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We beg to inform our Customers and the Public generally that we have adopted the Cash System, which means Cash or its equivalent, and that our Motto will be

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MR. CAMPBELL IN ISLAY.

Scenes and Reflections in the Home of his Ancestors.

In a Pensive Mood.

Bowmore, Islay, Sept. 8th, 1897.

After a journey of 180 miles from Glasgow by train, boat and coach I arrived at this remote Highland retreat more in the mood for resting than for writing. My feelings on first touching the soil of this fair Western Isle, the home of my ancestors for I don't know how many generations and the burial place of many of them, may more easily be imagined than described. Every part of it seems sacred, for its names are imperishably associated with my earliest recollections. I should mention a few of these names but that they are more easily pronounced in English than spelled in the native tongue. Any reputation I have had as a speller would certainly vanish were I to make the attempt. But to see houses, farms, landscape, strand and distant hill, to walk over roads, streets, moor and sand dunes all familiar haunts of father and mother in the days of their infancy, youth and early manhood and womanhood, seem to stir up to life and action myriads of images upon which the fancy loves to linger. I seem to live over again their life of two generations ago. I seem to follow the different stages of their lives until "two hearts beat as one," then shortly afterwards, the emigration of Canada and the severing of those sacred ties which bind so strongly to home and kindred, the patient struggle in the backwoods of Benitnick and the seldeni of which their children and children's children are now reaping the rich and abundant harvest. These all rise in succession before the imagination and the heart goes out in thankfulness, first to God who brought these things to pass and secondly to those parents who braved the not inconsiderable dangers of a slow ocean voyage in the early fifties in order to leave a heritage of free land, free education, free religion in a free country to their successors—things which they could not possibly leave in this land with the means at their command.

The young people of Canada should doubly honor those whose unwearied toil in the primeval forests has secured for them the inestimable privileges which they possess and which I regret to say some of them hold too lightly. The declining years of any of these pioneers who yet survive should be nursed with filial tenderness and undying devotion—the only ecin in which we can repay the immense debt of gratitude we owe.

Islay has been called the Queen of the Hebrides with what justice I know not but certain it is that it is fair to look upon. The monotony of travel from Glasgow here is broken by change. The train first takes you to Gourock, then the steamer Columba connects Gourock with East Tarbert via Rothsay and the Kyles of Bute, one of the prettiest routes in all the Western Highlands. East Tarbert is connected with W. Tarbert by stage, the distance being only about two miles or less.

From W. Tarbert to Port Ellen is traversed in from three to four hours according to weather, by the Steamer Glenoe which must have been old when I was born. The view of the Island at Port Ellen is a fair one though different in many respects from the mainland. Not many farm houses are seen. As the port is entered the distillery is straight in front the light house to the left and to the right the old part of the town extending outward on a small rocky peninsula which forms a shelter for the harbor. Behind the lighthouse is the old farm where my father was born and not far off is the cemetery where many of the family probably lie buried. The old church is in ruins.

From Port Ellen to Bowmore, ten miles to the North West, two excellent roads have been built of Macadam one in a direct line and a newer one not far from the Big Strand, one of the most dangerous shores to passing steamers on the whole Western Coast of Scotland. This new road passes directly through the farm of my grandfather not twenty feet from the spot where my mother and all the family were born. Part of the old house is standing and to say it was interesting to me is putting it very mildly indeed. Between Port Ellen and Bowmore both roads pass through an

upland Moor—the first real moor I had ever seen. There is peat enough here to serve a thousand generations unless a greater number of settlers come to use

There is something uncanny about a vast moor like this. The surface is far from even though the general level is monotonous. The land seems high yet most of it is covered here and there with water—not in lakes or ponds but all over between the clumps of grass and heather. A walk of a couple of miles over it taught me to watch my steps and abundantly prove how unpleasant if not unsafe a journey over it at night would be. In certain places far apart, farm houses are seen but the crop patches appear small in the wide expanse—and a half day spent on the old farm and along the big strands where my dear mother played and frolicked in the days of her girlhood was one of the pleasantest of my visit and will doubtless longest remain in the remembrance of coming years. By the way the farm is still occupied by relatives whose exceedingly friendly welcome will induce a longer visit in the future should it be my lot ever again to cross the big "fish-pond." Pardon these personal remarks. Call what produces them sentiment if you will. I have long ago learned that sentiment plays a very important part in all the dearest relations of life. It is largely sentiment that binds a people together firmer than adamant under one sovereign. It is sentiment that, given the names love, friendship, comradeship, anything you like, bind hearts to heart, hand to hand and thus helps men and women everywhere to bear more easily the burdens of life. I would not have it otherwise and perhaps I rejoice that I yet feel these tender emotions which all too soon pass out of some lives.

The villages of Port Ellen, Bowmore and Port Askaig are in much the same condition as they were fifty or one hundred years ago. The old round church at Bowmore built in 1600 is in excellent condition and looks good for as long again. A few new houses have been built but the old are still as they were for several generations. One sadly neglected shop in which I called has been continuously used for the same purpose for 83 years and in that time has only had three occupants. These are some of the things which go to prove the stability of the Anglo Saxon and Celtic races and the security and solidity of British institutions.

One cannot help regretting that the tillage of the soil in such fair islands as this and others on the coast should almost have ceased. When, fifty years ago cultivated fields were seen, is now rough, shaggy land grown wild and "peopled" by immense flocks of the woolly tribe. I was told however that the farmers have gone into sheep raising from compulsion, as is sometimes reported, but because they get seven and eight shillings and for full grown sheep from one £ upwards. In view of the fact that no winter feeding is required this is more profitable than grain growing at the prices obtainable for some years past.

A drive from Bowmore to Port Askaig (10 miles) around the head of Lochindal, past Bridgend and Islay House and through an undulating, beautiful country brings me again to the steamer Glenoe bound for W. Tarbert on board which I drop into the cabin to give you this very imperfect and informal sketch. Consign it to the waste basket if you will. It is probably where it ought to go.

My visit to Islay is now a thing of the past. It has been of deeper interest to me and my feelings in parting from its shores were quite different from those experienced leaving any other place yet visited. If my visit is exhausted so is my paper, hence I must again say adieu with best wishes for you all.

N. W. C.

VICKERS.

Well Mr Editor as the busy season has at last come to an end we shall endeavor to give you a few items of interest from our burg.

Cutting and shocking corn is now the order of the day, and owing to the fine weather of late it has been put in in splendid condition.

Mr. T. H. Lawrence sold four, two year old steers recently for a nice sum of \$120. This looks as if the good old times were returning.

Mrs. Jas. Corbett has gone to Kirkwell to visit her daughter, Mrs. Jas. Parker.

Mrs. Leadbetter, of Springfield Mass., spent a few days visiting her many friends on the South line, last week.

Mr. Thos. Kennedy, of Philadelphia and his brother John of Riply, paid a flying visit to their cousin, Mrs. W. J. Derby, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Turnbull have just taken to themselves a well earned holiday which they spent visiting friends, in and near Fergus and other places.

A musical entertainment was held in the Church here on the eve of the 28th which was very good. All were delighted with the program and although the admission was only 15c, the sum of \$18 was realized.

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Hon. G. W. Ross.

Last week's Templar gives a report of a speech delivered by G. W. Ross in Toronto some weeks ago, from which the following extracts are taken:

"Hon. Geo. W. Ross was received with loud applause. He expressed the very great pleasure with which he had listened to addresses the most pointed, the most practical that he thought he had listened to from a temperance platform for many a day. Continuing, he said: I may say at the very outset that in regards to the temperance question I am an optimist, that I scarcely despair of any great purpose so long as I have confidence in the good judgment of those concerned in its management.

I believe the temperance cause is moving on fairly well, and I believe you get a very large amount of good legislation from the politicians. But I must remind you that there are two parties to all legislation. There are the Legislators, that make the laws, and the people who make the Legislature. If the Legislature goes wrong, of course the people complain, but they complain against their own handiwork. Having made the Legislature, if it is not right, they had better make it over again. And I sometimes think—perhaps you will think it natural for me to say it—that you perhaps direct some of your fire against the Legislature when circumstances may not warrant it. We Legislators are the trustees for the people, the whole people, temperance men and all other men, good, bad and indifferent, sinners as well as Christians, and generally sinners are in the majority I am afraid, and of course the Legislature, representing the majority, must be a little bit like the majority and somewhat sinful in itself.

WATER DOES NOT RISE ABOVE ITS LEVEL.

"Of course it is well that the Legislatures should be asked for legislation you have asked a good deal from the Legislature; you have not got all you want, and you might not get it for some time. I doubt if for many years you will have a Legislature as advanced as such a convention as this; you are all picked temperance men, the 'Simon pure' advocates of temperance legislation. You don't get a Legislature as advanced as that unless you have at the back of it the people in great majority just as advanced as you are. Water does not rise above its level. Do not complain if the Legislature does not do all that you would have it do or all that you desire.

"Twenty years ago at the great Montreal convention at which my honorable friend, Senator Vidal, presided with so much ability, it was proposed that there should be a popular vote taken, and at the next session of the Senate it was carried that the question should be submitted to the people of Canada. We are just coming now to the action that was suggested twenty years ago, and going to allow this question to be dealt with by the whole people of Canada.

Speaking of the proposed double question he said: "It should be submitted free from any other question of public policy whatever. He had no hesitation in making that declaration. The people can judge upon this question and voice upon it feeling that they are prepared to take the responsibility of adopting the Prohibition with all it involves. If the Prohibitory law is carried let the temperance people see that it is carried out. The people of Canada have solved the great question of Confederation and can safely be trusted to solve the question of providing for the revenue required to meet the expenditure of the country. Five million people free from drunkenness would be relied upon to do so equally as well and better than with the waste and loss created under the present system."

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