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**A TOWN HALL**

Cardston has been dragging along for years behind her neighbors without any proper town headquarters. For a long time we have been paying rent to various real estate owners for the use of rooms for council and offices for the officials. The present quarters are now so cluttered and unsatisfactory that what might be called a crisis has arrived, and it is an absolute necessity that we should take early steps towards securing a permanent building for the housing of the city fathers, the records, books and belongings of the town. It is no longer a case of can we thrive as we are or can we make out, but is a case of "Must."

Many advantages would accrue from the use of a large building. The officials would be far more comfortable and far better able to do their work properly, than is possible now in the cramped quarters they are compelled to make use of. Besides this the annual rents we pay would soon pay for our city hall and the longer the building of a town hall is put off the greater price shall we have to pay for real estate upon which to build it. We have a good court house but no office for our town constable, and our secretary-treasurer is badly hampered for want of room and storage facilities for his paper, books and records.

It is also the duty of citizens to attend Council Meetings, to be asked for their advice upon matters they are well versed in or to keep track of what is going on in their own interest. The Council Meetings are in reality, or would be public meetings, but this is impossible in the present quarters which will only provide sitting room for the councillors, and any spectator can only poke his head around the door jamb and obtain a partial view of the proceedings. Let us have a town hall and build it quick.

**SOME GARDENING NOTES**

Seeing how well carragannas do here it makes us wonder why our citizens do not sow the seed instead of waiting for the young shrubs from a distance, the supply of which is often exhausted before those we send for arrive. The seed is easily obtained, germinates freely and is very satisfactory. It is most probable that sowing the seed is the best way to obtain a good hedge of this pretty and hardy plant, which often makes a better growth when coming from seed and is just as rapid because it does not have to be moved.

We are now fairly on the way towards the making of a fine town and as our civic pride increases so much our knowledge of greenery.

Besides carragannas many species of lilacs are ever hardy and so are many of the willows. Plant now because a year lost is a year we can never pick up again.

Last week we said there was no hurry about the main garden and

this has proved to be true. Seed planted now will be just as far ahead by June 1st, as that sown April 1st. Remember June is our most rapidly growing month, and during that month it is necessary to nip out all weeds in their earlier stages. A garden in good shape on July 1st, and clear of weeds will not give much trouble afterwards.

Because the early sown seeds did not come up in the flower garden do not worry but sow again. Those sown now will be just as early as those sown a month ago, i. e., as regards those sown outside.

Let us have lots of flowers in the gardens this year and as the fair is late this year why cannot we have a horticultural show in August when everything is at its best? Let us form a Horticultural Association which will cost us nothing but our efforts, and if we hold a show the provincial government will pay the prize money. Let us combine and suggest this strongly to the fair association.

Who will be the first to help form a Horticultural Society that will do us all good and afford each and all of us lots of pleasure.

**Leavitt News**

Mr. Editor: As you did not accept the general invitation we extended to you to spend May Day with us, and knowing you would like to be in possession of the good time we missed I will tell you what we did. Probably never before in our history were so many visitors enjoying the festivities. Our main thoroughfare was a scene of activity from early morn till late at night. Automobiles, carriages and wagons were all used to carry people to the main playground. The booths were all well patronized as was also the ball in the evening. The day was an ideal one and on all hands the eye could see the opening of spring budding forth in bloom and verdure. Everyone vied with each other in making all feel gay and happy. Especially the children.

(To be continued next week.)

Another school year is drawing to a close. How many of you parents with children in the schools have done your parental duties by visiting the schools? We feel that a majority of parents have failed in this. If you have failed to visit the schools the past year, there remains a few weeks in which you will have an opportunity for the performance of this duty. Such visits have a stimulating effect on pupils and teachers, as well.

Garden making is at hand again and it's also time to pen up your chickens or other live stock if you have any. To have chickens wander on your premises and garden causes a lot of hard feeling and it makes no difference whether they do any harm or not, your neighbor does not want to be annoyed with your chickens and you should not cause trouble by allowing your fowls to run at large.

COMING! COMING!

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**Friday, May 13th.**

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