SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS

Any even numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or the North-West Provinces, excepting 8 and 26, not reserved, may be homesteaded upon by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section, of 160 acres, more or less.

Entry may be made personally at the local land office for the district in which the land to be taken is situated, or if the homesteader desires, he may, on application to the Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, or the local agent for the district in which the land is situate, receive authority for some one to make entry for him.

HOMESTEAD DUTIES: A settler who has been granted an entry for a homestead is required to perform the conditions connected therewith under one the following plans:

(1) At least six months residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year during the term of three years.

(2) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of any person who is eligible to make a homestead entry under the provisions of this Act, resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for by such person as a homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by such person residing with his father or mother.

(3) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land.

APPLICATION FOR PATENT should be made at the end of three years, before the Local Agent, Sub-Agent or the Homestead Inspector.

Before making application for patent the settler must give six months notice in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa, of his intention to do so.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST MINING REGULATIONS.

Coal.—Coal lands may be purchased at $10 per acre for soft coal and $20 for anthracite. Not more than 320 acres can be acquired by one individual or company. Royalty at the rate of ten cents per ton of 2,000 pounds shall be collected on the gross output.

Quartz.—A free miner's certificate is granted upon payment in advance of $7.50 per annum for an individual, and from $50 to $100 per annum for a company according to capital.

A free miner, having discovered mineral in place, may locate a claim 1,500x1,500 feet.

The fee for recording a claim is $5.

At least $100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When $500 has been expended or paid, the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at $1 an acre.

The patent provides for the payment of a royalty of 2½ per cent on the sales.

PLACER mining claims generally are 100 feet square; entry fee $5, renewable yearly.

A free miner may obtain two leases to dredge for gold of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable at the discretion of the Minister of the Interior. The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles. Rental, $10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of 2½ per cent collected on the output after it exceeds $10,000.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

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THE AUTOCRAT OF THE BREAKFAST TABLE.

Now, kindly mark me well, my friends, in what I have to say
Anent the coffee of this morn and that of yesterday.
That coffee served us yesterday was slaty-gray and flat,
And I who know the coffee plant know what is meant by that.
The berry grew indifferent from out impoverished soil,
Nor had the richness at its roots from which to draw the oil.
Or, if a bit of oil were stored, the roasting was not well,
And being charred the oil escaped from out each tiny cell.
And so 'twas tasteless, flat and tame, and I put in my kick;
And I am pleased that Mrs. Brown has changed her brand so quick.
This coffee has a brilliant brown, its body, too, you'll note;
Those little bubbles mark the oil—observe them where they float.
That means the berry had the best that sun and soil can lend—
'Tis CHASE & SANBORN'S growth, you know—a firm that's proud to spend
Its time and money on its plants. Care, curing, roasting, too,
Are just the best that expert hands, experienced long, can do.
Add when this richness is unlocked by Nature's charm of heat,
You have the best that Nature gives,—a draught of cheer, complete
In every coffee attribute. Thus speaks your Autocrat,
And he, you know, was never caught a-talking through his hat.

The Wornout Nerves, The Weak Heart, The Tired Brain, The Wasted Strength.

What a multitude of women there are who feel that these words exactly suit their case. From early morn until late at night they have been on the go, year in and year out, attending to the daily household duties, looking after the wants of her children and spending the rest of her time attending to social and church work. Is it any wonder then that sooner or later there comes a general collapse? The action of the heart becomes weak and palpitating, the nerves become unstrung, the brain feels in a whirl half the time and the usual force of vitality is lacking.

It is at this time a woman should look after herself. If she does not, serious female disorders may set in and often cause weary months and years of helplessness and miserable suffering. What she wants is something to build up her system. For this purpose there is nothing to equal

MILBURN'S HEART AND NERVE PILLS

They are the women's friend in every sense of the word.

They will strengthen the weak heart, tone up the shaky, starved nerves, make the brain clear, and restore the lost vitality.

Mrs. George Lohnes, Stanley Section, N.S., writes: "I was greatly troubled with weak and dizzy spells and was so run down I could not attend to my household duties. I bought two boxes of Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills and after taking them I found that my trouble had all passed away. I am now strong and healthy again."

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WONDERFUL CRATER

IS THAT SITUATED NEAR COSTA RICA.

Its Lip is at An Altitude of 8,360 Feet — Deadly Stillness and Desolation No Sign of Life of Any Kind Near.

About twenty-five miles to the north-west of the city of San Jose, the capital of Costa Rica, is the remarkable volcano of Poas. This is one of the numerous volcanic mountains of the central chain, writes Albert Rudin in the Scientific American, and while not the highest among them, is beyond question one of the most interesting, picturesque and easily accessible. The degrees of activity of the volcano varies from time to time, but since last April the frequency and violence of the eruptions have largely increased, and numbers of them have been clearly observed at San Jose.

At an altitude of 8,360 feet the traveller suddenly and quite unexpectedly reaches the lip of the crater, and with an indefinable sensation of awe and wonder finds himself at the very brink of a vast perpendicular-sided pit of seemingly recent origin, at the bottom of which lies a motionless pool of yellowish water.

The sense of deadly stillness and desolation is undisturbed by any indication of life. The almost vertical walls are devoid of even a vestige of plant creation; not a bird wings its way through the air; the surface of the pool is without a ripple, and even the human voice sounds strange and incongruous.

Suddenly the silence is broken by a great and startling underground rumbling, and a huge column of dark-colored liquid is thrown to a vast height from a spot near the centre of the lake. The column ordinarily rises to a height varying from 250 to 500 feet. Almost instantly a vast cloud of vapor surrounds the column and rises to an immense height.

The crater, which is conical in form, has an extreme altitude of 8,500 feet above the sea level. Its upper diameter is about 3,200 feet, and its depth about 1,000, while the diameter of the lake approximates 1,600. From time to time small columns of vapor curl upward from various points of its surface, and sometimes the frequency of these is so great that the entire lake resembles a boiling cauldron. The walls of the crater are less steep at the south side, the point at which the traveller has approached it, and only from here is the descent to the bottom possible. Even from this point the undertaking is difficult and even hazardous, and should not be attempted without a guide.

By a strange optical illusion, the distance to the lake from the rim of the crater appears vastly less than it really is, and a full hour of fairly rapid scrambling is required to make the descent. The scarcely defined path is at times dangerous, running around boulders and along overhanging precipices, and frequently offering the poorest kind of foothold because of its covering of loose and slippery volcanic ash. About half way down is the juro del macho, a small stream of deliciously sweet water.

When the bottom is attained the traveller will find it to his advantage to move about with the exercise of considerable care because of numerous concealed holes filled with a slimy substance, consisting mainly of sulphate of lime, with a large excess of sulphuric acid. This hardens in a few moments when exposed to the air, and consequently the pits are covered with a slight shell that renders it almost impossible to distinguish between them and solid ground. If a foot goes through this thin crust, aside from the resulting inconvenience at the moment, it will be found that in a few days the shoe will be destroyed, as the seams cannot resist the acid action.

The lake at closer view is found to be covered with clouds of vapor and it is impossible to see for any distance. Among other gases, sulphur dioxide is present in considerable quantities and at times the smell becomes almost unbearable. Sulphur is found in numbers of places and the "sand" of the beach is composed almost entirely of rounded bits of this substance. At close range the water is grayish in color, and it is so acid that it almost burns the tongue when tasted. Any dark cloth moistened with the liquid instantly becomes red and is ultimately destroyed. Chemical analysis of the water reveals large percentages of sulphureus and sulphuric acids sulphate of lime and other substances, and it contains besides a considerable deposit of volcanic ash. The temperature at the shore, while varying considerably ranges round 115 degrees Fahrenheit.

During his last visit the writer witnessed some of the largest eruptions ever recorded. During one of these the tremendous column of dark liquid rose to an estimated height of 2,000 feet, and was about 300 feet in diameter. The waves produced on the lake by such an outburst are formidable, and long after the eruption has ceased the roar as they break against the rock sides of the crater is plainly heard from the edge above. Provided care is taken to select a spot beyond the reach of the incoming waves there is little danger in viewing an eruption from below, and the sight is one that the observer, thrilled with fear and excitement, will never forget.

The eruptions do not succeed one another at regular intervals. Sometimes the outburst does not take place for several hours, while at others as many as three or four will occur within an hour. To the writer it appears that the more violent eruptions take place in the early morning, even before sunrise, and that the intensity of the convulsion decreases as the day advances. There is a popular belief that any unusual noise produced in the vicinity of the crater will cause an eruption, but tests with the combined voices of a number of persons, and discharge of firearms, carried out by the writer's party, usually proved futile.

Considerable difference of opinion has arisen as to the manner in which the volcanic ashes which sometimes fall on the surrounding one are thrown from the crater. Various observers believe that there are openings on the east side of the giant pit, and that the ashes are ejected from these. On the last expedition, the writer's party observed a fall of ash after every large eruption, and this seemed to come directly from the puff of steam or vapor. A possible explanation is that a large quantity of the water passes out during an eruption at a temperature much above the boiling point, evaporates, and leaves dry the ashes which it contained, to be scattered by the wind.

At a distance of some hundreds of yards from the edge of the crater, and separate from it by a small elevation is found a natural curiosity in the shape of a most charming little blue lake which with its luxuriantly green shores, presents a remarkable contrast to the scene of desolation the observer has just left. This lake is 8,000 feet above sea level, is about 1,200 feet in diameter.

ALFRADE TROMBETTI.

The son of poor working people in Italy, has suddenly become famous by a work on "The Connection between the Languages of the Old World," which was awarded the great prize by the Italian Academy. He is only thirty-five years old and is said to know every modern language spoken in Europe, Asia, Africa, America and Australia.

CHRISTMAS WRETCHEDNESS

Hard for England's Army of Unemployed.

A. C. Laut, in American Review of Reviews.

Christmastide full flood in England, but not for the vast and ragged army of the unemployed! Not for the ghastly procession—12,000 men and boys in line,—under flags with inscriptions like the snarl of a beast at bay. "Curse your charity!" "Give us a chance!" "We don't want charity; we want justice." "Give us work, not alms!" It is a hideous spectre, this problem of England's unemployed,—the Phantom at the Feast,—able-bodied men willing and anxious to work driven desperate with want, literally fainting in the streets from hunger, in the centre of the richest capital in the richest empire of the world. It meets you everywhere,—Anxious, Fright, Want, Rage, Hunger, flaunting their shame in your face, unashamed because they are desperate. You notice a ragged man running abreast, your cab, one, two, three, four miles, perhaps half the length of the city. To beg? No,—on the chance of getting two-pence by keeping your skirts from touching the wheel when you step from the cab. Or you hear singing outside your window. Organ-grinder? No; but able-bodied workmen in fluttering tatters, an old newspaper across the chest in place of shirt, boots that soak up the filth of the street, like a sponge, able-bodied workmen under the draggled flag — "Unemployed"—singing some ballad of "Merrie England" on the chance of pennies from the windows. Or your cab is caught in a jam at Charing Cross. What is the excitement that draws the crowd? "No excitement," your London friends assure you—"it's only a procession of the unemployed, and we're getting used to them." Or you pick up the daily paper. Ten columns to politics; one-column interview with some great man on the ways to alleviate distress; notice of a commission to investigate the poor laws,—a work, by the way, which will take years; report of the queen's fund for unemployed—which, except for two small amounts, has not, at the time of writing, been distributed, and tucked away in obscure type such items as the death of a man on the embankment from starvation, or the suicide of a woman because she could not bear the cry of her children for food.

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Outlook For New Cheese Season.

The present prospect is for another cheese season equal to that of last year. Supplies are light, both in Canada and Great Britain, and prices are steadily advancing. Cheese is the one commodity in which Canada is the controlling factor, so far as Britain is concerned, the mother country now drawing more cheese from Canada than she makes for herself, and our exports to Britain constituting over two-thirds of the mother country's total cheese imports. The one danger in the situation would seem to be in too great a rush to begin manufacture in the spring and in the hurrying of early made goods to Britain before they are properly matured. If these things are guarded against the cheese season of 1906 ought to prove as profitable to Ontario dairymen as that of 1905 has done.

The Khedive of Egypt owns the most costly saddle in the world. It is made of black leather, though more gold than leather is visible, and it cost $70,000.

NEWS OF DISTRICT.

LOCAL NOTES AND THINGS IN GENERAL.

Matters That Interest Everybody —Notes From All Over—Little Of Everything Easily Read and Remembered.

F. H. Mallory, Mallorytown, has been appointed clerk of the township of Yonge.

Miss Sadie E. Knapp, and Raymond Saunders, Belleville, were married there on Wednesday.

Rev. Father Spratt, Trenton, was presented by his parishioners with a handsome fur-lined coat.

Miss Luella M. Boselly, Belleville, and William Balfour, Indian Head, N. W.T., were married on Wednesday.

Miss Florence Edna Dowsley, Brockville, and Herbert M. MacCallum, Regina, Sask., were married on Wednesday.

At the Main street Methodist church parsonage, Picton, on December 26th, 1905, Miss Lizzie Jones was married to George Palmatier.

The estate of the late Richard Dulmage, barrister, of Arnprior, has paid $5,015 into the provincial exchequer in succession dues.

W. J. Kitts, formerly of Pembroke, had his arm and leg broken while drilling in a C.P.R. rock cut, near Parry Sound, just before Christmas.

Miss E. A. Robertson, Perth, a graduate of the Macdonald Institute, Guelph, has been appointed by the government as instructor of household science at the Normal College, Ottawa.

Patrick Gafney, formerly living in Belleville vicinity, died suddenly at Stanley, B.C. Anyone knowing deceased's family is asked to communicate with Rev. R. S. Laidlaw, Belleville.

The marriage occurred at the West End Baptist church, Vancouver, B.C., on December 28th, of B. J. S. Johnson and Mrs. H. A. Vanalstyne, both of Picton. After the ceremony the happy couple left for Picton, where they will make their home.

GREAT YEAR FOR APPLES.

1905 Will Go Down on Record for Success.

The season of 1905 will go down on record as one of the most successful in the history of the apple trade of Canada. While the output was not an abnormally heavy one in the export trade, falling some 800,000 barrels behind the season of 1903, it was marked by uniformly fair prices in British market. Prices in the old country market show a wide range all the way from 10 shillings to 25 shillings a barrel. From all American and Canadian ports to all ports in Great Britain the shipments for the year 1905 closing on December 20th, were 1,606,792 barrels in 1904 they were 1,475,760 barrels and in 1903, which is accepted as a record year, 2,162,558 barrels.

"The greatest favorite with the British public," said Henry Dawson, of the Dawson Commission company, "is the king apple, while the American apple which occupies an even higher place with the Englishman, is the Newton Pippin, which attains its greatest perfection down in the Hudson Valley and in the state of Virginia, the climate and soil being well adapted for the growth of this fruit.

"While no fancy prices have been obtained, the year just closed has been a good one for the commission man, while the Canadian grower has obtained full value for his fruit.

Long Life.

If you are anxious to live to a green old age take care and keep your blood pure. Impoverished blood is accountable for nearly all bodily ills. Take Wade's Iron Tonic Pills and you will find your health benefitted, blood purified and nerves strengthened. In boxes 25c. Sold only at Wade's drug store. Money back if not satisfactory.

Breakfast Food.

Mother—Oh, Freddy, did you lick your little brother?

Freddy—Yes'm, but I told him it hurt me worse'n it did him.—New York Sun.

Brooks—My dear fellows, you needn't thank me so profusely for a mere box of Christmas cigars.

Rivers—Oh, but you gave a box of matches with them you remember, and they were the best matches I ever used.—Chicago Tribune.

"Why do you keep that revolver?"

"Self-protection."

"To defend yourself against highwaymen?"

"No, against hunger, I pawn it when I'm broke."—Denver Post.

Uncle Ezra—Dorothy, I hope you'll cease telling your mother every time Tommy plagues you.

Dorothy—I will, uncle. I'll tell pa instead. He spanks Tommy twice as hard as ma does.—Chicago News.

A pair of magnificent carriage horses has been shipped from Hull to Norway. They were from the Royal Mews, Windsor, and a gift from King Edward to the King of Norway.

A Pointer Worth Having.

The merits of Ozone are well known, but in buying it one must be sure to get the purest form. Also, Ozone should always be taken along with "Celery King," the famous tonic laxative. The purest form in which Ozone is put up is "Solution of Ozone (the coupon kind)" and each bottle of this brand contains a coupon entitling you to a package of "Celery King" free.

No other firm in the world can give "Celery King" with Ozone. We give it because our Ozone thus brings the highest results. In addition, you get just about twice as much "Solution of Ozone" for your money as of other kinds, and you get it in the purest and most concentrated form. You also get "Celery King" free, instead of having to buy it, which you would need to do in order to have full benefit from the use of Ozone.

Your druggist should have "Solution of Ozone (the coupon kind)." If not, write to the Public Drug Company, Bridgeburg, Ont.

Bovril the Kitchen Economist

When looking over your market accounts do you realize how much of what you pay for is wasted?

Often the bits that you usually throw out because you cannot serve them as they are, can be transformed into delicious, toothsome dishes with the help of a little BOVRIL. Here's a dainty Luncheon Dish from the remnants of roast mutton:

MUTTON FRITTERS. Finger-shaped slices of cooked mutton should be coated with a little salad oil and vinegar and left awhile, then spread lightly with Bovril, coated with thick frying batter, and cooked a nice brown in hot fat. A little grated cheese put on the meat is a further improvement. Drain well and serve very hot.

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BOYS' PEBBLE HOCKEY BOOTS $1.75
WOMEN'S SKATING BOOTS—Fleece-lined, good soles, made of box calf $2.00
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