

GENOCIDE: Canada Goddamn

Dedicated to all Indigenous Peoples in their struggle for human rights and justice

goddamn you canada

you lied you covered up your genocide

you lied you covered up your mass murder

you lied you covered up your mass theft

of Indigenous lands

you lied you covered up invasion and destruction

sacred ground at Oka Wounded Knee Standing Rock

you lied you covered up starving thousands of Indigenous

brothers sisters sons daughters aunts uncles cousins

struggling to survive homeless

dying alone poor hopeless

their language their tradition their lives

stolen

their children their elders their visions

betrayed

you exiled them to apartheid reserves

you lied you covered up you protected

white racist settlers who robbed raped

invaded their sacred land and burial grounds

you paid and pardoned "Indian agents"

government kidnappers racist child abusers

who stole their children

assaulted beaten starved in residential prisons

crimes covered up by european invaders

in colonialist settler canada

perpetrated by white racist attack dogs in Ottawa
like John A. Macdonald and other drunks and thieves
like government ministers MPs MPPs who libelled slandered
demonized
chiefs warriors
Sitting Bull Red Crow Pretty Eagle Poundmaker
targeted imprisoned as “savages” “wild animals”
by ignorant agents officials politicians
who degraded disrespected proud indigenous women
proud keepers of the flames of
languages cultures customs ceremonies traditions
proud protesters and resisters
against terms like “squaw” and other sexist racist slurs insults
protected by law and order and good government
goddam you Canada

you lied you covered up “residential schools”
concentration camps for thousands of innocent Indigenous children
you lied you covered up sexual physical assaults
you lied you covered up daily degradations
you lied you covered up daily insults slurs beatings
you lied you covered up daily tortures
of indigenous youth
humiliated alienated brainwashed
you insulted you punished
Indigenous boys and girls
speaking their native language
honouring their ceremonies traditions
asserting their proud identity

you legitimized you funded torture chambers
you colluded with sadistic priests and nuns
who cruelly punished starved
children, some as young as six years old
kidnapped separated from families and communities
by racist goon squad "Indian Agents" and officials
like the drunk John A. Macdonald
who promoted the transcanada railway
built on the backs and lives of Indigenous slaves
you helped kill and cover up the deaths of runaway children
the frozen body of twelve-year old Chanie Wenjack
found on a deserted railroad track
after he escaped from Cecil Jeffrey
a "residential school" of torture
yet another "school" of daily degradation
daily humiliation
daily starvation
where hunger is the main course at breakfastlunchdinner
where assault medical neglect brainwashing
are what is really taught
in these prisons for stolen Indigenous children
child prisons run by racist sadistic priests and nuns
hired by racist and sadistic officials
the same ones who lied and covered up the 60s scoop
when thousands of Indigenous children
were kidnapped by child welfare agencies
confined abused brainwashed
"assimilated" by white european settlers
in foster homes that fostered racism self-hate escape

goddam you canada
you mistreated ignored neglected
Indigenous addicted children
sniffing gasoline glue to get “high”
to die
drugs that damage brains dash hopes waste lives
homelessness hopelessness trauma
for breakfastlunchdinner
homelessness hopelessness
that drive lost Indigenous children
to escape
to suicide
on apartheid third-world reserves
where doctors nurses social workers child advocates
are missing in action waiting for the next paycheque
waiting for the next promotion
rewarded for the next level of incompetence
for mistreating doing nothing lying
about colonialism racism genocide
the root causes of
homelessness
hopelessness
poverty
addiction
suicide
“collateral damage”
of canada’s war
against Indigenous women

against the poor and homeless
against innocent children parents elders
struggling to survive
taking their own lives
genocide-by-suicide
on unceded territories
where exploited underpaid advocates counsellors healers
fight for Indigenous children's lives and rights
 for children's right to education
 for children's right to healthcare
fight dying for children's right to a home
 for children's right to live
 for children's right to play
 for children's right to be free
 for children's right to belong
 for children's right not to be bullied
 for children right to be respected
 for children's right to love and be loved

goddamn you canada
for your "Indian Act"
canada's sexist, racist law
that assaults discriminates
 against Indigenous women
violates their human rights
violates their right to First Nation status Indigenous identity
violates their right to be proud sisters mothers grandmothers
violates their right to respect their Indigenous language culture tradition
the "Indian Act" is canada's nuremberg law that

sterilizes
traumatizes
criminalizes
marginalizes
ostracizes
stigmatizes
missing and murdered indigenous girls and women
in the name of eugenics
in the name of mental health
in the name of assimilation
in the name of law and order
In the name of colonialism
in the name of patriarchy
in the name of white supremacy
In the name of democracy

goddam canada
you disgrace
you shame
you disrespect
you marginalize
you racialize
you criminalize
you stigmatize
you betrayed more than one hundred thousand indigenous girls and women
you broke treaties
you violated human rights
you stole the land
you raped

you terrorized
you traumatized
you sterilized
you segregated
you imprisoned thousands
of innocent indigenous people
on fake self-serving charges
you bullied you intimidated you killed
in cold white blood
in the name of law and order
in the name of democracy
in the name of human rights
i charge MPs and MPPs
i charge the RCMP
i charge the Government of Canada
with genocide ecocide
i charge provincial and federal governments
with genocide on grassy narrows and all apartheid reserves
i charge the media the public the world
with complicity and silence in genocide
in crimes against humanity
we the people protest resist
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