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GET AN INTEREST IN THE FAIR

The Premium List for the Cardston Agricultural Fair Association has just been issued from the Star press. The success of the Fair, which is to be held on Sept. 28 and 29th, cannot be made what it should be, simply on the two days appointed, nor can the directorate attain the result all by themselves, but it depends upon the several Exhibitors.

Now is the time for the farmers, gardeners poultry and stock men, with grain, vegetables, stock, poultry and other things on the prize list to start getting ready for the Fair.

A careful perusal of the list will show that the prizes given make it worth while to make some extra exertion toward the part we shall take in the exhibition.

But aside from the financial view of the question, it is a duty of those who have the stuff suitable to make an exhibition of it.

These Fairs are the best possible means of publicity and it is to show the great possibilities afforded by the country, that every one should lay an obligation upon himself to make each succeeding show a greater success than the one preceding it.

People come to these fairs from all parts to see what the country can produce, and when there is a lack of exhibits, they come to the conclusion that we do not have the stuff, thereby getting a wrong impression of the whole Country.

Now is the best time to make selections of the very best samples of grasses, and for that purpose every person who has some extra good growth should hand pick, or, carefully select the best samples, see to it that they are cured and safely stored until fair time then to make the entries properly and thus become a booster if not altogether a money-maker.

The gardener should now mark the choicest of his plants and if needs be, give a little extra touch to the cultivation of his choice vegetables and it may be a material advantage if dry weather continues, to apply the needed moisture from a sprinkling can. The good house-wife too, can be nourishing the finest of her house plants, or the best of the garden flowers in order to make the show better and brighter. We recall with considerable regret that at the fair held last year there were only two collections of wild grasses and the same of tame. It was also an adverse comment which was offered about the display of threshed grains. True, the storms did go a long way toward preventing the placing of many exhibits which had been entered and it is to urge upon all to provide if possible against such an emergency being repeated, that we make this appeal. From present appearances this year will prove the most successful the district has passed through so let every person become an exhibitor or a booster. We certainly owe it to the officers of the Association and to ourselves,

CEMENT SIDEWALK TO THE STATION

The good people owning property along the way now have a petition ready to present to the Town Council asking for a cement sidewalk extending from main street two blocks west from Allen's store and one block north to the railway station. The council, however, can, of course, carry the walk no further than the edge of the reserve, but we are informed that Hon. P. L. Naismith, general manager of the A. R. & I. Co., has generously signified the willingness of his company to meet the Town in a reasonable manner in regard to extending the walk right up to the station building over the company's property. As it will be necessary to have the cement thoroughly dried before frost comes, work will no doubt commence right away.

REJUVENATING THE WATER SYSTEM

From what we learn, Mayor Brown and the Town Council appear to be in the position of the hunters who went into a cave after a squirrel and found a bear.

They laid out to give the people a rejuvenated water system; first to clean out and cement up the little cracks in the tank on the hill, afterwards to repair the leaks in the mains, and, later, to instal new service that is in such demand in different parts of town.

But they found the tank in such a condition that instead of taking a day to fix it, as was anticipated, it took over a week. They found that the bottom of the tank had sunk away from the sides so that there was a crack nearly a foot wide between the bottom and the side walls, near the middle. Besides this, there were numerous outlets in the walls, and a great fissure in one corner through which a man could thrust his arm; and the entire surrounding hill was so saturated with water that, after the tank was emptied the water continued to flow back into the tank for two days. But finally, the tank was cleaned and dried so that cement would hold, and the work of repairing has been done thoroughly. Meantime the pump was kept running day and night, pumping water directly into the mains, so as to keep water-takers supplied as far as possible. But the situation demanded patience on the part of the people, and so far as we have been able to learn, very little complaint was made. So long as the people know that everything possible is being done in their service, they are slow to complain. And this is as it should be.

Now that the tank is in good repair, work has begun on the mains and it is hoped that very little inconvenience will be given the water-takers while this labor is under way.

In the meantime two more blocks of piping have been ordered with which to extend the mains. Here's hoping the Mayor and his Council will not be discouraged in the good work.

SUCCESS TO "UNCLE TOM"

Now that the matter of a swimming hole for our boys, as we are informed, is being taken in hand by President Thomas Duce, something may be expected to be done. "Uncle Tom," proposes to use a small part of the surplus funds left over from our patriotic celebration of Dominion Day, to fit up a good swimming pool just below town, and if he can get the support of the several chairmen of the other committees, the work will be undertaken at once.

The funds were contributed by the citizens of the town in the interest of pleasure, and a small part could be used in no better way than to provide a healthful, pleasant and profitable pastime for our boys. What shall be done with the rest of the fund? No doubt the committee would be glad to hear from the public.

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Dr. Stacpoole or to W. S. Johnston, Barrister, Cardston

The Alberta Lumber & Hardware Co. have established a branch at Raymond. The new branch is situated just west of the Card Hotel. Six cars of lumber is already on the grounds, and offices and sheds will be erected immediately.

An aggregation of "Baseball Players" from Leavitt blew into town on Saturday last, and played a match with our local nine. The game was merely a farce—Cardston winning by a score of 23-0. More practice, Leavitt!

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