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### THE WORLD DOES MOVE

We often read now adays of the progress the world has made in the past fifty or hundred years but nothing that has occurred in recent years affords a more striking illustration of the fact than the appearance of Halley's comet. When it appeared seventy-two years ago, we are told, whole communities, and those among the most enlightened, were thrown into utter consternation in the belief that it portended the destruction of the world by plague, famine and pestilence. In general, abject terror held the world in its grasp.

To be sure, we have read of a number of suicides recently on account of its reappearance, but the proportion of those who then studied the wonderful phenomenon with complacency and of those who were stricken with superstitions awe, is now just about reversed, and the civilized world to-day, almost universally see in the reappearance of Halley's comet the wonderful workings of an All-wise Creator.

What will be the condition of the world when this heavenly visitor again makes its appearance? Great as has been the progress of the world since 1838, scientifically and industrially, the progress made in the redemption of mankind, through the medium of the gospel as restored to the earth through the Prophet Joseph Smith, has been greater. Then, the Latter-day Saints were being driven from their homes in Missouri to take refuge in Illinois. Their leaders were in prison, and the people were scattered. To day, their numbers have increased more than thirty fold and they are firmly established, in fulfillment to prophecy, "In the tops of the Rocky Mountains," from Canada to Mexico; and great as may be the advancement of the world during the next seventy-five years in the way of aerial navigation and wireless telegraphy, the advancement of the work of God will be still greater.

### FARMERS AND CONSERVATION

"Canada, being a nation of farmers, has to pay a very large seed bill each year. Last year our crops, according to the Commission of Conservation, called for 33,000,000 bushels of seed grain—wheat, oats, and barley—and we are constantly increasing our agricultural acreage. This being so, the economy of sowing good, clean seed is at once apparent. The advantages to be derived from it are like the proceeds of a sum of money laid out at compound interest—they are cumulative in their effect and grow in ever increasing ratio. Some years ago a competition was carried on in some 450 places in Canada to see just what the result of using clean pure seed would be. If we reason from the results obtained from it, we find that our grain yield would have been increased by 190,000,000 bushels had clean, vigorous seed been sowed on every acre under cultivation. Now, 190,000,000 bushels of grain would fill 1,500 miles of railway grain cars. It is such a large amount that it is hard for the mind to comprehend, but, at any rate, it goes to show that it would pay our farmers to be particular about the kind of seed they sow."

The above notes taken from the Commercial Weekly news paper should be an eye opener for many

of us and set us to deeply thinking, especially as to whether we are doing the best for ourselves with our own products. It is not sufficient in any season to rush our best grain to the elevators and obtain the highest prices, but it is our duty as a provident people and a progressive people to keep the best selected grain for seed, or a sufficiency thereof.

It has been amply demonstrated by now, that it takes the best of seed to make the best crop; and second rate seed, or what we may think will do, does not give the best results. The best crops are grown by farmers who do the best work on their land and then sow the best seed.

We are constantly receiving pamphlets and bulletins from the experiment station that ably demonstrate that the theory of using good seed is not a dream, but is a proved proposition as to its great value. The nation that uses the best seed is the most progressive as a nation, and is building up its own people or making a reputation for its self second to none. Good seed used one year generally means that we have good seed to use the next year, so it has a continuing power and means that the user of good seed sells his grain for the best prices every year. Not only does he do this but if he sells good seed to his neighbors he is benefitting the whole community.

Few will realize unless they read carefully such statistics, as are given above, what the use of good seed really means to a country and the vast grain it leads to. Not only is purity in sample required but also vigor of growth, and it is when comparing the growth of grain that germinates from good seed, with that germinates from poor seed, that we see the difference. A crop from poor seed starts badly and never catches up to its rival, for the blades have not the vigor or vitality of those that sprouted from the best seed. Let us all make up our minds to sow nothing but the best seed for it is next door to a crime to do other wise.

### Application For Lease of Road Allowance or Surveyed Highway

NOTICE is hereby given that John T. Bateman, of the town of Cardston, in the Province of Alberta, Farmer, has made application to the Minister of Public Works, Edmonton, for a lease of the following road allowance or surveyed highway, viz, the whole road allowance between sections thirty-five (35) and thirty-six (36) in Township two (2), in range twenty six (26), west of the fourth (4th) meridian.

Any protest against the granting of the above mentioned lease must be forwarded to the Minister of Public Works, Edmonton, with in thirty days from the date of this notice.

Dated at Cardston, Alta.  
May 19th, 1910.

John T. Bateman  
(Applicant).

—Cardston Assembly Hall—

Tuesday, June 7th.

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