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PUBLISHERS' NOTICES.

We had hoped to present our readers, this week, with a double page engraving of the Ontario Parliament; a full page engraving of St. James Cathedral, Toronto; engravings of No. 2 Company of Infantry and officers, and the Royal Yacht Club house, as announced in handbills and in previous issues. But like the farmers, we depend greatly on the weather, and a series of dark rainy days has greatly retarded our work. We had therefore to change our programme for the present issue. The engravings mentioned will, however, soon be ready and will appear in due course.

We have commissioned an artist, Mr. Charles Gall, to take a trip through the Eastern Townships, visiting the principal points, such as Granby, Knowlton, Waterloo, Farnham, Stanbridge, Magog, Phillipsburg, Richmond and many other places. He will take views of interesting points, towns, public buildings, etc., and make arrangements for photographing and engraving factories and private residences of note, with a view to publication in this journal. Mr. Gall is also authorized to take subscriptions to THE DOMINION ILLUSTRATED, and we look for a large and influential list from the Eastern Townships.

Now that our artists have had their holidays, and that most of the R. C. A.'s have returned to their studios with portfolios full of interesting sketches, we hope to receive from them many drawings in fulfillment of the generous promises made us at the inception of THE DOMINION ILLUSTRATED. So far, the contributions from this source have been few; but the public knows that summer is the harvest time of the artist, when he gathers materials for his winter's work. Now, our readers will be looking for some of the results. Let us hear from you, good friends.

From artists and photographers, professional and amateur, in every part of Canada we ask coöperation. Send us photographs and sketches of general and local interest. In these days of instantaneous photography, when KODAKS and other cameras are in everybody's hands, and pictures of every kind are so easily obtained, we should have views of every occurrence of any note; prints of camp scenes, sporting by lake and stream, in forest and moor; rural life, farm work, lumbering and other things too numerous to mention, pouring in on us from every quarter, so that we would have the *embarras du choix*. And then, the amateur would have the satisfaction of having his work reproduced facsimile, and of imparting some knowledge and pleasure to thousands of readers in every province of the Dominion, and even in the United States and England.

Correspondents sending manuscripts which they wish returned, if not accepted, are requested to enclose stamps for return postage.



We had an interesting paper, last week, on the two Chatauqua systems—the American and the Canadian. We may add to the information contained therein, that the Hon. G. W. Ross, Ontario Minister of Education, made a speech at Chatauqua Park, on Dominion Day, of which sufficient notice has not been taken. Mr. Ross spoke like a patriot and a true Canadian, and we put a sample of his utterance in a separate paragraph.

"We have a vast extent of territory; in shipping, we are the fifth power in the world, being ahead of France, Russia, Italy and some of the other great powers; we have the longest line of railway on earth; in every way we are holding our own, with nothing to be ashamed of, and everything to be proud of. Those now living might see this country a nation, powerful among the nations of the earth." That is the way to talk, unheeding the claims of party, which are available only in their place. Mr. Ross' forecast will be fulfilled. Before this century is over, Canada will stand fourth or fifth among the nations in her material progress and resources.

We have several times called attention to fruit as an article of food. Beside the examples already given, we may, from personal knowledge, recommend the banana as wholesome and nourishing. One pound of banana is said to be as nutritive as one pound of meat. It may also be looked upon as condensed milk, its composition being seventy-four per cent. water, twenty per cent. fuel, five per cent. flesh-former, and seven-tenths per cent. mineral; while milk contains eighty-six per cent. water, nine per cent. fuel, four per cent. flesh-former, and seven-tenths per cent. mineral.

There are periodical upliftings of the veil which throw sad light on our boasted civilization. A New York Legislative Commission makes a report on the Onandagas, one of the legendary Five Nations, who still dwell in their old haunts near Syracuse. The tribe numbers 600, and the reservation is of 7,200 acres, with only 100 under tillage. The men have no more heart for work of the hands than they had one hundred years ago, when they roamed over this same valley, with tomahawk brandished on high.

But this is not the worse of the Indian story. The tribe is divided into so-called Christians and Pagans, with the latter in the majority. Among them there is no tie of wedlock, and women are taken up and cast off, as rags, at the whim of the Pagan brave. It is further said that old heathen ceremonies, and of the vilest description, are still observed, and the whole condition of the people is most deplorable. Surely we do better than that in Canada by our Indians.

Here is a proof of it. The *Little Joker*, a paper published at Battleford—only it should change its name—gives an encouraging view of the Indians—Crees, we imagine—and other tribes of the Upper Saskatchewan. They are devoted to stock raising and farming operations generally. Their crops are all looking well, and there can be no better proof that the Indians themselves have trust in the future than their purchasing, with their own money, farm implements and stock.

The following table will show the number of acres put in crop by each band, and the implements purchased by themselves out of the money they have saved:—

Name of Band.	Acres in Grain.	Acres in Roots.	Wagons.	Mowers & Rakes.	Reapers.
Moosomin's.....	120	15	1	1	1
Stoney.....	62	30	4	0	0
Poundmaker's....	135	12	0	0	0
Little Pine's....	93	15	0	0	0
Red Pheasant's..	128	16	0	1	0
Sweet Grass'....	154	25	1	0	0
Thunder Child's.	137	20	0	0	0
Total.....	839	133	6	2	4

On the other hand, the St. John's *Evening Gazette* comes out with the complaint that there is a great deal of baby farming in the chief city of New Brunswick. Girls leave their babes and the town behind them, and the Christian tax-payer has to foot the bill. The hardship of the payment is not the thing to look at. The everlasting pity is the fall of the young woman, and the heartlessness with which shame impels her to abandon the fruit of her sin—often the more freely to sin again.

"The seven wonders of the world," given below, have been the study of M. Felix Beley, a French political economist, who estimates their cost, thus:

Panama Railway.....	\$12,000,000
Mont Cenis Tunnel.....	16,000,000
Andes Railway.....	30,000,000
St. Godard Tunnel.....	46,000,000
Suez Canal.....	100,000,000
Canadian Pacific Railway.....	120,000,000
Panama Canal (completed).....	180,000,000
Total.....	\$504,000,000
Against this the cost of the French-German war was.....	\$8,000,000,000
The American Civil War.....	8,000,000,000
Total.....	\$16,000,000,000

The comparison is like a beacon to the eye of the thoughtful lover of his kind. The seven great international enterprises just named cost in all about one-half of the amount paid by France to Germany for war indemnity; one-third of the sum spent yearly to maintain the standing armies of Europe; one-fifteenth of what it cost France and the United States for a single war; the hundredth part of the cost of European wars since Napoleon; and they have added fifteen or twenty fold to the peaceful and prosperous advancement of civilized nations.

The following list, from the *American Book seller*, shows how careful we ought to be in dealing with classic words. To translate the Latin names of towns, in old books and in catalogues, it must be borne in mind that Lugduni signifies Lyons; Lutetiae, Paris; Basileae, Basle; Venet. Venice; Bononiae, Bonn; Londini, London; Coloniae, Cologne; Oxonii, Oxford; Cantabrigiae, Cambridge; Lipsiae, Leipsic; Norimbergae, Nuremberg; Mediolani, Milan; Lovanii, Louvain; Amstelodami, Amsterdam; Antverpiae, Antwerp; and Lugduni Batavorum or Lugduni Bat., Leyden. For Latin scholars, this is very well, but for others accuracy demands the insertion of the preposition *at* or *in*, when translated, as all these names are in the genitive case, according to the classical rule.

We do not wonder that the English were somewhat sceptical at the revelations and discoveries which the Schultz Senate Committee brought to light, last session, on the immense resources of the Athabasca-Mackenzie valley. The *Times* was among the dubious. It has since received fuller information and published two lengthy articles.