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## Seed Fair and Poultry Meeting

On Thursday next a Seed Fair and Poultry meeting will be held in the Assembly Hall. Meetings at 10 a. m., 2 p. m. and 8 p. m. The speakers will be:—T. Henderson, Edmonton, T. O. Lachance, E. J. Cook and W. H. Fairfield, Lethbridge. A good attendance is desired.

## Character Ball This Evening

Tonight in the Assembly Hall, the Ward Choir will give their grand Character Ball. Considerable interest has been taken during the past two weeks in this coming event which promises to be the crowning success of the season's dances. Many costumes have been procured from Lethbridge, and these, together with the other characters represented will make the scene one of splendor and spectacular beauty. Four cash prizes are being offered for the best representation of characters and it is anticipated that the judges will have a most difficult time in choosing the winners.

## Provincial Seed Fair For Alberta

The Alberta Provincial Seed Fair will be held in Calgary in one of the Exhibition buildings of Victoria Park on Feb. 3, 4, 5. Judging by both the standard prizes and the trophies there should be a good exhibit. Trophies are all regulated by the rule of passing the possession after being won three times running.

## Pointed Paragraphs

A man may go through life on a bluff—if he walks.  
Call the average man a liar and he will make good.

High living is the limit of many a man's lofty ideals.

It doesn't take a blunt person long to come to the point.

Most of the free advice we get is worth just about that much.

It's enough to make a woman frown if her husband smiles too often.

## Church Must Pay

Lethbridge Jan. 13. The arrears of taxes due on the Cochrane ranch before it was taken over by the Mormon church, were ordered to be paid by the church yesterday before Justice Stuart. The church will have to look to the former owners of the property if it is to receive all or part of the amount in arrears.

## Must Finish The Work

When the United States took over the Panama Canal President Roosevelt declared that the Americans were going to "make the dirt fly." The big ditch was to be dug off hand, and the whole undertaking completed in a few years. Today eminent engineers point out that the enterprise will cost four or five times the original estimate, and some doubt whether the project will ever be finished. If at all feasible, the Washington Government may be depended upon to carry it through. The grit inherited by the Americans from Great Britain warrants that prophecy.

## TOWN COUNCIL ADJOURNED MEETING

Tuesday, Jan. 12th.—Pool License Raised to \$300.00 for first Table and \$200.00 for each additional Table  
—Salary of Sec. - Treas. Raised to \$600.00

Mayor and all Councillors present. Carried.  
In Committee of the whole with Councillor Cahoon in the Chair it was moved and seconded that the salary of Sec. Treasurer for 1909 be \$500 per annum payable monthly. It was then moved by Councillor Duce and seconded by Mayor Brown that the salary of Sec. Treasurer for the year 1909 be \$600 per annum payable monthly. The last motion was put to a vote when Mayor Brown Councillors Duce, Hunt and Stacpoole voted for the motion and Councillors Burton and Coombs against—motion carried. The original motion favoring a reduction of the Sec. Treasurer's salary to \$500 per annum was put to a vote when Councillors Burton and Coombs voted for reduction and Mayor Brown, Councillors Duce, Hunt and Stacpoole voted against—motion lost.  
Upon motion the Sec. Treasurer was instructed to notify those who had applied for pool licenses that they could be had at \$300 for first table and \$200 for each additional table.  
Moved by Councillor Duce seconded by Councillor Coombs that we adjourn—Carried. Closing benediction by Councillor Coombs.

## Correspondence From Wisconsin

Oshkosh, Wis., Jan. 4, 1909.  
The Alberta Star,  
Cardston, Alberta

Dear Sir:—

In the issue of Dec. 31st, I was much interested in the letter of Mr. Thos. Woolford, owning some land near Kimball. Such items keep me posted in regard to existing conditions. I for one would like to be "taken into confidence" and learn why the Kimball branch of the A. R. & I, was never completed. I bought my land about five years ago with promises of a railroad with trains

almost in sight. I intended breaking and putting mine under cultivation, but having been brought up on a farm I know too well conditions as now exist to take any such chances, so not a cent more will I put into this district until transportation prospects are better than they now are. I know the conditions are good for crop raising in that vicinity, but as long as the railroad doesn't fulfil its agreement I will continue my agency which deals in good Alberta soil, but in other parts.  
Respectfully,  
C. C. Norris.

## The Alberta Musical Competition Festival

Complete arrangements have been made for the holding of the second Annual Musical Competition Festival, which takes place in Edmonton on Tuesday and Wednesday May 4th and 5th next. The success of last year's Festival held in May 1908 was most gratifying, both to the Committee in charge and also to the Contestants and visitors from all parts of the Province. The arrangements were complete and the decisions of the adjudicators (two of Winnipeg's ablest musicians) were decidedly impartial. The results were pleasing to the out-of-town contestants, they having won the majority of the Competitions for which they entered, the winners hailing from Daysland, Crossfield, Wetaskiwin, and other places.  
The First Alberta Musical Competition Festival was organized in 1907 having as its primary object, the raising of the standard of, and increasing the interest in the Choir music of the various Churches in the Province.  
The original scheme, which provided for Choir Competition only, was eventually enlarged to

## Alberta Helps The Farmer Student

Government Will Pay Railway Expenses to Agricultural Colleges

Calgary, Jan. 9.—"A progressive, educational agriculture policy will be one feature of the coming year's work of the department of agriculture," said Deputy Minister Harcourt last evening, in conversation with an Albertan reporter. "Although at present we have no agriculture college, this will not keep the young men from getting a college course if they want to. "There are not enough students at present to have an agriculture college in the province, but they can get instruction in the east at the expense of the provincial government. "This is not generally known by the Alberta public, but nevertheless it is a fact. The local government agrees to pay railway fares and non-residential fees to every young man in the province to the eastern college, as they may desire. "They also will do the same for young women for domestic science, and they already have ten female students in the east. "The aim of the government is to place the young men and women of the province on equal footing in agricultural education as would be the case had they a provincial college. "The government is able to do this even cheaper than if they had a provincial college, as this, with a small number of students, would be more expensive.

## Canada Gets Esquimaux

London, Jan. 13.—The Imperial government will transfer Esquimaux to Canada, the programme for its defence being carried out by the Dominion as arranged with home authorities.

## Exhibition Grounds

A meeting of the Cardston Agricultural Society will be held in the Assembly Hall tomorrow afternoon. The principal business of the meeting will be the selecting of Exhibition Grounds. All members of the Association are expected to be present.

## From Lethbridge to New York In 3 Days

Mr. E. N. Barker who was called suddenly to New York City about three weeks ago, on account of the illness of his wife, returned on Monday. The trip to New York was made in three days, which is a record time when the weather conditions are considered. Mrs. Barker has been afflicted with stomach trouble and wasn't expected to live, but since the undergoing of the operation she is feeling much improved. Mr. Barker remained in New York for eight days. He reported the weather as being very moderate during his stay—the cold wave up to that time, having not reached the city.

## \$5.00 Reward

Lost from J. W. Woolf's ranch one black horse, weigh 1200, branded S R on left hip, 9 years old. Right front foot white. The above reward will be paid for the delivery of same to Geo. Hudson at J. W. Woolf's ranch, south of town.

J. H. Van Pelt.