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A NOTE OF WARNING.

It is strange, nevertheless the fact exists, that some people in every community have to be compelled to have a proper respect for the law. Such a simple thing as the preservation of such public improvements as side-walks, neat fences etc. constructed for our comfort and pleasure have to be protected by law, when, under only ordinary conditions it should be every body's interest to see that these improvements are properly preserved. As will be observed from our local columns, Justice Holmes has been rather busy the past fortnight administering warnings under the local by-law, to trespassers upon the side-walks of the Town.

We say "warnings" but we also repeat advisedly, that repeated infractions of this regulation, will be severely punished.

There is another question coming prominently before the public right away, which should have prompt attention. We refer to the custom which has obtained in country places especially where there is little or no accommodation for teams and saddle horses when driven or ridden into town, being left out in the cold without the most meager shelter, but the excuse can not be urged for Cardston as the feed stables here are ample for all patrons for several years to come. It is cruelty to animals to allow them to be driven until all moist with sweat or through storms, then tie to a post in the cold winds we get for several months in the year. There is a clause in the Criminal Code of Canada making it a serious offence and imposing a penalty of fifty dollars upon summary conviction.

It is time to mend our ways in this matter before an example be made of a few offenders.

ARE WE GENEROUS?

There is one thing sure, in our growing town, that neighbors will have to be generous with one another in many things.

When water works were established, sewers were found necessary to carry off the waste water and refuse. Necessarily this flush and overflow finds its outlet in the lower levels and those in the lower part of town may feel themselves aggrieved by the imposition as they term it, by the seepage from cesspools and sinks. The past few days certain property owners have taken the matter seriously and have threatened to take legal steps to gain redress. What we think should be done is, that those most interested should get together and amicably arrange for the settlement of their differences without resort to the law, until such a time as the conditions will justify the establishment of a sewage system.

We will cite the Cahoon Hotel as an instance. The proprietors went into this most creditable

business without asking exemption from taxation or any other concession, and it is safe to say is today the best advertisement that Cardston has. If we think it necessary to fight them because of conditions which necessarily arise and are managed the very best under the circumstances, we make a grave mistake. This is only one instance. We advise generosity.

A REVIEW OF THE YEAR

Now that the days of activity in the way of Town progress, are over, for the year, it is nothing but natural for us to make a review of the years work and make a note of the advancement we have made during the past summer.

To begin with, our light and water system has been thoroughly overhauled and rejuvenated, from the water tank on the hill, to the last hydrant installed. We have, besides, made an extension of three blocks of the mains, thus bringing under fire protection some of the most valuable property of Town. By the action of the Town Council in renovating our water system, the merchants of Town have been saved hundreds of dollars in the advance of insurance rates that would otherwise have been placed upon them, of which the Council were notified during the summer. The right to the use of the water by which our system is supplied has moreover been secured to the Town this season, for the first time. This is a matter of the first importance.

But not only have the rights of the people been safeguarded in this respect, and the light and water system of the Town been placed upon a paying basis, but valuable and permanent progress has been made in the way of local improvements. The levels of the Town have been established on the principal streets, so that all improvements of the future may be made upon a uniform grade. The importance of this move will become more and more apparent as the Town grows, and heavy expenses will be saved to the Municipality by reason of its having been made thus early. The substantial appearance that is imparted to our Town by the construction of our new cement sidewalks, is patent to all, citizens and strangers, alike, and great credit is due to our loyal townsmen who have made petition for this much needed improvement.

We have just begun to enumerate the improvements that have been made during the past season however, and can only name them over for the information of the ratepayers, who are interested in the use that is made of the people's money.

There is the piling along the banks of Lee's Creek for the protection of the Town from the flood waters of that intermittent stream; the permanent channel that has been cut by which the pump-house may unfailingly be supplied; the cement caps for the protection of the fire walls of the powerhouse; the extensive improvements that have been made in the boilers for the safety of the plant on the advice of the Government Inspector, Mr. Marshall; the flood-water ditches, to the north and south of Town, for carrying the spring freshets off without allowing them to come through the Town; and last, but not least, the much needed revision of our by-laws, by which they have been placed abreast of the foremost municipalities of the Province.

For all these steps of progress, we feel sure, all our people fully appreciate the untiring labors of our Town Council.

He had managed to accumulate a lot of money by more or less questionable methods. "I should like to do something for the benefit of the town," he said. "Well," suggested the poor but otherwise honest citizen, "you might move out of it."—Chicago Daily News,

BURTON'S VARIETY STORE

"Cash Goods at Cash Prices"

CHRISTMAS CHINA AND FANCY GLASSWARE

The prettiest and most artistic display
of hand painted and fancy China and Glass-
ware ever seen in Cardston.

TOYS

We hope to show a full range of Dolls,
Toys, etc., about Monday, December the 6th.

Burton's Variety Store

Don't Send Your Money

away for Phonographs. Save money by
dealing at home.

T. EATON & CO offers The Standard
Edison Phonograph for \$3200, F. O. B.
Winnipeg.

Our price for same machine, \$32.00
F. O. B. Cardston, on easy terms

A good supply of records always on hand.
Before buying your Xmas
presents, call and see us

Stationery, Fancy Goods, Etc., Etc., Etc.

The Layne-Henson Co.

Spencer and Stoddard Block

Warning

The Family Herald and Weekly
Star of Montreal in this week's
issue are warning their present
subscribers to renew earlier than
usual this season, as there is an
enormous demand from new sub-
scribers and there is apt to be a
congestion at the close of the year.
The new premium picture "The
Soul's Awakening" is causing a
perfect furor of enthusiasm in all

parts of the Dominion. It is
certainly a beautiful picture and
is appreciated more and more the
oftener one sees it. It is 19x24
inches ready for framing. A copy
is sent to every subscriber for 1910
and along with such a paper as
The Family Herald and Weekly
Star at one dollar a year certainly
is the best bargain of the year.
Clergymen of all denominations
are urging parents to become pos-
sessors of a copy of this interest-
ing picture.

PENNOYER & OLAND Contractors & Builders

It's not what you earn

that makes you rich

But what you save

We pay 5 per cent interest on Savings
Deposits and Compound Quarterly

The Cardston Loan Co.
BANKERS.

UNION BANK OF CANADA.

Capital and Rest
Exceed
\$5,000,000
For Western
Farmers

The Union Bank of
Canada pays special
attention to the banking requirements of the Farmers, Grain
Dealers, Cattle Men and Merchants of Western Canada.
Already over 112 Branches of this Bank have been established
from Fort William to Prince Rupert.

Grain Drafts with Bills of Lading attached negotiated.
Savings Department at every Branch. Interest
paid at highest current rates.

Cardston Branch. G. M. Proud Manager.