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consideration, the delegates present adopting by almost unanimous vote, a resolution in favor of Inter-Municipal Hail Insurance and appointing a committee to draft a bill for presentation to the legislature.

This committee, assisted by two or three members of the legislature who had been making a study of the question, compiled the provisions of the act, which was, with some slight alterations, passed by the 1914 session of the legislature—a decided recognition for the Grain Growers.

Here matters seem to have come to a full stop, and the Inter-Municipal Hail Insurance Act has since lain as a dead letter upon the statute books of the province. The question very naturally arises, why? The answer is very easily found—the municipalities have a part to perform, but have not performed it, and it would appear as if many of them were wholly indifferent concerning the matter.

The Act provides that the council of any rural municipality may take a vote of its rate-payers, resident upon lands of such municipality, upon its own initiative, and shall take such vote upon petition of 25 per cent. of resident voters—a simple referendum, decided by majority vote, as to whether such municipality shall come under the act; it also provides that twenty-five municipalities, so voting, shall have elected to come under the Act before it can become operative in the province.

Now, as far as my information goes, only sixteen municipalities have taken a vote on the question, and but four have voted in favor. In the municipality of Cameron, where the writer resides, a vote was taken at the time of the regular election in December, 1914, which went adverse by a large majority, which may be explained, in part, by the fact that about one quarter of the land comprising said municipality is largely timbered land and pasture, which would not be exempt from taxation under the act; and also that many of the voters were not familiar with its provisions. The above might also apply to some of the other cases where the act failed to carry. I would offer the following suggestions:

First, that The Guide display a fatherly interest in this matter of hail insurance.

Second, that a list be compiled containing the names of all municipalities having already taken the vote, with the result in each case. This may be obtained thru the local secretaries.

Third, that a campaign of publicity be inaugurated with a view to keeping the subject before your readers, and thus prepare the way for about 100, at least of the 145 municipalities of the province taking a vote not later than December, 1916—June would be better, as then we might have the act operative for this season's crops in all municipalities deciding in favor of its protection.

Fourth, that the executive of the Manitoba Grain Growers' Association furnish speakers, well posted on the provisions of the act to address meetings in each and every municipality where the vote is to be taken, so that each voter may have a chance to cast his vote intelligently.

D. S. CRAM,  
Sec., Lauder Local.

**THE SUGAR DUTIES**

Editor, Guide:—Without going into the merits or demerits of the sugar tariff, it should be pointed out that the sugar factory labor is not the only Canadian labor that is protected. The considerable item of the farmers' labor, the great benefits to him from a rotation of sugar beets, the feeding value of beet tops and molasses, and the consequent manurial value of by-products—these are all factors that should be considered.


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G. E. MARNOCH,  
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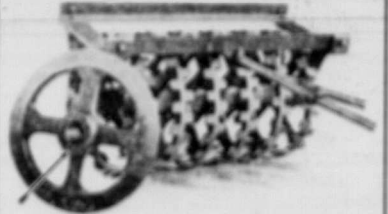
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