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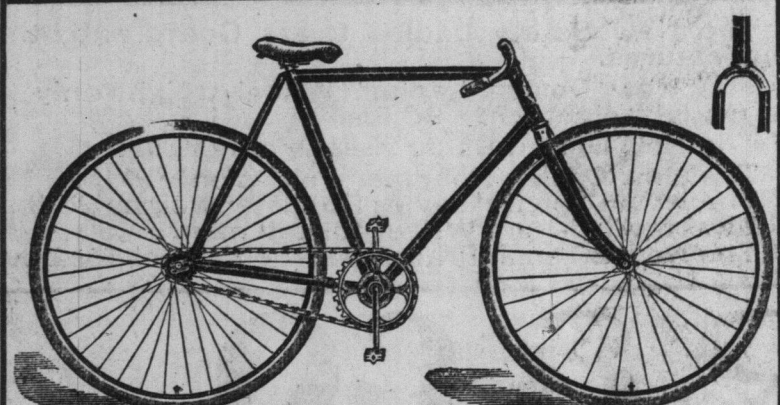


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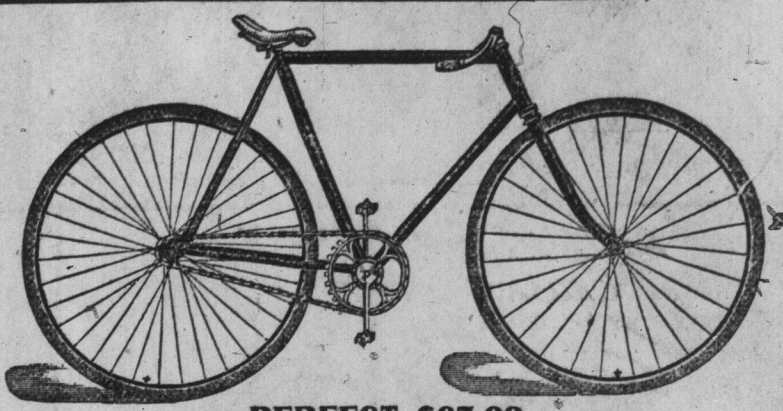
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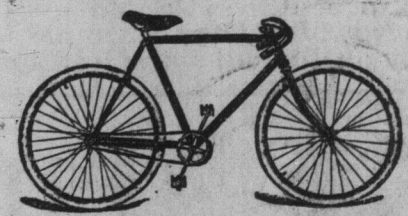


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INDIANS HAVE PROSPERED.

A Gratifying Report Issued From
the Indian Department
at Ottawa.

AN INCREASE OF 729 IN NUMBER.

The Redmen Have Made Progress in
Farming—Big Increase in
Production.

Ottawa, March 17.—The report of the Indian Department was issued to-day. It shows that the Indian population throughout the Dominion reached an aggregate of 100,908 souls in 1897-98, as against 99,284 in the preceding year, thus giving an increase of 729. The increases were as follows: Ontario 410, Quebec 55, Nova Scotia 137, Prince Edward Island 11, British Columbia 27 and Manitoba 175, making 815, but there were decreases of 31 in New Brunswick and 55 in the Northwest Territories, which leaves a net increase of 729.

Skipped Across the Line.
In the Northwest Territories the decrease is more than accounted for by the disappearance of a number of refugees, who went to Montana after the disturbance in 1885, and at the request of the United States Government were brought back in 1895-96. It is expected that at any rate a proportion of these will rejoin their friends, who have settled down and been doing well on their reserves. In the meantime their departure has converted what otherwise would have been an increase in the Northwest Territories into an actual decrease of the Indian population there.

The Redmen as Farmers.
The area of land under cultivation during the year aggregated 111,880 acres. The crop of cereals, vegetables and roots harvested in the fall of 1897 amounted to 1,120,000 bushels, and of hay and other fodder 76,458 tons. The increase over the preceding year being 101,500 bushels, and 2164 tons respectively. It is regretted that the value of farm produce, which in the aggregate only exceeded that of the preceding year by some \$20,000.

Financial Status.
The receipts of Indians from the same sources as were mentioned in last year's reports were for that now under review as follows:
Value of farm produce \$708,702
Received from farm rentals \$2,708
Wages earned \$28,941
Earned by fishing \$50,100
Earned by hunting \$20,357
Earned by other industries \$20,257
Total \$833,355
This amount exceeded by \$167,783.30 that of the year before, which was \$2,365,601. Since the returns have not yet been received from British Columbia, the sum of \$40,000 may safely be estimated as earned by the Indians of that agency, which will bring the increase up to \$207,783. In Ontario there is a diminished value, despite the

TRAIN JUMPS THE TRACK.

A Bad Disaster on the Rock Island
Road—Twenty Passengers
Were Hurt.

Volland, Kan., March 17.—East-bound passenger train No. 3, Conductor Thomas, jumped the track just west of Volland to-day, on the Rock Island road, throwing the tank, baggage car and smoker down a bank, and leaving the chair car and mail car partly tipped over. The train caught fire, the flames destroying the baggage and mail cars, two coaches and a chair car. William Freeman, Kansas City, train baggage man, was killed, and W. G. Means and C. Swartz, mail clerks, were seriously injured. Twenty-four passengers received painful cuts and bruises.

DEATHS FROM SCURVY.

These Who Succumbed in the Canton River District This Winter.

Seattle, Wash., March 17.—The Post-Intelligencer's special from Valdez, Alaska, gives the following list of those who have died from scurvy in the Copper River district this winter: S. Milligan, Los Angeles; John Kohler, Honolulu; Nick Urban, Pittsburg, Pa.; Jacob Haden, San Jose, Cal.; D. A. Cushman, Meadville, Mo.; Dan Maudard, Meadville, Mo. Passengers who arrived from Copper River, Alaska, on the steamer Excelsior say that the scurvy is reported to be present in all the camps in the interior, and many miners are coming to the coast, either to escape it, or to recover from its effects.
At Copper Centre there are 20 scurvy patients in the hospital. The last report from Dr. Townsend was to the effect that they were all improving, and that he expected no further fatalities.

FARMERS ARE HAPPY.

Rainstorms in California Relieved
Their Great Anxiety.

San Francisco, March 17.—The rain storm which began on Tuesday has relieved the southern counties of the State, relieving the anxiety of the farmers of that section. Hay and grass will now be plentiful, and cattle men are correspondingly happy. Mines which last year were closed down on account of lack of water will be able to run the entire summer, as there is plenty of snow in the mountains and the streams are full. Fruit trees have also been greatly helped by the storm.

23 Miles a Week.

Como, Colo., March 17.—The first train from Denver since Feb. 21, consisting of the rotary and four engines, reached Como yesterday afternoon. The train has been a week coming from Grant, a distance of 23 miles. The railroad people expect to reach Breckenridge in about 10 days, and Leadville within four or five weeks.

"Long John" Healy Dead.

St. Louis, Mo., March 17.—John Healy, who ten years ago was known as a great baseball pitcher, and familiarly designated as "Long John Healy," is dead in that city. He was one of the players who made the trip around the world, and played in Europe, Asia and Australia.

SOUTH ONTARIO HEARD OF.

Hon. John Dryden Directed to Furnish
Another Affidavit in Connection
With Election Petition.

Mr. Justice Osler yesterday issued an order in connection with the election petition against Hon. John Dryden in South Ontario. The order directs Mr. Dryden to furnish another affidavit and all papers and documents held by his admitted agents during election time. Conservatives pleaded that in the recent examination for discovery the respondent did not furnish the information they desired, hence the new order.

Real Estate Sales.

G. M. Gardner reports having recently, on behalf of clients, made the following sales: Four houses, Albany-avenue; store, with dwelling, Elizabeth-street; houses on Virginia-avenue, Shirley and Mercer-avenues; Manning, Booth and Brunswick-avenues; Toronto Public Hall and villa, formerly property of Dwyer-Silberly estate, Lambton Mills. The purchaser in each case being Mr. W. H. Stewart Palmer.

No Alimony This Time.

The suit of Sarah Hill against her husband, James, for alimony, was dismissed yesterday by Mr. Justice Street, the bulk of evidence being in favor of the husband. The court found charges of fraud and cruelty.

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It is in the spring time—this very month—when men and women are weak, nervous, rheumatic, neuragic, dyspeptic, have headache, kidney and liver troubles, and blood that is sluggish and impure, that the great medicine should be used to restore nervous energy, rich blood, healthy digestion, natural appetite and sweet refreshing sleep.

The winter has been a time wherein men and women have stored ill health instead of keeping the body sound, clean and full of true life. The nerves, blood and digestive organs must be fed, nourished and cleansed by Paine's Celery Compound if true and lasting health is looked for.
At this time we honestly urge the use of the medicine that has restored thousands to full and robust health after medical skill and ordinary medicines failed. One bottle of Paine's Celery Compound will convince you that you have found a true friend and helper.

Senator Sanford Has Returned.

Senator Sanford spent a few hours at the Union Station yesterday morning on his way home to Hamilton. The Senator spent the winter down south and he says that he is feeling the best of health, after his extended trip.

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"The Black Douglas."

The publishing house of George N. Morang & Company announce the issue to-day of S. R. Crockett's fine novel, "The Black Douglas," in which the talented author treats of the circumstances attending the fall of the great house of Douglas and the stirring doings of the fifteenth century in Europe. Mr. Crockett has been at work on this story during the past ten years. "It is," he says, "the most popular of Gallows tales, surpassing even the one which I have already told in the pages of 'The Riders.' The work is illustrated with eight full-page engravings, and the general get-up of the volume is admirable. The publication of an important book of this kind is a noteworthy event in the book-selling circles, particularly as the one announced is the copyright Canadian edition."

Church Notes.

The annual convention of the Baptist Young People's Union of Ontario and Quebec will be held in College-street Baptist Church on Good Friday. John H. Chapman of Chicago will be one of the speakers. The annual meeting of the Augustana

Committee of the Presbyterian General Assembly will be held in Knox Church on March 27. It is announced that a shortage of \$2,000 will have to be dealt with. Rev. Dr. Hart, superintendent of Methodist Missions in Western China, writes to the home office that the rebellion in the Province of Sz-Chuan has caused considerable loss to the missions there. Rev. Dr. Hunt, superintendent of Canadian Methodist Missions at Keating, China, sends a discouraging report of the state of affairs in that district. Robbery and destruction of property is rampant.

Officials Inspect the Elevators.

In his private car, General Superintendent Leonard, accompanied by E. Tiffin of the Canadian Pacific, went up to Owen Sound yesterday morning to inspect the elevators. At present there are about 300,000 bushels of corn in the elevator, and it is expected that by the first of May it will all be cleared out. Large shipments are being made daily to Europe, and a large number of cars are engaged in hauling the corn to West St. John's. The elevator will be closed down from May to October, during which time all the machinery will be overhauled

and the latest facilities added for the loading and unloading of grain.

Executors Must Pay.

The executors of the estate of the late Thomas Clark will have to pay to the widow, Nancy Clark, \$5000, by Mr. Justice Street's judgment yesterday. The executors, Charles Bellamy of St. Mary's and Robert Rielbrough of York township, handed over \$3000 to the late Crown Attorney Badgerow for investment, and although the interest was regularly paid, on his death it was discovered that there had been no investment made. The widow sued for the amount, and is successful, the court finding negligence on the part of the executors. It is said an appeal will be made.

Retired After 40 Years' Service.

The long-expected shake-up among the Grand Trunk officials at Belleville yesterday came to pass when Station Master Donald Gunn was retired. Mr. Gunn entered the employ of the company as a brakeman in 1859, and was first promoted to yardman, then operator, freight agent, ticket clerk, and some years ago was appointed

station master. Mr. T. Paisley of Belleville will succeed Mr. Gunn. A number of other changes in the present staff are daily looked for.

Want to Release Black.

A motion was made yesterday before Mr. Justice Street for the release from Peterborough Jail of Peter Black, held on a charge of threatening. Black was acquitted on the charge of stealing keys from the C.P.R. and is said to have threatened a witness named Thomas Ross.

Falling bonds for \$500 for keeping the peace he was sent to jail for two months. The attempt to liberate him now is based on a defective warrant. Judgment is reserved.

Independent Forestry.

Dr. Orosbratka, Supreme Chief Ranger, and party have started upon their homeward journey from Palestine, and will probably spend a few days in England before crossing the Atlantic. The Supreme Forester, H. A. Collins, has been absent from the head office attending to matters in connection with the order in various jurisdictions of the order in the United States and Canada.

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