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THE NEGLECTED CHILDREN

That in the first year of its active work, during only half of which it had a Home, the Children's Aid Society of St. John should have over forty children committed to its care is in itself an evidence of the prevalence of conditions which should arouse the citizens to a more general and a deeper interest in social conditions.

That many children of school age have been discovered who have not been at school at all, or are barely able to read and write, is another fact of deep significance; while the number of children who get no religious instruction, and whose parents do not appear to care anything about the welfare of their offspring, cannot but arouse a feeling of anxiety with regard to the future moral standing of the community.

For it must be remembered that the Society has thus far dealt chiefly with cases so bad that they came under the eye of the police, and that there must be a great number of cases where families are drifting rapidly toward the point where police action would become necessary.

Every child of school age should be in school, unless the conditions are very exceptional. If there are those not sufficiently well clad, the reason should be learned and action taken. A shocking disregard for marriage relations and the solemn pledges made by husband and wife is one of the causes of the large number of neglected and dependent children in the lowest strata of society.

Husbands desert wives, wives desert husbands, and form new relationships with complete disregard of proprieties or pledges. Not only so, but many parents who do not greatly disagree permit their children to roam the streets, and care nothing about them. The Boys' Club furnishes an illustration. The sixty or seventy boys, and their numbers might be greatly increased if the Club were properly supported, who congregate there night after night are never shocked by the appearance of their parents. The latter might be supposed to take some interest in the Club, but they never pay it a visit. The parents of far greater numbers of boys and girls who roam the streets at night are alike indifferent. We shall but reap that which we sow.

Of course drunkenness is a great cause of the wretchedness of many homes. The Society has had to deal with cases where mothers as well as fathers drank. It is even said, and this matter will be investigated, that one man whose wife is in the Municipal Home and whose children have been cared for by the Society, is supporting another woman. One of the weaknesses of the law is that men who should be made to contribute to the cost of caring for their families can only be placed in jail, and thus another burden added. We need a prison farm.

The reports submitted at the annual meeting of the Children's Aid Society and printed in today's Times, do not tell all that the active members of the Society have learned in their work, or all that the police could tell of conditions as they know them. We are sometimes assured with a smug complacency that St. John is no worse than other cities; but that assurance will not clothe or feed one neglected child or turn one individual out of the path of vice. It is the assurance of the pharisee.

The Children's Aid Society needs a commissioner to handle its cases daily if necessary. It ought to have a trained social worker as its agent. There should be a provincial superintendent of neglected and dependent children, and the whole province should be organized. It was necessary to enlist the active support of all benevolent organizations in the city to get a Children's Protection Act. The sequel shows that the work has only begun. The same organizations should get behind the Society and show that public sentiment calls for further action. There are children today in better homes than they ever knew, who in later years will give the Children's Aid Society for blessing them a fair start in life. What is a boy or a girl—a boy or a girl properly nurtured—worth to this country? What will a neglected child, who develops vicious tendencies, cost this country? It is a practical business question as well as one that should go to the hearts of the people. We shall reap that which we sow.

The government at Ottawa has passed an order in council which a confiding people are assured will greatly aid in preventing an undue increase in the cost of living. We will all believe it when we see the results.

CONCERNING THE ELECTIONS.

The charge is made by one portion of the Conservative press that the Liberals seek to throw the country into the turmoil of an election during war-time. This is a strange charge to be made by supporters of a government which made all arrangements to procure the votes of soldiers at the front. But let us see what the Conservative Montreal Gazette recently said on this subject:—

"The power that created the Parliament of Canada can alter the circumstances of its constitution or extend the terms of service of its members. It cannot, however, give them a mandate from the electors, and a House of Commons without such mandate is an anomaly that should not exist. The two parties in parliament are responsible for the situation that will prevail after the present month. Representatives in each of those parties that with the war on their minds, the people could not do their duty as voters in the serious situation that has existed for over two years. Their action may have made it impracticable to observe the spirit of the constitutional law and at the regular time choose a new body of representatives to take the place of that whose proper term is soon to expire. The conditions are not desirable, however, and the sooner the House of Commons is dissolved and a new one elected the better will it be for parliamentary institutions in Canada. The coming session of what remains of the House of Commons should do only what is required to carry on the great business of the country, and then, as speedily as possible, be dissolved. The serious things that may have to be done by parliament before another twelve months elapse require that the men who constitute the membership of the House of Commons shall unquestionably and fairly represent all the people. The present House of Commons, chosen by constituencies based on the census of 1901, and living beyond its term, does not do that."

What have the other Conservative papers to say in reply to the Montreal Gazette?

THE 180th and 222nd
During their short stay in St. John, N.B., the officers and men of the 180th and 222nd battalions have won the admiration and friendship of the citizens for their soldierly qualities and the admirable discipline observed. They are very fine types of that strong and intelligent Canadian manhood which has asserted itself from coast to coast in the hour of the nation's need. We have admired these brave young men as they marched through our streets, and we have been proud to claim them as Canadians. There is no east or west or north or south in this great crisis in Canadian history. The Canadian born, the British born, the American born, and the foreign born, the French Canadian and the Acadian—all who now claim allegiance to Canada, are one splendid brotherhood in her defence. St. John people have a peculiar interest in the battalions who are going overseas, because a St. John battalion, the 26th, has suffered perhaps as much as any that went from Canada, with the possible exception of some in the First Contingent. We have seen many heroes go who will not return, and we cannot be other than deeply moved when we see these thousands of splendid, keen-eyed fellows marching with head erect, prepared for any sacrifice their country may demand. Our hearts go out to them, for are they not our sons and brothers? This time that tries the souls of men brings us very near to each other.

A CHANGE OF FRONT.
The German Chancellor has declared the willingness of Germany to enter a world union for compelling peace. This is a complete change of front. When the German war-lords believed they could impose their wishes upon the world by force of arms, they had no use whatever for peace compelling leagues. They scorned all suggestions of disarmament, or even a halt in the armament programme. They were determined to dominate the world, and peace was to be for the rest of the nations the peace of submission.

Having now discovered that they cannot dominate the world, and that they are daily getting nearer to defeat, they discover that they really do not want peace as desirable.

It is to be regretted that the Chancellor has not yet reached that frame of mind which would compel him to tell the truth about the cause of the present war; but that is perhaps too much to expect. It has cost the world millions of lives to convince Germany that she should not have brought on this war, and if a league of peace is ever formed the signatories will have full knowledge of the fact that Germany respects a treaty or a pledge only so long as it may seem to be to her interest to do so. The wings of the Prussian eagle must be so effectively clipped that there will be no future danger from that quarter. The Allies will see that this is done before they devote any time to talk of peace and leagues to compel peace.

It seems that the control of the American house of representatives is to be in the hands of three or four men who are not classed as straight Democrats or Republicans. That makes a very interesting situation, and offers the party manipulators an exceptional opportunity to display their peculiar gifts.

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A Clear Case
Policeman (giving evidence)—After being ejected from the "movies" he was discovered with a large bouquet in his arms on the doorstep of the back entrance to the picture palace.
Magistrate—Did he give any reason for his extraordinary behavior?
Policeman—His speech was very indistinct, yet worshipful, but from what I could gather he was waiting to see Mary Pickford come—Passing Show.

Marie, the 5-year-old hopeful of a certain household we noted at the breakfast table one morning. As usual, eggs were served.
Now, either Marie was not hungry or she had grown tired of the inevitable bill of fare, for very earnestly she lifted her eyes to Heaven and exclaimed: "I wish to goodness hens would lay something besides eggs!"

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The following prizes were drawn last evening at St. Rose's hall, Fairville, for St. Rose's patriotic fair, which closed two weeks ago: Grand lottery, first prize, electric iron, Mrs. Ritchie, 948; 2nd, jewelry, won by H. Smith, 944; 3rd, flashlight, won by Wm. Fleming, 916; 4th, pair of shoes, Martha Dugie, 42; 5th, fern dish, Blanche Bradley, 1045; chance lottery, sofa cushion, Miss John DeLaney, Milford; guess cake, won by Alice Malloy, Fairville, weight six pounds eight ounces; door prize, \$2.50 gold piece, won by 40. Holder of ticket may call at 175 Main street, Fairville, Miss O'Brien, for money.

Prentice Boys' Fair.
The Prentice Boys' Fair, held in West End, drew a large attendance last night. The prizes were awarded as follows: Air gun, a fruit dish, Harry Fairweather; ten pins, Gillette safety razor, Donald Hanson; ball toss, umbrella, Bert Carleton; bagatelle, umbrella, W. Weaving; excelsior, water set, W. Harrington; wheel of fortune, cushion, Harry Weaver.

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