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Uxbridge, Jan. 29th, '06.

Mr. Geo. F. Davis,
Manager Canada Cuba Land and Fruit Co.

Dear Mr. Davis:

As you have requested me to give you some notes of my recent trip to Cuba and the property of the Canada Cuba L. & F. Co., I may say that I was somewhat sceptical as to the many rosy accounts which I had read in the press. I had also heard rumors of people going to Cuba and returning disgusted with the people, the climate, the land and the outlook in general.

I found the people quiet, sober and hospitable, not any too fond of work, and the greatest drawback they spoke only the Spanish tongue. I do not see how there can be any two opinions as to the climate, at any rate at this season of the year. I regard it as near perfection as can be found on this earth. The nights are always cool and the days are tempered by the delightful sea breeze which always blows.

As to the land—I travelled from the extreme West to the East and found lands good and lands poor, but I will say this, that I did not see a tract of equal extent that contained as much good land as the property of your company.

You have in your 70,000 acres, thousands of acres of very fine tobacco land in the vicinity of Hato Guane. I saw the lands, I saw the tobacco growing upon it, and I had the pleasure of testing the quality of the tobacco. I travelled over the lands of your company for several days and was favorably impressed with its general appearance.

I saw land that is suitable for vegetables, oranges, pineapples and other citrus fruits.

The only kind of soil that I failed to find was the heavy clay land suitable for the growth of sugar.

What surprised me greatly was the moisture held by the light soils. There had been no rain for three weeks before our arrival, yet by scraping half an inch off the sandy soil you found the earth underneath full of moisture. By using a spade, and we used it many times, we found a good stratum of clay at a depth of from four ts six feet. If this is good land for citrus fruits, and I am informed that it is, you certainly have one of the finest propositions in the Island of Cuba.

I think that, should your company establish communication with Havana, Ocean Beach is certain to become a great winter resort, its land-locked bay of Gaudiana affords delightful opportunities for yachting, fishing and bathing, the beautiful sandy beach is entirely free from stone and the sea is quite shallow for a long distance from shore, making it perfectly safe for children.

Very sincerely,
HORACE BASCOM, M. D.

(Extracts from Mr. Jones' letter of this date)

Ocean Beach, Jan. 18, 1906

"There are about 150 people here now. We are cutting our tobacco. I have one thousand tomato plants and eight hundred cabbages transplanted, and if I do say it, never saw finer looking vegetables anywhere. Have potatoes nearly ripe—eleven weeks in the ground. My first crop of radishes from 15c. worth of seed brought me just $4.00, not bad for a bed 6 x 15 in new land. Sold a few fine ones to-day 3 weeks from time of planting seed. The land does better as it is worked. Beets, carrots, turnips, peas, cucumbers and watermelons make a fine showing. Our cocoanut and date palms, bananas and blackberries are making fine growth. Mr. Neville has a good garden on his town lots that should convince anyone that the sandy soil will give results aforesaid regardless of what may be said to the contrary. The wharf is now out about 200 feet and being pushed out at the rate of 100 feet a week.

E. B. JONES.

Stouffville, Ont., Jan. 27, 1906.

The Canada-Cuba Land and Fruit Co.,
Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sirs,—

I have just returned from Cuba, where I visited and investigated your property, also spending some time in different parts of the island.

In my opinion you have as fine a tract of land as exists in the Island of Cuba to-day. Nature has done everything possible in the way of soil and climate, and all that remains to be done to make your colony a success is development along right lines.

The Island of Cuba has without a doubt an immense future before it, and by pursuing a wise and liberal policy there is no reason why your company should fail to get a full share of the general prosperity and thereby make Ocean Beach the Banner Colony of Cuba.

Yours truly,
R. S. CUNLIFFE, B.Sc., etc.

Flesherton, Jan. 29, 1906.

Mr. G. F. Davis,—

Having just returned from Cuba no doubt I should be able to give some information that will be profitable to those interested. I arrived in Havana Dec. 25th, 1905. The city is ancient in appearance—its Moorish architecture, narrow streets, peculiar conveyances, all present a very odd scene to Canadians. I found, however, an American hotel with sumptuous bill of fare, congenial associations and delightful surroundings. Havana is thoroughly up-to-date in respect to electric and steam railway service, coaches, telephone, telegraph, banks, mercantile and commercial conditions being excellent.

The finest display of goods I have ever seen was in the shops on Obispe street. The Prado is a fine broad avenue of drives and trees, granolithic walks and flowers, and leads through numerous parks which would do credit to any city. The people are refined, well-dressed, polite, sociable, kind. The climate is delightful, very similar to our June, with no extremes of cold and heat. It is exceedingly healthful, especially for such as have catarrhal and bronchial trouble. I met a number who told me they could not live in the north and who are now hale and hearty and working land in Cuba.

I travelled from Havana to Ocean Beach overland by rail, velante and on foot, calling at a number of places to see the agricultural conditions. In this end of the island the savanna or pracid predominates, with here and there beautiful palms and palmettas and a few other varieties of trees scattered.

Grass is in abundance, and great herds of cattle in places are feeding and thriving on the natural grass.

There are many villages and tobacco and fruit plantations, but the greater portion of the land is not under cultivation. Many colonies, Canadian and American, are started and large tracts of land are fenced in with barb wire, showing they have been bought up. The general aspect of the country shows development. Your property at Ocean Beach is among the finest I saw, and considering the beautiful bay with its sandy beach, magnificent harbor and fishing ground, it is difficult to find its equal, even in Cuba.

Some have been frightened by the thought of having to fertilize, but it is largely due to ignorance of the subject. Some spend as much as the land is worth, but that is foolish. I have my information from Mr. Austin, manager of the experimental station at Santiago de las Vegas.

Commercial fertilizer is not designed to improve soil, but to feed the immediate crop. A part of the land at Ocean Beach will need improving, but most of it is rich and some of it is extremely so. The best way to bring up the land is by green manuring, three crops of which can be grown in a summer and plowed under. Mr. Whitehead is using commercial fertilizer at the rate of $4.00 per acre. The location you gave me is thoroughly satisfactory. The only objection I have to it is the distance from Ocean Beach, but I like the elevation, the drainage and the soil. I have excellent grass and a few Royal palms. I took a photo of my horse in the long grass, while he was feeding heartily upon it. He is all hidden by the grass except his back and ears.

One reason why there is not more grass on part of the land is the presence of pine and other trees, which to a greater or less extent shade the land and prevent grass growing.

I think the outlook excellent and I can thoroughly recommend it to any one who wishes to begin in a new place and a fine climate. If a family go they will require some means, as food is expensive and there are many expenses one does not think of before going.

There is no cold weather to provide for and one may grow vegetables very quickly. Mr. Jones has a fine garden which he says will support him soon. He has been there since September.

When your new boat is in operation giving swift service to Havana, you will have the finest thing I know of.

REV. G. F. HURLBURT,
Flesherton, Ont.

OUR DEEDS are perfectly satisfactory and deeds are now in our lawyer's hands in Havana and are being prepared for each one and all of our purchasers, and will be handed to them as early as possible. There are now established on our estate a good general store, where all necessaries may be purchased. A good livery and reasonable hotel accommodation. We have direct transportation by boat, and the railway is now being built to within a short distance from our property.

EVERY ACRE will be increased within a very few days to $40.00 per acre, so buy now at $20.00 per acre and save money.

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Commissioners Will Hold Special Meeting to Finally Decide Upon It.

The police commissioners got down to business yesterday and straightened out the detective department. Acting Detectives Twigg, Sockett, Kennedy, Newton and Wallace, who have been attached to headquarters for some time, were made first-class detectives. They have all been doing good work, and their promotions have been earned. The other detectives are Black, Verney and Mackie, with Sergt. Duncan in charge of the department.

The question of granting increase of pay to the policemen was discussed. The board favors an increase and will decide what it is to be at a special meeting to be held next Tuesday.

A communication was read from Chief Slemin, Brantford, stating he had withdrawn all actions against the Police Benefit Fund.

The resignation of P. C. Goodwin (266) was accepted.

Billiard licenses were refused for 399 East Gerrard-street and 651 East Queen-street.

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WHY FREE TRADE POLITICIANS ARE AGAINST THE PREFERENCE

Montreal, Jan. 30.—Hon. J. I. Tarte, discussing in to-day's La Patrie Hon. Sydney Fisher's recent free trade speech before the Reform Club, says: "Mr. Fisher is a convinced free trader. He accepts as a last shift (pis-aller) the present policy of the cabinet of which he is a member—a policy of protection almost as high as that in existence in 1893, when the Liberals came into power.

"Naturally, to give additional advantages to the British products it would be necessary for us to further increase our tariffs upon the products of other countries. That is the reason why many politicians who are free traders by principle, do not favor a preferential tariff on the part of England."

QUEEN'S OWN IN GOOD SHAPE.

At the annual meeting of the officers of the Queen's Own Rifles of Canada, held at the Armories, Lt.-Col. Sir Henry Pellatt presided. The several committees brought in most satisfactory reports, showing the regiment to be in a healthy condition, both financially and otherwise. The following were elected to the committees for the ensuing year: Finance, Majors Gunther, Rennie, Lt. Cooper; rifle, Major Mercer, Lts. Allan and Brush; band, Major Mason, Capts. Royce and Highnbotham; mess, Capt. Band, Lts. Pellatt and Morrison; treasurer, Capt. Benjamin.

FRANCE WILL WAIT.

Washington, D.C., Jan. 30.—Official news has reached Washington from Paris that France will bide her time in her solution of the Venezuela problem.

It is believed that President Castro himself may prove of assistance to France if the reports received from Venezuela regarding the dissatisfaction among the people alleged to be growing against the president are true.

Pilots Must Pass Exams.

Ottawa, Jan. 30.—The general regulations by which the marine department will assume complete control of pilotage on the St. Lawrence are now about ready for publication and will be issued within a few days. They are being put into force at once, so that no pilot will be allowed to ply his calling on the river next season unless he has first satisfied the department in regard to sight, hearing, and a knowledge of navigation, including the use of the compass.

Murder Will Out.

Mount Holly, N.J., Jan. 30.—After being a fugitive from justice for ten years, John Williams, who was recently arrested in Atlantic City for assault on a young woman, has been identified as one of the negroes who murdered John Henke, in Burlington, N.J., in 1896.

THREE FIREMEN INJURED.

Deputy Chief Latimer of Ottawa Was in Great Danger.

Ottawa, Jan. 30.—Three firemen hurt and $1200 loss was the result of a fire which this morning destroyed Charles Flynn's liquor store, 199 Dalhousie-street.

Deputy Chief Latimer fell thru an open trap and landed i nth ecellar. He was in danger of being buried by falling debris, and was badly knocked out. Firemen Frederick and Bourget were badly burned about the face, the latter losing his moustache. They were blown off their feet by an explosion, presumably of alcohol.

Bequests to Women's Organizations

"Women's Rights" societies, the anti-vivi-sectionist movement and various associations that aim at the alteration of existing laws benefit by the will of the late Miss Emilia Boucherett of North Willingham, Lincolnshire. Miss Boucherett was the editor of The English Women's Review and the author of various books on the legal position of women. Among her bequests are $10,000 to the Freedom of Labor Defence Society, $2500 to the British Union for the Abolition of Vivisection, $2500 to the English Women's Review and sums to various charities.

Toronto Firms Interested.

Montreal, Jan. 30.—M. E. K. Malouf, general importer of this city, assigned this morning with liabilities of $11,000. About a dozen Toronto firms are interested in the estate, all of them for small amounts, in the neighborhood of $100.

Two Dead From Scalds.

St. John, N.B., Jan. 30.—Leslie Lawrence Cusack, aged 1 and a half years, died this morning, the second victim of a scaldai nedicegn xzfffffffff zffffffff of a scalding accident.

On Friday a visitor at the house stumbled against the stove, upsetting a kettle of water that fell on the two children, aged respectively 3 years and 1 and a half. The elder died in a few hours.

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WINDING UP LINEN MILLS.

Dominion Company of Bracebridge Involved—Osgoode Hall News.

A winding-up order for the Dominion Linen Mills was granted yesterday by Justice Anglin on behalf of the Guelph Carpet Company. Ewen Mackenzie, who was appointed assignee on Monday, opposed the order. The Trusts & Guarantee Co. were appointed interim liquidators. The company's directors are Christian Kloepfer, Guelph; Robert Dodds, Guelph; W. Vandusen, Toronto; Ewen Mackenzie, Toronto; Reuben Millichamp, Toronto; W. Beattie Nesbitt, Toronto; J. D. Shier, Bracebridge. The factory is in Bracebridge. According to the affidavit filed by Robert Dodds, the nominal capital stock was $250,000, divided into $100 shares. In addition to this, outstanding bonds for $50,000 were issued. The stock subscribed was $66,100, of which $39,360 was paid up. Manufacturing operations were conducted for about a year. The Crown Bank has mortgages on all the assets for upwards of $100,000, and refuses to advance more money. The Canadian General Electric holds a judgment for $1271.97. In addition to this there is an accepted and unpaid draft for $2650. The assets total about $75,000.

Chief Justice Meredith has stayed the granting of a winding-up order of the Robinson, Turner Company of Cheltenham for a month in order to allow E. R. C. Clarkson, the assignee, a chance to do something with the property.

The master-in-chambers has refused the Toronto Ferry Company the privilege of including the City of Toronto as co-defendant in the case of Harold Donn, suing for damages thru the falling into the water of Mrs. Donn at Brock-street Wharf.

The court of appeal yesterday heard the appeal of James Conmee against the recently confirmed judgment of the divisional court supporting Chancellor Boyd's decision that he should pay for $3000 worth of Consolidated Lake Superior stock, bought on margin from A. E. Ames & Co. Judge Osler expressed the opinion that all transactions of that character were gambling.

Merlin A. Myers has issued a writ against the Consolidated Mines Company of Port Arthur to recover $6704. The money was to be used in development.

The Toronto Railway Company has entered an appeal against the recent judgment of Judge Street on the Avenue-road extension and the car stops.

The master-in-chambers has granted E. C. Hargreaves, of Bay City, Mich., three weeks' extension of time from next Saturday in which to appear against the action made by the attorney-general to set aside the claims of the White Silver Company.

By a recent order, the attorney-general has approved of ten trust companies for the purpose of the high court of justice. They are: Toronto General Trusts Co., Ottawa Trust & Deposit Co., London & Western Trusts Co., The Trusts & Guarantee Co., The Provincial Trust Co. of Ontario, National Trusts Co., Canada Trusts Co., Union Trusts Co., Royal Trusts Co., and Imperial Guarantee and Accident Insurance Company of Canada.

ETERNAL PUNISHMENT.

Editor World: As a subscriber to The World I wish to express my satisfaction and appreciation of the impartial way in which it is conducted. I am an uneducated man and earn my living by hard work, yet I am capable of reasoning, and my reasoning brings me to the conclusion that everlasting punishment for the sins of this short life is not reasonable. The object of punishment is for a beneficial purpose—that the one punished might be benefited by the punishment. Can you or any other sane man imagine a punishment for any other purpose? If God is love, how are we going to harmonize his loving kindness with everlasting torment? Is God so different in his love towards us to what we are towards our children? Imagine a Christian mother, one who has cultivated the good seeds sown in good soil, until her face reflects something of the divine life within, until all traces of envy and revenge give way before the light of heaven, which illuminates her countenance—imagine such a mother offering up a prayer for a wayward son or daughter about to be ushered into another world; all the love and affection, all the Christian graces seem to be centred in the welfare of the erring one. She has been all these years trying to bring her life into harmony with her God, trying day by day to become more godlike. Thousands of prayers from thousands of godlike mothers have ascended to the throne of grace in the interests of loved ones and all nature answers "amen." Can it be possible that the God they worship is lacking in one of the most important, most beautiful, most powerful of all virtues attributed to Him? My reasoning rebels at the idea. For me it is unreasonable. The eternal torment theory was hatched in the dark night of the past. God is not its author, God is love. All that makes human life attractive, all that endears loved ones to us, all the better qualities of human nature testify against everlasting torment; all the evidence that can be produced in favor of a punishment that is to last thruout the rolling ages of eternity can be successfully attributed to its vile author, the devil. My reasoning compels me to believe in a future punishment, but rebels at the idea of the everlasting part of it. A.S.

Aylmer, Ont., Jan. 15.

Manila as a Seaport.

Almost daily ocean steamships loaded with freight, passengers and mail are arriving at the port of Manila from all parts of the world, while Manila's development as a shipping centre for the orient has barely begun. What may we not expect when Manila's harbor and dock improvements are completed?

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DR. CHASE'S OINTMENT.

FATHER OF CONFEDERATION.

John Beverley Robinson's Title to Be Counted One.

Percy Marling of 260 University-street, Montreal, writes to The Montreal Gazette as follows:

A recent speech of Sir Richard Cartwright before the Canadian Club at Ottawa gives many reminiscences of the venerable politician, and revives interest in the events preceding and culminating in the confederation of the North American provinces.

It should not be forgotten, however, that nearly half a century before the period mentioned, or as far back as 1824, the Hon. John Beverley Robinson, then, I think, attorney-general for Upper Canada, in a letter addressed to Lord Bathurst (the then secretary of state for the colonies) afterwards published in pamphlet form in London under the title of "Plan for General Legislative Union of the British Provinces in North America," accompanied by extracts from a paper on the subject, written in 1807 by Chief Justice Sewell, wrote:

"It is the fear of perpetual strife from the unavoidable inconvenience of having the parties of French and English, Catholic and Protestant, so nearly balanced, that disposes me most to doubt the policy of uniting the provinces of Canada at this period.

"My conviction is that there is a remedy more certain to be effectual and in every way more expedient.

"I know not in what light the design of a general union of the British North American colonies may have appeared to his majesty's government, if it has been submitted to consideration, as I learn it was to have been.

"So far from looking on this plan with any of the prejudices or wishes of a friend or an enemy of the union of the Canadas, it is not as a Canadian that I am impressed with a conviction of its importance, and entreat for it the attention of his majesty's government. It is as a British subject that I feel an interest and an anxiety that may appear to approach too nearly to enthusiasm, when I anticipate its probable effects."

And again to his brother Peter (after whom the Town of Peterboro is named), in the year 1824, he writes:

"If they would but adopt my favorite plan of giving a united legislature to the four colonies, and leave the local legislatures for unimportant purposes to each, every end might be attained."

Mr. Robinson foresaw, even in those very early days, the troubles that Sir Richard describes as existing in the sixties, and which came as a result of the union of Upper and Lower Canada.

The above extracts cannot fail to be as interesting as they were prophetic.

In speaking of the fathers of confederation, should not the name of Sir John Beverley Robinson be gratefully remembered as one who did his utmost to bring into being the "Dominion."

SOCIALIST COUNTESS.

Lady Warwick Addresses West Hammers From Potato Cart.

If Lady Warwick were in need of a title and titles went by popular vote she might be elected "Countess of West Ham" to-morrow, says The London Express.

She was respectfully adored yesterday by at least 200 custom house dock laborers and a crowd at Plaistow.

It is becoming a daily treat with the West Hammers to go and look at the lovely countess while she is making one of her Socialist speeches.

The unemployed dock laborer, for whom the countess is so full of beautiful pity, finds a new sensation in life in the presence of the representative of the British peerage who is now engaged on a fiery campaign in aid of "Will" Thorne, the Socialist candidate for Southwest Ham.

It is said that some of the Socialists have followed the countess all round the constituency, fascinated by her exquisite smile. On Wednesday night they had two chances of seeing her, for she appeared, in all the beauty of her blue costume, at Silvertown and Utpon Park. Yesterday they had two more chances—and she wore a different dress—and to-night a thousand men or more at Canning Town will crowd the public hall to watch her every movement while she declaims.

Opposite a "Pub."

It was just opposite a corner public house that the countess took her stand yesterday. With that exquisite grace for which she is noted the countess climbed into a potato cart, and sat on a wooden chair. She put the tips of her delicate white-kid-gloved fingers to her beautiful lips, shook her head very winsomely at the dock laborers crowding round, and gave a delightful little laugh, which made every man in the crowd forget his dinner.

It is, of course, very difficult for the countess to "come down" to the level of a West Ham kitchen chair, but she strives nobly, and the West Hammers recognize that she is doing the Socialist party a power of good with her red motor car and her lovely dresses, to say nothing of her Socialist ideas, of which she gave the custom house laborers a sample yesterday.

One glance at the beautiful countess sitting on the kitchen chair in the potato cart made Socialists of all the waverers. They needed no invitation to step up closer. They closed round the cart, and whichever way the lovely countess smiled, she found a sea of admiring faces.

Dazzled West Hammers.

Those who had seen the fashionable and expensive green, fur-trimmed, feather-decked toque before gazed in rapture on the plaid costume, the predominant color in which was sage green. It was every bit as great a triumph of the dressmaker's art as the blue costume of Wednesday night, and fitted just as perfectly.

The countess was quickly introduced, and away she went with her speech. The West Hammers on the skirts of the crowd commented audibly in the most glowing terms on the loveliness of the speaker. It happened that the sun came out, and added to the glory of her beautiful golden hair. As on Wednesday night, the countess assured her audience she was sincere. If she were not, she repeated, "Will" Thorne would not shake hands with her—a poor prospect for a Socialist countess, she seemed to think.

Lady Warwick was cheered to the echo, and West Ham gazed with admiration at the vision of loveliness as it whizzed away in the great red capitalistic car.

At Northampton.

Lady Warwick went home and changed her costume. Then she journeyed seventy miles to Northampton to speak to the Socialists on behalf of Jack Williams and Councillor Gribble. She wore a dark blue costume trimmed with gold buttons. Her sables were the delight of the boot town.

She addressed two meetings and reiterated her sincerity. Also her ladyship spoke of the attention which her costumes seemed to attract. "Well," she added, "I have got to wear clothes." (Loud laughter.)

Bridge as Temperance Agent.

Hotel proprietors on the Riviera are complaining of the loss they are sustaining by the popularity of bridge, says the Monte Carlo correspondent of The London Express.

The owner of a first-class house tells me that he has sold 30 per cent. less wines and liquors during the last 12 months than in previous years.

"Visitors play bridge day and night," he said; "and generally for money, so they have to keep a clear head and touch no alcohol in any form.

"Tea, coffee and mineral waters seem to be the favorite drinks. The game is a more powerful advocate of temperance than a dozen crusades among the middle and upper classes, and we are the sufferers."

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