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the west side of Riding Mountain.

The story of the discovery of the

"In the morning Mr. Seton remain-

(Ottawa Free Press) Fort Smith, Great Slave River, first herd of buffalo is thus told bt

Does Canada possess large herds of noticeable, but as they were old we buffalo in its far northern country? gave them only passing notice, but Are these herds being exterminated when two perfectly fresh ones apby four-legged or twolegged wolves? peared we dismounted to follow them on foot. Beaulieu stalked the animment to take such action as will pre- and in about an hour led Mi. Seton serve to Canada for all time to come (who was armed with his timera) the buffalo who are ranging the un-

official orders, by Inspector A. M. med and ran off. Bear tracks abound Jarvis, of the Royal North-West shot an old bear and two cubs with the document is date Mounted Police, who has just return- in fifty yards of our camp.

Major Jarvis, who has been detail- ed in camp for the purpose of photoed by the commissioner of the R.N. graphy, and Beaulieu and myself tra-W.M.P. to report on the wild buffalo velled all day until 10 p.m., when we in the far north, left Edmenton on came on fresh tracks of what appear-May 14th for Athabasca landing, in ed to be fresh tracks of a large herd. company with Mr. Ernest Thompson We tied our horses in the woods and Seton, the well known naturalist, and followed along for about a mile over after a journey full of vicissitudes wet swampy ground until we came usual to travel in this section of Can- in sight of a bunch, all of which were ada, reached Smith Landing on June lying down except three big bulls.

mission was known, that, as usual, position could not get a correct count to street car locomotion, says the in a case of this kind, the news of of them. After resting for a little Victoria Colonist. his coming had been sent ahead of while we both walked down into the McLean arrived from River's Inlet

raised. He was told that the whole cows were sleek and fine-looking." twentieth century. country was under from one to five Then the half-breed guide gave an feet of water, that the part; would illustration of the methods of his But why can't people walk? They not get a dry spot to sleep on, that race. Mr. Jarvis proceeded: they would be devoured by files, that Before going into the open Beau-north w ith a hundred mile stretch theywould die of rheumatic fever and lieu, who had his rifle along said : before them. Then the cayuse is the that after all the buffalo might be "Mon Dieu, Major et me kill him proper thing." hundreds of miles away. To all of one cow!" I exp, aimed to him that He admitted that he was not altothese objections Inspector Jarvis an we would both be fined \$500 and that gether sure just what the street car swered in the habit of an officer of I would lose my position. He then might do while he was aboard and he the Royal North West Mounted police said, "Let me kill him one for the stood near the door ready to jump if He had his instructions and he was government !" but I would not per- "the danged thing husted." duty no matter what the obstacles The inference is that if the inspec. McLean, Hudson Bay factor in the going to carry them out and do his mit it."

or difficulties. equally again met with all kinds of ong the herd and thought it no crime. Slave Lake to the Artic sea, speaks excuses. Like the people bidden to The conclusion that Inspector Jar- with a decided Scotch accent telling the marriage feast in the parable of vis comes to as a result of his in- of the nationality of his forefathers, the semptures, they all forthwith be- vestigations is that as they had seen and displays an intelligent interest in gan to make excuses. The horses thirty-three buffalo and the fresh everything going on about him. But were all lost; wives and children were tracks of ten or twelve more, in the city life he declares is no life for a sick and could not be left, contracts woods, they had seen all the buffalo man. For him the free life of the and promises long since passed into in that particular district. But he north, moccasins and all the rest of the limbo of forgetfulness were sud- also reports that a careful investi- the trappers paraphernalia is the denly remembered and declarations gation found very few traces of wol- whole sum of existence and he has no made that "previous engagements" ves and that he arrived at the con- hesitation in declaring his views. The prevented.

hours. Finally the chiefs promised that the constant cry of "wolf" is a heard of you fellows was his terse to give an answer next day. But mere ruse to divert attention from comment. when the next day came the chiefs the two-legged depredators who are Born in the west, McLean, while had disappeared. Their promise was really doing the slaughter of the buff- quite a boy, moved to Fort Garry, swept aside in their desire to baulk alo. The fact that moose are plenti- now Winnipeg with his parents and the mission of the missioner of the ful gives the hunters an excuse to entered the services of the great combuffalo." als nets during his absence.

plants, vegetation generally, the ad- sheds and buildings. the soil and the climateic conditions the Cariboo Mountains in search of some places. Mar oba. The only important Man-ceed to Fort Herschell. itoba tree not observed was the oak. The French priest in charge of the mission told the inspector and Mr. Seton that oats, barley, potatoes, and garden truck are everywhere successfully grown and that wheat was open glades and small lakes recalling the line.-Moosomin Spectator.

DOCUMENT

WILD BUFFALO Russian makes Translation for Earl Grey on Alaska Boundary-Comes Too Late

Mackenzie River district, via Atha- Inspector Jarvis: "The trails, wallows and chips of the buffalo became in Winnipeg, in an effort to quiet the Nabokoff tells an interesting story Is it not the duty of the govern- als just as he would a moose or ever ment dealing with the Canadian Alto an open glade, where in plain view were a herd of thirteen buffalo, two lated into English and sent to Earle big bulls, one calf of this year and Grey, at Ottawa.

These questions are before the peo- the rest calves and yearlings. Their This document according to Nabokple of Canada in concrete form as photograph was taken three times at off if discovered previous to the Al- we should have a minister of justice the result of an expedition taken, by sixty yards before they became alar- askan boundary commission, would

THE FRONTIERSMAN

Hudson Bay Factor

Those things are no good,"was the They were on a large salt lick. We terse manner in which Daniel McLean As the party proceeded north they crawled up to within (what we after- Hudson's Bay factor, fur trapper and were told repeatedly that wolves wards found to be by measurement) simber cruiser, and a man who recenwere destroying the buffalo in the fifty paces of them. I took out mu tly got his first experience of modern northern country. The fact that his glasses but owing to our awkward city life, expressed himself in regard

his arrival, and that all traders uni- open. I took out my pocket book having come down on the venture. ted in telling of the wolves, acoused and wrote down as follows: 'Four big For the first time since 1871, he exthe inspector's suspicions. The day bulls, one yearling, four little calves perienced all the conveniences, or to after his arrival here he met the three two year olds and eight cows.' him, inconveniences of life in the city chief's and hunters who knew the buffalo country, told them that he had one and stared at us, showing how que, telling of the hardy life of a been sent by the government to in- easily the can be approached and frontiersman and pioneer, McLean that I could start on the road. vestigate the question of buffalo, and killed. Beaulieu then shouted and possessed a good deal of the quaint take steps to destroy the wolves, and they galloped into the woods behind humor of his Scotch ancestors, and that he must go in person to the them. The bulls were magnificent his comments upon civilisation as exlooking animals. They had not yet emplified in the modern city were At once countless objections ; were shed all their winter coat, but the amusing and entertaining in this

"I suppose street ears are all right.

McLean, whose father is Donald or difficulties.

tor had not been along Beaulieu territory stretching through the great lone land in the north west from clusion that wolves are very scarce fact of being interviewed by a news-And so the parleying went on for there. In fact he is of the opinion paper man rather amused him. "I've

King. But Inspector Jarvis was not claim this region as their hunting and pany. He was at Fort Garry in '71 the kind of a man to be baulked by trapping ground. They go in osten- when Louis Reil, the rebel, imprisona little thing like that. He persev- sibly to kill moose and come out ed many of the whites, among them ered and finally five days later persu- clentifully supplied with permission the late Sir John Christian Schultz, aded one Sousi Beaulies, a half breed but with very few moose skins. This afterwards lieut.-governor of the praof good reputation, to ac- us his is very suspicious to say the least. irie province. He with others went guide, provided that the trip did not Tuese men did all the could to pre- to Fort Pembina on the internation take more than a week and that a vent me going in and I consider it al boundary to await the arrival of substitute was provided to look after no loags, doubtful who is killing the the party under the command of the late Hon. William - Macdouga'l, but The it came about that Inspector | Before proceeding on his journey, later was refused admittance by the Jarvie, Mr. Thompson Seton and Inspector Jarvis old the Free Press breeds under Lepine, Riel's heuten-Beaulton set out from here on July representative that he thought the ant, and was forced to return east. 13 for the buffalo grounds. The first government should to urged at any McLean after knocking about Fort day's fourney was through a level cost to preserve these mimals. His Garry, started west spending several country covered with mixed poplar idea would be that the country be years at Fort Qu'Appelle, Fort Batand spruce; then same a number of tween the Peace, Slave and Hay riv. tleford, and then on to Edmonton, swamps, but these were not as bad ers as far down as Fort Resolution which was then just a Hudson Bay as expected, in one place only a true should be set apart for a j. renment post with a few shacks and tents bog was met with. The party halted park. It would be far wiser to do it now than later, when settlement wandered farther north to Fort Resource. The following day found the party begins, and if at any future time the lution and up into the Arctic circle travelling through, magnificent piece of country raising to the uplant open for settlement they could do so, known as Salt Mountain. This set the meantime the huffalo but is good land. The growth tlement is good land. The growth would have been preserved. There lands. Nine years ago he journeyed is chiefly black and white spruce, are spots of country which, if seen through Yellow Head pass to the Patamarac, aspen poplar and balm of by cowmen from the American side cific coast and since that time has Gilead, while birch and willow are would send them crazy; thousands on been on the coast trapping and timplentiful. As the ground rises the thousands of tone of hay can be got her cruising, though most of the time soil grows lighter and jackpine, by just putting in the machines and in the employ of the Hudson Bay Co. ground cedar and ground hemlock aphorses. There is also splendid shelter He describes the country through the pear. The pasture is fine. The trees for cattle and loads of timber for Yellow Head pass as a good sheep vancement of the season, the rainfall Inspector Jarvis has proceeded to as possibly a good crop section in

seemed about the same as in central other buffalo and will eventually promonton route, trading with the Eskimos on the shores of the Arctic, etc.c McLean has had a varied experience in the north.

GETS A MOVE ON

"They were only babies," he re-The C.N.R. can get a real move on endeavored to get into the Yukon by cessium grown and that wheat was also successfully raised where careful in the way of building a new line the overland route. Of the hardships farming was carried on. This was, whenever the circumstances demand these deluded seekers after fortun tarming was carried on. This was, that a line should be built. The line experienced McLean has a wealth of said of Manitoba thirty /ears ago. from Brandon to Regina has been stories. In nearly every instance the There seems to be no reason to graded to Moosomin and the lines of adventurers had to seek the aid of doubt that here is a new and far steel are laid as far west as Kennedy the Hudson Bay officials and frost larger Manitoba lying ready for settle The construction trains run back and bitten and starved, they were forced ment as soon as better means of forth every day. A new station is to remain at one of the company's transport are provided. As the party built a little east of Moffat's, and posts until able to return on the rose to the ascent of Salt Mountain this fall the road can take all the long and trying journey to civilisarose to the ascent of Sair Mountain wheat offered by the farmers along tion, completely disabused as to the hidden wealth of the Arctics.

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