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THE DAY TO CLEAN UP

Of all the different clean-ups that are engaged in by the municipalities, the spring clean-up is about as essential as any. Throughout the winter months lawns become strewn with waste paper, back yards grow almost filthy in many instances and the streets and alleys show the carelessness displayed by residents. But when the springtime comes humanity revises itself to meet the warmer air and bright sunshine, and usually a desire springs up in the heart to clean up and make things tidy.

THE SEASON'S PROSPECTS

The weather of the last four weeks has been a revelation, even to those who have resided in the district several years.

Warm, sunshiny days have succeeded each other without intermission, and there has not been more than a suspicion of frost in the mornings. The farmers are busy breaking, discing and seeding and rejoicing at being able to get to work so early. In the town builders are taking advantage of the good weather to go ahead with the numerous buildings they have in hand, and during the last few weeks a big difference has been made in the appearance of Cardston. New stores and new dwelling houses are being rushed to completion. Throughout the country also farmhouses and barns are being built as speedily as possible.

Small wonder, therefore, that a feeling of optimism is pervading the whole district, and that everyone feels it is good to be alive, and especially to be alive in sunny Southern Alberta.

The eyes of the world are turned towards Alberta at the present moment. Daily hundreds of settlers are pouring in, and thousands more are preparing to make the journey.

Southern Alberta has a bright future before it, and Cardston district is in the van of progress.

The March lion "has went" into retirement.

Every back yard and lane should have its raker these days.

Winter wheat is looking fine and promises to be a great crop.

It is now cleaning up time and every property owner should get busy.

The finest collection of horses ever seen in the west will take part in the parade tomorrow.

"Do not make vulgar display of your wealth," advises a pulpeteer. We don't.

Cardston should have a civic half holiday during the summer months.

The March lion came along alright but he was a long way in the rear of the March lamb, and his work will be to make more effective and lasting the very good work already done by his illustrious, though peaceful predecessor.

The days grow longer and the sun grows warmer, but this is the danger period for pneumonia and other maladies that trail the one who dreams of lighter clothes.

The trek to the West begins again. Yet it is well to remember that men succeed in the West, just as in the east, only by industry and enterprise.

Street railway development is keeping up to steam roads in the west this year. Regina and Moose Jaw will have lines running by the fall.

That story of fifty pounds more of food enabling him to reach the south pole doesn't sound like Shackleton. It "listens" more like a Dr. Cook experience.

Now is the time to get ahead with the cleaning up of the yards. A start has been made by several, and it is hoped more will buckle to the task at once. Our town has a reputation to keep up.

Farming operations are quite general in this part of the province and those who imagine we have eleven months of winter here should sit up and take notice. Seeding in the middle of March is not so bad.

Is it not about time boys, that you were beginning to think about that baseball nine? Surely with the material available Cardston should put a team on the diamond that could challenge the province. Talk this up boys, then hold a meeting and organize for the season. Do it now.

The crop of winter wheat in this section is looking fine and the fields are becoming quite green. The wisdom of those farmers who have sown a goodly acreage to winter wheat for this season is apparent and others should follow their lead. The winter wheat crop is usually ready for the harvest much earlier than the spring grain and then again the quality is always A. No 1.

We hope that we can have some kind of a baseball team this coming summer. It is the best sport on earth and causes no little excitement.

If Barney Oldfield can only knock another half minute off his mile motor record he will be able to arrive at the goal post a second or two before he starts.

Wonderful what an effect drouth has on some people! After being dry for one year Kearney, Neb., has gone wet by 16.

"Women rave over hats," says a headline. But if you want to see some real genuine raving, watch the husband when the bills come in.

The weather of March has certainly been most remarkable. It has been more like May and June than anything else.

Every business man of Cardston should constitute himself a publicity agent and assist in the chorus of praise for the town and district.

Spring has opened up in the Cardston district in a way that should delight every rancher and grain grower in the district.

Cardston is fast reaching a class by itself in the matter of fine residences. Building is going on in every part of the city.

So far the spring weather in Southern Alberta has been most favorable for the rancher, and plowing and seeding is well under way. Stock of all kinds have wintered exceedingly well.

The advent of March and the ushering in of the most beautiful spring weather, has opened up spring business. Real estate agents are happy, and on inquiry, reveals the fact that there is a good demand for farm lands.

A light fall of snow fell on Monday evening. It was just what was needed to ensure the growth of the grain.

Come boys, arouse your baseball enthusiasm.

A Missouri farmer, three and one half feet tall, has just died at the age of 88. Pretty long life for a snort man.

Saturday was the anniversary of the battle of Duck Lake which took place twenty-five years ago. A splendid article describing the affair appeared in the Lethbridge Herald of March 26th. The article was written by our eminent townsman, Mr. Wm. Laurie, who was a participant in the memorial battle.

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NOTHEN DOIN'

To the Editor of The Star.

Dear Sir:

In our younger days most of us were taught that, "If 'ifs' and 'ands' were pots and pans there'd be no work for tinkers' hands." In a manifesto, purporting to come from the business men, and published in your last issue, in regard to the changes of the train-service which the Railroad Commission has ordered at the request of the United Farmers of Alberta there are so many "ifs" that it leads one to believe that, as the said petition only received two signatures, the public in general has not accepted "ifs and ands as pots and pans" and so in this case "there's no work for the tinker's hands."
(An old) A. F. A.

Pioneer Called to His Last Rest

James May Passes Away on Tuesday—Was a Worthy Citizen

A telegram received Wednesday morning by Mrs. James May from Brigham City, Utah, revealed the sad news of the death of her husband, who passed away on Tuesday at the home of his son, Joseph May.

Mr. May whose health had been failing for the past several months went to Utah some four weeks ago

The price of hogs is away up and the farmer who has gone extensively into this branch of farming should declare enormous dividends at the end of the financial year.

Alberta never went into a season with more hope of a successful year. The season is opening early. The winter wheat is in great shape. From abroad we hear the march of the thousands on the way to the province. There is a joyous and happy sound from every side.

With the fall wheat spreading its luxuriant verdure over Southern Alberta, with the irrigation companies spending millions to be the first friend to the wheat in a dry time, with the railways spending millions to get to the wheat fields and more millions preparing to get it out of the country, Sunny Alberta seems to be in for a very busy year.

And the gratifying part of this March lion entrance is that the country which has been blessed with a March lamb for a month was just in need of a visit from the snowy, blowy lion.

Farmers are so busy plowing and seeding these days that they lose interest in political questions.

A San Francisco man, aged fifty-four, walked for fifteen continuous hours with a sixteen-year-old girl. Subject for debate: Are the walls of the various lunatic asylums sufficiently high?

The sun has entered the equinoctial points, and has passed the equator and is now on its way north. We may look for the line gale most any old time, for in the words of the poet, Longfellow: "When descends on the Atlantic the gigantic stormwind of the equinox" we may look for the wind that blows, then blows again, then some more.

The Alberta Provincial Exhibition management are inaugurating a novel feature for the 1910 exhibit at Calgary, June 30 to July 7. This feature is to be known as the wheat yield competition. Prizes as follows:—For spring wheat, winter wheat, oats: 1st, \$100; 2nd, \$50; 3rd, \$25; 4th, \$15; 5th, \$10; 6th, \$5. Barley and flax are also included in the prizes. Freight will be paid both ways by the exhibition company. The average amount of grain grown on an acre must be shown and the field must not be less than ten acres. The acre yields will be shown in conical shaped piles and the name of the exhibitor will appear.

In view of the magnificent spring weather that has been experienced all over the province and in spite of the fact that there may yet be a fall of snow and some cold weather, George Harcourt, deputy minister of agriculture, and other experts in the department, are advising early seeding. This is the earliest spring which has been experienced for many years. In fact there is not a year in the recollection of the oldest timer, in which the farmers commenced seeding in the middle of March. But all over the province, the farmers are discing, plowing and seeding. In some sections seeding has been proceeding the past two weeks. Mr. Harcourt states that he expects there will be an even greater increase in acreage than 25 per cent, this year and believes that there will be a large increase in the wheat grown.

We fear gophers will cause much destruction among crops this year unless drastic steps are taken to destroy them. If farmers would act now they could do much to save their crops from being eaten up by the miserable little pests.

in company with his son, in hopes that the change would benefit him. But on his arrival in Utah, his health steadily failed, and on Tuesday he passed peacefully away at the age of 78 years.

The deceased was one of the pioneers of the Cardston district and a man held in high regard and esteem by all who knew him. He was a successful farmer and a man of industry and integrity and his demise is a distinct loss to the community. He was a consistent member of the church of Jesus Christ and of Latter Day Saints and a true exponent of Christianity in its best sense.

He had a large circle of friends all of whom join in extending sincere sympathy to the bereaved family.

The funeral will be held tomorrow at Brigham City, which will allow the presence of Mrs. May and son Ben, who left for Utah immediately upon receipt of telegram.

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