

FROM BENTLEY ALTA CANADA

(By W. M. SHERMAN to G. H. GIBSON.)

Dec. 17th 1902.

BROTHER GEO.—It has been long since I heard from you, I suppose it is my fault. But as I was sick all the spring I did not feel much like writing. When I recovered so I could, I got right to work clearing my land and getting in a crop, I being weak, it took but little to keep me down, so I did not get well until fall. Although I worked all summer I have been very hardy this fall and winter, but have been so very busy I hav'nt taken time but once to write to my mother. My land is timber land, I have 35 acres plowed up 26 acres of it is in fall wheat and rye. I raised 30 bushel of potatoes, after roasted they are fine. I also have about 30 acres cleared for meadow, which I mowed this year. I did a fine job of clearing my grain fields. I took out all the stumps but two. My 26 acres of grain is cleared up so nice it is as fine as a field of prairie ground and worked up much nice. I want to have 100 acres by next fall. I am getting the timber ready for building now. I intend to build a hog barn 20 by 26, a granary about the same size, a house 26 by 70 and a stock barn 8 square, 12, 14 and 16 ft high. I have the job let to put the walls up at \$1.50 per foot in height. My land lays one-half mile wide and 1 and one-half mile long and contains 48 acres. There are about 40 acres of open timber on it. A living spring of grand cold water at the west end which makes a nice little stream and a small stream of living water crosses the east end. Stock can and help themselves to water at any place the coldest of weather. The stream at the east end is in the timber where it is very warm and for stock in cold days. The school house is just across the road from mind, about 60 rods from my land. They get their water from spring.

We have church and Sunday school every Sunday. I have an abundance of dry wood for fuel, straight poles to 50 feet long and from 4 to 12 inches thick. Arrangements being made for a post office on the land. So you see I am as nicely situated here as one could be, or will be when I get buildings completed and land fenced. I have about one mile of fence already up and lots of poles to haul to build another mile. I have a fence I have up it wire. I have thousands of nice poles just for fence and straight as a rod.

The grass on the land grows from 1 to 3 feet high and is a very fine quality wild grass. Timothy blue grass clover does splendidly here.

The summer somewhat rainy here, but not too. The fall was dry and woody fine. The winter since 10th of Nov. has been pretty well down to 30 below zero. We have had nice winter weather most all of the time. The ground covered with snow but not too. It has been thawing last night today so it has settled to five inches. The snow lays very and still. It drifted a little today so that the drifts got about 19 inches deep where there large smooth field for it to cross. There was a heavy wind in the summer that blowed many of the dead trees. The September 10th killed the old trees are rather light this. Oats only yielded from 30 bushels per acre, very few that reached above 80 bushels are worth from \$15 to \$20 and cows, \$30 to \$45 and lambs \$5 to \$9 per head.

Any one wishing from me can write to me by questions desired and I pleased to give any information.

Respectfully, SHERMAN, Bentley Canada

During the year ending June 30th, 1902, there were 14,983 persons appointed to positions in the U. S. Classified Civil Service, which was 4,692 more than were ever before appointed in a single year. If you wish information about positions of this kind you can obtain it free by writing for the Civil Service announcement of the Columbian Correspondence College, Washington, D. C. The Civil Service Commission will hold examinations to secure young men and women for these places during March and April, at Beatrice, Grand Island and Omaha. From 3,046 appointments during the first year of Mr. McKinley's administration, they have increased to nearly five times that number. President Roosevelt is a firm believer in the merit system, and as long as he is president these appointments will continue to increase.

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