

Children's Aid Society

The Eighth Year of the Children's Aid Society of Halton a Success

At the eighth annual meeting of the Halton County Children's Aid Society held at the Gordon Home, with the President, Mr. J. M. Dwyer, in the chair, the reports from the Secretary, Treasurer and various committees were adopted. The year's work was carefully reviewed and everything found in a very satisfactory condition.

Deep regret was expressed by the members in the loss sustained by the home in the death of Miss Holloway, the matron.

The following officers were elected: Hon. President—His Honor Judge Elliott.

Hon. Solicitor—Crown Attorney Dick.

President—J. M. Dwyer.

First Vice President—D. S. Robertson.

Second Vice President—Mayor Earl.

Secretary—Mrs. T. J. Brown.

Treasurer—C. H. Stuart.

Executive Committee—Messrs. Gorman, H. K. Anderson, Sanderson, McPhail, Hamshaw, Feucko, and Douglas.

Committee on Finance—Messrs. Bell, McCreagh, Little, McClellan, M. H. Clements, Maxted, Pearson, Michener, Mochel, and Dr. Galloway.

Committee on Education—Messrs. Galloway, Dr. Galloway, and Dr. Anderson.

Representatives from each town were elected to the society.

Action—Mrs. George Havill.

Georgetown—Dr. E. R. Watson.

Unionville—Mrs. J. P. Jones.

Oakville—Mrs. W. Ingelhart.

The reports of the Treasurer and the Inspector are as follows:

Summary of Financial Statement for Year ending October 31, 1931

Nov. 1, 1930, balance on hand, \$342.31

Membership Fees, 13.00

Charitable Donations, 140.00

Interest, 27.50

Grants from County Council, 2,300.00

\$2,824.04

EXPENDITURE

Transferred to Gordon Home, 2,400.00

Account, 240.00

Washing Machine, 210.00

Furniture, 13.75

Christmas Gifts, 13.75

Hospital and other expenses, 75.00

By Miss Holloway, 35.75

Bundry, 61.56

Balance on Hand, 61.56

\$2,824.04

C. H. Stuart, Treasurer.

Inspector's Report

Another year's work with all its successes and failures, in the care of neglected and dependent children, has been added to the past.

In a work so comprehensive and varied, a work requiring such sound judgment, sympathy and wisdom, there will surely be some failures of heart.

The report must necessarily be brief, as neither space nor words are sufficient to express all the activities of the Children's Aid Society.

At the outset we desire to offer our sincere thanks to our Heavenly Father for His guidance and help under all circumstances, and for the hope for the future inspired within our hearts.

Although the great war ceased three years ago, and although the general use of intoxicating liquors has greatly diminished, yet there seems to be no cessation of poverty and neglect. In fact the increase in domestic unemployment, due to estrangement, often the result of the immorality of parents, is deplorable.

It is a splendid sign of the times that there are now so many organizations doing social welfare work, all of which seem to be working so harmoniously together.

The act recently passed by which mothers are paid by the government to care for their children, when the father is either deceased or permanently disabled, is having a very beneficial effect. For this we are largely indebted to Mr. J. J. Koles, who advocated such an act for years.

In many cases of failure on the part of parents to care properly for their children, the welfare committee has been sufficient to bring about a betterment of conditions.

Both in addresses and in private conversation, efforts have been made to stem the current of cigarette smoking among young people. A noted leader from his experience says, "The cigarette habit is the most potent factor for the development of crime in the boy."

"As during the previous year, so during this, religious organizations have been distributed, especially to places where children have the opportunity of regular attendance at Church and at Sabbath School.

During the year we have been successful in securing some very excellent homes for these unfortunate children, thus making these children very fortunate, but we feel that there are many good homes who are in the position of doing such good missionary and patriotic work, and of brightening their homes, but who are failing to grasp the opportunity.

In my visits, I find that nearly all the foster parents are quite susceptible to advice regarding the training of those under their care. This helps to make the work more pleasant and satisfactory.

"Too much stress is often placed upon heredity. It is the consensus of opinion among psychologists that in the development of character environment is much more powerful than heredity. Very seldom are the children of well-to-do parents in court charged with delinquency. Also charges of theft are almost always against town boys. The reasons seem obvious. The town boy usually has "less manual labor than the boy on the farm. He sees frequently more articles that he wishes to possess."

During the year the Society met with a serious loss in the death of its very efficient matron, the late Mrs. Holloway. Many were the expressions of regret throughout the country. We are pleased however, that we are still able to retain the valuable services of her mother, Mrs. Butterway.

In closing, I wish to thank Crown Attorney, Mr. W. I. Dick, for cheerful and gratuitous legal advice; Mr. T. A. Hutchinson, Barrister, for his helpfulness; Doctors Cowland and King, who have so kindly and attentively given medical treatment to the children of the Gordon Home, and all organizations, and individuals, who have helped in any way to improve the social conditions of our people. Applications for children, 51; children brought to the Shelter (not wards), 9; children returned to parents (not wards), 7; children involved during the year, 209; children made wards of the Children's Aid Society, 7; children sent to the Industrial School, 11; complaints received, 48; investigations made, 48; mail matters received, 512; mail matters sent out, 840; meetings addressed, 14; mileage (approximately), \$340; telephone interviews, 472; office interviews, 138; court attendance, 11; wards placed and released, 43; wards returned to Shelter, 23; wards visited, 144; warnings given, 23; deaths, 1; released from supervision, 8; number of wards in the Shelter, 12; number of boarders in the Shelter, 2; number of boys in the Shelter, 12.

Respectfully submitted, W. H. Stewart.

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A Grand Old Sea Empress



When the Empress of Japan sailed from Vancouver for Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki, Shanghai and Hong Kong a short time ago, she started on her one-hundred and fifty-fifth voyage. A voyage in steamship parlance is a round trip, or, in other words, until the ship returns to her home port again. The distance from Vancouver to Hong Kong is 7,291 miles, or a total of 14,582 miles to be covered on each voyage. When the Empress of Japan arrived at the port of Vancouver, she established a record for Trans-Pacific voyages. With the completion of her one hundred and fifty-fourth voyage, the Empress of Japan had covered 2,600,000 miles in the Canadian Pacific service, or equal to nearly one hundred times around the globe. In comparing this record, there is not taken into her account her four years' war service.

The Empress of Japan was built at the yards of the Naval Construction and Armaments Company at Barrow-on-Furness, and arrived at Vancouver in 1891. She is a steel twin-screw steamship, three masts, two funnels, of 6,000 tons, in 456 ft. length, 51 1/2 ft. in breadth, and 33.1 ft. in depth, 100 A-1 according to Lloyd's Register, and is noted for her trim yacht-like appearance. She has enjoyed greater popularity during her entire career than almost any of the smaller class of steamships on either the Atlantic or Pacific.

For thirty years the Empress of Japan has been in constant service without a single mishap to mar her record. Although in her day she was considered the finest of her type afloat, and for two decades was known as the "Queen of the Pacific," she remains that honor only when the speedier and larger Empress of Russia and Empress of Asia were added to the Canadian Pacific fleet between Vancouver and the Orient.

It is a tribute to the builders of the sturdy days when it is known that the ship's original boilers are still in her hull and doing good service. In fact, the Empress of Japan still maintains a speed of 16 1/2 knots an hour, and on October 8 she made 287 miles in the twenty-four hour period. The Empress of Japan accomplished the last trip from Yokohama to Vancouver in a little less than 12 days, allowing for the meridian day. Some of the craft of American lines which have recently entered the Pacific service are considered to have excelled themselves when they cover the distance in less than 14 to 15 days.

Friendship—Yes! But—

"The Bill will not let in Canadian wheat, but will save to the American farmer the right to raise a bushel of wheat instead of transferring that right to Canada." Mr. Fordey, in introducing the Fordey Emergency Tariff Bill which has shut millions of dollars worth of Canadian foodstuffs out of the United States market.

WHILE ties of friendship unite Canada and the United States, the attitude of Uncle Sam is that of "Business First," and Canada cannot and should not hope for any consideration from the United States where the interests of the farmers and business people of that country are involved. Uncle Sam has built the Fordney Tariff directly against Canadian agriculture, and new additional Tariff proposals are now under consideration to shut out from the United States Canadian goods of every kind.

These measures are due to the insistence of the American farmer that the United States market shall be retained exclusively for him and that the influx of Canadian farm products into that country must cease. They are also due to a like insistence of United States manufacturers and workers, who have seen their country develop tremendously and grow rich under a Protective Tariff, and who believe that a still further increase in Tariff is the only means of assuring continued prosperity.

CONTRAST THE ATTITUDE OF THE UNITED STATES LEADERS WITH THAT OF CANADA'S WOULD-BE LEADERS, CRERAR AND KING

Crerar proposes to allow American goods to enter the Canadian market free of duty. King proposes that the present reasonable Tariff on the products of the American factory and farm shall be greatly reduced, and that the home market of the Canadian manufacturer and farmer alike shall be thrown open to our Southern neighbour, in the face of the United States Emergency Tariff which practically shuts out Canadian farm products from these markets, and also in the face of the permanent tariff now under consideration at Washington, which gives every promise of being even more drastic than the Emergency Tariff so far as our products are concerned.

In view of the attitude of the United States, what folly it is for Crerar and King to propose a tariff which opens the Canadian market to a flood of both agricultural and manufactured products of the United States when there is not the slightest possibility of any compensative advantage to Canada. Does any sane Canadian believe that Crerar or King, had in hand, could persuade the United States Government to completely reverse its Tariff policies and agree to reciprocal trade in face of American public demand for a high protective Tariff? The people of the United States conduct their affairs and protect themselves by the principle that "Business is business." Why should Canada do otherwise? Unlike Crerar or King, McGEHEE stands firm for a reasonable Tariff to protect all our industries—those of the farm, the sea, the mine, the forest, the factory, and for the building up of a bigger and better Canada through the full development of the home market.

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