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Description of Fort Montgomery.

ROUSS POINT, N. Y., May 14, '89. Last week accompanied by five gentlemen, one of them a Custom House Officer from Vermont, the start was made to visit this fortification. We left Rous Point in a U. S. Revenue Boat and in a short time had come under the massive walls of the fort. It is built into the lake, and is reached from the land by a narrow foot bridge. The original fort here by a mistaken survey was built on Canadian soil and on this account was given the name fort Blunder. But by the Ashburton-Webster Treaty, Great Britain granted the government this land and we gave an equal amount in return. The line now runs about one mile north of the old line and is marked by a large stone pillar surrounded by an iron fence. On the side of the pillar facing west is the following inscription:

Canada-New York.
Latitude 45° 0' 42" S.
J. S. Graham,
Major Corps Top Engineers,
U. S. Astronomer,
A. W. Whipple,
Lieut. Corps Top Engineers,
Asst. Boundary.
Treaty of Washington 1842.
On the other side facing east:
Longitude, West of Greenwich 73° 21' 27".
Albert Smith,
U. S. Commissioner,
I. B. Edmont, Lieut. Col.
H. B. M. Commissioner.

Immediately after this treaty was made, the present fort was commenced. It is built of stone and it is said that a person going around it and following its angles will have completed almost one mile. In our boat we passed around it in order to get a good view of it. I suppose it is fifty feet from the water's edge to the parapet and is mounted on one side—the side toward Canada, with three tiers of guns. There is no garrison here at present but the fort is left in charge of a keeper and the government has a sergeant here to look after the ordinance. We landed and having met the fort keeper, he was ready to take us through. Passing over a mound of ground which entirely protects the side of the fort facing the land, we came to a moat which we crossed by means of a draw bridge. Here first we had a chance to examine the fine work. From all parts of the lower part of the fort are narrow loop holes all facing this bridge. We entered the fort and came to an open yard in the centre. This yard is 300 feet by 300 feet and I supposed to be the ground for drilling. There are here two fifteen inch guns which are yet unmounted. They certainly look large, the diameter of the breech being I should judge, four feet. All through the yard are scattered many and large piles of cannon balls and shells. We were taken to the first floor and shown the many guns, the port holes were open and by them we obtained a fine view of the lake as well as the land of Canada. There are eight bastions, and each contains two magazines. We soon reached the parapet. Here are found the largest guns, seventy four of them, and all trained on the water approach from Canada. The fort is built entirely of stone and cost the government almost \$3,000,000. The office quarters in it are fitted out very beautifully and it seems a waste of money to leave the fort remain almost unused. Being built over the lake it is very damp and that may be one reason of its not being garrisoned. It is not entirely completed yet, although it was started way back in the forties. Doubtless it could not resist our present rifled cannon, yet the vessels carrying that class of guns could scarcely get through the canal into Lake Champlain and it will undoubtedly be a protection against all vessels of war able to enter that channel.

Very likely the government will place a garrison here Jan., 1890, at least it is so reported.
H. G. GREGORY.

Is Prohibition a Success in Kansas?

A FORMER SNYDER COUNTY MAN'S VIEWS ON THE SUBJECT.

PAWNEE ROCK, KANSAS, May 18, '89. Being urged by friends of Snyder county, to contribute an article to your paper on the above subject, I present the following: Any law working against vile men will meet with a tremendous opposition. For instance, the law against horse-stealing being passed many years ago still remains a proof of this. The law which is an undisputed success is violated daily. How much more so was it in years gone by when the law was in its infancy. The prohibitory law of Kansas is but eight years old and the violators of the law are diminishing four times as rapidly as do the horse-thieves. Until 1887, before the Murray Amendment came into effect, the drugstores were a tremendous annoyance to the law, but they have depreciated as follows:

Pawnee Rock, a town of 250 inhabitants had 2 drugstores, now one; St. John, a town of 1500 inhabitants 5, now 2; Stafford, a town of 1200 inhabitants 4, now 2; Hutchinson, a population in 1884 of 2000 had 15 drugstores, now a population of 1700 having 7 drugstores, and so on other towns in ratio. These drugstores with but very few exceptions do a strict business. So you see we are getting healthier. There are no open saloons now to my knowledge in the State. Treating business (which my wayward brother will freely acknowledge is the worst part of any fashionable saloon) is a stranger to the rising generation of Kansas. The law was attacked in 1884 by the billows and waves of opposition in the resubmission problem, and in 1888 by the Iowa decision which had extended to Kansas and the cause both times came out purer, nobler, and higher than before.

But is it a financial success? We live in drouthy Kansas, and there is no state in the Union where the poor-houses do such a slim business as they do in this state. But you say saloons pay license which keeps up the expenses of the town. But who pays the saloon? Just about four weeks ago I was talking with a man who last year was running a boarding-house in Richhill, Missouri. He says, "I boarded young men mostly, 23 in number, who worked but ten rods away from my boarding-house and in three months I lost \$225.00 by trusting them." "How did you loose by boarding, and trusting workingmen?" "Well," he says, "the saloon stood between the boarding-house and place of work." Friends these are the men that pay the saloons. But you say "what will we do with our corn and rye? Don't you think if the poor drunkard saved his whiskey money and buys grain for his poor horses and starving wife and children it will very near compensate you for the amount you distill in whiskey? If you are a moderate drinker and pay out \$10, \$15 or \$50 a year for whiskey, it will again compensate you. So you see you are making money by it. I am firm and conscientious. Prohibition is always best and if you live for your God, your home and nation and yourself, cast your vote for prohibition—first, last, and all the time. Yours respectfully, W. M. ZIEGLER.

CHESNUTT!

I am too busy to talk much, only to tell you that hundreds of Snyder county people are jumping on the train and visiting my Cash Store, and if they all tell me the truth they find almost everything cheaper than advertised, and have decided to visit me at least twice a year to buy their general supply of Dry Goods, Carpets, etc., and why don't you do the same? It is easy for merchants to crow about selling goods cheaper, but you find few of them daring enough to publish weekly such low cash prices as I do to back my claims. "He can't run his store six months if he don't trust people," was the opinion of all who knew me two short years ago. But now my wonderful successful Cash Store is the wonder of all who know it. Refusing to trust for good reasons anybody for 25 cents one day, and yet this is the only Cash Store in four counties. It is acknowledged to be the busiest store of them all, because I can and positively do sell almost everything I keep for a great deal less profit and much less money than any old-style trust stores. If this is not the reason why it is—cut this out, take it, and compare the prices with those you are asked any where else: Twenty cent carpet only 12 1/2 for

bed rooms, heavy home-made rag carpet 25c, 50c wool striped rag 40c, 40c for 35c flowered for 20c, 50c all wool filling for 37 and 45c, heavy all wool filling—50c for 50c, Extra Saper is the dearest and best carpet made and sells from 75 to 90, all I want for them is 60, 65 and 69c. Best 50c Brussels 65c, best English doily \$1.25 for \$1.00, best 65c Brussels for 50c for 45c, stair carpet 12 and 15c, straw carpet 12 1/2, 2 yards wide oilcloth 40c, 1 1/2 yard wide 35c for 25c. Big trunks \$1.25, small ones for 35c, big satchels 45c, 38 inch spring cloth dress goods only 20c, best all wool 50c 30c, fine Henrietta silk face only 25c, double fold English suitings 15c worth 20, 12 1/2c satteens 10c 15c for 12 1/2c, silk for 21c, silk face Henrietta is as pretty as silk 45 inches broad worth one dollar, only 75c, Summer Silks only 48c \$1.00 D.K. silk \$1.25, 48in \$1.10 black silk full Henrietta all wool only 70 and 90c, 80c for 70, 60 for 50. Summer haws, one lot for 3c, 12c dress clings 8 1/2, 40 in. Swiss white embroidered skirt for white suits only 55c, 70c silk back kid gloves 45c, pins 3c, best needles 4c 10c hitting 8c, best 12c striped 25c cotton party-suit 16, 14 and 10c, topskins 25c a doz, 1 1/2 doz of muslin 1 yard with 4c, best 20c spring roller 1.00 50c, 2c for 2c, 75c fancy for 80c.

But I must stop. Take a car ride and come here. If anything I can do to help you, let me hear from you and I will get it for less money than you dreamed of. The whiskey and saloon men are buying up the papers throughout the State by the wholesale. "I found in a paid in exchange for subscriptions. It is not secured by them. The Lord will bring the works of Satan to naught 1st store on Market street from the S. & L. Station. J. G. CHESNUTT

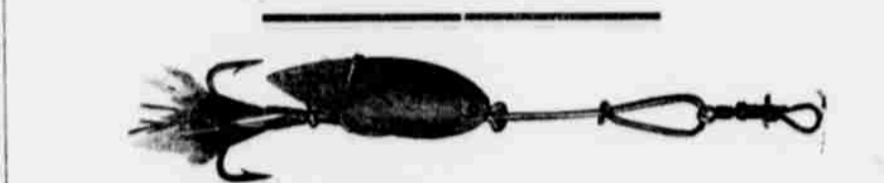
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