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"God bless you both," ejaculated Lord Melton; "this assurance is an infinite relief to me. I must see you for a few moments to-morrow to arrange business matters, and to settle about the poor child being met at Southampton."
"I am going home to-morrow," interrupted Kathleen. "I shall see my mother the day after. Will there not be time to telegraph before you sail?"
"Going by the Irish mail?" inquired Lord Melton abruptly. "Then, Everard, I will do the Liverpool business myself, and you shall go back to London for me. That will give me the opportunity I so much desire, to explain to Miss McDermot my wishes about Eva. I will run up from Liverpool to London by the night train, and meet you at the War Office at nine next morning."
To be continued.

Fifteen Years Ago

From No. 6 of St. Peter's Bote
On the editorial page under date of March 29th, it is reported that the C. N. R. now runs as far as Melfort. This is the first line of the C. N. R. to enter Saskatchewan, and is the longest stretch of road built in one winter. Eighty miles of rail were laid this winter before reaching Melfort; besides building a "Y" for turning the trains. This will undoubtedly be the principal road to Hudson's Bay when the latter is completed. There is also talk of a branch line south from Melfort, to join with the main line that is to pass through the St. Peter's Colony. Melfort is hardly 40 miles from St. Anna Parish, and many of the settlers bought their grain at the former place.

Hieronymus Waldis, who has a homestead in Township 39, R. 25, was in town to-day to haul lumber for Nic. Gasser. He had arrived in the Colony last September. At Lake Lenore the people who up to now attended church services either at Dead Moose Lake or St. Anna, have determined to build a church of their own, 40x24 ft.; and to complete the same before spring.
Nic. Schmitt writes from Hague, Sask. on the 1st of March that when in 1896 he came to Rosthern, there was only one store there, and about a dozen farmers had settled in the neighborhood, - some of whom had scarcely more than 50 c in their pockets. Now Rosthern is settled for miles beyond and many of the farmers are worth five to ten thousand dollars. The town itself has over a thousand inhabitants at the time of writing. He intends to leave Hague in spring and move to St. Peter's Colony.
L. J. Lindberg writes from Dead Moose Lake on the 9th of March that Mr. Peter Schneider lost his house by fire whilst absent on a visit to neighbors. - Father Chrysostom came up from the Monastery Saturday to hold services the next day. He also administered the Sacraments to the oldest son of J. P. Ludwig who had been seriously ill at the time but is now again on the way to recovery. On Monday he baptised the recently born girl of J. P. Mueller. - F. J. Lange was here Sunday. On Monday evening Carl L. Schmidt, Alb. Nenzel and F. J. Lange arrived here from the Monastery. They left early enough for Rosthern on Tuesday, so as to be well on the way when the snow storm came along. - The Hotel here, he writes, was filled with guests nearly every day last week.
Ph. Winter writes from St. Anna that instructions for the First Communicants began Feb. 27th. The Young Men's Society which was organized by the Rev. Pastor some time ago, had its monthly meeting last Sunday. It was well attended. - John Halbach is hauling

logs to build a house on his homestead. Doecker and Lachmuth are also hauling logs to build an addition to their dwelling. - Our Rev. Pastor, Father Dominic, bought a pair of ponies a few days ago; it is the finest team in the Colony. - The School District No. 1 at St. Anna is organized and school will open the first of May. - During the last two weeks the weather was for the most part very fine. On a few days it stormed somewhat but not worth mentioning.

George Gerwing writes on the 15th of March that he is now in the Colony about a year and well satisfied. Seven of his brothers have taken up homesteads with him at Lenora Lake and are likewise well pleased with their new home. His father also took up a homestead and will come up in spring.

John and Henry Gerwing write from Dead Moose Lake post-office on the 15th of March that a short time ago they hunted for a road from Lake Lenore to Flett Springs and bought there seed grain and fodder. Flett Springs is only 28 miles away, whilst Rosthern is about 80. The prices are lower at Flett Springs. - The coldest day was 43 below zero. Since a whole week the sun is so warm that the snow is beginning to melt everywhere.

Mike Renneberg writes from Leofeld on the 14th of March that he first came in October 1902 and was one of the first to take a homestead in the Colony. He likes it very well and thinks all the settlers owe the Almighty great thanks for having brought them to a country with such good farm lands, good prospects for a sufficient number of churches and schools, with neighbors of ones own nationality.

Barney Hatke writes from Engelfeld that he had found no land that he liked as well as that in Township 35, Range 19, where he has taken up land.

Among Rosthern locals dated March 7th, we read that to-day we have a bright clear day. Mr. Bartholet from St. Peter's Monastery came to town to-day. On the way one of his horses was kicked by another horse so that it was necessary on his arrival to bring it to the Vet. for treatment. - March the eighth was gloomy and stormy. At 8 A. M. it was 10 above zero. Late last night Nic. Arnoldi of Rollington, Minn., arrived here with his family. He and two of his sons have homesteads in Township 39, Range 26, near Leofeld. - Rosthern house, which one of our settlers, Peter Neyes, has rented, was filled to the last place yesterday. The excellent cooking and the careful attention to all by the cheerful host and hostess attract the settlers.

ADDENDA: (Some Reminiscences.)

Weather in St. Peter's Colony during March 1904. - On the 3rd at 2 P. M. it was 44 above zero. The next day 39 above. Tuesday, March 8th, we had a baby blizzard, beginning at 8.30 A. M. and lasting till evening of the next day. March 10th was fair; but on the 18th there was another snow storm; the next day was again fair; whilst on the 20th we had the biggest snow storm of the winter. The next day was less stormy, with the wind blowing from the opposite direction, - from west to east. The 22nd was fair with only a little wind; likewise the next day; but the trail was in poor shape. On the 27th and the 28th it was above the freezing point and the snow setting. March 30th was cloudy and the snow thawing. During the day it had rained two or three times for a few minutes; East wind. Around four in the afternoon it snowed a little; changed later to rain, and in the evening

snowed again; at 9 P. M. it still looked as if a storm was brewing. However, the 31st brought fine weather and thaw.

The above mentioned baptism of Katherine Mueller which took place in Lindberg's house, Sec. 32-38-22, was the first in that parish. The child had been born Feb. 20th, and the sponsors were Hubert Lamberts and Katharine Eischeis, represented by Herman Pulatzki and Mary Wisser. - The first child born in the parish was baptized by Father Chrysostom on the west side of the Lake in the house of Wm. Kreitzenbeck, Sec. 34-38-23. Date of baptism Sept. 20, 1903. Child's name was Caecilia Martha Froeklage, child of Henry Froeklage. Sponsors were Carl Juergens and Martha Mueller.

The first baptismal ceremony at Kreitzenbeck's was performed by the same Father on Sept. 6th, 1903; administering conditional baptism to Joseph Schuster, child of John Schuster. Mrs. Mary Kreitzenbeck who had given it. Baptism of necessity on the 29th of August, was the sponsor. - Likewise on the west side the same Father administered conditional baptism in the house of Rup. Neumeier, Sec. 16-38-23, on the 18th of Dec. 1903, to Anna Gertrude, child of Joseph Neumeier. Mrs. Gertrude Neumeier, who had given it. Baptism of necessity on Nov. 1, was the sponsor.

The first baptismal ceremonies at old St. Bernard's were performed Dec. 6, 1903 in the house of Gottfried Schaeffer, Sec. 28-37-23. - George, child of George Nenzel had received baptism of necessity on the 9th of November; so on this occasion Father Chrysostom only supplied the ceremonies. Sponsors were August and Anna Koett. - The first baptism near the present Humboldt townsite was administered by the same Father in the house of Michael Flory, S. 20-37-22, on the 8th of Nov. to the latter's child Joseph Jacob Leo. The sponsors were Jac. and Johanna Flory.

Mrs. Anna Schuster died on Dec. 13, 1903, on Sec. 20-38-23, at the age of 37 years, 4 months, and 11 days, having never recovered since child birth the Aug. previous. She was buried on St. Joseph's cemetery (Fulda) at 3 P. M. Thursday Dec. 17. - Jac. Schomisch died of consumption Jan. 26, 1904, at 8.45 A. M., on Sec. 30-38-23, after Father Chrysostom had read Holy Mass at the foot of his bed, and had administered to him the last Sacraments. He would have been 37 years of age February 17. Burial took place Thursday Jan. 28 at 11.45 A. M. on St. Joseph's cemetery. Mass had been previously said in the house, during which a number of neighbors went to Holy Communion. - On March 25, 1904 died the four year old girl of John Schuster apparently from cramps of the bowels. Later on it was said that death was in part due to starvation. The children were at home alone at the time, the father being absent on one of his periodic trips to Rosthern as freighter. Burial took place in the forenoon of March 28, on St. Joseph's cemetery. Mass had been celebrated at Schomisch's at 9 A. M. during which a number of the neighbors complied with their Easter duty.

There were no weddings in this territory up to the end of this month fifteen years ago.

Rosthern To-day.

Rosthern is a thriving little Saskatchewan town of 1500 inhabitants situated on the Prince Albert branch of the Canadian Northern, forty miles north of Saskatoon. It is surrounded by a prosperous grain-growing and mixed farming district and, as the site of a governmental experimental farm, is of considerable importance from an agricultural standpoint. Abundant brick and pottery clay

are found in the immediate vicinity, and the making of brick is one of the town's chief industries. There are also three machine shops, two flour mills and four elevators. Rosthern has two schools, a private hospital, opera house, moving picture theatre, customs house, court house, two banks and several churches. Not far from the town are Fish Creek and Batoche, which figured in the Northwest rebellion. The earthen fortifications built during the rebellion are still preserved. The country west of Rosthern was for some time taken up by the Doukhobors, and by them made a fine producing district. Several years ago the community was moved to other districts. Rosthern is particularly well laid out, with the wide streets which characterize most of the prairie towns, bordered by rows of Manitoba maples. Most of the residences are of brick and nearly everybody has a garden.

The Month of March.

This month was called by the Romans, "Martius". In the old Anglo Saxon days it was called Lenet-Monat, in reference to the lengthening hours of daylight, and Lent also comes from the same source.

Now, back in dear old England, the meadows and lawns begin to be "with daisies powdered over," as the poet Chaucer so charmingly puts it. This lovely little silver blossom is one of the earliest known of the English flowers; indeed, as far back as we have any records, it was spoken of as the "day's eye." "It is such a wanderer," remarks a quaint old writer, "that it must have been one of the first flowers that lived and grew out of Eden." "Daffodils, that come before the swallow dares, and take the winds of March with beauty," are now coming into bloom; as well as the exquisite tiny speedwell, blue as Our Lady's own mantle.

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This is the story of an incorporated cow:
The cow was kept and owned by a man named Rockwood.
He used what milk he could and sold the balance to two neighbors.
The big milk companies objected. They said he was virtually operating a dairy. They complained to the health department and demanded that he be made to comply with all the health requirements governing dairies.
It would have required the expenditure of several hundred dollars.
So he went to his two neighbors and said: "Let us incorporate my cow. You can each take stock in her. I will retain a majority of the stock. I will keep and milk the cow."
They agreed it, and thus was incorporated Spokane's first incorporated cow.

Wit and Humor

The old soldier was telling of his thrilling adventures on the field of battle to a party of young fellows, one or two of whom were skeptical as to his veracity.
"Then," he said, "the surgeons took me up and laid me carefully in the ammunition wagon, and"
"Look here," interrupted one of the doubtful listeners, "you don't mean the ammunition wagon. You mean the ambulance wagon."
But the old man shook his head. "No," he insisted, "I was so full of bullets that they decided I ought to go in the ammunition wagon."
"Last Friday I lunched on one of our battleships."
"Didn't you find it rather hard to digest?"

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