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### DOMINION DAY

Before another issue leaves the press the great Natal Day of the Confederation of Canada will have been duly and signally honored throughout the length and breadth of the Dominion. It is the one day of the year that should always be celebrated in order that we may remember and keep alive that spirit of patriotism which characterizes the British in all their realm. Just 41 years ago next Wednesday the Confederation of the Provinces of Canada was effected. Wonderful has been the spread and growth and influence of the Dominion from that time until the present. She has like the prediction of the sea in the Good Word, almost "Heaved herself beyond her bounds." To-day she stands forth in greater prominence than ever before. Her name is being heralded, her influence felt, her commerce known in places where a few years ago Canada sounded with a chill as one far distant and almost beyond the hopes of civilization—a snow clad barrier to commercial development and industry. These things are no longer experienced in the outside world. Canada has her place and stoutly and vigorously is she maintaining it. May the Land of the Maple continue to prosper, to expand her interests and develop her resources and with each succeeding Dominion Day may we be able to look forward to even brighter and bigger and better ones.

### ALBERTA FARMER'S ASSOCIATION

In the Alberta Homestead of June 17th appears a spirited and somewhat lengthy controversy between Joshua Fletcher and W. F. Stevens, president and secretary respectively of the Alberta Farmer's Association. A brief acquaintance with each of these gentlemen and a careful perusal of their letters together with a limited understanding of the subject at issue would lead us to take sides with the secretary. However, it is most regrettable that these matters should get into the newspaper for the reason that they not only breathe personal animus but also reveal the fact that there has not been the very best feeling among the leaders of this association, i. e. in reference to the president and secretary. Underlying the president's letter seems to be a feeling of jealousy which it is not at all unlikely to suppose is occasioned by the fact that Mr. Stevens has recently been appointed Live Stock Commissioner in the Department of Agriculture for the Province of Alberta. Such controversies as these will be hurtful to the growth

of the Association because they portray petty animosities where the association should be a united front. If there is any class or organization that should rejoice at the appointment of one of their members to positions of trust in the Government it is in the Farmer's Association because their rejoicing is two-fold, it is not merely that they are pleased to see one of their number honored but they rejoice that in that honor the province will be best served and their interests safeguarded. Mr. Stevens impresses all who know him with his straightforwardness, frankness, bigness, broadmindedness, characteristics which fit and qualify him for the position to which the Department of Agriculture has seen proper to place him. A better choice could not have been made and we are assured that the Alberta Farmer's Association of Southern Alberta, at least, will join in the hearty congratulations which are due him and the Government in his selection.

### Magrath vs. Cardston

The Magrath Baseball Team came here last Tuesday. Everybody in Cardston felt that the home team would have an easy victory, but this feeling was quickly dispelled when Magrath scored 4 runs in the 1st innings and Cardston on going to the bat scored 2. From this the play was good, both teams working hard, no more scores were made until the seventh innings when DeVoe Woolf added another run to the score. Richardson was on 3rd base with two men out when W. Woolf went to the bat. At this point it looked as if Cardston was going to even the score but Woolf fanned out, leaving the score 4-3. Tomlinson scored another run for Magrath in the 8th innings. The Cardston boys worked hard, and Hendry scored. Vic Spencer was put out on 3rd and D. Woolf on 1st. W. Woolf sent out a fly and was caught out. The first three batters for Magrath were put out on 1st base. This being the last innings the Cardston boys still hoped to win or else even the score. Hurd was put out on 1st. D. Spencer was caught out on a fly. Baird hit a two bagger and stole third. Harris batted a grounder and was put out on 1st.

This ended the game, the score being Magrath 5, Cardston 4. This was one of the best games that has been played this season. Wallace Hurd pitched a good game from start to finish. There were few flies muffed and very few errors made.

A dance was given by the Band in the evening in honor of the visitors.

### Local Justice Meted Out.

Justice of the Peace, E. N. Barker had a couple of cases the early part of the week. He dismissed the Preliminary Examination in the case of the Leavitt brothers who were accused with stealing a dog. In the case against R. Beck, Jr. upon information of F. W. Atkins wherein he was charged under the Town Bylaw of using abusive and insulting language, a fine of \$5 was imposed.

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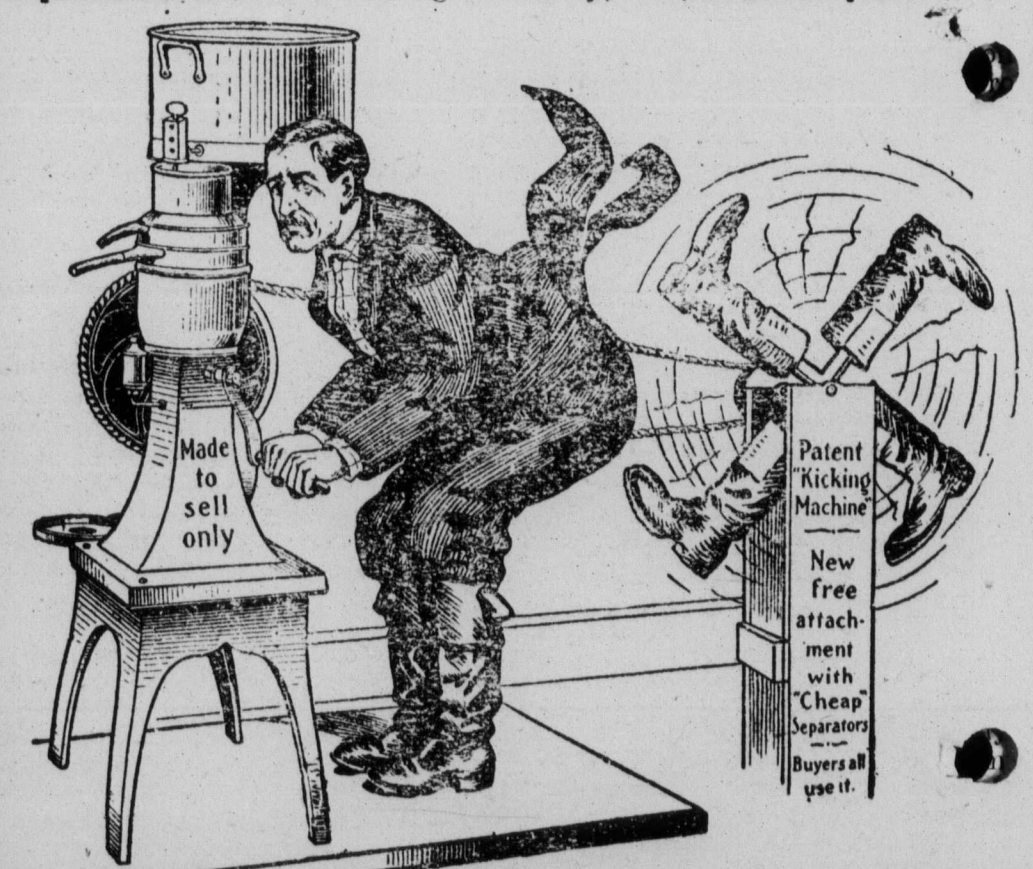
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