

# DURHAM CHRONICLE

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### WHITHER ARE WE DRIFTING?

The world seems to be going at a fast clip and the Juvenile Court in Toronto shows an enormous amount of crime amongst youngsters. Each generation seems to be getting worse than its predecessor, and who or what is to blame for the sad condition of affairs? An editorial in the last Saturday Night says that since the first of the year three hundred children have been before the Juvenile Court in Toronto, spoken of frequently as the City of Churches, and regarded a few years ago as the most moral city on the continent. The writer presumes that in other cities where such courts exist the showing would be similarly and equally bad. Quoting from the editorial in part is a sad revelation of the depravity to which children may sink. It says:

"One little boy, aged seven, recently arrested in Montreal, told the court officials that it did not pay to be good. He, in company with three others, the eldest fourteen, had ten robberies scored against them. That the gang was thoroughly proficient is indicated by that in one haul no less than \$600 worth of leather goods were stolen. No doubt these boys read the yellow Sunday supplements, and took in the movies with regularity. They would know all about the Katzenjammer Kids, Mrs. Jiggs' thieving brother and the remainder of the "elevating" pictures that instill the higher virtues in the minds of the youth of our day."

Continuing, the article says: "In connection with the deteriorating effect of a certain class of movies, all too common, it is interesting to note that the gang of youthful desperadoes who were referred to last week as having wrecked the interior of a Toronto residence, mainly through the use of a hose, received the suggestion, according to the police, from a movie in which a stream of water from a fire hose demolished the inside of a dwelling."

The writer then goes on to attach blame on the parents, where, from lack of restraining influences the boys and girls are allowed to run wild. A public school official admits "a decided difference" in the youth of to-day compared with those of twenty years ago. Children are great imitators and if the parents disregard the laws, they need have no surprise if the children break the rules in like manner.

It doesn't take an observant school official to see the growing disobedience of the rising generation. Anyone with his eyes open can see that in too many cases the home is ruled from the nursery instead of by the heads of the family. It is a sad condition of affairs, but it is only too true. We know instances where it is utterly impossible for parents to carry on a conversation with other grown-ups from the interference of the children, who are "butting in" at every turn. In all cases it is a breach of etiquette and a lack of propriety for any person, old or young, to interfere with persons engaged in conversation. How often grown-ups are guilty of the offence, even in the presence of children who are apt followers in the evils of the older ones. The conduct of the parents is often the cause of disobedience and lawlessness by the children. They escape the clutches of the law for a time. When steeped in crime and in the clutches of the law it is too late to reform them. You cannot reason with some of the children of to-day and the problem of improving the rising generation is serious enough. The people of to-day, both old and young, are altogether too fast.

Saturday Night, in concluding the editorial, inquires: "who will sit down and teach these youngsters that they must respect authority even if their parents have failed in their duties? It is quite apparent that in our schools there is too much 'culture,' too many fads and not enough of strap. When the schools gave up the strap they threw away a valuable asset, so far as the coming generation of men and women is concerned. In spite of the notion of the little Montreal lad, children must be taught that it does 'pay to be good.' Whither are we drifting? We may ask in all seriousness."

### Do You Know That

Too much salt prevents bread from rising?  
Mint and peas cooked together are nice for roast lamb?  
Cream mustard dressing is good over shredded cabbage?  
Dried orange peelings will prevent moths and leave a pleasant odor?  
Colored cotton dresses should be starched with cold starch and dried in the shade?

### 20 YEARS AGO

From The Chronicle File of August 28, 1902.

The death of his beloved wife is a severe blow to Mr. W. J. Edwards, to whom we tender our sincere sympathy.

Artemesia Fall Fair is to be held in Priceville on the 14th and 15th of October.

Charley Irwin, a brother of Ye Editor lost a purse containing \$80 when returning from Thornbury a few days ago. On missing it he returned to make a search, but was unsuccessful. It was home ahead of him, an honest woman having picked it up on the roadside and driven straight with it to his home.

The whistle of the cement mill was heard for the first time this week.

We regret to learn that Miss Lick, B.A., of the school, has had the misfortune to lose her mother in Oshawa and in consequence will not return to her school duties till about the first of October.

The Council has engaged Mr. Geo. Calder to sink a well near the furniture factory. A flowing well is desired.

It is gratifying to learn that Miss Margaret Gun is recovering from her operation for appendicitis.

Mr. Neil McKechnie offers the Haywards Falls waterpower for sale in this issue.

Mr. Samuel McComb is building a brick residence on Lambton street.

Dr. and Mrs. Gun are now comfortably settled in their new home on the hillside. The building was erected by Mr. Edward Kress and purchased by the Dr. a few months ago.

From the way things are shaping that religious controversy will come to an end in a century or two.

Born.—On August 18, to Mr. and Mrs. and Mrs. James Kerr, Hampden, a son.

Married.—In Rochester, N.Y., by Rev. Dr. Sankey, Miss Jessie Stewart of Dornoch to Mr. William J. McNab.

Mr. Thomas Greenwood had a cow break her leg on Monday.

### A LITTLE OF THIS AND THAT

Empty heads seldom ache.

These hot days, she is a fortunate woman who has the leisure to lie about home wrapped in thought.

The Texas girl who married a ball player poet probably doesn't know whether she took him for batter or for verse.

Let us be thankful for lawyers. Think of what other lawyers would do to us if we couldn't hire a lawyer to protect us.

Correct this sentence: "The accused woman was beautiful and a jury of men found her guilty."

Speed doesn't appeal to us, but we would like to see a straw hat given a fair chance on a good track in a high wind.

Proof of woman's shrewdness does not lie in her ability to capture a man, but in her ability to make him believe he did it.

It frequently happens that when a man says he will think it over he means he will ask his wife about it.

A rich man could be happy if he could overcome the suspicion that his friends have designs on his purse.

The reason the old-fashioned girl didn't call her beau "daddy" was because he wasn't old enough to be her daddy.

The lazier a man is the harder it is to discourage him.

Worry is interest paid on trouble before it comes due.

A man with a lame tale frequently halts in the telling.

### Had An Accident.

"George, you may bring me two fried eggs, some ham, a pot of coffee and some rolls," said a man to the waiter.

"Yes, sir." His companion said, "You may bring me the same. No, wait a minute; just eliminate the eggs."

"Yes, sir." In a moment the waiter returned. "Excuse me, sir, but what did you say about them eggs?"

"I merely told you to eliminate them."

"Yes, sir." And he hurried away to the tiny kitchen.

In two minutes he came back once more, leaned confidentially and penitently over the table, and said:

"We had a bad accident this morning, sir, an' the liminator got busted off, right at the handle. Will you take them fried, same as this gentleman?"

### SECRETARY HORNING EXPLAINS

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both nominees were thus disqualified.

"All clubs in the Association were specially circularized in regard to birth certificates in addition to the Constitution touching thoroughly on the matter and the Durham Club paid no heed to the circulars. I do not contend that our Executive should go out to look for trouble, but I do say that they handle matters brought before them for attention, and if Durham got away with anything in 1921 and was not tripped up by some other competing club it is no reason why they should again get away with something similar. You will admit two wrongs do not make a right.

"You have in President R. J. Moorhead an energetic baseball worker, but he cannot be expected to do all the work, and a ball club cannot be run without attention. This officer deserves credit for the work he has done, but for any other officer of the club I cannot say the same. In 1921 every consideration was given the Durham Clubs, the Juniors playing off with Stratford in the finals, but did not make any report of the gate receipts or turn in the 3rd of receipts as required. After my return from the Canadian West I found no report and after asking several times got a report of the game with a large deficit shown thereon. Durham deposit or guarantee was not withheld even then to make up the league end of the gate, but was returned to the club as an aid in their financial troubles. In 1921 sworn affidavits were taken by the Association to cover birth certificate and save expense; the rules as amended for 1922 would not permit this, and the assertion in your publication that players played with Durham last year and also in the other league may be correct, but if the other league had a constitution at that time it was then, and not in 1922, that Durham should have been suspended. To be brief about the Durham suspension, I might say Durham have not as a club carried out or lived up to the N.W.B.A. 1922 Constitution and Rules and have in the estimation of the N.W.B.A. Executive been justly suspended for their action in ignoring the rules.

"The item or clause mentioning the fact that the N.W.B.A. is called in your vicinity the 'Reube' League and is Reuben in more ways than one is evidently intended as a slam at the writer, if the N.W.B.A. is called the 'Reube' League from the fact that my name is 'Reube' and I am acting as Secretary, to which office I was duly elected. I can only say I am proud of the compliment, for the N.W.B.A. is without doubt one of, if not altogether, the strongest Baseball Association operating in Canada. This is the reason its Executive must demand that rules and regulations must be complied with by the clubs affiliated.

"Closing, I will cite a case of your Durham Club which makes me think that the item in your last week's paper came from one ignorant of the requirements of the N.W.B.A. Rules and also from some stew or windbag who would rather knock than boost. In 1921 I was asked by the President, Mr. Moorhead to go to Durham to handle the Chesley vs Durham fixture. This I did. I lost the day at home, handled the game, and later, on Durham Main Street, was asked what my charges were, if I remember right, by Mr. Town. I asked in turn how the club stood financially and was advised 'very poor,' and as Mr. Moorhead had kindly made me his guest, I said if this is the case, call it square. The charges collectable by me, according to constitution, for handling the game and mileage to and from Durham was exactly \$13.10. My reason for acting in this manner was to allow Durham Club to finance their teams if possible and to let them see the N.W.B.A. officers took an interest in their teams, and would not personally act in a 'hold-up' manner.

"Again I say I do not believe that any person acquainted with the 1921 conditions and an officer on the Durham Club would write a story such as appeared last week in your paper with a view of injuring the N.W.B.A.

"The story referred to will be

handled at the next Executive meeting and I will advise you what action the Executive decide on immediately after the meeting.

"Trusting this will receive your attention and that I may receive a copy of your edition which will correct the misunderstanding."

"I am enclosing a copy of 1922 constitution of the N.W.B.A.

Yours truly,

REUBE HORNING,  
Secretary N.W.B.A.

Referring to Mr. Horning's statement that the Durham Club had not sent in any birth certificates, we may state right here that we were assured that these had been sent in. We were also told that the playing of Muir, Dow and McLeod from near Priceville was also strictly within the rules of the association, and that the Executive had not been led to believe that these three players were residents of Durham. The belief held by The Chronicle, too, was the widespread belief prevalent here and it is not to be wondered that a peck of trouble has arisen from the suspension of the Durham Club. In the light of Mr. Horning's letter, however, there is something seriously wrong and the Durham public interested in baseball will be as anxious as The Chronicle to have the muddle cleared up.

Regarding the 1922 copy of the Constitution referred to by Mr. Horning, which we have not had the opportunity to read in full, we note a few paragraphs he has marked. They are:

Referring to the power of the officers of the Association, the Constitution says they have the power— (h) to suspend or expel any player or member refusing to accept or obey the ruling of the Sub-committee.

Section 4 of the Regulation and Rules of Competition says: "No player shall take part in any Association game unless the captain shall have furnished the umpire with full list of the players and their playing certificates. Certificates shall be issued in the following form: Senior on yellow paper, Junior on white paper, in three like frames, on application to the Secretary of the Association, one frame to be retained by the League, one frame returned to the player and one frame to the O.B.A.A. The complete certificates must be returned to the Association Secretary when completed for countersigning after registration."

Section 7 on page 18 says: "No player shall play in an N.W.B.A. scheduled game who is, or has been in the then current season, a member of, or has played with, in the same association year, any other club in a recognized Baseball League or Association (city or town leagues excepted).

Section (c) page 21: "Junior certificates will not be countersigned or issued until absolute proof of age in form of legal Birth Certificate is received by the Association Secretary."

It is needless to say that we will expect a statement from the Durham Club, and will gladly give them the opportunity of giving the public their side of the case.

### GOT \$10.00 EXTRA

(Chesley Enterprise.)

If our memory serves us aright it was in 1904 that John McCool, M. A., was appointed Public School Inspector for East Bruce as successor to the late W. S. Clendenning, who had been asked by the County Council to resign on account of his not being a university graduate. Mr. McCool was teacher of English Literature in London Collegiate Institute when he received the appointment of inspector some eighteen years ago and he has been a live wire in his inspectorial duties as he was when teaching in High and Public schools. Mr. McCool is a specialist in English and by his presentation of Literature in the schools of East Bruce has greatly stimulated the advantages of being proficient in that important subject. Mr. McCool is an old Paisley boy, and when he taught in the old Gore school of Greenock and at Gillies Hill in Elderslie, salaries were about one-third of what they are now. The Walker-Town Telescope editor notes in its last issue that in going to a garden party at Alex. Mawhinney's in Bruce township with our inspector they passed a school in which he had been en-

# Canadianizing Canada

TRAVEL is one of the great elements in education and is one of the fundamentals of good citizenship. The desire to know one's own country should be inculcated into the system of every Canadian and to obtain any adequate knowledge, how can it be acquired better than by travel? "Canadians, See Canada," and "See Canada First," etc., have been adopted as slogans in the endeavor to create in the minds of Canadians the advantages of national travel and the attractions Canada has to offer.

The purpose of this article is not only to give expression to the importance of Canadians seeing Canada that they may have a fuller appreciation of what their own country has to offer them in the way of scenery and interest, but to emphasize particularly the value of tourist travel to the nation, and the duty we owe ourselves in developing our tourist territory—so to speak to capitalize the scenery. Possibly no other country in the world gives up to its people a greater area of country for recreation purposes and these great playgrounds are not confined to any particular section but are spread from the Atlantic to the Pacific. Then again from the seashore resorts of the Atlantic and the lower St. Lawrence to the Pacific Coast, the interests are so varied and so distinctly different from one another that our Canadian people may use their vacations for years and find new scenery and new interest annually. From the quiet beauty of the Maritime Provinces to the more rugged scenery of the Province of Quebec, the almost continuous lake and river country of northern Ontario, the Rocky Mountains so immense, beautiful, and wonderful, on to the Pacific Coast, one cannot imagine without personal vision and knowledge what a wonderful asset we have in our widespread playgrounds and national parks.

But to make the most of these wonderful heritages, to realize the fullest amount of profit, they must be developed. The Provincial and Dominion Governments must be keenly alive to what the possibilities are. Good roads to the wonder places and beauty spots are essential so that the way of the tourist may be made easy and attractive.

Much has been done by the railways to advertise our tourist territory, which has resulted in millions of dollars being spent in Canada annually, principally by our neighbors to the south of us, but the fringe has as yet only been touched. The Canadian National Railways have just opened Jasper Park Lodge, in Jasper Park, that largest and most wonderful of all our national parks, 4,400 square miles of magnificent mountainous scenery. There wild life roams unmolested and thousands of tourists from all parts of the globe will gladly assemble annually when the park is fully developed with good motor roads, and the system of lodges so auspiciously opened on June 15th last are extended through the park. Jasper Park is but one of the many feature places to be developed. Mount Robson Park, just fifty miles west from Jasper station, is another. Aside from Mount Robson being the highest peak in the Canadian Rockies (13,068 feet), the park which is entirely within the province of British Columbia, is an Alpine kingdom in itself, but until such time as it is developed, the glory and majesty of its scenery is denied the tourist who does not choose to ride a cayuse.

By way of comparison it has been stated that tourist traffic in California alone nets approximately a hundred million dollars a year, and the more northern Pacific Coast States, Washington and Oregon, add fully half that amount to the total, whereas it has been said that tourist traffic in Canada all told, did not net beyond ten or twelve millions.

Again, the provinces of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick have all the advantages of the State of Maine, but comparatively little has been done to develop them. What this development may mean in a measure can be expressed by the fact that Maine last year reaped a harvest of over \$40,000,000 in tourist business.

Our wonderful tourist territory is undoubtedly one of our largest assets, and greatest heritages to be developed, and in the opinion of international travellers who have visited us, Canada possesses the finest aggregation of scenery in the world.—Toronto Saturday Night.

gaged to teach for the enormous sum of \$440 per annum. We are taking it for granted that this included lighting and fire. The girl pupils took turns in sweeping the floor at noon. When the year was up the trustees were so well satisfied with their teacher's work that they gave him \$10 extra, and no farm had to be mortgaged to meet the extra levy. That's the only instance we know of where a teacher in the pioneer days received more pay than he or she agreed on, and it is a great tribute to the teaching ability of our inspector. If all the teachers who rendered services for which they were inadequately paid, until recent years, were to be recompensed for their labor there would be a lot of old teachers who would be enjoying the sunset of life on easy street instead of having to work as strenuously as when they kept good discipline and gave a rudimentary education to forty to sixty boys and girls ranging in ages from 5 to 21 years. It would take more than \$10 each to adequately compensate the old pedagogues of this province for the starvation salaries received in the public schools.

The big coal strike in the United States is over, but Labor Day will be celebrated in Owen Sound bigger and better than ever. Remember the date, Monday, September 4, and come. 8241

### IN 498 B. C.

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