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EDITORIAL.

We rejoice with the Vice President of the World's Pharmaceutical Congress, Mr. L. W. Yeomans, on the degree of Doctor of Pharmacy, recently given him by Trinity College Toronto.

We heartily thank the members of the Clan who so kindly have sent communication for "The Seaview Gazette," with such food, our little monthly will not live merely, but grow, and become a little power. "Great oaks from little acorns grow, etc., etc.

"A visit to the Imperial House of Commons," by J. A. S. Burns, and, "Classical Instruments," by F. H. Y. will appear in our next.

It is evening of the day for the publication of our monthly; and no items, save the Belleville, have been received. Dear members of the staff are you not aware of the importance of your position? I will tell you that the greatest interest and pleasure in connection with the SEAVIEW is centered in the many little views of home life that are found only in your contributions.

Halloo! you man from Texas, and you from the land of the Dakotahs, and you in darkest Africa, and all the others who have been silent so long or never spoken. Respond! We are starving for news from you. Please send a full budget the day before our next issue.

TORONTO.

Mrs. Stewart Donald and daughter are visiting at 8 Madison Ave. The baby is a bright intelligent child and is much appreciated by his uncles and aunts.

Mr. and Mrs. Wanless have returned from Chicago, having had a most delightful trip.

Miss Alice Burns, of D'Arcy Street, is visiting in Galt where she will remain a month.

BOSTON.

Mr. and Mrs. Kellogg visited the World's Fair in September as anticipated, and feel impressed with the thought that America and Chicago have just reason to be proud of this, the greatest achievement of the nineteenth century.

LOCAL.

The Misses Esther and Mattie Holden have returned from their visit to the Old Country, after having spent a most enjoyable summer at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Burns in London.

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Holton are enjoying the last couple of week of the world's Fair.

Mr. E. W. Holton is also in Chicago. Mrs. Nathan Jones continues poorly.

QUESTION.

Will some member of the Clan please inform the readers of the "Gazette" in what way Hubert Bancroft, is related to the late Geo. Bancroft. Also, how is he connected with our branch of the family?

F. H. Y.

OTTAWA

It does seem strange, when you come to think of it, that our clan ever managed to worry along before your valued Journal appeared on the scene. Its many happy influences must certainly have been felt by each and all of your subscribers. Personally, I have found myself uplifted in various ways. I feel that I have received introductions through your correspondents, to many new friends and such friendship should indeed be lifelong with the ties of kindred to bind them. Above all I have heard of many ancestors of mine, of whose very existence I have been ignorant. Although the admission must be made that I am not entirely convinced of the fact yet.

Then again there are your interesting letters from all parts of the known, and also to many of us, unknown world, which are stamped with uniformly high moral, literary, and may I say geographical sentiments, which add not a little to the instructiveness of your pages.

Like others of our connection I too live in a city, within whose borders relatives and friends at a distance do not reside, and pitying their lack of taste, I fain would describe its beauties, feeling sure that they will compare favourably with those of Halifax, Monte Carlo, Texas or any other locality, rendered famous by the residence or sojourn of members of our scattered family.

Ottawa, which is said to be the most picturesque capital in the world, is certainly most beautifully situated. Sailing up the noble Ottawa River, the city is seen perched on a cliff one hundred feet above the water's edge. The Parliament Hill, on which are the parliament buildings, forms the central and most important feature in the view, and called forth Lord Dufferin's fitting description of Ottawa as "The Fair City with its crown of towers."

This hill, or rather promontory, is thickly wooded on all its sides, and through its sylvan shade runs for half a mile the famous "Lover's Walk," forming a delightful retreat from the

busy scenes above. East of the hill are to be found the gates of the historic Rideau Canal, by means of which Kingston may be reached.

The Parliament Buildings are, of course, the main points of interest in the city. The main building and the eastern and western blocks form three sides of a square, the main building backing on the river, and facing Wellington Street, and the quadrangle formed, being a beautifully kept terraced and graded enclosure. The buildings are in the Italian Gothic Style of Architecture, and Canada may well be proud of them.

Standing on Dufferin Bridge, which spans the Rideau Canal, an ever inspiring view, is that looking over the sparkling river to the city of Hull, with the Laurentian Mountains in the distance. Among others of the many and varied natural and artificial beauties of the locality, are the Chaudiere and Rideau Falls, Nepean Point, Major Hill Park, and Rideau Hall and grounds, the residence of the Governor General. Besides these are many fine public and business buildings, and pleasant residential streets, all making the city well worth a tourists visit, and an artists sketch book.

But I tire you with this descriptive matter, all must come and see for themselves. This brings me to my last point and I ask, why can't we have some more gatherings of the clan? Truly, a most delightful re-union was the one held last year in Belleville, a good old time Christmas party it was, done up in proper style. But let the next one be even more far-reaching. The papers say that there was a re-union of the Smith Family held somewhere in the states recently, over 7,000 attending. Why shouldn't we do likewise? Surely we wouldn't quarrel as to whose house should be honored by the convention. I'm sure, I'd be delighted to welcome all the clan in my sumptuous, and spacious apartments, in Ottawa, provided that they bring their lunch, and don't mind sleeping on the door steps.

I feel a mighty brotherhood of man surging up in my mind as I read your paper, and can't help thinking how delightful it will be when I start out on my own long-looked-forward to travels, and stop a few weeks, or months with all my relations. But, at any rate, if we can't have a convention of all the clan, several re-unions might be arranged through the medium of the "Gazette" at different centres.

Before closing, I would like to mention that I am indebted for kind attentions while here to Major Edward Harrison, Mr. J. J. Harrison and Mr. George Orme, all of whom hail from Belleville, that Canadian city so well known and much loved by many of the readers of the "Seaview Gazette."

ALFRED H. GREGG.

10 CAMDEN HILL ROAD,
UPPER NORWOOD, LONDON, S.E.
DEAR SEAVIEW GAZETTE.

A friend of yours who is now in Germany, wrote to me a few days ago saying that I had never once sent you a kind word of greeting or in any way indicated the least interest in your existence and that he thought it would now be in order for me to do so. So acting upon the new commandment 'Parents Obey Your Children,' I hasten at once to perform the pleasant duty and to assure you that I have always been your friend and admirer. It may be that I have inherited that trait (said to be New England) of expressing my opinion when not quite satisfied with those dear to me but keeping silence when their merit and success rejoice my heart. But I hope and believe that you will forgive this sin of omission and henceforth understand that I regard you as my *darling grandchild* and therefore fully appreciate your many admirable qualities.

We are having wonderfully fine weather considering the amount of sunshine we have had for the past 7 months. I shall always feel bound to defend English weather after this, and then

this suburb of London is so pretty, so clean and so thoroughly respectable that I feel we have a great deal to make us contented and thankful.

One thing that has struck me here is the number of earnest Christian ladies I have met with and the Catholic spirit that animates them. All denominations meet in a monthly prayer meeting which I attend and no one could tell that they were not all of one church. The Low Church (Episcopalians) are numerous and influential and very earnest in good works. The "Dissenters" have all handsome churches and large and influential congregations. They are evidently gaining power in the country, but one can easily predict that the Established Church will "die hard." I advise all the young people who are looking forward to matrimony to get married if possible in Canada. I was particularly interested in a young Canadian couple who went through this important operation on this side not many months ago. I solemnly assure your young readers that it is a difficult matter over here and so complicated that it seems impossible to find any one of your friends who can tell you all you require to know about it. After consulting several friends one must go to the registrar or the parish and fill up all the details still lacking, the hour and the church must be carefully noted down or else all your trouble will be wasted as some hours and some churches are not legal. The registrar must be sure to be present and hear each party promise to take the other for their lawful wife or husband, and then if he is satisfied that one or other has lived for a certain number of days and nights within two miles of the church where the ceremony has taken place and that all other conditions have been fulfilled he will (on payment of his fee) give the necessary certificate. But by this time the young couple and their friends are quite exhausted. The only consolation is that it must be thoroughly well done and there can be no possible danger of the knot ever coming untied.

If, however, after this kindly warning
any of your young friends should
courage to try the operation on this side
and will call upon me about a month
before hand I will endeavor to post them
up and help them through to the best
of my ability as I think I can not soon
forget what I learned in the past sum-
mer's experience. Wishing you ever in-
creasing prosperity I remain your friend.

ELIZABETH H. BURNS.

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was very enjoyable. It was dark when
we reached Victoria so we went straight
to the hotel and had a good night's rest
before starting out to see the city.

We visited Chinatown there also
going through the temple, or josh house
and a number of the stores. We went
also for a very pleasant drive about the
city and surrounding country. There
are some very pretty residences and
beautiful gardens. Their climate is
much like the English climate so their
beautiful roses were still in bloom in
September, while the English ivy grows
there very abundantly. After seeing a
little of this city of the extreme west of
our Dominion we took the steamer that
was to take us up to the Gulf of Georgia
to the head of Knight's Inlet. We had
five days of excellent sailing through
the Gulf and Inlet. The scenery was
charming all the way and the weather
clear and fine. We felt well repayed
for the time we had spent in what seemed
out of the world for we were far beyond
either telegraph or phone.

When we returned we came right to
Vancouver. After staying there a couple
of days long and visiting New West-
minster we started eastward arriving in
Winnipeg again the next Saturday and
remained there over Sunday, leaving
Monday morning for St. Paul and
Chicago making flying visits to these
fine cities of the United States and leav-
ing the latter direct for home resting
there glad to be quiet once more and
leave the train and its rush and hurry
for peaceful home life once again.

LUCY L. HORTON.

NOTES FROM ENGLAND.

LONDON, OCT. 12, 1893.

Although there is at present a cessa-
tion of operations at Westminster and
Parliamentarians generally are scattered
to the four winds enjoying their well-
earned holiday. Still we do not lack
for topics of interest in this wonderful
city of London. The latest subject of
general and engrossing interest, not in
London alone, but all over the country,
has been the "strike among the miners
in the Midlands. It has been a very
serious matter, not only for the coal
owners and men but for the public gen-
erally, resulting as it has in such a tre-
mendous rise in the price of coal. Last
Sunday there were any number of
demonstrations in aid of the miners and
their families, held in the various parks
and squares in London, and numerous
speeches were made by the miners
themselves and their leaders and
friends. Collections in aid of the strike
fund also followed.

At St. James' Hall at the service in
connection with the West End Metho-
dist Mission, Rev. Hugh Price Hughes
addressed a large audience on the sub-
ject of the strike. He took for his text
St. Paul's declaration to Timothy.
"The Husbandman that laboreth must
be the first to partake of the fruits."
He said that much sympathy had been
alienated from the men by the state-
ment that their average wages had been
40 shillings a week, but Mr. Tom Maun
had recently shown that the average
wages before the strike had been 5
shillings a day, and that the men were
only working an average of 2 3/4 days a
week in Yorkshire, so that they had
only 13 shillings and 9 pence a week,
and the same remark applied in a
slightly less degree to the other dis-
tricts. The assumption that there was
no alternative but to give the men less
wages or close the pits could be met by
trying to get better prices for coals
from the railways and gas companies.
Whilst the citizens of London paid 38

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