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Creston District Irishmen Laying Plans for Celebration of St. Patrick's Day

FEDERAL HOUSE PASSES 8-HOUR LAW

We print below extracts from the recently passed 8-hour law, which might be of interest to our readers. It serves as another evidence of the fact that the government is doing what it can for the laboring man and that when his needs are properly presented the government will enforce what legislation it can for his benefit and protection.

No labourer, workman or mechanic in the employment of the Government, whether or not engaged on public works shall be required or permitted to work more than eight hours in any one calendar day except in transportation services or in cases of extraordinary emergency.

Every contract to which the Government of Canada is a party, which may involve the employment of labourers, workmen or mechanics, shall contain a stipulation that no labourer, workman or mechanic in the employ of the contractor, sub-contractor or other person doing or contracting to do the whole or any part of the work contemplated by the contract, shall be required or permitted to work upon or in connection with the work contracted for, more than eight hours in any one calendar day except in cases of extraordinary emergency.

Every such contract hereafter made shall contain a provision that unless the person making or performing it complies with the provisions of this Act, the contract shall be void, and such person shall not be entitled to receive any sum, nor shall any officer, agent or employee of the Government of Canada pay or authorize payment from the funds under his charge or control to such person for work done upon or in connection with the contract which in its form or manner of performance violates the provisions of this Act.

The wages to be paid to all labourers, workmen or mechanics coming within the provisions of section 6 shall be the current per diem wages in the locality where the work or labour is performed.

For Rent—Candy store. Apply to Creston Review.

The Ladies Aid of the Methodist Church will hold their annual Hot Boston Baked Beans and Boston Brown Bread Supper in Mercantile Hall on Tuesday evening Feb. 10, 1914. Supper from 6 to 8 p.m. Program of varied and interesting nature, is being prepared. DO NOT FORGET THE DATE. Tuesday, Feb. 10. Admission will be 50c for Adults. Children under 12 years 25c.

Young cattle bought. Apply to C. Blair, Erickson. 48ft.

Conservative annual meeting on Feb. 14th in Mercantile Hall.

T. Mawson left Wednesday for Estevan for the winter months. He will take up the study of gasoline engines.

The Fruit Growers Union have moved into their new quarters and are already realizing the benefit of the enterprise.

The recent cold snap has caught some people napping, those who forgot to shut off the water. Keeps the plumber busy.

Saturday morning a team attached to a light sleigh became frightened at the approaching train and ran away. It looked at one time as if they would get in front of the freight but they passed in front escaping by inches. The team belonged to Old Nick, the Indian.

Books and papers for sale at A. Mitchell.

DATES FOR FAIRS ARE ARRANGED

At the annual convention of the British Columbia agricultural fairs, held in Victoria Monday, speeches were delivered by Sir Richard McBride, Hon. Price Ellison and W. E. Scott, Deputy Minister of Agriculture. The premier urged the assembled delegates to stifle their feeling of local jealousy and to think provincially so that the coming Dominion exhibition to be held in Victoria might prove the equal of those held in other provinces. In referring to the increasing number of fair associations in the province, he said this feature was evidence of the growing interest in the agricultural movement; he suggested that instead of spending so much money on new buildings the associations throughout the country should adopt the plan followed in Great Britain and have exhibitions under canvas. The saving in money would mean increased awards.

Hon. Price Ellison in dealing with buildings for fair pointed out that where it had been decided erect wooden structures arrangements should be made so that the buildings could be used all the year round. If such buildings had basements the farmers of the various districts could use them for storage purposes, particularly for fruit.

The annual report presented at the convention showed there were 59 fair associations incorporated, while exhibitions had been held last year at 51 different places in the province. It further pointed out that the results of the co-operative movement in the Okanagan country was being keenly awaited by the other agricultural communities. Fruit and vegetable exhibitions had been a feature of the past year's work. For the present fiscal year the departmental grant for agricultural associations had been \$90,000. The report urged that the time had come when systematic business principles should govern the affairs of the associations. In conclusion it urged that a central association of fairs and exhibitions should be formed to which all associations in British Columbia should be affiliated.

Among the fair dates arranged were the following: Cranbrook, September 8-9; Crawford Bay, Sept. 21; Nelson, Sept. 22-25; New Denver, Oct. 1-2; Trail, Sept. 17-18; Fruitvale, Sept. 22; Slooan Valley, Sept. 29; Rossland, date left open; Revelstoke, Sept. 18-19; Robson, Sept. 14; Grand Forks, Sept. 24-25; Greenwood, Sept. 23-28; Needles, Sept. 28-29; Barton City, Oct. 1-2; Arrow Lakes Nakusp, Oct. 8-9; Kaslo Oct. 13. Creston, Oct. 15.

Among the delegates present from the Kootenay and Boundary districts were: J. H. Vestrup, Arrow lakes; W. Giddings, Burton City; W. Santo, Cranbrook; W. V. Jackson, Creston; S. Brewster, Fruitvale; A. Schullter, Grand Forks; W. Jenks, Greenwood; F. S. Chandler, Kaslo; J. A. Irving, Nelson; A. McRae, Revelstoke; J. D. Tipping, Slooan Valley; J. W. Strickland, Slooan lake, and N. Bluns, Trail.

On Tuesday February 24th a first class entertainment will be given by Christ Church, Church of England in aid of the new building fund. At the close of the performance a dance will be held. Tickets for both entertainment and dance will be at the popular price of 50 cents.

R. M. Reid enjoys the distinction of bringing out the first chickens of the district for 1914. The proportion of the setting that turned out good was not large but the little chicks are doing well and needless to say, Bob is very proud of his little family.

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HUERTA FOLLOWERS PLEASED WITH BRITISH VISIT

Huerta followers are delighted over the visit of representatives of the British nation to the national palace. The attitude of the United States has become so pronounced that it is thoroughly understood that the sympathy of the Stars and Stripes is with the Rebels.

This photograph shows Rear Admiral Oradock, commanding the British squadron in Mexican waters, and to the right, Sir Lionel Carden, the British Ambassador, leaving the National Palace after a visit to President Huerta. Immediately following this visit a scene showing Great Britain, as a girl, slapping Uncle Sam in the face was staged in Mexico City and was enthusiastically received.

Walter V. Jackson, of Creston, was in the city last evening on his return from Victoria where he had represented Creston at the annual meetings of the Provincial Fairs association, the Farmers' Institute and the Stockbreeders' association. Mr. Jackson states that the date of the Kaslo fair has been set for Oct. 13 instead of Oct. 15 and that the latter date has been set aside for the annual fall fair at Creston. He reports that the past season has been by far the best that has been experienced during his nine years' residence in the valley and he looks for another bumper year in 1914.—Daily News, Feb. 3.

Don't forget the bean supper in the Methodist Church on Tuesday. Supper 6 to 8, Program at 8:15.

Services of the Church of England will be as follows for Sunday February 8th: Sunday School at 11 a.m. Evening song and address at 7 p.m., Rev. E. Ball officiating.

When you want your next job of printing done, no matter what the job is, bring it to the Review office. We guarantee a first-class job and our prices are right.

The debate in the Presbyterian Church, Tuesday evening was won by the negative. Mrs. Forrester and Rev. Blake. The question was "Resolved that the franchise should be extended to women."

The man coming into a small town does not inquire if the street cars are running; when he goes to a hotel he does not expect to find an elevator in it, or a public stenographer or a manicurist, nor does he expect to find public squares with statues of Queen Victoria, Sir John Macdonald or General Wolke. No; he knows better than to expect them in a small place. But the same man will call at the newspaper office in this same small town and without batting an eye will ask, "Do you print a daily here?" Every country newspaper man has this question put to him about "street" times a year.

C. O. S. SIGNIFIES CRANBROOK CO-OPERATIVE STORES.

E. K. BEESTON DIES AT NELSON

The death occurred at Nelson on Wednesday evening, of E. K. Beeston, Secretary of the Nelson Board of Trade.

His death was due to bronchial pneumonia and kidney trouble, his last illness lasting only a few days.

Mr. Beeston was formerly chief inspector for the Hudson's Bay Company at Winnipeg, then Fort Garry, and had taken a prominent part in the Riel rebellion.

He has been in Nelson for the past 12 years during 6 of which he was secretary of the Board of Trade, and was prominent in the organization of the Fruit Growers Union, acting as manager during the first year of its organization.

He is survived by his wife, three sons and one daughter.

The funeral will take place at 2:30 p. m. tomorrow afternoon from St. Saviour's church under the auspices of the Masonic Lodge and will be attended by the members of the Board of Trade and of the Sons of England Society of which Mr. Beeston was a member.

Geo. Playle, of Nelson, is at Canyon City for a few days on business.

Dan Smith, who has been on the Review staff for some months, returned to his home in Nelson Tuesday.

R. E. Beattie, of the Cranbrook firm of Beattie & Murphy, is in town for a few days, taking stock in the drug store and planning the business for 1914.

Local Irishmen are making arrangements for celebration of St. Patrick's Day. If you are interested give your name to J. B. Moran, Capt. FitzGerald, D. L. Allen or A. B. S. Stanley.

Eugene West and Catherine Henry put on a show in the Mercantile Hall Tuesday evening but owing to the inclement weather and the debate in the Presbyterian church, the attendance was very small. Catherine Henry took the audience by storm and there is no doubt would receive a good house should she return here at some future time. After the show a few couples stayed for a dance.

We are glad to hear that Mr. Barton is recovering from his recent severe illness.

The Presbyterian Ladies Aid Society gave a tea at the home of Mrs. Henderson on Thursday afternoon. The feature of the afternoon was a guessing contest, Mrs. Husoroff took the prize.

Apple packing school commences on Feb. 19th. Due notice will be given to those who have entered for same by the Secretary of the Farmers Institute.

The C. O. S. of Cranbrook is selling Iron Beds with mattress and spring for \$11.

R. S. Bevan made a trip to Canyon City by auto Tuesday afternoon and certainly made some records as far as plowing through the snow with an auto is concerned. He was accompanied by C. Morris who has travelled quite a lot by auto but said he never saw a machine behave better than the little Ford. He was greatly impressed with the country and it is likely he will acquire property here and possibly take up his permanent residence in the valley.

For good clear ice refer to Jim Whitehead, Movie, R. C. For price and particulars.

FRUIT GROWERS WILL BUILD AT BOSWELL

(From the Daily News)

There was a good attendance at the meeting of the Boswell-Kootenay Lake Fruit Growers Association on February 1, K. Wallace, the president, presiding in the chair. The principal business centered round a resolution from the committee in charge of arrangements for the fruit and vegetable show, proposing that a company should be formed for the purpose of erecting a public hall in Boswell which could be used for the show and general purposes and that \$10 shares be issued. This resolution was most favorably entertained and several members present promised to take up shares, the necessity of additional accommodation being generally recognized. The suggested size of the building is 20 feet by 30 feet.

A resolution was passed calling attention to the absurdity of several clauses of the recently introduced game laws as they affect the rancher. The secretary, F. J. Oatts, who returned to Boswell on Sunday morning from the British Columbia Fruit Growers' convention at Victoria, gave a report of the proceedings. At the conclusion a very hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Oatts for his report.

Resolutions were passed to be forwarded to the superintendent of the Canadian Pacific lake and river service and the Dominion Express company regarding difficulties encountered by members when shipping freight or express, and requesting that both freight and express agents or duly authorized deputies be in attendance when the steamer is making a landing.

Thursday evening the announcement was made round town that Mr. Fowler who has managed the local bank for the past seven years was about to be transferred to Fernie, to take charge of the bank there. Who his successor will be has not been announced as yet, but it is understood that the position will be filled temporarily from Cranbrook. The departure of Mr. Fowler will leave a number of vacancies in the affairs of the district as at all times he has taken an active and conscientious part in its development. The date of departure is not definitely announced but it is probable it will occur within the next ten days or two weeks.



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A. B. S. Stanley

Editor and Manager

The Review would like to know why the children in some of the classes were dismissed half frozen from the school the afternoon of Tuesday, when they should have been taken into some of the other rooms until they were warm before being sent out into the blizzard?

This is the time when one should have their latch string out. The times are developing men of good character and sterling worth but who find it impossible to get work and are thrown upon the bitter resource of asking for work enough to earn a meal and a place to sleep. It seems a shame that in prosperous Canada and especially in British Columbia, with its immense native wealth, that any man should feel the crimp of hunger, but it is a fact and a rather serious one to some men. So if at any

time a knock at the back door or the front door brings you with the request for work, just think what your husband or son or lover might have to face some time, and be sure to dig up something for the hungry man. Remember the words of the great Friend of Man who said "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

The visit on Wednesday of last week of Messrs Brewster and Oliver, while it has provoked considerable discussion, has not seemed to have affected any permanent good as far as the Review can learn. Mr. Brewster made a very fine speech, but failed to introduce anything new into the situation, and while he is doubtless a brilliant, will have to show something more substantial to create any sentiment of a character designed to accomplish his ambition, namely

the premiership. With honest John Oliver the situation is entirely different, he having signally failed to make an impression at all except perhaps with the few of his own party and they could hardly be expected to take much exception to the sayings of their leaders. It seems a pity that the opportunity thus presented should have been so signally thrown away in fruitless incrimination and senseless vituperation. If a wrong exists why not present it to the in plain, sensible, cold fact, unadorned with abuse and personal spite, after all to go at it in any but the plain, truthful way is to heap insult on the intelligence of the voters and is very small and questionable politics. Opportunity knocks not often at a man's door and it does seem a pity that John Oliver with a grip full of evidence, should have so ruthlessly thrown away his opportunity.

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GEORGE THOMPSON
Dated 26th. December, 1918.
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SYNOPSIS OF COAL MINING REGULATIONS

Coal mining rights of the Dominion, in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta the Yukon Territory, the North West Territories and in a portion of the Province of British Columbia, may be leased for a term of twenty-one years, at an annual rental of \$1 an acre. Not more than 2,560 acres will be leased to one applicant.

Application for a lease must be made by the applicant in person to the Agent or Sub-Agent of the district in which the rights applied for are situated. In surveyed territory the land must be described by sections, or legal subdivisions of sections, and in unsurveyed territory the tract applied for shall be staked out by the applicant himself.

Each application must be accompanied by a fee of \$5 which will be refunded if the rights applied for are not available but not otherwise. A royalty shall be paid on the merchantable output of the mine at the rate of five cents per ton. The person operating the mine shall furnish the Agent with a sworn returns accounting for the full quantity of merchantable coal mined and pay the royalty thereon. If the coal mining rights are not being operated, such returns should be furnished at least once a year.

The lease will include the coal mining rights only, but the lessee may be permitted to purchase whatever available surface rights may be considered necessary for the working of the mine at the rate of \$10 an acre.

For full information application should be made to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, or to any Agent or Sub-Agent of Dominion Lands.

W. W. CORY,

Deputy Minister of the Interior.

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FEATHERS AND EGGSHELLS.
Falls Creek, Pa., has a pig that has
been trained to gather the eggs and
carry them into the house and lay
them at the feet of his mistress one by
one. This is sure some pig tale and
almost equals the feats of the Chi-
hog-o-coid storage hogs.

Colonel Roosevelt recently ordered a
pen of Silver Laced Wyandottes from
a fancier of Waterloo, N. Y. He will
breed this beautiful variety at Sagu-
more Hill. We welcome him to the
cann of chicken cranks and hope he
doesn't meet a Waterloo in breeding
this variety, so difficult to breed true
to feather markings.

When Mrs. Everett of North Attle-
boro, Mass., went out to her hen yard
she found a thief had stolen thirty five
Buff Orpington hens. The thief was
captured and got a term in the peni-
tentiary for the trick. There was satis-
faction in seeing the criminal go to
jail, but that didn't bring the birds
back.

Some of our state poultry experts de-
serve the criticism they get. They
spend most of their time in the ex-
periment station laboratories searching
for microbes and striving to solve mys-
teries which have little to do with pro-
moting poultry and do not get out into
their states to learn actual conditions
and, what is necessary, to increase
poultry products and profits.

Occasionally a hen will get to mon-
keying with a bee and get stung. Her
head will puff up, and if her owner
doesn't remember that a hen, unlike
some humans, can't get swelled head,
in ten minutes he will think she has
a well developed case of roup. The
swelling will half blind the hen for a
day, but next morning she will be
ready to tackle another eye banger.

The Wabash railroad recently issued
a circular on the poultry industry of
Missouri stating that the last census
showed receipts amounting to \$50,018,-
145, a crop return larger than wheat,
oats, hay, hogs, sheep, exceeding ev-
ery other farm crop but corn. The
railroads are gradually falling into line
for the promotion of the different
branches of agriculture, a proceeding
which would certainly make our great
grandfathers sit up and take notice.

Some folks are astonished at the
quick death of little quacks. One min-
ute they will be well and lively; next
minute they lie on the grass dead as a
doornail. What did it? They mon-
keyed with a honeybee, swallowed it,
it stung them in the throat, throat
closed by swelling, and they choked to
death.

The food research laboratory of the
bureau of chemistry is to be removed
from Nashville, Tenn., to Sedalla, Mo.
It is under Dr. Mary E. Pennington
and Professor H. C. Pierce, and its
work consists of studying the market-
ing of eggs and poultry from producer
to consumer. It is estimated that \$3,-
000,000 per year is lost by the farmers
of Missouri on bad eggs, and it is ex-
pected that these experts by their in-
vestigations will soon put the egg pro-
ducers wise.

L. M. Barnitz

**Farm and
Garden**

THE MONEY CROP.

How to Raise Potatoes For Big
Profits.

The aim in raising potatoes should be
to plant so as to get the biggest yield
and at the same time with the least
expense. One of the farmers in Som-
erset county, Me., who have been able
to do this most successfully is F. E.
Davis. He has received as big a yield
as 800 bushels per acre in some in-
stances and on the whole 300 to 500
bushels per acre. He tells his story
how he did it, which many farmers
would do well to follow. He writes in
the American Cultivator as follows:

The soil must be in the best possi-
ble condition as regard tith and fer-
tility. The dirt should be made fine
and mellow and the soil of good depth
before planting the seed. If the piece
is of clover sod then the time for plow-
ing does not count so much, yet in
this case an application of a small coat
of manure is good and enables us to re-
duce the expense of commercial fertil-
izer at least one-half and to further
increase the yield of from fifty to a
hundred bushels per acre, yet care
should be taken not to put on too
much manure.

Plowing and planting are only a
small part of the work of raising po-
tatoes. They require considerable
care. If in a dry season they should
be cultivated often, the loose dirt hav-
ing a tendency to moisten the plants.
If you wish to raise the largest possi-
ble crop, 500 bushels or more per



HOW PROPER FERTILIZATION INCREASES
SIZE OF POTATOES.

acre, you must get as many perfect
hills to reach full maturity as possible.
I advise rows two and one-half feet
apart and seed pieces to be dropped
twelve to fifteen inches apart in the
drill, using a good sized seed cut one
to three eyes.

In raising 300 bushels per acre
make the rows three feet apart. Place
the seed pieces eighteen to twenty
inches apart and don't take quite so
much pains in cutting seed. One ton
of the best commercial fertilizer is not
usually too much per acre. I find it
a good method to sow the fertilizer
with the planter before dropping the
seed. Then it is mixed with the soil.
After the plant is up a little fertilizer
can be used on it, but it should be
brushed from the plant with a broom
or in some similar manner.

I have in my own work by follow-
ing the best methods here described
been able to secure yields of 500 bush-
els and over per acre on commercial
fertilizer alone. That of the best
grade, about 4 per cent nitrogen and
10 per cent potash. I remember on
one place my men called attention to
the fact that they were getting a bush-
el of potatoes to market in six pieces of
a single row. If my figures were cor-
rect this would be over 800 bushels
per acre in ordinary field culture, but
this piece had the advantage of a coat
of barn manure the fall previous to
planting.

FEED YOUR LAND WELL.

You must feed your stock well
if you want good results. So
must you do with your land.
You cannot afford not to enrich
your land year after year. Build
up your compost heap. Put
stable manure on your land. Buy
those fertilizers your land and
your stable will not supply.
Study the fertilizer question in
all its bearings; solve it and you
have settled half your problems.

A Transportation Kink.

In moving a plow on the farm take a
two inch plank about two feet long
and eight inches wide. Nail a horse
shoe near the front end. This will
catch the point of the plow, and the
point will slide along like a sled when
the team is hitched to the plow. The
front end of the plank should be bevel-
ed on the under side so it will pass
over stones and small obstacles.—Farm
and Fireside.

New Forage Plant.

A new crop called Sudan grass,
which is another of the sorghums,
gives great promise as a hay crop for
the dry land districts of the west. It
is the most rapid growing of all the
similar crops, and, although experi-
mental work has been limited so far,
it is expected that it will be adapted
to the dry climate in Montana and
North Dakota, as well as the northern
states.

THE POULTRY DOCTOR SAYS—

That moldy corn causes much mor-
tality among poultry and ground corn,
especially where the green taint can-
not be seen and only an expert can
detect the smell. Feeding such grain
with the idea that it is economy is cer-
tainly the kind that saves at the pin-
hole and wastes at the bunghole.

That many more turkeys would be
sold at Thanksgiving if they did not
have such easy access to buckwheat
and cornfields, for thousands are kil-
ed each fall when almost selling size
by stuffing with buckwheat and green
corn. Watching the turkeys at this
time means more turks to sell, and the
profit is sure worth the trouble.

There would be less loss and worry
if young stock was better protected
from cold fall rains. These bring on
colds, catarrh, roup, canker, chicken-
pox, and many a bunch of promising
pullets has been spoiled for winter lay-
ing through such exposure.

There is much carelessness in the
disposal of dead fowls on many farms.
The manure pile is the general dump
for disease victims, and there they rot
unless eaten by hogs, dogs or fowls un-
til they are hauled with the manure to
the field.

How's that for bughouse business?

There are many fall fairs that help
along the rooster undertaker. Birds
are accepted that have chickenpox,
fetus, roup and most any old disease,
and fowls that leave home in health
often become victims to contagion and
are shipped back to start an epidemic
in the flock.

FEATHERS AND EGGSHELLS.

Concrete floors are now the vogue in
poultry houses. When you lay one
don't be so foolish to place tar paper
between the layers, as the upper one
will come off. This is advised by cer-
tain poultry lecturers to prevent damp,
and it's all folderol.

In Florida, after the first few nights,
chicks need no covering, as they are
warm enough without. Chicks may be
hatched the year around, the popular
combination being White Leghorns
and orange or grapefruit groves.

Filthy damp litter on the scratch
floor in winter is a common condition
on many plants and a common cause
of disease. Many throw the feed into
such a mess and expect the hens to
thrive on it and produce sweet pure
eggs.

A seventy-three-year-old woman was
pecked on the hand by a chicken and
died of gangrene. As many fowls are
allowed to work in all kinds of fith,
the danger of the slightest wound from
them is evident, and such injuries
should be disinfected at once.

The next revision of the Standard of
Perfection will give the breeder of the
Barred Rock to present show require-
ments a hard shot, for it will do away
with the rule that birds are to be bar-
red to the skin, demand a lighter under-
color and a brighter, distinct, even bar
on the surface.

Surplus roosters soon eat up the prof-
its. A few extras should be kept for
emergencies, but useless crows
should be sold or cooked. It doesn't
matter how pretty they are. The sim-
ple reason that a fowl is a thorough-
bred shouldn't save him if he eats off
his head.

A Saskatchewan (Canada) fancier
writes: "We prefer white fowls, be-
cause when a few pin feathers are
missed the fowl still sells well. Be-
sides, we think the hawks, coyotes,
badgers, skunks and other vermin, be-
ing used to prey on the little prairie
chickens, pay less attention to white
chicks than those of darker color." This
is contrary to the general opinion. Hawks
are no respecter of chickens,
and we have noticed they take no
more of the white than the dark, but
cats will take a dark chick sooner than
a white because birds are all dark or
colored, in this section at least.

When a practical poultry expert goes
into every county in a state, meets
thousands of poultry raisers face to
face and unfolds to them the prin-
ciples of modern poultry culture, points
out their mistakes and solves their
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DUCK CREEK NEWS

A very representative meeting of the Co-operative Fruit Growers Association of Wynndel, B. C. was held on Thursday last at 8 p.m. E. Butterfield in the chair. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and passed. The general manager Mr. O. J. Wiggen presented the annual report of business done; which appeared to be very satisfactory, with a fair balance on the right side. Mr. E. Butterfield then presented his report of the B. C. Fruit Growers Association's convention which proved very interesting as well as instructive. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded him for the clear and concise manner in which he had delivered his report. The meeting then discussed the advisability of incorporating under the agricultural act, but no definite decision was arrived at, the meeting being adjourned until a later date.

Mr and Mrs. M. Hagen, C. Carlson, C. Wiggen, Miss Anna Hagen, C. H. Black, Paul Hagen, and W. J. Cooper were among the Duck Creek callers to Creston on Saturday last.

A very enjoyable dance was held in the Duck Creek Social Club house on Saturday night, about 15 couples were present and everybody had a most enjoyable time.

The ling are now up in all the creeks and local enthusiasts are reporting large catches.

Mr and Mrs. J. Johnson were host and hostess at a most enjoyable social evening given at their ranch on Monday night. About 26 guests were present. Whist and other card games were indulged in until 11 p.m., when the floor was cleared and dancing commenced. At midnight a very enjoyable supper was served which certainly proclaimed its preparer, an expert at the cooking business. After supper dancing was resumed until 3:30 p.m. when the party reluctantly broke up. There was quite a bunch present from Alice Siding and Creston.

Miss Wiggen, Mrs. Moon, Carl Wiggen, and Jimmie Thompson were Creston callers Tuesday.

The B. and B. gang of the C. P. R. have been busy this last week removing the station buildings from Wynndel Junction, where they were of no use to anybody, and bringing them down to Duck Creek. We have now quite an elegant looking depot. The platform has been extended 100 feet and a smart two bar iron rail fence has been set up along the back edge of the platform.

The coldest night on record during the last four years at Duck Creek was Wednesday, February 4th when the thermometer dropped to 12 degrees below zero.

E. Butterfield was a Creston caller Thursday.

P. B. Fowler was a visitor to Kitchener Tuesday.

R. S. Bevan left Wednesday for Crows Nest points in the interest of the Ford Motor Co. returning home yesterday.

The blizzard of Wednesday certainly did blow some. It looked at one time as if all the signs were bound to come down.

J. Campbell Dow returned Sunday from his trip to the prairie and reports having had a very fine time.

STUDY YOUR HEALTH

A Mushroom Can Live in a Cellar, but Don't Be a Mushroom.

In the American Magazine William Johnston says that it is probably your own fault if you are all the time catching colds or having indigestion or headaches. He goes on to say:

"Nature intends every human being to be strong and well. Most disease is either ignorance or carelessness. Babies—even the babies of sickly, ignorant, incompetent parents—are given a pretty good start by nature. If children get sickly it nearly always is the fault of the persons taking care of them. If when they grow up they remain unhealthy it is largely their own fault."

"But," you protest, "I can't help it if I inherit a weak stomach." Oh, yes, you can.

"Did you ever systematically study your stomach? If you were going to be a lawyer you would study law. If you were going to be a stenographer you would study shorthand. If you are going to be healthy study health."

"Most people know more about the care of their clothes than they do about the care of their health. Study your diet. Find out what the effects of the various foods are. Ask yourself if you are getting enough exercise. Keep tabs until you find what it is that disagrees with you. Leave strictly alone the food—and the drinks—that your stomach scolds you about."

"Make up your mind to be healthy. Go to the three best doctors, the three that nature has provided free for everybody—fresh air, fresh water and sunlight. Get as much of all three whenever you can."

"A mushroom can live in a cellar, but don't be a mushroom."

"If you eat right, drink lots of water, sleep in fresh air and get out in the sunshine you'll soon forget to be sick."

"And perfect health is a long stride toward perfect happiness."

WHAT THE COW HATH WROUGHT.

Todd county, Minn., is one of the illustrations of what the cow is worth. From statistics worked out by the Long Prairie (Minn.) Leader we learn of the following facts: In twelve years seventeen co-operative creameries have been established in that county, which last year made 3,900,000 pounds of butter, for which the farmers received over \$1,000,000. The first creamery was started twelve years ago. Then land was selling for \$5 to \$35 an acre; now it sells for \$20 to \$95 an acre. The deposits in the banks of the county have gone up from \$124,229.11 to \$1,641,132.53 in twelve years. The prosperity that has come to the farmers of Todd county is a lesson in favor of the cow they should never forget.

EGG EATING HENS.

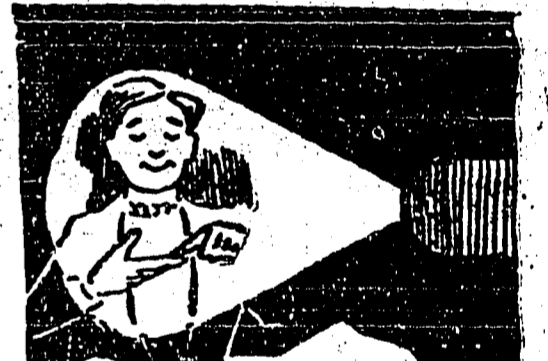
A Very Bad Habit Caused by Over-feeding With Grain Rations.

The habit some hens have of eating the eggs as they lie in the nest is very annoying to the owner. This bad habit is usually caused by overcrowding, lack of exercise and the use of nests that are too low to the ground and too light. The habit rarely is found among a flock that is on free range or that is given proper housing and a well balanced ration.

It is sometimes caused by feeding too much grain, when the hens eat the eggs in an effort to obtain meat food. As a rule, the hen first acquires a taste for eggs by pecking at a soft shelled egg or one that has been broken in the nest.

It is hard to cure a hen of this habit once she has acquired a taste for the eggs. The best thing to do is to sell her or eat her. If you wish to try breaking the bird of the habit the most successful methods are either to use a number of china eggs or "loaded eggs" in your nest where the bird will be sure to find them. After several unsuccessful attacks on these eggs the hen will probably become discouraged and leave the rest of them alone.

The most effective way of preventing hens from acquiring the habit is to feed a balanced ration and compel plenty of exercise, to build the nests dark and about two feet from the floor, and construct them so that there is no danger of the eggs being scratched out on the floor and broken.—Home and Farm.



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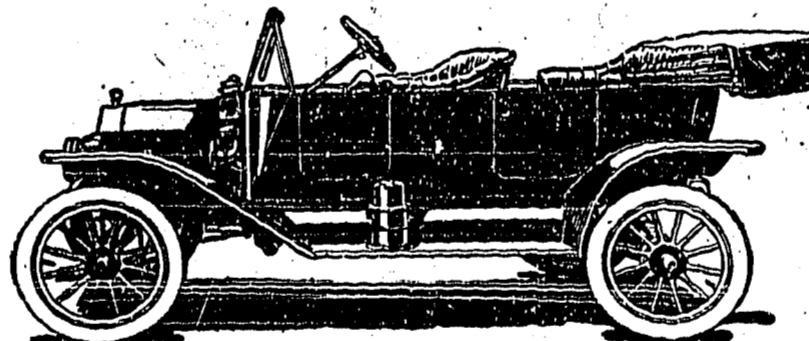


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