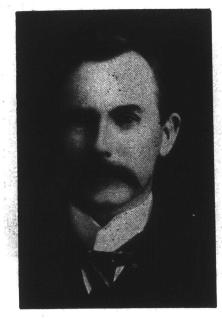


The first requisite is railways to open up and make accessible the immense stretches of valuable territory, much of which is, as yet, practically unknown, and the vast natural resources contained therein lie unexplored.

An abundance of capital, to be directed aright by clear, energetic brains in developing her great agricultural possibilities, her extensive timber limits, her known mineral deposits, of gold, silver, coal, mica, etc., which are found lying north of the great prairie wheat fields. An army of workmen, skilled and unskilled, to faithfully carry on the work laid out and made possible by capital. These, working together, will form a



vast, industrial, productive community such an one as lays the foundations of

a great and prosperous nation. The building of the Hudson's Bay railway, which will place the centre of the Northwest nearer the markets of the world than Montreal, will do more toward making the west than any other one factor. This, followed immediately by an influx of capital and labor, to take possession of this vast heritage will soon weld the west into a country sufficiently important to take its place amongst the progressive nations of the world.

ANDREW STEWART.

Prince Albert, Sask. Sept. 20, 1905.

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A True Incident.

Across the street from my study window lives a dog. His name is Rover. He is a spaniel with curly auburn hair, and with ears long and shaggy. His eyes are large and hazel. He often sits up on his haunches when looking down the street, holding up his fore feet like hands bending at the wrist. This is owing to a lame shoulder, for he gets tired when standing as dogs usually do, and sits up like a man for a change now and then.

But Rover has attracted my attention in another way more particularly. Once or twice a week he sets up a cry or howl which is most piteous to hear. He lifts up his head in his cries, and they tell me the tears fall from his eyes on some of these

What is the cause? Before long Rover sees something coming on the sidewalk in the distance. He pricks up his ears and trots off towards is more and more excited. The wag of his tail and the change of voice the wail has become a bark of w. It is the baby carriage he sees, inside

h is baby Clara, a year old.

now they meet—the precious little " and Rover, who greets her with

house with many demonstrations of joy There is no more wailing that day. The cup of happiness for the dog is full, and this remarkable affection is reciprocated, for the baby, in her own way, greets and talks to the dog. She looks for him and

delights in his coming. It is certainly very interesting to see this attachment, and it might well be a lesson to some of us ot the biped race.

A Happiness Creed.

Life is beautiful and happy to those cheerful, hopeful souls who are constantly looking for the good and the beautiful.

Life should not be simply the passing of a certain number of years of earthly existence as comfortably as possible; it should be a period of soul growth, a triumphant progress from mountain top to mountain top of the chain of experience that leads us on and up to the summit of life eternal, where, leaving behind all earthly cares and desires of the flesh we shall know only joys of the spirit. Those who attain unto greater soul growth here shall be the better fitted for life there.

The beauty of this thought is that the more unselfish and spiritual are our motives and acts here, all that we do to contribute to the comfort and happiness of others not only contributes as much and more to our own satisfaction in this life, but helps us to attain the greater soul growth and spiritual stature necessary to our greatest happiness in the life to come.

This is verily a happiness creed—be happy and contribute as much as possible for the happiness of others—a good creed to live by and die by.

Little Things.

Life is made up of the sum of little things. Little words of love and kindness and little helpful deeds sweeten the days and bring happiness to homes and hearts. And it is the little every-day trials and worries which pile up into large discouragements and make life seem hardly worth the attempt to overcome them.

How many of us realize this power of tle things and speak in season of kindly sympathy and cheer or proffer the helping hand that shall lift our friends from out such a slough of despond?

Such little things as an indifferent manner, a single thoughtless, sneering or unkind word or scornful glance leave wounds to rankle in many sensitive souls. It may be that, all unconsciously, we are allowing our own daily cares and work to so wear upon us as to bring forth little hasty, impatient speeches that sadly hurt the hearts of "our own" to whom we wish to be only sympathetic, considerate companions and loving, wise mothers.

Our natures seem able to rise to meet the greater trials and emergencies of life, when, too, there are manifestations upon every hand of friendly sympathy and family affection that help and soothe and cheer. But few realize the crushing weight of the little cares and ails and ills of life with which we are beset to battle alone

"Think on these things," the little things that have such power to sweeten or sadden life.

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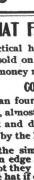
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