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IMPORTANT POINT SETTLED.

The London Daily Mail gives a long account of the case of Mrs. Leigh vs. Herbert Gladstone, M.P., the home secretary, for alleged injury by feeding her with the nasal tube when she refused the prison fare and undertook to force release by starving herself.

Mrs. Leigh was one of the young suffragettes who were present in Birmingham, where, refused admittance to the hall in which Hon. Mr. Asquith made an address, assailed it with stones, and running out of what Mrs. Leigh called "ammunition," tore up the tiles from the roofs of adjoining buildings and cast them through the windows.

When carried to the jail Mrs. Leigh and her companions sang the Marseillaise and on entering the cells smashed the windows of them. The question before the court was as to the power of the prison authorities to feed anyone by force when she had refused to feed herself. The lord chief justice ruled that "it was the duty of the medical officer to take reasonable steps to keep prisoners in health and preserve their lives. The only question for the jury was whether the steps taken by the governor and medical officer of the jail, in the Leigh case, were reasonable." The jury did not leave the box, but, after a consultation which did not last over two minutes, gave a verdict for the defendants.

It is well that the decision was so clear, as it will be an intimation to the suffragettes that if they must go to prison they must also obey its rules.

WARSHIPS IN THE AIR.

It was announced recently that Lord Roberts might be induced to return to Canada for a visit if he could be assured of exemption from speech making. He is a soldier, not an orator, and he is conscious of the fact that it is possible to have great thoughts and emotions and not be capable of expressing them readily.

In England, however, my lord is quite talkative, but always on objects pertaining to his profession. His latest exploit is to warn the people that they must wake up upon the subject of aviation. "It seems to me," said he, at the Royal Service Institute, "that it is the valour of ignorance which is pervading the whole country in connection with this question. Men would not be so brave if they knew what may be in store for them, and they did not bestir themselves."

He was joined by Major Baden-Powell, of South African Cavalry distinction, and Col. Capper, of the Aldershot balloon factory, all of whom talked of the battles to be won in future by the airships of the Santos Dumont or Bleriot type, which were fast, could rise very high, and skim and circle about with an ease and celerity. The aeroplane was necessary for the admiral at sea, and the general on land, locating the enemy, and the time would come when great airships would be used for the expedition transportation of troops from one point to another. Major Baden-Powell had an idea that aeroplanes could be had that would carry an hundred men.

The attention which the military strategists of the day are giving to this subject shows that they believe aviation to be a necessary accomplishment of the army and navy. Some people laughed when the United States government gave the Wright Bros. \$30,000 for an aeroplane, and the instruction which will enable the officers of the army to operate it. But Uncle Sam is doing a little experimenting on his own account, and he is a foxy old man.

THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS.

It is Christmas eve. All is bustle and activity as the multitudes give the finishing touches to the preparations for the morrow. In a few hours there will be a suspension of service and toil of every kind, followed by a season of repose. Then will break on the ear the sounds of Christmas morning, the Christmas chants and Christmas carols, and the evidence that peace reigns over the world.

Christmas, 1909, will be remembered for many things. The weather has been delightful; labour and business have brought their due reward; the fruits of the season have been abundant; the gods have been good to the people, and given them every reason to rejoice.

It would be remarkable, of course, if there were not in Kingston some men, women and children who can be

inspired by friendly attentions, whose hearts may be gladdened by timely ministrations. The charitably inclined have been busy for some time, and as a result Santa Claus may be expected to see the door posts and lintels of every household and enter in.

The spirit of Christmas is in the hearts of the people. May it remain there for many a day, to soften, to soothe, and to satisfy. The readers of the Whig are wished, most cordially, the compliments of the season.

COLLIDING WITH THE PARTY.

Mr. Ellis, an ex-mayor and at present city treasurer of Ottawa, has political ambitions. He thinks he is designed by nature, and grace for parliamentary life, and proposes to offer himself as an independent conservative candidate for the vacancy which will be occasioned by the retirement of Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The premier was elected as a representative of Ottawa and Quebec East in the last election. He holds Quebec East because of an affection and gratitude which have been well founded. Many years ago he was defeated in his old home, and Quebec East offered him a seat. He accepted it, and it would be remarkable if, under the circumstances, he did not show his appreciation.

The conservatives, in clamouring for his retirement in Ottawa, did not anticipate the Ellis embarrassment, for the ex-mayor is not the nominee of the party and cannot very well be with a programme which the party cannot endorse. He favours a contribution to the British navy, and is not willing that Canada should build or own its own ships. The Journal of Ottawa, a conservative paper, does not see anything but defeat for Mr. Ellis on this question, and it presents the two sides of the question as follows:

A Canadian navy means continuous systematic naval finance.

It means the spending of the naval money in our own country.

It means the establishment of shipyards and naval training schools in Canada.

It means the building of ships in this country, the employment of men in Canada, the purchase to a larger degree than otherwise of materials here.

It means the encouragement of other Canadian industries.

It means a stimulus to some Canadian towns and cities.

It means a new development of national self-effort and education.

It means the avoidance of possible causes of friction with England.

On the other hand, an attempted continuous series of contributions to the navy of England, which is the alternative to a Canadian navy, would mean the following:

Canadian taxes spent by England in England, constitute a continual irritation here among some people against imperial connection.

Dissatisfaction, occasionally or constantly, either in England or here, or both, at the shape in which we might put our gifts, or in the way in which England might put or handle them.

No continuity or system in finance. Whenever a Canadian finance minister would find his budget troublesome he would cut two or three millions off the contribution to England, or excess it altogether. This is the most deadly objection of all.

The party loyalty of any man is open to question when he undertakes to force a condition upon it which, if successful, would mean the humiliation of its leaders.

The Man On Watch.

What a big benefit a couple of millionaires can be to a town, the Lampman says. He intimated that he didn't mean millionaires who kept their money like one would keep salted pork, but those who are not afraid to use some of their wealth by investing it in industries in the town in which they live and making it more progressive. "Look at what Renfrew's two or three moneyed men recently," he says, "the little town quite have done for the little town quite here. They're even loyal enough to throw away thousands to bring hockey fame to their town. Kingston, the Lampman says, has had wealthy men, yet there have been too few of them who had faith in their home town to invest their dollars here. They were like the man with the one talent who hid it in the earth. There are millions of dollars, he says, salted down in the savings banks here. How much better it would be if a tenth of the savings bank investments was put into Kingston industrial concerns!"

Yesterday the Lampman watched three drunken men go into a downtown grog shop to get more liquor. Two of them staggered into the place and one toppled over. Although they had a good load, yet they got more. That shows, he says, the lack of common sense on the part of some bartenders. He knows of some men in the town who will not sell grog to a tipsy man. He has seen them refuse to do so, and had a high respect for them. He thinks that Inspector Wright, who is covering himself with glory these days, should hold classes of instruction for bartenders, and give them a course of lectures on the philosophy of booze selling, when to sell, when not to sell, and to whom to sell.

The Lampman has seen through the big departmental stores of Toronto and Montreal, and he has found out that many of them sell goods as cheap as they are sold in Kingston. The goods that people buy in those stores are not cheap, he says. In dry goods, for instance, what better bargains can be had than in the stores of the fellow-townsmen, Waldron, Steacy, and Laidlaw? What cheaper stationery can be got than our old friend, "Tom" McAuley offers for sale? Buy in Kingston is the Lampman's motto. To do so is to invest in the town.

It looks very much as if "Dan" Couper would have to wear the mayor's chain for another year, the Lampman says. No one seems to want to bump up against "Dan" in a fight at the polls. He put fear into the hearts of the covetous last January, when he was elected as head of the town council by an overwhelming majority. His worship, the Lampman says, occupies much the same position as Goliath of old, but the modern David failed to toss a big enough rock to bowl him out. No one has yet accepted the challenge of Mayor Couper to come out and fight him. It is just ten years ago, the Lampman says, since there was a mayoralty acclamation in Kingston. At that time "Jimmy" Minnes was made mayor without a contest, and a popular mayor he was.

THE TOWN WATCHMAN.

Premier McBride denies the despatch sent from Winnipeg to the effect that a conference of the premiers of the various provinces is to be held in Victoria, B.C., next year.

A WORD OF ADVICE ABOUT XMAS DINNER, HOW TO AVOID INDIGESTION.

"Eatins a plenty," as the small boy says, will be done by many who have weak stomachs on Christmas day, and frequently causes sudden deaths from heart weakness, apoplexy and the like in this class of sufferers. Many are compelled to suffer all during the holidays because of indigestion induced by overeating and overtaxing the stomach. We want to aid those who suffer with dyspepsia and stomach disorders, so that they can eat of the good things and not be compelled to suffer afterwards. One or two teaspoonfuls of the following will digest any meal you can eat. It tire work of digestion, thus relieving the weak stomach. It is said by a great specialist to have cured many of those people, who lived "too high." Get the ingredients at any leading drug store and mix at home in half pint bottle. Two ounces syrup of Ginger, two ounces essence Pepsin, and one ounce Comp. essence of Cardiol.

These are powerfully blended in this recipe, but can be used freely by old people or children, with weak stomachs, so that they will feel good all through the holidays. Let's hope that many dyspeptics and old people will take advantage of this Xmas recipe.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Santa Claus comes to-night, mamma.

The municipal pot is beginning to boil. The acclamations which some candidates were fixing up have been spoiled.

The Montreal civic controllers sought to get along with \$10,000 a year. Could not competent men be secured for less?

The temperance cause has suffered a relapse in Manitoba. The saying of the late Hon. Israel Tarte has been revived. "Elections are not won by prayers."

If he succeeds in his re-election for Batterses Mr. Burns will not have to get aid from the labour party. His salary as a member of the government is \$25,000 a year.

Dr. Cook may be insane, as a friend alleges, but there were no symptoms of it until after he had cleaned up \$100,000 by his lectures. There must have been method in his madness.

The Bible will continue to be taught or discussed in Toronto university in the broadest way, but "without entering upon the domain of theology." This gives the professors a free hand.

Thanks to the Toronto Star and Globe, and their special correspondents, the people of Canada are getting information upon the British elections that is worth having. It is absolutely reliable.

The trade of England is booming, both the imports and exports show that, and so the statement is not correct that everything is going to the dogs with Churchill and Lloyd-George upon the rampage.

Hon. Mr. Beck is a candidate for mayor in London, and may be elected. Can he hold the office of chairman of the Hydro-Electric commission? It will be difficult for him to make a contract with himself.

ELEVATION TO BISHOPRIC.

Rev. Father Fallon to Go to London in Two Months.

Rev. Father M. F. Fallon, who was appointed to the bishopric at London, will not leave Buffalo for a couple of months, in order that he may have time to get his business affairs straightened. Parishioners and friends of Father Fallon in Buffalo are already preparing to escort him to London and attend the ceremonies consequent upon his elevation to the bishopric.

At high mass celebrated in St. Peter's Cathedral in London on Sunday, Rev. Father Aylward, administrator of the diocese during the vacancy in the bishopric, paid a high tribute to the coming occupant of the position. "For some length of time," said the speaker, "the position has been vacant, and priests and people have been praying the Almighty that He would send them one who would be worthy of the sacred trust. And, indeed," continued the speaker, "their prayers have been answered in the fullest measure. The diocese of London has been singularly fortunate in the bishops who have presided over it in the past. They have been a blessing to the holy church, and to the community at large. The one who has now been honored will prove a worthy successor. His reputation has preceded him, and we will have in our midst as our father and our guide a priest after God's own heart; one endowed with a splendor of intellect, one whose eloquence of speech will be devoted to the spread of God's kingdom on earth; one whose abundant charity, whose kindness of disposition and whose warm-heartedness will be a benediction to his flock. In every corner of the diocese there awaits the new bishop a sincere and enthusiastic welcome. He will have in abundance the love, the esteem, and the obedience of all the flock—priests and people, who are remarkable for their loyalty to the mother church and who show an abiding interest in its welfare."

FESTIVAL AT CHALMERS.

The Children Had a Most Delightful Evening.

Last evening Chalmers Sunday school and its friends were out in full force filling the spacious hall. All day the teachers and officers were busy, and at six everything was ready. The tea came first, only it happened to be coffee, and such fragrant coffee, with sandwiches, cake, etc. Then followed an excellent and most varied musical and literary programme almost entirely by the scholars. To the great delight of all J. W. Fraser gave a series of selections on his fine military bagpipes, marches, cornachas, strathspeys, reels, etc. A professor of one of the abstract sciences, who was present was heard to say that although not of the clamorous kind for war when fighting had to be done, he would like to follow the bagpipes in to the fray. "Me, too," said the friend he was talking to.

An event was the distribution of the gifts on the handsome Christmas tree at the hands of Santa Claus, the real, good old Santa. There was a gift for every scholar, teacher, officer of the school, something useful and suitable for everyone, which meant much time and care on the part of the committee. And lastly the large assortment of Christmas cheer brought by the children for distribution this afternoon among the poor of the city. From two o'clock till dark four young men with one of McIlquham's handsomest teams were busy placing these gifts. For years past now this has been a feature of Chalmers Sunday school Christmas festival, and the interest seems to be growing.

To Take New Position.

L. E. Staples, M.A., Ingersoll, has been appointed science master in the Woodstock Collegiate Institute. Mr. Staples will commence his duties on February 1st, and will receive \$1,300 for the first year's work. He will be advanced each year until the maximum for that position of \$1,500 is reached. Mr. Staples formerly taught in the Kingston collegiate.

Served Many Terms.

Fritz Diehn, who was brought to the penitentiary yesterday from Chatham to serve a term of ten years for theft, has served terms in Ohio, New York, Pennsylvania, and Tennessee state prisons for diamond robberies. His age is given as sixty-four. The theft for which he is now serving time was committed three years ago. He made his escape and was captured in California.

Little Boy Was Lost.

Late yesterday afternoon, while the streets were crowded with busy shoppers, a little boy lost track of his mother, and was found crying in front of one of the large dry goods stores. After a time the youngster was able to tell where he lived, and he was taken home by some ladies.

No Candidates In Sight.

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A Merry Christmas

Another year is fast drawing to a close, with its sunlight and shadows—it's withered leaves and fragrant flowers.

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