

Teaching Indian Children

The following most interesting letter has been received by the Lac Rouge Helpers of Christ Church, who have kindly allowed us to print it in The Standard. It was sent by Rev. Chas. F. Hives, principal of the Lac Rouge School, where over a hundred Indian children are being instructed and of whom two are supported by Christ Church School. Some of our readers will remember reading last May of a Cree Indian, Peter Bird, who was accidentally shot while hunting, and whose life was saved by two Cree men who hurriedly amputated his arm, afterwards sending him 150 miles by canoe through five lakes, 20 miles by river and 70 miles by foot track to Prince Albert Hospital. The Cree children were kept at the Lac Rouge school since the following letter was received from the Lac Rouge School, Lac Rouge, Sask.:

Dear Mr. Hives: I am writing to you to thank you for the money you have sent me for the little girl who was shot. I have been thinking about her ever since she was shot. I hope she will get well soon. I will try to do my best for her. I will try to be a good boy and help her. I will try to be a good boy and help her. I will try to be a good boy and help her.

Now that Christmas is drawing near we shall see the Indians coming in for the Christmas services. They come in from long distances. Some have to travel for five or six days. And we shall have perhaps one hundred and fifty communicants. They will all crowd into our dining room to see the Christmas tree and see the Children in their entertainment, and especially to see Santa.

Now I must close, and look forward to writing to you again another time. Good bye, and may God bless you all this Christmas time.

Yours very sincerely,
Chas. F. Hives,
Principal.

HOLLAND COUNCIL

Holland, Jan. 9, 1928
The members of the council met on Monday, January 9th, and having each made and subscribed the necessary declarations the council was adjourned.

Resolved—That the Reseve examine the Treasurer's securities and report at next meeting.—Carried.

Price—Heighes—That the clerk order seven copies of the Municipal World for 1928.—Carried.

Stewart—Comber—That the clerk publish the minutes of council for 1928 in the Markdale Standard and Owen Sound Sun Times.—Carried.

Comber—Stewart—That the Road Commissioners for 1928 be: No. 1, D. J. Gardiner; No. 2, John Heighes; No. 3, John S. Price; No. 4, Alex. C. Stewart and No. 5, Ronald G. Comber.—Carried.

Stewart—Comber—That the Markdale Standard receive the contract for printing and supplies for 1928 at the sum of \$215.00.—Carried.

Stewart—Heighes—That A. G. Stewart be appointed to represent the Township of Euphrasia for 1928.—Carried.

Stewart—Comber—That Report No. 1 be adopted.—Carried.

Comber—Stewart—That Report No. 2 be adopted.—Carried.

Stewart—Comber—That Report No. 3 be adopted.—Carried.

Stewart—Comber—That Report No. 4 be adopted.—Carried.

Stewart—Comber—That Report No. 5 be adopted.—Carried.

Stewart—Comber—That Report No. 6 be adopted.—Carried.

Stewart—Comber—That Report No. 7 be adopted.—Carried.

Stewart—Comber—That Report No. 8 be adopted.—Carried.

Stewart—Comber—That Report No. 9 be adopted.—Carried.

Cruelty Charge Dismissed

Rural mail carrier forced to keep Horse and Himself on \$1.75 a Day

A charge of cruelty to animals laid against Fred Sapwell, rural mail carrier residing four miles north of Stratford was dropped in police court on Saturday morning when circumstances were brought to the attention of Magistrate Makins. He was halted at court at the instance of Inspector J. J. Doherty of the Humane Society, who noticed the horse on the street and immediately ordered the driver to cease work. He was charged with driving a horse on a highway in an undeterred and unfit condition thereby ill-treating the same. In court it was alleged that the animal was in a pitiful condition but the accused told a story which changed the whole complexion of the case. He covered 24 miles on his route every day, including riding and going to work for which he was paid \$1.75 per day, he told the magistrate. With this sum he was supposed to provide a horse and equipment and the balance went to his own keep. Garfield Macdonald, secretary of the Rural Mail Carriers' Association, corroborated the story and said that he had known Sapwell for many years and that he had never seen a horse in such a condition as the one which was the subject of the charge. He was dropped upon condition that the horse is well cared for and the driver is well treated.

Found Bottle of Swamp

When a couple of Walkerton women beheld what they suspected was a whiskey-laden car parked in the Baptist Church sheds about 9:30 o'clock on Saturday night, they felt an urge to save Jerusalem, as it were from the horrors of the poison. Chief Ferguson, who has an ear for trouble, on being notified of the affair, grabbed his baton, which was a signal that war would officially open as soon as he could find something to fight over.

Hastening to the sacred sheds, the Chief found a couple of men fumbling around the car and, whether they had seen him coming, like the Professor, Son, after off, and had thrown on the moisture, the fact being that a most diligent search of the car failed to reveal any weapons. Nearly the old Ford, however, was the only one which was a bit of a mystery. It was a dark color and had a small, a couple of feet in length, a couple of feet in width, and that his role would only be a part of a lily in a field of many all his friends think he was dead.

When the Chief saw the car, he was in the act of the house and called the Chief. It would be easier to see that the Dutch came from behind than that the moisture came from the Ford.

Saying that the motorist had only a marker on his car, the Chief grew serious on his account, and as he was latter fined \$10 and costs, or \$7.25 in all, for motoring without an operator's license. Trust the chief to find a weak spot in a man's armor once he grabs that baton and starts on the warpath.—Walkerton Times.

Berkeley United Church

Sunday, January 20th, 1928
A Social Evening will be held in the church on Friday evening, January 27th. A light lunch will be served. Admission 20c and 10c. Everybody come.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Markdale Co-Operative Association will be held in the Department of Agriculture on Friday, February 2nd, 1928, commencing at one o'clock. Mr. Chas. Zigman will be a speaker on the Contract System.

ASSESSOR WANTED

Applications for Assessor for the Township of Euphrasia for the year 1928 will be received by the undersigned up to noon, the 10th day of February, 1928.

Road Superintendent Wanted

Applications for Road Superintendent for the Township of Euphrasia for the year 1928 will be received by the undersigned up to noon, the 10th day of February, 1928.

MONUMENTS

Search & Foreign Grants a special. Workmanship guaranteed. Up-to-date Equipment. Cemetery Lettering and Repairs. Special Attention. Advice and sketches free on application. JOHN W. FLECK, Shelburne, Ont.

Community Suicide

One of the strangest phenomena witnessed in most towns and small cities is the apparent eagerness with which many otherwise good citizens contribute to the tendency to commit community suicide.

These citizens will often show uncommon zeal in boosting any movement to obtain civic improvements, to promote the location of new industries, to secure better educational facilities, and so on. Yet many of these same proud boosters will deliberately engage in a practice which nullifies all their otherwise laudable efforts—and then they wonder why their town doesn't go ahead.

We refer to the suicidal habit of buying away from home which is largely responsible for the failure of many communities to make the progress which their natural advantages should make possible. The money that ought to be kept at home for the expansion of local trade and industry is sent away to distant cities, never to return, through the indifference or thoughtlessness of the very persons who should set the example of local pride and loyalty.

A trifling saving here and there, usually more imaginary than real, is sufficient to cause the average citizen to forget his duty to his community and to himself, which if performed would mean more in the direction of local prosperity than all his other boosting efforts put together.

Why boost in one direction, while committing community suicide in another?

January

Janus, the ancient deity, for whom this month was named, is usually pictured as having two faces, and his fact is not without its significance. Extremely cold days vie with those of milder temperature now, yet withal, the ice and snow and biting wind are pregnant and not at all backward in asserting their authority.

Winter is no longer an unfamiliar visitor but an accepted guest whose stay of some weeks' duration is taken as a matter of course. The boy with the coaster is still with us and to watch him take a big "belly-uster" frolic is good for the eyes and better for the heart. Moreover, the skaters are holding carnivals, a "high-ho" for the river and the lake, he frolic and the clever skaters cut by steel-shod boots!

January skies at night are ripe for the enjoyment of astronomy with the naked eye. Go out, of doors at 9 o'clock on a clear evening and the heavens will reward you lavishly. The woods are drear and stark for the most part and bear the marks of battle. Nature has put on the weeds of widowhood and every green thing save the fir, the balsam and other trees not deciduous is at a premium. It's a great month for January—a lovely month. If you have good health, a radio, good books, well heated coal bin or a big pile of dry hardwood.

Travelling Courses Feature Sheep Work

Special cars filled with lambs, wool and stockmen's supplies tour Ontario. Interest in the sheep industry throughout Ontario has increased so rapidly that the Dominion Sheep Branch has been forced to take unusual steps to keep pace. This winter for instance, they have outfitted two pairs of cars, loaded with sheep, supplies, and wool, and staffed with sheep experts to tour Eastern and Western Ontario and take the gospel of better management and marketing right to the door of the grower. One pair of cars is operating in the East, and one in the Western counties. The tour started early in January, with stops at Holland Centre and Orangeville in Western Ontario where the attendance averaged close to 60 persons daily, and at Goodwood in Eastern Ontario on January 5th and 6th, where the average ran close to 45.

One car of each pair is fitted up for lectures and addresses on management, disease and similar topics are being taken up, and demonstration in slaughtering, docking, shearing and dipping and the proper method of preparing the fleece for shipment are being given.

In the second car good specimens of the main breeds of sheep are being shown so that the interested person after being told how to handle a flock of sheep in and pick out a breed. In addition, Canadian Co-Operative Wool Growers have put up an exhibit of wool and sheepmen's supplies. The various standard Government grades are shown, as well as typical samples of rejects, and visitors will learn something as to the market values of the various types.

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NOTICE

to Subscribers in Arrears

Within the next few weeks we have considerable sum of money to make up and are depending on those indebted to us for subscription arrears or otherwise to make payment. If all those would come across with the amount owing we would be able to pass the money on to you and you would owe! The amount of your indebtedness may not appear to be very much, but when multiplied by the number of other individuals who work for a similar purpose, it means much to us. We are not an agent or representative of any cent in order to meet our obligations. Your remittance today will help us.

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