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The Cardston Board of Trade will make an exhibit at Billings, Montana.

If the farmers of the Cardston District will unite with the Board of Trade, there will be no doubt about the Cardston District getting the greatest boost she has ever had.

Alberta made no mistake by deciding upon a good exhibit at the Seattle exhibition. The money spent there is very well spent.

Now for the big Agricultural Fair. Let everybody work to make it a success.

The late E. H. Harriman was a strong force in commercial world of the United States, perhaps, the greatest force at the present time. Yet, critics are surprised to find that the commercial world proceeded upon its way with scarcely a ripple. The individual counts for little.

Every farmer in the country should co-operate with the weed inspectors in their efforts to keep Alberta clean.

September is noted for duck hunting and the numerous sportsmen who pursue this form of sport with ardour will find their favorite recreation dealt with in ample fashion in the September issue of the Rod and Gun in Canada, published by W. J. Taylor, at Woodstock, Ont. This healthy and invigorating sport receives fine treatment in stories of duck hunting in Ontario, Manitoba and Saskatchewan, goose shooting in the West and papers on the ruffed grouse as found in British Columbia and Ontario. Light travel and holiday sketches, with fishing papers give variety and interest to the issue. Dog lovers will welcome a further paper by Mr. Clapham dealing with the Airedale terrier. Altogether no better companion for the sportsman either at home, in camp, or on his travels, can be secured than a copy of this fine issue.

HAVE WE EARNED THE CRITICISM?

Our old friend and neighbor, E. N. Barker, was with us a few days on a visit last month and as usual, has something good to say about Southern Alberta in general and Cardston in particular.

In an article entitled "Alberta Up and Down," Mr. Barker writes to the Edmonton Saturday News his observations of the growth of the country south of Calgary, the crop conditions etc. and the comparisons given are decidedly in favor of the southern portion of the trip. Reaching Cardston he has to say:

"Curiosity prompts us to take a run out and look at Tom Woolford's alfalfa and clover patches, eight miles from town, and, as we go we size up the best all round lot of winter wheat patches yet seen, about as good and as thick as usual, but, perhaps, not quite as long in the straw as last year, so will stand up better. As we approach the Woolford

homestead we pass through his new patch of alfalfa, about eight acres in extent, planted last year and from which a good crop has just been taken. Its a good stand and making up for a second crop. When we get to the farm we find two large stacks of hay about 15 tons in each, and finding on closer inspection, that one is stack of alfalfa and one of alsike clover. Then to add to this we hear the barn is also full of alfalfa. The stands of clover and the old alfalfa patch are all as good as ever, but did we hear you say "A clever experiment." Don't say it again for this looks more like a regular performance and a certainty and is not the result of irrigation. The wheat crops out here are late for this region but the stands good and even. As we go on down the line towards Lethbridge we pass at Raley, and again at Spring Coulee, crops of ripening Alberta Red, and in its first home in Alberta, is giving mute evidence that here it thrives, stands up boldly and defiantly that it is winter spring wheat not far behind it, and oats turning. We note some failures here but much owing to poor farming. The development all through this part of the country is brisk, much of the work being done with steam or gasoline engines. The breaking that has been done this year more than doubles the acreage, possibly trebles the area under cultivation. Seed drills are running in most fields as it is the object to get the winter wheat in the ground before harvest, and, as their is some haying also going on the farmer in general is busy.

NORTH AND SOUTH

"If there is any contrast to be drawn between north and south it is that the north has the most difficult portion to handle but as a rule does its work better than the south. The farmers do not try to farm so much land far better, noxious weeds are not so prevalent in the north, farm buildings are better and there is greater neatness and more uniformity in methods in the north than in the south. In the south there is too much farming being done on the trot or on the gallop which is causing too great an increase of noxious weeds which are going to lead to disaster if not rapidly and sharply handled."

It is our candid opinion that Mr. Barker has "hit the nail on the head" when he says that the farmers in this end of the province have run to quantity rather than quality in their operations. Not making improvements, the farm lacking in attractiveness and the boys all becoming disgusted and making for the cities and towns rather than becoming scientists of the soil and real producers, not consumers.

Let us cut Mr. Barker's article out and paste it in our hats for future reference. Let the spare time on the farm be at once applied to the improvement of surroundings, buildings, fences etc. and when he comes again Mr. Barker may have a better report for us.

Good Fishing

Waterton Lakes,
Sept. 7, 1909.

The finest catch of the season in the Lake trout was made by Messrs Carl Danielson, Carl and Al Thompson and Will Lyman at Lee's upper camp. After fishing and feasting for two days they returned to Cardston with two dozen speckled beauties for their friends measuring all the way up to 32 inches long.

Special Prizes at Magrath Fair

As a result of the efforts of Mr. R. W. Bradshaw, the Percheron Society of America have decided to offer the following special prizes for Percherons to members of the Society. The prize in each class will be a gold medal for first and Reserve Ribbon for 2nd:

- A. American Bred Stallion any age
- B. American Bred mare any age
- C. Champion Stallion open class
- D. Champion mare " "
- E. Five Stallions " "
- F. Three mares " "
- G. American Bred Five Stallions
- H. American Bred Three Mares
- I. Best Stud (Stallion and 4 mares any age owned by exhibitor.
- J. Best Stud (Stallion and 4 mares bred and owned by exhibitor.

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size 56 by 76, \$2.25 pair.

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at 75c. and 85c. per lb.

GRAIN BAGS in Cotton and Hemp.

Burton's Variety Store

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY.

All animals competing for the above prizes must be registered in the Percheron Stud Book of America and the owners of said stock must be members of the Percheron Society of America. Exhibitors must see that the Secretary of the Fair where he shows his stock has the correct name and number of the stock that he exhibits. No medals or prizes will be sent until this information is received by the Secretary of the Percheron Society of America and found correct according to the records of his office. When such information is received and found correct, the prizes will be forwarded to the owners of the stock.
Geo. W. Stubblefield,
Secretary, P. S. of A.

Home Missionaries

SEPTEMBER 19
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August Nielson John Hadfield
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