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Agricultural Society.

Annual Meeting Discusses Land Question—Adjourned to Next Week

The annual general meeting of the Medicine Hat Agricultural Society was held in the city hall on Saturday last. The meeting was called to order by the president, W. C. Harris, at 3 p.m., when a fair number of members were present. The president addressed the meeting, reviewing the society's work during the past year, and dealing in particular with the financial part of it.

The society had, this year, built an exhibition room on the city council's park. This had cost in the vicinity of $700, and of this sum $400 had been paid and a note given for the balance, which would fall due in [illegible] days. To enable the society to pay the [illegible] and other small accounts it would be necessary for the directors of the society to obtain a loan from the bank. Asked what the prize money amounted to the meeting was informed $895. The secretary's report was now read, which dealt with the society's work, including the stock school held in the early part of the year and in particular, with the annual show, stating the amount of prize money given in each class, the amount of the gate money, etc. In concluding his report the secretary asked to be relieved of his office as secretary, as the duties of stock inspector now occupied so much of his time, and he asked that the meeting be adjourned until a date next week when the auditor's report could be placed before them.

The report was adopted.

R. McCutcheon then brought forward the question of the land held by the Agricultural society, saying that he was one of a committee appointed by a joint meeting of the agricultural society and the turf club, and was very much under the impression that both parties had agreed to accept the report of the committee as final. He was now informed that the directors of the agricultural society had asked for $202 before the transfer be made. He would move that the secretary appointed at the meeting in question search the minute books and read the report of the committee in question.

T. J. Shepherd then read the report, which was as follows: "Having examined the records in the minute books of the society we are fully satisfied that a sale of the land has been made to the turf club, and that the deeds of the land should be transferred to the turf association. (Signed) R. McCutcheon and T. Littleford."

Mr. Shepherd further stated that he had seen C. R. Mitchell the day previous and that gentleman had stated that the turf association did not owe that amount, but that they would be prepared to pay the agricultural society $100.

Mr. F. G. Forster said that his impression was that the committee was to report to the directors of the agricultural society, and, while he agreed with the report, he held that the directors considered they were justified in asking for the $202, as they considered that the society had paid that amount. R. McCutcheon then said that as a member of both agricultural society and turf club, he would move that the turf association pay to the agricultural society $125. This was seconded by D. Black. Jas. Rae then moved, as an amendment, that the society transfer the debts to the turf association, without any further charge. Seconded by Jas. Fleming. Mr. Rae explained that he was not a member of the turf association, but was a member of the agricultural society some years ago when a resolution was passed authorizing the secretary to obtain the deeds on behalf of the turf club and that the agricultural society had received all that they were entitled to. This was supported by Mr. J. K. Drinnan, R. McCutcheon and T. Littleford.

Upon the amendment being put there were 8 for and 8 against.

The president gave his casting vote in favor of the amendment, which was declared carried.

J. K. Drinnan then complained of these meetings having so often to be adjourned and considered that the secretary should be prepared on the date appointed, and said that this kind of thing would eventually ruin the club.

F. G. Forster moved that the meeting adjourn until Dec. 14. Seconded by W. E. Porter.

T. M. Babbington took up the question of the demonstration farm. He said the minister of agriculture would like to get all the information possible before the estimates for the year were made up. It was decided to take up this question at the adjourned meeting.

Irvine Notes.

On Tuesday afternoon what might have been a serious fire broke out in Mr. Huber's yard. It appears that a haystack in the rear of his lot caught fire (through what means is not known) and there was soon quite a crowd gathered with pails to help extinguish the burning stack. It was soon seen that water was useless, so chains were brought and the hay scattered to enable the stack to burn up the more quickly.

In about two hours the danger was over but while it was burning there was considerable anxiety owing to the gale that was blowing in the direction of the business portion of the town. This accident should be a warning to the town to prohibit the stacking of hay in the town limits, except under cover. One of the first things the new council should see to is that we have better fire protection at present we should be practically helpless if a big fire broke out.

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There was a meeting this week in the schoolhouse to arrange for the holding of a Christmas tree for the children of the town on Christmas Eve. A committee of three ladies was appointed, namely, Mrs. Fulton, Mrs. Kpenig and Miss Branch, and Miss Gray, the school mistress, agreed to arrange the program.

Subscription lists have been placed in all the stores and hotels to raise money to buy the presents with and we hope everyone will give liberally, so that the little ones will have a good time.

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E. G. Benwell, J. P., was kept busy on Saturday. In the morning he tried the case of Dog vs. Sturm, which case was decided in favor of the defendant, the plaintiff having to pay the costs. In the afternoon at 2.30 p.m. the second case was disposed of, Rex vs. C. Calkins, the case being dismissed.

Seven Persons Pickings.

The event of the week was the surprise party at Mr. J. F. Leonard's on Friday. The house was full, and everyone enjoyed himself.

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Mr. Butler, the operator at this place has his brother with him for a month's visit.

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Mr. D. Cargill, of Pelgan Creek ranch, stayed over night in this place Saturday.

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Mr. J. N. Good has been hauling lumber and stone on his homestead preparatory to building.

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Miss Murray and brother and Mrs. McDonald passed through here on their way from the Hat to the Murray ranch.

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Mr. Ed. Levine, Mr. David Ross, Mr. Belford, Mr. Stephenson, Mr. Schneller, Mr. Endersby, Mr. Brown and Mr. Hollinger were Seven Persons visitors this week.

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The big prairie fire northwest of here was put out by the snow last night.

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A new pump is at the C. P. R. pumping station waiting to be installed by the bridge gang.

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Mr. Reed lost a valuable horse last week. His wife came to town to meet her sister. On the way home the horse took sick and died that evening. Mr. Logelin had a very sick horse, too. They both thought the horses had had poison.

Presbyterian Church Dedicated

On Sunday last the dedication services in connection with the new east end Presbyterian Mission were held. In the morning Rev. Mr. McLaren, Rev. J. S. Damm and the Rev. Mr. McWilliams, of Grace church, Calgary, conducted the service. Mr. McWilliams preached the sermon, and chose as his text Psalm XXXI., 19, "Oh, how great is Thy goodness, which Thou hast laid up for them that fear Thee; which Thou hast wrought for them that trust in Thee among the sons of men," and his thesis, God's design in nature—that all the universe, with its treasures of material wealth, was brought into existence for the sake of the highest creation of the Diety—Man. Each need of the human family was provided for in God's goodness, and as the necessity arose, the way was opened up to humanity, to the great resources in His storehouse. The use of the compass was discovered when the increase in the world's commerce made it a necessity. So with the steam engine, and all the developments which modern science and mechanical invention had brought; so with the discovering and opening up of the great west. Just when the necessity arose out of the storehouse of His goodness He brought His wondrous gifts.

And in the Book of God there was a casket of priceless jewels, each placed therein by the Almighty Father, to minister to man's spiritual needs as they arose—but never in advance. A passage which had no meaning to the young and to the prosperous, became filled with Divine comfort and the deepest meaning to the heartweary and suffering. But the greatest blessings in the storehouse of God's goodness were not on this side of death. The mercies of this life in comparison with the good to be hereinafter revealed were as the husks to the kernel of the grain. Somewhere, he knew not how nor where, we should enjoy the full measure of His glory. We should see as we are seen, and know as we are known—a thing incomprehensible to the human mind. But we had God's promise in His Holy Book, and on that could rely.

After the ordinary service the members of the new church were admitted, and the Rev. McWilliams pronounced the mission duly organized. The elders, Messrs. Fowler and Counley, were ordained by Mr. McLaren. Mr. Langland, a Calgary elder, attended the services. In the evening the service was conducted by the Rev Mr. McWilliams.

Police Court News.

While the Mounted Police have had a dead week, the city force has had a decidedly lively time.

Frank Pelvicles paid $5 and costs as a common drunk and disorderly.

A light penalty in the form of $1 and costs was imposed on Robert Dixon for being drunk and incapable.

Alen Romanyek, a Galician, was arrested and fined $5 and costs for disorderly conduct. He evidently was too flush of cash, as he got himself arrested later in the day for drunkenness and indecent exposure. A fine of $10 and costs was imposed so it is possible "financial stringency" will prevent his appearing as a guest at the city hall for a few days.

J. Bocerski and W. Steve had to cough up to the tune of $3 and costs each for the pleasure of jostling passengers in the C. P. R. waiting room.

A number of extra gang men also distinguished themselves in the said waiting room. Three dollars and costs each had to be found by those gentlemen for being drunk and indulging in a little scrap.

L. E. Jackson was disorderly at the station and was fined $5 and costs.

Two men have to undergo a term of imprisonment—Alfred Rodway for vagrancy and George Foster for theft. The latter stole a kit containing blankets, shoes, razor, etc., from a Galician workman. Both have taken a trip down to Lethbridge to earn an honest living for one month, at hard labor.

The Yellow Peril appeared before the chief on Monday morning in the persons of twelve chinamen, arrested for card gambling and disorderly conduct. They had been warned to discontinue their practices, but as this did not have the desired effect, a fine of $1 and costs was imposed on each. As all the names were alike, it is no use giving them.

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