

living in the hope of having at an early date full particulars regarding M.'s farm and the improvements which he has been able to place upon the land. *Carthaginian* lads, of the month and year mentioned, will be gratified to hear of M.'s advancement, and, I am sure, will look forward to the further particulars which the writer expects to obtain.

A reliable business man of a bustling Manitoba town writes regarding our old friend C. F. C., *Norwegian*, April, 1891. Our informant says:

I may say with confidence that he is getting along well. He has a nice house put up in —, owns the lot upon which it stands, and intends putting up a stable in the spring. He commands excellent wages around here, as high as the best labourer can get. He has lately joined the Sons of England, and is altogether a regular hustler.

The postmaster of a North-Western village writes regarding J. H., who came to Manitoba in 1890:

He is making a comfortable living at shoemaking and general repairing, and occupies a small building of his own. He is also mail contractor between the post office and the railway station.

A confidential communication from an old friend, who has always borne an excellent character since coming to Canada, W. R., *Sarmatian*, June, 1888, came to hand during the latter part of April, and shows that W. R. is still living an earnest, industrious life. He has been obliged, so he says, to assist an unfortunate brother and sister who came out to Canada, but, in spite of these calls upon his resources, appears to be making his way in the North-West.

The writer is pleased to reproduce by permission a letter from John R. Vipond, *Peruvian*, April, 1889, which speaks for itself.

WOLFELE, April 3, 1891.

B. A. STEPHENS, Esq., Canada.

DEAR SIR:—I was glad to hear from you the other day, and am glad to hear that you have received such good reports regarding me. Well Sir, you ask how I am getting along. I am doing very well for a beginner or a new starter in life. I have things in good shape for the spring, and

I have twenty five acres almost ready for crop, which I broke and disced last summer. I took up my homestead last spring, but did not live or work on it until June 17th. I went out breaking land at \$3.00 per acre, and earned quite a sum of money which I have put into my own farm. I built a house and stable out of sods, sod stables being in general use in this settlement. . . . I have been selling quite a lot of hay this winter, and got from four to five dollars per ton. I think I will be able to make a good living in this country.

Vipond, writing on the 28th of the same month, says:

You are right when you say that probably I never could have secured such a start in England. I always felt like writing to Dr. Barnardo, and giving him an account of myself which he might read to the boys yet in the old Home. It might encourage them to come out to this country and do well. This is the country for a young man, and I am very thankful that I was admitted to the Home in England. I intend shortly to make the Doctor a present of money.

Satisfactory reports have been received regarding C. C., an old-timer, who landed from the *Rolling Polly* at Halifax, in April, 1888. C. C. is reported to be in possession of an excellent team of horses, and finds no difficulty in securing remunerative employment in the Shoal Lake district, where he has been constantly employed since leaving the Farm at Barnardo.

Mr. Levi Beck, of Yorkton, Assn., writes on March 1st regarding Robert Traynor, *S. S. Labrador*, June, 1897:

I have pleasure in stating that Bob Traynor is in excellent health, that he is trusty, that he works faithfully and well, and that his conduct is exemplary, so far as I have observed.

It is truly gratifying to receive such a satisfactory report regarding our old friend "Bob," as he no doubt has experienced a number of ups and downs since leaving the hive at Barnardo.

From the long list of young men who have made a decided success of themselves in Canada the writer has pleasure in giving the initials of B. K., April, 1898, *Chelyabinsk*. B. K. had full charge of an excellent farm near Yorkton in 1897-8, and by