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Reindeer in Canada and Our Far North Gold Fields.

W. T. Harris, United States Commissioner of Education, has written to the Secretary of War a novel proposition for the relief of citizens of the adjoining republic who, in large numbers, have been caught in Alaska and in the Klondike regions without an adequate supply of provisions for the winter months, which extend till next May. There is no trouble in getting all needed supplies to Juneau or Dyea, on the Alaskan borders of our northwest territory. The problem is how best to secure the conveyance of provisions from Chilkat to Circle City, 800 miles distant, and Dawson City, somewhat nearer to the coast. Commissioner Harris proposes that reindeer, the trusty animal friends of the Laplander, shall be used. With relays every 50 miles, and with the use of four relays, traveling the entire 24 hours a day, the time occupied from Chilkat to Dawson City would be three days, to Circle City four days, and to Minook, in Alaska, five days. All that is needed to carry out this scheme, in the opinion of Mr. Harris, is for the United States to purchase 500 reindeer from Lapland, trained to harness. The price in Lapland is \$10 a head, but delivered at Chilkat the price would probably be \$50 each. An estimate of \$50,000 for 500 deer and the transportation of 50 Finnish teamsters is submitted by the commissioner. He also asks \$50,000 for 500 female deer and transportation for 25 families of herdsmen from Norway, and \$25,000 for the management of this herd, the instruction of the Alaskan natives as herdsmen, and the support of a reindeer station. A daily express from Chilkat is suggested by the commissioner in getting supplies to the Klondike. Such an express would consist of ten reindeer, ten sledges and one teamster. It would carry nearly two tons of provisions, thus affording from day to day sufficient for 4,000 miners on the Upper Yukon. Mr. Harris also wants 500 dogs to form a herd at some point to the north and west of Chilkat.

Whether or not this unique express will be established, it has much to commend it. The reindeer is already in Alaska. The United States Government established a herd in that territory some time ago, which has increased at the rate of from 40 to 60 per cent a year. The 538 reindeer purchased between 1892 and 1895 for service in Alaska, have increased to 1,466.

The reindeer is indeed already a denizen of Far Northwestern Canada, and in those regions north of Lake Athabasca, where the foot of the white man has rarely trod, the animal is known to exist in enormous numbers. Mr. J. W. Tyrell, the intrepid Canadian explorer, who, in 1893-94 was sent by the Canadian Government to investigate the "Barren Lands," lying between Athabasca Lake and the Hudson Bay, tells in his book, published by Wm. Briggs, Toronto, of a remarkable discovery made by his party while canoeing down the Telzoa River, a great body of water, probably never before sailed on by white men, which flows from the neighborhood of the height of land into Chesterfield Inlet. While sailing in Carey Lake—a connecting link of the stream, 250 miles from Lake Athabasca—Mr. Tyrell and his assistants gave chase to a deer which was seen in the water. As the party had for days seen no evidence of animal life, and their meat supplies were low, the sight was a welcome one. Nearing the shore, they found on the banks, not one, but a band of deer. What followed is thus graphically described by Mr. Tyrell in his most interesting book:

"Our canoes were headed to leeward of the band, that they might not scent us as we approached the shore. Drawing nearer we found there was not only one band, but that there were many great bands, literally covering the country over wide areas. The valleys and hillsides for miles appeared to be moving masses of reindeer. To estimate their number would be impossible. They could only be reckoned in acres or square miles. After a short consultation, a place for landing, near a small grove of tamarack—one of the last we saw—was chosen. Rifles were examined, and an ample supply of cartridges was provided. Shotguns and revolvers were furnished to four of the men, and thus prepared we landed and drew up the canoes. So far the deer had apparently not seen us, but to prevent a general stampede it was arranged that I should go around to the rear of a large detachment of the herd, near by, while my brother should approach them from the shore. Accordingly I was given fifteen minutes to run around a mile or so, behind some rising ground. Meanwhile the rest of the party scattered themselves around different places, and at the given time, my brother having approached within easy range, opened the fray by bringing down a noble buck. At the first shot, the whole band—a solid mass of several thousands of deer—was thrown into confusion, and they rushed to and fro, not knowing which way to flee. Simultaneously with my brother's shot, I opened fire on them from the rear, and our armed men charged from the sides, while the other two were obliged to take refuge upon a great boulder to avoid being trampled to death. The band was speedily scattered, but not before a woeful slaughter had been made, and an abundant supply of fresh meat secured, for which we were sincerely thankful."

Mr. Tyrell points out that the reindeer is a faithful and efficient servant to the hardy native of the frigid zone, but in the latitude where this vast herd was observed the human race is rarely met with. It is apparently beyond the haunts of the Indian, and the Eskimo, met with as the Hudson Bay is approached, does not appear to come so

far south. It is probably fortunate that these herds of reindeer are at present so far removed from civilized man, or we would soon see sporting parties organized to go and shoot them down as the noble bison was cleared off the face of the Western plains. Mayhap, as is proposed by the United States Commissioner of Education, this most useful and valuable of the fifty known varieties of deer is destined to afford much aid to man in making the most of the undoubted great natural riches that exist in our Northwest territories.

There is a new danger from winking, from whatsoever cause. A Windsor man was found liable for damages for breach of promise. His counsel now says that in some way the opposing counsel (Mr. M. K. Cowan, M.P.) had undue power over the jury, as was evident by a wink which the brother of the loser in the case saw him make towards the jury. A reply to this accusation is not yet forthcoming, but it would not surprise us to find Mr. Cowan asserting that the wink was purely accidental, or undertaken involuntarily, because of the proximity to the organ of vision of a pestering fly, seeking nutriment from the liquid exudations that welled up from thorough sympathy with the cause which the owner of the eye had espoused. There are winks and winks in this wicked world, let it ever be remembered—the wink accidental, as well as the wink intentional, the wink of child-like innocence and sympathy, as well as the wink of the wily.

No Boycott for Canada.

A report was printed in Great Britain a few weeks ago to the effect that men, women and children were engaged in the United States in the manufacture of cheap carpenter and joiners' work for exportation to Great Britain. In consequence, a movement was started for boycotting such goods, and it had gained much impetus last week, according to a cablegram, when somebody discovered that more imported joinery now reaches Great Britain from Canada than from the States, and forthwith all opposition to the imports petered out. It was found also that the timber goods were not manufactured by oppressed labor, but in legitimately conducted Canadian factories.

The speed with which opposition to the manufactures was withdrawn when it was found that they came from Canada, is a fitting commentary upon the new relation which Canada occupies to the Motherland. Canadians recently returned from Great Britain tell us that the enthusiasm with which trade is sought with this country since the preferential tariff with the center of the empire was established by the Canadian Government is simply astonishing. As to articles of wooden manufacture, there is no reason why, with our lumber wealth and natural facilities for production, we should not supply the British market with an increasing quantity of wares ready for use by her teeming population.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier was not the whole queen's jubilee.—Hon. N. Clarke Wallace.

No. If we remember aright, the Queen took some part in the jubilee.—Ottawa Citizen.

You are both right. We had the information from one thousand and one different sources that the Queen and Sir Wilfrid Laurier really were the star attractions of the wonderful spectacle.

Reciprocity.

The Trades League of Philadelphia—an organization of upwards of 2,000 business firms—have, on the motion of Mr. Thomas Martindale, formerly of this city, passed a resolution in favor of closer and better business relations between Canada and the United States. The resolution says:

"All good principles of business and of international comity demand that our relations with our closest neighbors should be as reciprocal as the best interests of our country at large will warrant. The common interests of humanity, civilization, commerce and progress of the American continent demand that such overtures, offered in good faith, should be received with goodwill, and an effort made to reach a basis of reciprocity which would be alike fair to the United States and the Dominion of Canada, and conducive to increased trade relations between the two countries."

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Nothing like the demonstration has ever been seen here. President Diaz has given orders that Mr. Bryan shall be considered as a specially honored guest.

DURRANT TO BE RESENTENCED.
San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 14.—W. H. T. Durrant, the murderer of Blanche Lamont and Minnie Williams, was today ordered by Judge Bahers to reappear for sentence tomorrow (Wednesday).

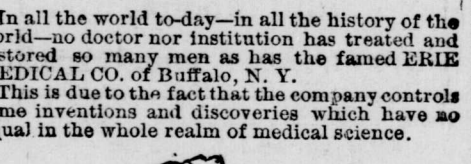
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