

THE CHICKASAW

CHAPTER I

THE BORDER

In the latter part of May, 1777, near the close of a pleasant day a man well mounted pursued his way along the banks of the Ohio...

He had learned three things by his skill in Indian lore: that a party of whites had crossed him; that one of the Indians, at least, was a female; that an Indian—there might be one or more—had found their trail and was undoubtedly pursuing it with hostile intention.

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GURON SIGNAL

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THE GREAT NORTH-WEST

MEMORIAL OF THE PEOPLE OF RED RIVER TO THE BRITISH AND CANADIAN GOVERNMENTS, WITH REMARKS ON THE COLONIZATION OF CENTRAL BRITISH NORTH AMERICA, AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A GREAT NATIONAL ROAD FROM CANADA TO BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Believing it to be a duty, at the present crisis, to aid in directing the attention of Canadians to a subject of so much importance, we propose to recapitulate some of the arguments in favor of North West Extension. This seems the more necessary now, because it is obvious from the Memorial cited above, that if ever an effort is made to secure for British emigration, the most fertile belt on the Continent, immediate action must be taken, as we shall take occasion to point out.

The area of Agricultural land lying ready for settlement in the far West is truly immense. From Lake of the Woods to the Rocky Mountains, there stretches a highly fertile belt, 100 miles in width, comprising in all about 50,000 square miles. This computation is exclusive of poor tracts on either side, which may be, in the course of time, very valuable for pasturing purposes.

Such is the position of the North West Territory, that it is and has been shut out from the rest of the world in a manner which could not fail to render it almost useless as a field for settlement. What is wanted to open it up and develop its enormous resources is some means of communication capable of meeting the commercial requirements of a growing population.

A TROUBLED

We clip the following title from the War Telegrams:

"A drummer boy named Lavender French, in Co. A, 25th Mass., went into the light near Kingston, with a rifle, and captured 25 rebels and one lieutenant, unharmed, and isolated from his company. He found his prisoners in an ambush; they supposed he represented a large force, and he was able to capture them in possession of their arms, obliged his captives to walk before his leveled piece, and graciously submit to his imperative orders."

Let us see how master Lavender's story looks in the light of common sense. The rebels' sudden retreat because he had possession of their arms. Allowing even ponds for each gun, he would require to fill in his left hand a weight of 175 lbs., while the right was employed in leveling his own piece. Rather an awkward piece of business!

GLENGARRY ALL RIGHT! On Saturday, Mr. D. A. Macdonald was, as usual, recruited by acclamation for Glengarry—Globe.

THE AMERICAN WAR. Jackson, May 25. An officer who left Vicksburg on Tuesday morning, the 10th inst., says that the enemy had attacked our left and centre four times; the first attack lasted thirty minutes; the second twenty minutes, and the fourth 20 minutes. When the column of assault was brought up on Wednesday, the rebels leading the troops back and the column disappeared. On Thursday the enemy was engaged in the trenches, and the town well garrisoned and provisioned, and the reduction of such a place by siege is a slow and costly business.

THE MAGAZINES. HARPER FOR JUNE has been placed upon our table by Mr. Moorhouse of the Signal Book Store. The number is a first one. The first article, on the Indian Massacres in Minnesota, is invested with thrilling interest. The stories are lively, the continued tales, from first-class writers, are deeply interesting, and the drawer is crammed with amusing anecdotes.

EUROPEAN.—The Jura has arrived, but her news is quite unimportant. Considerable excitement was caused in England by a report that the Federals were recruiting in Ireland. The police are on the look-out for those engaged in the enterprise. The insurrection is going on in Poland with unabated vigor. Breadstuffs quiet.

Town & Counties.

Mr. Gelbraith, the well-known lecturer, is in town, and commenced last evening a course of his popular lectures. Mr. Duncan is out in an Address to the electors. If he is sound on the Leather Cuir, he will, no doubt, have a first-rate run.

COLD WEATHER.—After the intense heat of May, June has set in cold, rainy, and blustery, and gardeners are beginning to tremble for their tomatoes, beans, potatoes, &c. But we hope the storm may blow over without front.

A SAMPLE.—We have in our sanctum a few stalks of barley, placed at random from a field belonging to Wm. Young, Esq. of Colborne, which measure three feet in length. They were pulled on the 1st of June. This is something like growth.

Mr. S. C. Scott, the well-known river man, arrived on night from Young's Point on Sunday last. He has been with Grant's army and saw some of its operations. He says our forces are well prepared for any emergency on their rear, and that they were in the first spirits and were confident of their ability to capture Vicksburg, had not the rebels assailed the batteries and failed. When the Confederates attempted to plant a battery on the river bank, they were repulsed by the guns of the Confederates, which were brought rapidly to the river at Chickasaw Bayou, where there are sufficient boats to receive them.

Is President Lincoln a Victim of Spiritualism? From the Burlington (Ohio) Argus. When the clergyman of Argus waited upon the President of the United States he informed them that the proclamation for the freedom of negroes would be signed by the Pope against the comet; "but," says the President, "if the Lord desires me to do anything, I will do it." They were deeply interested in and responsible for not understanding well. They were simply Methodist. But Robert Dale Owen, who is a spiritualist, had a communication with the spirits, and the President is just, right, and of God. Judge Edmunds, on Wednesday, the 25th inst., was informed by a spirit that the President would be assassinated on the 25th inst. The President is just, right, and of God. Judge Edmunds, on Wednesday, the 25th inst., was informed by a spirit that the President would be assassinated on the 25th inst.

THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY. Though today a good thing never tires; and though the Report of our never-tiring devotion to our country may have no interest in our glorious Queen, still as your paper circulates largely in this vicinity, it may interest some of your readers. Bayfield, as you are aware, is one of the most picturesque places on the coast of Lake Huron, and the many miles of the Bayfield river through forests and ravines; and the noble expanse of Lake Huron, together with a gay breeze, were sufficient to attract the most ardent admirers of the Queen, and after a dinner a sketch that would do us Niagara and reveling in its delirious world lose his soul in fancy portals. Such is Bayfield and its glories. But all these beauties were largely enhanced on Monday last by the presence of the ladies from all parts of Bayfield, Bay, Godwin, and other towns, accompanied by buses, which manifested a keen desire to do justice "to the manor born" and were properly appreciated. The Games were the able Committee that had charge passed the most of the afternoon in the Hall, where the games were in the usual style, consisting, in part, jumping, running, hurdle race, high jump, throwing the stone, &c. The games were in the usual style, consisting, in part, jumping, running, hurdle race, high jump, throwing the stone, &c. The games were in the usual style, consisting, in part, jumping, running, hurdle race, high jump, throwing the stone, &c.

THE PERSONNEL OF THE GOVERNMENT. From the Hamilton Times. In their determination to oppose everything connected with the Ministry, the Opposition are not to be grossly misled. With them, the end sometimes means the means. They are not to be misled by the Opposition's retort, that the present Cabinet is essentially Scotch, and the inference drawn is that all other nationalities should oppose. Beginning with the inference, we hold that, if these gentlemen are consistent (vide Montreal Gazette and Toronto Leader), who hold that only a Tory can be a gentleman, they are in a position to support the doctrine that different nationalities must be represented in the Cabinet, we must give up all hopes of ever having peace and union. The bitter feeling that have been engendered and the difficulties that have arisen on account of the dividing line drawn between French and Anglo-Scotian citizens should be a warning to us not to endeavor to increase such national divisions. If it is done we must expect nothing but trouble, quarrels and final breaking up into fragments. Perhaps this is what the loyal Tory party desire to see.

EDITORIAL SORROWS.—Be an editor; be the devil be willing for eggs; six dollars do not write an article, and get a few sentences done. Then let a losing assistance drop is and begin to let your stories and the gossip (be it mentioned) to the Ministry would be acting wisely if they purposely ignored any nationality in filling up their ranks. So far they have done so. The men best calculated for the various departments have been chosen for the remaining offices independent of the country for which they hail.

Advertisements and notices on the right margin, including 'Fall Wheat', 'Surgical', 'The Count', 'W.M.I.', 'Boots', 'Caution', and 'Blank V'.