

ONE OF THE LEADING FIVE

The letter which is printed below was received Wednesday, Oct. 5, from the John Griffiths Cycle Corporation of Toronto, Ont. The Advertiser, during the past season, carried the advertising of this company, and the unsolicited words are received from a firm that never before until this year advertised in its columns. It is an example of what a judicious advertiser will reap when the proper medium is used. The Advertiser here publicly extend their thanks and appreciation of such kind words to the John Griffiths Cycle Corporation. The testimonial, coming from a company who have used dozens of newspapers for advertising their business is a distinct compliment to The Advertiser.

Toronto, Oct. 4, 1893.

The Advertiser, London, Ont.:

Dear Sirs,—We beg to inclose you herewith our check in full of your account.

We would like to express our satisfaction, not only with the business treatment we have received at your hands, but also with the excellent results we have obtained from advertising in your paper. As you are possibly aware, we have advertised very extensively in all parts of Canada, from Halifax to Vancouver, and if we were asked to make a list of the BEST FIVE ADVERTISING MEDIUMS IN CANADA WE CERTAINLY WOULD INCLUDE THE ADVERTISER IN OUR LIST.

Wishing you every success in the future, we remain yours faithfully,

THE GRIFFITHS CYCLE CORPORATION, LIMITED.
D. T. Maguire, Manager.

METHODIST MISSIONS

London Conference W. M. S. Meets at Goderich.

Interesting Memorial Service—Encouraging Reports Presented.

Goderich, Oct. 7.—The fourth annual meeting of the London Conference Women's Missionary Society, assembled in the North Street Church here on Tuesday afternoon, about 70 delegates being in attendance. Mrs. Burns, of St. Thomas, president, occupied the chair. After devotions, the various memorials and resolutions were read, and will appear in the order of discussion.

The president declined to make any formal address, but called on the three vice-presidents to give a message of greeting. Mesdames Fowler, Eccles and Dickson spoke feelingly of the importance of the work and its consequent blessing, urging greater zeal and enthusiasm, which can only come through knowledge and the power of the Holy Spirit.

Fraternal delegates were received from the W. C. T. U. and the Presbyterian Church W. F. M. S. Their cordial words of greeting were received with enthusiasm, and replied to by one of the delegates of the convention.

The memorial service was a tender and solemn tribute to the lives of our departed members. Eighteen names were presented, and many petitions given to their devotion of the W. F. M. S. and other departments of work. A standing vote of sympathy was passed to Mrs. W. E. Ross, of Montreal, president of the general board, who has recently been bereaved of her husband. The secretary was ordered to convey the message to her by letter. Prayer was also asked for a member of one of the London auxiliaries, who had just passed through a serious operation in the hospital. The communion service closed the afternoon session.

A reception from 6 to 8 in the lecture room afforded an opportunity for social intercourse between the delegates and their hostesses.

The evening session was well attended. The choir of the church assisted with several delightful numbers, and the young people sustained their reputation in two appropriate recitations. Mrs. Turner, in behalf of the Goderich ladies, gave a cordial welcome to the convention, which was gratefully replied to by Mrs. Tennent, of London.

The reports of the treasurer and corresponding secretary were full of encouragement and progress. Mrs. Crothers, stated the annual income to be \$5,842.90—an increase of \$207.69; remitted to the general treasurer, \$5,778.78. Mrs. Cunningham reported five new auxiliaries—Rayfield, Stratford, Waterloo, Shelburne and Tilbury—total 94 auxiliaries, 2,004 annual members, 97 life auxiliaries, 23 mission bands. Many auxiliaries have sent boxes of clothing to needy stations, and the organization is doing faithful work in forming auxiliaries. The watch tower, an exercise taken part in by three delegates, illustrated the work done in China, Japan and among the Indians. Rev. J. Wilson closed the session with prayer.

At Wednesday morning's session, a letter from Mrs. Dettor, a life member, was read, and the executive having decided no action could be taken upon it, this decision was confirmed.

The following resolutions were passed: "That we heartily appreciate the effort made at the general conference by Judge Chealey and others for the en-

franchisement of women, and also for the liberal views of expressed with regard to their position as lay delegates to the quarterly boards and annual conferences; and we recognize that the time is drawing near—indeed, it is not far distant—when the ability and consecration of women shall meet with the full recognition they deserve."

THEY WON'T RESTORE RATES

Canadian Pacific Fighting for Manitoba Business.

Effect of the Transfer of the Manitoba and Northwestern Railway—Earnings of the Roads.

There is said to be every prospect of a new railway from Toronto to Sudbury.

The annual meetings of the different companies controlling the railway lines making up the Grand Trunk system in Michigan were held while General Manager Hays of the Grand Trunk was in Detroit on Monday, and were attended by him. The meetings were formal, and were held merely to comply with charter regulations. The election of officers resulted as follows:

Michigan Air Line—President, C. M. Hays; directors, Mr. Hays, with John Bell, of Belleville, Ont., E. W. Meddaugh, W. J. Spicer, James H. Muir; secretary-treasurer, Charles Percy, Chicago, Detroit and Canada Grand Trunk Junction Company—President, C. M. Hays; vice-president, John Bell; secretary, Charles Percy; directors, the foregoing, with E. W. Meddaugh and W. J. Spicer. St. Clair Tunnel Company—President, Charles M. Hays; vice-president, John Bell; directors, the foregoing, with Senator Vidal and Charles Mackenzie, of Sarnia, Ont., W. J. Spicer, E. W. Meddaugh and F. H. McGulgan; secretary-treasurer, Charles Percy.

THE CANADIAN CUT RATES.

So far the Canadian Pacific Railway shows no signs of any intention to restore local rates in Ontario, and it is supposed that that body of men who are the Grand Trunk, the company is desirous of coming to some arrangement regarding Manitoba business before restoring rates here. At the present time and with the restoration of western rates, the Canadian Pacific has to compete with the Grand Trunk on even terms, so far as rates are concerned, in the Manitoba and northwestern business. This is something the road has never had to do before, and it is undeniable that upon even terms the Grand Trunk, with its American connections, is bound to secure some of the business that has hitherto gone to its rival. One result of the restoration of rates to the west is sure to be that the Canadian Pacific will lose some of its business there, and the same will occur in regard to Manitoba travel. Under these circumstances the Canadian Pacific would no doubt be anxious to secure from the Grand Trunk a differential on Manitoba business, and it is in this in railway circles that it is withholding the restoration of rates in Ontario in order to force the Grand Trunk to come to its terms.

RAILWAY SOLD.

Sir William Van Horne, president of the C. P. R., was a guest at a luncheon at the Manitoba Club given by A. M. Nanton, president of the Winnipeg Board of Trade. Sir William stated that the Corbin railway interests had been turned over to the Great Northern Railway Company, and that company would probably be found at Ottawa during the next session of parliament, seeking legislation that would enable them to build a line in Southern British Columbia and cut into the trade of that region. As such line would compete with the Crow's Nest Pass Railway in the rich mineral district, Sir William declared it would be a shame if Canadian centers did not get all the trade resulting from the Crow's Nest Pass road, as it had been built by public subsidies.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Will Adjourn Next Monday and Meet Next Month at Washington.

It is definitely announced that the commission will adjourn next Monday, and Senator Fairbanks says that the sessions will be resumed at Washington on Nov. 1. This will give those of the American commissioners who are in politics an opportunity of taking a hand in their State elections, while Messrs. Coolidge and Kison will prepare for the resumption of the work of the commission. Once at Washington the proceedings will progress with greater rapidity, as the American commissioners, being in closer proximity to President McKinley and his advisers, will be able to secure readily their advice as to how far the American delegation may go with prospects of success.

The commissioners were engaged again yesterday chiefly in committees

work, the sub-committee on the Alaska boundary holding a lengthy session.

THURSDAY AT "DONNYBROOK"

Another Success Scored for the North Dorchester Show.

Fully 8,000 Visitors in Attendance—Excellent Display of Exhibits—The Races.

Bright and golden lay the sunshine over the village of Dorchester yesterday. Long before Old Sol had taken the autumn chill off the crisp morning air, all the roads leading to Dorchester were alive with bunches of fat cattle, highly groomed and beribboned horses, wagon loads of swine and sheep, and, best of all, many a bright-eyed, rosy-cheeked girl, with her sturdy swain, both dressed in their best, and bawling merrily along behind the farmer's best roadster, and the buggy that bright you could see your race in it, while the buxoms on the harness would dazzle your eyes.

It was "Donnybrook Fair" day, and there was only "Donnybrook" on this side the salt creek. The North Dorchester Agricultural Society's fair is how they call it on the announcements. But everybody for 60 miles around knows it's "Donnybrook."

The village of Dorchester was buried clean out of sight by the good of visitors yesterday. Hundreds of people went down from London by wheel, carriage, or rail. There were in all, about 8,000 visitors.

The stock, poultry and roots and fruits shown were of unusually fine quality. The grain was rather a small exhibit. The ladies work department, as usual, was excellent. The ring events were the chief attraction. Never did judges have a livelier time or the grand stand more merryment than over the frequent and obstreperous kicking from some of the exhibitors and owners. Chief of Police John Crawford, of Ingersoll, was inside the ring to help the local constables keep order.

The events—Three-year-old trot—Lady Washington (J. Brown), first; Joe B. (W. M. Bartlett), second.

2:50 class, pace or trot—Won by Mary (F. McNeely) in two straight heats; Monte (G. Neely), second; Lucy (B. McCarthy), third; Gipsy Girl (A. Kilbourne), fourth.

Running race—Vickstone, first; Bay Billy, second; Jenny Lind, third.

Open race—Prince Michael, first; Monte, second; Jennie Rooker, third.

The one-mile bicycle race, open, was won by H. E. Kennedy, with R. Montgomery second; J. Wardell, third; J. Crumble, fourth and Alf Hunter fifth. The committee of management comprised: Messrs. George Wade and P. H. Rickard. Attractions—Neil N. McCallum and C. Choate. Cattle—Jas. Wilson and John Swartout. Sheep and Horses—McFarlane and J. H. Rowe. Poultry—W. C. Drake and E. Smith. Grain and Roots—D. McLachlan and W. Strathdee. Ladies' Work—C. Beattie and W. H. Shaw. Fruit—H. Rath and E. Marsh. Music—R. Venning and G. Neesley. Gates—R. Venning, G. Neesley and G. Wade.

PLENTYFUL IN THE YUKON

Tin, Copper and Silver Found Besides Gold.

Stock-Raising Is Also Among the Possibilities.

Toronto, Oct. 7.—P. J. Baldwin, who has been nineteen years in western mining camps, and who is on a visit from the Klondike, says that the possibilities of the Yukon are not confined to gold. His observation in that country has convinced him that all the precious and commercially valuable metals are to be found there, and he is convinced that it will not be long before men are at work taking out tin, copper, silver and lead in paying quantities. He has with him a sample of oxide of tin, which is plentifully mixed with the pay dirt upon the creeks, and a nugget of gold miners now look upon the country as a mine of wealth. He says that the country is rich in native copper, and he predicts that the day is not far distant when the Yukon will be relied upon not only for gold, but for other valuable metals.

Mr. Baldwin goes so far as to affirm that agriculture and stock-raising will thrive in the Yukon, which, he says, affords better prospects of profit in this direction than many parts of Canada.

The growth of wild hay, he says, is luxuriant, and vegetables and oats can be cultivated without difficulty. Cattle-raising is not only possible, but it can be done on a small scale of expense, on account of the native foods which the country affords, while the price of beef will remain sufficiently high to yield a handsome profit.

Build Up.

When the system is run down, a person becomes an easy prey to consumption or scrofula. Many valuable lives are saved by using Scott's Emulsion as soon as a decline in health is observed.

It is said that excessive tea-drinking among the humbler classes of Ireland has caused an alarming increase of insanity, especially among women.

Beats the Klondike.

Mr. A. C. Thomas, of Marysville, Tex., has found a more valuable discovery than has yet been made in the Klondike. For years he has suffered from agony from consumption, accompanied by hemorrhages, and was absolutely cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. He declares that gold is of little value in comparison with this marvelous cure, would have it, even if it cost a hundred dollars a bottle. Asthma, bronchitis, and all throat and lung affections are promptly cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Sold at any drug store. Regular size, 50 cents and \$1. Guaranteed to cure or price refunded.

Twenty-nine sheep introduced into the Australian colonies in 1788 are now represented by 128,000,000 of finest wool sheep in the world.

Give Holloway's Corn Cure a trial. It removed ten corns from one pair of feet without any pain. What is had done once it will do again.

Look out for the Fly.

ENGLAND'S FIRST CHRISTIAN POET

Unveiling of a Monument to Cædmon in Whitby, England.

Speech by the Poet Laureate, Alfred Austin—A Graceful Tribute to the Ancient Bard.

On Wednesday, Sept. 21, in beautiful weather, an interesting ceremony was performed in the ancient parish churchyard at Whitby, England, on the occasion of the unveiling of a monument to Cædmon, the first English Christian poet. The chief speaker was Alfred Austin, poet laureate of England, who unveiled the monument. Our readers have seen some of his poetic effusions, and we reproduce his speech to give an idea of his personality. Mr. Austin said: "When I was invited, partly no doubt by reason of the ancient office I have the honor to fill, and partly, I believe, because of my northern blood, to unveil this most lovely cross you have erected to the memory of Cædmon, I confess I for a moment felt some hesitation as to what ought to be my reply. Memorials and monuments to distinguish fore-runners of our race have during the last few years been raised with so much lavishness, and so little discrimination, that a feeling almost of repugnance to their multiplication has been growing up in the public mind; and in that sentiment, I must confess, I have had my share. But, on reflection, I came to the conclusion, whether rightly or wrongly others must decide, that there is something in the history of Cædmon that warrants the erection of a visible record to his memory. Speaking generally, I should say that, of all men, poets stand least in need of statue, tablet or commemorative bust; seeing that, if their works attain an adequate standard of excellence, they of themselves constitute an enduring and sufficient monument. But Cædmon occupies a peculiar and exceptional position. Chaucer has been called the 'Morning Star of English Poetry,' and I am sure that the designation would be more aptly applied to Cædmon, since, with the prologue to the 'Canterbury Tales,' the glorious sunlight of English song already illuminated the horizon. But the somewhat rudimentary verse of Cædmon has all the tentative and hesitating character of yet imperfect dawn. He is the half-articulate father of English poets yet to be, and it is, as I understand it, not only to the inspiring ancestor, but to his full-voiced descendants in this island throughout all time, that this memorial cross has been erected. For, if we look closely and carefully into the circumstances of his life and seek the cause and origin of his singing, we shall find that Cædmon serves, in all essentials, as the very type of the poet in all ages and all lands. To begin with, he was unlettered. I am aware there have been learned poets, though Milton is perhaps the only English poet of consequence who could so be described with any approach to accuracy. As a rule, poets have but small erudition, but large understanding; to understand rather than to know, to be wise rather than erudite, being the distinctive mark and mission of the poet. Very little learning equipped the greatest of English poets for universal apprehension, and Cædmon, his remote predecessor, was wholly unencumbered with the lumber of learning, and therefore all the more impressionable to the two main earthly sources of poetic inspiration—external nature and the human heart. The disfiguring contrivances of mechanical industry have to a certain extent invaded

ed the framework of headland and breakers in which Whitby stands, but here the sea gull yet wheels and wails, here the eagle still screams and towers, here the heather blushes and the bracken mellow, and here the multitudinous herds of the northern main still flash and fling themselves against the long dark line of your indomitable coast. But think of what your billow-beaten bluffs and wind-swept and beck-furrowed moorlands must have been in the time of Cædmon! There, where he wielded an unchallenged scepter; and it was from her mystic voice and majestic presence that Cædmon learned to shape his verse. (Cheers.) You all know those lovely lines of Wordsworth: "Beauty born of wandering sound Hath passed into her face."

Would it not be equally true to say that beauty born of wandering sound passes into the poet's heart? He hears the music of the tides, he listens to the melody of wind and wave, to the plaintive minor that sounds in the whirling wheat or waving sedge, to the thunder-notes of the darkened dome of heaven, the aptest of scholars he learns from them how to modulate the joys and harmonize the sorrows of the universe. But if nature be the chief teacher of the poet, there is yet another to whom his debt is equally great, and Cædmon did not lack this second helpmate of the muse. It was a woman, and a woman who was both a princess and a saint, to whom he owed shelter and inspiration, and would it be too fanciful to say that Cædmon was Hilda's laureate? I have observed with some surprise that in these latter days, more eager perhaps for novelty than for originality, a sort of crusade has been organized for the extension of the influence of women. For my part I am unable to see how that is possible, since their influence, one is happy to think, has ever since the days of Eve been co-extensive with the feelings, aspirations and activity of man. It is they who train us to speak, it is they who teach us to pray, it is they who stimulate us to sing, and they who stimulate us to sing, and Hilda was the very source and fount of Cædmon's song. But, be it reverently said, there is a yet higher and yet more sacred influence than that of either nature or of woman, and whose presence tells us what that is, where he says that Cædmon learned the art of poetry, not from man, nor of men, but from God. Thus, alike by the limitation of his requirements, by his rustic familiarity with the aspects of nature, by the elevating influence of woman and, finally, by his lips being touched with hallowed fire, Cædmon may serve and stand as the type of the English poet. That is the justification, if any be needed, of this exquisite memorial. Stress has been laid, and rightly laid, on his being a Christian poet. A poet is perforce and inevitably religious. By religious I do not mean dogmatic, much less disputatious; but his nature is steeped through and through with religious sentiment, the spiritual expression of which is an abiding sense of the infinite harmony that reconciles our definite discords, and whose practical fruits are intellectual humility and tender toleration. What more can I say? You have listened to me with kindly patience, and I must not try your indulgence overmuch. But I like to remember, and perhaps it will not be unwelcome to you to be reminded, that at the southernmost, as this is the easternmost, coast of England, there was recently unveiled another cross to another English poet, Cædmon's distant descendant in the tomb, the never-to-be-forgotten author of "In Memoriam." When he passed away he left in our hearts, and in our ears, a great sense of loss. But in this heaven-favored land, still seem to hear "a thousand blended notes," the melodious voices of those who still carry forward the tradition of English song; my living compeers, my brother singers, to whom, from the base of Cædmon's cross, stretch my hand in fraternal sympathy and admiration.

ARKONA.

Arkona, Oct. 5.—Mrs. (Dr.) Teasdale and son, formerly of this place, now of York street, London, are here at present visiting old friends.

Mrs. D. Black is visiting her sisters in town and vicinity.

Mr. Charles Dickinson, of St. Louis, who has been the guest of his father and brother for some time past, is still here.

M. L. Kenzie, of Forest, spent Sunday with Arkona friends.

Rev. Dr. Willoughby, Exeter, father of Mr. Dr. Watson, is here on a visit at present. Mrs. Willoughby has been here for some time, but is in Alvinston at present.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Towns have begun housekeeping in the home lately vacated by Mr. D. Love.

Arkona String Band furnished the music in the Forest dancing hall on fair day. Quite a number from town attended the Thorold fair on Friday.

Miss M. Everest, niece of G. M. Everest, who has been visiting here for the past three months, left on Wednesday for Forest, where she will spend a short time, then go to Port Huron, from which place she will join her father in the Southern States.

Mrs. Emerson Neff, of Fern Hill, La., who wheeled from her home, and spent last week with relatives here, returned to her home on Saturday evening, accompanied by the Misses Nelson and Parcher, and Mr. E. B. Cutler. The young people returned Monday evening and report a fine trip and wheeling good.

CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma, all Throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints. Having tested this wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, and desiring to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge to all who wish it, this recipe in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. NOYES, 520 Powers Block, Rochester, N. Y.

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We would willingly have others perfect, and yet we amend not our own faults.

Doctors Agreed.

Every doctor who has been shown the formula of Merrill's System Tonic has expressed great admiration for its scientific and medical ingenuity. It is a thorough blood purifier, a great muscle, blood and tissue builder, and an excellent and permanent cure for constipation. Fifty pleasant-to-take doses 50c. Sold at W. T. Strong & Co.'s pharmacy.

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ITCHING PILES

Absolutely and Permanently Cured by Dr. Chase's Ointment.

Mr. James A. Bowles, member of Embro Council, Embro, Ont., makes the following statement: "I was troubled with bleeding piles for over fifteen years, and was so bad at times that I had to give up work. I suffered untold agony, and the piles would bleed and prude. I had tried most everything that is advertised, without obtaining relief, and was recommended by Mr. R. W. Duncan, druggist, to try Dr. Chase's Ointment. Relief came with the first application, and after the third day bleeding stopped. After using two boxes I am completely cured, and can say that I would willingly give \$5 a box, if necessary, for Dr. Chase's Ointment. I can heartily recommend it to all suffering as I have from piles."

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