

good men and women, and they should give their children to understand that they must obey the teacher. Disobedience must be punished. If this were observed there would be less disturbances in the school and the teacher and the pupils would get along easier with their work. Since our children are the nearest and best we have, why not look for the best we can give them?

At a meeting of the Shareholders of the Sask. Cooperative Elevator Co. Ltd., Local No. 213, the following were elected, and constituted the board of managers for the ensuing year: Jacob Auchstaetter, chairman; J. P. Kiefer, secretary; Jno. Hutchinson; Louis Mollé; R. Bergerman. Jacob Auchstaetter was elected Delegate to represent the Watson Local at the General Meeting of the Sask. Cooperative Elevator Co. Ltd., to be held at Regina December 18th.

Holiday Greetings.

As Christmas is drawing near we wish our generous benefactors of the Colony a very happy and merry Christmas and a prosperous New-Year. Along with these wishes will follow our prayers which shall be laid at the crib of the Blessed Infant for those who so liberally aided us on our collection tour through the Colony. We intended to publish the names of our benefactors, but having been asked by many not to have their names printed, we thought best to dispense with this for the time being, as also a number of the subscribers have not yet redeemed their promises.

Repeating our most cordial wishes and giving voice to our deepfelt gratitude for gifts received we sincerely hope and pray, Our dear Lord will bestow His choicest blessings and graces, temporal and eternal on the generous inhabitants of St. Peter's Colony. Trusting that with such aid, which promises well for the future, we shall be able to see our Motherhouse complete next Christmas, we draw the attention of the settlers to the fact, that we shall be most grateful for any further help they might feel prompted to offer. Donations may be sent to the "St. Peters Bote."

Yours gratefully
Ursuline Sisters.

ENGLISH AT CONFERENCE

The Mail and Empire asserts that English will be the official language spoken at the Peace Conference, and shows great pride in the fact.

But the reasons given are not those of which lovers of the English language can be proud. "At least six times as many Frenchmen, Germans, or Italians, speak English as Englishmen speak any of the languages of these nationalities. On the Continent of Europe a knowledge of English is deemed part of a liberal education." The Mail admits that most of the leading Germans know English well, and the German acquaintance with the English language served the Teuton war cause well. It is not a bad slur on the English to have to admit that they know no language but their own, that very few in England have the "liberal education" of knowing other languages, but continue always in their narrow groove of shy aloofness and insularity. So the leaders of the European Conference being held on that continent, have had to come down to the level of the one insular language, and, in Paris itself, they are forced, through politeness, to drop the French the "official language of diplomacy." This want of adaptability is also to be seen at Ottawa, where the French Canadian members of Parliament, almost all of them, deliver themselves on the floor of Canada's Parliament in good

English, but hardly one man of English blood can address the House in French.

It is about time we dropped the idea that the French and other peoples are backward and ignorant, since it is we ourselves who deserve that designation!

The Catholic Register, Toronto.

Canadian News

Saskatchewan

REGINA. — Alphonse Marques, a porter in the Glasgow House, was arrested on a warrant charging him with theft of a large quantity of silverware and cutlery. All the stolen goods, valued at \$200, were recovered when Marques' room was searched.

MORSE. — H. Sodini, of Morse, was fined \$200 and costs, when found guilty of bringing liquor into a prohibited area. He was also fined \$50 and costs for having liquor in a hotel.

SASKATOON. — Saskatchewan's provincial seed fair will be held this year at Saskatoon from Jan. 14 to 17. The seed fair is held under the auspices of the College of Agriculture, and is of great importance in the encouragement and development of high seed standards in all classes of grains. Entries close on January 2, and exhibits must be in place by Jan. 8.

By a majority of 129 votes, Mr. F. R. MacMillan was recently elected mayor of Saskatoon for the year 1919. The total vote cast was 2,835.

VONDA. — John Mutelegan, a farmer residing near Vonda, was given the option of paying \$100 or spending thirty days in the Regina jail when he was found guilty of violating the Canada Food Board orders. He took the thirty days.

WAKAW. — Mike Syroishka, a Galician of Wakaw, was arrested on Saturday and will be charged with murdering six persons in April, 1916, all residents of Wakaw.

PRINCE ALBERT. — James A. Stevens, 19 years of age will be arraigned on 22 different counts when the court of King's Bench meets in session at Prince Albert on January 7. Ten of these charges are for forgery, ten more of uttering and two of theft.

Dr. Joseph Gervais, "the mystery man" of Steep Creek, and his draft-dodging henchmen, Victor Carmel and Jean Baptiste St. Germain, will be tried on charges of wilful murder at the criminal assizes at the court of King's Bench.

Alberta

EDMONTON. — Beginning with Dec. 1, the surcharge of 20 cents per \$100 that was added to the base rate of Edmonton's fire insurance after the big fires of last winter, has been entirely removed.

Word received from Camrose would indicate that the smallpox which broke out there a couple of weeks ago is well under control.

British Columbia

VICTORIA. — A warrant has been issued for the arrest of W. C. Findley, who on the same day was relieved of his office as prohibition commissioner for British Columbia, the charge against him being that of illegally importing liquor into the province.

Afflicted with leprosy, two Chinese will be sent to the lazaretto at D'Arcy Island. The health authorities have had the two men under surveillance for some time.

VANCOUVER. — Fire wiped out the extensive Wire Nail and Wire Manufacturing plant of the Morrison Steel and Wire Co., with a loss estimated at \$150,000.

The strike of the iron moulfers in Vancouver and district, which has been in effect for the last three weeks was terminated and the 150 men who have been out returned to work.

Manitoba

WINNIPEG. — The Manitoba legislature will not meet in session until the first week in February, it is learned from an authoritative source.

Fire loss in Manitoba for the past ten months amounted to \$995,352.11, according to Fire Commissioner Heath. This amount of loss resulted from 935 fires. "Seventy-five per cent. of the fires of the province take place in Winnipeg," added the commissioner.

November's deaths totalled 710 in Winnipeg, compared with 126 in November last year. The number of males who died last month is 398; females 312. Births in November totalled 396—202 males and 194 females. Last November's figure was 462. November's marriages numbered 135.

The price of Crescent Creamery Co. milk is up again. Consumers must now pay 14 cents per quart, and eight cents per pint.

The cost of producing a pound of bread in Winnipeg for the month of September is the fourth highest of any centre in the Dominion, according to tables just issued by the cost of living branch, Ottawa. Vancouver is highest with the cost at 7.789 cents; Montreal (group one) is second with 7.621; Moose Jaw and Saskatoon, 7.250, and Winnipeg fourth with the cost of a pound of bread at 7.046 cents. The lowest is Sherbrooke and St. Hyacinthe, where the cost is 6.331 cents.

In response to the suggestion from Trades congress, local labor unions are taking a referendum vote on the desirability of permitting the sale of 5 per cent. beer in the city. Already the Bricklayers, the Carpenters and the C. P. R. and C. N. R. Machinists have responded, and it was stated that in each case the vote had been unanimous in favor of the legalizing of the sale of the liquor.

Ontario

TORONTO. — During October and November 5,623 persons died of Spanish Influenza in Ontario and the reports are still incomplete. In November 2,608 persons succumbed to the malady, as compared with 3,015 in October. Influenza is still prevalent in some parts of the province.

Ten years in the penitentiary was the sentence Judge Winchester imposed on Arthur Healey, aged eighty.

18, who was found guilty of having shot P. C. John May here on Nov. 1, while he was attempting to stop an automobile which had been stolen.

Three persons were instantly killed, one died from injury and two others are in the general hospital here, as a result of a collision between a Grand Trunk train and a motor car at the Queen street crossing in Brampton.

KINGSTON. — Mrs. Bridget Foley passed away in the House of Providence, aged 102 years. She was born in Dublin, Ireland, and shortly after her marriage there, came to Canada.

SAULT STE MARIE. — Overdue many days and without even a call from their wireless apparatus to give hint of their fate, it seems certain that the two French mine trawlers, Cerissoles and Lukerman, which left Fort William Nov. 23, bound for the Atlantic coast, have gone down in Lake Superior with all hands. Each vessel carried a crew of 30 men.

OTTAWA. — The Canada registration act has been suspended though the registration board will remain a while to wind up business. It will no longer be necessary to carry registration cards, nor will young men have to register on coming of age.

Quebec

MONTREAL. — A strike of the police and the firemen here last week, resulted in regular orgies of lawlessness. Shops were looted and property destroyed. The damage is estimated at about \$300,000.

Troop trains with returning soldiers are to be given preference over all other trains, including regular passenger trains on the C. P. R., insofar as is consistent with safety.

The Dominion Shipping Co. has been awarded \$183,354 damages, including interest for the loss of the steamer Heathcote, as a result of a collision with the ship Kelbergen in the Bay of Fundy in July, 1917, the owners of the Kelbergen being condemned to pay this amount.

A shooting and knifing affray on the stairway of a café resulted in five men being taken to the general hospital, four in a serious condition. One of the two constables taken to the institution is in danger of dying.

That during the past month the death of children under five years of age in Montreal reached the alarmingly high total of 1,090, only 15 per cent. of these deaths having resulted from the influenza, was the report made at the annual meeting of the affiliated baby welfare stations (English), held recently.

QUEBEC. — Sentence was passed by Magistrate Carrière on the Scott bank robbers. John Drew received a sentence of seven years, and five year terms were allotted to R. Young, E. A. Lattel, J. Mac Kay and W. Scott.

A daring robbery was committed here when \$4,000 in cash was taken from the safe in the office of Arthur Duval. Mr. Duval had left his office for a few minutes and had neglected to lock the safe.

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