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PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

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MY DEAR FATHER,

New Years Day passed off very quietly here, very little amusement and more work than usual. The reason of this was the insurgents pitched camp on the Bocavia Heights back of Cebu and hoisted their colors. They were in full view of us and about five miles off. So we had to go out and chase them a while. Seventy men and a gun were detained, and after rambling around for half a day, we found that the natives had "Vamoosed" and left no traces behind. Of course we were not disheartened in anyway for we are used to it by this time. We had some men out on New Years Eve on a scouting expedition. They went out to Mactan Island and captured four natives. They tried to get them to run but couldn't make them "savy," so they are confined in the Fort. Another detachment captured some rice and other stuff of minor importance.

Word reached Cebu recently of the ambuscade and capture of a small detachment of men on Leyte, who were returning to their company. Among the killed was George Shaver, a friend of mine from Altoona, Pa. The report is unofficial and I don't put much faith in it. George was in the Hospital here for seven months with a wounded arm and had just got in shape for service in his regiment, the 43d U. S. V.

Some insurgents armed with bolos, spears, Mausers and Remingtons attacked the Mabolo prison about two miles out and tried to release some prisoners. They were driven back but in the melee two police were killed and three wounded. The mounted patrol are chasing them now, and will capture or kill some of them at least.

"Bill Johnson" gave a concert here last night in the Hospital yard, consisting of farces, quartettes, duets and musical selections by the Band. A fee of 10c. was charged to get in, so as it was cheap I went. Some of the pieces were very good, and others very bad.

On the whole the entertainment proved a success, and the Y. M. C. A. in whose interests it was given made about thirty dollars. I was out after taps without permission. I had to sneak back to quarters. This is no very delightful job to do when a sentry has orders to shoot on sight, and you may be sure I didn't crack many bushes or step on all the dry banana leaves I saw. Just as I got to the San Nicolas bridge the insurgents fired on the Companies' barracks, and all the Companies were turned out. Here I was one mile from home, and no place to go. Well, I had been that way before several times, but not in a country like this, so I went as quietly as possible in and around the big cocconut grove to the quarters I lay near the road till the sentry passed and went the other way, when I made my great leap for life. As I had my shoes off, nobody heard me, and I slipped upstairs, put on my belt, shouldered my gun, and nobody knew a thing about it. I don't believe I care for many such experiences like that, and it was lucky for me that no bolo men were in that cocconut grove or I would have a crown and harp by this time.

Your son, FRANK IRWIN.

TOP CLIFF.

The last week has been stormy and still continues to be so. Some of the sick people are getting better, while a large number are yet complaining.

The mercury went away down a few mornings during the last couple of weeks.

Roads are getting bad in some instances where drifts are high. A thaw is needed as water is getting low.

Mrs. Thos. Fisher is laid up for the last week with Grippe.

Mrs. McDonald, who was sick during the former part of winter, moved to Proton with her niece, Mrs. John Ferguson, where she will receive the best of care from Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson.

Sorry to hear of Mrs. James Sullivan's illness, mother of Mr. Patrick Sullivan, of this place, as hopes of her recovery are doubtful.

Miss Maggie McCannel, the teacher near Varney, spent Friday and Sunday last at her brother's home, at this place.

We hear David Hinks is negotiating in the purchase of a farm east of Priceville. We will be sorry to lose David as he was always a good fellow and obliging, etc.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex McPherson, who spent the last 3 years in Montana, are back again, and are spend

ing a while with Mrs. McPherson's mother and friends in this part. They will be moving on their own farm near Ceylon as soon as Mr. Clarke vacates the house.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis McLeod, of Sunnisdale, are visiting at Mrs. McLeod's brother, Neil McCannell, and other friends in the vicinity, for the last few days, and will return again this week.

Miss Hinks, who spent the foregoing part of the winter dressmaking in Durham, is home for a while, and will be returning again soon.

All the young men that were in the timber woods during winter, are home now. Bob says he got fat while there. While Norman only weighs 200 lbs, which at \$6.50 per cwt. would amount to quite an item.

Some of our young ladies found it no trick to walk to church on Sunday morning and be there at 10:30, but N. is very accommodating and an up-to-date gentleman in every respect. Consequently he takes his driver in the evenings and conveys, at least, as many as he conveniently can accommodate to their several places of abode.

Our fair teacher, Miss Leeson, is getting along well in our school. Her brother, Theodore, was up to see her on Saturday last as far as Mr. Sullivan's boarding place.

Mr. Hemstock is busy moving his effects away to his future residence at Chatsworth. The whole family will be leaving this week. We are indeed very sorry to lose Mr. Hemstock as a neighbor. Mr. Thompson, his successor, will be moving in Mr. H's place in a week or so. We heartily welcome Mr. Thompson as a neighbor and citizen.

Mrs. McDougall, (Christena Mc Phail), will be moving back to her farm in a few days, as soon as Mr. McDougall is back from Algoma where he spent the last couple months.

Mr. John Nichol is preparing to build a brick house next summer, as he has the brick already on the ground.

Duncan McDonald is getting lumber and stuff ready for a new kitchen next summer.

We expect Alex. Bell on the 28th for the sixteenth time as assessor. Alex. says he is good for it for two years yet, when he will be the three score and ten years.

Three weeks ago the house and contents of Joseph Campbell, of North Egremont, were totally destroyed by fire. Mr Campbell moved to the house on one of Mr. Donald McCormick's farms on the corner of Proton where he intends to stay till he is prepared to rebuild.

We are sorry to hear of teacher Donald Currie, of Swinton Park, being confined to his room for the last week or so, but we hope to hear of him being about again soon.

Indigestion Can't Stay where Dr. Von Sta's Pinea ple Tablets are arrayed against it. Thomas Smith of Dover, Ont., says: "I am delighted with them—they almost the first using I have been entirely relieved of the pains of indigestion—I have the greatest confidence in the Tablets and heartily recommend them to any and every sufferer from stomach troubles." 35 cts.—112

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VICKERS.

Mrs. O'Grady, of Hamilton, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Fraser, at present.

Miss Maggie Daniels spent a week with the Hunt family since our last writing.

Mr. Harry Reay has purchased a fine horse for the neat sum of \$90.00.

Mr. Wes. Hunt is busily engaged this winter with brush and paint on all buggies and carriages left in his charge.

One of our young men will enter the bonds of matrimony this week. Let him down easy, Bro. Irwin, as he is very shy.

Mrs. Legette visited friends near Dromore last week.

A pie social, in aid of the church, will be held in the schoolhouse on Friday, March 8th. Ladies bringing pies admitted free. All are welcome.

Cinnamon-Coated Pills.—Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills are coated like a cinnamon drop, very small and delightful to take. One pill a dose, 40 in a vial for 10 cents. Their popularity is a whirlwind, sweeping competitors before it like chaff. No pain, no griping, no inconvenience.—109

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We learn that Mrs. C. Comely, widow of the late David Comely, of Owen Sound, has issued a writ through her solicitor, Mr. Wm. Masson, against the estate of her late husband for her dower detention, etc. We understand that the executors of the estate recognize her claim, but some of the legatees dispute her identity, as it was supposed by many that she had predeceased her late husband.—Chatsworth News.

Nature Revolts Against High Living and it has set its seal to it by adding to man's ailments the scourge of diabetes. Eminent medical men until recently proclaimed it a "no cure" disease, but South American Kidney Cure has knocked down their pet fallacy and has proved itself master of kidney disease in all its forms. Relief in 6 hours.—110

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A meeting of the ratepayers of Hanover was held last Friday evening in Telford's hall to consider the terms of the bonus to be granted the Knechtel Furniture Co. to rebuild their factory and petition necessary in the matter of granting a bonus. The meeting was largely attended and enthusiastic. The terms of the bonus were received favourably by those present and when asked to sign the petition every one present did so gladly. In a short time we will be in a position to give the exact cost per year on each \$100 of assessment. The tax will be light and will not be a burden to any one. It must be quite apparent that business is at a stand-still, or rather has gone back, since the Knechtel Furniture Co.'s works were destroyed. Property in Hanover is from 25 to 50 per cent. lower than it was on the 19th of December last, and if it were not for the expectation of the works being rebuilt much of it would not move at any figure. But this is again taking up the thread of the old story which The Post kept drumming at for ten years or more, and which was dropped on Dec. 20th, 1900.—Post.

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The Spring Assizes are being held in Owen Sound this week. There are no criminal, but several breach of promise cases. A case between Merchant Hunt, of Dornoch, and the Economical Insurance Co. will be of local interest.

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A marvel of cheapness, of efficacy, and promptitude is contained in a bottle of that famous remedy, Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor. It goes right to the root of the trouble, there acts quickly but so painlessly that nothing is known of its operation until the corn is shelled. Beware of substitutes offered for Putnam's Painless Corn Extractor—safe, sure and painless. Sold at all druggists.

Twelve thousand dollars cash has been subscribed towards the sinking of a gas well in Sarawak near Owen Sound. Indications are said to be good and if gas be found in considerable quantities a strong company will be formed for its operation.

The shocking news that a man had been killed on the railroad near Meaford was brought to town on Monday, by Mr. Winter, photographer. It is supposed that this same man passed through town on Sunday evening and went in the direction of Meaford. He came from the direction of the station and took a drink at the Revere hotel pump, attracting the attention of some of our citizens. The Toronto papers report the fatality as follows: "As two High School boys were driving into Meaford this morning they were shocked at seeing the head of an elderly man lying between the 4th line crossing. On the news becoming known, search revealed the remains of the body strung along the track for two miles. It was frightfully cut up, but some citizens were able to identify it as that of a man, well known among the farming community as William McIntyre, a quiet, inoffensive old man, who made his living by working for the farmers in the vicinity of Meaford. It is supposed he was walking along the track early this morning, and being very deaf, did not hear the six o'clock express behind him. An inquest will not likely be held."—Thorntury Herald.

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