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HE KNEW.
The teacher, who was giving the primary class a nature talk, inquired: "Johnny, how does a bee sting?" "Johnny, a graduate from the school of experience, replied, with emphasis: "Awww!"

Thomas Gowdy, a prominent citizen of Guilford, a former Alderman and Mayor for two years, died at the age of nearly 88.

FORTY-FOURTH YEAR

BANISHING EGGS FROM TABLES IN U. S.

Mrs. William Jennings Bryan Takes Lead in Movement.

Women of United States Get Out Monster Petition.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—Eggs are to be banished from the tables in the homes of nearly all the Cabinet Ministers whose wives have pledged their support to the egg boycott campaign which is being waged to reduce the price. One of the first to give her approval and join the movement was Mrs. William Jennings Bryan, wife of the Secretary of State.

"Any subject that touches the home, touches the heart of every woman, whoever she is," is what Mrs. Bryan told Mrs. Ellis Logan, a leader in the boycott movement here, when she called upon Mrs. Bryan to obtain her support. Mrs. Bryan assured Mrs. Logan that she was in thorough accord with the movement.

Following Mrs. Bryan's lead nearly all the other cabinet wives have joined the effort to bring lower egg prices. Pledges have been obtained from Mrs. Lindley M. Garrison, wife of the Secretary of War; Mrs. Albert S. Burleson, wife of the Postmaster-General; Mrs. David Houston, wife of the Secretary of Agriculture; and Mrs. William B. Wilson, wife of the Secretary of Labor.

A monster petition is being prepared with which Congress is to be stormed by Mrs. Logan and her co-workers. It is expected that by next Monday night more than 2,000 names will have been signed to the document. Mrs. Logan declares that already fifteen thousand Washington housewives have joined the movement. It is planned to bring the petition to impress Congress with the need for legislation that will bring about lower food prices.

CAMPAIGN COMMENCED.
CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 5.—Liberals commenced the campaign in MacDonald's last night with four public meetings. Alexander Morrison, the insensate member announced he feels he is hardly still the representative of his constituency and seeks re-election.

Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst was arrested off Plymouth harbor and later held in prison at Exeter.

IMPOSSIBLE TO BUILD SCHOOL FOR \$50,000 DECLARE TRUSTEES

Public School Board Open Tenders at Meeting Last Night—Dental Clinic Will be Established—Other Business Transacted by the Board.

There was an exceptionally lengthy session of the Public School board last evening—in fact the longest one of the year. The cost of the new school on Rawdon street caused much discussion. It is found that it is impossible to build a 10-room school, fitted with furnishings, under the \$50,000 limit. Much of the time of the evening was taken up with the report of Ballachey on his visit to Toronto to look into the dental clinic.

Those present were: Chairman Ryan, Mrs. D. Lytle, A. Conroy, M. E. B. Cutcliffe, Dr. Ballachey, C. D. Scriver, Dr. Watson, Mr. Clement and Dr. Ashton. The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. Nurse McGeehan submitted her monthly report which as usual showed much work done in the way of looking after the health of the children.

Inspector's Report.
Inspector Kilmer submitted his monthly report which was as follows:

School	Enroll.	Av. Att.	P. C.
Central	738	407.7	91.7
Wendland	535	504.4	94.0
Victoria	373	353.4	94.7
St. Edward	572	524.2	91.6
Person	280	259.9	89.9
Burton	374	353.9	94.6
Kindergartens	881	267.8	92.8
School	Enroll.	Av. Att.	P. C.
Central	738	407.7	75.6
Alexandra	62	31.8	83.5
Victoria	37	30.3	81.0
St. Edward	59	43.0	72.8
Byerson	35	30.9	88.1
Dufferin	53	47.1	88.9
	299	243.8	81.5

ARSON SQUAD BUSY IN SCOTLAND.

GLASGOW, Scotland, Dec. 5.—Fire to-day destroyed Kelly House, one of the finest mansions at Wemyss Bay, a favorite outlying suburb of Glasgow. The fire apparently was the work of an "arson squad" of militant suffragettes as a considerable quantity of suffrage literature was found on the premises.

ENGLAND PRINTS MORE THAN HALF OF BIBLES

And There Are 28 Millions Every Year—Interesting Figures.

TORONTO, Dec. 7.—A patent investigator after correspondence with all the known Bible Publishing and distributing agencies in the world, over a year and having carefully checked and compared all figures as to allow for probable duplications, has given the Canadian Press statistics of the growth of the circulation of the Christian scriptures in the last hundred years. In view of Sunday December 7th being Bible Sunday, a summary of the compilers figures may be considered opportune.

From 1804 to 1817 the total issue of Bibles, Testaments and portions of Scriptures in Europe and America was about 3,000,000, an average of less than a quarter of a million copies per year. At this day the various Bible societies of which there are about 30, whose work is to publish and circulate the Bible without note or comment, issue the book in over 500 different languages and the total circulation under these auspices aggregates about 18,000,000 copies per year. Of these 18,000,000 copies are circulated by three agencies, the British and Foreign Bible Society, the National Bible Society of Scotland and the American Bible Society. Then there are the issues of the Bible and portions thereof by private publishing firms, estimates of which have now been gathered for the first time. These add 10,000,000 copies to the annual output. More than half of the grand total of 28,000,000 copies are printed in the English language.

Hastings County Council resented the aspersions cast upon the agricultural and especially those upon the moral conditions in North Hastings, in Dean Farrow's report recently published.

ARMY SCANDAL IN BRITAIN IS HINTED

Several Officers Are Said to be Seriously Involved.

A Commission Will be Named to Probe Affair.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—A cable to The Tribune from London says: A scandal last night by the publication of the following war office communiqué:

"The army council, having been advised by legal authorities that the jurisdiction possessed by a court martial is too limited, for the action which further inquiry now shows to be necessary, has suspended the proceedings in court martial convened for December 8."

Five quartermasters holding honorary commissioned rank were summoned to appear before the court martial, but it is now believed that certain civilians and officers of the active service have been found to have been implicated.

Court martial of course would have no jurisdiction over them and in order to bring them to book other proceedings would be necessary. Legal action on the part of the war office and a special commission as well are therefore expected.

The allegations as to secret commissions are of the gravest character. If all stories can be believed the British army is in almost as bad a state as was the French army before the revolution, when it was recognized that officers to pay their debts out of the pay of the lower ranks. It is understood that the commission of inquiry has already been appointed and that it will begin early in January.

FRENCH JOURNALIST HAD INTERESTING CAREER

He Was a General All-round Agitator in Quebec Province.

MONTREAL, Quebec, Dec. 5.—Mr. Aristide Filiateau, journalist, printer, literateur and general all-round agitator among French-Canadian newspapermen, died yesterday, leaving a singularly interesting record behind him.

He was employed in several Toronto newspaper offices, such as the Mail and the World, and later with the Montreal Gazette. He was night foreman in the Mail office when Goldwin Smith was writing those furious articles against the Society of Jesus, during the famous equal right agitation throughout the Dominion, because of Sir John Macdonald's refusal to disallow the Jesuits estates act, introduced by the then Premier Mercier and adopted by the Quebec Legislature.

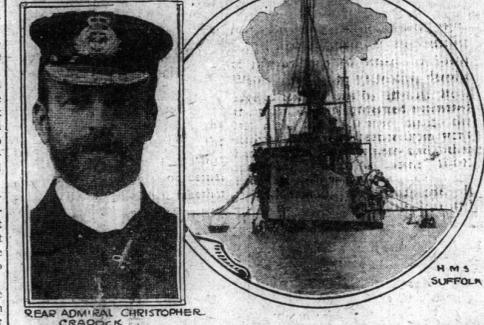
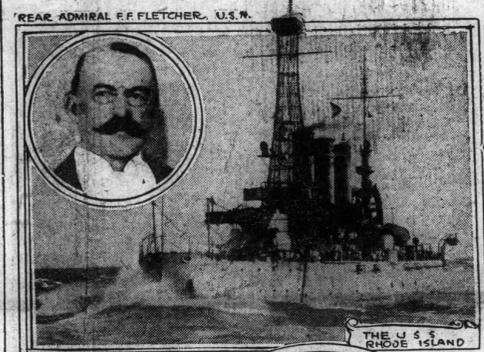
Soon after this the late Mr. Filiateau returned to his native city and started a number of newspaper ventures, the most famous of which was Le Canada Review, a weekly publication. It was, however, too outspoken and too radical from a religious point of view, the result being that the late Mgr. Charles Edouard Fabre, first archbishop of Montreal, forbade the paper under pain, or the faithful to buy it, sell, read, or have anything whatever to do with it. The result of this action on the part of the archbishop was most disastrous to the publication, and after stemming the tide for several weeks the Review ceased to exist.

The late Filiateau at once took action against the archbishop, and for the first time in the history of civil tribunals of this province, a Roman Catholic bishop appeared in court to answer to a civil accusation brought against him by a publisher of an interdicted newspaper. Feeling ran pretty high at the time, and the day that his grace, the late Archbishop, appeared in court, accompanied by several of his canons, the being of the latter, was a memorable one in the history of Quebec jurisprudence.

We also recommend that the treasurer be empowered to pay the account of the Trustees of Grandview Public School Board, for the three months ending November 30th last, so soon as the figures are mutually agreed upon.

By a crushing majority the German Parliament passed a vote of lack of confidence in the Imperial Chancellor over the Alaskan affair.

BRITISH AND AMERICAN ADMIRALS AT PRESENT STATIONED AT MEXICO



Join St. Nicholas' Girls' Club

And Make Some Poor Child and Yourself Happy On Christmas Eve.

In Brantford this Christmas there will be quite a few empty stockings; no doubt, unless Santa Claus gets some outside help. With a view to assisting the "children's friend," the Courier has launched the St. Nicholas Girls' Club. Every woman and girl in Brantford who will undertake to put something in some poor child's stocking is eligible, and her name will appear in the Courier honor roll.

All you have to do is to telephone your name and address to the Courier—phones 139, or 276, or 1781—or send a postcard. You will be notified by the Courier St. Nicholas Girl whose stocking you will be expected to attend to.

Join now, pay on Christmas Eve, and your Christmas will be all the more happy. Inspector Axford of the Children's Aid Society will assist in locating poor kiddies.

DENVER IS UNDER HEAVY SNOW STORM

Traffic is Tied Up at the First Blast of Winter—Old Time Blizzard.

DENVER, Col., Dec. 5.—Denver awakened to-day to find every manner of traffic blocked by more than two feet of snow which covered the city and pedestrians made their way with difficulty. Railroad trains were unable to move from the station, and service on most of the roads was abandoned.

Practically all of the trades people of Denver were forced to stay down town last night and were on hand at the opening of the business day, but there were few shoppers. Schools were as desolate as in midsummer. Snow continued falling this morning and with overcast sky it seemed that little abatement of the storm could be hoped for during the day. Towns from the central and southern portions of Colorado reported a continuation of one of the worst snow storms in the history of the state, and what was true of traffic and business conditions in Denver was true of nearly every large town in the state.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT AT MONTREAL

H.R.H. Will Make a Two Day Visit in Royal City.

MONTREAL, Dec. 5.—His Royal Highness, the Duke of Connaught, arrived in Montreal this morning for a two days' visit. This afternoon he will visit the Montreal City Mission, the Salvation Army, Hotel Metropole and the Young Women's Refuge. Addresses of welcome will be presented to the governor-general at most of these institutions. After dining at the Mount Royal Club, His Royal Highness will attend the annual ball of the St. Andrew's society.

To-morrow afternoon the Duke will visit the Art Gallery and inspect the exhibition of the Canadian Royal Academy. He is to visit the Church House before returning to Ottawa on Saturday evening.

ENGLAND HAS TOUCH OF WINTER.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—A London cable to The Herald says: The first touch of winter was experienced yesterday (Thursday) when violent squalls of hail, sleet and snow occurred in many parts of the country. The gale from the northwest and west continued with unabated fury on most parts of the coast and was especially strong over the Irish Sea and Bristol channel.

NEWSPAPERS ARE TRAMWAY OWNERS

Armand Lavergne Calls Attention to Interesting Situation in Montreal.

QUEBEC, Dec. 5.—"It is in the public interest, particularly of the people of Montreal when a question such as the tramways question comes up, that it should be known whether it is true that the same interests own two newspapers in that city which may seek to lead the people in different ways," declared Mr. Armand Lavergne yesterday in endeavoring to put through the legislative committee his bill to compel newspapers to publish lists of their shareholders.

On a vote of six to five the bill, however, was killed.

There was practically no spoken opposition to the measure, those opposed waiting only for the vote, and allowing Mr. Lavergne to produce argument after argument in favor of the measure. At the conclusion, Mr. Lavergne announced that he would put his bill before the House in order to give all the members an opportunity to vote on it, and in the Assembly in the afternoon he gave notice of motion to that effect.

ENGINEER KELLETT IS BACK IN THE CITY

Engineer George Mountain of the Dominion Railway Board was wired this morning that Engineer Kellett of the Lake Erie & Northern Company had arrived in the city, and the inspection of the work at Jubilee Terrace should be immediately made. The municipal authorities have not yet heard from Mr. Mountain, but it is expected that that engineer will be here at once. Mr. Kellett, when asked by a Courier man as to the position of affairs with reference to the Lake Erie & Northern, replied: "I have nothing to say."

President Muir of the railway company this morning was optimistic, and said he expected a resumption of work at an early date.

PARLIAMENT WILL MEET ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 15

Date of the Session Was Definitely Decided on at a Meeting of the Cabinet Yesterday—Redistribution Bill Based on Last Census to be Introduced.

OTTAWA, Dec. 5.—The third session of Canada's twelfth Parliament has been summoned for the despatch of business on Thursday, January 15th. The date was definitely determined and the formal proclamation ordered at yesterday's sitting of the Cabinet, January 8th has been considerably mentioned of late as probable date, and this was favored by several of the Ministers, but as this would necessitate Western members leaving home at New Year, and as the 12th of January is a holiday in the service in Ottawa, it was finally agreed to call the house for the 15th.

Redistribution Bill
Daily Cabinet councils are now being held in preparation for the opening. The sessional programme so far determined is substantially as has been fore-cast. It includes a Redistribution Bill based upon the last census, a bill respecting the incorporation of Trust and Loan Companies, the reintroduction of the Highways and Branch Lines Bills, an amendment to the Insurance Act, certain amendments to the Criminal Code, the revision of the Merchants Shipping Act, the consolidation of the Railway Act along lines suggested by Sir George Murray, and a number of other measures, the consideration of which is now in progress.

There is as yet no definite information available as to the course which the government will pursue in regard to the Naval Aid Bill, but there is no doubt that the question of Canada's share in the naval defence of the Empire will be under discussion, probably at an early stage of the session.

The list of applications for private legislation is already fairly large, and is growing daily. The applications for bills of divorce are close on to forty.

Laurier's Free Food Policy
The prospect is for a fighting session of about five months. The Opposition will be called in caucus as soon as the members arrive in Ottawa, and the proposals of the Ottawa ring will be placed before them. There is every likelihood of a ship division of the Liberal members at this caucus on the new free food policy enacted by Sir Wilfrid Laurier under the inspiration of Hon. Mackenzie King at Hamilton. Protests are already coming in from Liberals representing the country districts. These men declare that the free food policy is so far as they are concerned, political suicide. Their former constituents will not sit idly down and see their home market thrown open to the world while the protection remains, as proposed by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, on all manufactures.

That the Liberal party is already at loggerheads over the free food bungle is apparent from events now taking place at Ottawa. The Laurier followers are urging him in different directions. He has gone too far, and he has not gone far enough. One element is urging him to enlarge his revision of the tariff downward, including an increase in the British preference from one-third to one-half, while the other element insists just as strongly that he has already said too much and ought to be at some sort of graceful retreat before it is too late.

STRIKE GROWING ON RAILWAY IN WALES

Some 1500 Men Joined the Striking Forces Yesterday.

Strike is Ill Adversed, Says the Head of the Organization.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—A cable from London to The Tribune says: Substantial additions to the number of railway men on strike in South Wales were made yesterday, despite urgent admonitions by officials. Both the trade unions concerned estimated last night that 1,500 men joined the strikers and their absence from work has brought coal miners and other industries employing some 15,000 hands to a standstill.

The situation is a serious one. It not only brings wholesale loss and inconvenience to the general public, but involves a grave menace to the organizations of the men themselves. The position is deplored by "the Railway Review," the official organ of the National Union of Railwaymen, which says:

"If every member of the trade union is to become a free lance and do just what seems to him best without reference to the opinions and decisions of his organization and yet in extreme cases, is to expect the support of such organization, then we shall have arrived at absolute anarchy, and the organization will henceforth exist only in name."

Delegate Gibbons of the Street Railway of Toronto, Union, stated that the Railway Company lost a million dollars a year through inadequate service.