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M'GILL PROFESSORS ARE SNOBS, SAYS THIS ENGLISHMAN

The Professors in Turn Say He Was a Dunce While He Was at McGill.

MONTREAL, April 28—McGill University professors, in the interests of science, may be willing to be labelled "absent-minded" but as to being 'snobs,' no, no, a thousand times no!

W. Laffan of London, England, is reported to have told members of the New Education Fellowship in Toronto that 'the most appalling sort of snobbery' exists in Canada, and that this snobbery exists to the nth degree at McGill.

'You know, Mr. Laffan was not very nice when he called us snobs,' one professor said in an injured voice. 'We have very carefully concealed from the world that Mr. Laffan's record of scholarship here was far from being good.'

'In fact, if Mr. Laffan cannot forget that we are 'snobs' we might recall that his record of scholarship was so bad that he 'flunked out' during his first year. The whole thing might then turn into a 'Laffan' matter.'

'Snobs! Sure we are snobs,' another veteran professor remarked. 'Everybody is snobbish about something. We don't like Mr. Laffan. Of course, Mr. Laffan does not seem to like us. Which goes to prove that snobishness is not confined to Canada.'

TORONTO, April 26—W. Laffan of London, England, told the New Education Fellowship here Saturday that he believed 'the most appalling sort of snobbery' exists in Canada. He had come, he said, to McGill University some years ago, hoping to find there would be no class distinctions, but they were greater than any he had known.

'And more boring, dull and rotten sort of lectures I never heard in my life,' he added, 'I have reason to believe they have improved. I thought one would come into contact with real life in Canada. Well, I found that nearly all the men came into contact with real life in the summer holidays.'

MIXED MARRIAGE AGAIN ATTACKED

MONTREAL, April 28—After a short, breathing spell the question of the validity of a mixed marriage performed by a Protestant minister is again up before the courts. The action is taken by Roland Boisvert to have set aside his marriage over 11 years ago to Helen Williams. In addition to the religious issue, he offers the further ground that he was a minor and did not have his parents' consent to the ceremony.

The action is being contested by the wife, who also has taken an action for separation to be given and board in which she asks to be the custody of their three children. This morning, before Mr. Justice Curran in the Practice Court, the husband's action was attacked on purely legal grounds.

Grounds Disputed

As regards his claim that the marriage was illegal because he was a minor at the time, the point can have no bearing on the matter, the wife contends, because he lived with her for more than 10 years, of which eight years were after he became of age. According to law, it is declared, the husband is now prescribed from an action on that ground. As a matter of fact, the wife points out, if her husband's parents did not know of the marriage when it took place, they have known of it for many years, for she and her children spent five summers at their home. It is therefore too late now to raise the point of no consent of the parents, she maintains.

On the point of religious grounds, the wife points to well-known judgments in which it has been held by the Privy Council and the Supreme Court of Canada that a marriage of a Catholic and Protestant is valid when performed by a Protestant minister. While the practice of mixed marriages without a dispensation may be

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PHYSICAL BUILD-UP IS CHILD'S GREAT NEED

(By Arthur Dean, Sc. D.)

Inexpensive food mixed intelligently stirred and cooked by competent mothers will keep youngsters healthy. I step out of my beaten track and discuss children's diets. I cannot stand upon ceremony in fear of invading a field outside of my own, for the reason that I think proper food is one of the crying needs of childhood.

I may be in error, but I feel that many children are improperly fed by lazy mothers. Milk is the best investment in food because it builds bone and muscle better than any other food. Milk increases resistance to disease. Every child needs one pint a day.

Canned tomato juice contains vitamins A, B, C and D, as does orange juice. Buy whichever is cheaper. Half a glass of juice every morning for each child.

Four economical things to remember: The water in which vegetables have been cooked is too valuable to throw away. It should be used for soup stock and gravies. The skins of well-washed, baked potatoes should be eaten because iron lies close under the skin. Buy whole grain products because they contain more of

forbidden by Roman Catholic canon law, the civil law overrides the canon law, it is claimed.

Mr. Justice Curran took the various points of law under advisement.

the health-giving and protecting qualities than the more refined products. Evaporated milk used for cooking purposes has the same food value as pasteurized milk.

Give your children a hearty breakfast and plenty of time in which to eat it. They will not only do better in their studies but will also need to spend less at the school cafeteria and in the candy shop.

Chopped raw cabbage and spinach and grated carrots have greater food value than when cooked, because some of the vitamins and minerals are lost in boiling. Dried peas and beans are very nourishing, but require long cooking.

I am a crank on eating; not a crank on diets, vegetables or vitamins. Just a plain old-fashioned fellow who believes there's lots of pleasure in eating old-fashioned food prepared by really good cooks, served neatly and eaten under pleasant conditions.

Like a New Englander, I can eat pie for breakfast—if it is good pie. The children need cooks, and not merely mothers who are experts at preparing bridge luncheons. They need mothers who can read recipes as well as use can openers. They need mothers who can make carrots, spinach and cabbage attractive. I confess I will not eat any of this 'stuff' unless it is seasoned or sauced or squeezed. Why should I, or the children either?

BOOK ON WINDSOR IS "OUT OF PRINT"

Publishers Withdraw Offensive Volume After Threat of Libel Suit.

LONDON, April 28—The book "Coronation Commentary" whose comments caused the Duke of Windsor to threaten a libel suit was "out of print," today.

This announcement was made by the publishers, Heinemann, as the dead line for withdrawal of the book was reached.

The Duke's solicitors had said that unless a promise to withdraw the book, and an apology, were received in today's first mail they would issue a libel writ.

Connections of the Duke said that the book had been withdrawn from circulation as the solicitors demanded; the publishers contented themselves with:

"We have nothing to say except that the book is out of print."

It was reported that several circulating libraries and book-sellers had decided to withhold remaining copies of the book, and it appeared that the Duke was satisfied.

Some usually well informed persons asserted that both the publishers and Geoffrey Dennis, author of the book, had apologized to the Duke's lawyers.

End of Period

Tomorrow marks the end of the six months' period which Mrs. Wallis Simpson must await to obtain a final divorce decree. The preliminary decree was granted October 27. It was expected that Mrs. Simpson's lawyers would apply for the final decree Wednesday and that the decree would be awarded a week from today. At that time, about 115 preliminary decrees granted last October become due for final action. The custom is to run them through the court rapidly, referring to them only by number. As there is almost no chance of an intervention against Mrs. Simpson's decree now, it is expected that she will be free to marry in a week.

Today 128 provisional decrees were made absolute by the divorce court. One was awarded to Sir Neville Pearson from Gladys Cooper, actress. Pearson named Philip Merivale, actor, in his suit.

To Release U. S. Edition

NEW YORK, April 28—Following a conference of Dodd, Mead and Company, officials of the publishing house today decided to release the United States edition of "Coronation Commentary," volume of Geoffrey Dennis which was withdrawn in England at the Duke of Windsor's request.

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SHOPKEEPERS COMPLAIN TOURIST ALLOWANCES

OTTAWA, April 28—Canadian and United States merchants are 'kicking like steers' against the provision which permits returning tourists to carry across the international boundary \$100 worth of goods for personal or household use free of customs duties.

Robert L. Smith, leading Hamilton merchant, has registered a vehement protest against National Revenue Department returns which show that Canadian tourists returning from the United States brought back to Canada some \$5,000,000 worth of goods in the first twelve months the \$100 Customs exemption was in effect.

Detroit retail merchants likewise complain that residents of the Michigan city spend \$10,000,000 a year in Windsor, declare that they come over to the Ontario side of the river for a glass of beer and go back home with their week's meats and groceries or a new overcoat. Butter, eggs and meats are cheaper in Canada than in Michigan.

Mr. Smith of Hamilton is positive that the Dominion Government's figures 'are miles away from the actual facts.' He contends that Canadian Customs officers at the border make only superficial examination of the baggage of returning Canadian tourists and says 'it would be safe to estimate that four times the amount

of \$5,000,000 is never declared, and never inspected by the Customs officers.' He also protests against the Canadian citizens returning from across the line bringing merchandise into this country without paying the 8 per cent. sales tax. He points out that 'every article that goes on sale in Canada must pay this tax,' and he calls it 'unjust discrimination which I rather think the much-maligned Supreme Court would call illegal.'

National Revenue Department officials admit returning Canadian tourists have attempted to slip over a few fast ones. They have now 'cracked down' on people bringing electric refrigerators, plows and pigs across the border in the rumble seat of their cars on the ground they were 'for personal or household use' and within the \$100 exemption limit which the Canadian-United States trade pact permits.

The following instruction has been issued to all Customs officials at border points to prevent further abuse of the \$100 exemption privilege:

"While officers engaged in examination of passengers' baggage will be called upon to exercise judgment in determining whether or not articles claimed upon are for personal or household use as distinguished from business use, it may be accepted as a general rule that articles for sale or for use in business offices, factories or in construction or industrial and agricultural production cannot be classed as for 'personal or household use.'

For instance a portable typewriter could quite conceivably be for personal use, but a standard typewriter would be open to question, and if intended for use in an office or in bus-

MASSES ARE PLANNED TO MARK THE CORONATION

Roman Catholics Are to Have Services May 9

MONTREAL, April 28—Montreal Roman Catholics will observe the Coronation of King George and Queen Elizabeth at solemn high masses Sunday, May 9. Rev. Lawrence Whelan, vice-chancellor of the diocese announced today.

In each church a solemn high mass will be sung and the Te Deum chanted at the conclusion of the service. At St. James' Cathedral, Msgr. B.A. Deschamps bishop auxiliary of Montreal, is to officiate while Msgr. Georges Gauthier, archbishop coadjutor of Montreal, will preside.

Special reference was made to this observance in a pastoral letter read in all local Catholic churches yesterday. The letter read in part: "We have never failed for many years in sharing the joys and sorrows of the Royal Family. A great joy has come to the family a joy of which it is easy to estimate the depth and intensity. It is only right that we should make it our joy too."

"At the time when he formally takes possession of his Throne, our new King will fully realize the difficulties of the task which has come to him. In the sincerity of his religious faith, he will ask more fervently for help from Heaven to meet his onerous duties. It is at that moment we will make it our duty to be with him. We will pray God to bless his reign which is now beginning and which is a most propitious one for the Empire."

ness would not be exempt as for 'personal use.'

Similarly, bath tubs, kitchen sinks wash basins and refrigerators, while ostensibly for 'household use' and agricultural implements, while for 'personal use' in one sense, should be disallowed on a claim for exemption as articles not ordinarily regarded as baggage."

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