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OUR MONTREAL LETTER.

Montreal, Nov. 15th, 1900.
DEAR REPORTER.—Someone has said somewhere, "you must take the people as you find them."

The people of Western Canada, that is, the majority of them, have a very wrong conception of the French "Habitant." I have heard it repeated that they are a low class of humanity. This is not the case, however, but very different. They are a clean, genteel folk, kind and obliging, manly, courteous, very reserved and, like the Scotch, peculiarly clamish. This was demonstrated in the recent campaign in Quebec. The French voted for French, irrespective of party or politics.

The manners and customs of the Quebec Habitant are very different from those of his western neighbor, and, in fact, you need not go out of the city of Montreal to notice the difference. St. Lawrence Main street seems to be the dividing line. West of this street, Montreal is made up of English speaking people of all sorts—gentlemen, dukes, merchants (retail and wholesale), bankers, broken, commission men, crooks, swindlers, embezzlers and abandoned "Yanks." It is the custom in the west end to watch out for crooks, street cars and policemen. East of St. Lawrence Main street is found the Frenchman in all his glory. The features are Frenchmen, moccasins, clay pipes, "whiskey blanc" (white whiskey), two wheeled carts, noise (which they call conversation), and French "tobac," which you may smell two miles and a half against the wind, but should the wind be in the "tobac's" favor they say the limit to scent its fragrance, which is very balmy, is Cornwall, forty-eight miles. It is the custom on the east side to dodge French girls, French men, French women, coal cars and board bills (if you can), but they had been beaten by other crooks so badly before my arrival I fear I shall be unable to be very successful at board dodging.

Every day is alike to the "Habitant." Of course on Sunday he goes to church, or mass, as they term it, and I might say that it is not necessary for him to look around very much to find a church. Churches in Montreal are not one here and there; no, indeed. There will be two here, four in the middle and six or seven over there. Some of the chief features of Montreal are its churches and its lazy ministers, all denominations being represented, that is, as far as the lazy clergymen are concerned, and like the most of other ministers in other places, they live by "gab" and interfering with other people's business. Let us hope for the day when we will get more out of those fine big well fed fellows than "gab." What fine stone-masons they would make, or anything that requires a lubber-lift.

Well, as I said, the Habitant goes to mass in the morning, after which everything goes on as if nothing serious had happened. He goes fishing, hunting, baseball and lacrosse games, dances, fights, plays "de fid"; goes to the Sunday theatres, music halls etc. On Sunday night he goes to "Sohmer Park," where a great round-up, so to speak, takes place, or a first class show for ten cents. At Sohmer Park there is a beautiful band which is called La Veign's Band. The musicians are mostly all foreign people. The large building will seat three thousand people, and when the program commences there is not standing room. It is open every Sunday afternoon and evening. Another chief pastime of the young or Frenchmen and "femme" (girls) is going out in the country for "teu hav' leete tam." From six to eight boys and girls will crowd into a coal cart to which is hitched a French pony, about two sizes larger than a whiskered billy goat, and away they'll go, bumpy-bump, enjoying the elastic springs of a soft maple cart-axle, and call it fun.

They all use carts. It is a rare thing to find a Habitant owning a four-wheeled vehicle. Should a farmer or a city carter be well enough off to own a team, he will not hitch his team together to a wagon, but instead he will get two carts, hitch a horse to each cart, drive one and tow the other. The hind horse becomes cute in time and will lag on the chain by which he is led, or at least towed, for I have seen them striding along on the pavement the lead horse doing all the work drawing both loads of coal, Habitant, extra horse and all. Should the tow horse be caught in his laziness, it is an occasion for French which I fear I dare not write, could I do so, but which he (the horse) seems to understand far

better than I ever hope to. You can always tell a horse that has been in tow by the length of his neck, and furthermore, there is a backward tendency to his gait.

The French language has many conveniences, one of which is the exclusive possession of Frenchmen. They can all talk at once and they do, especially the women. Talk about women talking! Sir, we are blessed when compared with the Frenchmen in regard to our women folks talking. The ordinary French woman can utter more words to the minute than a hungry redheaded woodpecker can put raps on a grub-containing hemlock stub on a frosty morning. We should congratulate ourselves that our good women do not talk French.

Sir, a few words about child labor in this city and I have finished.

My attention has been drawn to the number of children at work. You will see them at six o'clock in the grey, damp morning, with their scanty meal done up in a bit of news paper, hurrying to the factories. It does not seem so hard for the boys, but the slender little girls, rain or shine, feeling well or ill, going to work, the most of them in their early teens. They have to work ten hours a day, sixty hours a week, having to face a surly boss, a paltry wage, a scanty meal, a common and coarse raiment for what is but a bare existence. No wonder the price of virtue is so very low. I asked myself the question—"Could not something be done to better their ways and means—could not schools and places be provided where they might receive an education or a housekeeping training to fit them for future usefulness?" I think it would be doing God's work to convert some of those churches into schools and homes for poor and deserving girls. Thousands of dollars are sent out of this country every year to educate and civilize the heathen, and would-be educators, willing to accompany the dimes—would be educators, wearing a solemn, vacation face, and female saints with faces drawn and contorted through sanctimonious looks for the poor, benighted heathen until their countenances look like the skull and cross bones on a medical college flag, they cannot see the noble work to be done at home. Oh, ye of little worth, never mind the half-devil Chinese. I would not give one of our Canadian girls for a whole Pacific steamship cargo of their clout-colored, pig-tailed carcasses. Let us take care of our own deserving girls—they are the hope of our fair Dominion. There is a chance for some woman to leave her name immortal to the world through work in the city of Montreal.
CRAWF. C. SLACK.

The Prohibition Vote.

Asked as to his opinion of the effect of the prohibition vote in the recent election, Hon. Hugh John McDonald is reported as saying: "I am sorry to say that, judging from this election, what is commonly called the prohibition vote is a myth. I am afraid that the men who talk prohibition are first Liberals or Conservatives then after that prohibitionists. The result has proved that there is no such thing as purely prohibition vote. I believe the result also means a set back for prohibition, from which it will not recover within the next twenty years. Politicians are only human, we only learn by experience, and they are so human that my experience will teach them not to sacrifice themselves for the sake of a party which deserts them at the polls. The liquor men know where they stand, and no liquor man will sacrifice his interests simply because it is his party which is doing it. The trouble is the prohibitionists vote with their political party, and the liquor men, both Liberal and Conservative, vote and work against the party which favors prohibition. In the future the prohibitionists may thank themselves if neither of the great political parties consent to take up their cause." Mr. McDonald expressed his intention of resuming law practice, and says he will not re-enter local politics.

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