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We are glad to notice that a resolution to memorialize the Ontario Government to prohibit deer hunting with hounds, was passed at the recent session of the Simcoe County Council.

Miss Pauline E. Johnson, composer of the Brant Memorial Ode whose delightful poems have occasionally appeared before the public, and who has contributed to many leading Canadian and American journals and magazines, will issue, it is said, a volume of her poems in book form shortly.

The action of the United States Government cannot be too highly praised, for sending the children of the captured Apaches to the Indian schools. They will become good citizens and a credit to the policy of the Cleveland Administration. The following will be found authentic and interesting, as it is taken from President Cleveland's 2nd annual message sent to Congress, Dec. 6th:

"In September and October last the hostile Apaches, who, under the leadership of Geronimo, had for eighteen months been on the war path, and during that time had committed many murders and been the source of constant terror to the settlers of Arizona, surrendered to General Miles, the military commander who succeeded General Crook in the management and direction

of the pursuit. Under the terms of their surrender as then reported, and in view of the understanding which these murderous savages seemed to entertain of the assurances given them it was considered best to imprison them in such a manner as to prevent their engaging in such outrages again instead of trying them for murder, and Fort Pickens having been selected as a safe place of confinement all the adult males were sent thither and will be closely guarded as prisoners. In the meantime the residue of the band although still remaining upon the reservation were regarded as unsafe and suspected of furnishing aid to those on the war path, and had to be removed to Fort Marion. The women and larger children of the hostiles were also taken there, and arrangements have been made for putting the children of proper age in Indian schools."

The Historical Society is in receipt of nearly a year's numbers of a Canadian journal published at Hagersville, Ont., called THE INDIAN, devoted to the Indians of Canada. The editor is Chief Kah-ke-wa-quo-na-by, or in English Dr. P. E. Jones. Among the contained matter is a biographical sketch of the famous Mohawk chief Brant. The author disclaims Brant's responsibility for the Cherry Valley atrocities, and no mention is made of the Wyoming slaughter. The journal is a highly interesting one from an ethnological standpoint and is edited with genuine ability. It contains a few articles in Ojibwa each week.—*Wilkesbarre Record.*

OUR FIRST YEAR.

THE INDIAN's first year of existence is fast drawing to a close. It has been a year of continual effort on the part of the publishers to place the paper before the public in such a light as to obtain support and comparing our past with that of parallel cases, we are free to admit that success has been flattering, and we will be only too pleased to enter our second year, with our present list of patrons still on our books. We have tried to make our journal worthy of its name; a fitting representative of those from whom it takes its title, an advocate of all that will interest, elevate and educate our people, and being then prominently before the nation, of which they form a part.

With our journal's future the public has much to do. We have plenty of philanthropy, but not sufficient to induce us to issue a journal for the benefit of a class of people who will not show a sufficient amount of solid appreciation to justify us in continuing, we therefore wish to state our plans for the future. We intend to do everything in our power to make this, the only genuine Indian paper in America, a success provided our efforts are met by a degree of approbation from those we seek to benefit and interest.

We wish in the first place to enlarge THE INDIAN; to give larger pages, on better paper, to issue it weekly and make it a weekly budget of Indian news historical sketches missionary items and a general collection of matter calculated to interest our Indian people and

those who take a kindly interest in them; to present in each succeeding number an intellectual menu that will render the journal too welcome a visitor to the homes of its subscribers for them to afford to be without it. The standard of the paper will excellent just proportion to the support it receives as our future success will only incite us to greater efforts, and we can conscientiously say our ambition to publish a really excellent Indian paper, circulating largely among our people, is far greater than our desire to make money out of it. Give us a revenue sufficient to produce each week the journal we aspire to and we will be quite content.

There are 130,000 Indians in Canada; THE INDIAN is the only aboriginal paper in the Dominion, are we not quite reasonable when we say we feel intitled to a liberal patronage? We ask our friends to remember us at New Years and in sending us their subscription bear in mind that every dollar is just that much toward making THE INDIAN a permanent institution.

In this issue our readers are favored with an article entitled Wanted, which is of deep interest to all students of Indian History, it is from the able pen of Mr. Arthur Harvey, Toronto, who is desirous of learning the name of the Indian Missionary with whom he had a conversation some time ago (see the article referred to in another column). If any of our readers on Georgian Bay know the worthy Missionary they will do us a favor by sending his name and address to Mr. Harvey. Men who are in possession of such rare Indian facts and historical date ought to be interviewed and their utterances made known through the press for the benefit of all concerned.

Very few private collections of Indian relics in Canada can surpass the very fine collection that has been gathered together by Dr. J. B. Tweedale, St. Thomas, Ont. The worthy doctor is an enthusiastic antiquarian for years he has been on the lookout for anything that possess value as a relic of the aborigines. His collection comprises all kinds of stone implements and weapons and many mysterious and wonderfully fashioned articles that bring out in bold relief the ingenuity and skill of the untutored red man. The Dr. is an authority on all matters relating to antiquarian lore, we hope soon to give our readers some valuable information concerning the fashioning of stones into articles of usefulness and defence.

We will issue our Christmas number next week. In the meantime, we take the opportunity of wishing all our readers the compliments of the season. May Kris Kringle and his fleeting steeds stop at the door of every home and leave something to cheer and bless. The many will be happy and joyous. The few will mourn over vacant places at the fireside and weep over the absent stocking that was filled with cheer last Christmas tide. We know that the few will join with the many in wishing with us, that the year of 1887, will be one of "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good-will toward men."