

A Creditable Christmas Number

The Christmas Number of The Grain Grower's Guide of Winnipeg is the best issue of the paper ever published. It contains fifty pages in addition to a four colored supplement in the shape of a cartoon on the "Constitutional Difficulties" question. The cover design is something unique and striking. It is in three colors decorated with holly leaves, and shows Santa Clause bringing Government Owned Elevators to the Western farmers. A cut feature of the cover design is a little lad in his night clothes, retiring and an extract from his prayer asking Santa Clause to bring Government Owned Elevators to his daddy.

The contents of the paper have a special Christmas flavor and includes some reproductions of famous paintings of scenes of The Nativity. There are three splendid Christmas stories, entitled "Remembrance of a Cattle Ranch," "The Ransom of Billy," and "A Snow-bound Santa Clause." These are all illustrated with special drawing by the staff artist of The Guide. There is a full page drawing showing Christmas in the home with the family, as compared with the lonely Christmas of the batchelor and spinster. The Christmas Guide also contains three articles written by Premier Roblin of Manitoba Premier Scott of Saskatchewan, and Premier Rutherford of Alberta, on some of the features of their respective provinces. There are two other interesting articles, entitled "Plowing in the Cold" by Rev. A. A. Shaw; and "The Value of Elementary Schools," written by Dr. W. A. McIntyre, Principal of the Manitoba Normal School. In addition to these features there are a number of excellent cartoons of the Cabinet Ministers of the three provinces. It is noticeable that there is nothing antagonistic in the cartoons that have been made for the Christmas Number of the Guide, but good humor prevails throughout.

Two special articles on the resources and opportunities of Alberta and Saskatchewan are good advertisements for these provinces, and in the large issue of The Guide, which will be sent to the United States and Old Country it will be read by many intending immigrants. There are also other features of special interest to women and children and also a large number of splendid letters from farmers, and special farmers' market reports. This is a strong feature of The Guide. Altogether the Christmas Number of the Grain Grower's Guide is one of the finest papers that has been issued in Canada this season, and it is a credit to the organized farmers who own and control it.

Last Meeting In The Old Year

Council met Dec. 30th, 1909, Mayor Brown in the chair.

Councillors Cahoon, Duce, Coombs, and Hunt were present. The application of S. L. Eversfield for a meter at the Presbyterian church read. Granted upon estimate of cost to install 10 lights and payment for installation.

Letter of thanks from the Cardston Board of Trade, filed.

Notice of A. Cazier, with payment to date asking for water from May 1st, to Nov. 1st, of each year read and ordered noted.

Correspondence from Gen. Man. P. L. Naismith re account for 1909 with the A. R. & I. Co. was read and accepted.

The report of the finance committee was read and accepted on motion of Councillor Coombs, seconded by Councillor Duce.

Moved by Councillor Cahoon, seconded by Councillor Duce that the Mayor and Sec.-Treas. be authorized to pay the Union Bank of Canada the note of \$1,250.00 due Dec. 31st, 1909. Carried.

Moved by Councillor Coombs, seconded by Councillor Hunt that the matter of F. W. Atkins be deferred provided he enter into a \$100.00 bond to commence work by May 1st, 1910. Carried and the solicitor was instructed to prepare a bond by Dec. 31st, 1909.

Report of the constable read and accepted.

Moved by Councillor Coombs, seconded by Councillor Hunt that this Council desires to place upon record its deep appreciation of the services rendered by Councillor Duce during his term of service as councillor, especially in the capacity of chairman of the standing committee on Fire, License and Police, a position which entailed a large amount of personal labor and responsibility upon the incumbent of office; and while regretting that the gentleman named could not see his way to accept office for another term, we wish to convey to him our warmest wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year and express the hope that he may long be spared to see the growth of the town he has labored so hard to build up. Carried and responded to by Councillor Duce with expressions of reciprocity.

Councillor Cahoon being called upon, spoke in appreciation of his own enjoyment in all his associations in the council. Expressed his expectations of the future of Cardston.

Mayor J. T. Brown spoke of the pleasures of his labors in the past and of his hopes for the future.

Solicitor Wm. Laurie expressed the pleasure he had experienced in the past year, spoke of the copying of the by-laws and of his appreciation of the support he had received.

Sec.-Treas. L. A. Wilson expressed his pleasure at the associations in the council during the past year.

Coun. M. A. Coombs spoke in appreciation of his enjoyment of his labors and wished the confidence of all his associates. Spoke of the new sidewalks and had hopes for the future.

Coun. Jonathan Hunt expressed his appreciation of the courtesy extended him.

Constable James P. Low spoke of the hearty support he had received from Coun. Duce and Mr. Laurie.

Coun. Coombs moved an appreciation of the labors of Solicitor Laurie, seconded by Coun. Duce. Carried.

Mr. Laurie responded with thanks and extended the compliments of the season to each one.

Moved by Coun. Duce, seconded by Coun. Hunt that the minutes of the meeting be printed. Carried.

Adjourned sine die. Benediction by Coun. Thomas Duce.

Short Course In Agriculture

The Short Course in Agriculture held at Lacombe last March proved so successful that this year the Department of Agriculture has made arrangements to hold three Short Courses as follows:

Lethbridge, Feb. 3rd, to Feb. 19th.

Olds, Feb. 21st to March 5th.

Vegreville Mar. 7th, to Mar. 19th.

The location of the Schools as above should give every farmer and farmer's son who desires to do so an opportunity of attending one of these schools with very little outlay for travelling expenses.

Courses of instruction will be given in Live Stock, Dairying, Agronomy and Poultry Raising. Two cars of selected live stock will be used for demonstration purposes and instruction given on the subjects of breeding, feeding care and management of stock.

Instruction in dairying will cover the subject from the production of milk to the marketing of the finished product, with general farm dairy machinery in operation. No instruction will be given at Lethbridge, but it will be

a special feature at Olds and Vegreville.

Field work in grain growing with emphasis on soil cultivation will receive special attention, with samples of grains, grasses and weed for illustrative purposes.

Instruction in poultry raising will cover all phases of the subject, with incubators and brooders in operation. Crate fattening and marketing will be specially demonstrated.

An effort is being made to obtain special railroad rates and also for board and lodging, particulars of which will be announced later. Instruction is free and open to all. Women are especially invited to poultry lectures.

Canadian Farms Yield Half a Billion

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—The final estimates of 1909 production issued by the census department shows an increase of \$100,000,000 in the value of Canadian crops. An area of 30,065,556 acres has yielded a harvest valued at \$532,992,110.

The yield per acre and value is as follows:

| | 1909. | 1908. |
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| Yield Value | Yield Value | Yield Value |
| Fall wheat | 24.31 \$23.93 | 24.40 \$21.70 |
| Spring | 21.25 17.70 | 16. 12.84 |
| Oats | 38. 13.16 | 31.64 12.15 |
| Barley | 29.71 13.64 | 25.79 12.23 |
| Peas | 20.71 17.33 | 17.08 14.46 |

The value of the wheat harvest in the west is \$121,560,000, and the rest of the Dominion \$19,760,000 compared with \$72,424,000 and \$18,804,000 last year.

The value of all field crops in Prince Edward Island is \$19,760,000; in Nova Scotia, \$22,319,300; in New Brunswick, \$18,150,000; in Quebec, \$90,071,000; in Ontario, \$290,000,000; in Manitoba, \$74,420,500; in Saskatchewan, \$97,677,500; and in Alberta, \$20,741,000.

In 1908 the value of the crops in Prince Edward Island was \$9,408,000; in Nova Scotia, \$20,083,000; in New Brunswick, \$18,042,000; in Quebec, \$80,096,000; in Ontario, \$185,308,000; in Manitoba, \$66,660,000; in Saskatchewan, \$37,614,000, and in Alberta, \$14,522,000.

The condition of the new crop of fall wheat this year was 93.35 of a standard as compared with 75 per cent. last year. In Alberta there is an increase of 21 per cent. of fall wheat sowing, and in Ontario an increase of 99 per cent.



Tenders For Indian Supplies

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tenders for Indian Supplies," will be received at this Department up to noon on Friday, 14th January, 1910, for the delivery of Indian supplies during the fiscal year ending the 31st. March, 1911, duty paid, at various points in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

Forms of tender containing full particulars may be had by applying to the undersigned. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

J. D. McLEAN, Secretary, Department of Indian Affairs, Ottawa.

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