

RETURNS TO TOWN

Mr. Charles Full in The City and

TALKS OF MINNESOTA

Its Advantage in Climate and Market Facilities Are Referred To.

Yesterday THE GUARDIAN had a pleasant call from Mr. Chas. Full who conducts a business in Pembina, North Dakota, and another in St. Vincent in the North West corner of Minn., some three miles from the Canadian border. Mr. Full arrived in Charlottetown by Saturday evening's express. He left P.E. Island some twenty years ago and selected Minnesota, where, he car-

ries on an extensive business, buying largely in Chicago. He reports all the people from Prince Edward Island doing well and many have made money since leaving this Province and locating in Minnesota. The farmer's principal revenue is derived from wheat. Some years ago wheat was worth \$1 to \$1.10 a bushel, but now it has reduced in price and only 60 cents a bushel is paid. The soil of some sections in Minnesota, especially in Red River Valley is very rich and does not require any fertilizer, the loam or dark soil being some four deep in depth. The raising of wheat is carried on in a mammoth style and it is a very interesting sight to see a number of teams hauling to the steam threshers at harvest time. The straw is burned on the ground. If paper mills were established the straw could be made into paper. When asked about the climate Mr. Full said: "I was in St. John a few days ago and the thermometer stood about 7 or 8 degrees below zero. I felt the cold more in St. John than I did in at my home in Minnesota when the thermometer was 20 degrees below zero. It is a grand climate for any person afflicted with asthma or throat trouble. "A man with a little capital can do well, providing he advances with the country. Gold is not to be picked up, but with diligence a person will soon become very comfortable and independent." Mr. Full says that all the talk about the American people being in sympathy with the Boers is nonsense. The Americans as a people are thoroughly in sympathy with England in her struggle in South Africa. "There is very little difference be-

tween the people of Dakota or of Minnesota and the people of Canada and if one loses sight of the row of iron posts that mark the boundary line the people are one. The Americans are a free and easy people with an unlimited amount of push. "A great deal of stock is being raised at the present time in Minnesota and those engaged in the business are becoming wealthy. A market is found in St. Paul and some 800 miles from where I live the great markets of Chicago are to be tapped." Mr. Full notices a wonderful improvement in this province, especially in the railroad service with its fast trains and in the Minto in which he crossed on Saturday last. Mr. Full returns by Chicago in the course of a couple of weeks.

THE EDITOR'S MAIL.

Is Rev. Dr. Carman Right?

Sir.—The great Dr. Carman, Superintendent of the Methodist church, according to a despatch, in his sermon on New Year's Day, says the loss of so many British soldiers in South Africa is God's chastisement for sins, such as the rum traffic, the opium trade, Sabbath desecration, social abominations and so forth. Dearly beloved, and all who are loyal British subjects, I Finlay McRae, a poor sinner at the feet of my blessed Lord and Saviour, acknowledge all my great and grievous sins in the sight of His pure, holy and glorious Majesty, and admit that we all from the highest to the lowest justly deserve his chastisement. But I cannot see that the learned Doctor was justified in

coming down so heavy on our beloved nation, and utterly despising those noble heroes the Eniskillings and Highlanders, who were the means in times gone by in the Lord's hand of saving the British Crown. And the same holy Arm that has preserved us hitherto is not shontened that it cannot save. In good time He will deliver us from all our enemies both temporal and spiritual. Let us beware that we may not be found of the number who brought the poor woman before the loving and forgiving Master, only to meet with the sharp reproof, "Let him that is without sin cast the first stone." I believe that Britain has been honored and blessed of God beyond all other nations, because her government has been just, merciful and free and has done good wherever her way has been established. God is the judge of the nations—not Dr. Carman.

FINLEY McRAE.

The Queen as a Housekeeper.

Queen Victoria carefully examines into her household expenses, and is careful that there is no waste in the royal kitchen.

Boer's New Prison.

Brussels, Jan. 13.—A private letter from Pretoria says that in order to accommodate the prisoners of war who are crowding into Pretoria, an immense enclosure has been constructed to the north of the town in three long streets named Ladysmith, Kimberley and Mafeking streets.

S. S. Lesson.

JANUARY 21.
THE PREACHING OF JOHN THE BAPTIST.
GOLDEN TEXT.

Prepare ye the way of the Lord— Luke 3. 4.

OUTLINE.

1. The Beginning of John's Career, v. 1-3
 2. John's Career Foretold, v. 4-6
 3. The Gist of John's Message, v. 7-9
 4. John's Practical Advice for Daily Living, v. 10-14.
 5. John Preparing the Way of the Lord, v. 15-17.
- Time.—The Summer of A. D. 26.
Place.—The country about the Jordan.

LESSON HELPS.

1. "The fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar"—Tiberius came to the throne in A. D. 14. Here is one of the few direct notes of time in the Gospel story. "Tetrarch" means "governor of a quarter;" the dominions of Herod the Great were at his death divided among his sons, and to "Herod" Antipas came the "quarter" which included "Galilee" and Peraea.
2. "The wilderness"—Where, apparently, from childhood he had made his home.
3. "Preaching, the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins"—Proclaiming the duty of repentance, the privilege of forgiveness, and the use of baptism as a symbol of both.
4. "Make his paths straight"—In the East little attention is given to the care of roads for common use; but when some "royal highness" comes along the people are compelled to clear and improve the old roads and to make new ones.
5. "All flesh"—All people.
6. "He"—John the Baptist, the forerunner of Jesus. "The multitude that came forth" (See Matt. 3. 5). "Men left their work, or their calling; the keen trader, the Roman tax-collector, and the native and foreign soldiers among them. Every rank was represented. All that was noble and all that was base in Israel—the holy and the worldly; the pure and the corrupt; the earnest and the false; the friends of Rome and its enemies, mingled in the throng."—Geikie. "Generation of vipers"—Literally, brood of vipers. Especially addressed to the Pharisees and Sadducees. "No apology must be made for the denunciatory preaching of John; no more than for the thunder and smoke of Sinai, or for the fire and brimstone of Gehenna."—Whedon.
7. "Bring forth"—"Implying instant effort."—Farrar. "Fruits"—Profession of repentance was not enough. Practical reformation is the only evidence God recognizes of the genuineness of repentance.—Addott. "Repentance"—"Implying, in John's view, an entire renunciation of the world; bying to the old, and consecration to a new life."—Lange. "We have Abraham"—A matter of Jewish pride. This they thought would give them a right to share in the blessings of the Messiah.—Lange, according to the Talmud, a single Israelite is of more value in God's sight than all the nations of the world. "To"—For. "9. Now"—While John spoke.
8. "Axe"—Seven Hebrew words are translated thus. "The root"—Not the "unfruitful branches"—Lange. "expressing utter destruction."—Whedon. Luke 13. 7. "Hewn down"—Denoting what is to happen at once and certainly. "Cast into the fire"—An Eastern agricultural practice; prophetic also of the fire of perdition.
9. "The people"—John's first class of hearers.
10. "Two coats"—Extortion and selfishness prevailed. John calls for self-sacrifice. Him that hath none.—A second coat no man could want; as his neighbor who had none wanted his first.—Cowles. "Meat"—Food in general. "Do likewise"—Selfishness is the root of evil. It is to be conquered not by religious emotions only, but by acts of unselfishness.
11. "The publicans"—John's second class of hearers.
12. "Appointed"—Designated by the government.
13. "Soldiers"—John's third class of hearers. Either Galileans engaged in the war of Herod against Aretas (Whedon), or Roman soldiers from Judea (Abbott). Neither accuse any falsely.—The temptation of soldiers was to terribly the poor by violence and undermine the rich by acting as informers.—Farrar. "Wages"—Meaning both the money given a Roman soldier, three half-pence a day, and the necessary supply of wheat, etc.—Clarke.
14. "In expectation"—There was a widespread belief that the Messiah's would soon appear. "The Christ"—Showing both the expectation of Messiah's immediate appearing and the high estimation and even reverence which his own character demanded.—J. F. B.
15. "With water"—But only unto repentance. (Matt. 3. 11.) "Mightier than I"—To effect what John's baptism was powerless to produce.—Lange. "The bucket," etc.—A reference to the work of the lowest household slave. Yet

John was lower than he. "This menial duty was sometimes performed in reverence by disciples for the rabbi"—Whedon. "With the Holy Ghost"—"Water baptism is nothing but as it points out and leads to the baptism of the Holy Ghost."—Clarke. "Fire"—Some of the early fathers thought this a reference to the crosses and afflictions of the Christian life.

17. "Whose fan"—"An oriental figure which was clear to John's listeners. Symbolizing the preaching of the Gospel"—Lange. "Floor"—"Christ's Sphere of action."—Ewald. "What"—Believers. "Garner"—His church. "Chaff"—His enemies. "Fire unquenchable"—Endless punishment.

Will Cost Over £1,000,000.

LONDON, Jan. 11. The Admiralty has ordered from Lairds of Birkenhead machinery for the battleship Montagu, now being built at Devonport. The engines are to be the most powerful ever placed in a battleship. They are to develop 18,000 indicated horse power, and the speed is to be one knot or over for every 1000 horse-power. There will be two sets of triple expansion engines and 80 Belleville boilers, which will cost £150,000, and the total cost of the vessel will be over £1,000,000.

VIPER FLIES THROUGH THE WATER. The torpedo boat destroyer Viper, fitted with Parsons' turbine engines, had her second preliminary trial on Monday in the presence of Admiralty officers. She sustained a speed of 34.8 knots in four consecutive runs over a measured mile. The fastest run was 35.5 knots. The contract called for a speed of 35 knots.

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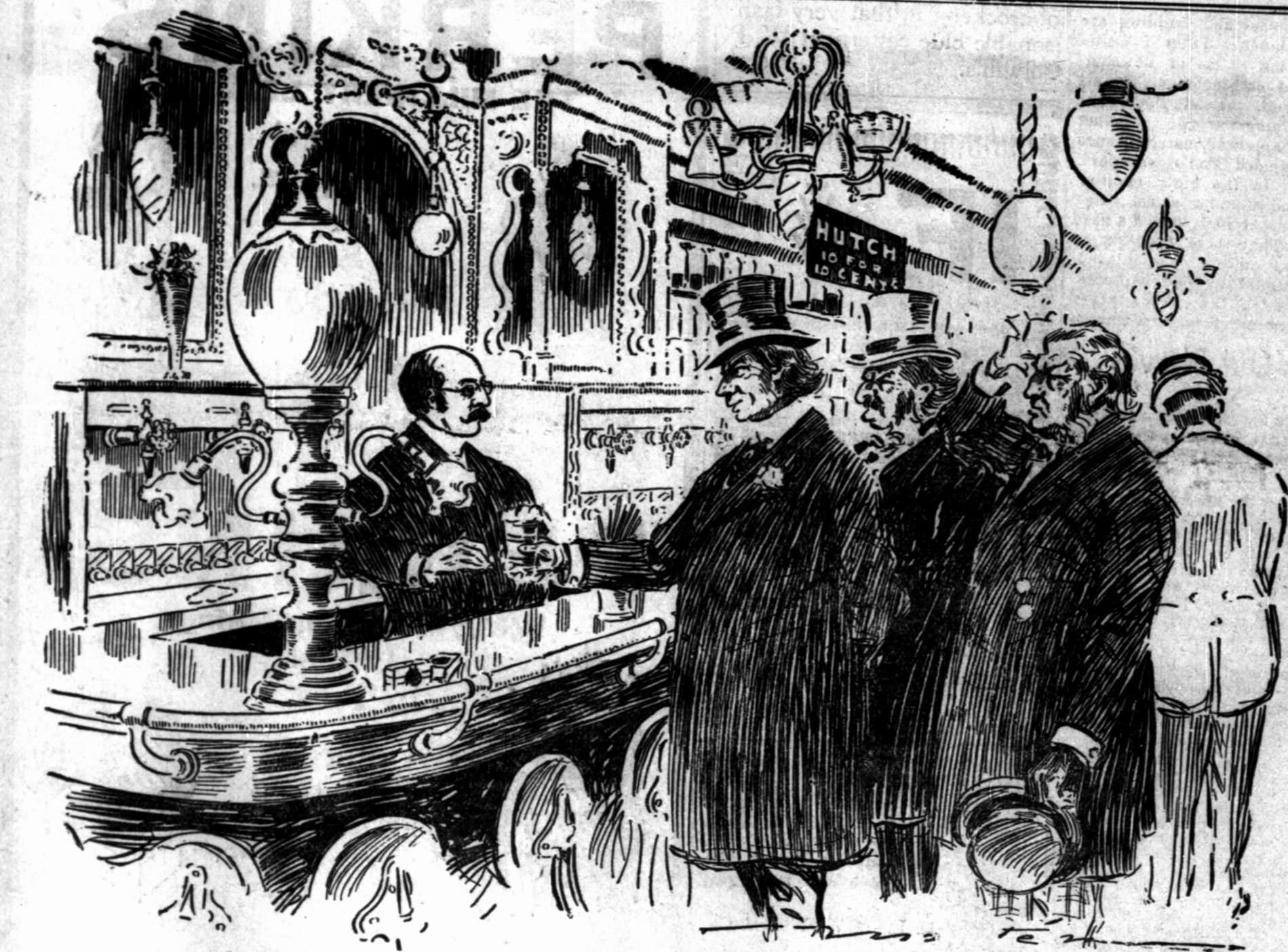
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