

DURHAM CHRONICLE

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Helpful Pointers

All we can do in our limited space is to point out a few of the lines which we'll be pleased to have you come and see.

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We have some very beautiful goods, such as Japanese Vases, Tea Sets, Fern Pots, etc. A few odd pieces of some of the best Stampware - Crown, Derby, Haddon, Ad-derley, and Morigae. Everyone a gem.

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I have seen several sharks here, the natives catching them out in the channel. But do not let anyone mislead you regarding the sea-horse. I was of the impression (when I was young) that sea-horses were very large. They are not, but very small, not above four inches at the most in length and that is longer than I have ever seen them. In San Nicolas I used to catch them, but they won't live in fresh water, or salt either, except in the ocean. At least I couldn't keep them.

But I must tell you a little about "our" town and quarters. The quar-ters are situated about 150 yards from the beach, on the main road, built by the Spanish military authorities around the island. They are built of stone, the kind of honey combed stone found in the bottom of the ocean, and where formerly occupied by the Span-ish soldiery. I don't know as any one could admire them, in any way what-ever, as to neatness, cleanliness or any other quality. The roof is of nipa, and is constantly sending down showers of dirt, but we are used to this thing now and what would shock one of you is high living for me at the present time. The floor is of lumber and the cracks between the boards vary from one-half to one inch. If you are sweeping out, upstairs, woe betide any person below. You can sweep the building out twenty times a day, and it would still be thoroughly filthy. The floor down stairs is flagstone and about the worst imaginable. Behind the building is a stone wall about 15 feet high with pieces of broken glass stuck in the top to cut any person up who tries to scale it. Then comes the guard house used by the Spaniards. They have their stocks in there, to put a prisoner's feet, hands and head through, not for ex-hibition, but to make sure he won't escape. The building is practically a fort, in the shape of a "cortel." We have our rations, bath house and in case of necessity, our water supply situated inside, and can very nicely stand a siege, till relief comes.

The natives around here are a fairly well educated lot, professing friend-ly to American Government, but the latter is uncertain. They are expert gold workers and do all kinds of fancy work in the shape of rings and pins. They are beginning to wear shoes and it is comical to watch one of them trying to walk for the first time in them. Their schools are the most peculiar of all. No seats, desks or anything else, and a person approaching them would think for a moment a free-for-all fight was going. All yell at their loudest, trying to surpass the rest of the gang, and how they learn anything is a mys-tery to me.

Every family has two or three dogs and about ten chickens. The dogs are not the families' assemble at various parts throughout the towns and hold musical revivals. Parrots, monkeys, cats, pigs, dogs, cows and caribou all live in the same house, or as near to one place as they can get. The peo-ple make a living by fishing and hemp raising, and a very poor one it is. The Chinos, (Chinamen) Padres, (priests) and Presidentes (mayors) have all the money and see-saw these people out of everything they own. The people are so scared of the last two that they don't know what to make of the sol-diers. We go out to buy goats and when we ask the natives for them they tell us they belong to "Senor Presi-dente," they seem astonished when some one says "To h—l with the Presidente," and marches off with the goats.

There are several Chino stores in the town and a soldier can buy anything he wants on credit. I owe one Chino eighteen pesos (nine dollars) and every time I get anything out of him I tell him I'm not going to pay him a cent. He is scared to shut me off and refuse me any more, for then he knows I wouldn't. Of course I will pay him, but I intend to have some fun with him before doing so. That's all we have to do here.

This is just the country for me, and the one I was looking for for some time. I was always fond of fruits and here we have the banana, lemon, Fili-pino apples, Spanish pears, guava, pomogranite, mango, sisco, caribou, cocomants, plantains, manioc, pine-apples and in fact any kind of tropical fruit to be thought of. We pay 1/2 cent for coconuts, 1/2 cents for pine-apples, as many bananas as you can carry for 5 cents and a like proportion for other stuff. The doctors told us not to eat any of the "native fruit" for it would make us sick. I have gorged myself with it for over two years and haven't been sick from it yet. But perhaps I make your months wat-er talking like this, but then just think of the time I am having and forget about it. Don't you wish you were down here yourselves to enjoy it for a month or two?

I hope you got over your vaccination all right, Rita, but don't get scared of the small-pox, for we have on an aver-age two hundred cases here all the time, and yet none of us are scared. Of course you know, I am a soldier and supposed to die, so it is just my duty to look brave. Made, tell Otto Knapp I was glad he was inquiring about me, and would like to receive a letter from him.

But ain't you getting a little tired? I know I am, and as I have lengthened out considerably more than I had ex-pected possible, I will bring my epistle to a close.

Love to all,
Your brother,
FRANK.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.
Dalaguete, Cebu, P. I.
September 25th, 1902.

MY DEAR SISTERS:—Your letters of June 28th arrived in Dalaguete on the launch Philadelphia the night before last, so you will see I am wasting no time in answering them.

Your news of Durham was very in-teresting, and I hope you will continue to write so long as I am over here. News is very scarce here and also in-teresting to you. You must remember this is a practically new country, not yet opened up, and before a de-scription of the country which I have tried to give you several times, very little can be said. A summary of the whole Orient may be made by saying—sandy, mountainous country; nipa houses; very hot, and in nine cases out of ten the description will fit all the countries and cities from here to Egypt.

We have base-ball outfit, a punching bag, boxing gloves, foot-ball and a hand-ball so you can see we are not so bad off as you might think. Of course it is nearly always too hot to use them, but once in a while it cools off a little, and we dig in for lost time. It takes just about ten minutes to get thorough-ly sweated up, then we go slow and cool off gradually, so we wont take cold. After this comes a good bath, and we have one of the handiest bath houses on the island. We have it in the quarters and a person can take his clothes off at his trunk and have no jumping around getting them on again. We have too, a fine salt water bathing hole at the beach. Being situated on the southern point of the island, the channel current carries all the refuse away, leaving a good clean, clear beach to swim in. The water is so clear that I honestly believe you can see the bot-tom when it is forty feet deep. On that bottom can be seen star-fish and shells; also you can see some jelly-fish. I got a shock from one of those one time while pulling him into a boat. I didn't know what it was at first. They are here in all colors, blue and red being the most common. And then again comes a little fish that I know every boy and girl in Durham has read about, and probably is anxious to see, as I was when going to school. This is the flying fish. Well, my dear sis-ters, they are as thick here as hairs on a dog's back. A person can't go out in a boat without scaring up a school of them once in a while. We have them here regularly to our meals, and though not the best, they are very nice in place of bacon or canned roast beef. Ask father if he ever heard of Egan's beef. Sharks and dolphins are very common as are also the sea-horse.

Love to all,
Your brother,
FRANK.

THAT AWFUL DEPRESSION

Which Mrs. Gregory experienced is but the story that thousands could tell of their sufferings from Dyspepsia. Dr. Von Stear's Pileasopia Tablets is the panacea. "I have proved Dr. Von Stear's Pileasopia Tablets to be the only effective remedy for my dyspepsia. I have used most everything I could hear of, but these tablets "touch the spot" and take away the awful depression and distress in almost quicker time than it takes to tell it. You may purchase this that all sufferers from Indiges-tion and Dyspepsia may find the relief they need. Mrs. M. Gregory, 51 Alice St., Toronto. Sixty tablets, 35 cents.

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SUNDAY SOCIAL FUNCTIONS.

The King, Versus "The Upper Ten."

The following paragraphs from an excellent article in "The Acadian Re-corder," of Halifax, N. S., of recent issue discussing the growing practice of holding suppers and other social functions on Sunday, will be read with interest:—

This is indulged in by those even who profess to be good church-goers, who frequent our places of worship with becoming regularity. We were sorry, for instance, that on a recent royal occasion it seemed wise to some to have a dinner party on Sunday evening to the Duke of York. We are sure the visitors would not have been offended had this public violation of the Christian Sabbath not been pro-posed. In fact it is by no means a function of royalty to violate the one Day of Rest that all should enjoy, for an English paper remarks "that King Edward has stunned Society by plac-ing the ban on Sunday entertainments of every sort. The news came out as a result of his declining to leave Scot-land for London on Sunday. It is said he will not encourage Sunday dinner parties at restaurants or other diver-sions."

We all know what a potent influ-ence for good Her Majesty, the late Queen, had on Society, and we are glad to see Her Royal Son following in the same path, and even branching out for himself as well. We would advise those folks in Halifax who of late have been starting "the fashion" by giving Sunday evening suppers that they "follow the King." What is the use of Board of Trade or other organiza-tions trying to make arrangements so that the mail steamers will not leave Halifax on Sunday, if devotees to fash-ion break the laws that the communi-ty is endeavoring to keep sacred? This law, written or unwritten, it matters not, is that all employees shall have one day of rest from toil. We try to give it to our laborers, which is recognized as right, and we learn with great satisfaction that the Allan steamers are to sail from Halifax on Mondays during the coming winter, instead of on Sundays as at first pro-posed.

But while the male workers are to have their rest, the maids at work in the kitchen must be kept busy all day preparing for Sunday evening suppers, that are not, we much fear, permeated with the spirit of the Sabbath Day. Horace Greeley said once that "the liberty of rest for each demands the rest for each cannot be secured when in increasing proportions our Sunday evenings are being used as we have stated. We hope the practice to which we have called attention will not grow. We trust it will abate, but it will only cease with Christian conscience, which it strong enough to dominate all aven-ues of society in this city, and discom-tenance such practices as are growing too rapidly to be looked on as a matter of course. It is a practice that our min-isters can well afford to denounce in earnest and strong tones without fear or favor. Indeed we have been sur-prised that the pulpit has not spoken out on this matter with greater fear-lessness than it has in the past. Mean time, we would tender to one and all the advice to "Follow the King" in this respect as they do in others, and they cannot be far wrong."

COULDN'T FACE LIZZIE.

Winnipeg, Nov. 27.—Frank Bing-ham, a young man from Harrison, Ont., attempted to commit suicide this morning in the Klondike hotel at Neepawa. Bingham came up from Ontario on the harvest excursions, and has been working along the Northwestern branch of the C. P. R. He has been very industrious, and was well spoken of by all the men with whom he had come in contact. He was not extravagant, and had saved all his money to take home with him. He went on to Neepawa several days ago with a number of other farmers who were on the point of leaving, but his companions de-tained him to 'have a good time.' Last evening he and his friends as-sembled in his room in the Klondike hotel, and they started playing cards. Up to this time Bingham had been very careful about spending his money, but he became reckless under the influence of liquor and be-gan betting heavily. Soon all his money was gone, and he began talk-ing wildly about disgracing his family in the east. At that he is reported to have said, "I will never face Lizzie after this," and, turning to his trunk, took a revolver and shot himself. He may recover.

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Rev. J. Little invited the building committee and board of management of the Presbyterian church to the Mansie on Tuesday evening to hold a business meeting which otherwise would have been held in the base-ment of the church. After the busi-ness, which consisted mainly in talking over the mause from the contractors and expressing their pleasure with the manner in which the contracts were carried out, they gave Mr Little a very pleasant sur-prise by presenting him with a fine cutter robe, of which he had not received the slightest intimation.—(Hatsworth News.)

Parker's Drug Store
CHRISTMAS IS ONLY TWO WEEKS DISTANT.
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PARLOR LAMPS from \$1.00 to \$4.00.
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So much is expected of this store in Millinery matters that each new event is bound to surpass all previous efforts. But there is nothing so satisfying as a personal visit. Come any day this week and see how well we have interpreted Dame Fashion's Winter Fancies and Decrees. Special prices in winter millinery for the rest of this season.
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For This Week:
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We have a nice assortment of Ladies' Jackets from \$4.00 up to \$10.50. These are Stylish, Tailor-made Jackets, made by Northway & Co. and are A1 Fitting Garments.
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We have them in all sizes. If you want a Suit of Clothes for your Boy, come and look at our stock. We have a nice assortment in all Sizes and at all Prices. See them.

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FLESHERTON
The annual business of the Presbyterian Sabbath held on Monday evening with Mr. Jas. Felstead in Minutes of last meeting adopted, reading matter for and teachers' helps upon and the following of for the ensuing year: A. M. Gibson; Asst. Sec. Felstead; Sec.-treasurer Neil; Librarian, Miss Car Miss Blanch Sullivan; or Neil; Teachers, A. S. (Bible Class) J. Felstead, art, Mrs. Watt, Mrs. Dye and Miss Grant.
The Presbyterian Lad their annual business home of Mrs. A. S. V. Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Jas. Dye presiding retary-treasurer's report there were forty members with dues well paid up regular monthly meeting of the Society during it been full of interest and bilities had been met. officers, viz: Mrs. Dye, Mrs. A. S. Van Dusen, Vi and Mrs. Joseph Blackb treasurer; were elect tended a hearty vote their efficient services year.
Mr. W. A. Allen has his 100 acre farm on a line to Mr. J. Brown, returned from a few y ful ranching in Montan on the old homestead. we understand, the pr The David Wood farm line has been purchased Henry, who lives across
Communion service the Presbyterian Church last conducted by the John Little, who alwa warm welcome here, p preparatory service on Mr. Wilson, though n his aceak of tensilitis, pulpit at both Sabbat His theme next Sabbat be "The Devil's best fr
Mr. Luke Bradbury, man of about 80, fell d stairs a few days ago to a severe shaking u slight fracture of the youngest son who li ville, spent a couple week with the old peo
Rev. Ivinson Wilson, date last Monday at- ing of the Executive o Leagues of the Owen and the 23rd of Janu the date fixed for the vention to be held at
Allan Whitaker, of on Wednesday of last Magistrate VanDusen Thos. McArthur with pair of mits, which value and had been of liquor when the of mitted. As the plea excuse theft \$2 and ed was the penalty.
Dr. and Mrs. Murra parents of a bright who arrived on Sun to assert her rights Congratulations man
Mrs. Caldwell Carso has our hearty than Christmas gift from in to us on Saturday
Rev. J. E. Smith, was the guest of R Thursday night last.
Mrs. Bell, of Bunc her daughter, Mrs. who is at present ve
Miss Christine Rich last week from visit Dr. E. K. in Toront
Mr. and Mrs. San visiting relatives at Mr. Stanley Chr Rowen, is holidayi this vicinity, and on his aunt, Mrs. Geo.
Well done The C other stride forward unances pleasingly and the last being congratulations we hearty manner, te racy and successful
Your Fleshertou Mr. Editor, tend Frank, soldiering i his very sincere th words concerning plication. We ca there had been ge "thrill of pleasur Frank's soul, bu met us by the w suffer we shall en soldier" to bear t couraged by ou cheering words.