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PROTESTANT ORPHANS' HOME NEEDS FUNDS

Greater Response Should be Made to the Appeals for Financial Assistance.—Universal Aid Would Lighten Burden on Few and Remove an Embarrassing Financial Position.

To the Editor of The Kings County Record:

Sir,—For very many years the Protestants of New Brunswick bore the stigma that adequate provision was not made for Protestant orphans. Great numbers of such children were denied a fair chance in life. From pulpit and platform and through the Press, year after year, came heart-stirring appeals for the removal of this reproach to a Christian people.

Today we have in the suburbs of Saint John, apart from the Britain St. home with its 52 infants, a splendidly equipped institution with 146 children in residence. It is known as the New Brunswick Protestant Orphans' Home. The inmates range from six weeks to fourteen years of age and come from all parts of the province. They are cared for with loving regard. They are being educated in an excellent school. They are being prepared under Christian auspices for citizenship, instead of growing up in want and ignorance to become perhaps a burden, perhaps a menace to society. They go out to carefully selected homes.

Is this great adventure in human welfare to prove a failure because only a tenth of the Protestant people of New Brunswick give it its support? Despite the hopes entertained and the pledges given, the Directors are today faced with a shortage of \$27,000.

In the Fall of 1923, the Manchester property in Lancaster, Saint John Co., was secured and an appeal made to the people of the province for funds to erect fireproof buildings suitable for a permanent home for the institution. This has been done, but in the meantime, with an increased number of children to care for and with the collection of the building fund, etc., the maintenance fund has fallen behind to the extent of \$27,000 on which six per cent interest charges are being paid. A hard fight has been made from time to time to reduce this amount, but without avail. The new Home has accommodation for ninety-four girls and eighty-eight boys over four years of age. There are at present fifty-eight girls in residence, and eighty-eight boys, with a number constantly on the waiting list. The old Britain St. home is being used to house infants under four years of age, fifty-two inmates at present, though full up at times. Foster homes are found for many of these children, thus keeping the number down to a minimum.

Early in May last the writer was approached regarding a Fair to assist in wiping out the overdraft of \$27,000 on the Maintenance Fund of the New Brunswick Protestant Orphans' Home.

Having held one the previous Fall and knowing that business conditions were far from favorable for a repetition so soon thereafter, he was somewhat reluctant to undertake it. He, however, promised to consult the usual workers and members of various fraternal organizations who were unanimously in favor of taking it up and doing what we could.

Quite early in June we began to discuss plans and take steps to secure an efficient organization, since which time we have worked assiduously. It has meant a hard summer's work and a lot of personal sacrifice on the part of some members of the committee.

The amount of money which can be raised by means of a Fair is remarkable, but, like all human effort, has its limitations. Knowing this from past experience we realized that in order to make good the amount of our objective, we should need to tap many resources other than the means employed in our past efforts. There are many persons who do not approve of financing the Orphanage work by fairs and other similar efforts whereby games of chance are employed. In order to give these people as well as others a chance to participate, the committee during the month of August mailed 11,450 circular letters addressed to individuals in all parts of the province outside of the city. Later a circular letter was sent to the Fraternal Societies of the province, also a circular letter and subscription blank to all of the over 800 Protestant churches outside the city, asking them to try to secure cash subscriptions to the extent of at least \$10.00 each, later still 1,200 circulars and solicitation blanks were mailed to the business and professional men of the city. Frequently during this time large appeals were published in the daily newspapers.

The net result of all this effort up to date is about as follows: Cash contributions from forty-four persons out of the 11,450 appealed to by circular, \$397.50; thirty-nine out of 1,200 appeals issued in the city, \$490.10; about four societies and thirty churches have contributed produce and goods to the extent of several thousand dollars; others have contributed by donations of home cooking, etc., also by purchase and sale of tickets and others again by attending the Fair and contributing that way, many have given far beyond their means. The committee feel deeply gratified to all who have assisted in any way.

When we have reviewed all the above effort and counted every known contributor, possibly 20,000 at the outside, we find that less than ten per cent of the 217,000 Protestants of the province have contributed in any way. The ten per cent have contributed or will have by the close of the fair, an amount equal to about \$1.00 per head. If the remaining \$97,000, or the adult portion of them, were to do anything like as well, a very large sum of money could be realized. Why should not those of the 197,000 who have not yet contributed, and can afford to, get into line and do their part of getting back of the Fair committee in their effort?

Up to this point the Fair has been largely a poor man's effort, many having contributed at the cost of their own financial convenience. There are two kind-hearted men of means who have come forward with a conditional offer to supplement the efforts of the committee to the extent of \$1,000 each, if the Fair committee effort comes within a reasonable distance of reaching their \$27,000 objective. Both of these men have contributed very liberally to the Orphanage work in the past.

As far as the writer can judge, the committee will need at least eight or ten thousand dollars more than is now in sight. It seems too bad after all this effort to fall short when there are so many who could assist if they would. This overdraft must be met in some way and now would appear to be the opportune time while the matter is before the public.

The Fair has about come to a close, but it is not too late to assist. The committee will be glad to accept contributions or pledges for any amount confidentially or conditionally if desired. If any reader be one of the 197,000 who have not yet contributed and is financially able to pay his own or possibly a little more to allow for the fellow less fortunate, why not get back of the committee and help them accomplish the purpose for which they were organized? There are in the province many who could afford to subscribe \$1,000 equally as well as the two referred to above. How many are there willing to contribute a like amount if the objective can be reached or who will pledge themselves to give any amount towards this worthy object? Now is the time for action. Support will encourage others.

Yours truly,
WM. M. CAMPBELL,
Chairman Orphanage Fair Committee.
Saint John, Oct. 7, 1926.

NEWTOWN

Oct. 11—Mrs. B. D. Keith, Mr. and Mrs. Parker Keith motored from Boston and are spending some time with relatives.

The Newtown Ladies Aid of the United Church and Glee Club will hold a bean supper and concert in the public hall on Friday, October 22nd. Supper served from 5.30 to 8 o'clock. Useful and fancy articles on sale. Proceeds for church purposes.

Mr. Faulkner, has the contract of building a covered bridge near D. D. Manning's on the Smith Creek stream. The Newtown W.M.S. of the United Church was entertained at the home of the president, Mrs. T. J. Davis, on Saturday last.

Rally Sunday was observed on Sunday, Oct. 2nd, at 2 o'clock. Rev. N. J. Thomas presided. An interesting programme was given including an address by the pastor, recitations by junior scholars and pageant "United for Service."

Mrs. E. Arbeau has returned to her home in Blackville, accompanied by her son, Murray.

Mrs. Edward Arbeau and Mrs. Judson Arbeau were here attending the funeral of their sister, Miss Blanche Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fennell and family, of Saint John, spent Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Fennell.

Mrs. Henry Munroe has returned from Boston, after a pleasant visit with relatives.

James Coates has returned from the Canadian West.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Tamlyn and family spent Sunday at South Branch.

Harold Steeves, Moncton, spent Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Fennell.

Miss Frances Keith, R.N., of Saint John, spent a few days here with her mother, Mrs. H. R. Keith.

Mrs. Jessie Parlee, of Sussex, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Susan Wilcox.

Mr. and Mrs. Parker Keith and Mrs. B. D. Keith, of Boston, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Munroe.

Arthur Dalling, Sussex, paid a visit to this place one evening last week. A. S. Mace is ill at the home of A. J. Campbell.

Rev. Mr. Thomas has moved into the residence lately vacated by A. S. Mace.

A number from here attended the fair held in Sussex last week.

Hedley Cameron and Frank McShane spent Saturday evening here.

OUTLOOK BRIGHT IN LUMBER OPERATIONS

Bonny River Lumber Company Extending Their Operating Area to Include Little Salmon River and Wolf Brook.—Local Lumbermen Accept Contracts and Begin Operations.

The Bonny River Lumber Co., with head office in Saint John, who for the past eight years has been operating in St. George and Albert, are this year extending their operations, and will cut between five and six million feet in the Little Salmon River and Wolf Brook territory. Contracts have already been completed insuring the employment of three hundred men and in addition to this they are arranging for the cutting of a large amount of birch for veneering purposes, the market for which is in England. This will mean additional contracts and the employment of more men.

During the past few years the Company has shipped the bulk of their cut to the American market, but this year they expect to ship a considerable amount to the English market.

Operations by the same Company in Albert County will include a cut of about seven million, which will all be shipped from Albert, where the Company own their own wharves and load direct on the schooners.

In all, the Company will be operating five portable mills, two on Wolf Brook and three in the vicinity of Albert and in addition a large lath mill at Lepreau, Charlotte Co., from which they ship some five million of lath. The cut at Wolf Brook will include the operating of two large portable mills which will cut upwards of three million. The remaining two million of the cut there will be driven to the mouth of the brook and sawed, in the spring. In order to make this last cut possible, the Company has already completed one driving dam and are at present building a second.

Mr. Connors, of Saint John, is in charge of these various operations, and is being assisted by Mr. Campbell, of St. George, who will make his headquarters in Sussex.

Mr. Joseph McFarlane and Mr. J. A. Alexander, of Sussex, have contracted with the Company to put out a million and a half of long lumber on Wolf Brook which will mean the employment of some fifty five men and began their operations on Monday last.

Mr. Murray Wallace is getting out a large cut of pulp wood on Martin Head for the Pejepscot Paper Com-

pany, and expects to have a second camp completed when he will increase his crew to some eighty men. There are also prospects of cuts being made on other properties along the shore. Altogether the outlook for the present season is bright and when all the operations are under way an improvement in local business conditions should result.

WATERFORD

Oct. 12—Rev. A. V. Morash, Sussex, conducted baptismal and communion service in the United church Sunday.

Miss Ida Moore is visiting Mrs. Robert Moore.

Stanley Buchanan, of Fredericton, spent Sunday here, guest of friends. Mrs. Buchanan, who has been visiting here for a few days, returned to Fredericton Sunday.

Rev. W. Nichols and Mrs. Nichols, and Mrs. Andrew Armstrong spent Tuesday in Saint John.

C. E. Hart spent Saturday in Saint John.

Miss Helen Robinson and Miss Sadie Wallace spent Saturday in Sussex.

Mrs. George Hawkes spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Andrew Armstrong.

Mrs. J. Bowser, Mrs. C. Manning and Mrs. R. Manning were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Buchanan, Sunday.

Mrs. George Armstrong spent Sunday afternoon guest of Mrs. George E. Robinson.

Miss Lily Hayter and Miss A. Mace, Westfield, spent the week here the guests of Rev. and Mrs. Nichols.

Mrs. Robert Moore, Mechanic, spent a few days last week, guest of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Parlee.

J. A. Hockin, student catechist, who has been here for the summer, has returned to college to resume his studies.

Mrs. Charles Buchanan, who has been visiting friends in Apohaqui, returned home on Saturday.

Mrs. George Wallace and Luther Wallace, Great Salmon River, spent Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Buchanan.

RECORD ATTENDANCE CLOSE OF SUSSEX FAIR

Saturday Night Saw the Close of the Most Successful Fair Held in Sussex for Many Years.—Upwards of 2,600 People Passed Through Doors of the Arena on That Night.

The crowning event of a really successful Fair was Saturday night at the Kings County Fair, Sussex. In spite of all the opposition, the weather man could offer in the way of cold and rain, the big, well lighted exhibition building was packed to capacity for the closing night with the twenty six hundred happy, good natured throng of amusement seekers.

The closing night's free amusement attraction, an eight-round boxing bout, was the big drawing card of the evening and well deserved the patronage received. Boxing as a sport is a new type of amusement to Sussex people, but judging by the way the crowd showed its approval of Saturday night's go, nothing could have been chosen that could meet with the general tastes so thoroughly.

Louis Donovan, ex-amateur, 126 lb. champion of the Maritimes, and now classed as one of the best boys in professional ranks, at his weight, in the East, and Joe Veno, runner-up in the Dominion Championships three years, who last night made his initial professional appearance gave the crowd an exhibition that was all the most critical fight fan with a five dollar seat could wish. Both boys were at their best and after feeling each other out through the first round went at it to give the folks their money's worth. Donovan, evidently the more experienced ring general and finished oiler, was forced to his utmost to stand off his slightly heavier opponent. Joe forced the pace most of the way but found Donovan always ready to mix it with him when he tried to get in close, a style of boxing that shows Louis at his best. The finish round was a humdinger and had the crowd going for fair.

As one of the town fathers was heard to say a little later, an exhibition of clean, scientific sport, such as was run Saturday night, was as good a show as he would wish to take his family to see.

The crowd was good natured and liberal throughout, and from the management point of view the Fair was an entire success, and even more than could have been hoped for under existing weather conditions.

Door prizes were won Saturday night by Mrs. Robert Shannon and Fannie Munroe.

The grand drawing for the steamer trunk and wardrobe will be held in the Imperial Theatre on Saturday night.

At the same time, the prize of an electric reading lamp, presented by Mr. J. L. McAuley, proprietor of the Hydro Shop, for the bean guess, will be presented. The lucky winner of this handsome prize is Miss Minnie Stapleford, of Sussex, whose guess of 1629 was nearest the number of beans the jar contained, namely 1647. The counting of the beans was done on Tuesday by the Sussex town marshal.

The L.O.L. 124, of Sussex, under whose auspices the fair was held, and the members of the L.O.B.A. who assisted them, are deserving of praise for the excellence of their plans and the manner in which the fair was conducted. The special committee from the L.O.L. consisted of A. H. Malin, chairman; with Everett Lounsbury, Heber Campbell, Thomas Moore, Simon Friars, W. D. Turner, Capt. J. D. Perkins, John Knox, J. E. Conrad and S. Whitman, while the following ladies formed the committee from the L.O.B.A. in charge of the tea room: Mrs. John Knox, convenor, Mrs. Oscar Friars, Mrs. W. R. Bustard, Mrs. Thos. Ellison, Mrs. Sidney Whitman. The tea room was very attractively decorated and was very popular with the patrons of the fair.

The manager, Mr. J. P. Belyea, has been untiring in his efforts from the outset and the attractiveness and refined condition of the fair, has in a large measure been due to his decorative skill and keen supervision of all departments.

SUSSEX CORNER

Oct. 12—Mrs. Herbert Lissom, Mrs. A. D. Murray, Penobscis, and Mrs. Howard Cunningham, Plumweseep, were guests of Mrs. Gilbert Cunningham on Thursday last.

Gordon A. Breving, of Saint John, was the guest of his parents, Sunday.

King McFarlane and Guy Brannen were in Saint John on Friday. Morning services will be held in St. Marks Mission on Sunday at 10.30. Sunday school and bible class at 9.30. The Women's Institute intend holding a hallowe'en tea and sale at H. W. B. Smith's on Thursday evening, Oct. 28th, from 5 to 9.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Breving, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. Robinson, have moved to Sussex. Miss Gladys Cunningham has accepted a position with the T. Eaton Co., Moncton.

PENOBSCIS

Oct. 12—The Women's Missionary Aid Society met at the home of Mrs. Wm. Teakles on Friday afternoon. Plans were made for having a tea and sale on Tuesday evening, Oct. 19.

Mrs. P. H. Morton and children Margaret and Rilla, spent part of last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. McLeod, Sussex.

Miss Alice McLeod is spending some time at her home here, being called home by the illness of her mother, Mrs. Byron McLeod.

W. E. Wallace spent Tuesday in Moncton.

Friends of A. B. Robinson are sorry to hear of his illness and wish him a speedy recovery.

Miss Jessie Patterson, Rusignish, is spending some time at the home of A. B. Robinson.

Miss Gussie Pugsley is visiting in Petitcodiac.

A large number from here attended the fair held in Sussex last week, also the fair at Elgin on Thursday.

Thomas McCready was successful in shooting a snoose on Saturday.

(Not from regular correspondent) Mrs. P. H. Breen and daughter Marie, accompanied by her sister, Lillian M. Murray, motored to Moncton on Monday last.

Bruce Walker, of Nova Scotia, spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Breen.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fennell and family, of Saint John, motored to this place on Sunday last and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Breen.

Mrs. Lillian Murray has returned to the home of her sister, Mrs. P. H. Breen, after a pleasant motor trip through Nova Scotia.

Mrs. Lillian Murray was called to Snider Mountain to nurse a case for Dr. McAllister.

The largest waterplane in the world is being tested at St. Nazaire, France. It weighs twelve and one half tons empty, and twenty tons loaded to capacity. It has five engines, giving a total of 2,100 h.p.

Just think of it! A few words mumbled by a sleepy clergyman, and people are married! Yes, and a few words mumbled by a sleepy husband and people are divorced.



1.—Crayon sketch of Viscount Willingdon drawn on board Empress of Scotland just prior to the vessel sailing for Canada.
2.—Crayon sketch of Viscountess Willingdon drawn on board the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Scotland just prior to the vessel's departure for Canada.
3.—Misty (inset) Cairn Terrier, belonging to Their Excellencies which gained instant popularity.
4.—Menu card designed for use on Empress of Scotland when she carried the Governor-General to Canada, showing on a map of the world the various positions held all over by the Empress by Viscount Willingdon.
5.—Canadian Pacific Flagship Empress of Scotland which carried Their Excellencies to Canada.

Their Excellencies Viscount and Viscountess Willingdon made many friends on their voyage from England to Quebec on board the Canadian Pacific Flagship Empress of Scotland, when His Lordship came here in October to become Governor-General of the Dominion. They paid visits to all parts of the vessel chatting with new settlers for Canada and presiding at the various functions that take place aboard ship during an ocean voyage. Sharing their popularity was their Cairn Terrier, Misty, who was friends with everyone except perhaps a plump Chow who looked to him as though he might develop into a dangerous rival.

Canada's thirteenth Governor-General had a fine reception when the ship docked at Quebec. He struck a tactful note when he told his French-Canadian audience he too could claim descent from the Normans and that French blood flowed in his veins equally as in theirs. "In this country," he said, "the descendants of our two races have worked for many years under the British Crown for a common purpose and

object, namely, to promote the welfare and prosperity of the people of this wonderful country."

First impressions are vital in establishing successful relations and perhaps no impression gave so cordial an effect as one of His Lordship's speeches aboard the Empress of Scotland, which was broadcast all over Canada. In it he said: "I wonder if I may venture to add one word of rather an intimate and personal character. It is this—in wishing all my fellow-passengers the best of good luck in the future and all health and happiness they can possibly expect and obtain, may I ask them one and all to give an occasional thought—a kindly thought—to one who is about to undertake very grave responsibilities for the British Empire in the great Dominion of Canada."

That is the true democratic note, sounded with modesty and feeling and sure of an unreserved response throughout the length and breadth of Canada.