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KING & COMPANY,

THE MAMMOTH STORE, CALGARY.

FROM THE PEOPLE.

PROHIBITION AND LICENSE.

To the Editor of the NOR-WESTER:—
Sir,—Your P.D. made a slight error or two in my last letter.
Line 14 for "assures me," read "assured by" line 73 for "then," read "thus," line 77 for "whiskey to-day," read "whiskey today," line 102 for "too good of their daffy," read "too fond of their daffys."
It would seem arrogance on my part to have said "he assured me," as the Rev. was replying to B, and for the general public reading.
I note the Rev. gentleman wears the shield of a friendly spirit towards me as the head and tail of his letter, and then twists, turns, and misconstrues my letter, and tries to change my principles and character, in every shape and form, to suit only his own ideas.
He first objects to my using the word "controversy," but if I understand the English dictionary the word "controversy" applies to any one who enters into an explanation or argument, and the controversy on "Prohibition of manufacture and license to sell" is now general, and spread throughout Canada and America, and through his preaching a sermon on the above, he decidedly entered into a controversy with any one who liked to differ in opinion with him, and his attempt to slide out of it is only the old case of "splitting a straw."
As to his having twenty years' experience in temperance, only proves he has made very bad use of his time. I can remember some twenty years ago, (and probably before the reverend gentleman was in his swaddling clothes), when Father Mathew first opened the Temperance movement, and all honour and praise to his name I say; and I would persuade any man or woman to join the Temperance party that has not mind strong enough to keep them from perpetually abus-

ing the good things which a wise and bountiful God has given us for our use.
In Australia they term themselves "Rehabilitates," and members join on a twelve-months pledge, and whilst managing an hotel in a friend's absence, I have had men come in at the end of their year, on the spree, and as they could be whitewashed and re-admitted on payment of half a dollar, I have induced several to rejoin, and have gone to their secretary to tell him to hunt up his man, whilst in the humour.
If the reverend gentleman kept his eyes open he must admit the temperance movement has made great strides the last twenty years, and to such an extent in England late years, that the Chancellor of the Exchequer in his last budget alluded to the great deficiency in the receipts of the wine, spirit and beer duties, owing to the temperance of the people, and there is no need of total prohibition of manufacture and sale, and God knows the Colonial boys drink nothing compared with the John Bulls.
The reverend gentleman is in error if he imagines I call the temperance move "a sudden and radical change," but prohibition of manufacture and sale is most decidedly so, as for instance:
The news arrived lately of the death of the Hon. Mr. Bam, M.P., at the ripe old age of 85, and whose name as a good citizen and successful brewer of "Light Pale Ales," is as familiar as "Household Words," all over the world, and his sales are drunk by the millions also. In the account of his life, one of his officials added up the number of barrels his stock consisted of, and if put end to end, they would reach from his brewery to the city of London, about 200 miles, added to which he wrote a cheque daily to the government for malt duty of \$5,000. To carry on such a business as this, he had to employ a large staff of men, and thus the circulation of money in every direction was immense; but perhaps the reverend gentleman will ignore the fact of the barrels being

made by human hands, and like "Topsy," "they grew."
Referring again to a sudden and radical change, we will suppose the reverend gentleman to be the appointed "closure" of all beer and spirit manufacturers, and he appeared at Bam's brewery one fine morning, and with closed doors, he told all the workmen they could return home and find another job, would not this be a sudden and radical change for one and all? I ask the reverend gentleman for his reply to this.
And now, Mr. Editor, if you would favour us with your opinion on Prohibition and political power combined, it would interest your readers.
I am, yours faithfully,
W. J. COMPTON.
[We have been compelled to abridge Mr. Compton's letter because we think brevity is not only the soul of wit but it is the essence of all argument. We are not a prohibitionist, but we concede the right to a prohibitionist to live, move, speak, write, and have his being. We are familiar with all the old arguments, pro and con, and we cannot congratulate either of our correspondents on having advanced anything new. We believe that temperance should apply to all things, especially to debate or controversy.—Ed. NOR-WESTER.]

NOR-WESTERS.

Regina.

In our summer, magnificent weather since the Agricultural Show and very warm. See our meteorological report for last week.
Mr. C. Howson, of the Windsor, returned on Sunday night from a visit to Calgary, which he thinks is a pretty town. He admired the large stores there, as well as the horses which the inhabitants delight to drive about, and he says they have lots of fine beef in that country. The view of the snow-capped Rockies in the distance quite char-

med the visitor. He says there is no place worth calling a town between Regina and Calgary.
Mr. F. Fraser Timms has for a few weeks past been purchasing a large quantity of buffalo bones, which he is shipping to St. Paul, Minn., where they are used in the process of sugar refining and the refuse afterwards used for fertilizing purposes. Many of the bones are also used for making knife and fork handles, etc. They are collected from the surrounding prairies by Indians and half breeds, who cart them into town. Mr. Timms has already sent off eight car loads, weighing upwards of two hundred thousand pounds.
The suggestion of "Canadian" in his letter in the Montreal Gazette on the 40th anniversary of Sir John Macdonald's entrance into public life is being acted on. Funds are being raised to endow a chair of political economy in the Queen's University Kingston.
McLeod.
On Thursday week, the water in the Old Man's River began to rise, and by Friday evening it was impossible to ford it with a wagon, and the mail and any one wishing to cross had to be ferried. It kept coming up on Saturday, and the water again ran quite deep into the slough. Belly River, Kootenai and all the other streams in this vicinity were also swamping. The coach ferried this week, but found the river very deep. We have failed to discover a precedent for such high water at this time of the year. The water always comes up a little, but not worth mentioning. The only way in which it can be accounted for is the fact that there is a great deal of snow in the mountains, which has been melted by heavy rains up there, and under the influence of warm winds which have blown constantly of late.
The Roman Catholic Church has been removed to the new town site, and quite an

addition is being built. They tore it down on Monday, and on Tuesday had enough of it up to live in. The Rev. Fathers Legal and Van-Tighera did most of the rustling, and it may be remarked that they are good ones.
W. F. Parler is threshing his grain, which, from the size and general appearance of his stacks, will turn out a big crop. He had 1,500 bushels of potatoes.
Edmonton.
P. G. Laurie, proprietor of the Saskatchewan Herald, will leave Battleford shortly to take a position on the Regina Leader. Messrs. W. & R. Laurie will continue the publication of the Herald.
Cheques arrived from Regina for \$200 on Black mud bridge account, \$237 on Canningham's bridge, and \$200 in aid of the agricultural society. The promptitude with which these cheques were forwarded on demand is most satisfactory.
A report was in circulation here this week that Louis Reel had been shot when near Duck lake. The report turns out to be false.
The Edmonton Exhibition has been a great success.
Moosomin.
Moosomin is badly in want of a public weigh scales. The first car load of coal has arrived, and there is no means of ascertaining the quantity retailed through the town except by cubic measure, which is very tedious and unsatisfactory, both to buyer and seller.
Prairie fires are raging in every direction, and reports of losses of houses and stacks of grain and hay of over twenty different farmers.
A Foo Chow telegram says: A fight took place at Tonquin. Three thousand Chinese were killed.

The Winnipeg Times says: "The Ottawa Citizen, referring to Sir John's visit to England, says: 'A few Opposition journals are not yet satisfied that Sir John Macdonald's chief object in visiting England is to consult eminent physicians there. The most nonsensical rumours have been circulated, rumours manufactured out of whole cloth.' The truth is that upon Sir John's return from Riviere du Loup he was prostrated by illness and was obliged to consult the physicians both in Ottawa and Montreal. The advice given was that if certain treatment produced no favourable results, he should immediately consult Sir Andrew Clark. This he decided to do, only determining upon this course on Thursday last. The Times is doubtless well informed."
More Testimony.
A correspondent who has been doing the mountains thus gives his impression of Calgary to the Prince Albert Times: "Calgary is reached. Near to Strathmore there is a very large stock ranch, managed by Major General Bland Strang. On our journey thus far we passed several groups of Blackfoot Indians. I will say very little about Calgary as I observed a detailed and instructive account of it in one of the back issues of your valuable paper. But one thing I must observe is, the striking difference between Calgary of today, and the Calgary of a year or two ago. A handsome new town on the west side of the river has superseded and thrown into the shade the old frontier-looking collection of log huts, which was once the distinguishing feature of Calgary. The new town has a bright, airy appearance, with comfort and prosperity strongly marked on its face, while the old town is dotted with hardscrabble country all round it. It would take a very small stretch of imagination indeed to lead one to suppose he had suddenly been transported into some of the old settled parts of Lower Canada. The journey from Calgary to Mount Logan, a distance of 119 miles, was to us the pleasantest and most interesting part of our long trip."

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