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The Great Lone Land.
Mr. Olaf on the Mackenzie Region.

(Montreal Star.)

OTTAWA, April 21.—Senator Schuchman's committee of the Senate enquiring into the resources of the great unexplored land north of the North Saskatchewan in the North-West examined Bishop Olaf, of the missionary diocese of Arcturion. The manly old prelate has travelled all through the region bordering the Arctic Ocean, and he gave some very interesting testimony. He said that in the Peace and Liard rivers there is certainly gold in large quantities. It is found in the sand bars, and he felt that mines will be discovered in the most northern spurs of the Rocky Mountains as there have been in British Columbia. Men who had attempted gold washing on the lower Peace River had made as much as fifteen to twenty dollars a day, while the sand bars were exposed; but this was only during a short period of the year. In the winter the water was so high that they had to abandon the works. If the country was settled these mines might be worked to better advantage because the miners could find other occupation in the winter and when the water is high. Certainly if a railway was constructed to the mines on the Peace river or the confines of the Peace and Athabasca, the Dominion would derive great advantage from the forests, mines, fisheries and furs. This railway should be built to the mouth of the Clearwater, because from there a steamer could run as far as Fort Smith without obstruction. It would be advisable to build a railway 20 miles long to overcome the obstruction at that point to navigation. These steamboats could run to the Arctic Ocean. The Right Reverend gentleman remarked that all the country around Lac la Biche and to Lesser Slave Lake, on the Peace River and the Liard River is suitable for settlement. Another source of profit would be the immense quantity of fish found in the Great Slave, Great Bear and Athabasca lakes and many other not so well known, but all of which are full of fine fish including white fish, salmon, trout, jackfish, capelin and a strange fish called the "Incommodore." This is as good as the white fish, and weighs from 25 to 30 pounds. The month is very small and they feed on worms. There are large quantities of spruce in this region. On the Peace and Liard rivers there are magnificent forests of spruce. The trees are from 80 to 100 feet high. Spruce is also abundant on the Mackenzie. These spruce are from two to three and a half feet in diameter.

According to the Bishop the salt supply of this region is fairly plentiful. The Mackenzie has a tributary called the Salt River, where probably the finest salt in the world is to be found. There is a perfect mountain of salt there. At the foot of that mountain along the Salt River there are salt springs the salt in which crystallizes in the winter and in the spring you can get heaps of the finest salt ever seen. A short distance from the springs, if one goes to remove the surface of the earth for a few inches he would find large quantities of rock salt perfectly pure. He had seen sulphur in several places. On the Clearwater river, sulphur springs are very abundant. Travellers use the water of these springs for medicine. It occurs most abundantly at the West corner of the Great Slave lake. There is a place there that is called Sulphur Point and in summer or winter the traveller passing by it has to keep his mouth shut so as not to inhale the sulphur fumes. It is found in many places along the Mackenzie River, where it is very abundant. It is also abundant at a point on Great Slave Lake which is called Sulphur Point and also near Fort Good Hope.

The Bishop also testified that the Mackenzie region is still the finest fur country in the world. The fur-bearing animals have not decreased much since he went to the country. The beaver has diminished in numbers in the Peace River, because the Americans come in there and kill a great many of them, but the country is so extensive that in general the fur-bearing animals have not diminished in numbers. He was unable to give an idea of the market prices for the various furs, but he said that the Hudson Bay Company has adopted a pound of sugar or two pounds as the case may be is equivalent to one skin. The beaver is the unit of value. A pair of beaver skins or three beaver skins, it depends a good deal on what the Indian takes. He may be given a cotton handkerchief for a skin that brings the company forty-nine shillings and sixpence in England. The company makes a practice of rating the necessary clothing, axes, etc., at various reasonable figures, whilst purely fancy articles are more expensive.

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This battery includes the chief feature of Mr. Mason's invention. There are seventeen stone pots just like those in which housewives keep pickles. The capacity of each is four gallons. In each is placed a set of zinc and carbon plates such as are used ordinarily in batteries. The feature is the solution in which the plates are immersed. This liquid is a combination of chemicals which Mr. Mason will not name, and he says he is not going to get out a patent on the combination, for he is confident that no analysis will make it possible for any one to learn how to make it unless instructed. The solution differs from others previously used in that it does not, and he says he is not going to get out a patent on the combination, for he is confident that no analysis will make it possible for any one to learn how to make it unless instructed. The solution differs from others previously used in that it does not, and he says he is not going to get out a patent on the combination, for he is confident that no analysis will make it possible for any one to learn how to make it unless instructed.

His claim is that the new light will be as cheap as gas and better, while it will be as good as the dynamo light and as good as the dynamo light. A plan for a battery of 25 cells, which could be placed in the cellar or a closet, and from which wires might run to the halls and rooms. The lamp fixtures and wires would be the same as under any other system. If the average householder has less than twenty years of age, in typhoid fever. On gallon of brandy, two and a half bottles of champagne. The young lady's mother gave the figures and vouchers for their accuracy. Is it any wonder that drunkards are manufactured out of patients subjected to such treatment?

The Temperance hospital, of London, shows a large per cent. of patients cured by non-alcoholic treatment, also a similar hospital in Chicago. Some of the most eminent physicians have borne testimony to the fact that disease treated successfully without the alcoholic stimulant, and in cases of surgery the result is positive and permanent. "Alcohol may be without any wonder that drunkards are manufactured out of patients subjected to such treatment."

The receipts of potatoes at New York continue to be simply enormous. One steamer recently brought as a cargo 21,320 barrels, notwithstanding it is late in the season, when a falling off should be expected. During a recent week, the receipts of foreign potatoes at New York were 23,574 barrels, against 23,985 barrels for the corresponding week in 1887.

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A Temperance Bed.

Dr. John Blackman said: "The capacity of the human race for blinding is wonderful, and nowhere has this capacity been more strikingly exhibited than in the use of intoxicating liquors. They have been given in every form of disease, they have been supposed to meet every possible symptom, they have been looked to to produce precisely opposite conditions and secure the most diverse results; it requires very little medical knowledge and but a moderate amount of common sense to perceive the extravagance and absurdity of these claims; but if it is still maintained that intoxicating liquors, although strongly misused, do have a place of no little importance in the treatment of disease, we insist that the claim must rest on alcohol alone, and that all the rest may be swept away without the slightest detriment to the most scientific treatment of any malady. He who prescribes wine, whiskey, brandy, or, also, prescribes it for the alcohol which it contains, and we do not think of employing the remainder of the compound. Any of these liquors as a medicine, with the alcohol wanting, would be far less taking than the play of 'Hamlet' with Hamlet left out. It is the alcohol that possesses the fascination and the power, and there would be no charm in the remaining slop after this charmer was excluded."

The W. C. T. U. of Fredericton has determined to test the necessity of alcohol in the treatment of the sick, and to prove the practical advantage of the non-use of alcohol in medicine. The ladies are going to endow a bed in the New Victoria hospital with the provision that no alcohol shall be used in the treatment of any patient occupying that bed. This undertaking has the sanction and approval of Lady Tilley, who has been chiefly instrumental in the establishment of the hospital, and whose interest in the cause of temperance is equal, apparently, to that of her esteemed husband, Sir Leonard Tilley. All temperance workers will watch with interest the result of this new departure, which proves that the W. C. T. U. of Fredericton has the courage of their convictions. The cost of maintaining the bed is estimated at \$200 per annum. This is no slight undertaking for a comparatively small union, that is rich in faith. The ladies of Fredericton have the fullest sympathy of their sisters throughout the Maritime Provinces. Every W. C. T. U. woman will feel an especial interest in the temperance bed and in those patients in the Victoria hospital who will be treated without alcohol.

A lady from Massachusetts in writing of the need there is of the work our hospital is doing in proving the efficacy of non-alcoholic medication, sends the exact amount of liquor prescribed for and taken by a young lady, less than twenty years of age, in typhoid fever. On gallon of brandy, two and a half bottles of champagne. The young lady's mother gave the figures and vouchers for their accuracy. Is it any wonder that drunkards are manufactured out of patients subjected to such treatment?

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Tariff Changes.

OTTAWA, May 2.—At 2 o'clock this morning Sir Charles Tupper brought down the following important changes in the excise duties, which were adopted, to take effect from to-day:

Revised, that the excise duty on spirits manufactured from raw or unmalted grain used in combination in such proportions as the department of inland revenue prescribes with malted barley taken to the distillery in bond shall be the same as that on spirits manufactured exclusively from malted barley.

Revised, that when any substitute for methylated spirits is supplied to any manufacturer in accordance with section 288 of the Inland Revenue Act the price thereof shall not exceed the actual cost with the addition of fifteen per cent.

That the duty on cigarettes, whether the produce of foreign or of domestic leaf tobacco, weighing not more than three pounds per thousand, shall be six cents on every pound, and on those weighing more than three pounds per thousand on every pound actual weight.

Revised, that the excise duty on all cigars, whether the produce of foreign or of domestic raw leaf tobacco, when put in packages containing less than ten cigars each, shall be 87 a thousand.

A Wish.

[In view of the sudden death of Matthew Arnold just recorded, the following exquisite verses by the dead poet apropos of death may be of interest.]

I ask not that my bed of death
From hands of greedy heirs be free;
For these bestir the latest breath
Of fortune's favored ones, not me.

I ask not that my soul to keep
The friends of my dear life be free;
Let these will, if they weep!
There are worse plagues on earth than these.

I ask that my death may find
The friends of my dear life be free;
Let these will, if they weep!
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