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OUR WESTERN GATEWAY

Dear Sir. — have just returned to the Great Sun set City of the Great West, after a burried trip to Untario a trip of a purely business nature, in which I was enabled to see many of the old familiar faces of bygone days, but for want of time I was obliged to come from the old home unable to see any whom I would like to have seen, and I ask those to kindly accept this as an apology I trust on my next visit I shall be able to stay longer, Many questions are asked the resi-dents of the West, when East

Amongst the number, one prominent question is, "How do you like it out here!" And if you will give me a little space I will attempt to answer that question. I consider the answer easy, because I like it well. But "Why easy, because I like it well. But "Why do I like it?" would take more time and space than I think you would carreasons, hoping not to weary your readers.

Prosperity is one of the things that will make a man like any country, and while I am not bousting of pros perity, yet when I look backward only ven years, since I left the classic city of Athens, and compare my position ther and now, I have reason to say I am well pleased with the West. But brighter things are in store for the citizens of Vancouver, as this is des tined to be the Great City of the Great West. In the humble opinion of the writer, there is only one other city of Canada that can look forward with the same ray of hope as to her future. I refer to Montreal. Her position in the East, geographically, as the head of navigation, places her in exactly the same position as Vancouver in the great West. However, Vancouver has natural advantages which the future will prove, that will make her vastly of more importance than she seems to-When the Panama canal is completed, this will be the junction of two great systems of ocean liners carrying imported goods from European countries and the Orient. Then we will be abundantly able to competer with any city of the Dominion, con-mercially, for the trade of the Great

With an abundance of iron, wood, coal, &c., at our door, we will in the tuture become a manufacturing city. which will bring us into greater prom

Another feature about the province of B.C. is the climate, and when I say it is the finest in the Dominion, I fear no contradiction. Because of the climate, hundreds of well-to do farmers of Manitoba are coming west each year and settling, some of them in our cities, others on fruit farms, &c. Those farmers who come are the pride of Mani-On The Atlantic and toba, men who have made money there, and who are tired of 40 below zero weather, men who have families to educate, and who are looking to spend their old age in a moderate climate. They always find a welcome in British Columbia, and when they are picking flowers from March to November and eating the second crop of strawberries in November, they are all ready to exclaim "The best of the wine is at the

last of the feast." However rosy I am inclined to paint the city of Vancouver, I do not do so for the purpose of inducing Athenians to come here, particularly those who want a life of ease, because, after all, this is a city of hustle, and if any of your readers who should come here are not willing to rush, they will be pushed What the country wa the city wants is men who are able to produce something in the different walks of life to make the city and the country better. Generally speaking, all who come here are able to do that. However, we have the exception in what is known as remittance English. men (from whom may the Lord deliver

When we consider the prospects of this great country, with her rapid develo ment on all sides, with her beautiful climate, her natural advant ages, I am more than ever of the opinion that the city of Vancouver is destined to be the Great City of the Great West, and with our beautiful scenery and unlimited resources I am led to exclaim, It is good enough for

J I GALLAGHER

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES

Matters vitally affecting the interests of the agricultural societies of th province will be discussed at the unual convention of the Fairs and kind of cigar he smokes." Exhibitions Association, which will beheld in Toronto February 14th to

16th A great majority of the socities have appointed delegates to this convention in order that they mus have an opporunity of expressing their views on the subjets under discussion. Delta Fair

will send two delegates. The most important subjects which vill come up for discuss on are :-"Should the number of Agricultural

ocieties be reduced?" "How many tall exhibitions should e allowed in each county ?"

"The best method of reducing the number of fall exhibitions." "Should the distinction between and district societies he abolished and the societies receive their rrants in proportion to the amounts

they expend for agricultural purposes?

"Should the Government grant be withheld from societies that permit games of chance at their exhibitions?"

"Should the legislature be asked to vote a special appropriation to assist in stamping out games of chance at Agricultural exhibitions?"

Owing to the importance of th subjects the convention this year will last three days instead of two days as usual. Reduced rates have secured over al: the railways.

We heard a man say the other norning that the abbreviation for February - F.b. - means Freeze every body, and that man I oked frozen in needed the kind of warmth that stays, the warmth t at reache from head to toot, all over the body. We could have told him from ersonal knowl edge that Hond' Sarsaparilla gives permanent warmth, it invigorates the artery and vein, and really fits men and women, boys and girls, to enjoy cold weather and resist the attacks of diseas. It gives the right kind of warmth sti ulates and strengthens at the same time, and all its benefits are lasting. There may be a suggestion in this for you.

Here is a Turkish receipt for making Turkish coffee obtained in the Syrian quarter of New York, where the finest coffee in the world is sold at 5 cents a cup in restaurants which are exact duplicates of these in Smyrna and Beirut: Put three lumps of sugar into a

little pot, turn in the water and bring it to a boil. Then put in two teaspoonfuls of very finely ground Mecha coffee. As soon as the froth rises lift the pot and tap the bottom until the froth disappears. Do this three times. Then turn the coffee into delicate china cups, giving each cupful a share of

The coffee should be freshly reasted The comes should be rressly reasted and ground, and the grounds should be so fine as to pass the palate unnoticed. Turks always drink the grounds, considering them, indeed, to be the best part of a cup of coffee.

Society Enemies. A leader of New York society said recently: "It is almost impossible to give a large dinner any more. There are too many feuds and quarrels, and women who hate each other are the cause of too much embarrassi a hostess. Of course they try to gloss their enmity for the time, but the result is worse than open warfare. At one dinner a cabinet officer sat between two great women of fashion. He talked to one and then to the other and tried to draw them into a three cornered conversation. The women obstinately refused to exchange a word, and finally the man—and he was sup-posed to be a diplomat—introduced them. A chill followed. They had known each other for twenty years, had been friends for ten and loathed

The American Black Friday was Sept. 24, 1869, when Jay Gould and James Fisk, Jr., attempted to create a corner on the gold market. The whole country was in a ferment for several days, but the day was saved by the report that Secretary Boutwell had thrown \$4,000,000 on the market. The English Black Fridays are two—one the the Friday on which the news reached London that the young pretender Charles Edward had arrived at Derby, the second May 11, 1866, when the failure of Overend, Guerney & Co., Lonn, the day before widespread financial ruin.

English Fish Farms. It is worth noting that there are almost no instances where fish ponds have been started and carefully managed where they have not proved a financial success. Such a thing as a 'derelict' fish farm is almost unnown, though there are thousands of o. I fashioned ponds, originally meant to hold tench or carp, which are at present useless and neglected.-London Country Gentleman.

Complicated. Thingumbob-My wife has got into some sort of scrap with the neighbors, and I can't tell whether she's in the right or not. McJigger-That ought to be easily determined; there are two sides to a quarrel always- Thingumbob-Two sides? Huh, there are about dozen sides to this quarrel.-Exchange.

Pretty Cheap.
"Smithers says he lights one cigas from another now, he smokes se

much. don't wonder, considering the "Why?"

"Matches would cost more."

A Safe Rule, When a man approaches you with a dead open and shut easy money proposition tell him gently that you are a charitable person and that out of the goodness of your heart you will let him keep the bonanza all for his very

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On Wednesday, Feb. 15, there will be offered for sale at the John Hause farm, 1½ miles from Jake Eloida, 26 head of Cattle (grade and thorough bred Holstein), 2 colts, 1 bay mare vehicles, implements, etc. Sale at 1 p.m. A. M. Eaton, auctioneer.

On Thursday, Feb. 16, W. R. Looby will offer for sale by auction on lot 18, con. 10, Kitlev, 11 cows, 4 year-lings, pair of mares in foal, gelding coming four years, 2 yearling colts, 2 brood sows vehicles, implements, sugar utensils, 25 tons of h v; etc. Sale at 1 p.m. A. M. Eaton,

On Saturday, Feb. 18, Mr. Chancey Blancher will sell by auction at his premises, Wiltsetown, 12 cows, 2 premises, Wiltsetown. 12 cows. 2
heiters, 3 yearlings, vehicles, implements, seed cats, etc. A. M. Eaton, auctioneer.

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