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Once a Homeless Canadian Wife—She Is the Adopted Daughter of the Wife of Lord Northcote.

Lady Northcote, lady of the Imperial Order of the Crown of India, who is to preside over the social destinies of Australia during the period Lord Northcote, her husband, will be Governor-General of the Australian Commonwealth, is one of fortune's favorites. Her career is associated with one of the most remarkable romances connected with the British peopling.

It is not quite half a century since a homeless wife, found wandering in the streets of Montreal, was succeeded in the comfortable residence of Mr. George Stephen, who was to be later president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and who is now Lord Mount Stephen.

There were no children in the Stephen household, and the kind-hearted couple treated the winsome blue-eyed child with a tenderness which rapidly developed into an affection almost paternal. For several years the exact status of Alice in the Stephen ménage was not defined, though from the first she was never regarded as a mental. Her bright manner and winning ways unconsciously laid siege to the hearts of her benevolent protectors, who eventually decided to adopt her as their own daughter.

The decision taken, prompt measures were adopted to secure for the happy child the best possible education available in order to fit her for the high social position which would be hers. Being of bright disposition and naturally intelligent she fully benefited by the opportunities given her. She was now the brightest ornament in the Stephen home. They loved her more and more as the years sped on and she reciprocated their affection. To them she was always "Alice dear," to her they were "Father, dear," and "Mother, dear."

George Stephen prospered immensely. Of Scottish extraction, his shrewdness and sagacity won him wealth. When his Canadian business was firmly established he, with his wife and Alice, went to England to reside. In 1866 he was created a baronet and five years afterwards was elevated to the peerage with the title of Baron Mount Stephen of Mount Stephen, British Columbia, and Duff Town, Danf, Scotland, her two Canadian titles being the only two Lordships in the British peerage.

At this period he entertained lavishly at his palatial mansion, No. 17 Carlton House Terrace, a few doors from where the Curzons subsequently resided. Alice, who had developed into a bright, vivacious girl, was now one of the belles of London society. Her beauty, which was of the clear-cut, refined, Canadian type, brought many suitors, several being the sons of England's oldest and noblest families to her feet. In her third season she was wooed and won by young Stafford Northcote, second son of the distinguished British statesman, Lord Idlesleigh, better known as Sir Stafford Northcote, who filled many important ministerial offices in the Conservative Governments of the seventies and eighties, and who was a personal and esteemed friend of the late Queen Victoria.

Northcote and Alice were married in 1873, the elite of London being present at the ceremony. She received a substantial settlement from Lord Mount Stephen, as well as a splendid town house in Seasmore Place, a few doors from Alfred Rothschild's, as a personal wedding gift. It was in all respects a most happy union. Northcote was young and ambitious, and he was helped by his wife's tactfulness and social accomplishments in no small degree.

Northcote passed from position to position, each more important than that which preceded it. He was attached to the Marquis of Ripon's special mission to arrange the Alabama treaty and was secretary to Queen Victoria's claim commission, under the treaty of Washington. He accomplished Lord Salisbury's private secretary on his embassy to Constantinople in 1878, after which he was appointed to the diplomatic service. He acted as Exeter for many years. Then he was appointed Governor of Bombay, and given a peerage, with the title of Baron Northcote, in 1900, and was selected to fill the difficult and delicate position of Governor-General of the Australian Commonwealth in 1903, in the discharge of the duties of which he will have to rely to a considerable extent on the gifts and graces of Lady Northcote.

THE NICKEL INDUSTRY.

Recent Remarks of Director of Ontario Bureau of Mines.

Mr. Thomas W. Gibson, Director of the Ontario Bureau of Mines, has just returned from a tour through the mining districts of New Ontario. He spent over a week with Dr. Coleman's party exploring the geological formations included in the range lying between White Water Lake and Vermilion Lake.

The principal object of our investigation while I was with the party, said Mr. Gibson, "was the location of the acid edge of the eruptive in this locality. The eruptive rock is the nickel-bearing band, the deposits occurring on its outer or basic edge. The acid edge lies next the tufts, which towards the interior of the basin are followed by slates and sandstones. The country was rough in many parts, both swampy and rocky, but there is a large tract of level and excellent farming land enclosed by the eruptive rocks, which surrounds the elliptical area. The axis of the ellipse runs northeast and southwest. This agricultural area is largely taken up by French-Canadians and is in many places well cleared. The farms would not discredit any part of old Ontario and the crops this year have been unusually good. The farmers get far higher prices for their products than do those in old Ontario, their market being the lumber and mining camps. The nickel-mining industry is flourishing," said Mr. Gibson.

The Canadian Copper Company has just about completed its new and very extensive plant at Copper Cliff. The company draws most of its ore from the Creighton mine, some five or six miles away, without doubt the greatest nickel mine in the world. This mine contains an immense body of rich ore, which so far is being worked as an open cut. The opening is about 250 by 300 feet in area and 60 feet deep, practically all in ore. Below this at a depth of 80 feet further down, a second level has been opened which has been broken through to the floor of the first level, the intention being to stop out all of the area between the two levels. It is also proposed to open another smaller pit about 500 feet distant on the ore body. There are between 250 and 300 roasts heaps of ore burning in the Copper Cliff roasts yards.

The Mond Nickel Company is operating the North Star mine and conveying the ore to Victoria mine. The Bessemerizing plant of the Mond Company's plant is being used to treat the Canadian Copper Company's mass pending the installation of converters in the latter company's works.

Mr. Gibson also visited the Massey Station copper mine, where some five levels have been run, a large quantity of moderate grade ore has been found, and the Hermina copper mine, where the shaft is down 140 feet and is being run on a rich but somewhat barren vein of copper ore. At the Shakespeare gold mine, near Webbwood, work is being vigorously pushed. The ore pans gold readily, even where there is no visible gold.

The development of water power is making considerable advance in New Ontario. At Webbwood, on the Spanish River, the pulp company is arranging to utilize several thousand horse-power. At the High Falls on the Spanish River also the development of power is rapidly progressing. At Wahnapitae the Canada Copper Company has almost completed a very extensive power plant and at Vermilion, considerable power is to be utilized for lighting Sudbury and for the supply of power to that town.

A New Ontario Celebrity. A notable figure has just died in Fort William, Ont., in the person of "Rags," a Scotch terrier, who had a history which was very curious. Some ten years ago while Colin Deane's party were doing some work in the woods on Thunder Cape, Rags first came upon the scene. He was then full grown, and was wandering about a camp, living in some manner best known to the ingenuity of his breed. He was first noticed in the summer time, but no bluishish animals to go into a camp, and carried off a canister of camp in some manner best known to the ingenuity of his breed. When winter came and food was scarce, Rags was more often near the camp, foraging for food through the bushes. In the last, when the soft deep snow made it hard for him to move round, the dog was run down, and after a fierce battle was subdued into submission, and carried off, a canister of camp in some manner best known to the ingenuity of his breed. When winter came and food was scarce, Rags was more often near the camp, foraging for food through the bushes. In the last, when the soft deep snow made it hard for him to move round, the dog was run down, and after a fierce battle was subdued into submission, and carried off, a canister of camp in some manner best known to the ingenuity of his breed.

When Poisoned by Ivy. The leaves of poison ivy often change to beautiful tones of yellow and red in the fall and are sources of great temptation to any one who is out hunting autumn decoration. Poison ivy has three leaflets, and Virginia creeper has five. The former has white berries and the latter purple. All the drugs in the world are of no use in preventing a bad case of poisoning unless one begins to do something as soon as the itchy rash begins. When the pustules break open, one is almost sure to be in for three days or a week of suffering. It is well to have a little bottle of extract of grindella in the house at all times. Rub it on the affected parts every five minutes until the trouble is averted, and be sure to lose no time in beginning—Country Life in America.

FROM ONTARIO HE HELD A PLACE IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

John Fannin Was For Many Years Curator of The Museum At Victoria, British Columbia.

To the Province of Ontario the younger Province of British Columbia is indebted for many of its sterling pioneers, but of them all, none will linger longer in the memory of the people that he served than John Fannin, until a few months ago curator of the Provincial Museum in Victoria. Mr. Fannin was a native of Kempville, where he was born on July 27, 1837, and it is to his sister, Letitia Fannin, of that town, that almost all of his modest estate passes through the terms of his will.

Other men who served the province did so in fields in which one supplemented the work of the other. But "Jack" Fannin filled a unique niche, inasmuch as he was not only the pioneer in his particular line, but that he was the creator of the fine museum which is one of the sights of Victoria, admired by visitors from all parts of the world.

The story of his individual life in the province gives a fair index of his character. The discoveries of gold in Cariboo in 1859 had fired the fancy of Eastern Canadians and residents of the United States. The route thither was via Panama, but in 1861 an adventurous company set out by way of Detroit, St. Paul and Fort Gary, intention being to strike gold fields by a Canadian overland journey. John Fannin was of their number. A start was made in May, but by July 22 Edmonton was reached. They crossed the Rockies via the Yellowstone Pass, and in August reached Cariboo. Of that party was J. M. Mackenzie, now manager of the telephone system in Victoria, and J. A. Mara, ex-M.P. P. Victoria, both of whom followed the remains of their old comrade to the coast a few days ago.

Mr. Fannin engaged in mining in Cariboo, and afterwards drifted to the Coast. When at Burrard Inlet, he met from where Vancouver now stands, he plied his trade as a shoemaker. It is not chronicled that he made much money at his trade, for he had no assistance for gold, but it is on record that here, as in the larger enterprises in which he afterwards engaged, he did his work well. Tom, Robert Beaven, who as Chief Commissioner of the Fish and Works afterwards employed him to survey Cassiar and other parts of the province, is explicit on that point. "John Fannin," he says, "made very good shoes; he made some of the best explorations ever carried out in the province; he was an excellent taxidermist and naturalist. Whatever he undertook he did well."

It was while engaged in his humble trade as shoemaker that he commenced the work with which his name will be linked so long as British Columbia's Museum is in existence. He collected birds and stuffed specimens of the birds and animals which fell before his gun on his long trips through the woods and on his exploring expeditions. The attention of the Government of the day, and in 1886 he was appointed to bring into existence a museum of the province. Of that collection his own formed the nucleus, and it was on and around this that the present magnificent showing grew. Present, every one of the thousands of specimens now commodated in the eastern block of the Parliament Buildings has been mounted by his own hands, from the lordly moose, elk and moose, to the tiniest of the crustacea.

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Ontario's Immigration. The growth of immigration to Ontario during the last few years is strikingly shown by the following figures given out by the Commissioner of Crown Lands. They cover the arrivals at the Ontario Immigration Station during the first six months of each of the years mentioned:

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1891..... 812
1892..... 1,289
1893..... 2,729
1894..... 6,678
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COMING TO CANADA. Miss Florence Lewes, Rifle Expert and First Marksman of the Army.

The meeting of the National Rifle Association at Bisley was noteworthy this year for the advent of markswomen, who have graced the ranges as a London writer. One of them has in a remarkable way proved her prowess.

There has been no serious lady competitor at Bisley since Miss Leale of Gurnsey invaded the firing range during the early nineties. Women, it is true, have since appeared on the range from year to year, but they have been more noticeable for their novel costumes than their performances. The feminine expert, however, has come again at last, and the champion is Miss Florence Vivian Lewes of Staines. She is young, tall and handsome, and her figure, athletic but graceful, has added an interest to the ranges where usually man holds undisputed sway.

Miss Lewes shoots in a brown costume, belted at the waist, and her jacket is fitted with leather elbow patches. A white shooting cap fits closely to her head, and in this serviceable kit she is finding work for the markers in patching up the marksman's eye. Soon after the Lewes rides up on her bicycle from Pinner village, where she is a guest in a pretty villa. Seated on a rug, she takes up her rifle in the orthodox fashion, without assistance.

A glance at the flags tells her how much allowance to make for wind, and from her satchel in produced a vernier and pencil, with which the stinging line is carefully drawn on the black-sight bar. All being ready, Miss Lewes invades the enclosure. A small, white hand tender a sweep-stake card to the sergeant register-keeper, and it gives him pause. With an upward glance at the serious face, he gallantly prepares the firing mat for the fair competitor. Miss Lewes soon settles to the shooting, and it is evident that she enjoys it keenly. She has the steady nerve and the clear eye of the born shot, and as she covered her target at 200 yards on Saturday quite a host of shooting men halted in produced a watch to watch her scoring bulls. She missed the centre ring only three times, and in each case the shot was the closest possible inner. The score of 32 out of 35 was, on the day's brisk wind, a highly creditable performance, which many male competitors failed to equal.

"Miss Lewes' entry into the ranks of the shooters was prompted by a sound, practical motive. "You see, I am going to Canada to settle there," she explained to well known shot. "Out on the open I expect to lead a delightful life, but I know that it is necessary to be a good horsewoman and to know how to use the rifle. "I therefore joined the South London Rifle Club. I was the first lady member, but my example has been followed. Before that I had never handled a rifle. I placed myself under the tuition of Private Gray of the London Scottish, and I cannot tell you what I owe to that fine marksman. He is a wonderful teacher. The courtesy and encouragement of the other members of the club have been never-failing. "For two months I shot regularly at the Staines ranges, and was very successful in the weekly matches held there. I possess nine spoons as trophies. "With a smile Miss Lewes added that if she felt any approach to nervousness at Bisley it was simply due to the consciousness, not that people were watching her, but that she was shooting in a competition and might fail. "In my short experience at the targets," she said, "I have always found a tell-tale evidence of having been in any degree hurried in the form of leaving behind me at the ranges little things which are the necessary impediments of a person who shoots. I forgot nothing to-day. I was wonderfully lucky at the 200 yards' range, scoring 32."

Journalism to Newfoundland. "Editor: Mott's mental equipment is about as nimble as a pig of lead and as fertile as a stone quarry. His crimes against the English language are as great as his intellect is small, and he overworks his limited vocabulary till the result is one to provoke pity for such an unbecoming display. With the monotonous mechanical regularity of a barrel-organ he grinds out every week or so the same stereotyped phrases about a "dirty bird" and a "despicable creature," his attributes lacking even the saving grace of originality. Lord Lytton once observed that the fool is the most dangerous of all animals, and the New man would assuredly be dangerous only that our people already properly understand him.—St. John's Herald. Goldborough—You may say what you like about Ricketts, but he's as good as his word. Poindexter—But consider how many bad words he uses. Hoax—Wigwag is pretty square, isn't he? Joak—Well, I've seen him square. If you want fortune's wheel to turn for you, you must put your shoulder to it."

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