

## Canada.

Burr Ludlow Visits Manitoba, Assiniboia & Alberta.

Once more in Nobles Co. with as great a love for the homeland as ever. Why? Because it is as fine a country if not the finest on the little district called the "The Earth." Northern Lands are all right and Canada's lands are perhaps not overdrawn from description as there are great opportunities in that territory but land cannot be surpassed. To be sure we have winds but these have overlooked as soon as they have passed. We speaking editorially did not leave the vicinity because we had to, neither did we go in search of greener pastures but simply took the trip to see what country's our people were journeying to and to see what the speculative world was turning upon us. Although the notes taken and the experiences encountered, would fill a volume but little space can we devote to the trip as already the paper is filled for the coming week. Had our roller press been in business we would have devoted a page to what the land is in Northern Minnesota—Dakota—The Red River Valley and Canada from Winnipeg to the Rockies and North consisted of and what kind of a speculative outlook they contain but space calls for a brief account with all experiences with Indians and animals layed on the shelf.

The district between Minneapolis and Duluth is cleared pines and after the first 50 miles of the cities. The soil is sandy—very red but said to be rich and productive the greatest drawback is the continual appearance of stumps which must be cleared at great labor. The Hinkley district is an immense district of burnt stumps as far as the eye can reach. We met several who escaped from the great fire and who lost relatives in the awful flames. A visit in the city of Duluth would surprise many who had not been there, Ship building and shipping is a wonderful occupation unknown and not realized by the average in land farmer. Across the entire northern part of the state are pine forests and cleared timber lands with stumps and under bush covering that entire district. The land is gently rolling but inclined to be rather low covering extensive districts. At Staple we met an old townsman Martin Fagerness who is firing an the Northern Pacific. Martin entertained us royally while waiting between trains in his town.

Unfortunately that beautiful country in the Red River Valley has met a draw back in the fact that too great an abundance of water has fallen. The land is all that could be asked for but being flat as it is no drainage is in sight for the water to a moving channel. As a consequence very little seeding if any at all has been done. As the land is excellent the present prices will not drop but there will be a set back for a time. 30 miles north of Grand Forks the country is more rolling and the rain has not put the check on seeding so that crops are farther advanced. The district south of Winnipeg is well settled and land seems to be selling at about \$17 per acre. In trying here one should see the exact piece he purchases as the country varies materially and \$7.00 land may be within one mile of that selling at \$15.00.

Winnipeg is a wonderful city with modern improvements and business principles.

On spending Sunday in this city on the return trip we noticed that street cars ceased to run and all forms of business ended for the day. On going west the country varies in sections and settlements with gentle rolling areas. For the first hundred miles land varies from \$40.00 near settlements and the railroad, to 6 and 7 dollars farther back. South of Moose Jaw at Drinkwater where Hansberger and the Worthington people are making a settlement the country is more level but with sufficient slope for drainage. The soil is a deep black loam and raises immense crops when put to the plow. Pasture is good and the climate is

not colder than the Dakotas or Northern Minn. Cattle winter the year around without shelter. South east of Drinkwater 60 miles where our friend Mr. Jas Porter has invested heavily, the country lays about the same and will undoubtedly be a good speculation at from to nine dollars per acre. As we go west from Moose Jaw toward Medicine Hat the country becomes grazing land entirely and will probably always remain so as gravel and more rolling land is encountered as we near Calgary at the foot hills of the Rockies, Calgary is a town of several thousand inhabitants has good buildings and energetic people.

Fifty miles north of Calgary as we near Red Deer and Lacombe where our former citizen Will Key reside, the country gets better and is farmed considerably, increasing in settlement to Edmonton the limit of the Railroad north. This Edmonton country is a wonder and little world in itself. A town of 8 or 10 thousand with every modern convenience except street railways and these will go in soon. "Behind the times?" "Well I should say not." Styles which we ourselves can well follow and which do not fall short of the latest. Houses and places of business are large and mostly stone which gives a good appearance. Altho' the country and its people is new to the world it is old in itself with every resource at its door. Coal \$3 delivered. Four mills—Oatmeal mills, and Lumber mills. The climate is warmer than that of Calgary many miles, south due to the warm winds through the mountain passes and the country much farther advanced. Crops were all in and spring well along. This is a farming country with wonderfully rich soil and if seasons were longer would be the banner corn district of the world, but the shorter seasons put corn out of the farmers mind. Placer mining on the Saskatchewan River is carried on to some extent, and in the past has been a leading occupation. The districts are well settled near the R. R. and ranges from \$12.00 to \$15.00 near town to three dollars several miles back where settlements have not been made.

From our notes we could write a newspaper's space on each settlement but must make the finish. The trip into the mountains especially the stop at Banff was grand beyond description, and the swims in the natural hot sulphur ponds clear as crystal, surpassed our old time swim in Okabena Lake. The parks and mountains were beautiful with all kind of animals including a herd of thirty five head of Buffalo in the lower mountains inclosed within a stockade. In fact the whole trip from beginning to end was a pleasure as well as profitable and the only thing that kept us from remaining longer was time.

We have not purchased land there as yet and are not agents for same but if we give any information on the country climate or surroundings will be pleased to give what little we know concerning any district. And as we mentioned on the start that no land equals our home land still the country north and in Canada is in our destination a good speculation and atho' a new country will make a good home when it becomes built up. Manitoba, Assiniboia, and Alberta cover immense territories and the world still has place for increase of population, but one does not realize its extent until he cover some of its unoccupied space.

### THE BEST BLOOD PURIFIER.

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## Democrats Fix Date of State Convention.

Special to Advance. St. Paul, Minn., May 21, 1902. Democratic State Committee today decided to hold the Convention at Minneapolis June twenty fifth.

### WOULD MARRY \$75,000 WIDOW.

It requires some nerve but up to present moment that has been my heaviest asset, and the chance to rake in a cool \$75,000 doesn't come every day even to a newspaper man. Just think of it! That "ad" was so alluring:

"A beautiful young widow possessing \$5,000 in her own right, desires a kind, indulgent husband who will assist in looking after her property. Call at room 17, 84 Muldoon street, at 10 a. m. Monday."

I closed the paper and endeavored to be calm. The description fitted me exactly; it was a photograph. I am kind, I am certainly indulgent and nothing would suit me better than to assist in looking after property. Surely these many years of scrubbing along on the odds and ends of literature have fitted me for the job. That afternoon I dropped in on a friend in La Salle street and got his advice about investments.

I thought it was best to be prepared. It was with some difficulty that I succeeded in borrowing a spring suit from the city editor, but I was sufficiently desperate to hang on till he surrendered, and at 10 a. m. was the third man in the line that stretched up the stairway at 84 Muldoon.

I confess it gave me a pain to see the class of fellows who had answered that "ad." They were not in the least adapted to position, and I pitied the poor girl. But then I was so close to the head of the procession that it would soon be over, I was glad I came early so as to save her. The first in line entered the door at the head of the stairs, and we all moved up a step. He was a regular willy boy, with a red vest and mouthed a cane. Mentally I gave him five minutes, but he only required two. He came out somewhat hurriedly, a pained expression on his countenance and a tear in his eye. Evidently the widow possessed taste. The second man looked like a farmer, and had a fringe of whiskers under his chin. I didn't think he'd last long. After he disappeared I took my turn facing the door, and tried to count a hundred to still the throbbing of my heart. I had never been so close to \$75,000 before, and it rather rattled me. The farmer didn't show up for quite a while, and I was beginning to have a sinking sensation in the stomach, when the door opened a few inches, and a man stuck his head out.

"Come, step along lively now, No. 3," he said hoarsely.

Shoved by the fellow in my rear, I went in, and the door closed behind me. It was a big room, but somehow it hardly met my ideal of the boudoir of a \$75,000 beauty. But, then, she might be eccentric; it was a good sign, anyhow that she was not inclined to extravagance. I was eagerly scanning the dim recesses for a glimpse of the charming creature, when I was rudely shocked.

"Three dollars, please," said the man gruffly, and he held out his hand.

"But—but," I stammered, remembering that I only had five, and that my last week's board bill was yet in arrears, "I didn't know—"

"Oh, stow that," he interrupted sarcastically. "It's either put up or get out, and give the others a chance. Anyhow, you get the cash back if she doesn't cotton to you, and we've got to have some sort of guarantee that you mean business. Besides, what's \$3 amount to along side of \$75,000?"

That was a strong argument, and, with a sigh, I dug down and "produced". The next moment a curtain was lifted, and I was in the presence. Say, it as the event of my life. She may not have been

## The Golden Rule.

VISITORS BECOME BUYERS under the charms of Low Prices and High-Grade Goods, that are always found in this store. Inspection invited. The following for this week are some of the temptations for you to buy

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|---|-----|--|--------|
| Calicoes, 9c quality for only                     | 06c | Ladies Finest Percale Wrappers, elegantly trimmed, our price | \$1.98 |
| Elbernow LL Heavy Sheeting 7c grade, now per yard | 04c | Ladies Fast Black Hose, 10c grade now per pair               | 05c    |
| Good Grade LL Sheetings worth 6c yard, now        | 04c | Men's Turkey Red Handkerchiefs, 10c kind, each               | 03c    |
| Fine Bleached Muslin, 8c grade, for per yard      | 06c | Ladies Fine Percale Wrappers, the \$1.75 kind for            | \$1.25 |
| Fast Colored Shirtings, 7c grade for only         | 05c | Ladies Ready-Made Petticoats, worth \$1.00, now              | 50c    |
| Best Grade 10c Celluloid Collars, each            | 03c |  |        |

## GROCERY BARGAINS.

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|---|-----|---|-----|--|---------|
| Best canned Strawberries, Blackberries or Sweet Corn, 3 cans for              | 25c | Diamond "C" Soap for this week only—8 bars to a customer—8 bars for | 25c | Good Glass Tumblers, 5c grade—12 to a customer only— at each | 01c     |
| Yeast Foam, 3 packages for only   | 10c | Rex Lye, worth 10c a can, this week 5c a can; 6 cans                | 25c | Sioux Soap, this week 10 bars for                            | 25c     |
| Battle Ax, Spear Head, Horse Shoe or Star Tobacco, lb.                        | 45c | Fine Sardines in Oil, 5c cans for each                              | 03c | Mustard Sardines, large cans, 10c kind, for                  | 07c     |
| Dog Watch Smoking Tobacco, regular price 60c lb., cur price to close, per lb. | 40c | Alaska Salmon, the best, 2 cans for                                 | 25c | Best 20c Candy, per lb.                                      | 10c     |
|   |     |   |     | Lion or Arbuckles Coffee, 11c                                | 0-0-0-0 |

## Lace Curtains \$3.00 Per Pair Kind For \$1.98 Pr.

A full line of TINWARE at prices less than others charge. Great reductions in CROCKERY and CHINAWARE. Our large stock of HATS is going at 50c on the dollar. We also have on hand a full and complete line of Clothing, Boots and Shoes, Dry Goods, Groceries, Tinware, Chinaware, etc., and a full line of Tobaccos and Cigars.

## Golden Rule, THE STORE FOR BARGAINS.

### exactly all I had hoped--there was a trifle more pain than I admire, and the hair was somewhat warm. But with that picture hat and \$75,000; well, I saw my finish.

"You have come," she said softly drawing me down beside her on a faded sofa, "I presume, in answer to my advertisement. This is, of course, very embarrassing to me, but I must be frank. May I say, then, that your appearance pleases me greatly: I am sure I shall make no mistake in trusting you with my love."

That was, indeed, a moment of ecstasy. I could not speak, but held her hand, and planned a trip to Europe. "I really do not feel now," she murmured, and I was conscious that her hair brushed my cheek, "that I have any desire to see the others, now that I have met with you but Mr. Smith is such a strict business man that he will probably insist."

"But, surely—" I began, but was instantly interrupted. "Fear nothing, for I feel that you are my affinity, and I have already given you my heart. The seeing the others is merely a form which must be gone through with. But do not seek me again at this place. Tomorrow I will write you and tell you where to call upon me at my own home. And now until then, 'good bye.'"

For Sale—Eggs for hatching from farm ranged, prize winning Light Brahmas at 50c per 15 delivered to parties in town. Also a few L. B. hens at 50c. Mrs. E. F. Whitney 21st.

### RANSOM.

"Winter lingering chills the lap of May." This is true of these Minnesota prairies as well as of the rugged Alpine, heights of Switzerland of which Goldsmith sung. This season it is so, surely. The weather keeps very cool indeed for this season of the year. Mons Sorem is enough better to be around again. Mr. Sorem has set out about a thousand trees about his house this spring, which will add still more to the inviting appearance of his place which is already one of the most attractive and homelike in the neighborhood. It is time and money well spent.

Some pieces of grain are damaged quite a little by the hard winds we have had this spring. Oats seem too to be injured more than any other kind of grain, and many fields, it is thought, will not yield more than half a crop. The weather at present is, we should think favorable, and it is to be hoped the crops will be better than present appearances would indicate. Some grain, however, looks very well, and should the season be favorable, we may look for an average crop.

If one wishes to buy low priced goods he must expect to get goods of low quality. As a rule, things sell for about what they are worth, if there is any difference, the low priced goods are likely to be the dearest. Usually low price means low quality and goods of low quality are rarely cheap. If we want good articles we can have them if we are willing to pay for them and in the end they are the most satisfactory

and also the cheapest. These observations are suggested by observation and experience both.

The improvements that are being made on every hand is one of the signs of the general prosperity. F. F. Graves is putting an addition to his house, and also is putting in a new cellar; and Will Scott will shortly do just the same thing. Mr. Graves has also had a cistern built and Isaac Milton, too, is going to have a cistern and probably will make other improvements. It makes all the difference, in the world to farmers whether oats sell for 12 cents a bushel or 37, and whether corn sells for 20 cents or 50. We hope the good times may continue, but they are good while they last, any how, and we may as well make hay while the sun shines. Robert Shore.

### SUNDAY MEMORIAL SERVICE.

On the Sunday preceding Memorial Day the customary union Memorial service, will be held at the Presbyterian Church, beginning at 10:30 instead of 10:45 A.M. The following is the order of exercises:—  
Hayan's "Oward Christian Soldiers," Organ  
Cgregation  
Doxology  
Invocation  
Scripture Reading Rev Wilson Aull  
"Before Jehor's Awful Throne" Choir  
Prayer Rev. Thos Hamby  
"To Thee Country" Choir  
Hymn Sermon Congregation  
Rev. C. H. Curtis  
Prayer Rev. C. K. Bidwell  
"America" Congregation  
Benediction