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Births, Marriages, Deaths.

BORN.

KNAPTON—On Wednesday, July 16, 1902, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Knapton, of the 6th concession of London Township, a daughter.

AMUSEMENTS, LECTURES, ETC.

SPRING-BANK. Performance Every Night at 8:30. 100 tf

G. T. R. CAR WORKS' EXCURSION to Niagara Falls, Ont., July 19, 1902—Adults, $2 05; children, $1 05. Special trains will leave London, 6:30 a.m.; London East, 6 a.m., 6:15 a.m. and 6:40 a.m. Returning will leave Niagara Falls, 7:30 p.m., 8:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. Tickets good to return on any regular train not later than July 21. Tickets on sale at G. T. R. ticket offices. b

BOAT EXCURSIONS TO MONTREAL via Toronto and Hamilton. Low rates to all St. Lawrence River ports. F. B. Clarke, Richmond street, next Advertiser. ywt

TO THE OLD COUNTRY—LOW RATES in effect, first and second cabin, via Allan, Beaver, Cunard, American, Anchor and Red Star lines. F. B. Clarke, agent, Richmond street, next Advertiser, sells tickets to the Old Country at very lowest rates.

RETAIL GROCERS' EXCURSION—Niagara, via M. C. R., July 23. Tickets good for two days. The public cordially invited. b

ANNUAL PICNIC, SCOTTISH SOCIETIES of London and St. Thomas, at Port Stanley, Tuesday, July 22, 1902. Full band 48th Highlanders, Pipers, Toronto; London Highland Pipe Band and 7th Regiment Band. Trains leave London 9:45 and 11 a.m., 1:15, 2:30, 5:25 and 6:45 p.m. 36n

DANCING—SUMMER SEASON, PALACE Academy. Private lessons any hour. Special orchestra for picnics, garden or lawn socials, etc. Terms moderate. Dayton & McCormick.

MEETINGS.

A. O. U. W.—WOODBINE LODGE meets this evening. Visitors welcome. William Nichols, M. W. b

MALE HELP WANTED.

STENOGRAPHER WANTED — MUST understand bookkeeping; references required. Address Box 34, Advertiser. 38c

MACHINISTS AND HANDY MEN—Immediately. The George White & Sons Company, Limited, King street. b

WANTED—YOUNG MAN TO WORK in general store; must be able to take care of horses. Apply J. Hunter McRae, at Bernard House, between 12 and 1 o'clock noon, on Saturday. 38u

GOOD BOY WANTED—TO DRIVE grocery wagon. 474 Dundas street. 38u

DO YOU WRITE ADS?—SEND ADDRESS today on your business stationery for invaluable information free. Harper Syndicate, Columbus, Ohio. 38tf-wty

BREAD BAKER WANTED AT ONCE; must be a good hand. Apply after 6 p.m., 22 Pegler street, city. 37u

WANTED—MEN TO LEARN BARBER trade; all the advantages of steady practice; expert instructions, lectures, etc.; years of apprenticeship saved; special inducements while our class is not crowded. Catalogue mailed free. Moler Barber College, Chicago, Ill. 38n

WANTED—YOUNG BOY FOR PRINTING department, with some experience at running presses. Apply C. R. Somerville. 37c

STRONG BOY FOR SOAP FACTORY work. Apply London Soap Company.

WANTED—THREE OR FOUR GOOD, active laborers, aged 20 to 25, to learn to make cast iron soil pipe fittings. Apply Stevens Manufacturing Company, city. 36c

BLACKSMITH WANTED—TWO OR three years' experience; good driver. John Kale, Seaforth. 35n

ENERGETIC MAN WANTED, WHO can furnish horse and wagon, and deposit $150 cash; permanent position, paying $18 per week and expenses; no canvassing. Delivery, Box 78, Philadelphia. 35n

BOYS WANTED—SATURDAYS ONLY. Red Star News Company, 92 Dundas street.

WANTED — BOYS FROM 16 TO 18 years. McCormick Manufacturing Company. 31tf

WANTED — BOYS FOR FACTORY. D. S. Perrin & Co., Limited. 3tf

AGENTS WANTED.

A BRIGHT AGENT, WITH AMBITION, looking for a permanent agency, with a chance for advancement; salary, $400 per year and upwards from the start, according to ability. Apply to Cooper, P. O. Drawer 531, London.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

FOR SALE—FIRST-CLASS GROCERY business; corner Dundas and Adelaide streets. Apply N. McLeod. 36c

BLACKSMITH SHOP FOR SALE OR rent; good business. Address Box 505, Seaforth. 35n

DOMINION

Savings and Investment Society.

HIGHEST RATES

Paid on Deposits and Debentures

OFFICES — Masonic Temple Building, corner King and Richmond Streets.

NATHANIEL MILLS, Manager

ROSS'

STRAW HATS. . .

No use thinking you can worry along without one.

Solid comfort is what you want, and this can never be had during this hot weather without wearing one of our cool Straw Hats.

J. & D. ROSS, 196 Dundas Street.

FEMALE HELP WANTED.

GIRLS WANTED. APPLY PARISIAN Steam Laundry. 38c

DINING-ROOM GIRL WANTED. APPLY Ontario House. 38c

WANTED—DINING-ROOM GIRL. APPLY Oriental Hotel. 37tf

GIRLS WANTED AT CAP FACTORY, corner Dundas and Talbot streets. F. C. Fraser & Co. 37k

DINING-ROOM GIRL WANTED. APPLY Grigg House. 36c

WANTED — GOOD GENERAL SERVANT; no laundry work. Apply to Mrs. Pope, 88 Ridout street south. 36c

WANTED—A HOUSEMAID. APPLY Mrs. C. B. Hunt, Wortley road, South London. 36c

WANTED—COAT, VEST AND PANT operators on wholesale clothing. Apply C. E. Tolton Company, Talbot street. 36c

LADY CLERK WANTED—GOOD REFERENCES required. Apply Kent's Confectionery. 36c

WANTED—HEAD COOK; GOOD SALARY. Apply, with references, Superintendent, Homewood Sanitarium, Guelph. 35n

GIRLS FOR ICING ROOM AND OTHER departments; also paper box makers. D. S. Perrin & Co., Limited. 33tf

GIRLS WANTED. APPLY McCORMICK Manufacturing Company. 42tf

HELP WANTED.

$10 00 WEEKLY COPYING LETTERS at home; either sex. Send stamp for particulars. Northern Supply Company, Box 337, Quebec. 38m

ACTIVE HELP, MALE, FEMALE—Copy letters at home during spare time; $5 to $10 weekly. Inclose postage. Dominion Importing Company, Toronto. b

DRESS CUTTING SCHOOL.

LONDON CUTTING SCHOOL—EQUAL, if not superior, to any in Ontario. Call or write for terms. 233½ Dundas street, London, Ont.

ARTICLES FOR SALE.

TWENTY-FIVE GOOD STOCK STEERS and one second-hand buggy and harness for sale. Apply 463 King street, London. 36c-ywt

THRESHING OUTFIT—STEVENS ENGINE, White separator, nearly new; tank, etc., all complete. Cheap, terms easy. Apply A. M. Hunt, auctioner, 21 Edward street, London. 38k-wt.

SEND A TWO-CENT STAMP FOR OUR summer catalogue, foreign stamps. Federal Stamp Company, 70 Elmwood avenue, London, Canada. 38c

FOR SALE—THRESHING OUTFIT; engine, separator, trucks and tank, all nearly new; also horses and route. Apply George H. Pearce, Scottsville. 38a

FOR SALE—TEAM OF PONIES, 12½ hands high; double harness, made by Ogden, Strathroy; Surrey wagon, adjustable, built by S. Craik, Strathroy; harness and wagon good as new, only used a short time. G. D. Baxter, agent G. T. R., Thorold, Ont. 36n

LATEST NOVELS—SEND FOR LARGE list of titles, all 5c and 10c each. Red Star News Company, 92 Dundas street.

GAS AND GASOLINE ENGINES AT lowest prices, manufactured by D. McKenzie & Co., 298 Richmond street.

CHEAP WOOD—FROM NOW TO JULY 1 we will sell load of good sawmill wood, $1 20 per load. Good mixed wood, $2 25 for half cord. Green & Co., William street. 'Phone 1,391.

THE NOBBIEST THING IN GO-CARTS and Baby Carriages ever seen in London, at Keene Bros., 127 King street.

TRY OUR COOKED HAM FOR PICNICS. Bologna and headcheese fresh daily. The best hams, bacon and lard, 1 to 5, Market House. ywt

CHOICE CROCK BUTTER, 16c AND 17c per pound; best 1 pound rolls, 18c; creamery, 18c pound. Choice new cheese, 12c pound. C. P. C. lard, 13c pound, 2 pounds, 25c. Good potatoes, 90c bag. T. A. Paulds, 13 Market House. 'Phone 151. ywt

SNAP — GOOD PIANO, ROSEWOOD case, 7 1-3 octaves; in first-class condition, and guaranteed for 5 years. Only $100, on easy terms of payment. Heintzman & Co., 217 Dundas street, corner Clarence.

SUMMER WOOD—PER LOAD, $1 35 Cash. Also coal and hard wood. Buchanan's, 633 Colborne. 'Phone 1,096.

WOOD FOR SALE—WE CAN SUPPLY summer wood at $1 25 a load. D. H. Gillies & Co., 673 Bathurst street, leading east end wood yard. 'Phone 1,312.

$35—IMPERIAL BICYCLES, STRICTLY high grade. Easy terms. Large stock new tires, $3 50 pair and upwards. J. H. Cunningham, 664 Dundas street.

MILLIONS OF STAMPS FOR COLLECTORS—Lists free. Wm. R. Adams, 401 Yonge street, Toronto.

HOUSES, ETC., TO LET.

TO LET—AN EXCELLENT SUITE OF front and rear offices, with vaults, on first floor over store, No. 173 Dundas street, Fitzgerald's block. Apply T. H. Luscombe, office No. 1, or W. L. Fitzgerald, office No. 2, on the premises. 22tf-tyw

TO LET—NEW BRICK HOUSE, SEVEN rooms, every convenience; good location. Apply 625 Wellington street. 70tf

TO LET—UNION FURNITURE VAN—Furniture carefully handled. John Biggs, Cathcart and Bruce, South London, late of London Furniture Company. 'Phone 815.

Pocock Bros. Pocock Bros.

Third Week of Shoe Sale.

To clear our shelves and tables of all kinds of reliable and stylish footwear, prior to the store alterations, we will offer the greatest values of their kind ever shown in a London boot store. We are determined this month of July shall be a record-breaker. A startling sacrifice of profits to reduce stock.

ECONOMIZE in Trunks, Valises and Satchels.

In this line our range is the most complete in the city.

Pocock Bros.

140 Dundas Street.

Queen Insurance Co.

Funds available for security of Queen policy holders, $64,000,000.

J. A. NELLES, Agent, 422 Richmond Street.

'Phone 943. ywt

WANTED.

WANTED—FAMILY WASHING, TO take home. Address 309 Cheapside street, city. 36k

REAL ESTATE.

FOR SALE—125 CATHCART STREET, London South; brick cottage; stable; one acre; good fruit. Apply on premises. 38c-wty

100 ACRES FOR SALE OR RENT—LOT 18, con. 13, London Township. Apply John X. Logan, 452 Oxford street, London city. 34c-twy

FOR SALE—A FEW VERY CHOICE lots; $10 cash, balance in easy payments. Splendid country store; no opposition. J. F. Sangster, 112 Masonic Temple.

FOR SALE — 200 ACRES, LONDON township, lots 10 and 11, con. 11. Apply James Robb, Bryanston, Ont.

FOR SALE—HOUSE ON CHEAPSIDE; a bargain to quick purchaser. Casey & Morwood, 90 Dundas street.

WANTED TO BUY—A MEDIUM-SIZED cottage, fifteen minutes' walk of Advertiser. Address J. D., this office. 12tf

FARM FOR SALE NEAR STRATHROY—75 acres; good buildings and water. G. M. Haldane, Strathroy.

HOUSE FOR SALE OR TO LET—Three blocks from Victoria Park. Apply Francis Love, police court. 80tf

LAUNDRY.

WONG LEM, CHINESE LAUNDRY, 469 Dundas, opposite Dundas Center Church. First-class work. Parcels called for and delivered.

BUSINESS CARDS.

OUR CURLY BANGS ARE A GEM FOR hot weather. See them. Combings wanted. Miller's Hair Store, 223 Dundas street.

WATSON & CO., HOUSE MOVERS—Steam boilers and safes a specialty. 194 Hamilton road. Phone 1,231.

WILLIAM HODGSON, PAINTER, paperhanger. Estimates free. 410 Horton street.

BROKERS.

WANTED—CITY LOAN COMPANIES' stocks. John Wright, stock broker, London, Ont. 'Phone 693.

BOARDING, ROOMS, ETC.

HANDSOME ROOMS TO LET IN quiet home; modern conveniences. 314 Dundas street. 38n

PARLOR AND BEDROOMS—WITH OR without first-class board. 315 King street. 37c

AUCTION SALE OF

100 HORSES

Owing to expiration of lease of Fair Grounds Stables, to be held at the Western Fair Grounds, London, ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 23rd, 1902, commencing at 1 o'clock p.m.

Comprising farm teams, livery, hack, hearse and all kinds of first-class useful horses; also several matched pairs; also one first-class commercial wagon, new and built to order. All these horses are going to be sold without reserve to the highest bidder, and a guarantee will be given with each horse.

TERMS: From three to twelve months' credit to good buyers.

JAMES McCARTNEY, Proprietor.
D. H. PORTER, Auctioner. 38c

TENDERS.

SEALED TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED at the office of the undersigned until noon, July 23, for three detached brick dwellings.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

H. C. McBRIDE, Architect.
37u

It Was Merrill's Body.

Chehalis, Wash., July 17.—The coroner's jury has decided that the body found near here on Monday night is that of David Merill, the convict who escaped from the Oregon Penitentiary on June 9 with Harry Tracy. Mrs. Wagoner, who found the body, will claim the reward of $1,500, which was offered by the state for Merill, dead or alive.

Hon. Clifford Sifton has made up his mind to start for the Yukon towards the end of August.

GATEWAY TO THE INTERNAL WATERS OF THE DOMINION

Union Between Newfoundland and Canada.

VIEWS OF SIR ROBERT BOND

Question Comes Up at Banquet of Colonial Premiers—A Question of Terms.

London, July 17.—The Canada Club dinner last night was attended by the colonial premiers now in London, and many other distinguished guests. Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal, Canadian High Commissioner, in London, presided.

The Right Hon. Edmund Barton, Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia, in the course of an address, made the first public reference to the plan for the confederation of Newfoundland and Canada mentioned in these dispatches. The Australian Premier said he hoped that all obstacles in the way of Newfoundland joining the Dominion would be removed.

SIR ROBERT BOND'S VIEWS.

Sir Robert Bond, Prime Minister of Newfoundland, replying, dwelt upon the great strategic value of Newfoundland, which, he said, stood as a sentinel at the gateway to the internal waters of Canada. He traced the phenomenal recuperative powers of the island, and referred to the present prosperity, declaring the question of confederation to be one of terms. "If," said Sir Robert, "the terms are advantageous to the people of Newfoundland, I shall feel it my duty to lay the proposal before my people, and, if necessary, exert myself to bring the confederation about. We are not jealous of Canada."

The associated press, however, is in a position to state that there is little likelihood of Canada's offering terms which Prime Minister Bond should present to the Newfoundland Legislature.

Curious features of the affair were that neither Sir Wilfrid Leaurier, the Canadian Prime Minister; the Canadian Government, nor the Imperial Government has yet mentioned the matter to Premier Bond or his ministers, and that the ball should have been started rolling by Premier Barton.

MORE MEETINGS.

It is understood there will be four more meetings before the finish of the colonial conference.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Sir Wm. Mulock, Sir Frederick Borden, Messrs Fielding and Paterson, who are in London, returned the hospitalities that have been extended to them while in England by entertaining a distinguished company at dinner at the Hotel Cecil. H. R. H. Princess Louise, Lord and Lady Minto, Lord and Lady Strathcona and Lady Aberdeen were among those present.

As the coronation procession has been canceled soldiers will not be required from Canada. There are thirteen men, also some men of the Canadian Hussars, Strathcona's Canadian Mounted Rifles and Governor-General's Body Guards who will represent Canada as a mounted escort. Major Forrester will command.

The Earl of Dundonald, who sailed from Liverpool, was given a most enthusiastic send-off.

FAST ATLANTIC SERVICE.

A private meeting of shipping men in regard to the fast Atlantic line resulted, it is understood, in the Elder-Dempster and the Allans, uniting to secure the subsidy from Canada and Great Britain. It is expected Great Britain will give half of the whole amount.

The Argonauts, Toronto's representatives at the recent Henley regatta, left Euston station on Wednesday for Liverpool, whence they sail for home. Hon. J. M. Gibson, Attorney-General for Ontario, was one of the Canadians present to bid them good-bye. Reginald Parmenter, Major J. C. Mason and E. M. Hamber, of the crew, will remain in England for a time.

NEGRO BURNED AT THE STAKE

Bound Fast and Oil Poured Over His Clothing.

LYNCHED BY MOB AT MIDNIGHT

His Crime a Most Brutal One—Identified by the Girl He Assaulted.

Clayton, Miss., July 17.—Wm. Ody, a negro who last night attempted to assault Miss Virginia Tucker, of this place, was burned at the stake at midnight. The attack was most brutal. The young lady was riding in the country, when she was attacked, and was so violently pulled from her buggy by the negro that both her legs were broken. The scene of the assault was a lonely spot in a country road. Ody hailed Miss Tucker with the information that she had dropped a package. She stopped the horse, and the negro approached as if to pick up the supposed package. He seized the girl's wrists and dragged her violently from the vehicle, both her legs being broken in the fall. Miss Tucker screamed, and was found a few moments later by a doctor who was driving by. She is now said to be at the point of death.

After Ody's capture by the posse, a mob quickly formed and took charge of the prisoner. He was brought before Miss Tucker, who positively identified him, although he asserted innocence.

Ody was taken to a spot in the country near the scene of the assault, and a bonfire was built about a tree. He was told to prepare for death. When the manner of his execution became apparent, he begged piteously for mercy. He was securely bound, oil was poured over his clothing, and in a short period only his charred bones marked the spot of execution.

WIFE MURDERER LYNCHED.

Owensboro, Ky., July 17. — Joshua Anderson was taken from jail here early this morning by a crowd of men and hanged to the cross beam of the city scales. Thursday night Anderson went to the home of his wife, three miles below town, called her out, and shot her three times, instantly killing her.

CANADIAN MINISTERS

Will Make a Longer Stay in England Than Was Anticipated.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, July 17.—From private correspondence received at the departments it appears as if the Canadian ministers would be in England much longer than they at first expected. Letters received here state that it will be Sept. 1 or perhaps later before they will be able to return.

The steamer Clyde, with consort, while passing Colchester, Ont., about 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, broke her machinery, and is now anchored about 2½ miles from shore, awaiting assistance.

The druggists of Philadelphia have organized for the incorporation of a stock company, capitalized at $500,000, to own and manage retail drug stores. They expect to ultimately control 200 stores in the city and State.

The old stone chimney which stands on the lands of the Niagara Falls Power Company is to be removed. It was built by the French in 1750, and was the first stone structure erected in the Niagara locality.

RECONSTRUCTION TALK REVIVED

By First Cabinet Meeting of the New Administration.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN WAS THERE

Marconi May Be Able to Send Wireless Messages Across the Sea by Christmas.

London, July 17.—The Premier, A. J. Balfour, presided today in the Foreign Office, at the first cabinet meeting of the new administration. The colonial secretary, Joseph Chamberlain, was sufficiently recovered from the effect of the cab accident which disabled him, to be able to attend, though he discarded his hansom in favor of a more luxurious carriage. He was pale and wore a soft felt hat. Otherwise he showed no signs of his injuries.

The meeting of the cabinet gave fresh impetus to the reconstruction reports. One of these is the suggestion that the Duke of Marlborough will succeed Lord Curzon of Kedleston as Viceroy of India. But there is not the least possibility of any such appointment. It appears very doubtful if Lord Curzon will come home before the expiration of his term of office. As a matter of fact there is no appointment which could be offered him, except the Foreign Office, which would be a promotion from the viceroyality of India, and there is no indication that Lord Lansdowne has any intention of retiring. Under no circumstances, however, would the Duke of Marlborough be given such an important post as India, though he might possibly succeed Earl Cadogan as Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland.

All suggestions in regard to appointments are still of a highly tentative character.

MARCONI'S HOPES.

As soon as Mr. Marconi returns to this country, in about three weeks, steps will be taken to establish a regular service between Poldu Station in Cornwall, the American station at Cape Cod and the Canadian station at Cape Breton. Mr. Marconi believes that if all goes well he will be in position before Christmas to send ordinary messages to Cape Cod or Cape Breton at sixpence and press messages at twopence halfpenny a word. Connection with distant towns in Africa is also promised in the Marconi program of the near future.

BATTLE OF THE TUBES.

The battle of the tubes was fought in the House of Commons last night. Several underground railway bills came up, but the most important was the London United Electric Railway's bill, which was supported by Mr. Morgan and opposed by Mr. Yerkes in the interests of the District Railway. The case for the opposition was that it would be an injustice to set up a new line from Hammersmith to the city at a time when the District Company had raised a million and a half pounds for the complete installation of electric traction on the main lines and the western and northwestern extensions. On behalf of the London United bill it was argued that if the scheme were passed Londoners would undoubtedly enjoy traveling facilities at rates lower than any which had hitherto obtained. After an animated discussion Mr. Morgan secured an easy victory, the second reading of the bill being agreed to by 250 to 69.

THE PREMIERS HONORED.

Edinburgh, Scotland, July 17.—The municipality of Edinburgh has decided to confer the freedom of the city on Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Premier of Canada and Sir Robert Bond, the premier and colonial secretary of Newfoundland, on the occasion of their visit here July 26 to receive degrees from the university.

$5,000 FOR MRS. STEYN.

The ladies of Cape Town yesterday presented Mrs. Steyn, wife of the ex-president of the former Orange River Colony, with a purse of £1,000 before she sailed for Europe with her husband and two doctors on the steamer Carlsbrook Castle. Mr. Steyn was in a pitiable condition from enteric fever. His arms and legs were partially paralyzed and he was unable to open his eyelids. The censorship over telegrams at Cape Town has been abolished except in the case of press dispatches.

AT BISLEY.

Today was the popular "Boys' Day," at the annual meeting of the National Rifle Association at Bisley. The contest for the Ashburton Challenge Shield was the principal of the four events in which the public schools competed. Thirty-five teams were entered for the shield, which was won by Cheltenham, by a score of 469.

RIVER RHONE RISING.

Geneva, Switzerland, July 17.—The River Rhone has risen a few inches since yesterday, causing increased anxiety. The floods are extending in the lowlands. Part of the village of Hallau, canton of Schaffhausen, has been destroyed.

Engineers are repairing the river wall at Illarsaz, Canton of Valais, which the Rhone broke through July 10, submerging the plain between Vionnaz and Vouvry.

The Odontine Habit

Is a Good One For the Teeth.

A dash of Odontine (C. & L.) on your tooth brush the first thing in the morning starts the day right. It is a perfect liquid dentifrice—cleanses, preserves, beautifies, keeps the teeth sound and healthy, hardens the gums and purifies the breath. Only 25 cents.

CAIRNCROSS & LAWRENCE, Chemists and Druggists, Corner Park Ave. 216 Dundas St.

LABORING FOR SOULS IN FAR-AWAY INDIA

Life Work of One of "Nick" Wilson's Boys—Rev. W. A. Wilson Visits Old Home.

Rev. W. A. Wilson, a London Old Boy, who has for 18 years labored in a Presbyterian mission field in Central India, has been in the city for a week renewing the friendships of his boyhood days. He is accompanied by Mrs. Wilson, who is a daughter of Rev. Principal Caven, of Knox College, Toronto.

An Advertiser representative had an interesting talk with Mr. Wilson, in the course of which he received some valuable information as to conditions in Great Britain's empire in the east, and the progress which is being made there by civilization and Christianity.

ONE OF "NICK" WILSON'S BOYS.

Mr. Wilson was a student at the old Union School on King street back in 1867 and 1868, he being one of "Nick Wilson's boys." Among his schoolfellows there were the late Thomas Browne, J. W. McIntosh, Rev. Allan Bell, the late Rev. D. McColl, the late Alf. Tibbs, T. R. Slaght, county crown attorney of Norfolk, City Engineer Graydon, T. H. Purdom, K.C., Angelo Grannan, Matthew Hutchinson, K.C., Montreal, the late Nicholas Wilson, W. D. Buckle, and others who have since taken their places honorably as good citizens of the Dominion.

Mr. Wilson, after leaving school here, went to Hamilton, where he pursued his studies. He matriculated in 1870, graduated from Toronto University in 1874, and graduated from Knox College in 1877. He assisted Rev. Dr. Topp for nine months in the pastorate of Knox Church, Toronto, and then came to St. Marys, where for six years he had charge of Knox Church in that town. He was then asked by the mission board of the Presbytelan Church to enter the Central India mission field, to which request he acceded. He went to India 18 years ago, and has been there ever since with the exception of a trip home ten years ago.

THE FIELD OF WORK.

Mr. Wilson's work lies in the Province of Malwa, a territory about 200 miles square. The headquarters of the mission are at Neemuch. There are seven main stations in the district, and eight subordinate stations. The mission work is proving very successful, the people having been reached in great numbers through the relief work done by the missionaries in the great famine of three years ago, and from which the district has not yet recovered. There are at the present time over 2,000 widows and orphans dependent on the mission for sustenance.

Central India is divided into numerous states, each ruled over by a native prince, under British suzerainty. The work of the missionary in these native states is much more difficult than in the districts where Great Britain is in actual control. The officials of these native states resent the introduction of Christian institutions, and have it in their power to make life very hard for the natives who adopt Christianity. These converts are cut off from their families, compelled to leave their own villages, and deprived of employment. They are virtually boycotted. The missionaries often find it difficult to secure land for the erection of their houses and schools, as the native princes own nearly all the land. The natives in this part of India are nearly all Hindoos or Mohammedans. Mr. Wilson says the former are the more lovable, being less bigoted and fanatical than the followers of the prophet.

A TRYING CLIMATE.

The climate of Central India, where Mr. Wilson is stationed, is not so trying as in some other parts. It is not so hot as it is in the country surrounding Delhi, which is further north. South of Neemuch the climate is still cooler. The hottest months are March, April, May and June, when the heat is most oppressive. Mr. Wilson says he has seen it 101 in the shade at 7 o'clock in the evening. The temperature rarely goes above 110 in the shade in Mr. Wilson's district, though in other parts of the country it often goes 116, 118, and even 120 in the shade. The rainy season sets in in June, and lasts through July, August, and September. November, December and January are delightful months, much like the finest October weather in Canada. If the European or American in India can afford to go to the hills—Simla, Darjeeling, and other places in the foothills of the Himalayas—during the hot months, life in India may be passed very pleasantly.

FAMINE A BLESSING IN DISGUISE.

Speaking of the terrible famine which devastated India three years ago and carried off hundreds of thousands of people, Mr. Wilson said that no government in the history of the world had ever put forth greater efforts to cope with a national calamity. The government spent more than £50,000,000 sterling in relief work. In the states under direct British control the death rate was kept at a very low figure, but in the native-ruled states, where the British officials could only offer suggestions instead of taking charge of the relief work, the death rate was shockingly high. The native provinces were handicapped in dealing with the famine by their inexperience, and in some cases by lack of resources. Some of them were possessed of the inbred fatalism, stoicism and indifference to life of the Oriental to ignore the necessity of taking active measures. Mr. Wilson states, however, that these native rulers seemed to realize this time, as they never did before, their responsibility toward their subjects. This Mr. Wilson ascribed to the influence of the British rule and the gradual spread of Christianity.

One result of the famine has been to aid the missionaries in their work. It taught the people that the missionaries had their good at heart, and wished to help them in temporal as well as spiritual matters. As a result many of them have listened willingly to the teachings of the Gospel, and been baptised into the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson leave London today. They will visit friends in Ontario till September, when they leave again to renew their work. They expect to sail from New York to Naples, thence direct to Bombay.

THE KING BENEFITED BY CHANGE OF AIR AND SCENE

Will Remain Off Cowes for Two Weeks—May Take a Trip Down the Channel.

London, July 17.—The King is benefiting by the change of air and scene. The royal yacht, it is understood, will remain off Cowes for about a fortnight if the weather continues fine, and the King may then take a trip down the Channel.

The doctors are anxious that their patient shall not be occasioned the slightest discomfort or inconvenience, and instructions have been issued to skippers and pilots navigating vessels through the Solent to slow down when passing the Victoria and Albert, in order to prevent unnecessary oscillation.

The North German Lloyd Liner Koenig Wilhelm, crowded with emigrants, passed yesterday afternoon so slowly that comments were evoked from onlookers on shore.

THE KING'S PROGRAMME.

London, July 17.—The reports regarding King Edward's health continue to be most satisfactory. He will remain on the royal yacht off Cowes, Isle of Wight, until Aug. 8, and will return to the roadstead after the coronation.

It has been definitely decided that the British fleet will reassemble off Portsmouth for the coronation review. The Japanese squadron has been instructed to return there, and it is understood that other foreign countries will also be represented.