

## HEALTH IN THE CITY SCHOOLS.

Mr. Lazier's Suggestion Approved by the Committee.

Collection for Alexander Muir Memorial Will be Taken Up.

Report on Salary Increases at a Special Meeting.

At its final meeting of the year last night the Internal Management Committee of the Board of Education looked favorably on the suggestion of Trustee Lazier to appoint a medical inspector for the Public Schools. A special committee was appointed to look into the matter and report. Dr. Roberts, Medical Health Officer, at Mr. Lazier's request, addressed the committee on the subject and read extracts from an important paper discussed at the meeting of the British Medical Society. He also said the approved of hygiene in the Public Schools. Some of the trustees thought the best way to carry the scheme into effect would be for the Board to work jointly with the Medical Health Officer, and the doctor said he would be pleased to give all the assistance possible. In reply to a question he explained that such an inspection would undoubtedly lessen the number of diphtheria and scarlet fever cases.

Trustee Hobson thought this brought up the question of medical attendance for the children, but Trustee Lazier was of the opinion that all the Board should do was to point out cases that required the attendance of a physician. Trustee Hobson suggested that Dr. Roberts might be paid \$500 for six months as an experiment. Dr. Roberts said he would not, with his present duties, physician at the jail and other civil institutions, be able to devote the time really necessary to make a proper inspection. If he had only the duties of the health department to look after the inspection of the children. The committee that will report on the subject is composed of Trustees Howell, Wedell and Lazier. Dr. Roberts called the committee's attention to the practice of collecting pencils in the schools and distributing them again the next day. This was quite an agency, he thought, for spreading disease, and some other arrangement should be made.

After some discussion it was decided to allow a collection to be taken up in the schools for the Alex. Muir memorial. This is being done all over Canada, and although it is an exception to permit collections in the schools, the Trustees thought that out of respect to the memory of the author of Canada's National Anthem, "The Maple Leaf," something should be done. The proceeds will be devoted to a monument and a benefit fund for the widow and invalid daughter of Mr. Muir. The Chairman and Inspector will decide when the collection is to be made, although it will likely be Empire Day. It was distinctly understood that the collection was to be purely voluntary, the children being given the opportunity to contribute if they so desired.

The committee will meet at 7.30 on the night the Board meets to receive the report of the sub-committee dealing with the applications of the lady teachers for salary increases.

The resignations from the kindergarten staff of Miss Wain—said it cured him. Since taking his advice I retain my food and get all the good out of it, and don't have those awful hungry spells.

"I changed from coffee to Postum without any trouble whatever, felt better from the first day I drank it. I am well now and give the credit to Postum." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

The salary of City Messenger Smith,

who is caretaker and messenger for the Board, was increased from \$20 to \$25 a month, as a result of the increase in his work when the Board of Education officials move into their new offices. Principal Thompson's report of the attendance at the Collegiate Institute for December showed 293 boys and 300 girls, enrolled, or a total of 593, as compared with 614 for December of 1903. Non-resident pupils numbered 80, compared with 93 in the corresponding month of 1903. Fees collected amounted to \$471.50.

Inspector Ballard's report showed the average attendance at the Public Schools for the month to be, Central, 787; Ryerson, 741; Hess, 1,233; Cannon, 1,190; Victoria, 1,733; Queen, 925; Homes, 72. Fees collected amounted to \$1,074, as compared with \$1,072.20 for the corresponding month of the previous year.

## QUIET WEDDING.

MARRIAGE OF MR. FRED WILDE AND MISS COPP.

A quiet wedding took place yesterday, when Mr. Fred Wilde, the popular wine clerk at the Arlington Hotel, was married to Miss Susan Copp, of Burlington. Rev. Dr. Williamson performed the ceremony; Mrs. Allie Brooks was bridesmaid, and T. McMaster was best man. The wedding breakfast was served in the dining hall of the Arlington. The guests present to the bride was a handsome sapphire and pearl ring; to the bridesmaid a brooch, and to the best man, a pair of cuff-links. The bride's going away gown was white, with a broadcloth. The happy couple were surrounded by many beautiful presents from their many friends. Among them was a dinner set from Geo. Midwinter; a toilet set from Mrs. Midwinter; a beautiful jardiniere from Mr. and Mrs. Lee Thomas, a set of knives and forks from Miss Annie and Master Clifford Midwinter, a set of cut-glass berry dishes from Miss Agnes Midwinter. Mr. and Mrs. Wilde will carry with them on their journey through life the best wishes of their many friends.

## AN AGE OF READJUSTMENTS.

To the Editor of the Times: Sir,—Be it known unto you that we are in an age of readjustments. A local Bishop, while preaching in Toronto lately, expressed the fear that both France and England are in great danger of denying God. I have been led to wonder what God the good Bishop refers to. Is it Allah, the Mohammedan God, or is it Jehovah, the Jewish God, or is it the God of Shintoism, the spirit of all goodness, recognized by Japan? It would be well if the Bishop would tell us what God he is afraid of being dethroned.

If the God, heretofore worshipped in France and England, is in danger, then it is not probable that He is just a creation of fancy, suitable to and keeping with the age in which He ruled.

The God accepted as supreme in the teachings of the Bible, known as the books of Moses, was the Jewish God, and those who worshipped Him were the leaders in the cruel work of crucifying the Master—the Man of Nazareth. It is evident from the testimony of Jesus that this Jehovah was not "the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ."

In our most authentic records it is stated that Jesus said they persecuted Him because "they knew neither the Father nor the Son."

To become free from false teaching is the first step towards power, enabling men and women to accept the truth, and that is the step now being taken in France and England and more or less in all countries of the world.

Evolution is the law of life. This is an age of readjustments. Yours truly, Jan. 3, 1907. William Strong.

## GAS KILLS MOTHER AND CHILD.

Infant in Flat Revived—Woman Accidentally Detached Tube From Stove.

New York, Jan. 4.—Morris Hindenberg killed his wife Sophia and his two little children early yesterday morning, as they slept, by attaching a gas pipe to the kitchen stove.

Wolfson, left his flat on the top floor of 73 Market street, for their day's work as machinists in a shop in Centre street. They returned last night and Hindenberg stopped at the corner of Cherry street to purchase provisions.

Wolfson came up to the little home alone and found the door locked. No response came to repeated knocks, and he waited for Hindenberg. The latter broke the glass in the door and unlocked it.

As the door swung open the two men were almost overcome by gas. Both rushed to windows, and after fresh air had entered, began an investigation.

Mrs. Hindenberg lay dead on the floor in the kitchen. On a bed in a roomy old daughter, also dead. In a front bedroom was the infant, Anna, only one month old. There were signs of life in Anna, and Mrs. Dora Berger, who lived on the floor below, took charge of her.

Hindenberg and Wolfson carried the bodies of his wife and child to the rooms of his friend, Morris Meckler, on the ground floor. Then Policeman Convery, of the Madison street station, called an ambulance and Dr. Winthrop, of Gouverneur Hospital, revived the infant.

An investigation of the Hindenberg home showed that a small gas stove which had been on the kitchen stove lay upturned on the floor. The gas tube which had connected it with the jet had been detached by the fall. The police and Coroner Acertelli think that the mother caught her foot in the tube and fell; the shock stunning her, before she could recover, the belief, the gas had condensed in such quantity that she was overcome.

Mrs. Berger said she heard a heavy fall on the floor above some time after 4 o'clock. Mr. Hindenberg's wife had no reason for taking her life.

## TO BUILD NEW CRUISER.

The Kaiser's Boat Will Be the Largest Afloat.

London, Jan. 4.—According to the Berlin correspondent of the Daily Mail, the Kaiser has decided to equip the world in a new armoured cruiser already projected for 1907. One of the first acts of the new government after the elections will be to ask the Reichstag to sanction a great increase in the proposed tonnage of the cruiser, giving it a displacement of 20,000 tons. The vessel will be equipped with turbine engines, designed to give her a greater speed than that of any cruiser yet designed. She will be not only larger and more powerful than any other cruiser afloat, but will be larger and more powerful than any existing battleship, including the Dreadnought and Satsuma. Germany's first vessel of the Dreadnought type has been under construction for some weeks at Bremen. The enlargement of the ship at Stettin being hurried for a second vessel of the same type. Their construction will be secret, and the details will not be published. The work is being carried on at such high pressure that enough workmen cannot be obtained.

## GUIBOAT FOR LAKE ONTARIO.

Sandoval, a Prize of Spanish-American War, Being Fitted Out.

New York, Jan. 3.—The Little United States gunboat Sandoval, intended for the use of the naval militia on Lake Ontario, reached her dock in this city today, having arrived from Norfolk, under the command of Lieut. E. N. Wallbridge, and manned by members of the second separate division of the naval militia of Rochester, N. Y.

The Sandoval was captured at Gran Canaria during the Spanish-American war. She will be repaired in New York and proceed to Lake Ontario in the spring.

## SUBMARINE CRUISERS.

France Has Ordered Four of New and Superior Type.

Paris, Jan. 3.—The Admiralty has ordered the construction of four submarine cruisers, which are to be superior to any existing type of similar vessels. They are to be of 393 tons, to have a speed of fifteen knots on the surface, and to have a radius of action of 2,500 miles.

## A MAHATMA STIRS LONDON.

Crowds Going to Listen to Sri Agamya's Teachings.



THE MAHATMA SRI AGAMYA.

London, Dec. 5.—A good deal of interest attaches to the visit to London of the Mahatma Sri Agamya, who is said to be the first genuine Mahatma that ever left India to visit the western world.

Before renouncing all else to devote himself entirely to Yoga, or the occult, he was a Judge in the High Court of India. He has come to London and will go a little later to America, not as a propagandist of his religion in the ordinary sense, but to organize what he denominates a Parliament of Truth, and answer any inquiries which seekers after truth, as it is viewed by those of his ancient faith, may care to make of him.

The response in London to this quasi invitation has been so overwhelming that it has been necessary to eliminate from the throngs who seek to see him the cranks and merely curious who form a large proportion of the crowd. These come to him usually in hope of seeing some manifestation of his so-called miraculous powers, and their curiosity is never gratified. It is explained by his friends that Sri Agamya is able to suspend at will his physical life for periods long or short, and to do other strange things which, as he says, may excite wonder, but are mere trivial physical phenomena compared with which the powers of the mind are infinite.

One who recently conversed with him describes the interview in what follows:

We found a man of tall and powerful build seated in an armchair by the fire, the features rugged, the head, turbaned in dark blue with plating of gold, was intellectual and massive. He wore khaki colored Indian garments of soft wool.

With a steady questioning look at each person ushered in, he asked in a modulated, deep voice, not unkind but with a ring of authority in it, what we wished to know of him. In answering our questions he expounded his wisdom, giving at the same time the sense of one who would not willingly throw that which is holy unto dogs or pour out pearls unwillingly to the trivial.

There is something of the Indian in him still as he sits in his armchair, the great steady eyes either darkly dim or burning with magnetic fire. He has given up great social position and riches in order to be a teacher of men and proclaim to them "their true and eternal selves."

He has millions of followers in India, and though a high caste Brahmin, he has been a Hindu, he holds himself strictly free from prejudice and the superstitions with which the Vedantic teaching has through the ages become encumbered.

He is a reformer, a true and mighty tradition of his race.

He embodies the philosophy of the Vedas, having passed through the many stages of development to that of a perfect Yogi, and having acquired on that basis, the knowledge of yoga, to produce physical phenomena, so-called miracles, among which is the power of voluntary suspension of the body's life and its deliberate resumption after any pre-decided period of time.

That Paramahansa possesses this power has been fully authenticated in the presence of scientific men at Oxford, among whom were Prof. Max Muller (on the occasion of a former visit in 1900), and Prof. J. E. B. Carpenter, and at Cambridge in the presence of the late Frederick Myers and Dr. Holgson.

Prof. Carpenter said: "As he sat in my study on the day of his first visit, he showed me that he could entirely suspend the normal circulation of the blood and the pulse ceased to beat as I laid my finger on it."

The Mahatma has no desire to become famous as a wonder worker. He thinks true faith is not incited by that means, and says:

"The exhibition of this control of physical phenomena are only for small people; they are not for the full grown. The visible world is a small thing in comparison with the mind."

"The mind controls all things and creates all things. The control which I exercise over my body is in no way whatever miraculous, any one could learn to do the same if he would take the time and trouble required."

When he consented to show this power

er his body was to all appearance lifeless, though subjected to every known medical test by the physicians present. He can remain in that state for any length of time, resuming the normal condition at will.

He says there is no danger connected with the experiment, which denotes nothing but the exercise of a power resident in every person. Asked if the soul during that time was out of the physical frame, he said:

"No, it is confined within a single atom of the body and constitutes the vital spark to be expanded to full life flame at the appointed time."

"We do not send our spirits away from our bodies; the spirit cannot move in that independent way, though it may have visible reflections. As to the movement of the spirit after death, it cannot comeback as a spirit; if perfected it returns to the Divine Spirit from whence it issued, and to the highest bliss, but if still unperfected it re-enters some earthly body at its birth and so comes back into this life."

In spite of his assertion that he was attained to a state of divinity where he is no longer of this world at all but lives in the eternal, his personality is natural, simple, hearty, practical, essentially modern. There is certainly nothing of the ecstatic or weird or crank about him. He is full of fresh vigor, physically and mentally, enlivening and electric, although 60 years of age.

He said that, having prior to this present life attained the stage where he had realized his divinity, he had no use for the body as a earthly body, and that after this he will be no more re-incarnated.

I asked why in that case he had taken up the earth life this time. His answer was that he had been sent and had chosen to come out of ardent desire to help all those who could recognize and understand his teachings back to their true activity, and to awaken them to their true selves and to the consciousness of their divinity.

When asked if he meant that we should renounce all accomplishment and energy in this life, he said:

"Certainly not; on the contrary, every thing must be fought to the uttermost and every duty fulfilled, especially if it involves the well being of others."

He accepts no money, leads a simple pure and kind life; rises early and takes food but once a day, at midnight. It consists of bread and a dish of vegetables seasoned with peppers, prepared over a spit lamp by his secretary, who is himself a Brahmin, a dark eyed, bright eyed young disciple.

The Mahatma recognizes the great material achievement of Western civilization, but says that we are all mad in our rush for money and that our greed of gain and devotion to money getting intrusions us away from our true selves, standing our faces to the utmost, but giving us no satisfaction in return. As a young Irish Lieutenant put the same idea to me: "Look at our civilization! Just look at it! It's tremendous, stupendous! We're going ahead, right ahead! But what do we get out of it? We're going ahead backward!"

The Mahatma says that if we give half so much devotion to discovering and recognizing our true forces of existence we would be indeed mighty; and as for worldly treasure, these "illusory creations of Maya," they would be there in richer plenty, as they are the shadow of the substance, and would follow that substance so long as we exist in this world—which seems but first formulation of "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added unto you."

The Mahatma's pedantic teaching rests on two principles. One is expressed in the sentence, "Saty aj nanam dukkhalahaya," which means, "The knowledge of truth is the destroyer of pain." "It is very like, 'Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free.'"

The other principle is Yoga, the absolute control of the vibrations of the mind; the mind which controls all things, creates all things.

I said to one of his disciples, "That sounds like Christian science." He answered, "Yes, they have seized that principle, but they do not understand it, nor how to apply it."

The Mahatma spoke of his plan to

form a great world parliament of truth, which is to unite all who love pure justice. The parliament is to be a helper of humanity, to examine the acts and important movements among the different nations, judge their exact nature, and undertake by all possible means that pure justice shall be done independently of what might be called political vested interests.

The Mahatma has just received from members of the British Parliament a request, to be received by him, that they may inquire regarding this plan. Apart from this plan the Mahatma has no desire to make any foundations or to organize any society, though fortunes have been offered to him for that purpose.

He holds himself above all doctrinal teaching and institutions. His attitude to all religions and sects is that they are well in their various ways for the training of the childhood of humanity, which recalls Christ's speech about his feeding his followers with milk convenient for babes and having many things to teach which they were not then able to bear.

## ROBBER A CANADIAN.

STATES HIS HOME IS AT BERLIN, ONTARIO.

Hold Up Train in Virginia and Relieved Passengers of Valuables Worth \$1,000—Penalty May Be Death.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 3.—Charles Powell was arrested by detectives at Acca station, near Richmond, yesterday, as the man who held up the Seaboard Air Line train near Lacrosse, Va., last Sunday night and relieved a number of the Pullman car passengers of their money and other valuables, securing about \$1,000 worth of booty. He was identified by the conductor and porter of the train. He was lodged in jail here and will be delivered tomorrow to the authorities of Mecklenburg county in which the crime was committed, for trial. The penalty for the offence may be death, under the laws of Virginia, in the discretion of the jury.

"My home is in Berlin, Ontario, Canada," he said. "My sister lives there. I have three brothers, Norman, William and Benjamin Powell, who have been travelling with a circus. My father, William Powell, son, lives in Ontario."

Powell told three or four different stories.

## WOUNDED BY BIRD SHOT.

Shooting Affray Takes Place Near Mount Albert.

Toronto, Jan. 3.—With his back and limbs punctured by bird shot, a son of Mr. James Longhurst is lying at his home near Mount Albert. John Simmers of the same place is in jail here, awaiting trial on a charge of doing the shooting, while his uncle, George Simmers, though also accused of the offence, is out on bail.

It appears that two of the Longhurst boys were out celebrating, on New Year's eve, having guns with them, and while they were out, they saw another flash, but this time the shot took effect.

The two Simmers were taken before Mr. John Moore, J. P., of Mount Albert, and remanded. They say no shots were fired from their home, and at the same time advance the theory that the wounds were inflicted by the other brother.

The injured youth will likely recover.

## DEATH BY CARBONIC ACID GAS.

Verdict on Death of Four Members of Niagara Falls Family.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Jan. 3.—The coroner's inquest on the death of the Harris family by gas suffocation was resumed this evening. Nothing new was elicited. Some of the witnesses gave contradictory evidence on the positions of the bodies after they were found. Medical evidence stated that death was caused by inhaling carbonic acid gas. Myrtle, the only survivor of the family, did not remember enough of what happened to give her story to the jury. The jury returned a verdict based on the medical evidence that the late Harris family came to accidental death from carbonic acid gas.

## REPUDIATE LIABILITIES.

British Insurance Companies Will Pay No Valparaiso Earthquake Claims.

London, Jan. 13.—All the British insurance companies have repudiated their liabilities arising from the earthquake at Valparaiso last year. Speaking on the subject at a meeting of the Royal Insurance Company of Liverpool to-day, the Chairman said that the terms of the Valparaiso policies differed from those of San Francisco. The companies, he added, had all agreed to resist the Valparaiso claims, and lawsuits had been commenced.

## CASTORIA

For Infants and Children. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Watson*.

Instructor Suffering.

Cambridge, Mass., Jan. 3.—Walter Danawson, an instructor in architecture at Harvard University, died to-day after having shot himself over the heart. No cause for the suicide is known. He was 30 years old and leaves a widow and two children.

## From Norway and France.

Received from the London Agents the Kingdom of Norway Cod Liver Oil in 25 gallon tinned tins. This oil is the finest product. Received from France pure Olive Oil, Manzanillo brand, expressed for internal use from a choice variety of small olives. Special prices at Gerrie's drug store, 32 James street north.

Lord Aberdeen Given Audiences.

Rome, Jan. 3.—The Pope to-day received in private audience the Earl of Aberdeen, Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland. During their conversation the Pontiff said: "There are no better Catholics than the Irish Catholics, whether in Ireland or abroad."

Hard work is the only passport to the halls of true honor and priceless worth in men.

## CAISTORVILLE

December was a month of enjoyment to the people of Caistor on account of the excellent roads, but since the new year the roads are in a very bad state. Last year's work speaks well for the road and roadbuilders, as they have been reinstated by acclamation.

Mr. Jas. Shields sold several beautiful cutters during December, and has a fine stock on hand yet.

Would the parties who found a valise between Caistorville and Carfield the week before Christmas kindly return to Rev. S. E. Couch, Caistorville parsonage, and get their reward?

Mr. Jas. Overend is in a critical condition. Slight hopes are held for his recovery.

Rev. Fred. Overend, of Toronto, is visiting with his brother James. The choir is to be congratulated on the fine Christmas music it rendered the last two Sundays.

Mr. Wm. Brown, of Seneca, is the guest of his brother, H. Brown. Egerton Asher has engaged some of his carpenters for next summer's work.

A. W. Sporns spent New Year's Day with his brother Robert, of Simcoe. Mrs. J. A. McDonnell, of Detroit, is spending her holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Brown.

Mr. Thos. Gill has bought the Peter Somers property and intends living retired. The annual oyster supper will be held in the Methodist Church some time this month. Mr. Wm. Grant has been appointed the new trustee of S. S. No. 7.

## SOUTHCOTE

Miss Ruby Horning has been spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. H. Marshall.

Mr. J. Jones and son Bruce, of Waskado, Manitoba, are guests at Mr. Peter Lamont's.

An enjoyable hop was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hossack on Tuesday evening.

A singing school, under the direction of Mrs. (Dr.) Scannan, is being organized at the White Brick Church.

Rev. Robert Bell, of Hannah Street Methodist Church, Hamilton, will preach missionary sermons on the Anacostia circuit on Sunday next.

Mrs. Laidman and Miss Grace Laidman visited friends in Elfrida on Monday.

Politics are the topic of the day.

Suffragettes Released.

London, Jan. 3.—The eleven suffragettes who were sent to Holloway jail last month on refusal to pay a fine imposed on them for making a disturbance in the lobby of the House of Commons on Dec. 17, were released to-day.

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