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MORE ADVERTISING IS NEEDED

Mr. John Halstead, Assistant General Freight Agent, Canadian Pacific Railway, Calgary, was in town for a few hours yesterday. Mr. Halstead is considerably enthused over the crop prospects throughout the district. He said the country needed more advertising than it was getting at the present time. Farmers should make statistics of their crop yield and have them published, as facts and not estimates, are consulted by the eastern provinces.

Work on New System

Work has been resumed on the American Irrigation System on the St. Mary's Lakes. A steam shovel is operating and two more and an excavator are expected at once.

LIKED THE CROPS BOUGHT LAND

A party of thirty-four land seekers were taken to Cardston and Spring Coulees by special train on Monday and returned yesterday. The excellent crops appealed strongly to the party with the result that nearly every one bought land. The party was brought here by Messrs. W. F. Smiley, of St. Paul and R. W. Pilling of Cardston.—Lethbridge Herald.

The Western Crop

The position of the crop in Western Canada is about as follows:—There are approximately 6,000,000 acres under wheat, all but about 200,000 being hard spring wheat. The crop is spread over a length of about 850 miles between the eastern boundary of Manitoba and the Rocky Mountains, and a breadth of about 350 miles from the International boundary northward. In that area it can easily be understood that there is a great diversity of soil and of water conditions during the season.

AN INTERESTING DRAMA

"The Holy City," Clarence Bennett's drama dealing with the story of the death of the Savior, seems destined to take a place among the classics of the American stage. It has already been witnessed by more persons than any other Biblical drama and instead of losing its hold seems to be gaining new friends each season. It will be presented at the Cardston Theatre, on Saturday, Oct. 10th by Harold Nelson and his excellent company of players.

They Like Australia

Melbourne, Sept. 7.—A patrol from the American fleet is still searching for the men who failed to go aboard their ships when they sailed Sunday morning. These number 85.

EVENING MEETING

The meeting in the Assembly Hall Sunday evening, under the direction of the M. I. A. was very well attended and much enjoyed. The program consisted of:—
Reading by Wallace Hurd.
Events of eight years ago, by Miss Louis Lee.
Piano Solo, Leo Coombs.
Address, Navvoo, by Bishop Harris.
Address, Winter Quarters, by Elder B. H. Lamb.

Scottish Agriculturalists

Will Visit Cardston To-day

Word was received yesterday that the members of the Scottish Agricultural Commission would be here this afternoon. They will arrive about 2 p. m. in their special train and will remain nearly three hours in the district. The Board of Trade will have charge of the visitors and it is expected that a trip over the river will be taken so that the splendid grain fields may be visited. The farmers who are among the

most prominent men in Scottish Agricultural affairs, will report on the conditions in the country, and if they find the conditions satisfactory a development in the immigration from Scotland may be expected. The party will number about 30 persons and it is expected that a large number of visitors will accompany them. After the drive they will board their train at Raley and the journey will be proceeded to Lethbridge.

Excitement About New Road

Great Northern Expected to be Heading For Pincher Creek

(Lethbridge Herald) There is considerable excitement in the Cardston country over the prospect of a railway being built from Browning, Mont., to Pincher Creek. The line is supposed to be built by the Great Northern. A prominent authority has stated that the line will be started next year as J. J. Hill is anxious to get

in before the rush of settlement on the South Peigan Indian Reserve which will shortly be thrown open for settlement. It is all being surveyed and after the allotment of land is made to the Indians, the balance will be for settlement. The trade from this rich district will be very great and the G. N. R. is after it.

Sixty Land Seekers

Special Car From St. Paul, Minn.

Last week a special excursion left St. Paul for Lethbridge. The round trip fare was advertised as \$10.00. Many persons took advantage of the low rates and came west to investigate. On Monday a special car of sixty persons arrived in Cardston, and the visitors spent a day in looking over the

district and making investments. Several large deals were made through the local real estate firms—one land sale, 1300 acres in the Spring Coulees district brought \$25 an acre. The visitors were much impressed with the country and very enthusiastic over the results of the trip.

Thanksgiving Day

Monday, October 19, is Date Fixed for This Year

Ottawa, Sept. 5.—Thanksgiving Day this year will be on Monday, October 19. It was decided some time ago that hereafter for the convenience of commercial travelers and others who spend only

Sunday at home, Thanksgiving Day should be celebrated on Monday. By giving thanks this year on Oct. 19 interference with the general elections and with the rush occasioned by the closing of navigation will be avoided.

Hundred Thousand Club Of Calgary

Excursion To Cardston

Calgary News: It depends on the Alberta Railway and Irrigation Co. as to the objective point of the next excursion of the Hundred Thousand Club. Secretary Web-

ster is in communication with them and if suitable terms are offered, Cardston will be visited. If not the excursion will not leave the C. P. R. lines.

Directors' Meeting

A Directors Meeting of the Agricultural Fair Association was held on Saturday afternoon in the Real Estate Office of Straiton and McLenhan. There was a large attendance and everybody was enthusiastic about the favorable prospects of the coming District Exhibition to be held in Cardston on Thursday and Friday, September 24th and 25th.

It is the intention of everyone concerned to make the coming Fair not only the best that has been held in Cardston, but also the best in Alberta and the condition of the grain fields up-to-date and the interest being taken in the exhibition, serve to show that only the most unfavorable weather will

prevent the breaking of all previous records in this Fall display of the products of Cardston district. The exhibition will be held in the O. K. Livery Stable. The ground floor will be used for Live Stock, while the second floor (skating rink) will be used for the displaying of exhibits. This is a much better arrangement, as heretofore in previous years the exhibits have been scattered in different parts of the town.

On the first evening of the fair a dance will be given in the Assembly Hall, and on the second evening the musical contest takes place.

GRAIN SHIPMENTS HAVE COMMENCED

The grain shippers are beginning to get quite active. The A. R. and I. lines are shipping about five cars a day.

Card of Thanks

Mr. and Mrs. Alf McCune desire to thank the many friends, and especially the ladies of the Relief Society, who so kindly assisted them during the illness of their little child.

CHINAMAN IS TIRED OF LIFE

Magrath, Sept. 9.—Ho Sing, a cook with a gang at work repairing the irrigation canal near here, made a desperate effort to take his life at midnight last night. He was in his bunk at the time and in the silence of the night got a razor and slashed his throat from ear to ear, cutting the windpipe three-quarters of the way through. As soon as other men could get to him they did all they could to stop the flow of blood. Dr. Sanders was summoned and dressed the terrible gash and the Chinaman is being taken to Lethbridge. He is quite likely to recover.

Why We Are Prosperous

This country was never in a safer financial condition than now. Every year shows with greater emphasis the great importance of Western Canada's lands to the feeding of the world. One authority asks the question: "Has it occurred to the reader that the amount of cultivated lands is not increasing as rapidly as the world's population? Thirty years ago cultivated lands were increasing more rapidly than population, and the farmers were not so prosperous as they now are. What of the future?"

The solution of this question will be found in the rapid development that is bound to take place in Western Canada in the coming years. A few years ago the United States farming industry yielded a great deal more than the United States people required. The result was that the world depended to a large extent upon the United States surplus. Now however, the population of the Republic is between 80 and 90 millions, and an enormous amount of farm products is required to feed themselves, and it is evident that the exporting of food products from there will be on the decrease instead of the increase.

It naturally follows that some other field must be looked to for the feeding of the outside people. That field is undoubtedly Western and Central Canada. That our farming industry is still in its infancy is shown by the fact we have yet only about one million people west of the great lakes. We have only 6,000,000 acres under wheat this year (the largest in the country's history) and there are many millions of acres yet untouched. It is only a matter of a few years until we will have a wheat yield of several hundred million bushels, and a few more millions of people. Why then should the country not be prosperous? We are sometimes blamed for making too extravagant improvements here, but a great future deserves great preparations. Nothing can hold Western Canada back. The world requires our gain.—Winnipeg Commercial.

Government Reading Room