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THE PLACE FOR WOMEN.

The kindergarten teachers at the educational convention struck a popular key when they demanded that a woman be appointed as their inspector. This demand is a reasonable one. The kindergartens' work cannot be judged fairly by any one who has not a knowledge of its difficulties, and its peculiar fitness, when properly conducted, for the development of child life. What does the ordinary inspector know about it? The average mother understands the situation better, and the woman who has had experience as well as technique could set at rest many of the perplexing questions that trouble trustees nowadays. Kingston has its worries in connection with the kindergartens, and the visit from a woman, an authority on their work, would be a perfect godsend. The Whig hopes the government will listen to the women and appoint a kindergarten director whose presence may be the means of inspiring a very valuable branch of public school education.

GETTING AT THE FACTS.

The point of the Mayes affidavit is that through the intervention of Mr. McAvity, of St. John, who used his influence at Ottawa, the people were made to pay more for a public contract than they should, and that Mr. McAvity profited to the extent of many thousands of dollars. It does not require any commission to get at all the facts of the case, and the opposition as well as the government will be at fault, and equally, if they are not fully brought out.

The motion which Mr. Daniel made in the commons, accepting the Mayes affidavit, erroneous and untruthful as a basis, was slanderous in its nature. Mr. Daniel repeated that he made no charges and no insinuations, but he wanted the minister of public works put upon the rack because Mr. Mayes made charges and insinuations, and the premier interpreted the whole proceeding as a reflection upon the government.

The motion was voted down—rather the policy of the slanderer was rejected. But the matter does not end there. It is the privilege of any member of the Public Accounts committee to call for the papers, and by them prove that the affidavit is or is not correct. The minister of public works has insisted that tenders were called for, on two occasions, and that Mr. Mayes secured the contract simply because he was the lowest tenderer. There were other tenders, from responsible firms, and for higher figures. The award was made on its merits, not on the representations of any man in Mr. Mayes' interest and behalf.

The Hamilton Herald's contention, that if Mr. Mayes' story is true the public treasury was robbed of money, is not supported by the evidence. Mr. Mayes divided his earnings, not his spoils, since he was the lowest tenderer and got only what he was entitled to. If Mr. McAvity did up Mr. Mayes that is another matter, and as Mr. Mayes is suing Mr. McAvity for the recovery of the money the truth will eventually be known. Meanwhile the opposition has access to all the papers in connection with the case, and the government will be doing its duty to the public to make plain all the facts, to invite an examination of them, nay to insist upon this course, whether the opposition desires it or not.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Mr. Taylor, M.P., is still silent and morose. He has not recovered from the drubbing he received at the hands of Mr. Brodeur.

The art department of the city buildings is in the done. The finish of it is putting the rest of the building at a disadvantage.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier has expressed his willingness to accept Dr. Pugsley's word in preference to Mr. Mayes'. It would be a strange thing if he did not.

Lid the minister of public works put any pressure upon Mr. Mayes to pay Mr. McAvity his division of a government contract? The Ottawa Journal says he did. Where is the evidence?

Mr. Borden has been discovered at a health resort almost within gun shot of Ottawa, resting and golfing while the opposition is rioting in Ottawa. Looks as if he is ashamed of the party and is keeping out of the way.

No one imagined that Mr. Monk was

such an innocent as to expect Mr. Fielding to announce, in advance of his budget speech, whether or not there would be any change in the tariff. The voracity of some men is remarkable!

The Kingston Collegiate Institute will be properly inspected hereafter. No more lying visits—no more hasty examinations of the pupils' books, no more loose recommendations based upon erroneous impressions. Kingston wants inspection and justice.

The woollen manufacturers have little to complain of under liberal rule. They have had an increase of duty, reduced duty on machinery, and free wool. One in the business has declared that he had no grievance on the ground of tariff, and he ought to know what he is talking about.

The "outs" steadily winning in England! So says the Brockville Times. They have had some gains—and it needed something to encourage them—but they are a long way from power. They have been willing to engage in even war scares for political effect, and to their eternal shame.

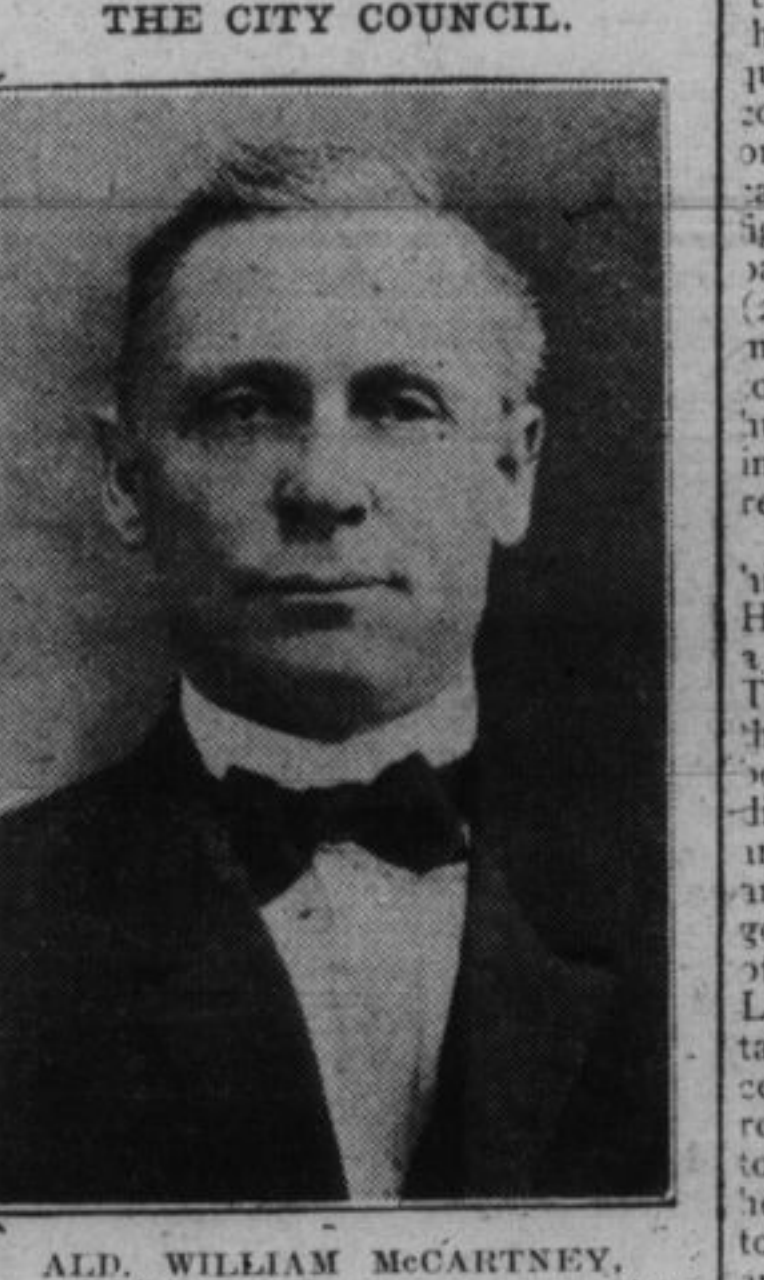
Dr. Pugsley trimmed his assailants in the Mayes affidavit case to a finish. He has two qualities that make the successful debater—he is calm and he is tantalizingly cool. He has not shirked the hold-up of the disgruntled contractor who could become spiteful and vindictive if he could not be coercive.

There is not much virtue in the Advisory Council when all it can do is consider the schemes of the education department. It should initiate the high school masters and "explode" some of these days, practically telling the education department that it will initiate reforms or go out of the business.

A conservative contemporary can find nothing better to do than make sport of the name of Mr. King, the member for East Waterloo. It is a name not to be abused or lightly spoken of. William Lyon Mackenzie is remembered for the service he rendered to his country, and his grand son has no occasion to blush because his parents conferred the name on him.

THE CITY COUNCIL.

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AT THE GRAND.

To-Night, Burns-Johnson Boxing Contest.

The motion pictures of the great contest between the great white champion, Tommy Burns, of Canada, and Jack Johnson, of Galveston, Texas, the colored champion, are to be shown at the Grand to-night, and Tuesday matinee and night with daily matinees. The pictures were taken from all four sides of the ring simultaneously in the presence of thirty thousand people at the Stadium, Sydney, Australia, on Boxing Day, December 26th, 1908. For the first time in the history of ring contests, the pictures were taken under a clear, cutting sun at high noon, under conditions ensuring the highest perfection in moving picture art. The pictures show beyond question that the Canadian champion was not defeated when the officers interfered, but was strong at the finish, and he appeals to his fellow-countrymen that he is no gossipy object lesson that he is no likely to forget with tactility.

In An Important Play.

William Favensham will present "The World and His Wife" at the Grand on Wednesday, April 21st. As a chastening of the idle gossip, "The World and His Wife" has had no equal. There have been many plays in which calumny has been held up to scorn; but usually in a facetious way. But Echezaray made it the theme of "El Gran Galateo," from which Charles Frederic Nirdlinger made his play, "The World and His Wife." In saying that this play produces "a powerful spinal-quickener," one reviewer was not far from the mark. It is a drama that gives the wagging tongue of the gossip an object lesson that he is no likely to forget with tactility.

Chances In Gambling.

Henri Poincare, the leading mathematician of France, declares that there is no infallible martingale or method of doubling one's stakes after every loss. "All one can do," says M. Poincare, "is to combine one's play so as to have a little and a little chance of losing much or a few chances of gaining much and many chances of losing little. One can arrange his play so as to have one chance of winning a million francs and a million chances of losing a franc or a million chances of winning a franc and one chance of losing a million francs—and that's all."

AT BROCK ST. CHURCH

REV. DR. JORDAN GIVES AN ADDRESS ON JONAH.

Book, a Narrative Constructed For the Purpose of Teaching Certain Great Truths Rather Than Literal History.

Brock Street church was well filled on Sunday evening, to hear Rev. Dr. Jordan's address on "The Book of Jonah." His address was listened to with intense interest. Rev. Dr. Jordan was to have spoken on the anniversary services at Brock street church some few weeks ago, but met with an accident, and was unable to do so.

Dr. Jordan took, as his text, the words found in Jonah IV: 11, 12, and stated that he had given a promise some time ago, to speak on this subject, and now took the earliest opportunity of fulfilling that promise. It was certainly a subject of considerable interest and importance, and in his opinion, the real significance of the book had too often been obscured by the particular kind of discussion that had gathered round it. The audience, he felt sure, would not expect him to spend the few minutes at his disposal discussing the question of "miracles," in general, or the swallowing capacities of whales, or in particular, the manner in which the book was to be interpreted. The address would be based upon the view now generally accepted by Old Testament scholars, that the book is a narrative, constructed for the purpose of teaching certain great truths, rather than a literal history. This much, he ought to be clearly stated that so far as the great body of Christian scholars were concerned, it was not the abstract objection to miracles—that at best could yield only a negative result—but a fuller knowledge of Hebrew history and literature that changed the general, or the swallowing capacities of whales, or in particular, the manner in which the book was to be interpreted. We are now compelled to place the composition of the book at a period 500 years later than that of the prophet Jonah, whose name is mentioned in the book of Kings. The problem of this small book, is the same in its nature as that of the whole of the Old Testament; it is a question in the first place of taking a piece of literature and placing it in its original setting, and finding out its true interpretation, and the great truths revealed. It is a good mental discipline, as well as a profitable spiritual task to be clearly stated that in other ages and countries men approached such questions as "law," "miracle," "truth" and "fiction" in a manner quite different from our own. When we learn that their knowledge was imperfect, it is well to remember that we are not to be complacent. When we turn from such questions to a positive interpretation of the book it is well to remember such points as the following: (1) The high spiritual quality that we call "inspiration" is not confined to literal statements, it is a definite quality of individuals, it can breathe through a great typical figure like Abraham or a wonderful parable like that of the Prodigal Son. (2) The word "history" relates to many things and must not be tied down to one narrow meaning; the history of human thought, and the history of the world, and the history of God's real history of the highest kind. The preacher then proceeded to give his own interpretation of the book. He pointed out its peculiar position as a narrative, standing in the book of the Twelve Prophets, and did not think that in order to understand the book, it was necessary to enter into discussions about the place of doves and sea-monsters in ancient mythology, and as to whether we call it an allegory or not depends upon our definition of the term. In the passage in Jeremiah LI: 24, might be quoted in favor of taking Jonah as a type of Israel and it certainly had some force in that direction. Dr. Jordan himself preferred to state it a little more generally, that here we have a beautiful story, meant to protest against Jewish narrowness and to treat the wisdom of God's mercy. The man who wrote the book was certainly a man of true prophetic spirit but the Jonah pictured in it is marked by a narrow, peevish selfishness. Hence the book takes its place in the history of the great missionary idea, the fact that God-given truth must be shared with those who are less fortunate than ourselves. In this way it must be regarded as a part of the preparation for the fuller revelation of this truth in Jesus Christ.

WILL GET A LICENSE.

The Frontenac Hotel Will Be Entitled to One.

There is no doubt but that the liquor license commissioners will give a six month license to the Frontenac hotel, which is to re-open on June 1st. The law permits such a license, being granted in certain cases. If Proprietor Teller applies for a permanent license for the Frontenac, this old hostelry would receive the preference over smaller hotels, one of which would lose its license. It would be hard to say which one would be dropped from the list of licensed places in such a contingency, but the commissioners would have no trouble in picking out several places that could well be closed. A new and first-class hotels are erected in Kingston in the future, they will receive the license preference, and some of the small places will go to the wall. It's a case of "the survival of the fittest."

MAY EXTEND THE TERM

Of Lieut.-Col. Taylor As R. M. C. Commandant.

There is a likelihood that the term of Lieut.-Col. Taylor, as commandant of the Royal Military College, may be extended a year, the colonel's term here would be a marked tribute. Col. Taylor is the first Canadian to hold the office of Royal Military College commandant.

It Had A Charm.

"I do miss Mrs. Jones. She told me all the news of the parish."

"Oh, that was only gossip—no truth in it."

"Well, there, I liked to 'ear it. Truth, or lies, 'twas all news to me."

STEALING A SIGN.

That Was the Policeman's Charge—Not Sustained.

New York Press.

Stealthily the policeman stole out from behind the side door of the saloon and quickly pounced on some Columbia college boys who were carrying a long board sign that had hung over some tobaccoist's shop. The youths protested against the officer's interference, but he told them that they would find it a hard job to turn little old New York into a college town, and off to the lockup they went, college boys, sign and all.

"What's the charge?" asked the sergeant as he looked out at the aggregation of the coming great men of learning.

"Stealing a sign," answered the cop as some of the boys bumped it into the station house, where it reposed against the wall.

"We did not steal it," spoke up one of the youths; "we only borrowed it."

The sergeant turned to the cop and told him to call up the owner and find out what the true state of the case was. The policeman read the sign slowly and then turned to the telephone book to look up the owner.

"Hello! Did you lose a sign?" And the answer made the policeman scratch his head.

"What did he say?" asked the waiting sergeant. The reserves were beginning to grin, and the policeman looked very uncomfortable.

"It is all right," he said, scowling at the youths. "The owner says they rented the sign for the night and are to return it to-morrow morning when he is ready to do business again."

A shout went up from the youths as they were ordered out of the station, and they took up their triumphant march and sought out some other unsuspecting cop to dupe, and far down the street came back their triumphant yell:

"C-o-l-u-m-b-i-a!"

The cop laughed to himself as he started out again on his beat, and a friend at his side asked him the cause of his merriment.

"The owner of the sign was mad all the way through and wanted me to hold the sign. He had rented it all right, but he said that was the third time he had been called out of bed tonight, for the boys had been pulled in in three other precincts, but as long as I was a goat for him I thought I would let the rah-rah boys have some more fun with some other cop and sent them on their way."

Where He Drew The Line.

A principal of one of the public schools was sitting at his desk, talking to a friend, the other day.

The telephone bell interrupted the conversation, and the principal took down the receiver.

After a few minutes of irascible talk over the wire, he slammed down the receiver and turned to his friend with a scowl.

"What's the matter?" queried the visitor.

"What's the matter?" repeated the principal. "Oh, it's just another of those loving mothers. They make me tired; keep calling me up all day long, and treat me as though I were the office-boy or janitor."

"What did this one want?" ventured the friend.

"What do you think?" asked the principal, breaking into a smile.

"Can't imagine," came the reply.

"Well," explained the principal, "she had a daughter in the fourth grade and she calls me up at least once a day. This time she told me at length and with much feeling that her little daughter had gone to school without her rubbers on, and asked me if I would go down and feel her feet, and send her home if they were wet. Now, what do you think of that?"

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This maulin with the lilac sprig Her wedding gown disclosed, When bashful beaux around the door Were waiting for her greeting, I seem to see the dainty feet (The drowsy sermon over) Go twinkling out among the graves, Kneel deep in dewy October.

This little scrap of ivory hue Her wedding gown disclosed, And as a gay young wife she wore This pink brocade with roses, And every row a "springing-bomb," The colors grew more sober, Till middle-age demurely went In browns of serene October.

So you can read her quiet life, From morning's merry matin, Until you spill the vespers out, In bits of chintz and satin; And after you know her form was bent, After locks were thin and hoary, For blocks of woolen, black and gray, And purple, and the story.

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AN UNSOCIABLE LOT.

What Mr. Thomas Thought of the Crowd.

Youth's Companion.

Mr. Thomas crammed a fresh stick of birch into his little stove and closed the door, when John Arnold had left ajar on his entrance. The tiny shoe shop thus became air tight. Then the proprietor realized to John's question of what he thought of New York.

"I can tell ye 'mazing few words," he said. "It's considerable of a place. Lots doing an splendid big buildings an' schools an' churches an' all that. They think they're some punkins too. An' I ain't sayin' that there ain't plenty of real smart ones there. Spite of all that, though, I call 'em kind o' ignorant, besides being cold in their manners."

"I want to know," commented John, visibly impressed by this recital.

"I'll tell ye," continued Mr. Thomas, "Brother Tom's boy's office is down near the big Brooklyn bridge, and I used to go down there and set a good deal while my wife visited with his wife up in Harlem."

"When it come what they call rush hour, I used to go down and stand on the bridge an' watch 'em passing by, hundreds of 'em, on their way home, an' I got to feel real friendly an' to know lots of 'em by sight. But—"

Mr. Thomas paused impressively—"but, although I didn't miss an afternoon whilst I was there, an' that was two weeks, nary one o' them men ever give me a single glance of recognition."

"It wa'n't my place to speak first, me being a stranger an' they home, so to speak. I wa'n't going to push myself; but, I tell ye what, John, two or three times I had to hold on to myself to keep from telling of 'em just what I thought of such onfriendly ways."

"Why," says I to Brother Tom's boy, 'how long do you s'pose one o' them would be at Tunket Corners before we knew him well enough to nod to an' found out his name?'"

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