

parents had learned a little English from their children in order to express their appreciation and good wishes in words that I could understand. There is a language as universal as the sound of wind or rain—the language of the human heart. This, with the bond of a common interest—the children—soon leads to mutual understanding.

The children realize that the school is their great opportunity, the door to true citizenship. Once they know what is expected of them, I have found them faithful in all the little duties that devolve on them in the way of personal neatness, care of school property, and consideration for others. When the larger responsibilities of life come upon them, the will, I trust, not be able to forget the lessons of the school and the flag—that the business of life is noble living.

Mother's Corner

Letters From Our Mothers

Edrans, Man., July 12, 1919.

Dear Mrs. Hamilton,—I am sending you my little boy's picture, and wish to enter him in the contest. He weighed 9½ lbs. at birth and was 24 inches tall, and was more like a baby a month old. He could smile and wanted to be on his feet before he was two weeks old, so I let him, as I think the sooner they learn to exercise their legs the better. I think a good many bow legs are caused from not using them soon enough so they will be muscled up for when they begin to walk.



Charles Douglas Govenlock at 9 months

He had a cold in his head and chest the first month, and I just applied plenty of camphorated salve and got rid of it all right.

When he was four months old he could roll around the floor, and it was not safe to leave him in the bed alone. He weighed 17 lbs. and had two teeth. I never picked him up only when necessary, and never brought him to the table at meal time, so he soon learned to creep, and could walk by the chairs when he was seven months old.

He was nine months old when his photo was taken: he could walk alone then, had six teeth and weighed 23 lbs., and he was not out of shape with fat—just comfortable.

I nursed him until he was ten months old, then I weaned him, giving him cream and water and sugar until he was a year old, then I started to give him light food and plenty of fresh milk.

He is now two years and three months old; he weighs 30 lbs.; his height is 36½ inches (bare feet); chest measures 22 inches. He is big and strong and can pull his older brother in his wagon.

I found some of the letters very helpful.—Yours truly,

Mrs. A. Govenlock.

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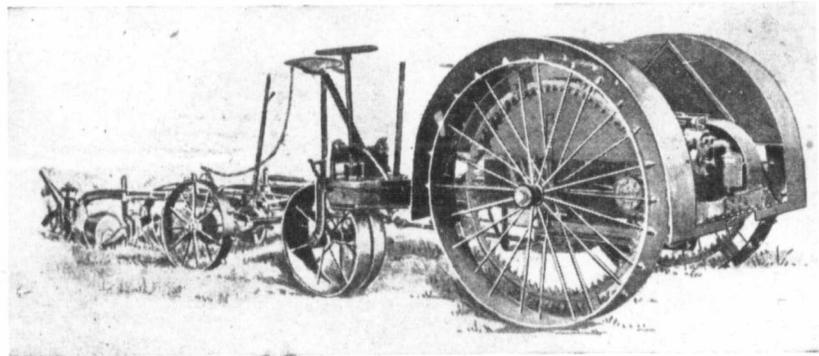
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Didsbury, Alta, May 1st, 1919.
Dear Mrs. Hamilton,—Orval Ernest Shantz is eight months and nineteen days old, weighs 28 lbs., height 31 inches, chest 21 inches, head 18½ inches. Orval has always been a very healthy baby.

When he was born he weighed 9 lbs., at two months 18 lbs., four months 25 lbs., six months 27 lbs., and now weighs 28 lbs. He has never had a sick day since he was born, excepting a cold.

The first four months I nursed him, but as he grew older, of course required more food than my nurse, so I started giving him cow's milk, and it has always agreed with him.

I feed him at the table some, such as rice, oatmeal porridge, fruit juice, biscuit soup and other soups; his stomach has never been upset.

Orval is a very fleshy little fellow, and his flesh is very smooth and firm; his little cheeks are like two roses,

He is our first baby, so naturally we are very proud and fond of him.

He is the first grandson in the family

so, of course, is very much spoiled and petted. I am sending a picture of the



Orval Ernest Shantz

little fellow with this letter. Everybody says he is the largest baby for his age they have ever seen.

Hoping to see this in print, also photo, Yours very sincerely,
Mrs J. Y. Shantz.

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