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A PETITION IS PRESENTED REGARDING THE WORKINGS OF CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY.

Petitioners Claim That There is Widespread Dissatisfaction Over Recent Action in Voting Out Old Members—Reply of the Executive.

Charging that there was widespread dissatisfaction among many of the friends and supporters of the Children's Aid Society over the recent action taken in voting out the old members of the executive, Bishop Bidwell and a number of citizens sent a petition to the present executive, asking that a general meeting be called in order that the present workings of the Society might be explained and the petitioners given an opportunity of expressing their opinion in the matter.

The petition was dealt with by the executive at a special meeting held in the City Council Chamber on Tuesday afternoon, when a letter was written, which will be forwarded to Bishop Bidwell. The meeting was called to deal with this special matter by the president, Dr. A. W. Richardson, to whom the petition was addressed, and which read as follows:

Petition Presented. "There is a widespread dissatisfaction among many of the friends and supporters of the Children's Aid Society as to the manner in which the former board of management, consisting of citizens, who for years past, had been giving their time and attention to the affairs of the society, and who possessed the confidence of those interested in the conduct of its affairs, were voted out of office at the last annual meeting by an enrollment on that occasion of a large number of new members, who hitherto had had no connection with, and apparently displayed no interest in, the work done by the society. In the order therefore, that the aforesaid friends and supporters of the society, who are perfectly satisfied with and approve of the lines on which the work has been done hitherto, may be informed as to what changes, if any, are to be made in the methods and working of the society under its present management, and may be given an opportunity of expressing their opinion thereon, we beg to request you will call a general meeting of the friends and supporters of the Children's Aid Society for the purpose above stated with as little delay as possible."

The petition was signed by Bishop Bidwell, David G. Laidlaw, R. Uglow, W. L. Goodwin, D. Ross, D. M. Gordon, H. T. J. Coleman, G. Y. Chown, H. T. Wallace, Joseph Wilson, William Morgan, John Watson, E. P. Scott, W. C. Baker, J. F. Macdonald, W. T. MacClement, L. Saunders, A. S. Ferguson, H. Mitchell, W. D. Taylor, William Sage, L. D. Fails, W. E. Macpherson, W. E. McNeill, E. R. McLean, L. P. Chambers, G. B. Reed, John Dawson, Francis King, A. B. Cunningham and Thomas Mills.

Dr. Richardson explained to the members that he had received the petition from Mayor Hughes just at the close of the last meeting of the executive. When the letter had been handed to him he was of the opinion that it was of a personal character, but on opening it found that it contained something of interest to all the members. For this reason he had called a special meeting. After the reading of the petition the members, on motion of John F. Halliday, instructed the City Clerk to forward the following communication to Bishop Bidwell, by a unanimous vote:

Reply to Petitioners. "Rev. Edward J. Bidwell: Dear Sir—Mayor Hughes handed a petition to the president of the Children's Aid Society from a number of citizens. Your name and signature as Bishop of Kingston appearing first, it was presumed that you were the author and sponsor for the others. This is our reason for addressing this acknowledgment to you. At a special meeting called for the purpose of considering the petition, the secretary was instructed to forward you the following resolution:

"The petition consists of a statement and two requests, as follows: (1.) A statement of dissatisfaction on the part of yourself and fellow petitioners, at the action taken at the annual meeting of the Children's Aid Society, held Nov. 7th, 1916, which a few of the petitioners at-

tended. (2.) Requests: (a) That a statement as to what changes, if any, are to be made in the methods and workings of the society, under its present management. (b) That I, as president, call a general meeting of the Children's Aid Society to hear and be given an opportunity of expressing their opinions on the imaginary charges.

"Regarding 1, the statement of fact: It is inevitable in all democratic bodies that difference of opinion will occur, but it is generally accepted that when opinions have been expressed, the will of the majority rules. At the annual meeting of the Children's Aid Society, regularly called for the election of officers for 1917, D. A. Givens, the city solicitor, proposed the names of certain citizens, who were desirous of becoming members, and was informed by the president, that they were satisfactory to the Society, then in session. W. R. Graham, who was con-

ducted by C. J. Graham, who proceeded to read, constitute the officers and executive of the society for the year 1916-17, and they were declared by the presiding officer to have been duly elected. It is but natural, and not to be denied, that some citizens, who like yourself, though not present at the meeting, differed from the majority present in the choice of officials, and may be expected to continue to differ, but the officers being elected will continue to discharge the duties they have performed until the end of their term, when the citizens and qualified members will be given an opportunity to express their opinions regarding the faithfulness or otherwise with which those duties have been discharged.

"Reports: (a) Changes, if any. The executive is working under the Children's Aid Protective Act of the province of Ontario, and you, sir, and your petitioners as well as the general public, may rest assured that its affairs will be administered strictly in accordance with the said act. (b) Public meeting: The executive having been elected by the Society, to administer its affairs for one year, is unaware of any dissatisfaction on the part of those electing them regarding their conduct of the Society's business, and the request of the petitioners for this executive to call a public meeting, is in the opinion of the executive rather extraordinary and quite uncalled for. Ex-mayor Richardson was in the chair, and the other members present were: W. Bradshaw, James Halliday, John F. McEwen, W. Graham, Frederick Welch, J. Hunter, City Auditor Muir, City Clerk Sands, and Inspector Jack.

THE AMBULANCE JOURNAL PUBLISHED AT THE FRONT—THE CHRISTMAS NUMBER.

It Contains Many Things of Interest, Including Quite a Number of Poems—Some of the Contents. The "N.Y.D.", a journal published at the front, as often as possible, was last published on December 22nd and a copy has reached the Whig through the courtesy of Capt. A. D. McConnell, quartermaster of the First Field Ambulance Corps, and formerly of the Whig staff. The journal is published "by kind permission of Col. A. E. Ross, C.M.G., A.D.M.S., 1st Canadian Division, B.E.F." It incorporates the Iodine Chronicle, the Splint Record and the Now and Then, which were formerly the papers of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Field Ambulance Corps, respectively. The articles in this issue are of the usual interesting and of the highest standard, and prove splendid reading. Many of them deal with personal hits on members of the corps. One of the items should be of local interest. It reads: "Sergt.-Major to No. 33 xyp—"Why didn't you shave this morning?" Private—"I shaved last night, sir." Sergt.-Major—"That won't do, haven't you heard of the Daylight (Shaving) Bill?"

One of several poems is well worth reproducing aside from its attraction to newspapermen. It is entitled, "Quite So," and reads: Some editors have roll-top desks and "cushy" easy chairs, and filling cabinets galore, within their snug-like lairs, with things all ready to their hand, they push a little button, if facts they ever want to know, such as the price of mutton. But we just have to make the best of whatso'er is our billet, a dogout, stable barn, maybe, chock full of rye or millet, whilst noting facts (and other things) we generally use one pencil costing tuppence, and one notebook—15 sous.

Yet all the same we really think, without the slightest doubt, The writing chap in that archbar (who knows what he's about) Would gladly swap his roll-top desk and throw his chair away, if he had chances to "write up" the things we see each day.

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Steamship Meeting. The directors of Canada Steamship Lines are scheduled to meet on Thursday, and there is reasonable ground for expecting final decision to be made then as to the immediate dividend policy of the company. A 7 per cent dividend covering the full twelve months of 1915 is expected. Some of the directors are believed to be favorable to paying off the entire accumulation of 12 1/2 per cent, and that view may yet win out. But the more moderate course of paying 7 per cent, now and making up the balance of 5 1/2 per cent in quarterly instalments through the year has apparently had more support.

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