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THE ROYAL VISIT.

Interesting Features of the Duke and Duchess' Tour of the West.

His Royal Highness Shot Fifty-Two Ducks in Half a Day.

The Duchess Interested in Operations of a Threshing Machine and a Flour Mill.

York Lodge, Lake Manitoba (via Poplar Point), Oct. 7.—Yesterday and today were probably the most informal spent by His Royal Highness the Duke of Cornwall and party since they began their tour through Canada. After arrival at the lodge last evening the party partook of a splendid dinner, served in banquet style in a marquee erected for the purpose, immediately adjoining the cottage occupied by his Royal Highness.

The arrangements made by Senator Kirchhoffer for the entertainment of his guests were perfect in every detail. At a very early hour this morning the camp was astir, and the canoes carrying the distinguished sportsmen were under way to the haunts of the wild duck. There were in all seven canoes, and each chose a different route, a capable guide or a veteran duck-hunter taking charge of each boat. The well-known hunter and trapper, John Atkinson, handled the paddle of the canoes carrying the Duke and his valet. The morning was an ideal one for duck-shooting, the sky being slightly clouded and a light breeze blowing, and the party took every advantage of the morning flight. For five hours the sound of the guns could be heard from every part of the big marsh, and shortly after 10 o'clock the canoes arrived at the lodge.

The first to land was the Duke, and, although there were no cheering crowds to greet his arrival, this did not appear to depress his spirits, for the excellent morning's sport and splendid luck had thoroughly delighted him. Lord Minto, Sir Charles Cust, Prince Alexander of Teck, Major Maude and Senator Kirchhoffer arrived in quick succession, and the duck-laden canoes were landed. As a result of the morning's sport nearly 200 ducks, which number included all varieties known to Manitoba hunters, were brought in, and in addition to this number numerous birds were shot but could not be secured because of the impassable marshes.

His Royal Highness proved himself an excellent shot, bagging 52 birds, and of the adventurous ducks coming within range of his unerring aim few indeed escaped. He expressed great pleasure and was enthusiastic over the outing. Early this afternoon the party started out again to remain until sundown.

The Duke was so much pleased with the duck shooting that he went out again this morning and did not leave the lake until time to catch his train. The total bag is 742 ducks and 70 snipe.

DUCHESS AND THE THRESHER.

Winnipeg, Oct. 8.—It would have been too bad if we had visited the granary of the British Empire without seeing its grain. But we did not, for, while we were waiting at Poplar Point for the Duke and his party to join us, the Duchess paid a visit to a threshing machine, which was at work in a field adjoining the siding upon which the royal train lay.

The threshing is in full progress in the Province. We ran through miles and miles of wheat fields, where the stalks lay as thickly as they well could. The threshing machine in question was on the farm of William Bond, and the way in which the ponderous machine took mouthfuls of sheaves and spat the straw from its long proboscis, while carefully depositing the grain in a bag, was a revelation to the majority of us. The Duchess, who has a quite plebeian interest in threshing, stood so close to the machine, putting questions to Farmer Bond, that she was soon almost as dusty as himself. It was really one of the most curious pictures that we have seen on this trip, the royal and stately lady, in her perfect-fitting garments, face to face with the bearded and grizzled prairie

farmer in his homely tweeds. Her Royal Highness thrust her hand in the bag as it came from the hopper, and carried away a handful of No. 1 hard wheat as one of the memorials of her trip.

ROYAL SIMPLICITY.

The more one sees of this royal couple the more one is struck with the unostentatious simplicity that characterizes their doings. In all ceremonials there is of course, a measure of awful formality, but, so far as I can see, it is mainly confined to the staff, who maintain it in a professional way. As has been already hinted in these despatches, the costumes of the Duchess are simplicity itself, in which, no doubt, the necessity of semi-mourning colors contributes. She is one of the fortunate few, however, to whom the question of costume is quite a secondary one. It is dangerous ground for a mere man to venture on, but when I say that her Royal Highness has a figure of the most exquisite lines, I am only repeating what everyone who has had the good fortune to see her has testified to, and it must be said that it was never seen to any better advantage than when strolling through Farmer Bond's wheat field today. While on the subject of costumes, it might be said that the males of our party seem to have had more trouble with sartorial questions than the ladies have had. We have all studied the subject deeply, and have arrived at sure ground, when we have laid down the maxim that a pair of white flannel trousers, a frock coat and a shepherd tartan peaked cap is not de rigueur.

At Winnipeg some members of our party, considering that in the wild and woolly everything went, appeared on the scene minus their silk hats, and some equestrian-general, or equally high authority, beheld the spectacle with horror and amazement. At all events, an intimation reached the proper quarter that such practices were viewed with pain. Well, that seemed all right until we came to Banff, when the Duke himself appeared on the platform in a billycock hat with a small purple feather in it, and the members of the staff mostly in stowassers and other habiliments suitable for horseback. Some of the wisest clothing guys were caught asleep, and we heard on the platform one horrified gentleman say: "Look at — with a frock coat and silk hat on!"

DUCHESS IN A FLOUR MILL.

Winnipeg, Oct. 9.—Upon the arrival of the Royal train here last evening at 5 o'clock their Royal Highnesses were welcomed by Lieut.-Governor McMillan, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Mayor Arbutnot, the City Council and F W Thompson, General Manager of the Ogilvie Milling Co.

After a brief halt at the depot, the Royal train proceeded about half a mile further and stopped directly behind Ogilvie's big flour mill, the largest in the British Empire, which the Duchess had personally requested to be allowed to inspect after eating of buns made from Ogilvie flour, at Banff. The Duke being wearied after his hunting trip, remained in his car, but the Duchess armed with an umbrella and clad in a neat close fitting tailor made gown of black serge, walked along by Mr Thompson's side chatting and laughing with keen delight of a school girl at every new sight.

Noticing a fine moose head boxed up ready for shipment in the back yard, the Duchess stopped to examine it with admiration. Upon being informed that it was intended for the Duke she laughed and said artlessly: "I was just thinking what a nice memento of Winnipeg." On entering, she registered in her plain firm hand "Victoria Mary." She watched the

immense machinery on the first floor for some minutes with deep interest.

Mr. Thompson then suggested that she take the elevator to the next floor. Looking archly at Mr. Thompson, the Duchess naively remarked "Oh! not for me, thank you. Unless you are tired we will walk," and she tramped up each stairway to the top floor, ten flats in all with unabated zeal.

On the way down the Duchess, whose face was quite flushed with the exercise, expressed her pleasure and said that everything was so lovely and clean she would doubly relish Ogilvie's flour made from Manitoba wheat in the future. On returning to the car, the Duke greeted Mr. Thompson and the Duchess remarked, "I have had a lovely visit and have arranged with Mr. Thompson to have his flour sent regularly to us in London."

A funny incident occurred as the Duchess was leaving the mill. At every point was a mixture of Hebrews, Galicians, Dookhobors, Swedes, Hungarians, Norwegians, Italians, Poles, Russians, French and Anglo-Saxons, all of the poorer classes, whose houses are in the neighborhood. All unnoticed, a little Galician girl had clamoured on top of the gate through which the Duchess must pass. All too late a guard noticed the agile little trespasser who was arrayed in a coat of many colours, after the custom of her people. He hastened to remove her, but the young urchin clung to her point of vantage and kicked and screamed in lively fashion. The Duchess took it in at a glance, and with a face beaming at the humor of the situation said, "Tell him to leave that little patriot where she is, she understands the British principle of 'What we have we'll hold.'" As the gate swung open with the little vixen, the Duchess plucked a rose from a bouquet she carried and handed it to the child who laughed in great glee.

A childless home is a cheerless home. The maternal instinct exists in every woman, and when it is ungratified she is deprived of much of the happiness of life. It often happens that childlessness is due to some cause which can be removed, and often is removed by the use of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. The vigor and vitality which this remedy imparts to the delicate womanly organs, puts them in a condition of normal health, the lack of which is often the sole obstruction to maternity. Every woman should read Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser, a book containing 1008 pages and 700 illustrations. It is sent entirely free on receipt of stamps to pay expense of mailing and customs. Send 31 one cent stamps for the paper bound volume, or 50 stamps for cloth covered. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, 663 Main Street, Buffalo, N. Y.

A bag of gold coin valued at \$580 has disappeared from the Toronto custom house.

Poor Girl, Pity Her.

Growing! Yes, into weakness, but not strength. Studies—plenty of them. Tired, of course she is, and weak too. Does not eat enough, and digests far less than enough. This condition is so frequent, but how seldom noticed even by fond parents. Give her Ferrozone then watch her appetite improve, her cheeks and lips grow ruddy, her step elastic, her spirits buoyant. All this simply the result of eating and digesting enough, making blood, and thereby strengthening the nerve and brain power. Ferrozone gives a woman's strength to weak girls. Your daughter or wife needs Ferrozone. Get it today.

Canadian sheep swept the boards at the Pan-American just as Canadian cattle did. Canadian sheep captured \$2,452 in prizes, while the United States sheep, though entries were far more numerous, only won \$1,390.

The Cause of Hay Fever.

It's a microbe that floats in the air, gets into the throat and lungs, develops rapidly, excites inflammation, &c. The cause is as simple as a thistle in the finger. Extract the thistle, away goes the pain. Destroy the Hay Fever germ—you get well. That's why Catarrhzone acts so marvelously in Hay Fever. Its fragrant vapor to you brings cure, but to the microbe death. Catarrhzone is as quick to act on these microscopic organisms as lightning. Prevents as well as cures, and is always successful. Druggists 25c and \$1.00, or Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont.

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CLOSING SESSIONS

The New Brunswick Sunday School Convention's at an End.

ADDRESSES BY REV. J. D. FREEMAN AND DR. CLARK.

The Latter Gave Some Advice to The Pages.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AND OTHER BUSINESS TRANSACTED.

At Wednesday morning's session of the New Brunswick Sunday School Association, the report of the nominating committee was submitted and adopted as follows:

President—Rev A M Hubley, Sussex.
Field Secretary—Rev A Lucas, Sussex.
Secretary—Miss J B Robb.
Treasurer—E R Machum.
Supt Home Dept—Robert Reid.
Supt Normal Dept—Rev J H McDonald
Supt Primary Dept—Mrs D A Morrison
I B R A Supt—Alex Murray.
Supt Temperance Dept—Mrs T H Bullock.

The following are the vice presidents for the several counties:

Albert—Rev Stanley Young.
Carleton—F J Parsons, Woodstock.
Charlotte—G S Wall, St Stephen.
Gloucester—Mrs J Ferguson, Bathurst.
Kent—Alex Mundle.
Madawaska—Rev L Bouchard, Edmundston.
Northumberland—S McLoon, Chatham.
Queens—Isaac Vanwart, Hampstead.
Restigouche—D C Firth, Campbellton.
St. John—C F Baker, Randolph.
Westmorland—A S Trites, Moncton.
York—C A Sampson, Fredericton.
Sunbury—Dr A J Murray, Fredericton Junction.

Victoria—Wm Low, Kincardine.
Westmorland—J S Trites, Moncton.

The following were appointed members of the executive: R G Haley, Andrew Malcolm, Rev J D Freeman, T S Simms, W J Parke, Rev R Morsen, Rev R W Weddall, Rev A H Foster, Rev Geo Steel, Willard Smith, Rev D Long, St John, and H A White of Sussex.

The report of the home department was read by Robert Reid, of St John, showing faithful work during but a falling off in membership. The report was received and referred to the audit committee.

This was followed by an open conference on the home department.

Mrs T H Bullock took the platform and resumed the temperance conference, which was unfinished the previous day. Several county superintendents gave encouraging reports from their counties.

Next came a round table discussion on supplemental work, banner schools, etc., led by Dr. Clark.

The report of the International bible reading association was read by Mr Lucas in the absence of the superintendent, and adopted. The meeting then adjourned.

At the afternoon session the report of the committee on change of lessons was read and adopted section by section.

A generous donation from Hon A F Randolph towards lifting the debt of the association was reported by Rev Mr. Lucas.

Rev George Steel then presented a report on the work of the Lord's day alliance to the convention. We have, said he, a Provincial Lord's day alliance and we have formed in the city of St. John a city Lord's day alliance, and are aiming to form others in all our cities and towns. As citizens we believe we have a right to agitate for the passing of public laws to give to us a quiet Lord's day free from work. A reasonable working act has been placed on our statute books and should be enforced. Pleasure and commerce are pressing hard on the sanctity of the Lord's Day, and we want to bring this fact before all our Christian workers in the province. We must seek in every way to extend an intelligent, strong opinion in favor of this act against work on the Lord's Day.

A motion that the matter be referred to the resolution committee was carried.

The next hour was taken up with a very helpful workers' conference conducted by Dr. Clark, after which an adjournment was made to the vestry,

where Mrs. D A Morrison gave a primary lesson.

An invitation for the convention to meet in St. John next year was read and accepted.

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The Cause of Dyspeptic Pains.

They arise from the formation of gas owing to improper digestion. A very prompt and efficient remedy is Polson's Nerviline. It relieves the distention instantly, and by its stimulating action on the stomach, aids digestion. Nerviline cures dyspeptic pains by removing the cause. Nerviline is also recommended for cramps, colic, summer complaint and inflammation. Sold in large 25c. bottle everywhere.

The militia department learns by cable from England that a plant for the manufacture of live shells, which is to be added to the equipment of the dominion arsenal at Quebec were shipped to Canada. At present the arsenal turns out iron shells for practice by artillery, and also rifle ammunition. When the new plant is installed the arsenal will produce live shells, made of steel, for use in active service.

Anyone troubled with boils, pimples, rashes, festering sores, or any chronic or malignant skin disease, should use Burdock Blood Bitters externally and take internally. It will cure where others fail.

An official report shows that British casualties in South Africa from the beginning of the war to September 30 were: 548 officers and 5,823 men killed in action, and 1,529 officers and 28,032 men wounded; 365 officers and 9,177 men are classified as missing or prisoners, of whom 354 officers and 8,471 men have either been released or have escaped. The deaths from disease and accident numbered 10,738.

Don't Forget About Your Corns

If they give you pleasure and you have them as an adornment don't apply Putnam's Painless Corn and Wart Extractor for in twenty-four hours they would be entirely removed and their beauty destroyed. Now this is known to nearly everybody, including your druggist; ask him if it is not so.

The apple shipments from Nova Scotia this year is estimated at 300,000 barrels. Good prices have been obtained for recent exportations.

THE LIQUOR HABIT.

Rev. J. A. McCallen's Lecture.

On the occasion of a lecture delivered before a large and appreciative audience in Windsor Hall, Montreal, in honor of the Father Matthew anniversary, Rev. J. A. McCallen, S. S., of St. Patrick's church, and President of St. Patrick's Total Abstinence Society paid the following grand tribute to the value of Mr. Dixon's new discovery for the cure of alcohol and drug habits.

Referring to the physical crave engendered by the inordinate use of intoxicants he said: "When such a crave manifests itself there is no escape unless by a miracle of grace, or by some such remedy as Mr. Dixon's cure, about which the papers have spoken so much lately, and if I am to judge of the value of the Dixon remedy by the cures which it has effected under my own eyes I must come to the conclusion that what I have longed for twenty years to see discovered has at last been found by that gentleman."

Full particulars regarding this medicine can be obtained by writing to Mr. Dixon, No. 81 Willcocks Street, Toronto, Canada.

Northumberland's oldest inhabitant, Mr. James Hurley, of Barnaby river, passed away on the 26th of last month. He was born in Cork county, Ireland, and was 103 years old.

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Men and boys white dress shirts at Lucy's of the newest and best makes.