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## "WESTWARD, HO!"

Editorial Trip to the Pacific Coast Through Canada.

ACROSS THE PLAINS

Welcome and Banqueted All the Way—Winnipeg to Banff.

(Continued from last week.)

Winnipeg was left at 4 o'clock Saturday morning. Portage la Prairie was reached shortly after 6 o'clock. This is a handsome little town of 4500 people, situated on the Assinaboine in the center of a rich agricultural district. After breakfast at three hotels, the party was taken out in the country for a carriage drive around the thrifty farms. The soil here is a black loam, very fertile, as the fine farms showed. Twenty miles from Portage la Prairie is Lake Manitoba, one of the great lakes of Canada, and north of Lake Manitoba is Lake Winnipegosis, where are undeveloped salt wells of great extent. There is plenty of good land in this section awaiting the settler. A noticeable thing in Winnipeg, and in fact all the larger towns of western Canada, was the wide streets. The principal streets of Winnipeg and Portage la Prairie are 132 feet wide. Main street in the latter city is a continuation of Main street in the former, and, as was explained, both are a part of what was the old hunting and teaming trail, and which was 1000 miles long. There is a large home for incurables at Portage.

Leaving Portage, many small places, consisting of a big elevator and the railway station, were passed. There are a good many stock farms in this district. A short stop was made at Carberry, an extensive grain market, and then on to Brandon through the valley of the Assinaboine, which is crossed shortly before reaching Brandon, on a fine iron bridge.

Brandon, one of the handsomest cities visited on the trip, has about 6,000 population, is a division headquarters, a great grain market, but is principally noted for two things—it has the Dominion experimental farm, and is the home of W. J. White, to whom the conception of the trip is principally due. Mr. White may be called press agent for the Canadian department of the interior. He is the owner of one of the Brandon papers. The Brandon experimental farm, situated just outside the city, was visited by most of the party. Supt. Bedford personally guided the visitors. All sorts of plants were growing and being experimented with. The farm has been of untold benefit to the farmers of the vicinity, revealing hitherto unsuspected possibilities to them. Near the farm is located the Indian industrial school, which was visited. Land near Brandon is held at from \$15 to \$20 per acre. Further out there is ample opportunity to homestead land, under laws about the same as those in this country. At Brandon standard time changes to mountain, one hour slower.

After leaving Brandon, and on the way to lunch at Virden, one of the happiest welcomes of the trip met us at Griswold, where there was but a short stop. The school children were at the station, with paper capes, collars, hats, etc. To an organ accompaniment, they sang several American songs. The names of Nelson and Dewey,

Sampson and Drake, were linked together on a banner. Mr. Speers, of Griswold, made a speech of welcome, and the mayor of the town read an address. A lot of Sioux Indians, descendants of the Sioux who committed the massacres of 1862 in Minnesota, were present. While the party were going westward from Portage a chorus was formed, which learned the English national hymn, and sprung it ever afterward, on the slightest provocation. The words of the song so dear to British hearts are as follows:

God save our noble queen,  
Long may she live and reign,  
God save the queen,  
Send her victorious  
Happy and glorious,  
Long to reign over us,  
God save the queen.

The yell of the association, which will confer a more or less doubtful immortality on its authors, Messrs. Mitchell and Luby, was as follows:

Rah! Rah! Rah!  
Wales and his ma!  
Editors! Editors!  
Min-ne-so-ta!

Before leaving Griswold "God Save the Queen" was sung, the yell given, and the train pulled out for Virden.

Virden was a surprise. The party was escorted by a bicycle club to the opera house, where a banquet, one of the best of the trip, was vigorously attacked. This banquet, gotten up by twenty-five ladies, of the Presbyterian church of Virden, would have done credit to a far larger town. The mayor read an eloquent address of welcome. The address was beautifully engrossed by Miss Mary Kennedy, daughter of Captain Kennedy of the Sir John Franklin relief expedition of 1852. The national colors of the two nations were skillfully drawn on the parchment. The address, which is characteristic of the speeches expressed everywhere on the trip, was as follows:

To the Members of the Minnesota Editorial Association:  
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—On behalf of the citizens of Virden we have much pleasure in welcoming you as the guests of our young and growing town. To do so would afford us gratification at any time, but you are especially welcome now when there is every prospect that closer relations are about to be established between the two great branches of the English speaking family.

We understand that your trip through western Canada is in the interests of the newspapers which you represent. During the journey you will see much of interest to yourselves personally, and much that will, no doubt, afford material for interesting and instructive reading to a large section of the people of the United States. It is through such visits as the present that a better understanding between two peoples will be most easily attained and we have no doubt that you will contribute your share towards this much to be desired end.

We regret that your stay among us is so short but we cannot allow the occasion to pass without congratulating you upon being citizens of that great republic, whose forces, both on sea and land, have within the last few weeks so distinguished themselves in the cause of freedom, by acts of valor and moderation, as to command the admiration and respect of the whole civilized world.

In conclusion we trust that your journey may be both pleasant and profitable, and that the impressions which you carry from here may not be the least agreeable of your trip.

D. McDONALD, Mayor of Virden,  
W. S. WILCOX, President Virden Board of Trade.  
Virden, Manitoba, July 9, 1898.

President Langum, of the asso-

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## FOUR OFFICERS NOW

Council Authorizes Appointment of Four Policemen.

AFFAIRS IN DISTRICT 39

Communication on Matters Relating to that School District.

The city council met in adjourned regular session Saturday evening. All present but Ald. Carlson.

Bills were allowed as follows:  
F. Colombe, mds. to poor..... \$ 9 12  
A. Raymond, work city hall..... 6 00  
P. W. Blake, mds. to poor..... 14 26  
F. E. Hall, board of equalization..... 18 00  
Geo. Coultas, special police..... 3 00  
H. Van Buskirk, special police..... 3 00  
M. Parks, same..... 6 00  
Chas. E. Vasily, board equalization..... 6 00  
J. Meusker, same..... 18 00  
W. B. Jones, putting in closet..... 25 50  
E. Broder, repairs..... 8 05  
McGill-Warner Co., file punch..... 2 50

Liquor licenses were granted to E. G. Anderson and V. Januzewski. Sureties for Anderson, L. Gaudet and L. Signor; for Januzewski, J. Schreiber and J. O. Viktor.

The mayor's appointment of Mrs. A. A. Joss, A. R. Davidson and F. A. Sumner as members of the library board for three years from July 1, 1898, was confirmed.

On motion moved and carried President Meuser appointed Aldermen Turner, Moeglein and Lane a committee to look up a more suitable location for Hose House No. 3.

The purchasing committee was instructed to get two copies of the city charter, one to be bound.

There was some discussion on the issue of bonds to take up the city's floating indebtedness. The city attorney said he thought it would be wise, in order that no question could arise if the bonds were issued, to take up the ordinance previously passed at the special meeting and pass it at a regular meeting. This was done without objection.

The council then passed a resolution increasing the number of police to four. Ald. Turner's was the only dissenting vote.

Peter Medved talked to the council about his permit to L. O. Wessel and M. V. Wetzel to put in a crosswalk. Mr. Medved said that the crosswalk would hurt the business of those at the street corners, and that it was not the province of the council to help one man's business at the expense of another. The corner property was assessed higher and paid more taxes and more rent because it was corner property. Mr. Medved said he would present a petition at the next meeting asking for the removal of the walk.

The mayor spoke to the council on the matter of licensing dogs. The council was in favor of some action being taken and the city attorney was instructed to look up the matter.

The council adjourned to July 30.

Affairs of District No. 39.

PIERZ, July 25.

EDITOR HERALD: We notice in last week's Herald that your correspondent of Pierz says that Joseph Virnig did not have his second naturalization papers and that therefore George Poser was appointed director of school district No. 39 to fill Mr. Virnig's place. It is true that Mr. Virnig did not have his second papers until the 12th inst., but we are a

little surprised to hear that the remaining two members of the board should have appointed a director. The fact is the people of the district knew it before the last annual meeting that Mr. Virnig was not a citizen and therefore they elected Henry Traut director. Mr. Traut received 28 votes, in fact all the votes that were cast for director. He tendered his acceptance and filed his official oath with the clerk of the district within the time prescribed by law. We claim that Mr. Traut is director, and we can substantiate our claim. We do not see how they could have gone to work and appointed one that suited them; probably better, but your correspondent says they did and it seems to us that he is right, because Mr. Traut's official oath was returned to him by mail last Sunday. We said at first that we were a little surprised, but when we look over the past action of the board we are not surprised at all. We did not intend to say anything about the past, because we were assured by a county official that all would be well after the annual meeting. But we see that they are traveling the same road that the board did heretofore, so we thought we would kindly ask them from what source they got the authority to appoint a director. Presumably from the same source that gave them, last year, the authority to change the sum of money voted at the annual meeting from \$75 to \$330; that gave them authority to declare a special meeting of the district, conducted by them, void, because the result did not suit them; that gave their ex-director, Jos. Vinig, two votes upon the same ballot, at the second special meeting, when the vote stood 22 to 22; and that gave them authority to have nine months of school taught when the district voted only eight. Now, gentlemen, let us know from whence you receive all that authority. If we have misrepresented you in the least degree, prove it to us, through the medium of these columns, and we shall retract it all, and apologize for the wrong done to you.

Yours for information,  
LEGAL VOTERS.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Kiewel, Thursday, July 28, a son.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. A. W. MacRae, Wednesday, July 27, a son.

See the Marks company before it leaves.

"Little Lord Fauntleroy" at the matinee tomorrow afternoon.

The Two Rivers Milling Co.'s mill is now in charge of John Weiner.

Flour dropped 50 cents a barrel Monday. The best grade is now \$5 a barrel; next grade, \$4.80.

W. W. Hartman went to St. Paul Tuesday on business, and visited relatives in Washington county before returning.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Landahl went to Chicago Wednesday. Mr. Landahl will attend the annual meeting of the Little Falls Improvement Co., of which he is agent.

The young ladies down east are having their bathing suits made of red, white and blue, in order to stimulate patriotism into the young men to "rally round the flag."—Ex.

W. H. Dinney has enlisted as a private in Co. G, Fifteenth Minnesota Regiment. Clarence Yetter, formerly of Little Falls, is a corporal in Co. D of the same regiment.

For a nice, light, white bread, use Royal Best Patent flour.

The statement of moneys collected from sales of state lands, shows that the sales in Morrison county, as noted in the June settlement, amounted to \$3362.79; for the June settlement in 1898, \$4,296.65.

Laura Williams, the colored girl who has been employed as domestic by several families here, left Wednesday for her home at New Orleans. Mrs. E. S. Smith accompanied the girl to St. Paul to see her started.

It is said that the call for the republican legislative convention will soon be issued. If the convention is held before the county convention, the feelings of several gentlemen in the court house will be greatly relieved.

The ladies of the Norwegian Lutheran church will hold their annual fair and sociable at the Close block next Saturday evening. They will serve lunch, and have a great variety of useful and fancy articles which will be offered for sale.

## THE GOLDEN QUEST

A Letter from Fort Sill in the Northwest Territory.

ACCIDENT AT GREEN PRAIRIE

Lad Kicked by a Horse Dies from the Injuries He Received.

Through the kindness of John Phillippi, of Pierz, we are enabled to publish a letter received by him from his step-brother, John Sehr, who left for the Klondike last winter. The letter is as follows:

Fort Sill Creek, N. W. T.,  
June 12, 1898.

DEAR BROTHER:

I promised you when I left Pierz for the Klondike that I would write to you and inform you about my trip. My last letter you received from Seattle, which I mailed February 5th, the day I started from there. Today, the 15th of June, I arrived at Fort Sill Creek, North-western Territory, and, remembering my promise to write to you, I concluded to do so at once. After leaving Seattle with the boat, my first stopping place was Fort Wrangell, where I bought my provisions and clothing, 1000 pounds. On the first of March I started for Skagway with the boat from where the overland route commences, and today, after a long and weary journey of three months and 15 days, I arrived at Fort Sill Creek. I still have 500 pounds of provisions left. A great many that came with me did not take provisions enough and have none now. When we started on the overland route there were between 4,000 and 5000 of us, but only about 500 got here. We had very pleasant weather. The temperature did not go below zero on the whole journey. At present it is almost as warm as in Minnesota. The sun shines all the time, night we know nothing of, which makes a very queer impression on one that is not used to it. For those that have no provisions, life is rather expensive. Flour and bacon cost from 50 to 75 cents per pound. Boats have not arrived here yet, but are expected every day. When boats arrive provisions will be much cheaper. The hardest time we had was when we crossed the mountains, about 5,000 feet high. When we reached the top we had to let our sleds down by long ropes. When we got to the valley again the snow was going away fast. The last 50 miles of our journey we had to make overland by carrying the provisions. I have never in my life worked as hard as I have during the last three months. If I should write you all I have experienced, it would take quite a large quantity of paper. I have a partner. We are building a boat with which we will sail to Dawson City. I intend to make a claim if I find one; if not, I will work. I have money enough to carry me through next winter. I will not give up hope as a "great many did." I have gone so far and will go farther. If there is anything to be made here, I want to know it. I will close for this time and let you know that, thank God, I have been well and in good humor so far. My regards to all of you. Your brother,

JOHN SEHR.

FATAL INJURY.

Boy Dies as Result of a Horse Kick.

Jesse Leyde, a lad of about 15 years of age, son of Henry D. Leyde, of Green Prairie, was kicked by a horse Sunday evening about 9 o'clock, and died of his injuries Monday night at 10 o'clock.

After the accident Dr. Millspaugh was called and reached the farm at 11 o'clock. The boy was unconscious, as he had been since he was kicked. There was a large fracture on the right side of the head and three scalp wounds. The doctor dressed the wounds and had the boy brought to the Little Falls hospital,

where he was operated on Monday morning. The depressed portion of the skull was nearly four inches in extent, and there were over a dozen fragments. The skull was trephined, and the pressure removed, but the boy could not stand the shock, and lingered until evening, when he died. The operation was a last resort, as there was scarcely a hope that the boy would survive.

The funeral was held Wednesday morning from the Episcopal church.

The family recently moved here from Idaho. The boy's father is in Oregon.

Attend the social given by the men of the Congregational church at the Close block tonight.

Joseph Lachance has presented a beautiful statue of the Virgin Mary to the Church of St. Francis Xavier.

Misses Maud Martin, Gladie Barton, Rose Vassaly and Flora Terry will attend the University teacher's institute which commences at Minneapolis next Monday.

Sauk Centre Herald: Sam Herbert visited Little Falls last week and took occasion to go through the Weyerhaeuser lumber mill and the paper mill. They are both model factories in their respective fields, and Mr. Herbert was as astonished as he was delighted to watch them in operation.

The mayor has appointed Andrew Swanberg patrolman.

J. G. Bourassa pleaded guilty on Monday to keeping his saloon open after hours, and was fined \$10 and costs by Justice Sheldon. Officer Andrew Swanberg made the complaint.

John Mischke was in from Buckman Monday with a load of hogs, which he sold to the Little Falls Packing Co. at \$3.75. Mischke lost a lot of grain recently by hail, about 80 acres being devastated. He began cutting this week.

Use Royal Best Patent, a flour that is always in the market.

Factory Inspector Moersch told the Minneapolis Times that the "absence of the genius hob" is particularly noticeable in these parts, and claimed that showed good conditions. The police escorted 57 of that genus out of the city one day this week.

Marks' Bros. company has entertained large audiences at the opera house this week, and maintained its reputation as one of the best companies of the kind on the road. The company contains several first-class artists, and the appreciative applause they have received is the best testimonial to their merit. If you have not seen this excellent company go before their engagement ends.

The Northern Pacific has placed an order with the Rodger Ballast Car company for 200 of their standard 80,000 pounds capacity ballast cars. These cars are to be filled with coal sides for use in handling coal during the winter season. They will be built under contract with the Wells & French company, and the delivery will be completed by Sept. 1. All are to be provided with the "commonsense" steel body and truck and bolsters for 80,000 pounds capacity cars.

ANYONE wanting WINES for the . . . . .  
**HOLIDAYS**  
Should call at the  
**California Wine House.**  
California Port and Sherry, at \$1.50 per gallon; Cal. Claret, \$1 a gal.; all kinds of liquors at wholesale prices.

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