

HAD BOTTLE OF COAL OIL

Suspicious Persons in St. Mary's Basement.

Caretaker Satisfied They Intended to Set Fire to the Cathedral.

The caretaker at St. Mary's cathedral is satisfied that the five men who were seen in the basement of the church on Friday afternoon last had a bottle of coal oil in their possession. On Tuesday morning, when interviewed by the Whig, the sexton stated that on Friday afternoon last when he went into the basement of the church he was surprised to find five strange-looking men down there. They looked very suspicious, and for that reason he told them to get about their business as quickly as they knew how. They soon departed. The caretaker is satisfied that the men intended to set fire to the large pile of broken lumber and kindling in the basement at the time. When questioned, he told the Whig that although he had made a very close investigation, he had been unable to find any traces of the coal oil on the pile of kindling. He stated that the men had been drinking. When asked how he thought the strangers had been able to get into the basement, he stated that during the early part of the day some men had been employed in removing the ashes by way of the door which leads onto Clergy street. The sexton said that after he heard that an attempt had been made to set fire to Sydenham street Methodist church building, he had stayed on duty for two nights. During the time that he was doing special duty, he had not seen any stranger around the church building. A man, who was employed to watch the third night, reported that he had been told that some unknown party was seen trying to get into the basement by way of one of the cellar windows.

Woman Convict Liberated Deported to Port Huron, Mich.

Mrs. Coward, serving a sentence of seven years in the Portsmouth penitentiary, was on Tuesday liberated for deportation to the United States. She was received by an officer of the immigration branch, Mrs. J. Cherrier, who came from Montreal for the purpose of conveying her across the border. Mrs. Cherrier's instructions were to convey Mrs. Coward to Port Huron, Mich., from which place she will go to her home in California.

COMES TO PENITENTIARY TO SERVE LIFE SENTENCE

Charles Miller, Aged Twenty-Three, Convicted on Two Serious Charges.

Just twenty-three years of age, and with a life sentence hanging over his head. This is the awful plight in which Charles Miller, who occupied a cell at the Kingston police station on Monday night, finds himself, and he feels his position very keenly. A jury at St. Catharines after a minute deliberation, found Miller guilty of making a criminal assault upon a twelve-year-old girl, at St. David's, near St. Catharines, on November 21st last. He was also found guilty of attempting an attack on another girl. Both girls positively identified Miller as their assailant, and testified that he had threatened them with death if they made a noise. Fraser Kilpatrick was killed and several others were injured in a motor car accident at Sudbury. Canada will send twelve rifle men and one officer to Bielek this year, only half the usual number. Hope is abandoned for the crew of the Canadian tug Lampton in Lake Superior. The Dublin strike was fully successful.

HUSBAND AND WIFE.



My husband steps on my toes when we dance.—Martha. What Does Your Husband Do?

Ignites Wood Pile And Hangs Himself

Syracuse, N.Y., April 25.—Charles Edmonds to-day went to a barn at his sister's home, saturated two automobiles and a wood pile with gasoline, climbed to the top of the pile and hanged himself after setting fire to the wood and cars.

MONDAY IN PARLIAMENT.

Aim To Tackle Unemployment in Conference.

Ottawa, April 25.—In the Commons yesterday the house committee on agriculture, appointed a sub-committee of three to confer with the law officers of the Crown to see what can be done legally towards the formation of a Wheat Board. The day was private members' day. A brief debate occurred on the resolution of J. S. Woodsworth (Centre Winnipeg) that the Federal Government should take steps to aid unemployment. The resolution carried without division. First readings were given two bills, one by Mr. Kennedy, Edmonton West, which limited the time for prosecution on script lease sales; the other by Mr. Archambault (Chambly-Verchères), which would allow aliens to count war service as years of residence.

MINISTER DEFENDS THE GRANTS TO SCHOOLS

Hon. R. H. Grant Says Separate Schools Have Not Been Favored.

Toronto, April 25.—Having preserved silence in the face of a bitter attack upon him for his distribution of the public and separate rural school grants, awaiting his own time to reply, Hon. R. H. Grant, in the legislature last night, made a lengthy statement setting out the explanation of the department for the difference in grants as between public and separate schools. His statement was an emphatic declaration that the separate schools of Ontario had received only what was their due, and that no change had been made in any regulation or statute that placed them in any better position than they enjoyed previous to the Drury government taking office. "Not one cent of money which belongs to the public schools has been taken away from them for the purpose of paying higher grants to separate schools," he said, "and not one cent of money has been given to separate schools over and above what the law guarantees them."

THE McMASTER MOTION BEATEN

By Vote of 142 to 59 in the Commons Early Tuesday Morning.

Ottawa, April 25.—The McMaster resolution was defeated in the House of Commons at 110 this (Tuesday) morning by 142 to 59. All Liberals, except Mr. McMaster himself; all Conservatives, one Independent and two Progressives voted against the resolution. The Independent who voted against the resolution was A. W. Neill (Comox-Alberni), and the Progressives were T. G. McBride (Carleton Place) and A. L. Beaubien (Provencher). Crowded galleries and a full attendance of members demonstrated the interest taken in the debate, when A. R. McMaster, Liberal member for Brome, moved "that in the opinion of the House it is desirable in the public interest that all ministers of the crown on their appointment as such should resign all directorships held by them in banks, trust companies, insurance companies or large public corporations, and that should ministers of the Crown retain their directorships in companies other than those herein above mentioned, such companies should have no business dealing with the Government of the Dominion of Canada, or with any department thereof, or with any railway or ship owned or controlled by said government; it being understood that such prohibition should not affect the use by such company of the public services afforded by the said government, or any department, or by any such railway or ship."

No Wreckage of Missing Tug Has Been Reported

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., April 25.—The tug G. R. Gray was in Lake Superior today searching for wreckage and survivors of the small light tender Lampton believed to have foundered with seventeen men during the storm of last week. No down bound vessels have reported sighting any wreckage since the passing of the Collingwood and Valcartier Sunday night.

Morgan and Cooffer, New York, have bought one hundred million dollars worth of thirty-year five per cent. bonds of the Dominion of Canada.

FRANCE WILL NOT PARLEY

Forty-Eight Hour Ultimatum to Russia.

Poincare's Speech Causes Consternation in Genoa Conference Circles.

London, April 25.—There is reliable information, declares a Central News despatch from Genoa, that M. Barthou, of the French delegation, received explicit instructions this morning to insist at the conference upon the terms contained in Premier Poincare's speech of Monday. The delegation has declared it would press for a forty-eight-hour ultimatum to Russia or else break from the conference. Poincare's speech has created great consternation in conference circles. Blocking the Conference. Genoa, April 25.—Foreign Minister Tchitchobrin, of Soviet Russia, declared to-day that it was the Allied resistance to the Russian principle of nationalization which was blocking the conference. It was obvious, he said, that only obstacles to peace with Russia and general reconstruction were pretensions of a few former owners of property in Russia. No More Time for Parleying. Paris, April 25.—Premier Poincare has not adopted any plan for further military occupation of Germany in case of default in the German reparations payment on May 31st, it was stated officially to-day. The sentiment expressed yesterday by Poincare in a speech, was echoed throughout France by leading public men at the sessions of the general councils of the department. Charles Jonnard declared that there was no more time for parleying on the reparations question and that the moment had come to act.

Pretty Secretary Shot By Her Sweetheart

Paris, April 25.—A panic occurred at the Gare de Lyon yesterday when a tragedy of Balkan love was enacted on a crowded train platform. As Jivovitch Voulachin, pretty secretary in the Serbian ministry of foreign affairs, stepped from the train from Belgrade, she was shot and wounded by her sweetheart, Stanislas Popovitch, who had come to meet her. Several women nearby fainted and the crowd on the platform stampeded.

Outlook Excellent in Eastern Townships This Spring.

Sherbrooke, Que., April 25.—Contrary to general expectations the recent spell of cold weather will not have much effect on the work already begun in the farming sections of the Eastern Townships, and the only inconvenience likely to be experienced will be in the nature of delays in carrying on the farm work. Taken on the whole, it is contended that farm work is much more advanced than it was at the same period last year, and prospects for good crops are stated to be excellent.

Many Join Steamships.

Montreal, April 25.—Gossip mentions the names of Robert Hobson and Sir William Price as likely directors of an reorganized Canada Steamships' board.

Fighter Dies From a Knockout Blow

New York, April 25.—Lew Brody, lightweight fighter, died in Brooklyn hospital today following a knockout at the hands of Frankie Pitcher, a local boy, whom he met last night. Physicians declared the cause of death was cerebral hemorrhage. An investigation will be held to-day.

KINGSVILLE CHURCH TO HAVE RADIO SET

Donated by a Citizen—First Canadian Church So Equipped.

Kingsville, April 25.—Kingsville's Methodist church will probably be the first church in Canada to have installed a radio outfit as part of its plant. A new \$2,500 Sunday school hall will be started in May and it has been decided to equip it with the best radio receiving set which can be secured. The set has been donated to the church by a prominent citizen, who was interested in this latest invention. It is the plan of the church authorities to turn on the radio and give a concert for meetings of the Epworth League, prayer meetings and at church tea meetings.

- U. S. FLAGSHIP SAILS FOR CHINA
Manila, April 25.—The United States flagship Huron of the Asiatic squadron has received rush orders today to sail to China because of disturbed conditions there.

CROP PROSPECTS FINE.

Outlook Excellent in Eastern Townships This Spring. Washington, D.C., April 25.—Frank H. Simonds makes this comment: Not since July, 1914, has Europe been in the presence of a political crisis as acute as that of the present hour. Not one, but several wars are within easy view, and despite the favored optimism in certain official quarters at Genoa, there is no mistaking the fact that the process of disintegration is going on steadily. Moreover, Lloyd George, the last restraining force in Europe, is daily losing influence at home and abroad. Between the 1914 situation and the present there is a close analogy. Then Austria, under German advice, placed Europe in the presence of an accomplished fact intolerable to several great powers, by her ultimatum to Serbia. Now, the Russo-German coup has created a condition which will as little be endured by France as the Serbian programme of Austria could be bore patiently by czaristic Russia. The simple situation which has been created is this: Whether the Russo-German alliance is now repudiated or reaffirmed by the partners, the fact of the association of these two nations has been established and this fact threatens two things: the immediate ruin of all the smaller states lying along the Russian and German frontiers and the ultimate destruction of France.

1914-1922 Analogy.



Druggists Seeking Out in Excise on Alcohol

Ottawa, April 25.—Members are being besieged by telegram from druggists, asking that a change be made in the excise on alcohol. At present druggists pay excise of \$9 a gallon, while the pharmaceutical companies pay only \$2.50 a gallon. The druggists say they are being discriminated against, as they cannot make preparations as cheaply as the drug companies.

CANON SCOTT RECOVERED.

Popular Senior Chaplain Officiated at Morning Service. Quebec, April 25.—Lieutenant-Colonel the Rev. Canon Scott, senior chaplain of the Canadian Expeditionary Force in the great war, has now fully recovered from the operation which he underwent recently for appendicitis. Canon Scott, who is rector of St. Matthew's church, officiated at the morning service Sunday and looked as well as usual.

Boxers to Meet Third Time. Kansas City, April 25.—Stanislaus Zbyzski is to get a chance here tonight to regain the world's wrestling championship when he meets Champion Edward Lewis. This is the third contest between the two men, and each has a win to his credit.

FRANCE MUST FIGHT ALONE

If It Brings on a European War.

Lloyd George's Warning—Frank Simonds Presents a Striking Analogy.

Genoa, April 25.—Telegraphing to the London Times, Henry Wickham Stead says the allied note to the Germans was adopted unanimously by the representatives of the ten powers present at the meeting after the insertion of H. Barthou, the French representative of the ante-penultimate clause reserving the right of the allies to declare null and void any clause in the Russo-German treaty declared as contrary to existing treaties and the final sentence that the incident might now be regarded as closed. After recounting Lloyd George's utterances of Saturday, to the effect that he was getting tired of crises and that if they continued he would be forced to explain who was responsible for them, Mr. Stead said. Conversing with some of the delegates, Lloyd George declared that if France broke up the conference she would bring on a European war in which England would take no part; France would end by being crushed. He was determined to show where the blame lay. It was pointed out by him that this was a catastrophic policy and if England, France and the little entente and Italy, held together, they were strong enough to separate Germany from Russia and eventually settle the Russian question in their own way.

Irish General Shot By Mutinous Troops

Dublin, April 25.—According to a statement issued by the headquarters of the Irish regular army today, Brigadier-General Adamson, commanding the Athlone brigade of the regular republican army, was shot and killed today in the streets of Athlone, by mutinous troops. He was confronted by armed men who ordered him to throw up his hands. When he complied his assailants deliberately fired into him. Several of the mutineers' officers have been arrested.

MOUNTIES WITH IRON MEN.

Police Will Be in Charge of the Park-Mutuels.

Ottawa, April 25.—Mounted Police will again be in charge of the park-mutuel machines at the Jockey club meetings this year. Many of the clubs have exercised pressure to utilize the service of civilians, advancing a variety of arguments, including employment for a number of men. The minister of agriculture takes the ground that the police have been trained for the special work, and that if, as suggested, the work be divided between them and civilians, friction might develop. Another reason is that there is no appropriation for special men whereas the police are regularly on salary.

RURAL POWER BONUS WILL BE EXTENDED

Municipalities and Co-operative Schemes as Well as Hydro to Get It.

Toronto, April 25.—W. H. Casselman, the belligerent U.F.O. member for Dundas appears to have won his fight to have the bonus for rural power lines adjusted so that it can benefit indirectly, at least, private generating companies. Mr. Casselman has a bill before the legislature which would extend to private companies the 50 per cent. bonus towards the cost of rural primary lines which the Hydro system gets. This bill he will have to abandon. But in its place the government is likely to introduce a bill that will extend the bonus to municipalities or other co-operatives schemes that will serve the farmer. Under the government measure, which it would become Hon. Col. Carmichael's duty to introduce, a township or a group of farmers can put up the rural primary lines and make a contract with some private company to supply them with power for a term of years.

PRESS WINS OVER PULPIT IN INTERESTING DEBATE

Which Was Held at Quarterly Rally of Christian Endeavor Union.

"Resolved, that the pulpit has more power for good than the press," was the subject of one of the most interesting debates held in Kingston in many a day, at Calvary church, on Monday evening, the occasion being the quarterly rally of the Christian Endeavor Union. Messrs. Loney and Parkhouse upheld the affirmative for Princess street church, while Messrs. K. Weil and M. Veal debated on the negative side for Bethel church. The judges, Messrs. Donnelly, Capt. Finney and Henry Bryant, gave their decision in favor of the negative. The debate brought about a very lively discussion, and many fine points were presented by both sides. The attendance at the rally was very large, the church being filled to the doors, and the debate was listened to with very keen interest. Rev. A. F. Brown conducted the devotional exercises, assisted by Rev. J. S. LaFlair. Calvary Christian Endeavor Society won the highest percentage in attendance for the quarter, so it was announced. During the evening, a mixed quartette, composed of members of the Calvary church, rendered a very fine selection, and George Allen rendered a solo. Very Rev. Dean R. E. M. Brady, D.D., rector of St. Basil's, Brantford, and among the old established clergy of the city, died Saturday of double pneumonia. Lady Astor expects to visit Toronto about the middle of May.

QUEBEC CURB ON AUTOISTS

Must Stop At Points For Examination.

And Secure a Route Certificate—Thefts Will Be Checked.

Quebec, April 25.—An innovation which the province of Quebec is the first probably to adopt in America in regard to the enforcement of motor vehicle law, results from an Order-in-Council, which will be enforced in the first days of May. The Order-in-Council says: "Every person driving a motor vehicle in this province shall stop at the following places, when a sign or indication is posted up, and allow the constable or revenue officer, who is then stationed at such place, to ascertain if the provisions of the law have been observed." This legislation follows the decision to prevent automobile thefts, which last year ran very high, and also to cut down speeding. There will be two constables located at the points mentioned in the Order-in-Council and automobiles will have to stop on leaving their first point and obtain a route certificate showing where they intend going. At the points they will pass they will have to get this certificate examined, and the time they left the previous point and the time they reach this new point, will be carefully examined by the officers so that their average speed will be easily controlled.

CHEESE PRICES ARE FIRM

Started at Fourteen Cents—Frontenac Cheese Board Outlook Good.

The cheese market has opened with prices firm. Sales were made at the Napanee board on Friday at fourteen cents and while the Frontenac cheese board does not open until Thursday several lots representing the first output of the local factories were sold over the week-end at Napanee board price, viz., fourteen cents. Very few of the Frontenac county factories are reported to be shipping direct to Montreal through the co-operative plan so that the number of cheese boarded in Kingston during the season is expected to be exceptionally high. The buyers, L. W. Murphy, John Gibson, George Thompson, R. A. Hamilton and George Smith, will be on hand to look after the interests of their companies. The price of fourteen cents is considered a fairly good start, considering the lack of orders for local demand. The dairymen are looking for an advance, however, as the season's output increases and foreign orders for large quantities are received. The Dairymen's Co-operative Auction Sales at Montreal was designed to take a share of the business out of the hands of the group of produce dealers who had complete control of the export trade, and the competition thus brought about was expected to secure to the factory patrons better prices. This did not materialize last summer and the producers are looking for better results through co-operation this year. If they cannot get these through the auction sales in Montreal, they will reach out and sell direct to the wholesale and retail trade in England. They have sufficient cold storage space in Montreal now and they will demand that the Dominion department of agriculture erect or secure cold storage warehouses in Liverpool and London to enable them to secure the best results from the sale of Canadian cheese and butter on the European markets. The superiority of Canadian dairy products is shown in the London quotations. Canadian cheese always brings higher prices than that from New Zealand, and the Canadian farmer received higher returns because New Zealand cheese has to carry enormous freight charges, and our product will always bring a higher price if the quality is maintained.

THIS PRINTER'S DEVIL GETS \$2,000,000

Tulsa, Okla., April 25.—Tharley McCoy, 15, printer's devil, with a telegram in his pocket saying he was joint heir to \$2,000,000, refused to work today. Tharley promptly told his boss he "wouldn't be back" when he received the wire, which came from his mother in Greenwood, S.C. "I'm going to get a motor car and an education," he asserted. The estate which Tharley and his mother inherits, is that of his mother's second husband. The court decided in their favor when other relatives tried to break the will.