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Problems of Children's Aid
Many and Very Interesting

Some of the Cases Dealt With the District of Cochrane, C.A.S. Territory Very Extensive. Help Given to Ill and Crippled Children a Special Feature of the Work of the Society.

In the Saturday issue of The North Bay Nugget last week there is a very interesting article from the able pen of Frank Lendrum on the work of the District of Cochrane Children's Aid Society. The article is as follows:—

"Problems in morals that would tax the wisdom of a Solomon to solve; cases in which the action taken will determine the welfare of little children, put an erring father on the road to doing justice by his wife and family, or straighten out complicated relations that have arisen; illuminating flashes on phases of life's varied way in the North Country; these all come within the scope of one year's work of the Children's Aid Society of the judicial district of Cochrane, as revealed during the course of conversations with the president of that organization, G. A. Macdonald, editor of The Porcupine Advance, and with its secretary, A. G. Carson, member of the town council of Timmins. And, while much of their reports must, of necessity, deal with the seamier side of life, they deal, too, with its kinder aspects, stressing the active interest taken in the work of the society, of the acceptable help rendered those who are less fortunate in the material things of the world and with the very effective service rendered to many who, but for the society and the people who help to maintain it, would go through life burdened with handicaps not of their own making.

An Extensive Territory
"The Children's Aid Society for this part of the north functions for an extensive territory, ranging from Ramore on the T. & N. O., nearly 60 miles south of Cochrane, to Hearst, 128 miles west of that centre, and including the Porcupine camp, Iroquois Falls and adjacent sections, and all the comparatively recently opened-up district along the main line of the C.N.R. The last annual report of Mr. Carson showed that mileage travelled reached a grand aggregate of 12,453 in the 12 months ending with October 31 last, while 231 complaints were received, 269 investigations carried out involving 661 children, while there were 451 interviews in the office. Continuing the statistics, it is stated that 29 children were made wards of the society, foster homes were found for 28 and 13 were returned to their parents. Applications for adoption of children were received to the number of 22, there were, on an average, 28 children in the Shelter here each month, with four more boarding out. In round numbers, 100 children passed through the Shelter in the course of a year, Mr. Carson said.

Common Causes for Action
"Immorality, neglect and desertion are the most common causes for action on the part of the society," the secretary stated. He added that "it is always the aim of the society to save the home, and the children are never removed if poverty is the only cause for complaint. Assistance is given to the parents to care for the children in their own homes, in order that they may grow up to be useful members of society." Mr. Macdonald declared that he regarded the society "not merely as a money-spending organization, but a body whose main object is to help people along the way." Cost of operating the society for a year is approximately \$10,000 figures show, and grants from the provincial authorities and from the municipalities, together with the amounts paid over for maintenance account for about two-fifths of this sum. The balance has to be raised from the people of the district at large, and the branches of the society in Porcupine and Iroquois Falls assist very materially in obtaining the required amounts each year. A campaign fund in Porcupine brought in \$2,671.75, while the branches at Iroquois Falls and at Ansonville raised \$577.96, according to the last annual report.

Many Cases of Desertion
"Many cases of desertion come to the attention of the secretary in a year, and Mr. Carson reports that there is 'very little difference in the type of cases, only there are more.' Frequently these involve questions of a somewhat perplexing nature, as was instanced in one case that came to the attention of the society. In this particular example, the woman was the deserting parent, contrary to the usual run of these cases, and she had left her husband, home and seven children, the latter including a six-months-old baby. The husband was not any too anxious to have her come back to his house, but he did want her prosecuted for desertion, and he felt that rank discrimination existed when told there was no legal power to compel his wife to return, although her whereabouts were known.

Husband is Outwitted
"This woman had left home once before investigation showed, and she had been persuaded to come back against her own judgment, as she had argued that she would be compelled to bear and raise children contrary to her own desires. When she returned, her husband had kept her without money, believing that, by withholding financial supplies, she would be tied to the home more securely. But she outwitted him. When he gave one of the children a few dollars with which to make purchases at the store, the mother followed her son, after cautioning the lad to wait for her at the store, and then both had departed. She cannot be ordered back to the place, although the law would take prompt and energetic

steps to return the father, should he desert, and as he pointed out to the society's agent.

Six in Little Shack
"Along the Porcupine branch of the T. and N. O. is a certain black shack. From the train, it is certainly not the most desirable of places in which to live and bring up a family, but it houses a woman and five children, to whom it is a veritable haven after their previous experiences. Before it was secured for their use by Mr. Carson this family, deserted by the father of some of the children, had existed in a log structure that was fast rotting to decay. Although a building of fair size, it had a leaky roof and, in rainy weather, it was possible to find places out of the steady drips for only two beds, a table and a stove, and these had to be arranged in corners out of the wet. In addition, the floor was practically non-existent.

Second Marriage a Failure
"This woman's story brings home the truth of the old adage, relating to the ignorance of one-half of the world with regard to how the others live—or exist. When her first husband was killed, she got \$50 monthly from the Compensation Board for herself, with \$10 for each of her three children. She married again, and her new husband, after spending the \$1,000 she received in commutation of her pension and putting out the oldest child (thereby losing ten dollars paid on its behalf), left her, taking with him the most recent cheque for \$20, representing the compensation for the other children. Trained all over the district, the man was finally arrested by the provincial police at Cochrane. At first he denied his name, but eventually he was identified and was sent to jail for six months. His wife struggles along on \$20 monthly income, a little help having been given when the oldest girl went into the employment of a neighbouring farmer. She had two children to her second husband.

"But not all of the society's work

deals with the seamier side of life. At present Mr. Macdonald said, it was being arranged that treatment would be given in Toronto to a four-year-old boy afflicted with club feet, and it was expected that this defect would be righted at no distant date, leaving the little fellow normal like his playmates. The operation and treatment will take money, the president said, but he believed the expenditure was worth while and really was one of the objects of the society's existence. He told of another case in which a girl who had suffered from a tubercular knee and would have been dead today but for the help given by the Children's Aid Society, was able to go about like other children. She had been six months in the Sick Children's Hospital in Toronto and an equal time in the Shelter here and the cost of treating her had been heavy, but the results had justified the money spent. Mr. Macdonald said that, frequently, people would become interested in individual cases, and would contribute toward the cost, in which instances the donations made would be applied toward the hospital bills. Sometimes, the parents can help, but generally the cases are drawn from families who are little blessed with this world's goods.

Every Case Investigated
"A very careful investigation is made of every case," Mr. Carson said, referring to complaints made to him of conditions in any home. "Wide enquiries are pursued before any official action is taken," he added, declaring this had been the advice tendered him by his predecessor, Robert LeHeup. He had found by experience that it was better to make haste slowly, and he related one instance which came under his observation which showed the need of care. He told of a man who complained that his wife had left him, taking their two children with her. He wanted the youngsters and told what sounded like a plausible story to interest the secretary of the Children's Aid Society. But enquiry showed the man had been in jail for wife beating, and there had also been a case against him involving alleged relations with his daughter, but which was dismissed for lack of conclusive evidence. No help was forthcoming for that man in his efforts to recover the children.

"Mr. Carson quoted another case to illustrate the difficulty of dealing with certain phases of situations which develop. In this instance, a wife left home, took the two children with her, and went to live with another man.

Her husband was somewhat shiftless and while the other man, also a bushman, provided her with a clean home, and saw the children were warmly clothed and well fed. Her mother and uncles asked the society to intervene and give the children to the grandmother, while the legal husband, although quite willing to blacken his wife's character in some respects, was satisfied to leave the children with her, provided they were sent to a school of which he approved, the religious difficulty having arisen. The wife was not willing to comply with his terms, and her mother's fitness as a moral guardian of the children was questioned when it developed that she had permitted her daughter to live in her house with the other man for some weeks. This case went before the magistrate for decision, but judgment is still pending until further enquiry is made.

"Both Mr. Carson and Mr. Macdonald, in closing, paid tribute to the kindness they received from people in the district in helping to brighten the lives of the children in the Shelter. Mayor G. S. Drew, on the day of the interview, telephoned to make arrangements to have the children taken for a sleigh ride. On occasion they were admitted to a local theatre, without charge, they were given Christmas Trees and, in the summer months, were guests at picnics and outings arranged for their benefit. The work done is worth while, both said, in conclusion."

HEAD WAS CRUSHED BY BLOW FROM BEAM HIT BY ROCK

At Sudbury last week Metro Kubej, 46, and father of eight children, a town labourer on the Elm street hill reduction job, was killed instantly Thursday afternoon in a peculiar manner. Four other men escaped injury or death by a narrow margin. Mr. Kubej was swinging on a 16-foot beam in an effort to move a one ton rock when a dislodged rock hurtled down the side of the hill and struck the timber, smashing it against the victim's jaw and pinning his head against the stationary rock. Death was caused by a fractured skull or a broken neck or both, a coroner's jury ruled this afternoon. The beam missed the head of Harry McClelland, the foreman, by six inches.

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