

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.

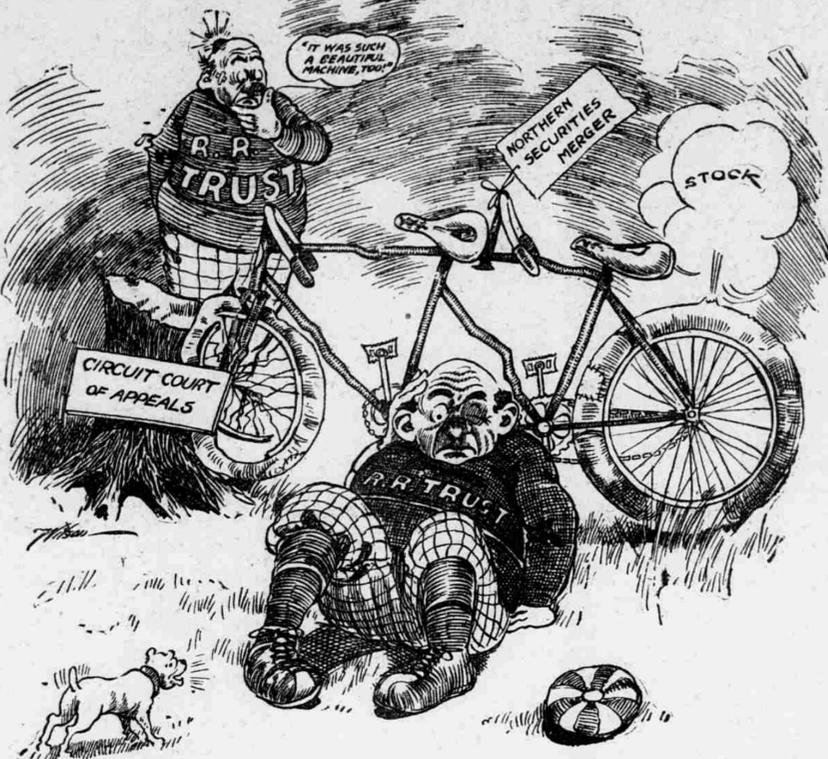
If you don't get the biggest and best it's your own fault. Defiance Starch is for sale everywhere and there is positively nothing to equal it in quality or quantity.

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."



MR. BRYAN'S CLUB

IT IS WIELDED VIGOROUSLY AGAINST CLEVELAND.

A PLEA FOR POLITICAL UNITY

Moral Courage Needed Among Men—All Stragglers Invited to Come Back Into the Democratic Fold and Be Forgiven.

KANSAS CITY—William J. Bryan, speaking here to the toast, "Democracy," at the banquet given by the Democratic County club and the newspaper men of Missouri complimentary to William J. Stone, at which the addresses did not begin until long after midnight, bitterly arraigned Grover Cleveland and his supporters who are making the plea for harmony among democrats.

"What we need in this nation is moral courage among men. We need moral courage more than ability and we want the kind of moral courage that will fight for honest dealings. In your junior senator, William Joel Stone, you have in Missouri a man who possess both moral courage and ability.

"I am glad that you have harmony in this state. I believe the democrats of Missouri give the best idea of how to secure harmony among the democrats of the nation. I believe in harmony. The democratid bed is wide enough for all who want to come in, but we do not want to have to sit up nights to keep certain pretenders from picking our pockets.

"We invite all who strayed from the fold to come back if they so desire, but we want them to stay in after they come. We have had enough of Clevelandism in the democratic party. We had four years of Cleveland and after his administration was over we found ourselves weaker than we had ever been before, because we had been betrayed. These so-called harmonizers, Cleveland and his followers, showed their nearness to republicanism by deserting us in our hour of greatest need.

"The democratic party won a great victory in 1892, which gave our party a great opportunity but Grover Cleveland betrayed the democratic party and I carried the burden of his administration through two national campaigns, and there was not a plank in either platform that was such a detriment to me in those campaigns as that burden was.

"Cleveland had the best opportunity to redeem the democratic party of any man since the time of Andrew Jackson, but instead of being true to his party he disgraced himself. As a party we must stand true to democratic principles, and if we do I believe democratic victory will soon come and it will be here to stay."

Montana Cattlemen Meet.

MILES CITY, Mont.—The eighteenth annual meeting of the Montana Stock Growers' association began on Tuesday. The report of Secretary Pritt shows a balance of \$17,000 in the stray fund and \$7,000 in the general dues fund. The total beef output for 1902 was 23,000 head; 14,000 strays were recovered by inspectors; 136,000 cattle were shipped into Montana during the year and 55,000 horses shipped out.

FOLK GIVES LEE UP.

Now Inclines to Use Kelley as Leading Witness of the Prosecution.

ST. LOUIS.—Disgusted at the failure of Lieutenant Governor Lee to return to St. Louis, Circuit Attorney Folk will probably go to New York to negotiate for Kelley's surrender. Mr. Folk has had the move under contemplation for some time, as both he and Attorney General Crow believe Kelley will turn states' evidence if given the opportunity.

Governor Dockery wired Mr. Folk that he had received word that Lieutenant Governor Lee was in Staunton, W. Va.

The absent lieutenant governor is said to be willing to return to St. Louis if he would be allowed to tell only a part of what he knows about the transaction said to have taken place here and at Jefferson City. Mr. Folk will not listen to any such proposition. He insists that Lieutenant Governor Lee return and reveal everything in connection with the matter under investigation.

BIG PROTEST FROM EDITORS.

Tell Pennypacker Why He Should Veto the Libel Bill.

HARRISBURG, Pa.—Every important newspaper in Pennsylvania was represented at the hearing on the Grady-Salus libel bill by Governor Pennypacker Tuesday in the hall of the house of representatives. Attorney General Carson sat with the governor throughout the hearing, but neither indicated what would be the governor's action on the measure.

At the beginning of Mr. Smith's address Governor Pennypacker took exceptions to his use of the word "insolently" and suggested that it would be well to omit strong adjectives. Mr. Smith accepted the suggestion, saying at the same time that he spoke strongly because he felt strongly.

White Will Not Talk Money.

WASHINGTON—Andrew White, former ambassador to Germany, has declined to serve as one of the United States commissioners at the forthcoming monetary conference, thus confining the delegation to three persons already named, Messrs. Conant, Jenkins and Hanna. Mr. White's declination is based on the unsatisfactory condition of his health, as well as pressure of private business.

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.

Bob Fitzsimmons' Wife Dies.

NEW YORK.—Mrs. Robert Fitzsimmons, wife of the former heavyweight champion pugilist, died at her home in Brooklyn Friday.

He Gets \$10,000 Damages.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The United States supreme court Monday refused to reverse the decision of the United States circuit court of appeals for the Fifth circuit in the case of the Texas Pacific Railroad company vs. Abe Behimer. Behimer was a brakeman, and being knocked off the top of a freight car by a bump in coupling, caught his trousers on a nail and was pretty badly injured. He was awarded \$10,000.

ALLOW DIVIDENDS

PERMISSION TO DISTRIBUTE MERGED EARNINGS.

SHAREHOLDERS WILL GET CASH

Injunction is Modified Pending Decision of the Supreme Court—The People Will Get the Money—Bench Sees No Reason for Imposing Hardship on Innocent Persons.

ST. PAUL.—Circuit Judge Sanborn on Monday decided to allow the Great Northern and Northern Pacific dividends to be paid to the Northern Securities company.

After rehearsing the positions of the case and mentioning that an appeal to the supreme court is pending, his honor said:

"The appeal in this case will probably be determined by the supreme court about November.

"It is not perceived how the payment or retaining of these dividends during the pendency of this appeal can injuriously affect any right of the United States, and the only question is whether these dividends shall be piled up in the treasuries of the railway companies or paid to the stockholders to whom they legally belong and who must ultimately receive them whichever way the final decision of the case may be. These dividends will ultimately go to the stockholders of the Northern Securities company, whether paid as they are earned or after the final decision.

"If the railway companies are permitted to pay their dividends to the Securities company that company will pay them over to its stockholders. The decree permits the stockholders of the Securities company to exchange stock for stock of the railroad companies for which it is issued. If the supreme court affirms this decree, the stockholders of the Northern Securities company can exchange their stock for the stock of the railroad companies and can draw these dividends upon the latter. If the supreme court reverses the decree, the same parties can draw these dividends on their Northern Securities stock.

The order of the court will, accordingly, be that the operation of that portion of the decree which enjoins the railway companies from paying the dividends upon their stock which is held by the Northern Securities company be suspended during the pendency of the appeal upon the giving of approved bond in the sum of \$50,000 by or in behalf of the defendants, conditioned that they will prosecute their appeal with effect and will pay all damages that shall result to the United States by reason of the order.

"All other portions of the decree and of the injunction it contains remain in force and are unaffected by the order."

After the reading of the decision the appeal was perfected and the bond was filed.

NEW YORK—Northern Securities stock sold off to 147 1/2 early in the day, but just before official news of the decision reached this city the market turned and the stock sold up to 98 1/2. Representatives of the Securities company expressed much pleasure over the news.

It is a long loan that has no returning.

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, Albania, 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.

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.

AVOID DOUBLE INSPECTION.

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.

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.

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.

Boodlers Denied New Trial.

ST. LOUIS.—Judge Ryan on Monday refused to grant new trials to the following members of the St. Louis house of delegates, who were tried and convicted of bribery and notice of appeal to the supreme court was given:

Charles Gutke, convicted on January 10 and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary; John A. Sheridan, Edmund Bersch, Charles Denny and T. F. Albright, all sentenced to five years in the penitentiary on January 15.

Dates for Junior Normals.

Superintendent Fowler stated that the junior normal schools would be opened June 8. On that date he expects to have at least 1,000 teachers assembled in the five schools. He has selected North Platte as the place for the first school, which is permitted by the new law to locate, and W. H. Gardener of Auburn will be its principal. Each school is to have a faculty of five teachers and more than enough have applied.



Miss Gannon, Sec'y Detroit Amateur Art Association, tells young women what to do to avoid pain and suffering caused by female troubles.

"I can conscientiously recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to those of my sisters suffering with female weakness and the troubles which so often befall women. I suffered for months with general weakness and felt so weary that I had hard work to keep up. I had shooting pains and was utterly miserable. In my distress I was advised to use Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and it was a red letter day to me when I took the first dose, for at that time my restoration began. In six weeks I was a changed woman, perfectly well in every respect. I felt so elated and happy that I want all women who suffer to get well as I did."—Miss GUILA GANNON, 359 Jones St., Detroit, Corresponding Sec'y Mich. Amateur Art Association.—\$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

It is clearly shown in this young lady's letter that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will surely cure the sufferings of women; and when one considers that Miss Gannon's letter is only one of hundreds which we have, the great virtue of Mrs. Pinkham's medicine must be admitted by all.

The mayor makes the money go.

"The Klean, Kool Kitchen Kind" of stoves make no smoke, smell, soot, ashes or excessive heat. Always look for trade mark.

Punctuality is the thief of time.

Defiance Starch is guaranteed biggest and best or money refunded. 16 ounces, 10 cents. Try it now.

Some men go to bed too late ever to wake up famous.

Tipped the Mayor.

The lord provost of Glasgow, whose office corresponds with that of mayor in this country, told at a dinner recently how he was "tipped" by an American sightseer. A party of tourists from the United States were viewing the splendid municipal chambers in Glasgow, and were especially enthusiastic about the great marble staircase. The lord provost happened to pass and offered to guide them about. While doing so he gave them some interesting information about the rise and growth of his interesting city. As he was leaving one of the Americans quietly slipped a half dollar into his hand. The provost had not recovered from his amused astonishment until the Americans left the building.

Honeymoon Thirty Years Old.

The honeymoon tour of Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Hull of Danbury, Conn., interrupted almost at its beginning thirty years ago, was begun all over again last week. They have become grandparents since then. Mr. and Mrs. Hull were married on March 11, 1873. They started to visit Wisconsin and return through Kentucky. The trip ended abruptly at Albany, for a business telegram called Mr. Hull home. They decided then to postpone their tour until the first anniversary of their marriage, but something happened then to prevent and also on the following anniversaries. This year they sailed up the Hudson to Albany. They will visit all the places they intended to and will be gone a month. Mr. Hull is wealthy.

BUILT OVER.

Food That Rebuilt a Man's Body and Built It Right.

By food alone, with a knowledge of what food to use, disease can be warded off and health maintained, also many even chronic diseases can be cured. It is manifestly best and safest to depend upon food to cure rather than too much drugging.

A case in point will illustrate. A well known man of Reading, Pa., Treasurer of a certain club there, says: "I have never written a testimonial letter, but I have been using Grape-Nuts about a year and have recovered my health, and feel that I would like to write you about it for the case is extraordinary."

"For five years I was a sufferer from a dreadful condition of the bowels; the trouble was most obscure." Here follows a detailed description and the condition certainly was distressing enough (details can be given by mail).

"Nothing in the way of treatment of drugs benefited me in the least and an operation was seriously considered. In May, 1901, I commenced using Grape-Nuts as a food and with no idea that it would in any way help my condition. In two or three weeks' time I noticed an improvement and there was a steady gain from that time on until now I am practically well. I don't know how to explain the healing value of the food but for some reason, although it has taken nearly a year, I have recovered my health and the change is entirely attributable to Grape-Nuts food, for I long ago quit medicine. I eat only Grape Nuts for breakfast and luncheon, but at my night dinner I have an assorted meal." Name furnished by Fostered Co., Battle Creek, Mich.