

GREAT WRONG TO DEALERS.

They and the Public Are Hit Hard

By Whitney's Bungling of the School Book Question.

Mr. Edgar's Letter to the Minister.

A few days ago the Times published a letter addressed by Mr. R. J. Edgar, of Owen Sound, to the Minister of Education, calling attention to the hardship imposed upon booksellers and the public by the action of the Government in its arbitrary change of school books without notice and by its ill-considered course with reference to the publication of school books generally.

THE DEPUTY MINISTER'S LETTER

Toronto, Sept. 15, 1909. Dear Sir,—I am directed by the Minister of Education to acknowledge your letter of the 13th inst. in relation to text books.

The Department of Education has been carrying out for some time, as fully and as quickly as efficiency permits, the course outlined in the report of the Royal Commission on Text Books. This report was framed after due public inquiry.

MR. EDGAR'S REPLY.

Owen Sound, Sept. 18, 1909. A. H. U. Colquhoun, Esq., Deputy Minister of Education, Toronto, Ont.: Dear Sir,—We desire to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th inst. relative to our letter of recent date "re school text books."

THROWN OUT.

Accident to Woman at St. Catharines—Child's Body Recovered.

(Special Despatch to the Times.) St. Catharines, Ont., Sept. 21.—Mrs. Lymburn, sen., of the township of Lymburn, was the victim of a serious accident yesterday. With her daughter-in-law she was driving home from the city and was about to turn down Lock 2 Hill, when they met a city watering cart in the middle of the roadway.

MEANS WORK.

Gurney Scale Company Gets Some Large Contracts.

Mr. J. P. Steedman, of the Gurney Scale Co., and daughter Jean, are guests at the Congress Hotel, Chicago. He is combining business with pleasure, having closed a large scale contract with the James Stewart Co. of that city, for all the scales of the New Consolidated Elevator now being built at Fort William.

HESS-WALTER.

Daughter of Late Fred. Walter Married at Noon.

The house of Mrs. Fred. Walter, 93 Elgin street, was the scene of a happy event at noon to-day, when her daughter, Rose, became the bride of Mr. W. H. Hess, of Montreal, formerly of this city.

STRIKE OFF BATH RATES.

Would Cost \$350,000 For a General Meter System

And Aldermen Oppose It on Many Grounds.

By-law May be Ready for Next Council Meeting.

The Fire and Water sub-committee hopes to have the new waterworks by-law in shape for the Council to deal with at its next meeting. If approved of it will go into effect the first thing next year.

PRIZES FOR SPRING BULBS

Is a Proposition to be Considered by Committee.

The Civic Improvement Department of the Greater Hamilton Association, whose judges will finish their work in the competition for lawns, flower boxes and back yards in the course of the next ten days or so, report that great interest is being taken in the contest.

GOVERNOR OF MINNESOTA

And Presidential Possibility Received Death's Call To-day.

Rochester, Minn., Sept. 21.—Governor John A. Johnson, three times elected Governor of Minnesota, a candidate for the Democratic nomination for President in 1908, and looked upon by many throughout the country as the probable Democratic national standard bearer in 1912, died at St. Mary's Hospital at 3:25 o'clock this morning, following an operation last Wednesday.

THE MONEY.

Citizen's Campaign Committee Has Promise of Funds.

That the aggressive campaign already opened should not be hampered for lack of funds the Finance Committee of the Citizen's Campaign Committee held its first meeting last night. Offers of support have been received from many prominent business men who say that the large amount of money that is now spent over the bar would be a great boost to business if spent with the retail merchants of the city.

DR. COOK AT NEW YORK; PEARY AT SYDNEY, N. S.

Former Declares That the Danish Authorities and Scientists Have Investigated His Claims and Have Accepted Them as Genuine.

Peary's Arrival at Sydney Was a Quiet Affair—His Family Were the First to Greet Him—Cook Makes a Speech.

New York, Sept. 21.—The steamer Oskar II. with Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the North Pole explorer, on board, reached quarantine early this morning, and anchored to await inspection by the health officer of the port.

Cook's Thanks To Canada

For Sending Capt. Bernier and "Arctic" With Supplies

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 21.—(Special.)—The Governor-General has received the thanks of Dr. Cook to Canada for having helped his polar work by sending supplies by Captain Bernier to the north.

and will leave the public to judge. I feel that the Danish people, who have accepted me without question and have treated me so liberally should be the first to receive the evidences of my work.

WELL-KNOWN INVENTOR.

Mr. William Russell Died After Three Weeks' Illness.

A well known business man, who was born and brought up in the neighborhood of Hamilton, passed away at Woodstock yesterday in the person of William Russell, president of the Russell Harvesting Machine Co.

MISSION IN WEST END

Has Grown So That New Building Is a Necessity.

For some time past there has been talk of erecting a new building for the Garth Street Mission, as the old one is overtaxed in accommodating the large attendances. As the mission has a large field to look after, the question of accommodation must be taken up in earnest and, from present indications, work on the new building will soon be started.

The Man in Overalls

From out of my trunk in its corner lay I'll bring, and use again, my last year's overcoat.

SAYS MRS. EDDY IS DEAD.

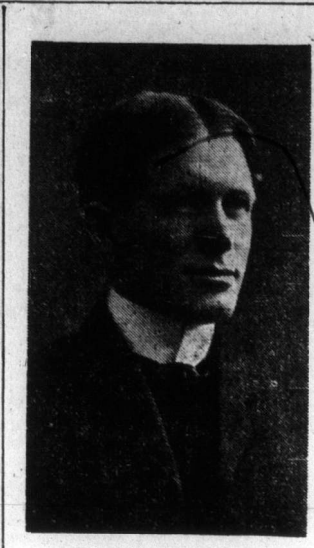
Adopted Son and Would-be Successor Alleges Fraud.

Hartford, Ct., Sept. 21.—Dr. F. J. Foster, of Vermont, an adopted son of Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, said this afternoon at the home of Dr. Robert C. Hanon, that he was certain that Mrs. Eddy had been dead for some time.

FOR LOOKS.

Outside Beautification, But the Interior—Oh, My!

The exterior of No. 3 Police Station is being brightened up with a coat of paint, but the interior remains untouched, the authorities evidently believing in the whitewashed sepulchre philosophy.



BIG SCHEME MAPPED OUT.

City Will Spend \$125,000 on Sewers in East End

And Give the Unemployed Work During Winter Months.

Big Saving In Cement Walks—City Hall News.

If the Barton annexation scheme, which will be dealt with by the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board on Monday next, goes through hundreds of men who would otherwise be idle and a charge on the city, will have work throughout the winter.

NEW CHURCH IN THE WEST.

Anglican Ladies Will Undertake to Finance It.

West Hamilton—the far west, in the new surveys in the vicinity of the Highway on the Dundas road—is to have a new church. At the request of the Bishop of Niagara and by the kindness of Mrs. DuMoulin, a number of ladies interested in the project met at the See House yesterday and discussed it.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Norman Letter, of Berlin, Ont., is a visitor in Hamilton for a few days. Mrs. D. J. Peace has gone to Berlin to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Simpson.

SAFETY DEPOSIT BOXES

To rent at \$2 a year, upwards, for the storing of deeds, bonds, stocks, wills, silver and other valuables. TRADERS BANK OF CANADA. Squabs—Squabs.

LLOYD DREW GOOD PRIZE.

Got His Liberty After Being Convicted of Theft.

County Constable Arrested Man Who Didn't Steal Grapes.

Dr. Rennie Won an Automobile Case This Morning.

There are some days when Magistrate Jelfs hands out a few pleasant surprise packets. To-day was one of them, and the first recipient of one of the coveted packets was Lloyd Drew, who was accused, last Saturday, of stealing a watch from Charles McCue. He was found guilty then, and remanded till to-day for sentence.

For failing to have the rate of interest on the back of his pawn tickets, a fine of \$20 was imposed upon a Monday street broker. His worship said failing to comply with the requirements of the Pawnbrokers' Act was a serious offence, and if defendant were convicted again the fine would be \$50.

A little knowledge is a dangerous thing and it is made doubly so when coupled with a little authority. An example was seen when County Constable Van Mere arrested James Hodgson on Sunday for alleged theft. He did so on what some boys told him, and as Hodgson was seen ahead on the street car track Van Mere followed, and handcuffing him, took him to No. 3 police station, from where he was arrested in Bartonville. Hodgson was left there 24 hours. He came up yesterday, accused of stealing a bunch of grapes from the vineyard of George Awrey, a Bartonville fruit farmer. The case was adjourned till this morning, and two witnesses, Tracy Hamilton and George Awrey, jun., said they saw defendant take them.

The Board of Works has made a big saving this year on the cost of cement sidewalks. In some years the average cost per foot has run as high as 14 cents. Last year it was 13 cents and this year about 10 cents. The cement walk gangs have enough work ahead to keep them busy until the middle of next month.

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Miss Anita Bates, James street south, is spending a week with her aunt, Mrs. Chas. Miller, of Woodstock. Mrs. Robert Gledhill, of Toronto, and her niece, Mrs. Carr, are in the city, the guests of Mrs. W. R. Harper, Herkimer street. Mrs. Joe Mearce, 20 Aikman avenue, has returned from an extended two-months' visit to her brother and sisters in Minneapolis, St. Paul, Grand Forks, and Winnipeg.

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