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### DENIES LONDON IS PAGAN

Publisher Sees No Warning in the Reading of Scriptures in British Metropolis.

The question whether London is pagan is exciting considerable discussion. In so far as the sale of Bibles is any test of the progress or setback of Christianity in an age which is so frequently stigmatized as commercial and materialistic, there is no greater authority than Henry Frowde, the well known publisher to the University of Oxford. The two universities of Oxford and Cambridge, together with the king's printers, alone have the privilege of printing the Bible in English, and, since Mr. Frowde's incumbency of the publishing, the Oxford university press has published some 25,000,000 copies of the Scriptures.

Mr. Frowde's information goes to combat the view that Christianity—or, more strictly speaking, the reading of the Bible—is declining, says an exchange. The Oxford University press now sells an average of 1,000,000 copies of the Bible a year. It is unfortunately impossible to give statistics of any real value as to what percentage of this total would represent the sales in London, but Mr. Frowde expresses the opinion that, population for population, more people read the Bible in Edinburgh, and, after the Scottish capital, Glasgow. London, in his view, would come third. For general high class literature, too, Edinburgh would hold the lead. Still, a very large and increasing number of Bibles was sold every year, and there could be no doubt that in London, as everywhere else where the English language was spoken, the Bible "held its own."

Inquiries at the British and Foreign Bible society shows that that organization has, since 1804 issued more than 237,000,000 copies of the Scriptures, of which 36,000,000 were in English, and the rest in practically all the languages of the world.

#### Swat the Top Hat.

It is proposed to celebrate the centenary of the top or high hat. It was just a hundred years ago that a tubist style of art devised this uncomfortable headgear for men. It seems to one who shares in the general tendency toward simpler and more comfortable dress that the best way of celebrating would be to cast these black silk cylinders into the ashpile and permit them to pass their closing days upon the head of the individual who wanders the alleys and dresses himself with sartorial castaways. No more uncomfortable style was ever wished upon man in modern times.

One explanation of the origin of the top hat is that it was direct descendant of the helmet of the feudal warriors of the old England. The tendency of the stiff-necked English aristocracy had become accustomed to the weighty beaver, and when armor-plate millinery went out of style the foppish "stovepipe" was contrived by the arbiter of fashions to accommodate hereditary miseries that had lagged about casque and morion.

#### Unique Privilege.

Viscount Haldene, lord chancellor of Great Britain, has accepted the invitation to deliver the annual address before the American Bar association, to be held at Montreal, September 1.

His acceptance is unique, because he is not only the highest judicial officer of the empire but also keeper of the great seal, and it has hitherto been the unbreakable rule of the English constitution that the holder of that office should not leave the kingdom.

#### Troubles of Lady Actors.

There are a great many things that cause laughter when men impersonate women on the stage. For instance, a line such as "May I hold your hand? It's a beautiful hand! So white and soft!"—when the hand in question is a callous paw, or when a hoarse guffaw comes from off stage and the hero exclaims, "What delightful, childish laughter!" A sagging petticoat is a detail provocative of mirth or the tottering gait accompanying the first experience in high heels. One thing is fatal, and I have seen it happen twice: the heroines sinks into a chair, perhaps a trifle stiffly, but still he sinks, and as he does so naively pulls up the legs of his trousers, which, unfortunately, are not there. The audience will laugh through a whole act just on the memory of a mistake like that—"With Cap and Bells," by Charles William Brackett, in National Magazine.

#### No Bar.

She—Do you think a woman could really make a success as an aviator?

He—Why not? Most women are inclined to be flighty.

#### The Bright Side.

Attorney General McReynolds, at a tea in Washington, said to a financier who was complaining bitterly about a lawsuit he had lost:

"My dear fellow, look on the bright side of things. Try to be like the old woman whose nephew was hanged. This old woman, on the way home from the execution, said with a curl of the lip:

"Thank goodness for one thing—they had to pay eight dollars for the rope!"

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#### The Reason.

"Why couldn't your lawyer pump the witness?"

"I guess it was because he couldn't handle him."

## CAR TELESCOPED BY WILD EXPRESS

Four Are Killed, 31 Injured in Railroad Wreck.

### PULLMAN IS CUT IN TWO

Every Passenger in Car Either Loses Life or is Maimed as Result of Collision at Stamford, Conn.

Stamford, Conn., June 14.—As a result of a rear-end collision at the station here Thursday on the main line of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad five persons are dead and two score injured, some perhaps fatally.

The second section of the Springfield express, west bound, crashed into the first section, which was just leaving the station.

The dead:

Mrs. Edward J. Kelly, Winthrop, Mass., wife of land agent of Canadian Pacific railway.

Frank Canfield, Springfield, Mass. Mrs. Barger, Springfield, Mass. Everett Hasley Woodruff, Flushing, N. Y.

H. G. Howe, Hartford, Conn.

The engine plowed halfway through the Pullman car Skylark, the last car in the first section. In this car there were 31 passengers and practically all of them were killed or injured.

According to an official statement given out by the railroad, the indications are that the engineer of the second section ran by both the distant and home signals.

The first section of the train, which made up at Boston, reached here on time, but was halted momentarily to change the powers from steam to electricity. While awaiting orders to proceed the second section rounded a curve at high speed and crashed into the last Pullman car, which was well filled. That more persons were not killed outright is considered miraculous.

Simultaneous with the crash the wreckage took fire and the city department was called out. The blaze was easily extinguished and the work of rescue began at once.

Early arrivals on the scene found Rev. Anthony Berhler, a Catholic priest of New York, coolly directing the work of rescue. Although injured himself, he refused to go to a hospital until others, more seriously hurt, had been taken care of. He is at the Stamford hospital with slight injuries. Telling of his experiences, he said:

"I was seated about midway in the Pullman. There was no warning, just a smash, and the next instant the whole car was topsy-turvy. Men and women seemed to be almost suspended in the air and there was a mass of everything conceivable flying about at random. Then all seemed to settle except the escaping steam and the hot coals from the firebox that soon burst into flames.

"Women's screams of helplessness and terror, and the deeper cries of men, some in mortal agony, filled the air. The women were brave as they were lifted out of the windows with bloody faces and torn and cut bodies. They deserve the highest praise."

The Springfield express was the train that was in the wreck at Westport, Conn., last October, in which eight persons were killed and scores injured. This wreck was caused when the engineer ran by signals.

### FRISCO RAIL PROBE BEGUN.

Commerce Board Promises Rigid Quiz Under Senate's Order.

Washington, June 14.—Searching investigation into financial operations of the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad system, in response to a resolution of the senate, will be undertaken by the interstate commerce commission. Accountants are already at work in New York. The inquiry will deal with all operations of the Frisco system since its reorganization in 1896, including its relations with the Rock Island, its purchase of the Chicago and Eastern Illinois and what are regarded as "peculiar" phases of the last deal. If operations in violation of the interstate commerce act are disclosed the commission may issue an order itself or submit evidence to the department of justice.

### PREMIER OF TURKEY SLAIN.

Mahmoud Shekoff and Aide Victims of Assassins in Constantinople.

Constantinople, June 13.—Mahmoud Shekoff Pasha, the Turkish grand vizier and minister of war, was shot and killed by assassins on the streets of this city. His aide-de-camp, Lieut. Ibrahim Bey, also was killed.

Prince Said Halim, foreign minister and ex-president of the council of state, has been appointed grand vizier ad interim. All the other ministers retain their portfolios.

### Unwritten Law Is Defense.

Huntington, W. Va., June 14.—It was declared Thursday the unwritten law would be the defense of Letha Mitchell, seventeen-year-old girl, who shot and killed James Hendrick, the husband of her dead sister.

Freight Wreck on Wabash.

Goshen, Ind., June 14.—West-bound freight on the Wabash railroad was wrecked one mile west of Benton Thursday. A car of gasoline exploded and 15 cars of coal burned. None of the crew was injured.

### Wants to Be a Senator.

Frankfort, Ky., June 12.—Gov. James Bennett McCreary has announced his candidacy for United States senator to succeed Senator Bradley. He will contest in the primary with former Gov. J. C. W. Beckham.

### Man Murdered in Home.

Galesburg, Ill., June 12.—Charles A. Lindoff, a violin teacher, was murdered in his home here Monday night by a man who has baffled both sheriff and police force by leaving no clews as to his identity.

## ROY ORCHARD WOODRUFF



Mr. Woodruff, the new congressman from the Tenth Michigan district, is a Progressive, a veteran of the Spanish war and a dentist by profession.

### CHARLESTON MUST FACE THE COURT OF ITALY

Supreme Court Decides Extradition Case Against American—Newspaper Publicity Law Upheld.

Washington, June 12.—The United States Supreme court decided Tuesday that Porter Charlton must be returned to Italy to stand trial for the alleged slaying of his wife in June, 1910.

Justice Burton, who read the opinion, gave most of his time to the main point in the case—whether, under the treaty of 1868, an American citizen could be extradited to Italy for a crime committed there, particularly since Italy will not extradite its subjects for crimes here.

The justice held that, according to international law, the treaty by reason of Italy's course had not become void, but merely voidable at the option of the American government.

The executive department having waived its right to annul the treaty, nothing remained for the court to do but to reinforce its decision.

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### SAVES MOTHER OF SEVEN.

Would-Be Suicide Gives Two Quarts of Blood to Woman.

Baltimore, Md., June 14.—After an unsuccessful attempt to commit suicide, Camille Zanti, twenty-two years old, gave two quarts of his blood to a mother of seven children who was in a dying condition at a hospital. It is remained for the court to do but to reinforce its decision.

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### SIX U. S. TROOPERS SLAIN.

Minneapolis Captures Intruders—Sultan of Jolo.

Manila, P. I., June 14.—The intruders of the rebellious Moros under the sultan of Jolo at Bagasag were taken by the American forces after fierce battle, in which the American casualties were six killed and 12 wounded.

The killed were two privates of company M, Eighth United States infantry, three members of the Fifty-first company of scouts and one member of the Twenty-ninth company of scouts. Lieut. Edwin H. Raikley was wounded in the leg.

Brig. Gen. John J. Pershing, commander of the department of Mindanao, who led the forces, declares he will continue operations in Jolo until all the tribesmen's guns have been taken and the whole island is peaceful.

P. J. Carroll, Chicago. E. Iverson, Chicago. J. H. Gauer, Chicago. George Bartel, Springfield.

### SUBMARINE RECORDS BROKEN.

Los Angeles Vessel Stays Under Water Thirty-Six Hours.

Long Beach, Cal., June 13.—The submarine records for submarine boats was broken here by a locally constructed vessel, which came to the surface after having been resting on the bottom of the ocean off the city for 36 hours. The six men who made the endurance test alighted from the submarine when it was towed in, apparently none the worse for the long stay under the surface of the ocean.

The previous record was 24 hours, made by the United States submarine Octopus in 1907.

### Man's Body Torn to Shreds.

Rockford, Ill., June 14.—George Laurs, twenty-five years of Chicago, met a terrible death Thursday when he was caught on a shanty in the basement of a furniture company and his body torn into shreds.

Three Fatally Hurt in Auto Crash.

Hannibal, Ind., June 14.—While driving at a reckless rate of speed William Foster of Milroy hit a pebble in the road Thursday. His car blew a tire and turned over in a ditch. Three men were fatally injured.

### Imperator on Maiden Trip.

Hamburg, June 13.—The giant new liner Imperator sailed Wednesday for Gutehafen on her maiden voyage to New York with 3,200 passengers. Owing to the recent stormy weather the North sea was very rough.

### Census Director Quits.

Minneapolis, Minn., June 12.—E. Dana Durand, director of the United States census, has accepted the position of director of the bureau of research in agricultural economics at the Minnesota Agricultural college.

### Building Owners Meet.

Cincinnati, O., June 12.—Five hundred delegates from the United States and Canada were present at the opening of the sixth annual convention of the National Association of Building Owners and Managers Tuesday.

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## HATFIELD DEFIES SENATORS' ORDER

Governor Refuses to Show Records of Military Commission.

### GIVES REASONS FOR ACTION

West Virginia Executive Asserts Indictments Are to Be Sought—Sees Menace to Public Peace—Martial Law Raised.

Charleston, W. Va., June 14.—Records of the trials before the military committee which had charge of the strike section of the state during the trouble last spring which the senate investigating committee demand were refused by Governor Hatfield Thursday, he declining to submit the data to the inquisitors.

In a letter to the committee the governor said that the findings of the committee in these cases had never been approved, the men had been released, and he desired to keep the records for use in seeking indictments in the civil courts. To make them public at this time he said would be "prejudicial to the public peace."

Among the little miners' cabins in the nooks of the West Virginia mountains, the United States senate subcommittee sought the truth about the strike which has disrupted the state for more than a year. A special train carrying the senators visited the mining camps in Paint Creek and Cabin Creek.

Governor Hatfield's letter was presented to the committee by the clerk of the committee.

"My attention has been called by the adjutant general," said the letter, to a subpoena demanding military records and commission reports.

"With reference to the strike, I was inducted into office March 4, and as to conditions prior to that time I have knowledge only through the newspapers. Under my predecessor military law was established in the strike district. A commission was in existence when I came into office, and about eighty prisoners were in the jail. I wanted peace and harmony, as the situation seemed threatening."

The governor then referred to his intention to bring the cases in the civil courts.

The committee will probably coincide with the views of the governor and make no further efforts to get the records of these trials.

Governor Hatfield last night issued a proclamation raising martial law in the strike district.

"We had the right to sentence an offender to death," said Judge Advocate Gen. G. S. Wallace before the senate committee, "under whatever law the commander-in-chief of the forces of the state prescribed. My contention is that in the theater of war the commander-in-chief of the forces makes the law. The governor, when he declared martial law, recognized that the constitution had been suspended on Paint and Cabin creeks, and he sent us there to restore it. We exercised war powers, that is all."

For himself, Carter testified that Sidney C. Ball, who had been frequently mentioned by senators as one of the "antifree sugar men" who had called on them, was paid a salary of \$10,000 a year to stay in Washington and look after Hawaiian commercial interests.