

## INTERESTING LETTER FROM FRED TOBEY IN THE WEST

He Tells Of Remarkable Land Deals—Battleford Which Was A Village When He Went There Is Now A Thriving Town

Meota, Feb. 13, 1907.  
Leroy Tobey, Esq.,  
Chatham, Ont.:

Dear Roy,—Received your two last letters to-day, also box with a muffler. It is a fine muffler, but I have never used the other one, and I have it here good as new. I used it a couple of times and caught such a cold in my head that I never wore it again. No matter how cold it is I have nothing wrapped around my neck, nor even a handkerchief, and I find that the best way to keep from getting cold.

After twelve weeks of unusually cold weather the thermometer dropped from 50 below to a thaw in three days. One of those famous chinook winds came from the coast at last change of moon and it has been a continual thaw and warm wind since. I plowed up some loose earth to bank up ice house and have been working at finishing it this week. Monday, the 18th, we are having a bee to put up ice. I am going to endeavor to put up a good deal, so if there is a summer resort or many campers here we can dispose of some at a profit.

It is generally believed that most of Mr. Mannix place next here that was bought last summer at \$70 an acre, has been sold by the real estate agents, who bought it. They had it surveyed last fall. I have had another offer for this Point View farm. The same outfit want to do business with me, otherwise they say they will buy and build across the lake.

You can't buy any land within three miles of North Battleford in any direction for less than \$50 an acre. One half section three miles east was sold for \$50 an acre cash, and another section one mile west for \$125 an acre. Two lots that were sold for \$300 and \$350 last year on Main and King streets are now worth \$2,000. The Imperial Bank, Ferris Bros. & Co., and Chubb, are putting up magnificent blocks on these streets. The two new subdivisions have been over half sold, and the land was bought late last fall. You can buy lots two blocks from the Bank of Commerce and cite of Imperial Bank on Main street for \$350 now, half down and balance to suit the purchaser. I saw three Saskatoon hockey players buy two lots each the day they played here. They made their deposit when I was in the office—two in cash and one by cheque. J. W. Millar, the blacksmith, bought an entire block and half of lots two blocks east of Bank of Commerce and two blocks north. He told me he was offered \$1,000 on his bargain two days after he bought. The \$8,000 school will be on the corner opposite the corner of his block. The lots on Main and King streets at \$275, \$300, \$350 are 50 feet frontage, while all the lots that have stores on are 25 frontage. Lots one block from C. B. of C. 25 feet frontage, are \$350, \$400 and \$500. In my opinion there is a place for investment, for next spring will see a great boom in North Battleford. It stands thirteenth in the cities and towns in Saskatchewan, and is not two years old yet.

People laughed at E. Marshall when he said he bought a lot near the C. N. R. station last spring and paid \$1,400 for it and the building on it. He sold it in two weeks for \$2,000 cash, and the man who bought it from him, Mr. Leark—I know him well, lives next my homestead and owns half of thirty-three—refused

\$2,000 this fall. Mr. Collinger, another neighbor who runs a barber shop in town half of year and does homestead duties remainder, bought two lots at \$200 early last spring, making small payment down. In two months he sold one for \$800 and the following week the other at same price.

You know Mr. R. C. Wright, who shook hands with Olive and me and Milton at Saskatoon Hotel the day you left and asked about the place, etc. Well, this is what he did. Now Roy he is no real estate agent, has land to sell, etc., and simply told me this privately. He has same position as Billy Holman used to have in Garner. His wife is head cook and two of his daughters were waiters, and the boy worked in stable. They all went together and bought two lots on Main street and started to build a store on one of them. They were earning \$150 a month and board between them. They sold the one lot and store before they finished it to the bank of B. N. A. at a handsome profit. They cleared over \$800 on the other lot. With the money they bought new lots on King street and erected a fine store on it, which they rent to Maher & Co., general merchants. The other they still have and are going to erect another store in the spring. He owns some other lots besides. He said to me that they were putting every dollar they earned in lots.

I'll give you my honest opinion, Roy, I may be dreaming and all that, but I firmly believe that if a person bought four or five lots on King street or Main street about two blocks from the present centre of the town and four from station—for the best part of the town won't be in my opinion, right near a station, round house, etc., although all the fine stores, hotels, banks, etc., are right there now. If a man bought these lots now and held them for ten years he could retire independently wealthy. This is not what someone has told me or anything like that, but what a town grows to nearly 1,000 inhabitants in scarcely twenty months, and we know that another line will be in, and that most likely next year, and good prospects of another branch in two years, and the fact that the C. P. R. section east of town can't be bought from C. P. R. at any price, is good enough grounds for my optimistic view. The C. P. R. are not holding that unless they foresee an immense profit or expect to use it for their own grounds and station, etc. They have two entire sections and Hudson Bay Company one; all around the town on three sides and they are not for sale at any price. I know people who have gone right to Griffin at Winnipeg and could do nothing at any price.

There are going to be four big cities in Saskatchewan—Saskatoon, Regina, Prince Albert and North Battleford. North Battleford has lately been made a port of entry with a customs office. The citizens of North Battleford are hustlers, and no mistake. They are booming it, and it's a healthy, steady growth. North Battleford will be for a year or so yet a distributing centre for thousands upon thousands of homesteaders, settlers, etc. In this way it is very similar to Saskatoon when we came. In fact, conditions are very similar, and I risk my reputation as a sane man when I say that North Battleford will boast of 2,000 inhabitants before 1908 is out. It is a divisional point on

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the C. N. R., and two branch lines are surveyed to it, with the one from Prince Albert surveyed on to Calgary that will be feeders from three different directions. North Battleford is well laid out. They have full telephone service, new sidewalks, town hall, fire brigade, \$6,000 rink, three banks, hotels, three lumber yards, and big ones, too, etc.

To-night we are going to Dinees to a party given for Mr. and Mrs. Mannix. It is an anniversary of their wedding, the 14th of February. Like spring here, snow awfully wet, word of box yet. Hope it arrives all O. K. Love from all to all. We got no box for Flossie yet.

Your brother, FRED.

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## WANTS TO RENEW

Emmerson Opposes Extension of Time to Canadian Northern.

Ottawa, March 1.—The Canadian Northern Ontario Railway Co. bill, to give the company permission to build branch lines in Ontario, was considered again in the Commons Railway Committee yesterday morning. It was discovered that the clause limiting the time for construction covered "the lines of railway which the company is hereby or has heretofore been authorized to construct."

Mr. Emmerson pointed out that the addition of the words, "or has heretofore been" would grant an extension of time to all other lines of the railway granted in previous years to the Canadian Northern Railway Co., such as the line from Toronto to Ottawa and from Toronto to Sudbury. Some of these branches might be outlawed by now. He said the bill appeared to be a surreptitious attempt to renew charters.

Dr. Sproule moved to strike out the words "or has heretofore been," and Mr. Moore, for the company, protested against any amendment which would delay the beginning of the construction of the company's line from Ottawa to Toronto, plans for which had been before the Minister for some time. The company proposed also to build a line from Ottawa to Georgian Bay, and he was not prepared to say that without this legislation the company would be able to go ahead.

At the Minister's suggestion the bill was referred to a sub-committee of five.

## Italian Shot Himself.

Hamilton, March 1.—Charles McCue, an Italian living at 230 James street north, attempted suicide by shooting himself with a revolver yesterday about noon. He shot himself through the chin, but the bullet did not touch a vital spot. It is said he was under the influence of liquor and was despondent. It is thought he will recover.

## Race Horses Burned.

Quebec, March 1.—The Quebec stables owned by Major Ashmead were destroyed by fire Wednesday night and the race horses "Belcourt" and "Senere" perished in the flames. Major Ashmead is absent from the city, being in Ottawa to attend the Governor-General's dinner in commemoration of the battle of Paardeberg.

## Four Killed by Dynamite.

Carmi, Ill., Mar. 1.—By an explosion of dynamite yesterday the Rev. J. B. Tittle, his father, his wife and baby were killed, and two children of the family were fatally injured. Mr. Tittle was a Baptist minister and had the dynamite in his house expecting to use the explosive in blowing out stumps.

## New Brunswick Auditor-General Dead.

Fredericton, N. B., March 1.—James S. Beck, Auditor-General of New Brunswick, died early this morning at his home here after a long illness. He was 92 years old, and had been Auditor-General of New Brunswick for the last twenty years. One daughter survives.

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On November 24th, 1906, John Hopper, Dresden P. O., said: "For 15 years I could not lie down to sleep, but lay propped up on pillows, my inflammatory rheumatism was so bad. My legs and feet were so swollen I could hardly see my toes. For months at a time I could only move around by crawling like a baby, and all this time I was under doctors' care. Four years ago I got a bottle of Veterans' Sure Cure; the second bottle cured me completely. I have now come 18 miles to get a bottle, as we would not be without it in the house." W. K. Merrifield, Seane's Block.

A lawyer may be color blind; but knows red tape.

## THE STAGE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Supplied to The Planet by Press Agents.

At the Brisco Opera House—Moving Pictures—All week. Life in Missouri—Mar. 1-2. Thorns and Orange Blossoms—Mar. 4th. My Wife's Family—March 5.

At the Brisco this Saturday night Mr. E. S. Hadley presents "The Life in Missouri," the great western comedy-drama in four acts.

### "THORNS AND ORANGE BLOSSOMS."

In the new Rowland & Clifford production, "Thorns and Orange Blossoms," which will be seen at the Brisco Opera House on Monday night, there is much that is of true dramatic worth, and given by a company that brings out the production in a most interesting manner.

"Thorns and Orange Blossoms" was adapted from Bertha Clay's novel of the same name. The piece has one tragic situation, which occurs early in the play; but it is forgotten in the events that crowd one another and go to make up one of the best constructed and most interesting stories that has ever been presented on tour. The play is full of good lines that strike home, has a lot of excellent business, and the situations and climaxes are well brought out.

"My Wife's Family," a sparkling musical farce comedy, the work of Stephens and Linton, will be the attraction at the Brisco Opera House Tuesday, March 5th. The comedy is in three acts of uproarious fun, music and amusing entertainments which are enjoyed by clever comedians, pretty girls, who are allotted many catchy and dancing numbers, that are sure to bring home. "My Wife's Family" is a play that is clean, wholesome, and being devoid of all horse play and suggestiveness too often found in the lighter forms of entertainment offered to the theatre-going public. A number of interesting and novel vaudeville specialties are introduced during the action of the play by various members of the company.

The company presenting "My Wife's Family" was selected for each person's natural ability to assume the various characters assigned to them, with the result—one of the best drilled organizations on the road to-day. Clever comedians, and pretty girls, and a whole ensemble well high perfect in every way. The costumes, electrical and stage effects are correct in every detail. The management of "My Wife's Family" should prove to be an artistic and financial success.

## MARKETS

There was the usual Saturday market this morning. Fowl were quite plentiful, and chickens were selling at from 25c to 50c apiece. Eggs have dropped to 24c per dozen, and butter was selling at from 25c to 27c per pound.

### Following is the price list:

**DAILY PRODUCE.**  
Butter, per lb., 25c to 27c.  
Cream, per quart, 30c.  
Cheese, per cake, 55c.  
Chicken, each, 25c to 50c.  
Ducks, 30c, to 40c.  
Eggs, per dozen, 24c.  
Geese, 50c to \$1.50.  
Geese wings, per pair, 5c.  
Honey, in rack, 20c; in pail, 55c.  
Headcheese, per lb., 10c.  
Turkeys, 75c to \$3.50.

### FRUIT AND VEGETABLES.

Apples, per peck, 15c.  
Beans, per quart, 5c.  
Carrots, per peck, 15c.  
Cucumbers, in brine, 25c to 40c 100.  
Celery, per bunch, 10c.  
Cauliflowers, each 5c. to 10c.  
Cabbage, 5c to 10c.  
Hickory nuts, per quart, 10c.  
Honey, per quart, 55c.  
Lettuce, three heads for 5c.  
Lard, per pound, 12c and 13c.  
Marjoram, per bunch, 5c.  
Mixed pickles, per bottle, 15c.  
Onions, per peck, 20c to 30c.  
Pop corn, per dozen, 10c.  
Potatoes, peck, 20c; bag, \$1.  
Peas, per doz., 8c. to 10c.  
Peas, per peck, 15c. to 20c.  
Pork, per pound, 9c and 10c.  
Popcorn, popped, per quart, 5c.  
Squash, each, 10 to 25c.  
Sweet cider, per gallon, 20c.  
Sauerkraut, per bushel, 20c.  
Savory, per bunch, 5c.  
Sage, two bunches for 5c.  
Tobacco, per ball, \$2.  
Tobacco, per bunch, 5c.  
Turnips, per peck, 10c.  
Thyme, per bunch, 5c.  
Vegetable marrow, two for 5c.  
Vegetable oysters, per bunch, 5c.  
Walnuts, per quart, 5c.

**FISH.**  
Herring, 10c.  
Pickeral, 12c.

### Iron Production.

The leading technical paper of Germany points out that the United States is striving forward so fast in the production of iron that now it not only leads all the other nations individually, but comes near to surpassing them all combined. In 1905 Germany produced 11,000,000 tons, England 9,500,000 tons, the others smaller amounts down to 47,000 tons produced by India, while the total product of the world outside the United States was 31,000,000. Yet in that same year we produced 23,000,000 tons, more than half the outside world's total product. Figured by percentages, the gains of Canada and Japan are more remarkable than ours. As compared with 1904, Canada very nearly doubled and so did Japan.

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10c

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15c

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19c

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