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Out in the Northwest.

LETTER FROM REV. ALFRED OSBOENE.

REGINA, North West Territory, Dec. 18th, 1882.

To the Editor of the Examiner.

Sir,—Away in the Northwest my thoughts often go to Charlottetown and to the many friends left behind. It has occurred to me that perhaps, friends, and the people of Charlottetown in general, might be interested in my first impressions of the country. I arrived in Winnipeg on Friday morning, 8th inst., and found my way to the "Douglas House," a quiet, respectable hotel, moderate in charges—\$2 per day. After breakfast, I started to view the city, but was soon lost in new scenes, and new ideas. I found myself like a being from another planet, lost in contemplation of a new creation. Soon it flashed across my mind that those I met were human as myself, but that I had lost the count of time, that the world had been going on while I had remained stationary. Winnipeg is a large and wealthy city, men, who a few years ago owned nothing, to-day are rich. Houses, stores, hotels, public buildings tell their own tale of enterprise and success. After a while I hunted out the Rector of Christ Church, (late of Moncton), who took me to his house where I remained until my departure for Regina. From him I learned the wonders of Winnipeg, how this man came with a few dollars and to-day numbers his wealth by thousands in yearly income; how that one has prospered, and so on.

But I must hasten. On Friday morning last, 15th inst., I was awakened from my berth in the sleeping car by the word "Regina." So soon as dressed, I started on a voyage of discovery. It was early morning, and the thermometer standing at probably twenty five degrees below. Before me lay a confused mass of houses with signs and "shingles" of enormous dimensions; but the place was silent as death with the exception of one human being, an urchin of twelve or fourteen, who came towards me with "Paper, Sir! Paper, Sir!" Paper, No! I said, but where is Mr. Pope's shanty? "Go along Sir, till you see Pope & Laferty on the house, that's it." Soon I found a small house with a large sign, and I walked in and straight up stairs to upbraid the inmates for their want of courtesy in not meeting me at the Station, when a protest came from one corner, "Whoever would have thought any man could be fool enough to leave a warm sleeping car to prow around here at this time in the morning?" From the bed clothes slowly emerged a moustache and beard which ornaments (?) the face of Percy Pope.

Regina is a noble city (on paper), of four square miles. At present houses, hotels, stores, workshops are considerably mixed; but in the spring the city will be straightened out. Just now there is considerable doubt as to which way the business portion of the city will go. Some think towards the South and West, others to the North and West. There are about 1,500 people, 103 wooden buildings, and eighty half-wood and half canvas, with tents. The citizens are from the best men—men of enterprise and capital. The country around Regina is simply magnificent for farming purposes. At least this is the judgment of practical men. Regina is the centre of the largest and best farming district of the Northwest, and when the railroad comes in from Prince Albert, it must be a great distributing centre. There is nothing pretty about a prairie, but it has no woods to clear, no stumps to remove. A man can go on and grow crops at once. To be well above water, a man should bring with him, if possible, \$1,000. He can build a house, purchase necessities for the first winter and afford to wait for the second year, when his farm will carry him along.

The soil is a kind of clay, somewhat heavy, I am told. The climate is simply wonderful—very cold snaps are experienced as low as forty degrees below; but the weather, since I arrived, has been charming—fair, bright sky; clear, calm weather. I seldom use an overcoat or put on my gloves. It is true this may not last; my experience has as yet been short. All here say that in July and August the weather is very warm and mosquitoes are troublesome; otherwise the climate is perfection. Lately we have had warm winds from the Pacific, and from the valley of the Mississippi. I consider the climate to be very much better than that of Prince Edward Island, for we do not experience those continual storms, (so hard to bear,) of the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

There is one draw-back—water is scarce; but wells are being sunk and a good flow obtained. Fuel is hard to get; but mines are about to be opened, we hear, on the Saskatchewan. At any rate the fuel question will soon be solved, for beds of coal are all about us. Prices are high especially for perishable articles—as potatoes. Groceries are from twenty-five to fifty per cent higher than in Charlottetown. Dry goods very reasonable. So soon as we are surrounded by farms, provisions will be more reassuring, for the soil is very productive.

Allow me Mr. Editor, to give a little advice to any person, who may think of coming here next spring. Come! there is room for all the island, and then we should not know you were here. But—and please make it a big BUT.—croakers are of no use here. Lazy folks are not wanted. They would be run over and trampled out of existence. This is no place for a "lofer." Any young man in Charlottetown who thinks that he can saunter around here with his hands in his pockets and a pipe in his mouth, and make money, will be terribly deceived. He would die of starvation, and the young fellows here would gladly contribute to his funeral expenses just to get rid of such useless lumber. There is work here, money to be made, land for all, and a great future; but the Northwest will be just what men will make it. Industrious young fellows can get along here; but they must keep their eyes open and keep awake; go ahead, and never say die. A man must come prepared to do anything from sewing on his shirt buttons to building his house, and must be able to laugh at difficulties.

Now a word for the women: Don't come here for easy times. Charlottetown is pretty nearly paradise to what you will get

here. Wages are high—up to \$30 a month. But you must work, and work. To those ladies who must, as a necessary part of their existence, have pianos, carriages, sleighs and the fashion, do not come. These things will be yours in a few years. But until then you must work, cut and contrive, face difficulties, and brush away care with a merry laugh.

There is a great future before this country, and those who endure the present will enjoy that future. I say then, you that have grit, come! You that are not afraid of something, come! You that are not afraid of work, come! You cannot crowd, there is a great country, and great opportunities, plenty for you and your children after you. Next spring a great in-rush is expected. You can, Sir, estimate this country from one fact related to me by Mr. McLeod, Inspector of Post Offices, Winnipeg. Brandon is a city of not two years growth, and its postal business is greater than that of Charlottetown.

A large immigration is expected here, for there is a larger country around. With your permission, Mr. Editor, I may send you another letter in a week or two. I am, yours truly,

ALFRED OSBOENE.

Questions to be Answered.

To the Editor of the Examiner.

Sir,—Please allow me sufficient space to thank "J. C. D." for the cautious and satisfactory reply which so promptly appeared in your paper, and to ask: (First,) who is the author of the quotation,— "The first and last word in life's volume is doubt."

Second,— "A Judas' kiss is the first step to treachery." And third, why was Shelley called,— "The heart of hearts."

will "J. C. D.," please answer.

ELSIE.

Teachers' Institute.

According to announcement the meeting of the Teachers' Institute was held in West Kent Street School, on Friday, 22nd inst. The President, Mr. J. D. Seaman, occupied the chair. After the reading of the minutes, Miss Eliza Lawson read an extract of the poem, "The Brothers" by Jean Ingelwood.

The subject for discussion, "The text books of Grammar," was opened by Mr. L. Miller reading a short but excellent paper on the merits and demerits of the books which have been in use and are now in use in the schools.

There was an animated discussion over Lennie's and Currie's Grammars, in which Mr. Duncan took the leading part. As he never does things by halves, he came supplied with the two books. He compared the definitions of a few of the parts of speech, and showed where Currie has fallen into a few gross inconsistencies. Dr. Leeming was the next speaker. As Currie's Grammar was not in use when he was a teacher, he had nothing to say about it. He spoke for some time of the good qualities of Grammars by other authors. Miss Maria Lawson followed. She thinks Grammar should be taught orally until the child reaches the High School, then give him the text book. Mr. Melish was next called upon. He said that it would take up too much time to-night if he made any remarks, so he reserved them for a future occasion.

The President then announced that the subjective mood would be taken up for discussion at some future date, of which due notice would be given in the papers. The next meeting is to be held on January 5th, 1883.

M. F. Cox, Secretary.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[SPECIAL DESPATCHES TO THE EXAMINER.]

The Crofters.

GLASGOW, Dec. 27. Lord McDonald has complained matters with the Crofters on the Isle of Skye. He has allowed them to pasture their herds on the hills free of rent.

French Socialists.

PARIS, Dec. 27. An anarchist plot has been discovered to effect the escape of Prince Krapotkin, who was arrested on the 16th inst., for being implicated in Socialistic plots.

Westgate Discharged.

DUBLIN, Dec. 27. Westgate, the self-accused murderer of Lord Frederick Cavendish and Mr. Burke, arrived here on the 11th, and was arraigned for examination the following day in the police court. During his examination, he flatly denied ever making a confession implicating himself in the Phoenix Park murders, or that he knows anything about them. Yesterday the examination was concluded. The authorities being satisfied that they are unable to find any evidence, of complicity, against him; that the story told by him was false, ordered his discharge from custody.

Weather Bulletin.

Probabilities for the next 24 hours for the Maritime Provinces.

TORONTO, Dec. 27—10 a. m.

Moderate winds; fair to cloudy weather, with light snow in some localities; no decided change in temperature.

The worst case of weakness, exhaustion, impotency, and all diseases and weakness of the generative organs can be cured by Mack's Magnetic Medicine. Sold in Charlottetown by Apothecaries Hall Co. See advertisement in another column. [del 2 wks eod wkl.]

MARRIED.

At the Methodist Parsonage, Pownal, by Rev. W. Wesley Colpitts, November 15th, Mr. George F. Melish, of Union Road, Lot 51, to Miss Aleina McDonald, of Belfast.

At Souris, on the 19th inst., by the Rev. J. G. Cameron, Charles Robertson, of Grand River, to Catherine McLeod, of Dundas.

Also at Souris, on the 19th inst., by the Rev. J. G. Cameron, Joseph W. Mowle, to Margaret Jane Bourke, of Souris.

CHRISTMAS, 1882

PERKINS & STERNS

Are offering great inducements to cash buyers during the Holiday season.

A splendid variety of Winter Jackets are offered at an immense discount.

Fur Goods, Knitted Wool Goods, Skirts, etc., will be sold exceedingly low.

A lot of Fancy Goods, suitable for Christmas presents, which must be cleared out, are arranged on tables, your choice for 20, 30 and 75 cents and upwards.

If you wish to make a Christmas present of Blankets, Comforts, Table Napkins, Table Covers, Kit Mittens, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Scarfs, Dress Goods, Shirts, Drawers, Cardigan Jackets, etc., we can supply you with these goods very low. Give us a call.

PERKINS & STERNS.

Charlottetown, Dec. 11, 1882.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

BEFORE you buy your Christmas and New Year's Presents, see our varied and carefully selected

HOLIDAY GOODS!

—COMPRISING—

PLUSH ODOR CASES, in Fashionable Colors; Satin-Lined DRESSING CASES, Stained-Glass SMELLING BOTTLES, with Gold, Silver and Plated Tops; also in Tortoise Shell Cases; Small Cases and Boxes (containing three) of the latest fashionable ENGLISH and FRENCH PERFUMES AND SOAPS; PUFF BOXES; TOILET BOTTLES, in great variety of color and design; FLACONS of COLOGNE, LAVENDER and other TOILET WATERS; Handmade Painted, Inlaid and Florence BRUSHES; HAND MIRRORS; Fine Sponges; Sponges Bags, etc. GENTLEMEN'S LEATHER DRESSING CASES, CASES OF BRUSHES, SHAVING OUTFITS, CIGAR CASES, FLY BOOKS, CARD BOXES, SOAP CASES, LEATHER CASES for Brushes and Comb, and other requisites for travelling. PIPES, Boxes and Bundles of CIGARS and CIGARETTES.

Besides a large Stock of ordinary Druggist's Fancy Goods and Toilet Requisites,

AT W. R. WATSON'S CITY DRUG STORE, 33 Queen Street, Charlottetown, P. E. Island.

Nov. 29, '82.—m w s t f

WHOLESALE SUPPLIES

—AT—

BEER & GOFF'S.

WE have much pleasure in calling the attention of the TRADE to our LARGE STOCK, purchased for Fall and Winter Trade. In part, as follows:

- 1000 Bbls. FLOUR (Choice Brands), 200 Half-Chests TEA (Excellent Quality), 125 Bbls. REFINED SUGAR, 350 Boxes and Half-Boxes CHOICE RAISINS, 400 Bbls. APPLES, 400 Boxes FIGS, 50 Boxes CHEESE, 30 Puns. MOLASSES, 40 Kegs and Half-Kegs GRAPES, 20 Cases ORANGES, 25 Bbls. ONIONS, Large Assortment Confectionery, Nuts, Spices, Coffee, etc., etc.

For Sale at Usual Low Cash Prices.

SPLENDID VALUE IN TEA

BEER & GOFF.

Ch'town, Dec. 1, 1882. 2aw

TEA, TEA,

Lately Received ex "Erema" and "Alpheta" from London.

WARRANTED EXCELLENT QUALITY.

For Sale in Half-Chests and 5, 10, and 15 lb Tin Caddies (with screw tops).

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Beer & Goff.

Ch'town, Dec. 6, 1882. 2aw

WINTER WEAR.

D. A. BRUCE, MERCHANT TAILOR,

HAS JUST OPENED

100 FUR CAPS, 200 CLOTH CAPS,

FROM THE FINEST TO THE CHEAPEST QUALITIES, AND IN THE LATEST STYLES.

—A LSO—

FUR COATS, IN COON AND ASTRACHAN,

These Goods must be sold, and are offered at the lowest prices. Call and see for yourselves. Charlottetown Nov. 21st, 1882—2m sat to th wkl

During Xmas and New Year

W. E. DAWSON & CO.

INVITE Special attention to their very large Stock of

FINE PLATED WARE,

—OF THE—

Best English and American Manufacture,

—COMPRISING—

Tea Sets, Communion Sets, Ice Pitchers, Cruet Stands, Breakfast Sets, Pickle Stands, Cheese Boxes, Dessert Stands, Biscuit Boxes, Cake Baskets, Butter Coolers, Syrup Jugs, Toast Racks, Silver Waiters, Celery Stands, Salad Bowls, Sets Individual Saltz (in cases), Fruit and Fish Knives and Forks, Enamelled Tea and Coffee Pots, etc. Card Receivers, Card Cases, Jewel Caskets, Bouquet Holders and Vases.

Table and Pocket Cutlery

—BY—

Best Sheffield Makers.

A Liberal Discount during the Holiday Season.

W. E. DAWSON & CO.

Dec. 12, 1882.—pat

NOTICE.

THE business heretofore carried on by the undersigned and the late A. B. Stewart, under the style and firm of HICKLY & STEWART, Tobacco Manufacturers, will be continued by the subscriber under the same style. MICHAEL HICKEY. Ch'town, July 4, 1882.—pat f

Cracked Feed.

PARTIES wanting their Oats and Barley cracked for feed, can have it done by applying at Stumbles' Livery Stables, Kent Street. SAMUEL R. STUMBLER. Dec. 15—2w

P. E. Island Railway.

On and after Wednesday, the 13th inst., and until further notice, a Special Passenger Train will leave Charlottetown every evening (Sundays excepted), at 5.30 o'clock for Georgetown, connecting there with the steamer "Northern Light." This Train will only stop at Royalty Junction and Mount Stewart, going and returning. For the information of parties interested, two long and two short crossings of the whistle will be given at the crossings approaching Charlottetown, by the locomotive of any train from Georgetown having mails from the Mainland. L. B. ARCHIBALD, Supt. Railway Office, Charlottetown, Dec. 17, '82. 61 eod. her pres 41

BLIZZARDS.

The Best Horse Covers on the Island.

GET ONE

At the old Saddlery and Harness Establishment, where the best value, "according to the quality of the Goods," can be obtained. JOHN STUMBLER. Nov. 30.—pat eod 2w. wly wly p her 1m

THE HANDSOMEST, THE CHEAPEST, THE BEST, SLEIGH ROBES!

—AT—

BEER & SONS.

Nov. 22, 1882.—eod

Advertisement for Joseph Gillott's Steel Pens, featuring an image of a pen and text: "GOLD MEDAL, PARIS, 1878. JOSEPH GILLOTT'S STEEL PENS. BY ALL DEALERS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD."

TEA, FLOUR AND COFFEE.

50 Chests Superior Congou TEA, 120 Half-Chests FAMILY FLOUR, 250 Barrels FAMILY FLOUR, 5 Cases FRENCH COFFEE. All just received and now on sale. WILLIAM DODD, Auctioneer. Nov. 28, '82.—3w 2aw

NOTICE.

THE Charlottetown Gas Light Company have imported a fresh supply of Bray's Patent Burner's, especially made to consume only three feet of Gas per hour with the tap turned full on. These Burners are intended for use in Halls, Bedrooms, Kitchens, and other places where a light from a small consumption of Gas only is required. By regulating the tap, the Gas consumed can be reduced to any desired quantity less than three feet per hour. These Burners are so scientifically made that they will give a light equal to about ten candles at a cost of three quarters of one cent per hour. The price of these Burners to consumers of Gas will be ten cents each. [Ju 10 eod pat

Christmas and New Year's PRESENTS!

GOLD and Silver Waltham and Geneva Watches, very cheap. GOLD and Gold Plated, Silver and Nickel Silver Locketts and Chains, JEWELRY, Brooches, Locketts and Chains, Bracelets, Spectacles and Eye-glasses. UNRIVALLED in Clocks, eight-day and thirty-hour, in Nickel and Walnut Cases. RINGS, a large assortment, in Engraved, Set, and Plain, at reduced prices. YELLOW and Bright Gold and Gold Plated, and Silver Brooches and Ear-rings.

G. G. JURY,

North Side Queen Square, OPPOSITE POST OFFICE.

Ch'town, Nov. 28, '82.—1m 2aw to th wly 1m

HOLIDAY GOODS.

Acme-Club Skates,

At our Reduced Prices, are within the reach of nearly all.

JONATHAN CROOKE'S

POCKET CUTLERY,

So justly celebrated, are but a little higher cost than the ordinary Sheffield Goods. Our assortment in this line is very large.

JOSEPH RODGERS & SONS'

TABLE CUTLERY,

Is decidedly the best made. We have a variety of patterns.

OUR WHOLE STOCK OF GENERAL

HARDWARE AND TOOLS,

At the discounts we give from former prices, ensures good value for the buyer.

10 to 25 per cent. taken off,

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A. A. BALDWIN & CO.

Ch'town, Dec. 19, 1882.—51

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MONEY TO LOAN, on good security, at moderate interest.

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Christmas Requisites

SPICES, Candied Peels, Raisins, Currants, Flavoring and Coloring Extracts, Sauces, Capers; Pickled Cauliflowers, Walnuts, Ginkgos, Onions; Calves' Foot, Lemon, Orange, Guava, Black and Red Currant Jellies; Marmalade, Peas in Syrup, English Confectionery, Ess. Coffee, Sage, Arrowroot, Tapioca, Corn Starch, Gelatine, Baking Powders, Cocoa, Broma, Chocolate, Macaroni, Vermicelli, etc., etc., at

W. R. WATSON'S, Queen Street.

Dec. 12, '82.—f