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A Remembrance

73 Delph St.,
Wigan, Lanc. Eng.
Dec 2, 1908.

One year ago, in company with my wife and baby, I bade goodbye for a season, to my many friends and relatives of Cardston and vicinity and fearing some of you, and especially my intimates, may view my silence as forgetfulness, I am pleased to break it with these few lines. By the kindness of the STAR, then, am I permitted to remind Sunny Southern Alberta that she has a loyal son, with the courtesies of her whole hearted broad minded people still fresh in his memory, not forgetting, too, that the bounties of the recent harvest are but the favors of a first Providence to a deserving community, yes, Nation.

In reviewing the prosperous conditions because of this bounteous yielding (which we must each acknowledge as by the permission of the Giver of all good things,) in Canada in general, Alberta in particular, and in Cardston, especially speaking, there is one word that well expresses it all, and that is "progression." And my desire is that this word may be continually before each person, in our young, yet great Empire, each exercising his legitimate power to the betterment of his country and his neighbor, but chiefly to himself; not financially only, but also in the love of God and his brother, which great commandment comprehends all the lesser ones, such as truthfulness, honesty, justice and mercy.

Among my new friends here I am thought of as a Western Canadian optimist, with the optimism centered especially on Alberta. But what is thought of me makes very little difference to my actions, opinions and testimonies, for a "Mormon," as we are called here, is the subject of some very peculiar and even false, slanderous and ridiculous accusations, by a few biased and bigoted persons. On the other hand there are here, a number of respectable and honest citizens who are not afraid to speak the truth. Truly did the poet say, "An honest man is the noblest work of God."

Space will not permit my giving any detailed account of places or experiences, so just a word about my present environs. Wigan is a colliery and cotton milling city of about 85,000 inhabitants, but including the villages adjoining, nearly 20,000. Within a radius of five miles there are more than one hundred pit shafts, from 100 to 2800 feet deep. Nearly 20,000 mill hands and several scores of thousands of colliers go to work each morning in their clattering clogs from about 5 to 6 o'clock, working not less than ten and to 13 or 14 hours a day. From 4:30 to 6:30 p. m. each working day excepting Saturday, the streets are lined with thousands of these tired workers returning to their rented homes, as less than 10 per cent of all the people here, own their homes and I am safe in saying 99 per cent of the hard workers rent their "shelters." I won't call them all homes. My labors have been mostly among these classes, and though I find many of them poverty stricken and most of them poor, living from hand to mouth, I find generally a good hearted, broad spoken, hard handed people, the sterling qualities of whom I have learned to admire.

For the present I send greetings to you all and a hearty wish for a right merry Christmas and a 1909 to be even more progressive than the eventful '08, with also the added and lasting joy that the progression in goodness as well as riches, will bring.

Joseph Y. Card.

RICH COPPER STRIKE

Prospectors Locate Rich Claims on Pass Creek

Mr. Charles Buhler and party of Raymond who have been prospecting in the mountains for the past two weeks, were in town on Monday. They had just returned from the mountains and stopped over on their way to Raymond. They had with them several specimens of rock which were fairly teeming with copper and silver—samples of which are now on view at the Star office.

In conversation with a STAR reporter Mr. Buhler gave the following account of his trip: The party had prospected for a few days around the Waterton Lakes which are situated about 33 miles south west of Cardston, not meeting with any success they journeyed up Pass Canyon. After travelling for some 10 miles they came upon a ledge of rock which

showed good indications of copper.

In the investigation which followed a vertical vein of copper was revealed. The vein is 6 feet wide and cross-cuts the country. After following the vein for 9000 feet, four claims were staked out and the party left on their homeward journey.

Mr. Buhler is very enthusiastic over the discoveries which will mean much to Cardston and Southern Alberta. Samples of the ore have been sent to Salt Lake City, Utah, where it will be tested and analysed.

A company will be organized immediately and the stock will be placed on the market.

A development of the property will commence early in January, when a 50 foot tunnel will be run into the ledge.

Best Stock In Alberta To Be Sold

Wm. Pilling Will Dispose of his Fine Stock of Percheron Horses

In an interview with Mr. Wm. Pilling this week, he stated to a STAR reporter that the carload of purebred Percheron horses recently brought in from the States

by himself would be placed on the market immediately. The horses since their arrival have been kept at the Pilling Farm, Kimball, and are all in fine condition.

Macleod Men To See Hill

Lose no Time in Opening Negotiations With the Railway Magnate

Macleod, Dec. 9.—This town has been busy on railways ever since the recent meeting held in connection with the Calgary Herald's campaign. Several meetings of the citizens have been held to discuss the subject and Macleod will without doubt do its share in promoting a great provincial railway system.

One necessary link, and one of the first needed is the line from Macleod to the boundary to connect Alberta with the Great Northern or one of the other large American systems. Such a road if continued to Calgary and then north from there, would effect a positive revolution in the railway situation.

To this end steps are now being taken. A charter for such a road,

the Macleod, Cardston and Moncton railway, is controlled by a number of men of Macleod men who are prepared to deal very generously with it to any company that will build the line.

Negotiations have been in progress with J. J. Hill for several days past and to-night a delegation leaves Spokane to hold a personal conference with him in connection with this project. Those who are going include Malcolm MacKenzie, M. P. P., John Wolff, M. P. P. and others.

It is hoped that as a result of the conference now pending active construction of the line from Macleod to the boundary will be commenced early next spring. The project is said to have the sympathy of the provincial government.

New Buildings For Alberta

Calgary, Dec. 12.—John Stocks deputy minister of public works is in the city on a inspection tour of the works that are now being carried on under his department. The mild weather has allowed of work being carried on to a later period than in former seasons. At the present time the principal work going on under the department is:

The bridge across the Belly River at Taber.

Bridge over Old Man's river at Macleod.

Bridge over the Red Deer river at the town of Red Deer.

On the Parliament buildings at Edmonton the work of stretching the steel for the second floor will be commenced by the end of January. At the present time there is only a small force of about fif-

teen men on the steel gang.

The Wetaskiwin court house is nearing completion and will soon be ready for occupation.

The foundation for the asylum at Ponoka has been completed, but further work will not be done until next spring.

Work on the Calgary Land Titles office has been suspended until early in the spring. The department is rushing the work on the provincial telephone warehouse to completion.

Mr. Stocks anticipates that after the estimates are passed by the legislature, work will be commenced at an early date on the incompleting portion of work commenced during the past season. He returns to Edmonton this afternoon.

A Good Man Going

Regret is universal that John W. Woolf is leaving Alberta. He has been one of the most useful and progressive men in public life from Southern Alberta and has given splendid service both in the old Territorial Legislature and at Edmonton.

Southern Alberta has no more loyal friend and as a "booster" of this rich and growing district he was ever busy. The Cardston district especially had in him a strong backer and it will miss him greatly.

The Herald sincerely regrets Mr. Woolf's decision to leave Alberta and we wish we could persuade him to remain with us.—Lethbridge Herald.

Town Election

The election on Monday passed very quietly. There was little interest and a small vote was polled. The votes cast were as follows:—H. Stacpool 71, M. A. Coombs, 65, J. Hunt, 47, J. Holmes 43, S. S. Newton 21.

Messrs Stacpool and Coombs were elected for a two year term and J. Hunt for a one year term.

Opening of Parliament

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—At today's Cabinet Council it was decided that Parliament shall open Wednesday, Jan. 20th.

Special Christmas Services

On Sunday evening next in the Assembly Hall, a special Christmas service will be held under the auspices of the M. I. A. A beautiful program has been prepared consisting of recitations, singing, speeches and instrumental music. All are cordially invited to attend.

Present Alberta's Claims For Railway

Toronto, Dec. 14.—Hon. C. W. Cross, Attorney-General at Alberta, left Toronto last night for Ottawa, where it is said, he will interview the Federal Government in relation to the provincial government's policy of railway expansion which is to be inaugurated at next session. The Dominion Government will be asked for aid to construct lines in the province.

Deaths Amongst Workingmen

Washington, Dec. 14.—Between 30,000 and 35,000 deaths and two million injured is the accident record in the United States during the past year among workingmen, according to a bulletin on accidents issued to-day by the bureau of labor.

Of those employed in factories and workshops, it is stated that probably the most exposed class are the workers of iron and steel. Fatal accidents among electricians and electric linemen and coal miners are declared to be excessive while railway trainmen were killed in the proportion of 7.46 deaths per 1000 employees.

Mr. J. T. Noble has opened up a lunch counter in the old bar-room of the Woolf Hotel, and is now prepared to serve Hot Meat Pies and Tomatoes, and Fruit Pies, etc. After Jan. 1st or in the very near future, Mr. Noble expects to occupy the old Phipps Restaurant.