

REV. C. W. HAMILTON, OF SALISBURY, IS ILL IN BOSTON.

SALISBURY, N. B., Dec. 13—Rev. C. W. Hamilton, pastor of the Salisbury group of Methodist churches, who went to Boston a few weeks ago for medical treatment in a much worse condition than it was supposed. In addition to the trouble with his knee, he is suffering with nervous prostration. His brother, Dr. Hamilton, of Montreal, was summoned to Boston, and in consultation with other doctors there it was thought advisable for the reverend gentleman to give up work for a year at least. He is in a hospital in Boston, where he will probably have to remain for some time. The serious trouble comes as a great shock to his friends here.

MOTHER DIES AFTER KILLING HER CHILD.

HAMILTON, Dec. 13—With the expected death of Mrs. Harry Patience who, in a fit of insanity, yesterday afternoon murdered her three-year-old son Harry with a razor, the horrible crime today developed into a double tragedy. At noon Mrs. Patience died. Early in the morning there was a decided improvement in her condition and the doctors who, last night held out no hope for her recovery, were somewhat surprised. Towards noon, however, she became worse and gradually sank. Death relieved the woman of facing the terrible ordeal of going on trial for her life and of any realization of the terrible crime that she committed.

LOCAL OPTION IN WEST.

REGINA, Dec. 13—The latest returns give no doubt but that local option has been defeated in Saskatchewan. Out of twenty-six places heard from the by-law was carried in seven and defeated in sixteen. The only city to go dry was Moose Jaw, while Regina only defeated the measure by 89 votes, and Saskatoon by 200, while Prince Albert defeated it by 321 of a majority. Generally speaking, the by-law has been defeated in the cities and towns, only one town out of eleven going dry and one city. In the rural districts the measure received the greatest support. Both sides express satisfaction. The temperance people taking the vote as a sign that the movement has made great progress and will be successful next time.

In Saskatoon tenders are being called for the erection of the proposed new \$250,000 hotel. In this city the business men voted against the measure.

AEROPLANE INSTRUCTION FOR U. S. OFFICER.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14—The offer of Glenn H. Curtiss to instruct a naval officer in the operation of aeroplanes will be accepted by the United States Navy Department. Following the department's expressed wish that the shipyard undoubtedly would be a valuable adjunct of fighting ships in the warfare of the future, Mr. Curtiss proposed to drill an officer in the flying and management of an aeroplane in all its details at the aviation grounds in the vicinity of Los Angeles, Ca. The instructions will be given this winter. The department had not yet selected the officer but he will be one of the younger men. A naval officer also will be assigned to attend the aviation tournament at Los Angeles.

SENTENCE TUESDAY IN ABDUCTION CASE.

MONTREAL, Dec. 14—The sentence in the case of Perrault and Chevrier, the two men who were found guilty of abducting young Cecile Michaud, was again postponed for another week and will not be rendered till next Tuesday. Both men were brought up from the jail to-day, but were sent back at once when Judge Choquet had announced his decision. A good many rumors were heard in the Court House regarding this case. Some say that one of the accused has thrown new light on the case in the course of an interview he had with Judge Choquet, and others declare that the sentence is deferred in order to have both men brought forward as witnesses in the case against D. Rome which shall open to-morrow.

TREAT INSANE BY FILMS.

MASSILLON, O., Dec. 9—Moving picture entertainments are being employed to great advantage in treating patients by the physicians of the Massillon State Insane Asylum. It is claimed that they exert a more potent influence over the inmates than any other form of diversion. "The patients seem much better and brighter during the season when the picture shows are held," said one of the physicians at the hospital.

STOCK EXCHANGE HOLIDAY.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14—The Board of Governors of the Stock Exchange voted today to close the Exchange on Saturday, Dec. 24, preceding Christmas. The Exchange will accordingly be closed from Friday afternoon until Tuesday morning for the Christmas holidays.

MRS. SNOWDEN GIVES TALK ON WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 14—American men are easily converted to the support of woman suffrage and are much more sympathetic when approached on the proposition than are the women. Opposition to woman suffrage in America is mainly unintelligent. Such are the conclusions of Mrs. Phillips Snowden, the English suffragist, who was the guest of honor last night at a dinner by the Men's League for Woman Suffrage, at the Aldine Club. Mrs. Snowden declared that while the suffragists in England have kept their hands off the Government since the general elections, they will support Liberal candidates who will stand by woman's suffrage. Women, she said, really never hope to get in the House of Commons. Mrs. Snowden declared it her opinion that the United States would vote suffrage as soon as England. John Mitchell, also a speaker at the meeting likewise asserted that women would eventually get suffrage.

FARMERS SUFFER LOSS.

LONDON, Dec. 17—It is thirty years since England has known such floods as are devastating immense stretches of the country. The deluge of rain has been incessant since the first of December, only two days out of sixteen being without rain. The farmers have suffered heavy losses.

THE GOVERNMENT COALITION.

LONDON, Dec. 16—The latest returns give the Government Coalition 353 seats and the Unionists 257. Coalition majority, 96. The Government, Liberals, 240; Laborites, 40; Nationalists, 64; Independent, 9; Opposition, Unionists, 257. The Nationalists by combining with the Unionists, could overthrow the Government.

MARRIAGE OFFERS FOR HATTIE.

CAMBRIDGE, Dec. 16—A tub full of mail for Hattie LeBlanc was received at the Cambridge jail today. Hundreds of souvenir post cards bearing messages of congratulation was in the mail and an immense pile of letters. The letters included many proposals of marriage, and several theatrical managers offered large salaries for a stage contract. One Boston theatre made an offer of \$500 a week.

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