NIGHT CLASSES MAY BE OPENED

FOR BOYS AND GIRLS BETWEEN 14 AND 16 YEARS

After They Leave the Public School —Only Twenty Per Cent. of Children Enter High School

The members of the Board of Education, Kingston, at a special meeting held on Tuesday night, had a conference with Dr. Merchant, superintendent of technical education, relative to the opening of day and night classes in that city. No definite action was taken at this meeting, but as a result of the conference the members gained a good deal of information which will be of great assistance to them in coming to a decision. Mr. Merchant and the trustees had a heart to heart talk on the various phases of the subject and as a result of the gathering with the exchange of opinions, much good was derived. Dr. Merchant stayed over in the city on Wednesday and made an inspection of the present equipment of the Board for technical training, and will later submit a report to the Board relative to the equipment it will be necessary to secure, and the total cost of the establishment of these classes. Mr. Hatch, who had charge of the technical when it was taken up before, was present at the meeting and took part in the discussion.

At the outset of his address Dr. Merchant stated that the war had been the means of bringing about many changes in the system of education. More attention was now being paid to the education of the rising generations as the children were looked upon as the resources of the country. There was much talk in the present day about conservation and saving, and the human element was involved in the basis for it. The great aim was to make the best possible use of every child, and for this reason his education must be looked after. The child must be developed so as he would be able to develop his power for the good of the country. Every child must be given something to fit him for life's service.

What Became of Them?

Dr. Merchant stated that twenty per cent. of the school children went into the high school and he asked what became of the eighty per cent. We must look to the further education of the children who left the public school at the age of fourteen.

Boys and girls between the age of fourteen and eighteen must be cared for. These years were the most critical in their life. And what shall we do for them? It was for this reason that the day and night classes in technical education have been established. And what progress had been made? The speaker cited the city of Hamilton with a day school of 150; London, with a day school of 100 to 130;; Brantford,, from 10 to 20; Sudbury with 24; just recently classes had been established at Ottawa with 75; Windsor 40; Chatham 50; and what had the department attenmpted to do? It was intended that these classes should provide everything which would be fundamental to the work in the industrial life. There would be fifty per cent. practical work and fifty per cent. academic work. Mechanical drawing was one of the chief subjects. The very best teachers must be secured, as the success of the classes depended on the teachers. In Hamilton, twenty firms were co-operating and sending their employees to the classes five hours each week, and paying them for their time.

These men were studying chiefly drawing and mathematics. Night classes have been established since 1911. Last year 20,000 attended these classes all over Ontario.

HAS KNIT 325 PAIRS OF SOCKS

Splendid Patriotic Record of Mrs. Rebecca Thompson, Ann St—Does All Her Own Housework—Is Afflicted with Rheumatism and is Upwards of 75 Years of Age.

Mrs. Rebecca Thompson, 185 Ann street, has established a noble record for patriotic service since the commencement of the war. She frankly admits that she is no longer young, having passed the 75th milestone but she is still a youth in the ambition to serve. She does all her own housework, being housekeeper for herself and her son. Being considerably afflicted with rheumatism she gets about with difficulty with the assistance of a cane. Handicaps like these would cause younger and less loyal women to claim exemption from all forms of patriotic work.

This in brief is the record of Mrs. Thompson's defiance of obstacles and of services to her country.—She has knit more than 325 pairs of socks for the soldiers. She has besides crocheted a great number of little ornamental bags for various events which have been sold and the proceeds applied to the Red Cross Fund.

Mrs. Thompson is not able to qualify for the vote under the new Franchise Act but she can qualify for an honor roll of unselfish endeavor in a manner that has few equals in all the splendid record of achievement by Canadian womanhood since the beginning of the war.

DISASTROUS FIRE AT PAPER MILLS

Yesterday morning about 8 o'clock fire was discovered in the Northumberland Paper & Electric Co.'s mills and before water could be obtained it had gained considerable headway. The blaze started in the south part of the buildings where waste paper was stored, and burned very steadily. The local fire brigade was on the scene a few minutes after the alarm sounded and managed to keep the fire from spreading to the upper section of the building. The Peterboro fire department were wired to send help and they arrived before noon. Their help proved of great advantage and at the time The News went to press yesterday afternoon the blaze was well under control.

It is as yet impossible to estimate the loss but it will run up to several thousand dollars. We learn that the loss is partially covered by insurance.

In February of 1916 the company lost their entire plant by fire and had erected a large new plant on the same site.—Campbellford News.

COLLAPSED ON THE ROAD

Died Soon After—Late R. Reeves Of Eganville

Denbigh, Oct. 12.—A very sad and unexpected occurrence happened on Monday last, here. R. Reeves, Eganville, a prominent and very popular dealer in live stock, left the Denbigh House in the morning with a drove of cattle he had bought in the vicinity, apparently in his normal health. He was accompanied by his son, George and another young man who started ahead with the cattle, while he followed behind with his team and buggy. About seven miles from the village the young men noticed that he was staying somewhat behind and sitting in a leaning position, and turned back to meet him and to see if anything was wrong, but before they could get to him they saw him fall out of the buggy apparently lifeless. They were just in front of Thomas Dool's farm house and carried the body in, and despatched a team for Dr. Adams, who lost no time getting there, but all efforts at resuscitation were in vain and he never recovered consciousness.

ANOTHER VETERAN RETURNS

Sergt. Raymond Carr a well-known Belleville boy whose name appeared in the casualty lists, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon He is a brother of Corporal Ernie Carr, one of the heroes of Ypres. Civic authorities, and friends, includingCorporal Carr were at the depot to welcome the veteran of the great war. Ray Carr was a Grand Trunk brakman when he enlisted. He is staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Bennett.

PHYSICIANS MET IN MARMORA.

The County of Hastings Medical Association met on Wednesday evening in Marmora. Medical men from Belleville and other centres in the district were present. These meetings are held in the various centres from time to time for the purpose of bringing any doubtful cases in the County to the attention of other medical men. Cases are brought to the place of meeting and clinics are held upon them for the express puruose of getting the opinions of other physicians. The Marmora meeting was found to be very interesting.

TODAY'S CASUALTIES

Gassed:—

Gunner A. Jones, Napanee.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Devil

Editor Ontario;—

Recently there have appeared in the columns of The Ontario several articles in reference to the Devil, but in my opinion the writers of the said articles have left the matter in a very unsettled condition. Therefore I trust you will be kind enough to give space in your valuable journal for what is here presented on the subject from a strictly Bible basis, with the view of shedding more light on the Bible devil.

That there is a devil must be admitted by all believers of the sacred scriptures, for we read therein that "for this purpose was the Son of God manifested that He might destroy the works of the devil"—1 John, 3:8; "that through death He might destroy him that had the power of death, that is the devil"—Heb. 2:14. Now the following questions are in order: Is the devil, whom with his works Christ came to destroy, a personal supernatural being, a fallen archangel, an immortal spirit once in glory but expelled from heaven for rebellion and now using his god-like powers in opposition to God? Popular theology says yes to all these questions. But if we honestly investigate the evidence as furnished by the Bible, the answer will be a positive no.

It will be impossible in a newspaper article to go into the subject exhaustively on account of lack of space, so the writer will accordingly confine himself to presenting a few pointed passages of scripture with some pertinent remarks thereon for serious consideration by the reader.

From the above quotations it will be seen that the death of Christ destroys the Bible devil. The devil cannot, therefore, be an immortal being. We also gather from this passage that he (the devil) has the power of death. Now let us see how this works out when compared with some other Bible statements. The Bible devil has the power of death; so has sin—"the wages of sin is death."

"Sin bringeth forth death"—James 1:15. "By man sin entered into the world and death by sin"—Rom. 5:12. Thus we see that sin accomplishes just what the devil has the "power" of doing—has the power of death.

Now we shall see how sin (or the devil) is nullified or destroyed. "He (Christ) put away sin by the sacrifice of himself—Heb. 9:26. Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures (1 Cor. 15:3). "He was wounded for our transgressions"—Isaiah 53:5. "He was manifested to take away our sins," or to destroy the devil and his works.—I John 3:5.

It is evident from these passages that sin is the devil in the abstract, as sin is said to accomplish just what is attributed to the devil—it has the power of death. And Christ does away with sin (destroys the devil) by the sacrifice of himself. "He gave Himself for our sins"—Gal. 1:3-4. "His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree"—I Peter 2:24—and in this way "destroys him having the power of death (sin) that is the devil." It must be admitted by all intelligent people that the death of Christ could not destroy the devil of popular belief.

But the term "devil" has various applications in the Bible. Judas Iscariot was called "a devil" by Christ, and Peter was spoken of by his Lord as "satan." Even certain women are advised not to be devils ("slanderers"). In the original the word here is the same as is translated devil, but in the plural. The devil is said to put people in prison. He is declared to have been the public persecutor of the saints.—I Peter 5:8-9. He is to be bruised under the feet of the saints—I Peter 5. He is said to bind people with disease and death—Luke 13:16 Sometimes he represented a multitude, for instance where he went about as a roaring lion seeking whom he might devour of the earthly church. The same adversary (or satan) hindered Paul from taking a certain journey—I Thes. 2:18. It is quite true that the devil (diabalo) is personified. So is sin; also righteousness, wisdom, etc. Consequently the personification argument is not conclusive as to a personal devil. "Walk not after the flesh" is equivalent to saying, walk not after the diabolos or devil, for "in the flesh there is no good thing," and "the heart is deceitful above all things." We are "not to let sin (or the devil) reign in our mortal bodies." Sin in all of its manifestations and ramifications is apparently the Bible devil. Lust is the initiative of sin, for we read (James 1:14) "every man is tempted when he is drawn away of his own lust and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin; and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death." This is the case in a nutshell. No personal devil in that.

It was a serpent that argued Eve into partaking of the forbidden fruit, not the devil of popular belief. That the tempter was an animal is abundantly evident from this; "Now the serpent was the most crafty of all the brutes on the earth which the Lord God made, and the serpent said to the woman" etc (Septuagent version). There is no account of any separate agency controlling the serpent, and that the animal was the responsible tempter is evident from the fact that God pronounced punishment on the serpent individually.

The reasoning of the serpent caused the woman to have a strong desire (lust) for the forbidden fruit and the benefits resulting from the eating of it. Then came sin and death followed; and that sin has had the power of death ever since. Paul, the apostle, speaks of the Edenic tempter as being a "serpent" who "beguiled Eve through his subtility"—IICor 11:3. The serpent had the power of speech; so, likewise, had Baalam's ass, for a special purpose.

Lucifer (or day star—R. V.) is distinctly spoken of as being the king of Babylon and the 'man' that made the earth to tremble, and "ruled the nations in anger," and "weakened the nations." But notwithstanding his glory and pomp he fell from the Babylonian heaven and at last was dishonored in death being refused the rites of burial (ver. 20).

Ezekiel 28 contains an address to the king of Tyre (not the devil). He had been in Eden. The preceding chapter shows that the inhabitants of Eden had considerable mercantile intercourse with the city of Tyre at that time and no doubt the king paid a visit to that country and he would walk up and down decorated with stones of fire (diamonds etc.) and in this way he would be in "the midst of the stones of fire." He was also on the holy mountain of God. This was not far distant as it was Mount Zion—Isaiah 2:3. There is not a word in these passages referring to the devil believed in by "Bible Student." The kings of Babylon and Tyre were men in the flesh. The king of Babylon (Lucifer) is spoken of as being a "man" and it is explicitly stated that the prince of Tyre is a "man and not a God"—"thou art a man"(ver. 2).

The Bible does not say that the angels who kept not their first estate were of heavenly origin, nor that they were expelled from heaven. There is no word of heavenly beings losing their first estate. True there is an account of the "sons of God" marrying the daughters of men (Gen. 6), but not a word about angels in the whole narrative; neither is there anything to identify these with the angels (messengers) that kept not their first estate—simply Russelite speculation.

The war in heaven in which Michael prevailed over the great red dragon and expelled him (Rev. 12:7) was a prophetic forecast in the hieroglyph of events to transpire in the Roman empire (Rev. 4:1, 17:9). The seven-headed and ten-horned monster labeled "the devil and satan" was the symbol of human antagonism politically incorporate. The heaven from which the dragon was expelled was the political heaven of pagan Rome, not the heaven where God dwells personally. Besides, these events were to take place subsequent to John the revelator's day, (see Rev. 1:1, 4:1) not in the preceding dim past. "Heaven" is used sometimes as the symbol of governments or the high places of political power. The Toronto World the other day used the word in this sense.

A. Robinson.

R. A. HAMILTON WITHDREW

And Asked That Returned Soldier be Made County Jailer

R. A. Hamilton was notified on the 14th of September of his appointment by the Ontario Government as jailer of Frontenac. Owing to the opposition raised that the position should go to a returned soldier, Mr. Hamilton on the 25th of September wrote Premier Hearst stating that he would waive his rights on condition that the vacancy be filled by a returned soldier from North Frontenac as soon as one was available. Mr. Hamilton mentioned the fact that he naturally sympathized with returned soldiers, for his two sons have seen service in the struggle. The appointment of Lt. Topping followed the withdrawal of Mr. Hamilton.

XMAS CHEER FOR THE BOYS

Red Cross Shipping Two Hundred and Fifty Boxes to France and England.

The Belleville branch of the Red Cross Society is looking after Xms cheer for the local boys in England or faraway France with the Canadian armies. Recently Miss Mary Yeomans made an appeal for donations throughout the city by means of the penny bags and a considerable sum was realized for the purchase of Christmas boxes for the overseas boys. There is still an opportunity for any one wishing to contribute towards sending of gifts.

The names of two hundred and fifty soldiers have been sent in to the Red Cross and for each of these has been prepared a box, containing one book of paper and envelopes, one candle, mirror, or tobacco pouch or knife, one box of cigarettes, one box of tobacco, one handkerchief, one game, two packages of gum, one package of maple buds, one package of mints and clove apples, two chocolate bars, one package peanuts, one pair of socks, fruit cake and Christmas card. In addition two prs of socks are being sent to each individual. Each box weighs about 4 pounds, the postage which is very heavy, being borne by the society. Each box is strapped, and bears the name of the soldier, is then wrapped in heavy paper and then tied, readdressed, and stamped.

Mrs. (Col.) Lazier and her workers in the society, make it a labor of love, although it has entailed an immense amount of detailed work.

This morning the headquarters in the West Robertson Block seemed a very hive of industry. Parcels were every where piled up neatly and ladies were busily engaged in getting the boxes in shape for shipment. Those for soldier in France will go direct, those for troops in England will be shipped in larger boxes in care of Miss Plummer who will distribute them. The gifts are being sent out daily in relays through the post office.

IN MEMORIAM

The late Rev. Jeremiah Egan, whose sudden demise at his home North Front Street at an early hour yesterday morning (Thursday), Oct. 11th came as a great surprise and sorrow to his many friends in this city, was for more than half a century an honored and useful minister of the Methodist church, and for the last sixteen years a highly esteemed and much loved citizen of Belleville.

Rev. Mr. Egan was born 80 years ago near Brighton, Ont., of Roman Catholic parents. At 21 years of age, while attending a Methodist camp meeting near his native home, he with his sister, was soundly converted to God, and later, largely through his influence his entire family became Christians.

Almost immediately he became an exhorter in which capacity his gift as a gospel preacher were readily recognized, with the result that in 1863, after completing his education at Colborne Grammar School, and Albert College, Belleville, he entered the full ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

During his ministry of 54 years, spent within the bounds of the Bay of Quinte and Toronto conferences, Mr. Egan served the church of his choice with great efficiency and faithfulness, on the following circuits, on all of which the abiding fruits of his earnest labors may still be found,— Demorestville, Haldimand (twice), Campbellford (2 times) Orono, Omemee, Minden, Madoc (twice), Uxbridge, Queensville, Seagrave, Port Carling, Severn Bridge and Erlinsdale.

In 1867 he was united in marriage with Miss Charlotte M. Williams, daughter of the late Charles Williams of Baltimore—a woman of superior Christian character, who has proven herself to be a true and faithful helpmeet and who now survives her husband, after more than 50 years of happy and harmonious wedded life. In July last Mr. and Mrs. Egan celebrated their golden wedding, on which occasion as a token of affectionate regard, the Tabernacle Church, of which they have been faithful and devoted members, presented Mr. Egan with a gold-headed cane.

Their family consisted of four sons and two daughters, Rev. Wm. E., of Fort Francis, Ont., Mrs. Robt. Mann of Baltimore, Albert and Chas. H., of Humbolt, Sask., Frank of Edmonton, Alta, and Mrs. (Prof.) E. Luck, (deceased).

Mr. Egan was a man of the most rugged and robust Christian character, a close, careful student of the Scriptures; a clear, keen thinker; a forceful, fearless preacher, and an ardent temperance worker—a man of the strictest integrity, the firmest faith, and with the courage of his conviction, one of God's noblemen. He will be greatly missed in this city

The funeral services will be held on Monday next at 1.15 p.m. in the Tabernacle Church, under the direction of his pastor, Rev. S. C. Moore, chairman of the Belleville district, after which interment will take place at Baltimore, Ont.

ATTEMPTED ABDUCTION ALLEGED BY SISTER

Archbishop Spratt, Mother Frances Regis and Others Named as Defendants in Sensational Case.

Kingston, Oct. 11.—A big sensation was caused here this afternoon when the announcement was made that a writ had been issued in the supreme court in which the plaintiff is Sister Mary Basil and the defendants are Archbishop Spratt, Mother Frances Regis, the sisters of charity of the House of Providence, Dr. Daniel Phelan and Police Constable John Naylon. The claim is made that in September, 1916, Constable Naylon entered the room of the plaintiff, who for 29 years has been a sister of charity at the House of Providence at St. Mary's-on-the-Lake Orphanage, and that, assisted by three sisters, an attempt was made to abduct her to the Province of Quebec. —Toronto World

LINDSAY

Mr. P. Conquergood spent the holiday in Cannifton.

Miss Molly Morley, of the L. C. I. staff, spent Thanksgiving at Sterling.

Misses Lulu and Marion Johnston of Toronto, were home for the holiday.

Miss Marion Wray, of Uxbridge, was home for the holiday.

The many friends of Miss Cora Hepburn will be pleased to hear that she is improving, but slowly.

Miss Daisy Hopkins, of the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, returned last evening after three weeks' holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hopkins, Cambridge St.

Mrs. J. A. Graham and baby, Yorkton, Sask., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Palen.

F. O'Hara, of Lindsay, has arrived in Quebec from overseas with a party of convalescent soldiers.

Lieut. D. F. Bissonette has been appointed supervisor in the office of the Deputy Registrar of the Military Service Act at Kingston.

Pte. Russel Lamb, of Fenelon Falls, arrived in town on Saturday from Kingston. He has been eight months in the trenches, and was wounded in the hip and gassed.

Pte B. T. Brewer, of Lindsay,arrived in town last night from Kingston, having reached that city from Quebec on Saturday. Pte. Brewer has seen some strenuous fighting on the Western front. Previous to enlistment he was employed as engineer for the Sylvester Co.

$380 COLLECTED IN POLL TAX AT LINDSAY

Chief Short has collected the sum of $380.00 in poll tax, to use an election phrase, there are several places yet to hear from. The Chief has been very considerate in the collection of this tax, giving the delinquents reasonable time to meet this obligation. This privilege has been abused, however, and those who are trying to dodge the tax may have to pay more than $5.00 before the law is through with them. —Post.

BURIAL at MADOC

Remains of Mrs. Delilah Eckert of Ameliasburgh Shipped to Madoc Place

The remains of the late Mrs. Delilah Eckert, who dropped dead in Belleville o n Tuesday, were Thursday shipped by Grand Trunk to Madoc by the Belleville Burial Company for interment. The body was accompanied by friends of the deceased. Mrs. Eckert was a widow seventy-two years of age and was a native of Madoc. She had been residing in the second concession of Ameliasburgh.

TODAY'S CASUALTIES

Killed

D. M. McLennan Stirling

Capt. G. E. Tinling, Brockville

Died

J. H. Gallagher, Trenton

Wounded

G. W. Phillips, Kingston

F. G. Brooks, Kingston

THE BLESSING OF A HEALTHY BODY

Has Not Had An Hour's Sickness Since Taking "FRUIT-A-TIVES".

MR. MARRIOTT

75 Lees Ave., Ottawa, Ont., August 9th, 1915.

"I think it my duty to tell you what "Fruit-a-tives" has done for me. Three years ago, I began to feel run-down and tired, and suffered very much from *Liver and Kidney Trouble*. Having read of "Fruit-a-tives", I thought I would try them. The results was surprising. During the 3½ years past, I have taken them regularly and would not change for anything. *I have not had an hour's sickness* since I commenced using "Fruit-a-tives", and I know now what I haven't known for a good many years—that is, the blessing of a healthy body and clear thinking brain".

WALTER J. MARRIOTT.

50c. a box, 6 for $2.50, trial size, 25c. At dealers or sent postpaid on receipt of price by Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa.

OBITUARY

On Tuesday A.M., occurred the death of W. S. Minns, at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Fred Berry, Trenton, Ont. During the past twelve years, Mr. Minns has been supervisor of the boys at the School for the Deaf, Belleville, Ont., and until shortly before the recent summer holidays, when his failing health compelled him to seek a rest, he performed the duties of this office.

He was born in Ameliasburg, Prince Edward County, in 1861, but spent most of his early life on a farm near the village of Stockdale where his parents had settled. After some years in this locality and feeling his physical strength not equal to the demands of farm life in those days, he moved to Trenton and finally to Belleville, to assume the duties at the Institute.

Besides his widow, he leaves to mourn his loss, two daughters, Mrs. B. Brown of Belleville and Mrs. Fred Berry of Trenton and two sons, Ray who is overseas and Stanley, attached to Special Service Co. at Kingston

Inspector J. E. Minns of Centre Hastings, is an only remaining brother.

Funeral took place on Thursday from the residence of his daughter, Mrs. Fred Berry, Henry street, to Mount Evergreen Cemetery, Trenton

MR. WM. STEWART BURNED OUT

Contents of Upstairs Destroyed—House Insured

Thursday evening the fire bell summoned the brigade and the citizens to the home of Mr. Wm. Stewart, Moira Street.

The fire had secured quite a headway even before it had been discovered by Mr. Stewart, as it started in the back kitchen and the family were chatting with friends in the living room.

They succeeded in removing all furniture etc. downstairs, but saved little or nothing of what was upstairs

Mr. Stewart's loss is heavy as he carried no insurance. The house belonged to Mr. Jay Farrar and carried $800 insurance. Mr. Farrar suffers a considerable loss too.—Tweed News.

ITALIONS SETTLE CASE

Yesterday morning a settlement was affected in the case of Camillo di Luca against Francisco di Lauo on a charge of assault near the Belleville hospital. Signor di Lauo paid costs and gave bonds, $200 in his own name and $100 in another for his good conduct for the next six months.