

**NEVER SAW SUCH LARGE YIELDS.**

The Climate is Healthy—The Winters Are Pleasant in Western Canada.

Writing from Stirling, Alberta, to one of the agents representing the Canadian Government free homestead lands, Mr. M. Pickrell, formerly of Beechwood, Ky., says of Western Canada:

"In the first place we will say that the summer season is just lovely indeed. As to the winter, well, we never experienced finer weather than we are now enjoying. We have just returned from Northern Alberta, and will say that we found the weather to be very mild, the air dry, fresh and invigorating. Considering everything we can say that the winters here are most pleasant, healthy and enjoyable to what they are in the States. Here it gets cold and continues so till spring—there are no disagreeable winds. In South Alberta it is some warmer—two to four inches of snow may fall and in a few hours a Chinook wind comes along, evaporating the entire snow, leaving terra firma perfectly dry; in fact, we did not believe this part until we came and saw for ourselves and we now know what we herein write to be just as we write it. There has not been a day this winter that I could not work out doors. Farmers here are calculating on starting the plow the first of March.

"As to farm wages, we would not advise a man to come here with the expectation of living by his day's work, but all who do want a home I advise to have nerve enough to get up and come, for there never has been, and may never be again, such a grand opportunity for a man to get a home almost free.

"As to the crops, I have been in the fields before harvest, saw the grass put up and the grain harvested, and I never saw such large yields. I saw oats near Edmonton over six feet tall that yielded 80 bushels per acre, and I talked to a farmer near St. Albert who had a field year before last that averaged 110 bushels per acre and weighed 43 pounds to the bushel. All other crops would run in proportion—as to potatoes and vegetables, the turnout was enormous. I have such reports as the above from all sections that I have visited, and that has been every community between the Edmonton district and Raymond, in the Lethbridge district.

"As to stock raising, I would advise a man to locate in this place, or any place, in South Alberta, but for mixed farming I would say go up farther north, say near Lacombe, Wetaskiwin or Edmonton, where it is not quite so dry and where there is some timber to be had. I will say that nowhere have I ever seen a better opportunity for a man, whether he has money or not, to obtain a home. Nowhere can be found a more productive soil, better water and a better governed country than Western Canada affords. Inducements to the homeseeker are unexcelled. I met two men near Ponoka on the C. & E. R. R., who borrowed the money to pay for their homestead, and in four years those two men sold their farms—one for \$2,500, the other for \$3,000. I met a man near Wetaskiwin who landed here with 25 cents six years ago. He is now worth \$8,000. The advantages for ranching are excellent. In fact, I do not believe this section can be beat. Markets are good; as to living, a family can live as cheap here as they can in the States. The average yield of oats in this neighborhood last year was 70 bushels per acre; wheat averaged 35, barley 40, and the beet crop was good. In consequence of the successful cultivation of the beet a large beet sugar factory is being erected at Raymond, seven miles from here.

"In conclusion I will say that N. W. T. from Manitoba to a long distance north of Edmonton produces most wonderful crops. Lakes and rivers abound with fish, and game is plentiful. And that this is unquestionably the country for a man to come to if he desires to better his condition in life. I would advise the prospective settler to look over the Lethbridge, Lacombe, Wetaskiwin and Edmonton districts before locating.

"I will locate in the Edmonton district next fall and several families from the States will locate with me. In the meantime I will receive my mail here and will be pleased to give the interested all the information desired."

For information as to railway rates, etc., apply to any agent of the Canadian Government, whose name appears elsewhere in this paper.

It is well to be off with the old foe before you can fight with the new.

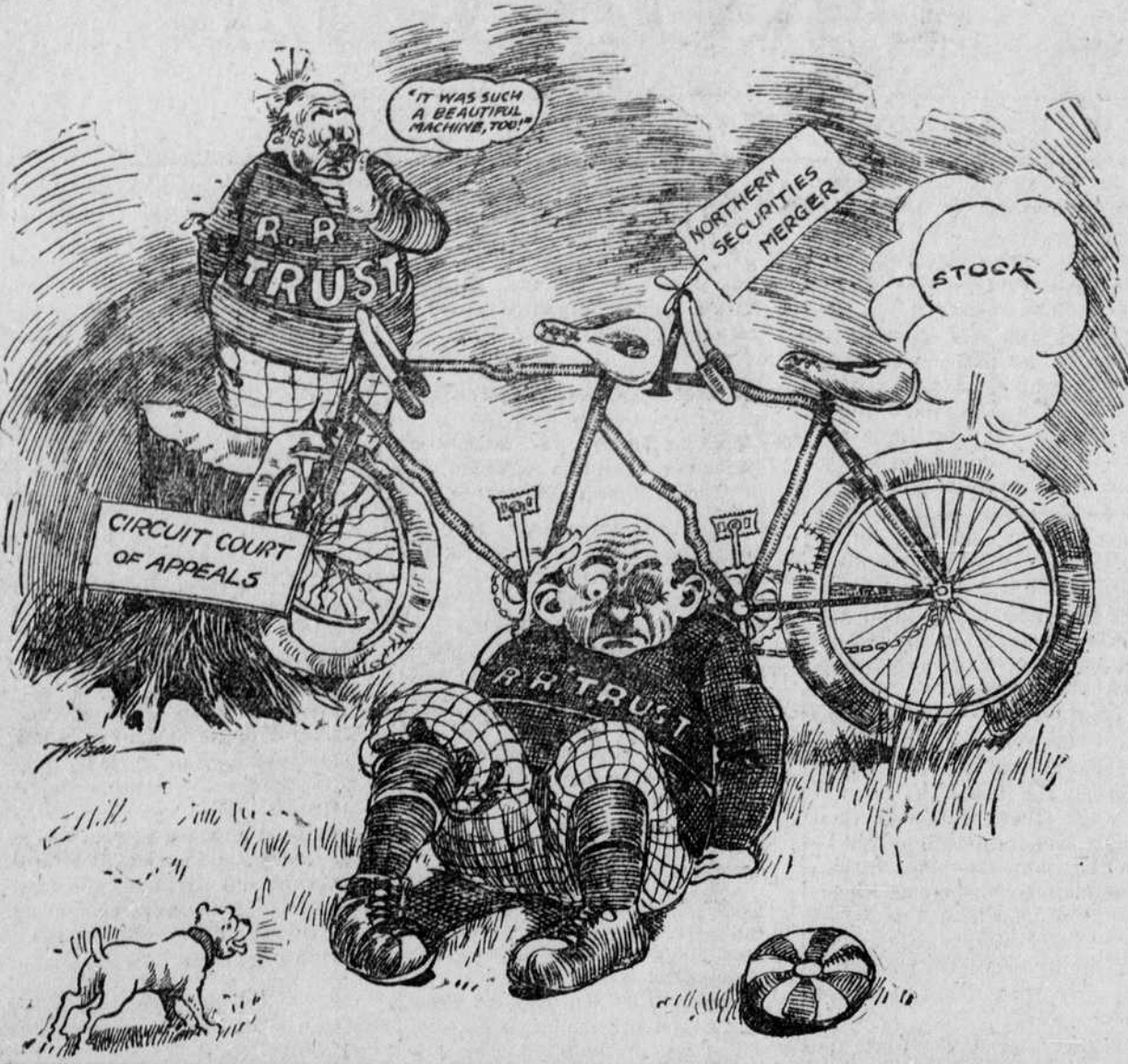
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There is a place for everything, but few people have access to the index.

**LIVE STOCK BREEDERS.**  
Attention is called to the advertisement of the Lincoln Importing Horse company. They have a large number of imported Black Percherons, English Shires and German Coach stallions which they are offering a special inducement to buyers in the way of a discount of 20 per cent. This company has been in business in Lincoln for sixteen years with the largest and most convenient barns in the United States; one barn costing over \$10,000. They own their own plant and their guarantees and statements are well fortified, both financially and morally. This is a rare chance to buy a first-class stallion at a low price. Visit their barns or write them at once.

It sometimes happens that the guy who hesitates doesn't get lost.

**"AND THEY TOLD US THE ROAD WAS CLEAR."**



**KILL AN OUTLAW**

**WILLIAM TIBBETS, THE DEPUTY SHERIFF, ALSO SLAIN.**

**ONE MAN IS FATALLY WOUNDED**

**Brother of Man Killed Fires a Shot Which Finishes the Outlaw—Five Murders to McKinney's Credit—Most of Them Cold-Blooded Crimes.**

**BAKERSFIELD, Cal.**—The long and existing pursuit of James McKinney, the outlaw from Kingman, Ariz., ended in a battle with the officers of the law within a few blocks of the business center of the town Sunday, two men being killed and one fatally wounded.

The killed: **JAMES M'KINNEY**, outlaw. **WILLIAM TIBBETS**, deputy sheriff.

Fatally wounded: **Thomas Packard**, city marshal.

The battle took place in a large two-story brick building on the outskirts of Chinatown, used by the Chinese members of the Sui Ong Tong as a lodging house, opium den and joss house. Here McKinney had been sentenced for two or three days. He had a companion, Al Hulse, an convict, who, being a member of a Chinese secret society, was enabled to enlist the aid and sympathy of the Orientals in harboring the outlaw.

Shortly before 11 o'clock Sheriffs Kell of Kern, Collins of Tulare and Lovin of Arizona, with Officers Will and Burt Tibbets, Gus Tower and City Marshal Packard, surrounded the house in which McKinney was known to be hiding.

Will Tibbets and Packard approached and ordered the outlaw to surrender. McKinney answered by shooting. Will Tibbets was shot through the stomach and died shortly after. Packard was shot through the neck and shoulders and dangerously wounded. Burt Tibbets, a brother of the dead deputy sheriff, shot McKinney through the mouth and neck, killing him.

The house was a regular fortress. McKinney had a saved-off shotgun in his hand, while Hulse used a pistol. Hulse would not obey the order to surrender and the fire department was ordered to the scene. Hulse then surrendered. He was taken to the county jail.

Another accomplice of McKinney was known to be in the house where the battle took place, but he would not surrender. The building was set on fire and in fifteen minutes the man who refused to give his name was smoked out and taken to jail. The feeling runs very high against Hulse, the evidence tending to show that he is the man whose bullet killed Deputy Sheriff Tibbets.

**Accepts Directorship of Census.**  
**BOSTON**—S. N. D. North of this city has decided to accept the directorship of the United States census bureau, the position recently offered him by President Roosevelt. The matter was left to the executive committee of the National Association of Wool Manufacturers, to which organization Mr. North felt that he owed prior allegiance, and they have released him from his obligations as secretary.

**SIR OLIVER MOWAT IS DEAD.**

**Was Premier of Ontario for Twenty-Four Years.**

**OTTAWA, Can.**—Sir Oliver Mowat, lieutenant governor of Ontario, died Sunday at Government house. He was 83 years old. Sir Oliver had been in feeble health for some time, but the accident in which he broke his leg last Sunday night hastened the end.

Sir Oliver was premier of Ontario from 1872 to 1896, twenty-four years, thus earning the distinction of having had the longest continuous term of office as premier ever accorded to any man by the people of any province or colony in the British empire. In 1896 he resigned to become lieutenant governor of Ontario. He was one of the fathers of confederation.

**ARE DISORDERS IN MINDANAO.**

**Band Which Raided Suriago is Dispersed.**

**MANILA**—The band which raided Suriago, island of Mindanao, on March 23, is practically dispersed. The troops and constabulary pursued the men into the Lake Manit country and defeated them five times, killing twenty and wounding many others. Most of the arms stolen at Suriago were recovered.

The disorder which recently broke out in the province of Misamis, island of Mindanao, is spreading. The civil authorities have appealed for military assistance. People are leaving the towns and going to the mountains, and many are proclaiming themselves rebels. The troops have encountered and dispersed a band of 400, wounding thirteen men.

**Kansas Men Will Examine Cattle at Same Time as Officials.**

**TOPEKA, Kan.**—Governor Bailey and the members of the state live stock sanitary commission have agreed upon a plan to prevent the double inspection of cattle coming into Kansas from Texas. J. H. Johnson, the state inspector at Arkansas City, has been ordered to go at once to Fort Worth, Tex., and will inspect cattle consigned to Kansas. He will remain in Texas until the rush of spring shipping is over. Under the present system Texas cattle are inspected in Fort Worth by federal inspectors and again in Kansas by state inspectors. This system has been the cause of much dissension.

**Looking After Food Supply.**

**LONDON**—King Edward has appointed a royal commission to inquire into the question of importation of food in time of war and other similar subjects. The prince of Wales is a member of the commission, and Lord Balfour of Burleigh is its chairman.

**Santo Domingo Revolution.**

**ST. THOMAS, D. W. I.**—A steamer, which left Monte Cristi, Santo Domingo, April 17, arrived here Sunday morning. She reports that the rebels are besieging Monte Cristi by land and sea.

**Divorce Is Knocked Out.**

**WASHINGTON, D. C.**—The United States supreme court Monday decided the divorce of Lillie Winston vs. Walker Winston, both of New York, in favor of the latter. The case involved the validity of a decree granted Mrs. Winston by an Oklahoma court, which, it was claimed, had been granted her without sufficient residence. The decree was not accepted by the courts and the supreme court upheld those views.

**MAST GOES DOWN**

**HEAVY SQUALL DISMANTLES THE SHAMROCK.**

**SPARS AND SAILS OVERBOARD**

**Sir Thomas Lipton is Slightly Hurt—Merchant-Yachtsman Injures His Hand by Fall Down Hatchway—Sailors and Guest Escape Injury.**

**WEYMOUTH**—The misfortunes which seem to have pursued Shamrock III culminated Friday in a gust of wind which dismantled it and leaves the beautiful challenger lying a helpless wreck in Portland harbor. The accident will necessitate a delay of certainly a month and probably of six weeks in the challenger's sailing for America, but Sir Thomas Lipton said that the accident would not be allowed to interfere with its presence in New York in time for the cup races.

The yacht was caught in a squall shortly after leaving the harbor on a trial spin. The mast was carried overboard, together with several of the crew, and all the gear and canvas.

One man was drowned and several persons, including Sir Thomas, who was knocked down a hatchway, were bruised or otherwise injured. The man who was drowned was a brother-in-law of Captain Wringe. He was handing a biocular glass to Sir Thomas at the time he was swept overboard. The yachts were maneuvering in the roadstead under mainsails, jibs, foresails and gaff topsails, prior to the start.

Before the start Sir Thomas Lipton, Ratsey, the sailmaker, and Colonel Sherman Crawford, vice commodore of the Royal Ulster Yacht club, boarded the challenger, which made a magnificent picture, as under a cloud of canvas it drove past North Head.

Erin had taken up a position to send the boats away round a triangular course, and everything seemed to promise a fine race. Shamrock III then made a short board on the port tack, dragging through a heavy squall with its lee decks awash.

At about 10:40 a. m., when nearly a mile off shore, it went about on the starboard tack to stand up to cross the line, when a sudden gust of wind sweeping out of Weymouth bay struck the yacht and completely dismantled it. The weather rigging screws of the main shrouds and mast were carried away close to the deck and with it went the spars, sails and gearing in a confused mass of wreckage.

The yacht's decks were crowded with Sir Thomas Lipton's guests, officers and men, and it seemed a miracle that the disaster was not attended by serious loss of life. Deprived of its chief support, the immense steel tubular mast swayed for a fraction of a second and went overboard, creating general havoc as it fell.

**Subscribe to German Loan.**

**BERLIN**—The new imperial 3 per cent loan, amounting to \$72,500,000, has been heavily over-subscribed. Several of the large Berlin banks alone have announced that they had offered to subscribe for two or three times the amount offered. The total is not yet known, but it is expected the subscribers will only receive a small percentage of the amount desired. France subscribed heavily. The applications reported amount to \$3,438,850,000.

**IMPRISON THE PEACEMAKERS.**

**Albanians Turn Deaf Ear to Pacification Proposals.**

**CONSTANTINOPLE**—The members of the special mission sent by the sultan to pacify the Albanians, it is now announced, are practically imprisoned at Ipek, Albany, where they are surrounded by several hundred Albanians, whose chiefs refuse to accept the proposed reforms and demand the appointment of an Albanian governor, adding that otherwise they will continue the revolt.

The Austrian and Russian ambassadors are urging the sultan to adopt energetic measures to suppress the Albanians, but he is averse to coercion, as he relies on the Albanians to help him in the event of further complications.

**CAN'T DISARRANGE PROGRAM**

**President Will Not Spend Day in Black Hills.**

**CINNABAR, Mont.**—No news has been received from the president since he left early Friday morning for Norris, in the Yellowstone, to view the geysers. As the trail had been made passable in the worst places, it is supposed that he reached his destination safely.

During the last two or three days of his stay in the park, the president will be joined by President Loeb and the other members of the party. The plan for the president to spend a day in the Black Hills has been abandoned, owing to the impossibility of disarranging the program as already arranged. An hour will be spent at Edgmont, where the president will be given an old-fashioned cowboy reception.

**TO SEND LETTER OF THANKS**

**Pope Leo Gratified at President Roosevelt's Gift.**

**ROME**—The pope was gratified when informed that President Roosevelt, on the celebration of the papal jubilee, had forwarded to the pontiff, through Cardinal Gibbons, the volumes containing all the messages and official documents of the presidents of the United States. He said:

"The messages are the essence of a century and a half of American political wisdom. I shall be happy in having it as a companion to the set of President Roosevelt's own literary works, sent by Governor Taft last year." The pontiff added that he will thank the president by sending him an autograph letter.

**FORMER PUBLISHER IS DEAD.**

**H. Kilbourne Succumbs to Stroke of Paralysis.**

**WASHINGTON, D. C.**—H. Kilbourne, formerly chief clerk of the interior department and one of the most widely known citizens of Washington, died here Tuesday of paralysis, aged 72.

Years ago he was arrested and detained by order of the house of representatives for refusing to produce the books of his firm in connection with an investigation of a real estate pool, and his case attracted national attention. Later he received a judgment of \$33,000 for false imprisonment. He was at one time publisher of the National Republican and the Critic. He was a native of Rochester, N. Y., and was one of the early California pioneers.

**INTERPRETS A PENSION LAW**

**Of Interest to Those Who Have Lost a Limb.**

**WASHINGTON**—Commissioner of Pensions Ware Wednesday issued an order interpreting the act of March 2, 1903, concerning cases of those who have lost limbs in the service. The ruling says:

"The said act contains the words, 'or where the same is in such a condition as to prevent the use of an artificial limb.' The word 'use' is not to be used as equivalent to the word 'wear.' A person may be able to wear an artificial limb when it would be of no use. There must be some practical utility, for the words, in fact, above quoted apply to instances where the amputation is below the middle, in length, of the bone, but above the joint. In such cases where the condition is such as to prevent the use of an artificial limb the increased pensions shall be granted.

"Where the amputation is made at the middle or above there can be no use of an artificial limb. The middle point of the bone shall be determined in accordance with Curran decision of the office."

**Immigration Law Causes Trouble.**

**SAN FRANCISCO, Cal.**—The new immigration law, imposing a head tax of \$2 on all aliens coming to this country, is causing trouble for the local immigration bureau. The Oceanic Steamship company refuses point blank to pay the tax, and Commissioner of Immigration North thereupon made a ruling that no alien passengers should land from a ship in this port until the tax had first been paid by the steamship company.

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