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greater alarm over the pos-
loss of life. The most in-
flict was felt when spring fin-
well, and it was hoped that
would be spared a repetition
periences which a coal short-

Reasons Taken to Heart.

The indications that the les-
ened last winter have been
heart, and that the uncom-
events then will not be re-
It is true that the general
not awakened to a sense
possibilities, and is indiffer-
subject of laying in a suf-
supply of fuel. Human nature
to be the cause of this indif-
It is the same old story of
nature which refuses to bor-
The westerner will not
bridge until he comes to it,
will not lay in a supply of
frosty weather comes. It
true that the credit of the
government cannot and
be used this year for the pro-
of the small coal dealers who
prepared to assume the finan-
responsibility attached to large
of coal in 1906. The fact
movement of a large grain
seriously diminish the sup-
in the fall must also be
to consideration. But even
factors do not overbalance the
ment in the general situation.

Increased Stocks of Coal.

Always, mineowners and pro-
vements have made the
their opportunities during the
and summer, and the results
of effort are to be seen in
stocks of coal at points con-
to the great consuming dis-
the wholesale dealers are dis-
tinctly to obtain large stock-
piles to be in a position to
supply regularly and steadily.
The deficiency in this branch
distribution might easily do
towards fortifying the pub-
the possibility of a famine.
The coal mines are complaining
of cars, while the larger
praying for a larger supply
miners. The deficiency in
market is very noticeable,
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which employ a large
machinery, and which re-
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WITH THE FARMERS

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Raymond, Alta., Aug. 21.—When
the crops are in, the farmers
are the great raw products and staple
manufacturers of this thriving town
at the head of the St. Mary's valley.
And these she has in fullness and in
sweetness this year, in which are good
substitutes for the proverbial milk
and honey of the Scriptural literature.
The country on each side of the A. R.
& L. railway from Raymond to Card-
ston and Kincaid, is practically one
continuous wheat field. Possibly in
other single area of equal size in
the whole of Western Canada or the
United States will produce so much
wheat as is assured in this district
this year. On the whole, the crop is
a bumper one and in several places
is phenomenal and a certain record
breaker. It is impossible for the crop
to grow thicker than stretches that
are hundreds of acres in extent.
"Thick as hair on a dog's back,"
is the homely, but expressive phrase
that describes it. Some of the wheat
fields are badly lodged and twist-
ed, which will make cutting and
difficult, and some stretches can
be cut along two sides only.

What Three Days Will Do.

I had excellent opportunity to
manage the crop in two ways, standing
waiting for the binder and in the
stock. On the way down to Card-
ston cutting was well under way and
in dozens of fields one could see a
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