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Philip Snowden, Chancellor of the Exchequer.

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Colonel Josiah Wedgewood, Chancellor for the Duchy of Lancaster.

F. W. Jowett, Commissioner of Works.

RUM PIRATES SEIZE SCHR.

On the American Coast

St. John N. B., January 22—A liquor exporter arrived in the city to-day and explained to close friends that he had lost his entire savings amounting to $17,000, while taking a long chance which looked good in rum-running.

He said he chartered a vessel which sailed recently from St. Pierre, Miquelon, with a cargo for for which he paid $17,000. The cargo was to be transferred to a tug outside the New York limits. He was to receive $34,000 for the consignment. Instead of a tug, a motor boat met the vessel with an alleged letter from the consignee. Men boarded the vessel, held up Captain and crew with revolvers, tied them up for three days transferred the liquor to the motor boat and then left after releasing the Captain and crew.

KILOMETERS AND MILES

Wireless telegraph transmission distances are often stated in kilometers, nautical miles or statute miles. To convert the number of kilometers to nautical miles, multiply by fifty-four and point off two decimal places. To convert from kilometers to statute miles multiply by sixty-two and point off two places. If the distance is given in statute, or land miles and you want it expressed in kilometers, multiply the number of miles by 161 and point off two decimal places.

TWELVE PERSONS BURNED TO DEATH

Lydonviloe, Vt., Jan. 23.—The death list from the fire which swept this town early yesterday was increased to seven to-day when six persons who lived in the Stern Block, where the fire started, were reported lost, in addition to a woman killed in leaping from a window.

Pottsville, Pa., January 23—A mother and her four daughters, ranging in ages from 1 to 16 years, were burned to death in a fire at Middleport, five miles from here, early to-day, when their home was almost completely destroyed. Andrew Harvelle, the husband and father, was severely burned in attempting to rescue them.

BIG FIRE AT WINDSOR

Windsor, Ont., Jan. 24.—The Cadillac Cafe, Canadian Pacific Railway ticket and telegraph office; Reynolds & Sons, insurance office; Garaatte Electric Stores and Windsor News Company offices are smoking ruins, following a fire last night which started in the kitchen of the Cadillac Cafe, located on Sandwich Street West, in the business section and spread with such rapidity that patrons of the cafe were forced to flee without securing their outer wraps.

Building loss alone is placed at about $40,000.

Suggestain For St. John's

The New York State College of Forestry says that within New York state there are 20,000 miles of street capable of sustaining a growth of 5,000,000 shade trees which can be made worth $100,000,000 in increased property value. Besides making our cities more beautiful, trees are of definite value to health, for by absorbing poisonous gases they purify the air.

2 CHILDREN BURNED

In a Farm House

Irvine, Ky., Jan. 25.—Two children were burned fatally and their parents and two other children are in a serious condition as a result of a fire which destroyed the home of Ross Young at Willow Shoals 15 miles from here.

APPROVED LIQUOR TREATY

London, Jan 22—The British Dominions have unanimously approved the draft of the liquor treaty between Great Britain and the United States which was submitted to them by the British Government. The draft thus approved had been agreed upon by the London and Washington Governments.

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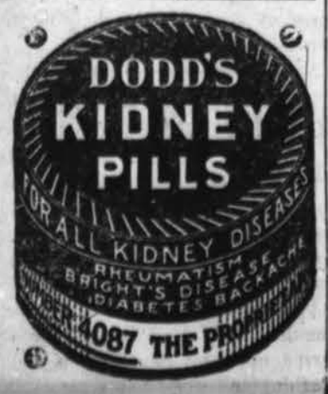
CURLING, BAY OF ISLANDS, N.F.
February 6, 1924

A VICTORY HIGHWAY

In the early part of the year 1919 we received a letter from the late W. B. Grieve, chairman of a committee of the Patriotic Association which had been nominated having as "its object the consideration and report of some memorial by which to testify to this and succeeding generations the esteem and obligation under which this country rests to those who in its Naval and Military forces have done so much towards Imperial needs in the late Great War." We presume a similar letter was sent to all the newspaper editors throughout the country. We were advised of certain schemes which had been already put forward, and we were asked to submit our views on the subject and to advance such suggestions as might tend to assist the Committee in arriving at a popular method by which to emphasize the bravery and sacrifice of those gallant men who achieved such great distinction not only for themselves but for the land of their birth or adoption.

In our reply we advocated the construction of a Victory Highway through the country. And in our recommendation we were guided by the conviction that it would be a great investment for the country and a fitting and useful memorial for all time.

We find the United States of America has adopted for that country's memorial the very thing we advocated for Newfoundland. A Victory Highway, to be dedicated this year in honour of the World War dead, is being laid out between New York and San Francisco. This highway from the Atlantic to the Pacific will afford the most practical and shortest route across the United States. It will be a source of great benefit to tourist traffic. Monuments will be erected at each county crossed by the road, by which the county crossed may honour its boys by placing their names thereon. The monuments will be of uniform design—a bronze eagle guarding her young, on a base of cement, the whole about 12 feet high. Thus setting forth to the passer-by the bravery of those who made the greatest sacrifice within the gift of man.



THE GARCIN STORE A FINE BUILDING

A number of fine stores have been erected in Curling and vicinity in recent years. Among the latest addition is that of T. A. Garcin, situated on the water front near the public wharf. Mr. Garcin carried on business for a number of years at Bonne Bay, but suffered heavy loss in the fire which practically wiped out the business section of that place two years ago. Last year he acquired a site here from Mr. Joseph Pennell, and has had a very fine store erected thereon. It is 58 feet long, 29 feet wide, and three storeys. The first floor will be used for heavy goods and general purposes. The shop and office will be on the second floor with entrance off the main road. This is being finished throughout in douglas fir, quarter cut, with mahogany and gold finish, in colonial style, with metal ceiling. The show rooms and wholesale department will be located on the third floor. The building throughout is being finished in first class style and reflects much credit on Mr. M. F. Dwyer, the contractor and builder, and is quite an addition to the business establishments of Curling. Mr. Dwyer is a Newfoundlander who has had considerable experience in United States and Canada, and took courses in carpentery and decoration, and in this latest erection he has proved himself a master of his trade.

ANOTHER DISASTER

Some wreckage was found at Shoe Cove, near Cape Ballard, on the South Shore, on Saturday, including an empty clothes bag marked Geo. House, Catalina, Nfld. This is the name of a member of the crew of the schr. President Coaker, Capt. Norman Sheppard. She is 53 days out from Pernambuco. Parties have gone to the scene to identify the wreckage. The President Coaker was a vessel of 304 gross tonage. She was built in 1919 by the Union Shipping Co., at Port Union.

Bay of Islands

The schr. Eva June is still at Brake's Cove, Middle Arm.

Britania L. O. Lodge will hold its annual celebration on Thursday, 28th inst.

Advices from Middle Arm on Monday state there was considerable ice at that place.

The schr. Hazel R. Hinds that was ashore at Woods Island was pulled off yesterday afternoon.

The Schr. Electric Flash made several attempts to get away last week, but had to return to Woods Island.

We learn that the schooners which sailed for Gloucester couple weeks ago have arrived at their destination.

Reports from Woods Island state that considerable slab ice is in sight there. Lark Hr., however yesterday reported no ice to be seen from there.

At Lark Hr. last week when boats could get on the fishing grounds they secured from one to one and a half quintals of cod by hand line.

Last Thursday night Joseph Smith lost a purse containing $34, at the waiting room at the Railway Station. The party who picked it up is requested to return same to him at Humber Canal.

Capt. T. M. Nicholson, of Bucksport, Me., arrived at Woods Island Sunday on board the steamer Curlew, to try and refloat his schooner, the Hazel R. Hinds, which went ashore at that place a couple weeks ago.

A case of diphtheria has developed at Mount Moriah. There have been rumors of this disease in the community for some time, but we understand this is the first case that has come under the notice of the doctor.

Corner Brook

Mosher Brothers have their store opened.

A public wharf has been constructed just east of the paper mill piers.

Whiteway and Maidment have erected and stocked a general store here recently.

A hockey match between Curling and Corner Brook teams takes place on Friday night.

A new townsite road has been constructed from the public wharf to the townsite.

At the townsite on Wednesday carpenters were able to work outside on the new hotel building.

Norman Fisher has had a new store erected. Mr. Fisher has been doing business here for over fifteen years.

Work on the General Office building is progressing. This building is being constructed of reinforced concrete.

A smoking concert was held at Staff House No. 51, at Corner Brook, on Saturday night, which was much enjoyed by the fifty odd guests present. The programme consisted of instrumental items by the orchestra and Mr. P. Tipping, songs and duets by Messrs. Howard, Leawood, Ballam, Fitzgerald, Burnham, Warren, Plain, Ryan, Stansfield, McFarlane, and Matthews; and recitations by Messrs. Parsons and Fizpatrick. The chair was occupied by Mr. P. R. Warren, the accompanists were Messrs. F. E. Elliott and G. Carpenter. The orchestra consisted of Messrs. Elliott, Carpenter, Tipping, Daniels, Parsons and Fitzgerald.

Personal Mention

Peter O'Brien went to Stephenville last week.

Rev. H. Petley went to Deer Lake by train on Sunday.

Chas. Stewart returned from Sydney some few days ago.

Rev. Fr. Kerwan returned from Innishmara on Saturday.

Jos. Pennell and Wm Messervey of the Game Dept. went up country some days ago.

C. G. Philipps arrived from St. John's recently to take up duties as teller at the Bank of Montreal.

Mr. Kelley resigned his position as teller at the Bank of Montreal, to take a position with the Nfld Power and Paper Co. at Corner Brook.

NOTE OF THANKS

Mrs. Joseph Hacket wishes to thank all those who sent letters and messages of sympathy at the time of her bereavement. Also wishes to thand Mr. Edward Barry and Mr. John Hunt for taking care of the body of her dear husband and bringing it to Curling.

BARTLETTS FOR EVERYTHING

Could Not Work a Whole Day

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HOW DELTAS ARE FORMED

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Train News

An express train arrived from west on Sunday morning with foreign mail, etc.

Wednesday's No. 1 express train was delayed by snow along the east coast and did not reach here until Thursday morning.

Friday's No. 1 express train was cancelled.

The express train to leave St. John's yesterday was cancelled.

The Kyle arrived at Port aux Basques yesterday morning, and No. 2 express left there about 9 o'clock this morning. She goes east only to Deer Lake.

The storm of Monday disarranged the express schedules, with the result that the express which passed here on Sunday was held up at Caribou, and the train from St. John's and due here on Monday was stalled at Goobie, and has since been cancelled.

It now appears that we are not likely to have another cross country train for a day or two.

The rotary plow operating over the Topsails, was ordered east as far as Bishop's Falls yesterday.

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Must take as he giveth the blow.

There's no royal highway to splendour, no short cut to fortune or fame
You must fearlessly fight for it, dare to be right for it,
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SIXTEEN INJURED

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Calgary, Jan. 21—Fifteen persons were injured, five seriously, when Canadian National Railway passenger train number 9, en route from Winnipeg to Calgary, was derailed and hurled down a twenty foot embankment near Lyall, 20 miles northeast of Calgary at one o'clock Monday afternoon. The engine and the express cars passed a spread rail in safety but the passenger coaches were swung clear off the track and on their side down the embankment. Fortunately the train was comprised of all steel cars and danger from fire was averted.

EXPLOSION IN MINE

37 Killed, Many Injured

Johnston City, Ill., Jan. 27.—Thirty-seven miners were killed, six probably fatally burned and eight others suffered serious burns in an unexplained explosion late yesterday on the main level of the McClintock Coal Mines here operated by tee Crerar Clinch Coal Co.

Approximately sixty of the 375 miners at work were entombed in the lower levels of the mine, but a few of them escaped.

FOUND FROZEN TO DEATH

Granite, N. H., Jan. 29 – Rev. L. A. Jones, a retired clergyman, was found frozen to death in front of the stove in his lonely home here yesterday. Mrs. Sarah Wentworth, 87 years old, was found unconscious and dying from cold. Physicians said last night that she would not live. From an upper window fluttered a tiny bit of white cloth, a signal for help given by Mrs. Wentworth before she collapsed.

Brief and Newsy

A million dollar fire occurred at Littleton, N. H., last Monday.

The railway strike in England has been settled, and the men have resumed work.

A Washington despatch of Saturday stated that the death of ex-president Wilson is hourly expected by his physicions.

Pius Senior, of Patrick's Cove, Placentia Bay, was drowned on Saturday, while bird shooting. The body has not been recovered.

Anthony Hawco, was sentenced on Monday to five years imprisonment, on a verdict of manslaughter, for the killing of Michael Fewer, at Ship Cove, Conception Bay, last September.

By the explosion of gas in a house at Mansville, R. J., elever persons were killed on Monday. A similar accident at Farrel, Pa., the same day caused the death of five persons.

A despatch from Tokio says:—The repairing of deep sea cables, severed by the earthquake of September 1, has disclosed that at one point of Sshima Island the bed of the ocean has subsided 200 feet for a distance of eight miles. To the east of Oshima the damaged cable had to be fished up from a newly created abyss more than 4,000 feet deep.

GET IT AT BARTLETTS

West Coast Notes

On one trip across the Cabot Strait last week the Kyle steamed through about ten miles of slob ice.

The s s. Kyle was ordered from Port aux Basques to Argenta yesterday, taking mails etc., for the eastern section of the country.

Codfish continues plentiful at Channel and when boats can get out they get from one to two quintals, but bait is scarce. They are getting few herring in nets there.

SLACKNESS OF SPEECH

(Acadia Recorder)

Sir Henry Hadow, the head of Sheffield University, has been lecturing the British Teachers' Conference on slackness of speech, which he describes as a product of sloppiness and inaccuracy of mind. He denounced slovenly pronunciation, and complained that all the vowels were being reduced to the sound which the inexpert speaker made—"er, er, er." The split infinitive, which used rightly to be regarded as anathema, was publicly defended the other day in a great journal. Sir Henry attacked the use of the word "like" instead of "as", and the ending of sentences with prepositions of one syllable. He complained of the use of substantives as adjectives, as in such newspaper headlines as "Election Returns" and "Reparation Experts". "Meticulous" is a Latin word, meaning timorous or timid, yet some wrote of "meticulous accuracy", which was meaningless. Sir Henry also lamented the habit of using most violent words and superlatives, and feared we are in danger of having all the meaning drained out of our picturesque words and phrases.

The Toronto Globe says: 'Some counts in Sir Henry's indictment are true and some are merely finical or pedantic. The objection to 'election returns,' for instance, is trivial and unfounded. The use of the substantive in an adjectival sense is a familar device of great writers, particularly the poets. The bead-line writer is not the only or the chief offender, if it be an offense. As to the split infinitive, it has the sanction of the masters. They avoid it as a rule, but they do not hesitate to dare the exception when euphony or emphasis requires it What is the grammatical principle that renders it a crime to end a sentence with a one-syllable preposition, when Shakespeare made glorious poetry by putting it at the end of a clause—'the thousand natural shocks that flesh is heir to'? Educationists are doing their duty when they combat the sloppiness of speech that is prevalent, but they should beware of preciosity. The English language cannot be put into a straight-jacket."

POOR BOY TO PREMIER

(Truro News)

Ramsay MacDonald is now Premier of Great Britain. From a poor farm boy to Leader of the British House of Commons is a long, hard road, but Ramsay MacDonald, the Scotch boy, made it, and his career is an inspiration for others.

Our American cousins without being as well informed as they should be before they assume the role of critics, oftentimes twit us that the highest positions in Great Britain or in our Great Empire are only open to the wealthy, favored or titled classes, whereas in that "great and glorious" Republic the boy from the humblest position can become Chief Magistrate or President, of a nation of 110,000,000 of people.

If these cousins will look over the Atlantic to our Mother land they will see the present Premier of an Empire of more than 450,000,000—more than four times the population that a United States President controls—came from the most humble position in life; and these same cousins can see in all the great Colonies of the Empire public men and administrators of Government who from the most lowly positions in life became "great ones" in this wide-extending Empire; so the American boy has nothing over the British lad in lofty positions that may be reached, if the pluck and ability is in the young fellow to get "up top".

A despatch from Christiania says: Aeroplanes are carrying supplies to 50 ships that are now wedged in the ice in the Cattegat and off the Danish coast. The aircraft drop sacks of food and other stores near the imprisoned vessels.

More British Than Britain

More Anglo-Saxons in the United States than in British Isles

Where are the most people of purely British origin to be found? The obvious answer would seem to be "in England." But the answer would be wrong. The number of people of pure British blood in England is perhaps 35,000,000; in Scotland about 5,000,000; in Australia about 4,000,000; and in South Africa about 3,000,000. This appears on the surface to be conclusive, but we forget the United States of America.

According to the census figures of the U.S.A. for 1920, the United States contain more people of British, exclusive of Irish, origin than Great Britain does. The actual figures are 45,000,000 against say 38,000,000 in England, Scotland and Wales. Thus for every two representatives of the British race found in Great Britain there are three in the United States.

Where It Comes From

Violinists often wonder, no doubt, whence comes the hair on the bows, without which the most eloquent Stradivarius violin is practically voiceless.

The Scientific American informs us that horses are bred in Russia for this purpose. The finest bows are constructed with hair from white horses, and special ranches are maintained for the breeding of horses whose hair is of that color.

The primary sorting of hair takes place on the ranch, from which it goes to the bleacher, who bleaches the hair with sulphur. It is bound up in hanks of 100 to 150 hairs, and the hanks are then ready for export. One hank usually goes to a bow. On arrival at the bow factory, or the repair room of a large dealer, the hair is combed and fixed on the end with shellac. The hair is straightened out by means of a special comb.

Found Dead In Hut; Worth $250,000

New York, Jan. 28.—In a hut in which he had lived for forty while he gathered a fortune estimated at helf a million dollars, the body of Stephen Senior, of Perth Amoby, N J., was found yesterday.

In freezing weather he had attempted to go without a fire. He was dressed in ragged clothing. His body was found near the door where he had crawled in a desperate attempt to get help.

NOTE OF THANKS

I wish to thank Rev. H. and Mrs. Petley, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Parsons, Mr. and Mrs. H. Davis, Mr and Mrs. Geo. Davis, Miss Mildred Baggs, Miss Dorothy Pennell, Miss Georgie Elford, teachers and pupils of Curling High School for wreaths, also Dr. Pullins for good attendance rendered. Mrs. Peter O'Quinn, Mr. Jas. O'Rourke, Mr. Absolom Wells, and all those who sent messages, also those who called and expressed sympathy at the time of the death of Edith Veronica LeMoine.

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NOTES AND COMMENTS

A cut of 25 per cent. taxes on incomes up to $20,000 has been recommended to the United States Congress.

Prohibition in Turkey came to an ignominious end Sunday, 27th ult., when Premier Ismet Pasha's proposal to restore liquor as a state monopoly received the unanimous approval of the National Assembly.

THE OTHER FELLOW'S DREAM

"Last year", says the Boston Globe, "Americans poured no less than $500,000,000 into holes in the ground. Some of the holes were alleged oil wells. Others of the holes were decidedly damp, being situated in swamps and advertised as "shore lots." The swindlers who obtain much for nothing neglect no scheme which seems likely to appeal to the imagination of those who have saved money. All classes, teachers, ministers, dry goods clerks, widows, successful business men and newly-made heirs, contribute victims to make holidays for the sellers of fradulent or shaky securities.

The Treasury Department has issued a valuable set of dont's for those about to invest. The snapper at the end of this advice is the best line of all. It runs: 'Do not put your money into another man's dreams.'

Because most of the victims are themselves dreaming of great riches, the stories of financial dreams which made millions for those who trusted in them are an important part of the stock-in-trade of the dealers in blue-sky securities.

No one can listen long to these gentry without sensations as dazzling as the visions induced by certain drugs. Tales are told of dreamers with epoch making inventions in their heads, and how the scoffers missed a golden chance for fortune because of unbelief.

It is true that a percentage of the dreams have turned out profitably, but almost always the profit-takers have belonged to the circle immediately about the dreamer. They had sound reason for their faith, because they had seen the tests and knew the man himself.

The other men's dreams against which the warning is issued belong to a different class, as far as people at a distance are concerned. Such dreams cannot be weighed or measured, and some of them are not dreams, but sordid plots to catch dollars.

If a man will not invest conservatively, he can at least put his money on something with which he is familiar. He will then have something like the chance of an insider. Outsiders have no chance at all. They dream for a little and then wake up to the knowledge of a dead loss."

SEA CAPTAIN MAKES HISTORY

In 1852 a Boston sea captain imported into America 500 pairs of rubber boots made by the natives of Brazil. They sold like hot cakes and a great demand was created. However, this early product made by crude native methods was rather disappointing Several inventions and the use of the most careful methods were necessary to make them as durable as the Columbus Rubber Boots of to-day. The gum must be carefully selected and each step in the manufacture must be carefully watched in order to maintain the Columbus standard of comfort and durability. Get them from your dealer.

No Settlement In Coal Mine Strike

The conference at Sydney last week between the coal miners and the mine owners failed to reach an agreement. Negotiations are to be continued at Montreal.

The B. E. Steel Corporation offered to restore the 1923 rate of pay to the miners of Cape Breton who went on strike 16th January, but the men through their representatives demanded 55 cents a day increase for the day paid workers, and 20 per cent. on contract rates.

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In the same museum is another instrument from which great results have sprung. This is Faraday's hand-pump used in his experiments in turning gas into liquid. Today we accomplish the same feat with the aid of two large engines working compressors.

Equally interesting is the model from which Sir Humphrey Davy constructed the famous lamp bearing his name. Everyone has heard of the Davy safety lamp, used in coal mines because it will not cause explosions of fire-damp, and so on.

This lamp was so important in the mining industry that colliery owners in England gave its inventor a silver dinner service as a recognition of his great work.

The Royal Institution was founded by Count Rumford, himself an inventor. A hundred and twenty years ago he made the first fire grate. This grate is in the museum.

Caught Seal Near Montreal

Montreal.—A full grown seal, weighing 200 pounds, was caught and killed by workmen marking out ice for cutting on the south side of St. Helen's Island. It is believed that the seal made a record for its kind in progressing so far up the St. Lawrence.

"Jimmie," said the teacher," why don't you wash your face? I can see what you had for breakfast this morning." Little Boy: "What was it?" Teacher "eggs" Little Boy: "Wrong, teacher; that was yesterday."

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NOTES AND COMMENTS

Not satisfied to meet trouble halfway, some of us become impatient and go the whole distance.

Official war records of Germany show that 5,106 German soldiers killed themselves during the world war. Nineteen soldiers, convicted by courtmartial of low crimes were executed and 249 men were reported murdered by comrades.

It was Abraham Lincoln who said: If you intend to work there is no better place than right where you are; if you do not intend to go to work, you cannot get along anywhere. Squirming and crawling about from place to place can do no good.

A newspaper in Maine, in telling of the death of a man through being struck by a railroad train, adds that, "it will be remembered that he met with a similar accident a year ago." It is to be hoped that the habit, which he appears to have contracted, will not be chronic.

In Glasgow, Scotland, they tell of a resourceful clergy who is never at a loss for a retort. He was once called to the bedside of a very wealthy but stingy man, "If," he gasped to the clergy, "if I leave several thousands to the church will my salvation be assured?" Whereupon the the divine responded; "I wouldn't like to be too positive, but it's well worth trying.

A woman landowner who collected her own rents in order to save expense found one of her tenants in an obviously discontented frame of mind, and promptly decided to forstall complaints by making some She ended with, "And the kitchen, Mrs. Jones, is in a terrible condition." "Yes, ma'am, it is," Mrs Jones agreed. "And you'd look the same way if you hadn't had any paint on you for six years."

HUSBANDS TAKE NOTICE

Toronto, January 22.—Frank Ferguson, young married man, of Toronto, who was accidentally stabbed in the abdomen by his wife several weeks ago, died early this morning in the Toronto General Hospital.

Ferguson told the doctors that he had been in the habit of playing tricks upon his wife by approaching her from behind and striking her over the neck with a wet towl, and that, on the occasion when the the accident happened, she had struck out playfully with a carving knife she happened to be holding, thinking that he was approaching at the rear from the other side.

LEAP YEAR OUT WEST

Leap Year may bring the experiment to some chaps like the story told of a couple not far from here the last Leap Year. "Yov've been courting me now for a number of years and I want to make a Leap propo-a'," An-l he hemmed and hawed and stuttered : I—I—well really— you know—I—I—I'm not in a p-p-position to m m-marry yet, but-but—" And she interrupted him : "Who said anything about marriage? I was going to propose that you stay away from here and give somebody else a chance."—Emerson (Man.) Journal,

A DIFFICULT TASK

(The Daily Sentinel-Review

According to a report to the president of tde United States by Attorney-General Daughtery, more than 90,000 cases of violation of the prohibition law have been disposed of since the measure went into force in January, 1916, There were 72,489 convinctions, resulting in fines to the amount of over 12,000,000, and prision sentences aggreating over 3,000. The significance of such a report will be judged according to the point of view. Prohibitionists will see in it welcome assurance of the determination of the authorities to enforce the law. Opponents of prohibition will see in it equally strong evidence of the difficulty of enforcement as indicated by the number of violations. People who cannot be placed in either class will see arguments on both sides of the case and will endeavour to form an independent judgement.

A significant statement based on the report has been issued by the department of justice. "The facts set forth," according to the statement, "reveals one of the most tragic epochs in American history relative to law enforcement." It is pointed out that the report shows among other things that the department of justice has been called upon to prosecute "a member of the judiciary, prominent members of the American bar, high officials of the federal and state governments, multimillionaires, scions of the nation's aristocracy, and the sordid story of assassination, bribery and corruption that found its way into the very sanctums wherein the inviolability of the law was presumed to have been held sacred."

This comment indicates one of the special difficulties encountered in enforcing the prohibition law. Many people who regard themselves as law abiding citizens will not hesitate to violate the dry laws if they get the opportunity. They will take the chance of getting caught, and if they are caught and convicted, they will not feel that they are disgraced. Others, from whom less is to be expected, are undoubtedly influenced by the examples set by such people. When members of the judiciary, prominent members of the bar, high officials of federal and state governments and "scions of the nation's aristocracy" are found violating the law the difficulty of creating a sentiment strong enough to guarantee strict enforcement can be readily understood. It has been said that if all the people who regard themselves as good citizens would honestly live up to the law and refuse to violate it, most of the bootleggers would be compelled to go out of business—there would not be enough of ordinary law breakers to support more than a fraction of them.

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