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CLEAN UP

In this issue appears a notice over the signature of H. B. Staepoole, Medical Officer of The Town of Cardston, asking the citizens to see that the rear yard of their respective premises (including their portion of any lane) be thoroughly cleaned and made free from all rubbish and refuse. The appeal of the Board of Health should be promptly heeded. From the standpoint of health alone such an appeal ought not to be necessary, as all will readily agree that carelessness in this regard is an invitation to disease. From the standpoint of civic pride all should be interested, as nothing will add more to the beauty of a town than cleanliness. Every citizen should take pride in assisting to make his home town clean and beautiful. The appeal of the Board of Health should be heeded because it is in accordance with the law. The Board of Health is supposed to execute the law. Evidently there has been a laxity in this regard in the past, and they are calling for a strict observance of the law which is just and right. Better have fewer laws and live up to them, than to have many laws and break them. But it is better still to have just enough laws and obey them. The citizenship of our community is sufficiently advanced, and ought to have sufficient consideration for self and others to comply cheerfully with all laws guarding health and in the interests of sanitation. Let us join with the health board and make Cardston clean.

Now that a flow of natural gas has been discovered, let the business men get together and see what can be done to develop the same. Donations of ten to twenty dollars would soon ensure a sum to enable the drilling of the well to the three or four hundred foot level. This would then practically demonstrate whether the gas is of sufficient quantity to place us on a footing with Medicine Hat and other manufacturing centres. Let us not remain in doubt but go ahead and investigate.

The discovery of natural gas in sufficient quantity would mean much for Cardston. Her future as a commercial city would be assured, while her real estate and property would double in value.

Mr. Van Pelt is to be congratulated on his valuable discovery. He is now a gas as well as a copper-mine king.

There is one point we can safely count on, that is if the well lacks in quantity of gas, the supply will be made up by the real estate men.

We wonder if Medicine Hat has felt a decrease in her supply of gas.

Real estate in the vicinity of the Van Pelt property will now likely go up a hundred per cent. in price.

The discovery of gas causes real estate men to rejoice.

It is more than likely Mr. Wright will now have a rush of orders for drilling wells.

Comments

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The Optimist has been very airy these days and does us out a little soothing syrup in suggesting that the same company that was to have built the Great Waterways railroad, would also run a spur down this way and take us in. Possibly his conscience pricks him somewhat when he remembers the taffy he threw into us at election time last year. He knows this is a good country and he couldn't be better employed than in throwing something this way just to square himself. We went ask for \$20,000 per mile; \$12,000 will do us at a pinch. Some of the northern papers say the A. & G. W. issue was before the people at last election. They did not say anything about it down here. The Optimist editor was the chief spokesman as to what was coming our way, whereas the railway signals were set the other way and locked in position. Then some northerners say the turnover of the A. & G. W. R. R. was caused by the jealousy of the South!!

And we were roped in by a bunch of tenderfeet and swallowed the dose whole. Then they wanted to lead the old stags out of the party, but the bronchos started to buck and a lot of riders got fired just as in round-up times—history repeateth itself in most regular fashion. "He's alright when you know him but you've got to know him fust." We are slow to anger but when roused we make things move. When a broncho starts bucking he does not always know himself in which direction he is likely to go. He just goes on until something happens. There are still some bronchos in the south, but we would feign live in peace with our northern brethren. There are good people in all localities and many of the stiffest insurgents are up north. From this most southerly position we may say we do not encourage antagonism between north and south, but the North must remember, i. e., the government end of it, that we all vote at elections and the icy exclusiveness that has pervaded the government buildings; the absence of all knowledge by the man on the street, of what was going on in his own country, coupled with the fact that only certain people born in a certain locality are admitted into secret conclaves; and that many or most Albertans of longtime standing have been practically shut out of any participation in their own affairs have all tended to cause friction. This might have been worse than it is and when the air clears and we reorganize it is up to those in power to pull the ends of the province together and inaugurate a policy that makes Albertans of all of us, not Northerners and Southerners.

The gas well was set afire three times yesterday for demonstration purposes and each time was more difficult to subdue.

As gas and coal usually lie together, a syndicate should be formed to develop same.

Brick buildings seem to go up faster than frame buildings when they start, judging by present operations. We cannot have too many of these brick buildings and anyone that erects one is a public benefactor.

Edmonton and Lethbridge are hammering each other in an effort to secure the the annual meet of the Alberta Amateur Athletic Association. Whichever place obtains the honor will have to go some to beat the way it was managed and run off at Calgary last year.

The American congress is now wondering if it is good politics to hand Alaska over to Morgan and Guggenheim. Of course such a procedure will be profitable to certain politicians, but it will be rough on the people. The people don't seem to have any more to do with the affairs of their country in the United States than they do in Canada.—Grain Grower's Guide.

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"Cash Goods at Cash Prices"

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4 packages for 5 cents
White CUPS & SAUCERS
best quality 50c. set.

SHOE LACES
long or short 3 prs. for 5c.

LEATHER GLOVES
best calf skin 85c. pair.

Gents NECK TIES large
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BLANKETS
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Large quantity of childrens, misses, and ladies vests with long sleeves from 15 c. up.

BUILDING PAPER
Anchor Brand 85c. roll.

Jones' best steel SHOVELS \$1.00

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Boys STRAW HATS
with black band 2 for 25c.

Ladies Underskirts
black sateen, 60c.

Boys Wash Suits 65 and 75 c.

Burton's Variety Store

Are You Looking?

For a Home. If so let me show you my list of properties for sale in Cardston.

Now Is The Time To Buy

Prices are going up steadily for all property. My prices will remain as they are, for some time yet, to enable those who wish to buy a home to have a chance to do so.

E. N. BARKER

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