



Schools closed, travel limited in wake of continuing smallpox epidemic

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The smallpox epidemic continues in Toronto. The average number of new cases reported daily is 30 and there were 524 cases under treatment according to last night's report from the Public Health officials.

There are many cases in the county of York outside the city. Several schools are closed and teachers have the disease. All cases are mild. Nobody can enter the United States from Ontario without showing a vaccination certificate.

Bronte's new electric light system went into operation last Thursday evening. There will be forty street lights.

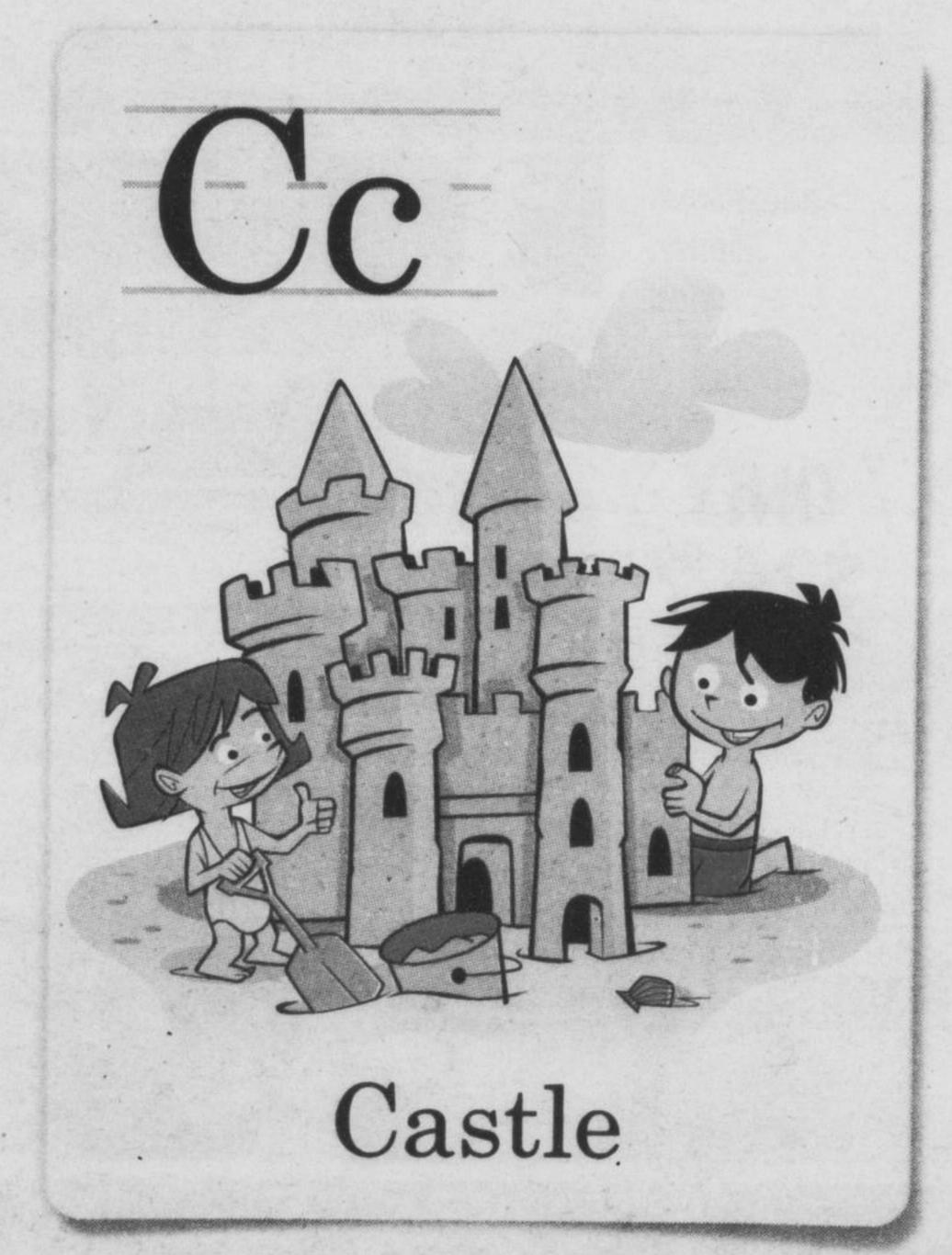
A largely attended and enthusiastic meeting of the Milton Athletic Association was held last night to complete arrangements for the

hockey season. The management committee of the hockey team will be R.S. Fleming, Dr. M.E. Gowland and Stanley Buck. Training will commence at once and prospects are good. The O.H.A. grouping has not been arranged yet.

At the sittings of the County Court and General Sessions, which closed yesterday evening, Sheriff Webster made a short speech in which he complimented and congratulated Ephraim Chapman, the veteran crier of the court and of the Assizes, on being in his 48th year of service.

His Honor, Judge Elliot, supplemented the Sheriff's remarks by saying he had been in a good many of the courts of Ontario, but in none of them did he think there was a crier who excelled Mr. Chapman in good service or whose voice equaled his.

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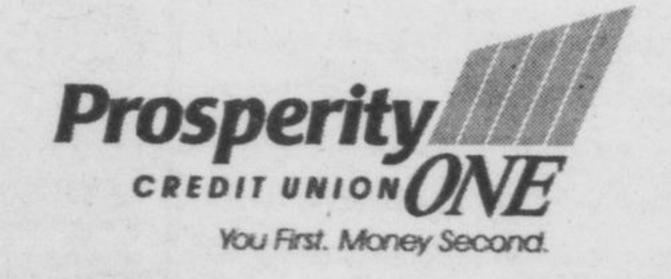
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