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A SENSIBLE LETTER.

A Western Canadian Settler Writes to an Illinois Friend.

In writing to Mr. T. Hawkyard, of Rockford, Ill., Mr. G. Simpkins, of Leduc, Alberta, Western Canada (and to which points especially low rates are being quoted over all lines of railway), says:

"Dear Sir—Received your letter the 14th inst. We have had no snow till after Christmas, and the cattle have been able to live out, and are all in good condition. It is snowing now. That is what we want. Have about six inches now. The old settlers say when we have lots of snow it means a good crop the coming season. It never drifts here. The weather is calm and bright. We do not have to dress any heavier than in Illinois, and the horses never shiver with the cold when we take them from the warm stable, as they do in Illinois. It has not frozen in the stable this winter.

"The most of the stock runs out, but there is no need of it, for timber is plentiful, and there is no expense to build good stables and houses. We have good log houses, and they are very warm. Two men can put up a house 16x24 in two days. There are good rails for fences. We live ten miles from the coal district, the price being from 50 cents up to \$2. The land is a very rich, loamy soil, from six inches to several feet in depth; the hills have the deepest. It is a rolling country, and excellent for stock of all kinds. Sheep do well, and there are plenty of small lakes, where the cattle can get good water. The cattle got out of grass last year, about the middle of April, and run at large; unless in charge of a herdsman, we have to fence against them. Wheat goes from thirty-five to sixty bushels per acre, oats eighty and ninety, very often over a hundred. As to potatoes, a neighbor planted seven bushels and dug 225 bushels and no bugs. Roots of all kinds do well. There are lots of strawberries and lots of red raspberries, black and red currants, and gooseberries, where the fire has not burnt them. Cattle are scarce. I have been trying to buy some for eight months, and have got only three two-year-olds, and paid \$30 each.

"Hogs are scarce, but can be got. They sell for 6 cents dressed, and cost more for stockers. Wheat 50 cents per bushel, oats 25 cents, eggs 30 cents a dozen, butter 15 and 20 cents, poultry was 10 and 11 cents dressed. Sheep are scarce. If you come, bring your farm tools, but bring no seeders; we use drills. Bring cows, but do not bring horses unless you are an experienced hand in shipping them, for so many of them are hurt in shipping. There will be plenty of work for a binder. Two good horses will break, but three lighter are better. The horses you get here can work without grain, but are better with it. It will be hard to tell what prices horses will be, for the immigration will be very large the coming spring. They could not be had last spring at one time. They claim the best time to break is June, but my experience is to break in the spring and work it. You can break till the middle of July."

Overheard in a Restaurant.
Customer—I'm sure I've seen you somewhere. I never forget a pretty face!
Waitress—I don't remember you, and I never forget a fresh customer.—Puck.

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For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of J. C. Ayer & Co.

Excursion Rates to Western Canada and particulars as to how to secure 100 acres of the best wheat-growing land on the continent, can be secured on application to the Superintendent of Immigration, Ottawa, Canada, or the nearest Canadian Agent. Special excursion rates will leave St. Paul, Minn., on the first and third Wednesdays in each month, and especially low rates on all lines of railway reaching St. Paul are being quoted for excursion leaving on April 5th for Manitoba, Assiniboia, Saskatchewan and Alberta. Address N. Bartholomew, 306 Fifth St., Des Moines, Iowa, Agent for the Government of Canada.

ASTHMA
POPHAM'S ASTHMA SPECIFIC
Gives relief in five minutes. Sold by J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass. Price, 25 cents. Address J. C. Ayer & Co., Lowell, Mass.

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DENT-OSSE, a filling for teeth, can be used by any one. It is a perfect and lasting filling. Circulars free. Pioneer Dental Co., St. James, Minn.

DR. ISAAC THOMPSON'S EYE WATER
What Broke It Up.
For several years the little town of Bloomsburg boasted a brass band, which held together with very little financial encouragement from the citizens or anybody else.

At the close of a presidential campaign, however, in which it had enjoyed a season of more than usual success, it suddenly dropped from public view, without any visible cause. "What broke up your band?" inquired a leading citizen of Bloomsburg, several weeks afterward. "Well, it was this way," answered the young man who had acted as leader. "We found, when we held our last meeting, that we had ten dollars cash in the treasury. That was the most we had ever had, and as it was just one dollar apiece the boys insisted on making a division of the money. It was done, and I have never been able to get the boys together again. Our band," he added, regretfully, "couldn't stand prosperity."

TWO REMARKABLE CURES

Of Two Prominent and Well-Known People.

A Catarrh Cure That Cures.

Some Seasonable Spring Sayings.

Springtime has come at last, and now is the time for all catarrh sufferers to begin a systematic course of treatment for this disease. The greatest difficulty in the way of treating chronic catarrh is that the patient is so liable to catch cold during the treatment and thus delay the cure. This liability at this season of the year is, in a great measure, removed, and no one should neglect the opportunity to begin treatment.

Miss Dade Stegeman, superintendent of the Chicago North Side Woman's Club, of Chicago, in a recent letter to Dr. Hartman, speaks of Pe-ru-na as follows:

Chicago, Jan. 23, 1899.
Pe-ru-na Drug Mfg Co., Columbus, O.
Gentlemen—Pe-ru-na has often been used by the members of our club in cases of stomach trouble and general debility—also recently in cases of la grippe, and always with the most beneficial results. I think a great deal of Pe-ru-na—often recommend it to my friends, and am glad to say all who have tried it speak a good word for it. Yours truly,

DADE STEGEMAN.

Send for free catarrh book. Address Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Co., Columbus, Ohio.

FACTORY FOR CAKE WALKERS.

A Place in Chicago Where They Are Turned Out Every Day.

It may not be generally known that Chicago has a factory for the production of cake walkers. No machinery is used, the output being the result rather of circumstances. In one of the State street restaurants, which is nearly half a block deep and which boasts the longest lunch counters in the city, about fifty colored men are employed as waiters, and they all wear white uniforms well stained by the drippings from pies and the slop-over from liquids. About 2:30 o'clock each afternoon the men take their lunch. They all form in line in the rear of the restaurant and march in single file down to the front of the room around the principal counter, countermarch down the other side and sit at a counter provided for them. The feature of the march is the "march is the cake walk swing, which is most of the men practice, and it is no unusual thing for those whom they pass to overhear such remarks as:

"Get dat cake walk move right."
"Say, man, you'd never win no cake with that walk on you."

"If I was a gal and you walked with me like that I sure would pull a razor on you," etc.

Some of the men are said to be the most expert cake walkers in the city.—Chicago Chronicle.

Fitted Through the Bars.
Difficulties only inspire a man of genius. Witness the Golden Penny's story of the correspondent who, while confined in a Cuban jail, asked for some clothing to take the place of his rags.

He was told he might order a suit from a tailor; but when the tailor arrived the prisoner found he could only consult with him through the bars. In order to be measured he had to stand as close to them as he could get.

In a few days, however, the tailor again appeared with the garments cut out and pinned together for fitting on, and this he accomplished by stretching his arms through the window-bars as before, until the "fit" was to his mind correct.

When the correspondent came to wear this extraordinary suit he found it most satisfactory and well-fitting—so much so that it is being worn in London now with much pride.

One on the Rector.
The little daughter of a local clergyman has reached the age where big words are apt to floor her, and where she is very sensitive to the remarks of an elder brother.

Not long ago she came running to her father. "Papa, papa, George called me names."

"Why, what did George say?" "Oh," said the little girl with a strong expression of disgust, "he said I practiced what I preached. I don't, do I?"

"Well, my child, I—"

"But I don't, do I, papa? I don't any more than you do, do I?"

And then the rector choked up. But he took a half hour from his sermon and explained the meaning of the obnoxious expression to the best of his ability.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.



GENERAL S. S. YODER.

Notwithstanding that a great number of people have been cured of chronic catarrh by taking Pe-ru-na during the past cold season, yet it cannot be denied that the cold, wet, stormy winter has retarded many cures, and in some cases actually prevented a cure.

General S. S. Yoder, ex-Member of Congress from Ohio, in a recent letter to Dr. Hartman, speaks of Pe-ru-na as follows:

Washington, D. C.
Pe-ru-na Drug Mfg Co., Columbus, O.
Gentlemen—I desire to say that I have found Pe-ru-na to be a wonderful remedy. I only used it for a short time and am thoroughly satisfied as to its merits. I cannot find words to express my gratification for the results obtained. As a catarrh cure I shall gladly recommend it to all sufferers. Yours truly,

S. S. YODER.

From Alaska.

It may be a matter of astonishment to many people to know that more than one-half the salmon pack of the United States and nearly half the world's supply of canned salmon now comes from Alaska. The capital invested in the Alaska salmon fisheries is said to be more than three million dollars, and the value of a season's catch, not including the manufactured products therefrom, comes to about two million dollars. Last year there were twenty-two canneries in operation, which packed six hundred and forty thousand cases, and twenty-four salting establishments put on the market twenty-one thousand barrels of salted salmon.

Bromus Inermis Grass!

It's the greatest grass on earth—Salzer says so. This grass yields 4 to 7 tons better hay than timothy in dry, rainless countries; yields even more than that in Ohio, Ind., Mich., Wis., Iowa, Ill., Mo., Kans., Nebr., Mont., yes in every State of the Union! Salzer warrants this! Potatoes \$1.20 a Bbl.

Send this notice to JOHN A. SALZER SEED CO., LA CROSSE, WIS., and 10 cents postage and receive their great Seed Catalogue and sample of this grass seed and nine other farm seed Rareties free.

A Call to Arms.

"Wesley," said his wife, sleepily, as the plaintive wail of the infant broke the stillness of the midnight hour, "Wesley, heed the advice of Kipling."

"What is that?" he grunted from beneath the coverlet.

"Take up the white man's burden!"—Philadelphia North American.

Oh, That Delicious Coffee!

Costs but 1c. per lb. to grow. Salzer has the seed. German Coffee Berry, pkg. 15c.; Java Coffee pkg. 15c. Salzer's New American Chicory 15c. Cut this out and send 15c. for any of above packages or send 30c. and get all 3 pkgs. and great Catalogue free to JOHN A. SALZER SEED CO., La Crosse, Wis. (c. n.)

The Savage Bachelor.

The dear girl—This custom of throwing rice at a newly wedded couple is so idiotic.

The savage bachelor—Well, rather. Much would be much more appropriate.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Avoid the Night Air.

Avoid the night air when damp and cold, and you will offer, avoid having neuralgia, but St. Jacobs Oil will cure it no matter what is the cause and no matter how long it has continued.

Curious Accident.

Two angry sparrows were chasing each other through a suburb of Berlin, when one of them, in its haste, flew into a woman's face. Its sharp beak penetrated her eye and destroyed the sight.

A Remarkable Offer.

The special offer made elsewhere in our advertising columns by the T. M. Roberts Supply House, Minneapolis, Minn., should be carefully read by every reader of this paper. It is made in good faith, by a reliable firm, and consists of remarkable value.

Hats Were Once a Luxury.

In the reign of Elizabeth the wearing of hats was considered a sign of luxury. By an act of Parliament every person above the age of 7 years, and under a certain degree, was obliged on Sundays and holidays to wear a woolen cap, made in England, and finished by some of the fraternity of cappers.

John Milton's ten London residences it is said not one is now left, though two or three have been standing within memory. It is proposed to turn the little churchyard of St. Giles' Church, Cripplegate, into a public garden, and to place therein a statue of the poet, whose bones lie in the chancel of the church.

Shake Into Your Shoes

Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It cures painful, swollen, smarting, nervous feet and instantly takes the sting out of corns and bunions. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Allen's Foot-Ease makes tight-fitting or new shoes feel easy. It is a certain cure for sweating, callous and hot, tired aching feet. Try it to-day. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores. By mail for 25c. in stamps. Trial package FREE. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Appreciative.

"I saw you at the theater last night. You seemed to be very enthusiastic. For my part I didn't think the show amounted to much."

"I didn't either, but you see I got in on a pass."

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

Carefully Cherished.

She—Do you remember that thirty years ago you proposed to me and that I refused you?
He—Oh, yes. That's one of the most treasured recollections of my youth.—Household Words.

Have It Handy.

He cried out in agony, and they ran to the neighbors for help. Sciatica was torturing him. Better run for St. Jacobs Oil, or have it handy. It is known to cure the worst cases.

Hickory nuts are an American product and we export them in large numbers to Europe, where they are found good eating. Pecans belong to the hickory family.

St. Jacobs Oil cures Rheumatism, St. Jacobs Oil "Neuralgia, St. Jacobs Oil "Lumbago, St. Jacobs Oil "Sciatica, St. Jacobs Oil "Sprains, St. Jacobs Oil "Bruises, St. Jacobs Oil "Scorches, St. Jacobs Oil "Stiffness, St. Jacobs Oil "Backache, St. Jacobs Oil "Muscular Aches.

Was Ready for It.

Pastor—Have you seriously considered the great question of life, Mary?
Girl Parishioner—None of the young men has asked me yet, sir.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

How's This!

We offer One Hundred Dollars reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O. We the undersigned have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligation made by their firm.

WEST & THURMAN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O. WALKING, KINSAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free.

So Near and Yet So Far.

The distance from the farthest point of polar discovery to the pole itself is 400 miles.

We will forfeit \$1,000 if any of our published testimonials are proven to be not genuine. THE PISO CO., Warren, Pa.

The Federal Court of Kansas City has decided that the drinking of poison by mistake is not an accident within the meaning of an insurance policy.

Mrs. Whitlow's Suffering Since for Children (nothing) soothes the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 2c. a bottle.

WANTED—Case of lost health that R. F. A. S. will not benefit. Send 5 cents to R. F. A. S. Chemical Co., New York, for 30 samples and 1,000 testimonials.

It is better to insult an impatient questioner than to lie to him, or employ evasion.

MOTHERHOOD is woman's natural destiny. Many women are denied the happiness of children through some derangement of the generative organs. Actual barrenness is rare. Among the many triumphs of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the overcoming of cases of supposed barrenness. This great medicine is so well calculated to regulate every function of the generative organs that its efficiency is vouched for by multitudes of women.

Mrs. ED. WOLFORD, of Lone Tree, Iowa, writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—Before taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I had one child which lived only six hours. The doctor said it did not have the proper nourishment while I was carrying it. I did not feel at all well during pregnancy. In time I conceived again, and thought I would write to you for advice. Words cannot express the gratitude I feel towards you for the help that your medicine was to me during this time. I felt like a new person; did my work up to the last, and was sick only a short time. My baby weighed ten pounds. He is a fine boy, the joy of our home. He is now six weeks old and weighs sixteen pounds. Your medicine is certainly a boon in pregnancy."

Mrs. FLORA COOPER, of Doyle, S. Dak., writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—Ever since my last child I suffered with inflammation of the womb, pains in back, left side, abdomen and groins. My head ached all the time. I could not walk across the floor without suffering intense pain. I kept getting worse, until two years ago I wrote to you for advice, and began taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I had not finished the first bottle before I felt better. I took four bottles, and have been strong and perfectly healthy ever since, and now have two of the nicest little girls."



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