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LETTER FROM SOUTH AMERICA.

Howard Duke, a Former Eagle Lake Boy, Writes Interestingly
of His Travels in That Country.

The following extracts are taken from a letter written by Howard Duke, formerly of Eagle Lake, who is now general foreman of a large rice farm near Georgetown, British Guiana, South America. "For the last two months I have been real busy planting, rice and breaking land, but I am through now for three months and am going on a big trip for a week a hundred miles up the river where we will stay and hunt a month. I want to kill a tiger myself and also a topir, and if I do I am going to have the hides tanned and sent home. When we return from the hunt I am going with the manager and his wife to Venezuela, the capital, and stay there a month. I have been there once since I was a boy."

It doesn't cost me anything to make it all the better. This is certainly a beautiful country. I have twenty monkeys and four birds that I caught myself. I live right on the coast at the mouth of the Demerara river and talk about monkeys, well you can sit on this bank of this river and count till you get tired and there will still be monkeys. They are just like people, and play on the river bank like children. I have been to all the nearby islands since we landed here. Venezuela, Part of Spain, Dutch Guiana, Barbadas, Martinique. Barbadas is the farthest to the westward of all the Caribbean Islands. It has an area of 166 square miles and a population of over 180,000 souls, or nearly 1,200 to the square mile, thus being the most densely populated place in the world. I was in Venezuela a week. I landed at La Guayra, Venezuela, and we caught a train to Caracas, the capital of Venezuela and seat of government. The view from the railroad as the train climbs high up the mountain is a beautiful sight. After passing through La Guayra the railroad runs on a trestle for a considerable distance, and looking down you can see the cottages, sugar and coffee plantations and coconut palm groves. Rising a little higher and looking out, a splendid panorama appears, including villages, plantations, forests, and a broad expanse of ocean. Well up the mountain you can see crevices

hundreds of feet deep, with eagles and vultures hovering, and when the railroad reaches its highest point, you can look down a distance of 4,000 feet. After this the railroad gradually descends, and runs into Caracas two hours after leaving La Guayra. The second day we left at 7:30 a. m. by rail for Puerto Cabello at

the mountains, every turn opening some new and wonderful view. We reached La Victoria at 12 o'clock, and shortly after reached Valencia, where the train was taken on a cog-wheel railroad down a regular ravine for a considerable distance. Some of the trees along the route were one solid mass of flowers. We arrived in Puerto Cabello at 10:30 p. m. and found that it was a town in South America, founded in 1555. It has some very pretty parks and some very old churches. I had a fine time on this trip and would not take anything for my trip through Venezuela. There were seven of us and we all had sore necks from looking and leaning out of the windows. The manager is a 'cutter.' He turned us loose in Caracas and we certainly did take in the theatres. If I ever do get married I hope I will be able to take my wife through this wonderful country. It isn't possible for me to tell of the beautiful and wonderful sights that I have seen here. The trips I have taken since I have been here, have not cost me one cent, for if I had to pay for the out of my own expenses, of course I could not have seen these places. I know why they are so good to me and why the manager takes me everywhere. They want me to sign a contract for another year, though I have not done it yet. This ranch is fifty-six miles from Georgetown, and I am the only white man out here. All the rest of the brutes are Indians, though I get along with them all right, and get more work out of them than any one else they have had out here. I go to town every two weeks and stay three or four days. I have a large Buick car, seven passenger. It belongs to the company and they gave it to me to use. Well you just ought to see me every Sunday when I fill it up with Indians and take a fifty mile hike up the coast."

NOTTAWA NEWS NOTES.

There will be an ice cream supper and free musical here Friday evening, June 9th.

Mr. A. W. Caylor made a business trip to Houston Tuesday. Deyo & Dickerson and Egnus Bros. are shipping rice this week.

Cecil Sanford is on the sick list.

Grandma Caylor is in San Antonio doctoring for stomach trouble.

Mr. Baker of Blackwell, Oklahoma, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. C. O. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Darby are the parents of a baby girl, Dorothy Dean, born May 25th, in the St. Joseph's Infirmary at Houston.

Mrs. Z. R. Caylor is visiting in Houston this week.

Mrs. Blanche of Beaumont returned home after a week's visit to relatives here.

Mrs. A. W. Caylor was in Eagle Lake Tuesday.

Miss Lettie Deyo is visiting friends in Bradford, Illinois.

Quite a number from this town came to the ball game at Lissie Sunday.

Mr. Comp has a new E. M. F. car.

There are some signs of worms in the rice around here, but no serious damage as yet.

Mr. E. A. Egnus of Eagle Lake visited friends here Sunday.

Wins Fight For Life. It was a long and bloody battle for life that was waged by James B. Merison, of Newark, N. J., of which he writes: "I had lost much blood from lung hemorrhages, and was very weak and rundown. For eight months I was unable to work. Death seemed close on my heels, when I began, three weeks ago, to use Dr. King's New Discovery. But it has helped me greatly. It is doing all that you claim." For weak, sore lungs, obstinate coughs, stubborn colds, hoarseness, la grippe, asthma, hay fever or any throat or lung trouble its supreme. 50c & \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Calvert's Drug Store.



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Reminiscences

...Mrs. Billie Harris...

OCTOBER, 1835.
Stephen F. Austin arrived in Texas in September. He had been a prisoner in Mexico since December, 1833. He did all in his power to prevent the people from holding the convention for the purpose of electing a representative to fight Mexico. He could have quieted the people, but General Ugartechea in command at San Antonio decided to send Captain Tenorio back to Anahuac by water with two hundred men and some cannon. A man came from San Antonio and said the order was to be sent to Wiley Martin soon to arrest Mosely Baker, W. B. Travis, R. M. Williamson, and others, and he said General Cos would be in Texas by and by with a large army.

The convention met at San Felipe in September. The first act was a call for volunteers to capture San Antonio before it could be reinforced by General Cos.

Our school closed in September. The teacher said there was so much excitement that it affected the small children, and the young men could not be got back in school at all after the election in September. There was a constant talk of war. Messengers from San Felipe going to Brazoria and Harrisburg stopped at our house from time to time and told the news. All the men in our neighborhood went to San Felipe.

Stephen F. Austin was elected to command the army, and it was to rendezvous on the Guadalupe River at Gonzales.

This month we heard again from the priest, Padre Alpheo. He was in San Antonio, and had been in fact a spy sent from Mexico through New Orleans and Nacogdoches to San Felipe.

NOVEMBER, 1835.
Mrs. Stafford came home in a schooner from New Orleans. She had spent two weeks in that city waiting for the schooner. She said there was a good deal of excitement there about Texas, but they never got any news direct from Mexico. The captains of ships told them that Mexico had no idea of sending a large army to Texas. We heard so many different reports that we did not know what to believe. Mrs. Stafford was to stay until spring and take some of the negroes back to the United States. She would have gone at once, but she had to wait until the cotton was gathered and sold.

There was no mistake about General Cos and his army. He got to San Antonio before the Texans organized. It was said that he was going to march through Texas during the winter, liberate the slaves, and force all discontented persons to leave the country. Every man and boy that had a gun and horse went to the army, and the women and children were left to finish picking the cotton. There were but three men left in our neighborhood—father, Adam Stafford, and Moses Shipman. Father was keeping two boys; one named Alexander Armstrong, and the other William Morris. They were orphans and half brothers. One of them was fifteen years old, and the other eleven. Both boys were picking cotton and talking war all the time. Father said if they had guns and horses they would go to the army.

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Since the garrison at Anahuac had been forced to surrender, the schooners were coming to Harrisburg frequently. The captains said there was a Mexican war vessel near Galveston Island. Farmers in our neighborhood would not ship any more cotton from Harrisburg then. A steamboat had been sent from New Orleans, which was to run from Brazoria on the Brazos river to San Felipe and Washington, and the cotton at Stafford's gin was to be hauled and piled near Mr. William Little's at the Henry Jones ferry. The steamboat was the Yellowstone. She had been in the St. Louis trade when father's family lived in that city in the years '29 to '32. She was now to remain in the Texas trade, and was to carry the cotton to the mouth of the Brazos, where it was to be shipped on schooners to New Orleans.

Father had promised us children to take us to see the steamboat when she was at the landing, and Mr. Jones said he would give a grand ball Christmas, when the captain of the boat had told him he expected to beat the ferry. Mr. Jones lived on the west bank of the Brazos, and Mr. Little on the east bank.

We heard that the Texans had General Cos and the Mexican army surrounded in San Antonio, and that there had been fighting, but that none of our neighbors were engaged in it except Leo Routh. His mother and sisters were very uneasy on his account.

DECEMBER, 1835.
Everything was at a standstill and times very gloomy. The Brazos river was so low the steamboat couldn't go up. She was to go to Groce's ferry to a little town called Washington. There were two towns in Austin's colony named Washington, one above San Felipe, the other on Galveston bay.

There was a new girl baby at our house born the fifth of the month. Sister and I were very happy over the babe. Brother Granville and the two orphan

boys teased us and said we could not go to see the steamboat or attend the ball, but we were so pleased with our little sister that we didn't care. Father said he was proud of his four daughters, and that he would be as popular as Mr. Choate when they were grown. Mr. Choate had seven daughters, three of them married. Father said his only trouble was to get a wagon to haul his daughters around.

We heard that the Texan had captured San Antonio and that the Mexicans were all around it. None of the men from our neighborhood were killed or wounded, but several we knew were wounded. Messrs. Bell and Neal came home and said that General Cos and the Mexicans under his command had been sent across the Rio Grande.

Father went to Columbia and Brazoria with a cart load of peltry, consisting of the skins of otters, deer, bears, panthers, wild cats, wolves, and coons. He was in need of medicines, powder and lead, and could not wait any longer for the steamboat, which went up the river later.

JANUARY, 1836.
Father returned home on New Year's day, after having been gone two weeks. He sold the hides and laid in a good supply of drugs and medicines. He would have gone to Harrisburg, but there was no drug store in that place. He said it would have been better to haul his cotton to Harrisburg than wait for the steamboat, and that it was doubtful whether he could get it to market before May or June. He got an advance of one hundred dollars on his cotton. While he was gone he met some of the English people that had lived in our neighborhood. Mr. Page had moved to Galveston bay, and the Adkinses were living on the Brazos near Columbia. Miss Jane Adkins, the pretty English girl, was married, and so was her mother, the widow Adkins.

All the men and boys that went to the army from our part of the country had come home and were at work. They seemed to think there would be no more trouble with Mexico. There had been a garrison of Texas soldiers left at San Antonio under Colonel Travis. There were men enough in Texas to have organized a large army if they could all have been concentrated at one point.

The people became very much discouraged on learning that Mexico had sent a revenue cutter to Galveston. It didn't try to land, but anchored outside. There were several schooners at Harrisburg loaded with cotton and hides, that couldn't get out. The captains said that the first big storm that came would blow the war ship away, and that then they would run out.

FEBRUARY, 1836.
Every farmer was planting corn. Mr. Dyer and his wife came from New Orleans on board a schooner, which entered the mouth of the Brazos, but they didn't see the revenue cutter. They came on the boat to Colum-

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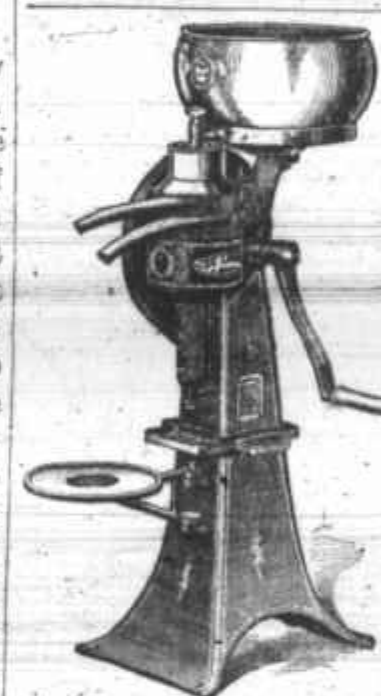
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