enter the Arboretum, which is used as a Recreation Ground; it covers about fifty acres. A Chinese pagoda stands in the centre of a square and hung

in the centre of a square and hung from the dome is a bell captured at Canton. A fine aviary is seen here; also a pond where swans and water-fowl abound plentifully.

The Market Place is said to be the

largest and finest open space in England. Week days it is covered with stalls; Sundays the spot is clear of quarts at lowest figures in the trade, merchandise and open discussions, religious and otherwise, are held and carts or benches make a platform for the speakers, who are thronged by a surging crowd of onlookers.

A walk to the River Trent shows the high level water mark of the floods for which this city is so noted. The damming of the river is formed by a breakwater in the shape of steps and the top of which makes a fine promen ade from Wilford to Trent Bridge, used for vehicles and foot passengers. Standing as I did to gaze on the new things, my eye caught the Railway Bridge which spans the water a few yards beyond and I thought of my father who did the brickwork for this structure. In a few moments I noticed what used to be gardens and fields have grown into a very nice suburb called West Bridgeford, and I wandered around to try and find the spot where our gaiden stood, but alas! somebody's house is built upon it. The village church is cularged to such an extent that villagers of even twenty-five years ago must fancy their old-fashioned pews suited them better than the up-to-date chairs for the accommodation of the fashionable

residents of this old new part. My journeyings usually take me through churches and grave yards, we set out for Wilford to see that wall, overgrown with grass and forming the boundary which was covered with buttercups and daisies, the commonest of English wild flowers. We looked at several graves, some of which are very old, and entering the church sat down to rest amidst the solitude of the silent dead. Immediately in front of the church on the opposite side of the river is Clifton Colliery, where large quantities of coal are still unearthed, and just above Wilford is Clifton Grove, a perfect re- Atkinson & Switzer.

treat for lovers or visitors. At the end of the wood is the Hall, the estate of the late Sir Robert Clifton. I had the pleasure of visiting Miss Jackson at the Mundella Higher Grade School and making myself known as a former

pupil. Nottingham and vicinity will always find a warm place in my affectious from its relation to childhood's days and the renewed associations of the time of writing.

Maple

Residents of this place were shocked to hear of the sudden death of Eva Johnston, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Johnston, formerly of Maple. She died at her father's home in Toronto after an illness of only a day. She had just returned from the Pan-American Exposition with a friend, and when taken ill never recovered consciousness. She had always been a favorite here, and her early death is

much to be regretted.

The remains of the late Mrs. Robert Watson were brought to Maple on Watson were brought to Maple on Monday, and interred in the cemetery. Deceased had been ill for several months at her home at Bell's Lake. Her husband and three young daughters are greatly to be sympathized with in their great loss.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Cousins and son spent Sunday in Toronto and the Junction.

Junction.

Mrs. Donald Watson has been seriously ill for some time.

Mr. O'Connor now serves out refreshments at the Hulse House. Mr. A. J. Kupert accompanied by a Mr. Brown drove up from the city on Sunday and called on friends.

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Vaughan Lodge had four prominent visitors at their Regular Meeting Tuesday evening from Tronto.

The erection of a grain elevator at the railway station is talked of.

The ratepayers purpose calling a public meeting to discuss advanced ideas looking to the improvements of sidewalks in the village.

News Notes.

Next Monday is Toronto's Civic Holiday.

The Duke of Cornwall and York will be in Toronto October 10 to 12.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has definitely consented to preside at the opening of Toronto Exhibition on Tuesday, Aug-

Yesterday was Aurora's Civic holiday. A large number of the citizens went with the Methodist Sabbath School to Long Branch.

Libby's canned veal, 25c. tin; Clark's bork and beans, 5c. tin; Ice Castle salmon, 2 tins for 25c. Atkinson and

The trotting stallion, Cresceus, created a new record last Friday by making a mile in 2.023 over the Glenville track in Cleveland, Ohio.

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day, trotting a mile in 2.08. This horse is owned by Mr. H. Wartz of Wingham, and is being driven by Mr. Al. Proctor, formerly of Richmond Hill. We are giving big value in men's overalls, working pants and socks. See the regular 60c. overalls for 45c., and the regular 20c. wool sock for 15c.

Mr. J. W. Moyes appealed against Aurora's assessment of \$4,500 of the Metropolitan Railway. The case came before Judge Morgan on Saturday, when the assessment was lowered to \$1,500, the same as last year. The town assessor had apparently thought that the amendment to the scrap iron act would apply to the railway, but Judge Morgan held otherwise.

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