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Success to the Roller Skating Rink under the the new management.

From a punctuation point of view a trip to the north pole begins with a dash and ends with an interrogation.

It is estimated that two new towns are born in Alberta every week, which seems to be a very fair record indeed.

CARDSTON COMING TO HER OWN

The conquering hero's have returned. In olden times and in fact it is a modern innovation too, whenever the warriors of a country go out to battle, if successful over all competition, the home

The first of these mobile columns

people go out to meet their victorious forces and in many ways manifest their pleasure, that victory perched upon the banners of home and country. For several days the daily papers have presaged the good news we have been looking for from Billings, Mont., where our representatives Messrs Wm. Pilling and S. M. Woolf went to attend the Dry Farm Congress. The Star is pleased to join in the praise that is due to our delegates and committees, also the farmers who labored so untiringly and contributed material and means to make the Cardston Exhibit what it was. Three first and three second awards have been placed to the credit of this district, and the satisfaction of knowing the individual exhibit from Cardston went a great way toward the success which came to Alberta as having the second best display in the whole Congress.

The following we clip from the Letnbridge Herald.

CARDSTON A REVELATION

Cardston's exhibit specialized in grasses, there being between thirty-five and forty kinds in their exhibit. All kinds of clover, alfalfa, timothy, and shief grain were there. Agricultural authorities, like Prof. Shaw, visiting the exhibit, declared that it was a revelation to them. The Cardston exhibit was handled by R. W. Pilling and S. M. Woolf. They expected to get inside the money for spring wheat, having a very fine sample, but it was given to Colorado, to what was a soft variety, whatever other good qualities it may have had. They did get several prizes however.

It is also due to Kimball, on the south of us, that, to that locality should be given the credit for the sample of spring wheat, which although only given second prize, was considered by the most competent judges, the best sample displayed. Much information has been given to the world as to the advantages offered in our soil and climate and much gained through a comparison of products, methods and many other items which

should go toward making of this little nook of Alberta what it can and will become, namely, the best mixed farming area in the Province. We will be pleased to specialize on some of the most interesting features of the Congress when the reports are completed, and trust we may give our readers some valuable hints, gleaned from the attention at such a notable gathering.

Again, we want to call the attention of our readers to the fact that a few people can do much but all the community can do more to boost first, last and all the time for Cardston.

Council Meeting

Tuesday, Nov. 2nd.

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they cannot act in the matter. Carried.

George Banner made application for installment of electric light in agricultural fair house. Referred to fire, licence and police committee.

B. J. Wood applied for electric light installment for house. Referred to fire licence and police committee.

George W. Murray applied for electric light connection. Referred to fire, licence and police committee.

Allan Leishman applied for a dray licence. The Sec.-treasurer was instructed to issue a licence upon payment of amount.

Van Brown applied for licence for Skating Rink till end of the year. Moved by Councillor Duce and seconded by Councillor Cahoon that the regular half year licence from July 1st to Dec. 31st, 1909 be issued at the regular rate of \$50.00 and that Mr. Brown be allowed a rebate of \$33.00. Carried.

The Sec.-treasurer reported on the finances of the town up to Oct. 23rd. Communication filed.

The monthly report from the constable was accepted and carried.

The reports of the Electrician and Engineers of Power House, were referred to fire, licence and police committee.

The finance committee recommended payment of a number of accounts. The reported was accepted and ordered paid.

Moved by Councillor Cahoon seconded by Councillor Duce that this meeting adjourn till Wednesday November 10th at 7.30 p. m. Carried.

Keep the Trade at Home

(Winnipeg Commercial)

The country newspapers can do a great service to their localities by urging the farmers to support the local dealers by purchasing their requirements at their own towns. Many papers throughout the west are giving that service, and as a sample of what they do we might mention a recent article in the Courier, of Unity, Sask. This paper draws attention to the fact that this is the season when mail-order houses send out their catalogues, and get after the fall and winter trade of the farmers. It is also the time of year when many farmers are unfortunately availing themselves of the opportunities of sending their cash to the large cities, to build them up at the expense of their own towns.

We believe that in the majority of cases, says the Courier, these farmers, who are donating to the common interests of the mail-order houses, do not review the peril of the situation. They do not stop to think that some day perchance they may be in business, and the proposition may confront them. They use the mail-order houses to deposit their spare cash while the home merchants in the majority of cases are carrying them for large bills. Shame on the unbusinesslike methods of some people, little sympathy should be awarded them if legal action were taken by home merchants to collect accounts

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and it should be done to those who court the peril of the situation.

The Courier goes on to say: "There is not a merchant in this town who cannot figure any cash bill on a saving basis against the mail order house. One never has the pleasure afforded him of seeing flour and sugar shipped in. Why? Because the mail order houses could not lay flour or sugar down in this town anywhere near the home prices. We shall be pleased to quote prices in comparison in our paper for the benefit of those who have the mail order fever, if necessary to enlighten them. It is a shame and a disgrace to Canadian intelligence to presume that the mail order house is anything but a farce when it comes to equal values and any material assistance in building up the home country."

Not only did the grain crop of the prairie provinces exceed all records for yield this year but the standard of the wheat, oats and barley was very high as the Dominion government records show. In Manitoba the wheat standard in 1908 was 87.28 as against 81 in 1907, oats 86.07 compared to 73 the previous year and barley 85.36 to 68. For Saskatchewan the figures were wheat 92.95 to 61, oats 94.01 to 67; barley 85.39 to 68. Alberta wheat 89.05 to 77; oats 90.20 to 84; barley 84.18 to 80. These returns are impressive of the fact that not only in quantity but in quality as well, the Canadian west excels.

The recovery of Canadian trade to the high level of two years ago is an effective rebuke to all pessimists.

That the Canadian West is becoming a manufacturing as well as an agricultural community is indicated by a statement prepared by Winnipeg's Publicity Commissioner for the benefit of an Easterner who recently declared that the city contained no factories. The prairie capital claims one hundred and seventy-eight manufacturing enterprises, employing twelve thousand hands.

John Wanamaker says: Advertising does not jerk, it pulls. It begins very gently at first, but the pull is steady. It increases day by day and year by year until it exerts an irresistible power."

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