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A. R. & I. Improvements

To Take Place Before
June 1st.

A platform with passenger and freight shelter at the following points: Wilson, Welling, Bradshaw, Raley, and New Dayton.

Small station at Milk River. A waiting room to be added to station at Spring Coulee, and that during the grain shipping season in each and every year, an agent will be appointed and maintained at this point.

The stock yards at Cardston to be improved and enlarged as follows:

A fence to be erected through the center of the larger of the pen yards, making two pens; an additional large pen to be erected at the north or south end of the present yard, with a wing drive and a gate at the end of the drive. The bottoms of the pens will be floored with ties and covered with cinders. The fence on the leading chute will be made two feet higher; a water-trough will be placed on the ground and a new gang-plank provided.

The train service between Cardston and Lethbridge to be improved. Passenger or mixed train, to leave Cardston at about seven o'clock a. m. daily, except Sundays and returning, leave Lethbridge about four or five o'clock p. m. daily, except Sundays.

Alberta Seed Fairs

List of seed fairs to be held in Alberta during January 1910.

- Viking—January 15th.
- Vegreville—January 18.
- Camrose—January 20.
- Sedgewick—January 21.
- Irma—January 22.
- Daysland—January 24.
- Lacombe—January 26.
- Bowden—January 27.
- Olds—January 28.
- Didsbury—January 29.
- Irvine—January 20.
- Taber—January 21.
- Lethbridge—January 22.
- Cardston—January 24.
- Nanton—January 26.
- Okotoks—January 27.
- Strathmore—January 29.

Alberta Oats For Phillippines

Vancouver, Jan. 7.—Three thousand tons of Alberta oats are to be shipped from this port to the Phillipines on account of the shortage. They have been ordered by the United States government.

New Year Resolutions

To drink no more I now resolve
Except when I am dry:
And smoking too, I'll shun, of course—

At least that is I'll try.
And flirting? Well it's rather hard;
But like cures like they say—
And so to break myself I'll try
The homeopathic way.
And spending money, too, I'll quit—
As soon as it's all gone—
That is unless my watch will bring
Ten dollars more in pawn.
And swearing also I'll avoid;
Please don't say that I scoff,
For swearing I hate so very much
I'll e'en stop swearing off.

There is nothing like shoveling snow to produce an appetite.
Ever try it?

BOARD OF TRADE MEETING

Liberal Donations from Neighboring Boards of Trade
—Splendid Report of Executive—
Election of Officers

The regular monthly meeting of Cardston Board of Trade convened in the Council Chambers on Tuesday evening. Pres. D. S. Beach in the chair.

Present: D. E. Harris Jr., S. N. Pratt, S. M. Woolf, Van Brown, D. E. Harris Sr., F. Burton, G. M. Proud, Wm. Laurie, A. M. Heppler.

Minutes of last regular meeting and executive meeting were read and received.

A communication from The Board of Railway Commissioners was read and ordered filed.

Several bills were voted upon and ordered paid.

Pres. Beach who had been appointed a delegate to interview the neighboring Boards of Trade in regards to the amount they would give towards defraying the expenses of Mr. Jelliff who appeared before the Railway Commission at Ottawa, and accomplished such good work, reported his trip as follows:

Magrath—\$100.00, Raymond—\$50.00, Stirling—\$100.00, Warner—\$25.00, Milk River—\$25.00, Spring Coulee—\$25.00.

It was moved and seconded that a vote of thanks be given Pres. Beach. Carried.

The report of the executive was read by Secretary Harris. It was moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Carried.

The secretary's salary for the past year was ordered to be paid. The election of officers took place as follows:

President—D. S. Beach
Vice President—G. M. Proud,
Secretary—D. E. Harris Jr.
Treasurer—F. G. Woods.
Executive—Wm. Laurie, A. M. Heppler, Van Brown.

Meeting adjourned.

Following is the Executive Report as read by the secretary:

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE
To the members of the Cardston Board of Trade:—
Gentlemen,—

Your Executive beg to submit herewith their report of the transactions of the Board for the year 1909.

During the year eight meetings have been held, and also three special meetings of the Executive. At the close of 1908 there were 30 members of the Board in good standing, while this year we wind up with 32, an increase of two.

The report of the Treasurer will show the financial transactions of the Board, and your Executive are pleased to draw your attention to the healthy condition of its monetary affairs, all current debts being paid, and a balance remaining on hand in the bank to our credit.

Railway Commission.
In February last several matters in connection with freight and passenger rates on the A. R. & I. Co's. railway were brought before the Railway Commission, Mr. L. H. Jelliff appearing on behalf of the Board. The immediate result of the hearing was that the passenger rates were reduced to 4 cents per mile, and later an order was issued to the company requiring a 3 cent rate to be granted, which reduction has now been in force for some months. The local freight tariff on goods from Lethbridge has also been reduced.

At the request of your Commission, your Executive gathered a

large amount of information as to the population, area under cultivation, yield and shipments of grain, numbers of live stock owned and exported, etc. During the summer our Town was visited by Mr. Billinger, the commissions' traffic expert, and your Executive are just in receipt of a copy of an order issued by the Commission, based on his report, in which the A. R. & I. Co. are ordered to establish a train service after May 1, leaving Cardston in the morning and returning the same evening, thus giving two trains a day each way. In addition the company is directed to increase the capacity of the stock yards and to make sundry much needed and valuable improvements. It is also expected that further reductions in the freight and express tariffs will also be made.

In connection with the proceedings before the Railway Commission, Mr. Jelliff, in addition to spending a great deal of his time, incurred very large expenditures of his own means in travelling to attend the different meetings of the Commission, including a trip to Ottawa, to submit additional documentary evidence which he had been instructed by the Commission to prepare. Feeling it to be an injustice that Mr. Jelliff should be called upon to bear this outlay himself, and at the same time holding the view that other places were reaping the benefit of his labors beside Cardston, your Executive authorized a delegate to visit the other towns on the A. R. & I. Co's. system to ascertain if financial assistance could be obtained to compensate Mr. Jelliff in part, at least, for his loss of time and expenses. Mr. Beach, your President, accordingly visited the neighboring towns of Spring Coulee, Magrath, Raymond, Stirling, Milk River, Warner and New Dayton, and was most successful in his mission, returning to day with the assurance of contributions totalling at least \$300.00.

Dry Farming Congress at Billings.

Your Executive caused an exhibit of the products of this district to be sent to Billings, Montana, for display and competition at the fair held in connection with the Dry Farming Congress held at that place, with results which have already been made known through the local press. This exhibit was in charge of Messrs. S. M. Woolf and R. W. Pilling, and was a complete success. Our delegates report that great interest was manifested by the visitors and the delegates to the Congress. Not having funds on hand for this purpose, your Executive solicited subscriptions from the public with the result that \$200.50 was raised. The bills incurred have not yet all been presented, but the outlay it is estimated will be fully covered by the receipts. Our delegates to the Congress further state that the literature at their disposal was eagerly sought after, and that they were kept busy replying to inquiries of parties attracted by the display and interested in Southern Alberta.

Finances.
As previously mentioned, we end the year with a balance of cash on hand, largely due to the

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Convention of School Trustees

At Lethbridge, Jan. 26th.
and 27th.

Wednesday, January 26th.

OPENING SESSION
9.45 a. m. Presidents address.
10.30 a. m. Consolidation of Rural Schools, J. F. Boyce, B. A., Inspector of Schools.

Discussion on this subject will be led by Theo. Reist, Didsbury; G. W. Davis, Sedgewick; D. McKinnon, Red Deer; and other trustees who are interested.

AFTERNOON SESSION
2 p. m. Report of the delegate to British Columbia Convention at Chilliwack.

3 p. m. The Program of Studies for Rural Schools. (How it is prepared and what it should include.) Discussion by all interested.

4.30 p. m. Addresses from British Columbia delegates.

EVENING SESSION
8 p. m. Improvement of School Grounds by Tree Planting, Arch. Mitchell, Forestry Branch, Indian Head.

This will be illustrated if arrangements for a lantern can be made; and will be followed by discussion.

A short program will be furnished by the Lethbridge School Board.

Thursday, January 27th.

MORNING SESSION
9 a. m. Resolutions.

AFTERNOON
1.30 p. m. Meeting of Lethbridge Schools.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Other subjects which have been suggested for discussion, if time will permit, are:

Agricultural Education.
Salary Schedules,
Inspection from the Trustees' Standpoint.
The Use of School Gardens.

Cardston Seed Fair

The fourth annual Seed Fair of the Cardston Agricultural Society will be held in the Assembly Hall, Cardston, Monday, Jan. 24th. Substantial prizes are offered for all kinds of farm seeds.

Program.
12.00 noon, Judging.
8.00 p. m. Public meeting. Addresses by Hugh MacKintosh, Macleod, Alta., and W. H. Fairfield, Superintendent Experimental Farm, Lethbridge, Alta.

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THE CATTLE INDUSTRY

According to Mr. Burns of P. Burns & Co., Calgary, approximately 75,000 head of cattle were shipped out of Alberta during the past season. Of this number about 25,000 went east and about 40,000 to the Pacific coast. The average price ranged for steers \$45 to \$55 a head; cows \$30 to \$40.

Regarding the cattle ranges Mr. Burns admits they are being cut down to a large extent by the inroads of the agriculturists and he does not deny that in a few years a different system of grazing will be necessary if the output of marketable cattle is to continue to be as large as at present, because of very possible diminished grazing areas.

It is predicted that the year 1910 would be a year of great progress in the western provinces, and believed that the opportunity was at hand for every man willing to work to gain a satisfactory competence.

Do your good resolutions go?

What we used to call a lie is now a "Doccock."

You will soon be able to write 1910 if you are not careful.

Good health and prosperity is our wish for you during the coming year.

The appearance of Halley's comet is said to be later than was expected by the astronomers. Comets do not run on schedule time like well regulated planets.

One by one the rights of downtrodden man is restored. A jurist has held that a woman is not entitled to warm her feet on her husband's back.

Half of the municipalities of Ontario are now under local option. The tide of prohibition is gradually and surely spreading over the land.

School To Start Monday

Cardston, Jan. 13, 1910.
The Board of Health held a meeting to consider the advisability of opening school at the present time. Present: Dr. Stacpoole, H. D. Caldwell, John Holmes and School Trustees W. O. Lee and S. Williams and Prin. J. W. Low. It was decided to start Standard V on Jan. 17th and as far as at present can be said, the balance of the school on the 31st. of Jan. Signed,
John Holmes,
H. B. Stacpoole.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. D. S. Beach wishes to announce that he has sold his tailoring business to Mr. W. P. Harper who has had wide experience in London, Eng. and Toronto, Can. and can heartily recommend him to the public and wishes a continuance of the generous patronage accorded him.

Board of Trade Meeting

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fact that the Town Council had made a grant of \$100.00 to the Board, and also to the successful annual ball which had netted \$49.50 over expenses. Your Executive desire to express their appreciation of the assistance they received from the town and they were assured by the members of the Council that had Town finances permitted, the appropriation would have been larger. We feel that it is only just that the municipality should bear a portion of the burden, as our labours are always and solely for the benefit of the town and district, and unless some portion of the expense is contributed in this way, the entire weight falls upon a few willing ones on the main business street of the Town. It is a source of regret that we do not receive more assistance from the outlying settlements who reap benefit from every successful undertaking of the Board.

Literature.

During the year your Executive have distributed 4000 copies of the "Alberta Red" pamphlets issued by the Government, and have taken especial care that the same should be so placed as to be productive of the greatest amount of good.

Growth of District.

Coming after the spirit of depression felt here as well as in other parts of the country, the prosperity of the past year has been most marked in many ways, and on every hand and in every line of business are signs of the expansion of the volume of trade. Six thousand head of cattle have been shipped from Cardston alone, which of itself means the bringing in of a very large amount of money, and the figures quoted establish a new record of cattle shipments from this town. In the same manner the shipments of wheat and other grains have grown to a remarkable degree. The quantity of incoming freight by rail has doubled, and it is now necessary to have a way car on every train.

Grain Samples.

Once again the Government and the C. P. R. have purchased in our district their samples of sheep grain for exhibition in all parts of the world, and if these samples are properly marked and labelled, the display should be of immense service in advertising the locality and its possibilities.

Railways.

There has as yet been nothing definite in the way of railway construction, but the best information obtainable points to work on the Western Canada Railway being commenced during the coming season.

Dairying.

The last annual report drew attention to the possibilities of development in the dairying industry, but nothing further has been done in that direction. The cheese factory at Aetna has had a most successful season, and should give some indication of what can be done with concerted effort. We recommend this matter to the earnest consideration of the incoming board. Respectfully submitted,
D. S. Beach,
President,
D. E. Harris Jr.,
Secretary.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. W. P. Harper wishes to announce that he has taken over the tailoring business of Mr. D. S. Beach and that it will be conducted along about the same lines and wishes the continued patronage of the people.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy never disappoints those who use it for obstinate colds and irritations of the throat and lungs. It stands unrivalled as a remedy for all throat and lung diseases. Sold by all dealers.



Public Notice

A Sitting of the District Court will be held at CARDSTON on THURSDAY, JANUARY 20th, commencing at 10 a. m.

S. B. Woods

Deputy Attorney General
Dated at Edmonton
10 January 1910.



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Under the estimates submitted to Congress by the Navy, the United States in the fiscal years 1910 to 1913 will spend \$42,430,479 on war vessels now under construction. And yet sentimentalists say that this continent is dedicated to peace. With a world in arms the nations of America must be prepared for self-defence.

The busiest and mightiest little thing that ever was made is Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They do the work whenever you require their aid. These tablets change weakness into strength, listlessness into energy, gloominess into joyousness. Their action is so gentle one don't realize they have taken a purgative. Sold by all dealers.

Local and General.

Geo. Coleman, Magrath, was in town the first of the week.

We are sole agents for Christies Biscuits Soda Crackers—Phipps Church services will probably be resumed on Sunday Jan. 23rd.

We keep the best—Fruits of all kinds in season.—Phipps.

Mens wool fleece lined underwear for 50c at Burtons.

The young folks are enjoying many skating parties on the creek these mild nights.

W. O. Lee & Sons are putting up 225 tons of ice, at the rate of 20 tons per day.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Two good second-hand barber chairs. One mirror 4 x 6 ft. Apply R. J. Brown, Cardston.

Bon Bon's Candies of all kinds. Chocolates, milk Chocolate, Nut milk chocolate, in all these lines we go in for quality.—Phipps.

There will not be any services in the Presbyterian Church next Sunday but services will be resumed on the 23rd of which due notice will be given.

Priesthood meeting will probably be held a week Saturday. Only those over 15 years will be allowed to attend.

New York's bonded indebtedness is \$1000,000,000,000. That city insists on leading in everything.

The little two year old baby by of Mr. and Mrs. Duwane Low passed away on Sunday. Scarlet fever was the cause of the death.

The prospect of a labor famine announced by the Canadian Manufacturers' Association indicates that the tide of prosperity is running at the full flood. What a different story from that of a year ago!

Great is the Alberta farmer. Great is the oats he grows. It is even good enough to feed the chargers used by the American cavalrymen in the Philippines. The United States government has ordered three thousand tons to be sent over from Alberta. Wise government Bill Taft is running.

Since the New Year has begun this is a time for looking forward and not backward. Don't waste your efforts and energies in petty resolutions about unimportant little habits. Resolve generally to push forward in the new year—to keep up a brave fighting spirit—and to adopt the square deal rule as a general motto to be observed.

The doctors in the town are being kept fairly busy the last few days attending numerous cases of sickness, which, although not of a serious nature, are the results of bad colds, occasioned by the variable weather.

Nothing finer in the way of winter weather could be imagined than has prevailed this week. While other sections of the country are writhing in the throes of blizzards and bitter cold spells, Albertans are enjoying weather that couldn't be improved.

With its 15,000 miles of land lines the Canadian Pacific Railway operates more trackage than any other system in the world. Unlike any other road it has steamship lines on two oceans. Strung out in a straight line the company's system would be long enough to encircle the world.

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Forty-eight million dollars has been spent in Western Canada this year upon railroad construction, supplies and material. Next year it is estimated the C. P. R., C. N. R. and G. T. P. will spend seventy-five million. A good part of the money goes to building up western Canada as it keeps a good sum in circulation in the west. The report of money to be expended in railway construction is complete and all we await now is the statement that the 1909 wheat crop will be duplicated in 1910. On the threshold of 1910 the future looks bright.

Ottawa, Jan. 2.—President McLeod of Edmonton hockey club notified President McGee of Ottawa that he would be here next Friday to make arrangements for the Edmonton-Ottawa Stanley cup matches on January 20. Edmonton will bring a very strong team. Ottawa plays Galt on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday.

Bliss Native Herbs purifies the blood. Agents—Phipps

The High School was reopened on Wednesday.

Lots of school supplies at Burtons.

School will be open to Standard V. pupils on Mouday.

Turkish towels at 25c pair at Burtons.

Dr. Ellis, dentist, Lethbridge, will be in town from Monday to Wednesday of next week.

No fresh cases of scarlet fever have been reported during the last five days.

Largest stock of overalls and shirts in town.—The Spencer & Stoddard, Ltd.

FOR RENT—10 room house. Single rooms or entire place.—Apply S. Williams, Cardston Loan Co.

Oliver Low left on Tuesday for Logan, Utah, where he will visit a few weeks prior to leaving for England on a mission.

A sitting of the District Court will be held at Cardston on Thursday, January 20th, commencing at 10 a. m.

Mayor Brown paid a visit to Magrath yesterday at the meeting of the Board of Health, and school Trustees last evening his place was filled by Mr. John Holmes.

We have heard that money talks, but a high assessment has a voice like a hundred thousand horse power siren whistle with some vocal exaggeration.

There are 7,705,717 persons qualified to vote in the British elections. Of these probably all but the 717 have made up their minds already. Yet the oratorical gas works continues in full operation.

Capt. Bartlett says that in the Arctic regions a man thinks a long time before saying anything. The difference between the Arctic and the Canadian Parliament? Easy! In Parliament a man talks a long time before doing any thinking.

The annual seed fair of the Cardston Agricultural Society will be held on Mouday, Jan. 24th. The premium lists are being distributed now. Those interested should secure a copy from the secretary, and endeavor to make the fair a success.

Butte Lake School District. I have on my place one stray horse about 12 years old, has white on nose and one hind foot white. If not claimed in due time will be sold according to law. E. A. Furnell.

LOST—One 4 year old red and white steer, branded MK on right ribs. Was last seen southeast of town. Suitable reward will be for information leading to recovery of same. Alf. McCune, Cardston.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is not a common every-day cough mixture. It is a meritorious remedy for all the troublesome and dangerous complications resulting from cold in the head, throat, chest or lungs. Sold by all dealers.

The Scarlet fever prevails in some parts of this country. Parents should guard their children with special care, remembering that a little precaution may prevent sickness and perhaps death. Use disinfectants around the home freely and upon the clothes of the children. See to it that children are warmly clad and above all that their feet are kept perfectly dry.

A man is soon to be released from the Connecticut penitentiary after having been for fifty years a prisoner. He will see for the first time the trolley, the automobile, the electric light, the skyscraper, the telephone and perhaps the airship. It will be a world transformed. Supposing a man were incarcerated today and not released for fifty years, what wonders would he see then? Undoubtedly he would find the whole trend of life changed. But the idea is an impossible one. Surely man will devise some means to do away with such monstrously long terms before the end of fifty years.

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We operate all over Southern Alberta, write us today and state what you want.

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Notice

TENDERS will be received up to Jan. 22 1910, for all Material and Labor as per specifications for the erection and completion of a dwelling house, to be erected at Leavitt, for Willard G. Smith Esq. Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of the Alberta Star. All Tenders will be opened in the presence of Bidders at noon Jan. 22, 1910.

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Have you a weak throat? If so, you cannot be too careful. You cannot begin treatment too early. Each cold makes you more liable to another and the last is always the harder to cure. If you will take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy at the outset you will be saved much trouble. Sold by all dealers.

Tex Rickard, the prizefight king, assures us that the Jeffries-Johnson fistic argument will be decided at Salt Lake City. It is also interesting to know that seats will be prepared for 30,000, and that prices will range from \$5 to \$50. Should there be a full house it is easy to see where Tex will get off.

Do you want to sell your farm, your stock—anything on your place? Take our tip and insert a short advt in the STAR. It will do the work quickly and economically.

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Correspondence

December 10, 1909.

The Alberta Star,
Cardston, Alta.

Mr. Editor:—
If you will kindly grant me a little space in your valuable paper I should like to present the view of a non-resident regarding a resolution passed by the Alberta Local Improvement District Association, recently in session at Strathcona, viz:

"Resolved that this convention of Local Improvement Districts recommend that arrangements be made whereby a surtax of not less than two cents per acre can be charged on all lands held by non-residents or speculators, such surtax to be used for road improvements."

I hold that such a tax in addition to the present high tax on unimproved land in Alberta is unjust and confiscatory and will work a detriment to Alberta instead of a benefit. I am a non-resident and own 1600 acres in Townships 43-19 and 43-20 and pay from 13 to 15 cents per acre taxes, and since the C. N. R. have assured us of a line through here I have started to break some of my land this year and will continue to improve the balance as fast as money and men can do it, and as a non-resident I will probably spend more money and develop it faster than would many local residents who might succeed in becoming owners of my land through a forced sale because of a confiscatory tax law.

Every improved acre is of equal value to Alberta whether improved by a local resident or a non-resident, and every resident farmer in Alberta is more or less of a speculator as much as non-resident by owning and holding acreage not actually under cultivation.

Every non-resident owning land in Alberta is worth more to your country than he is ever given credit for, because he is an everlasting "booster" for Alberta and thereby assists materially in getting actual settlers for your country, which you need.

Under the present system of taxing land in Alberta the non-resident already pays much more taxes per valuation of property than the local farmer by the latter being exempt on all stock and buildings. If a surtax is levied on land owned by non-residents it should at least be limited to only those non-residents and speculators who do not improve their holdings, and the minimum improvements required should be to cultivate not less than one-tenth or one-eighth of their holdings, although I am firmly of the opinion that such a tax requirement which will force away from you outsiders who are interested in your country will work a much greater harm to you than the tax can benefit you.

Thanking you I remain,
Yours truly,
Dr. F. N. Oium,
192 Main Street,
Oshkosh,
Wisconsin.

Interesting Number

Among the many interesting features of the January number of the Western Home Monthly, Winnipeg, is a two column New Years' Greeting to the Canadian West from Lord Strathcona. The message, which takes a most optimistic view of the future, contains much sound advice and encouragement. His Lordship's long experience and great interest in all matters affecting the Dominion make him the pre-eminent authority on the Canada of to-day and its possibilities for the future. His recent visit to the West afforded him the delight of seeing many of his former hopes and ambitions crystallized, and following closely upon this visit, the article is of intense interest throughout.

Our Export Market In Barley

The attention of the progressive farmer today is not centered entirely on the producing end of his business; the marketing of the produce is also being studied. He is on the look-out for new markets and is alive to the advantage of studying them and finding out their wants. The development of our export market in barley has however been overlooked. As yet we have not familiarized ourselves with it and learned just what it wants. We knew we had a very small foreign trade in barley, but we have never stopped to figure out why. The reason is not far to seek. We grow six-rowed type of barley, the only foreign demand for which is for feeding purposes—hence our small export business and generally low prices. The British malster will not use a six-rowed barley for malting, but is willing and anxious to take all the good sound two-rowed barley we can grow at prices which put Red Fife in the shade as a money maker. It must however, be right as to color and quality, both of which are not hard to get in Western Canada, with her almost virgin soil and favorable climate. Barley of this sort will bring on the British market from 75 cents \$1.00 a bushel while the freight in carload and cargo lots from Winnipeg to Liverpool varies from 7 cents to 20 cents, but generally averages about 14 cents per bushel. From these figures it will be seen that there is a splendid market awaiting us.

That two-rowed malting barley can be grown successfully here when suitable varieties are used, is proved conclusively by the results obtained during the past season. R. H. Carter of Fort. Qu'Appelle had a yield of 72 bushels per acre from the new variety, The Brewer, while with the same barley John Howden of Qu'Appelle had 65 measured bushels per acre weighing 57 pounds per measured bushel bringing his yield to over 77 bushels by standard weight per acre. N. Garden, of Wolsely had a yield of over 50, as also had A. E. Wilson, Indian Head, while Jas. Arnot, Bradwardine, Man. had 92. As far as can be learned in no case has The Brewer given less than 50 this season, and unlike many of the ordinary barley the straw of this variety is exceptionally strong, long, and easy to harvest while in the point of maturity it compares very favorably with the six-rowed types.

The climate and soil of Western Canada is admirably suited to the production of large yields of bright barley and should the color in certain cases not be right, there is always a market for it as feed for which The Brewer, on account of its remarkably thin hull is well adapted. The development of our export market hinges much in the way of higher prices and should be looked into. Our business is not only to produce a certain crop, but to find a market for it and to dispose of it at a profit. We can and do grow some splendid barley but we have only half done business, we have not yet found a profitable market for it.

It was in Texas that a customer of a large mail order house in Chicago went against a banking regulation that jolted him considerably. He went to the bank to cash a check for nine cents the "left-over" on a purchase. That bank had an ironclad, steel riveted rule to exact ten cents exchange on all checks on banks outside of the State. The cashier scanned the check, caught, glanced fiercely at the customer, and remarked:

"One cent, please!"
"What?" ejaculated the victim.
"You owe us a cent. Dig up?"
The customer produced the coin and placed one foot on the other patiently.

"What are you waiting for?" inquired the cashier.
"My money on that check," said the victim.

With a weary smile the cashier explained the situation and the customer departed with a very poor opinion of mail order houses.

Canada's Share of The World's Trade

Canada is rapidly assuming an important role in the conduct of the world's commerce. It has the distinction of being one of the younger countries which invariably recover their strenuous commercial stride after a period of trade depression. The immense acreage of virgin soil and the extent of its natural resources result in a better return to capital and labor. The recovery from economic disturbances is therefore rapid and trade is consequently and pleasingly effected.

These points are cited by the Monetary Times which paper proceeds to illustrate them by statistics of the total foreign trade of various nations during 1909. For the five months ended August last Canada's foreign trade increased by \$36,000,000, or 15.59 per cent. In the six months ended June last Argentina increased 10.82 per cent; Australia 1.60 per cent; Germany 2.96 per cent; Belgium in the eight months ended with August increased 6.81 per cent; and France by 6.56 per cent. The United Kingdom for the nine months ended September showed an increase of 0.75 per cent; and the United States in the like period 9.86 per cent.

Thus in five months last year Canada had a greater increase in foreign trade than any of the other countries named. The Dominion's percentage of increase is larger than that of Argentina, Australia, and the United States whose figures are for a six months' period in the first two cases and nine months' in the last.

An Unjust Sneer

In railway construction Canada has beaten the world. In canal construction she is second to none comparatively. The incalculable promise of her agriculture is due in part to nature but due in part also to the Canadian brains by which the natural possibilities have been handled and promoted. Canada has "made good" in every big aspect of her efforts so far. Why are we going to fall down in the next one? What perplexing and uncanny mystery can there be in naval effort that it must make fools of people who have hitherto been strikingly the other way? Why is any Canadian voice whether man or newspaper, justified in using as a factor in this discussion the sneer that all that Canada can do in the way of naval construction and development is to do something silly, although Canada has never been silly in anything else? —Ottawa Journal.



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.

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