

A WISCONSIN PAPER ON WESTERN CANADA.

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, One of the Favored Districts.

The following clipped from the correspondence columns of the Eau Claire (Wisconsin) Leader is but one of many letters of a similar character that might be published concerning Western Canada...

"To the Editor of the Leader—The rush of the land seekers will be to the prairie provinces of the Dominion of Canada. The allotments of a soil that yields 40 bushels of wheat to the acre are too great to be resisted and an immense migration from this country may be confidently predicted.

"All this told in the long run. Several went up from here to spy out the land and like Caleb, the son of Jepphah, and Joshua, the son of Nun, brought back a good report, and now some ten families will leave here in a few weeks for Saskatoon to settle upon farms there, and others are preparing to follow.

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"Bobs" Did Them a Favor. The young men of Cockburn, South Australia, formed a rifle club a short time ago, but found difficulty in securing rifles from the government.

A Young Female Fagin. A pretty 18-year-old New York girl, known in the "thieves' world as 'Queen Louise,' teaches the gentle art of stealing. She had a class of five girls, all younger than herself, and they have been plying the shop-lifter's trade with great success in the retail district.

Odd Anniversary Gift. An elderly couple, who celebrated their golden wedding in Danville, Ky., last week, found among the gifts from their friends a marble tombstone from a dealer in them.

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Cut Out Middlemen

Kansas Farmers Adopt Policy of Selling Direct to Mills.

A feature of the plan pursued by the Solomon (Kas.) Farmers' association and one which if it should become general would revolutionize the grain business of the United States and eliminate the grain-exchange features and gambling in futures on the boards of trade is the policy of selling direct to mills instead of shipping to the great grain centers.

In addition to saving the commission which must be paid for selling wheat in the grain pits on the boards of trade, a premium is obtained from the mills for high-grade wheat. The majority of elevator owners mix their good wheat with a poorer quality until it is all of a certain grade. By skillful mixing the elevator man can realize a large profit from this source alone, but the wheat is injured for milling purposes.

In the big storage elevators at terminal points the grain is still further mixed with rye or inferior wheat for export purposes. This mixing process has detracted from the reputation of high-grade Kansas wheat. In fact, by the time it reaches the mills in the east or the exporters it is no longer high grade.

Eastern millers complain that they have not been able to produce as good flour from Kansas wheat as that produced by smaller mills in the wheat region that are able to purchase their wheat direct from the farmers. This fact is attributed to the mixing of the grain by the elevators, and the millers

are willing to pay a premium for high-grade wheat that is entirely free from rye and poor grain.

By taking advantage of these conditions the manager of the farmers' elevator at Solomon has been enabled to sell the greater part of his wheat at a premium and pay a correspondingly high price to the farmers.

The members of the Farmers' Elevator association at Solomon have recently completed arrangements whereby they will export much of their wheat direct to co-operative societies in Germany. A number of carloads have already been sold in this manner. The wheat is billed direct from Solomon to Berlin. The local freight rate of 14 1/2 cents per 100 pounds is paid to the Missouri river, but from Missouri river points a through rate to Berlin of 21 cents per 100 pounds is secured. This saves to the farmers not only the profits of the local grain dealers, but also the profits of several commission men and the exporter.

The German co-operative societies own their own mills in Germany and control a shipping elevator in New York, says C. H. Matson in the Review of Reviews, through which all wheat consigned to them goes. This virtually brings the producer and the consumer together and eliminates all board of trade speculation and manipulation from the market.

"Better be first in a village than second in Rome."—Caesar.

How an Indiana Railroad Company Had to Submit

Indiana is full of towns with queer names. But the queerest of them all has so far been left to languish in undeserved obscurity.

People who are acquainted with that portion of Indiana, which lies in the immediate vicinity of Crawfordsville, must have seen on the signboard of a little railroad station, as they rushed by on a limited train, this astonishing name:

H'TOWN. Behind that apostrophe lies the story of the joke which a rich old Indiana farmer played on the directors of a great railroad company. The farmer in question owned several thousand acres of land in one body. When the railroad was built it was found necessary to cut through his land. The right of way agents went to the old farmer and asked him to set a price on a strip running through his farm a few hundred feet wide.

He laughed at them and said his land was not for sale at any price. He didn't believe in railroads anyhow, and didn't want one running through his property. They offered him a huge price for the land, for they had found other property owners in the vicinity reasonable and did not care to start any condemnation suits unless it was absolutely necessary. But the old farmer would not listen to them. His income was twice as large as he cared

to spend, and he rather enjoyed the position of blocking all the efforts of a great corporation.

The claim agents made up their minds that they would have to start a suit, and were about ready to bring it when they were surprised to get a letter from the old farmer.

"If you will let me name the town you are going to build on my land," he said, "I'll give you all the land you need."

They accepted his terms with glee. Of course they expected that his vanity would lead him to name the town after himself, and they were quite prepared for that emergency. But he fooled them. A written agreement was drawn up and signed and the deeds passed. Then they asked him for his name. The old man grinned broadly.

"We'll call it Helldown," he said. They argued with him until they saw it was useless. They could not back out, for the papers had already been signed. Then they decided they would get even in another way. They elided the second, third, and fourth letters of the name and put in their place an innocent apostrophe. And so the name of the village is "H'town"

"Children have more need of models than of critics."—Joubert.

An Interesting Relic

Document owned in Wisconsin which dates back to 1553.

Alexander T. Lindholm, of Stillwater, Wis., is the owner of an interesting old relic, dating back to 1553, which he has mounted on a piece of oak and framed, and has hung it in a bank building in St. Paul, says the St. Paul Pioneer Press. It is a verdict rendered by a jury of twelve high officials in Norway, at Oslo courthouse, where Christianna now stands, in June, 1553, and decided the legal ownership of a large estate. At the bottom of this novel verdict hang twelve strips of sheepskin, to which are attached twelve pieces of beeswax, about the shape and size of a small gold watch. These were called seals in the olden days when this verdict was rendered, and each one contains the seal of one of the jurors who decided the matter.

When this verdict was rendered there was no such thing as paper known to the civilized world, and all official documents were written on sheepskin parchment. It may also be stated that the present jury system, which is in vogue in the courts of the United States and also in Europe, originated in Scandinavia in the eleventh century.

GRANT'S WELCOME TO GEN. TOOMBS

One of the Few Witty Remarks Credited to Him.

Gen. Robert Toombs was one of the few Confederate generals who refused to have his political disabilities removed, and he died an unreconstructed rebel. It was a source of much regret to the people of his state that he refused to place himself, when they could again send him to Washington as a senator. As he grew older he would in conversation frequently refer to the fact that he was not a citizen of the United States.

During Gen. Grant's term of office as President, Gen. Toombs had been to New York and stopped off at Washington. The Georgia delegation insisted

The verdict was rendered during the reign of Christian III. of Denmark. The contesting parties were Erik Bollsea, whose descendants had it in their possession until about fifteen years ago, when Mr. Lindholm secured it from one of Mr. Bollsea's descendants, and a Mrs. Margaret Nilsdatter, an heiress. In those days all cases of this kind were tried before a jury consisting of four governors, four attorneys and four counselors. Out of these twelve men, one was selected to act as judge, and the evidence was taken. After a verdict had been decided upon, it was written on a piece of sheepskin parchment and the seals of the twelve men who tried the case were affixed. These seals were carried in the same manner as the people of to-day carry their watch-chains, and all men in official positions had their seals attached to their watch-chains, that they would be convenient when needed.

Mrs. Bettie Danbridge, a daughter of Gen. Zachary Taylor, 77 years old, lives in Winchester, Va. She was educated in Philadelphia.

In his calling at the White House, and after much urging they got his consent and he went up. Gen. Grant had never seen Gen. Toombs, so when Gen. Toombs reached the White House and his card was sent in, Gen. Grant came forward to greet him. Gen. Toombs took the President's hand and said:

"Although not a citizen of this country, while in the capital I have called to pay its Chief Executive my respects."

"Don't mention it, Gen. Toombs," said Gen. Grant. "I heard myself you were a citizen and at one time I thought you were, but now I know you are not, because I hunted for you down there for nearly two years, but never could find you. Come right in and sit down."

A Girl Miner.

A 16-year-old girl in the Yucca mine, near Barstow, Cal., is working the sand and dirt from a deserted claim with a dry washer, and succeeds in getting from \$6 to \$7 worth of gold dust every day. She uses the washer as effectively as her male companions, who are also engaged in the same profitable occupation there. She can shapen and temper her pick as well as any experienced miner.

Palestine May Have a Boom.

The discovery of valuable mineral deposits in Palestine is reported by one of our consuls. Immense fields of phosphate are found on both sides of the river Jordan. Of course, the salt deposits of the Dead sea have been known for some time, as our consul admits. Still, he insists that the Holy Land has a great industrial future.

One of Texas' Best Talkers.

Ex-Governor R. B. Hubbard of Texas, who died at Tyler, Tex., the other day, was one of the best known public speakers in the United States. Twenty-five years ago he delivered the oration at the opening of the Centennial exposition. He was a graduate of Mercer university and of the Harvard law school.

A Catch in His Back.

Palmer, Oregon, April 14th.—W. J. Uppendahl of this place has had a great deal of trouble recently with his back. Every time he went to do the least bit of lifting he used to have what he called "a catch" in his back. He says:

"It did not have to be very hard work to give me such a severe pain that I could not move.

"I suffered quite a long time before I heard of Dodd's Kidney Pills. I used four boxes and now I can work as hard as any one and my back is as stout and strong as it ever was.

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CONGRESSMAN WILBER SAYS

[To The Pe-ru-na Medicine Co., of Columbus, O.]

"Pe-ru-na is All You Claim For It."



Congressman D. F. Wilber, of Oneonta, N. Y., writes: The Pe-ru-na Medicine Co., Columbus, O.: Gentlemen—'Persuaded by a friend I have tried your remedy and I have almost fully recovered after the use of a few bottles. I am fully convinced that Pe-ru-na is all you claim for it, and I cheerfully recommend your medicine to all who are afflicted with catarrhal trouble.'—DAVID F. WILBER.

Pe-ru-na a Preventive and Cure for Colds.

Mr. C. F. Given, Sussex, N. B., Vice President of 'The Past-time Boating Club,' writes:

'Whenever the cold weather sets in I have for years past been very sure to catch a severe cold which was hard to throw off, and which would leave after-effects on my constitution the most of the winter.

'Last winter I was advised to try Pe-ru-na, and within five days the cold was broken up and in five days more I was a well man. I recommended it to several of my friends and all speak the highest praise for it. There is nothing like Pe-ru-na for catarrhal affections. It is well nigh infallible as a cure, and I gladly endorse it.'—C. F. Given.

Gave New Life and Strength.

Mr. Edward Laws, Crown Point, Ind., writes the following:

'I must tell you what a grand help Pe-ru-na has been to me. For over two years I suffered with catarrh of the lungs and throat, and although I doctored for it, nothing brought me relief until I tried Pe-ru-na. One bottle helped me greatly, and three more effected a complete cure, while at the same time it gave such new life and strength to my whole body that I feel like a new man and ten years younger. I hope that my testimonial may induce

others who are similarly afflicted to try Pe-ru-na.'—Edward Laws.

A Prominent Singer Saved From Loss of Voice. Mr. Julius Weissitz, 176 Seneca street, Buffalo, N. Y., is corresponding secretary of The Sangerlust, of New York; is the leading second bass of the Sangerlust, the largest German singing society of New York, and also the oldest.

In 1890 The Sangerlust celebrated its fiftieth anniversary with a large celebration in New York City. The following is his testimony: 'About two years ago I caught a severe cold while traveling and which settled into catarrh of the bronchial tubes, and so affected my voice that I was obliged to cancel my engagements. In distress, I was advised to try Pe-ru-na, and although I had never used a patent medicine before, I sent for a bottle.

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