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HOME AFTER SPENDING WINTER IN CALIFORNIA

Richard M. Maxwell, Detroit, Formerly of Seeley's Bay, Tells of His Trip.

The following is a letter from Richard M. Maxwell, of Detroit, Mich., formerly of Seeley's Bay, Ont. Homeward bound, after spending a delightful winter in Southern California, we left Los Angeles on April 7th over Topeka & Santa Fe R.R., stopped off at Santa Cruz, a seaside resort of fifty thousand population, driving from there into the heart of the Red Woods forest.

Leaving Santa Cruz our train followed along the Santa Cruz river, with most beautiful mountain scenery on either side, till we reached the summit, where we found a fine country, green fields, orchards and vineyards. Arriving at Santa Barbara, we spent a short time there. Then on to San Francisco for a four days' visit, sightseeing, a great cosmopolitan city of five hundred thousand.

We left over the Southern Pacific R.R. for Sacramento, capital of California; visited at the home of Wm. Albert Gilbert, formerly of Seeley's Bay and a cousin of Mrs. Maxwell. Mr. Gilbert is employed by the state as overseer of construction. He has a very fine family; besides his wife he has three sons and two daughters. We also visited with a Mr. Steacy, formerly of Lansdowne, who owns a very fine ranch of six hundred acres in the Sacramento Valley, well stocked with cattle and sheep, as well as very valuable farm land.

times in fifteen miles. We finally reached Shasta Springs, where the train stopped 15 minutes, for the benefit of the passengers, to get a drink of water from a flowing spring of bubbling, pure, cold, Lithia water; then on we went climbing the mountains, passing extinct volcanoes, up and up till we reached the summit, passing through wild, rough and rugged scenery, yet beautiful. At Ashland we crossed the state line into Oregon, through a pleasant country, fine fields and much stock-raising. We could see thousands of cattle and sheep grazing along the way.

At Portland, Oregon. Arriving at Portland, Oregon, we drove to the home of W. E. Wilson, formerly of Kingston, Ont., his wife formerly being Miss Gladys Bracken, of Seeley's Bay, and a sister of John Bracken, the present premier of Manitoba. We were charmingly entertained at their home and saw everything of importance in Portland, which is a fine city of 300,000 population. It is well named the "City of Roses," for they grow in abundance everywhere. After four days' visit we left for Salt Lake City, Utah, our train running parallel with the Willemet and Oregon river, on our left, and Columbia highway, to the right, one of the grandest highways I think on the Western Continent. The scenery is beyond description. We arrived at a place called The Dalles, where the famous Oregon shingles are made, and shipped east to a ready market. At this point the river is about two miles wide. Looking into the State of Washington, we could see a train running in the same direction for miles and miles, finally losing sight of each other in the mountains. When it grew dark, we got off the train at a town called La Grand, a mountain summer resort; found a pleasant hotel near the depot, called the Polley House.

Next morning we continued on our trip, passing along the mountain-side, through valleys and across into Idaho, along the Snake river; through Boise City, the capital, a splendid farming country, noted for apple and potato culture. On and on we went, sometimes passing through miles of desert land, where nothing but tumble weed grew, and the home of the prairie dog. We crossed into the state of Utah and reached Salt Lake City, where another cousin of Mrs. Maxwell met us at the station, Mr. Wellington B. Stafford, who was formerly from Athens, and a brother of the late Henry Stafford, of Montreal, a parliamentary reporter. Mr. Stafford is one of the active business men of Salt Lake City, interested in the mining of copper, director of the Bennett gas and oil stations, throughout the city, and president of the Salt Lake Duck and Gun Club. This club owns twenty-eight hundred acres of marsh land along the American Dead Sea or the Great Salt Lake. While there, we attended Sunday service in the Mormon tabernacle, which has a seating capacity of 10,000 people. On Tuesday we attended an organ recital, which was very wonderful. Salt Lake City is a beautiful city, exceptionally clean. All the streets are very wide, and each city block contains ten square acres. It is built in a great valley, with towering mountains all around; population, 250,000.

Mountain Climbing. After spending a very pleasant week in Salt Lake City, we left for Denver, Col., where we spent four days very pleasantly. We visited Pike's Peak, Colorado Springs, Garden of the Gods, the home and birthplace of George Pullman, the inventor of the Pullman car; the grave of William Cody, better known as Buffalo Bill, on Lookout Mountain. Here I got a real thrill at mountain climbing by auto. It is getting scared could be called a thrill; but I sat tight and hung on. Descending the mountain, we came to another driveway, not quite so steep and reached Bear Creek canyon, very beautiful scenery, passing through Golden and other places of interest and on back to Denver. From there we went to Kansas City, Mo., stopping for a 24-hour rest. We called up Mr. John McFadden, an old acquaintance, who is a prominent lawyer with a large practice. He came to our hotel and we had a nice visit.

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Then he took us to lunch, where we enjoyed a splendid fish dinner, after which he drove us over to Kansas City, Kansas, to his beautiful home on Laurel Drive, where we met his charming wife, who proved to be a good hostess, and spent a very pleasant afternoon. Mr. McFadden told us that in a few years he is going to change his occupation to that of a visitor, and when he did, would visit Detroit, Kingston and Seeley's Bay, the latter place being the home of his cousin, William F. Bracken.

Bidding adieu, we left for Chicago, remaining there two days. Getting anxious to get home, we left over the Michigan Central on the Wolverine Flyer. We had dinner on the train coming over, where each lady was presented with a bouquet, in memory of Mothers' Day, May 9th. Arriving at the depot we were met by our son, Morris C. Maxwell, his wife, Vera, and two children, Beverly June and Richard Franklin. Now that my six months' leave of absence from the Ford Motor Co. has terminated, I have laid away my business suit and white collar, for overalls and canvas gloves, and Mrs. Maxwell her travelling suit for kitchen apron and dust cap, and once

more placed myself as a human cog in that great industrial wheel of Henry Ford's at Highland Park plant. In ending, I will say in the words of Queen of Sheba: "The half has not been told."

—RICHARD M. MAXWELL, 949 Tuscola Ave., Detroit, Mich.

Sale of His Home. An important real estate transfer took place at Cobourg, when Mr. T. F. Harrison sold his beautiful grounds and residence, "Woodlawn," to Dr. F. F. Lloyd, who will take possession early in the fall. Mr. Harrison was a former Kingston resident.

Engagement Announced. Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Somerville, Brockville, announce the engagement of their elder daughter, Lila May, to Mr. Arthur Plumstead of Toronto, the marriage to take place early in August.

FALL FAIR DATES.

- Bancroft—Sept. 23 and 24. Brighton—Sept. 18-19. Brockville—Aug. 17-21. Campbellford—Oct. 1-2. Carp—Sept. 22-23. Centreville—Sept. 11-12. Cobden—Sept. 23-24. Coo Hill—Sept. 21-22. Cornwall—Aug. 11-12. Delta—Sept. 7-9. Frankville—Sept. 10-11. Galetta—Sept. 28-29. Inverary—Sept. 30. Kemptonville—Sept. 24-25. Kingston—Sept. 15-19. Lansdowne—Sept. 23-25. Lombardy—Sept. 11-12. Maberly—Sept. 30. Madoc—Oct. 5-7. Marmora—Sept. 25-26. Maryborough—Sept. 30. McDonald's Corners—Sept. 25. Merrickville—Sept. 15-16. Morrisburg—Aug. 4-7.

Mohawk Reserve, Deseronto

- Sept. 16. Napanee—Aug. 25-28. Ojessas—Sept. 24-25. Ottawa—Aug. 22-29. Parham—Sept. 9-10. Perth—Sept. 2-4. Peterboro—Sept. 15-19. Picton—Sept. 22-25. Renfrew—Sept. 15-18. Roblin's Mills—Oct. 2-3. Shannonville—Sept. 19. Spencerville—Sept. 29-30. Stella—Sept. 29. Toronto—Aug. 29 to Sept. 10.

Pep, New Boat on River.

One of the handsome new boats on the St. Lawrence is Pep, which was made by Fitzgerald & Lee, Alexandria Bay, N.Y., for John Russell, who is occupying his houseboat Comfort, which is anchored on the north shore of Wellesley Island, at Westminster Park. The boat has a speed of thirty-three miles an hour.

Earl Haig at Chapleau



J. B. Nicholson, Mayor of Chapleau, Ontario, an ex-M.P. and an ex-Canadian Pacific driver, reads an address of welcome to Field Marshal Earl Haig in the presence of a large gathering of townspeople and local veterans. Earl Haig, with Countess Haig, recently toured western Canada on a special Canadian Pacific train, and stopped off for twenty minutes at Chapleau, where the Field Marshal shook hands with the ex-service men who served under him in "recent unpleasantness" and addressed them briefly.

Read Newspaper Fun each day in the Whig. See it each Wednesday and Thursday at the Capitol Theatre.