

Amusements and Lectures

**London Opera House**  
SATURDAY, DEC. 15—MAT. & NIGHT.  
A BARE THRILL FOR LONDON.  
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Return of last season's greatest success, the quaint rural drama, by Eleanor Merrow,  
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Entire original production. Induced by all leading elements as pure and wholesome.  
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come. W. J. Garret, Pres.  
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Owners' Association will be held in  
Duffell Hall this (Friday) evening, W. H.  
Ferguson, secretary.  
**LONDON COUNCIL, NO. 23, ROYAL**  
Arcadium, will meet this (Friday) evening,  
at 8 o'clock, in Duffell Hall.  
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ORY will meet in Sherwood Hall, Rich-  
mond street, this (Friday) evening, 8 o'clock.  
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berg, Registrar.  
**BOARD OF TRADE—THE ADJOURNED**  
meeting of the Board will be held on Fri-  
day, 14th instant, at 5 p.m. Best time avail-  
able for the business of the Board. A large at-  
tendance is desired. James Mattinson, president;  
J. A. Nelson, secretary.  
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than ever before, and you will be wel-  
come to stroll around the store whe-  
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Women's Plain Black Felt Slippers ..... 90c  
Women's Black Felt House Slippers,  
elastic fronts, or lace ..... \$1.00  
Women's French Felt Slippers ..... 75c, 90c and \$1.00  
Women's Kumfort Slippers, dark  
tan goatskin, white fleece-lined ..... 90c  
Women's Colored Felt House Slippers,  
very cosy, made in France ..... \$1.00  
Women's French Felt Slippers, in  
colors, lined with lambswool ..... \$1.25  
Women's Quilted Satin and Furry  
Velvet High-cut Julietts, in col-  
ors, fur-bound and lined, only  
..... \$1.50, \$1.75  
Women's Vel Kid or Patent Leather  
Strap Slippers, with fancy  
bows (American) ..... \$1.25  
Women's Fancy Kid or Patent  
Leather Slippers, beaded and or-  
namented (American) ..... widths  
AAA to E, sizes 2 to 8 .....  
..... \$1.50, \$1.75, \$1.98, \$2.50, \$3.00  
Lambswool Socks, finest made,  
leather binding; Men's, 35c; wo-  
men's, 20c; misses', 18c; chil-  
dren's, 12c; infants', 10c ..... 13c  
Women's "Cupid" Socks ..... \$3.50  
Men's Novelty Slippers, for bed-  
room, American made, oriental  
colors, in velvet 50c, Derby ..... 55c  
Men's Carpet Slippers, 30c, 40c, 50c  
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..... 65c, 75c, 85c, \$1.00  
Men's Dark Tan Goatskin Kumfort  
Slippers, white lambswool lin-  
ing ..... \$1.00  
Men's Fancy Slippers, tan, black,  
and other colors, in dogskin, kid,  
goatskin, imitation alligator, calf,  
etc., all shapes (American made) ..... \$1.25  
Men's and Black Slippers, in  
velvet kid, goat and fine calf, any  
style desired ..... \$1.50  
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new colors and styles, extra fine  
linings and finishes ..... \$1.98  
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choice hot buns, 30c lb; fancy assorted boxes,  
15c; malaga grapes 20c lb. T. A. Fauds, 67  
Dundas, Phone 1,192. 26c.

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sores, piles, burns, skin disease, use New  
Centum Magic Salve. Put on KAYE'S  
STROUGHS cleaned, trees pruned. Now is  
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Few more baseburners left with ovens;  
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for coal. Furniture, Bedroom Sets, Mattresses,  
Spring, all taken in exchange. Remember  
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**LOST—PAIR OF GLASSES—ON DUF-**  
FERIN avenue or London Collegiate In-  
stitute. Return to Advertiser Office. 41c.

**LOST—ON FRIDAY—A SMALL BLACK**  
purse containing sum of money. Reward  
on returning to this office. 41c.

**LOST—GOATSKIN ROBE—BETWEEN**  
Richmond and Waterloo, on Dundas,  
about 6 o'clock Wednesday. Reward by leav-  
ing at Advertiser Office. 41c.

**LOST—LADY'S WATCH, OPEN FACE.**  
Finder call this office. Reward. 41c.

**LOST—WEDNESDAY, GOLD SPEC-**  
TACLES, in case, retained. Reward if  
returned to Wm. Chapman, butcher, 393 Dun-  
das street. 41c.

**LOST IN H. YATES' CANDY STORE.**  
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taining sum of money, etc. Owner can have  
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THE METROPOLIS

DEEPLY STIRRED

By the Latest News From the Seat of War  
in South Africa.

London, Dec. 14.—The scenes at the  
war office today recall those witnessed  
in the early stages of the war. A  
constant stream of excited people filled  
the lobbies, all seeking details of the  
disaster. The absence of the names of  
any of the officers of the Northumber-  
land Fusiliers in Gen. Kitchener's  
dispatch leads to the foregoing that the  
four companies of the Fusiliers  
mentioned are in the hands of the  
Boers. The officials of the war office  
evidently expected a heavy casualty  
list, but they are hopeful, from the  
fact that the dispatch does not men-  
tion the capture of the Northumber-  
lands, that such a catastrophe has  
been escaped.

**BRITISH REINFORCEMENTS.**  
Lorenzo Marquez, Dec. 14.—A force  
of 150 infantry, a squadron of cavalry,  
and two guns, were dispatched to the  
frontier at Koomatipoort this morning.

**BOTHA ON THE MOVE.**  
Standerton, Transvaal, Thursday,  
Dec. 13.—Gen. Louis Botha is reported  
to be 20 miles from here with 1,500  
men and one gun. He has called a  
meeting of the burghers for Saturday.  
**GETTING THE BEST OF DEWET.**  
London, Dec. 14.—It is reported that  
Gen. Knox, co-operating with a British  
column at Reddersburg, has stopped  
Gen. Dewet and that a battle is pro-  
ceeding.

The report adds that many of De-  
wet's followers have been captured.

**NURSES COMING HOME.**  
[Special to Advertiser per C. P. R.]  
Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 14.—The follow-  
ing was received today: "Cape Town,  
Dec. 14.—The troops nurses sailed by  
the Rosslyn Castle for Halifax about  
the 7th. (Signed) Biggar."

**KNOX CHURCH CONCERT.**  
A splendid opportunity is presented  
to the music-loving people of our city  
by what promises to be a most de-  
lightful concert, to be given by Knox  
Church choir, on Tuesday, Dec. 18.  
Gaul's "Ruth" is the work that has  
been selected for the occasion, and  
will be given with full orchestral ac-  
companiment. Miss Robyn will sing  
the part of Ruth, and Mr. Fetherston  
and Mr. McDonald will also contribute  
to the programme. Mr. Pococke will  
play a violin solo. Mr. Evans and his  
choir have been working very faith-  
fully for the past few weeks, and if  
their work in the past augurs any-  
thing, a most excellent concert may  
be expected. The Musical Society Or-  
chestra will play two numbers in the  
miscellaneous part of the programme.

PEACE PROSPECTS

For China Growing Brighter—Initial Obstacles to  
Negotiations Have Been Overcome.

Berlin, Dec. 14.—A private dispatch  
from Count Von Waldersee says the  
negotiations for peace with China are  
seriously under way, the initial ob-  
stacles having been overcome, and full  
accord existing between the ministers  
of the powers at Peking. The Chinese  
plenipotentiaries, the dispatch also  
says, find no further difficulty in com-  
municating with the court direct, tele-  
graphic communication now existing  
between Peking and Sian Fu, via  
Shanghai. Only five days are requir-  
ed from Peking to Sian Fu and return.  
London, Dec. 13.—The Peking cor-  
respondent of the Daily Mail, writing  
on Tuesday, and confirming the reports

of the agreement as to the collective  
note, says that a committee of repre-  
sentatives of the powers has been  
constituted to regulate the conference with  
the Chinese plenipotentiaries.

**BRITAIN ASSENTS.**  
Washington, Dec. 14.—The latest ad-  
vice from Peking, from official sources,  
is that England has signified a will-  
ingness to sign the agreement reached  
by the foreign ministers, with a slight  
amendment, which is said to be rather  
in the nature of a mere change in  
form rather than an amendment of the  
scope of the agreement at any  
material point. This being the case,  
there seems to be no substantial ob-  
stacle to an almost immediate closure  
of the negotiations concerning the pre-  
liminary agreement.

The dispatch from a correspondent of the  
London Daily Mail reports the arrest  
at Worcester, Cape Colony, of Harold  
Darrington, alleged to be an American,  
on a charge of fomenting an African-  
rebellion. Startling disclosures are  
promised.

**SIR WILFRID AND HIS MINISTERS**  
At the Halifax Banquet—A Grand Recep-  
tion—Canada's Relations With the  
Motherland and the United  
States.

Halifax, Dec. 13.—To the waving of  
over 500 meter flags and the cheering  
of over 500 voices, Sir Wilfrid Laurier  
arose to address the Liberals assem-  
bled in the banquet hall at the Armories.  
Not in the lifetime of old or young Lib-  
erals assembled had there been such a  
dramatic scene witnessed.

When Sir Wilfrid Laurier appeared,  
accompanied by Hon. W. S. Fielding,  
Hon. J. I. Tarte, Hon. Clifford Sifton  
and Hon. Wm. Patterson, the party was  
greeted with tremendous cheering. A  
few minutes later Sir Louis Davies and  
Premier Farquharson entered the hall,  
and they were vociferously cheered.  
The applause had scarcely ceased when  
Premier Murray and his two new  
supporters, Messrs. McKenzie and  
Gillies arrived, and the cheering was  
renewed. The table of honor ran the  
whole length of the room, and branch-  
ing from it were thirteen others, at all  
of which sat nearly 500 guests.

Ald. Geo. E. Faulkner presided, and  
his mention of the name of Laurier was  
the signal for an outburst of enthusi-  
asm never before witnessed in the city  
of Halifax. The intensity of the en-  
thusiasm and the spontaneity of the  
ovation were unparalleled in public  
gathering in Nova Scotia. Every guest  
rose to his feet, holding in his hand a  
small Union Jack, and when the toast  
was given 500 men cheered wildly and  
waved the nation's flag with frantic  
enthusiasm. Again and again the ban-  
quet hall responded to ringing cheers.  
Finally the enthusiasm of the assem-  
bled Liberals gave place to the desire  
to hear the eloquent chief, and Sir  
Wilfrid Laurier began to speak.

The premier made an important an-  
nouncement on our relations with the  
United States, expressing his desire to  
be on the friendliest terms possible. He  
spoke at some length of Canada's de-  
sires with the motherland and also  
referred to the internal development of  
Canada.

With regard to the United States, Sir  
Wilfrid said: "Our relations with the  
great American republic are friendly  
and cordial (hear, hear)—in my judg-  
ment, not as cordial as they ought to  
be. We have to settle with them on  
several diversities of interests, and both  
sides of the questions contain views  
upon which men will differ. But when  
strong men cannot settle their differ-  
ences of opinion there are only two  
ways, and we hope to settle them in  
one of the two ways—either by arbitra-  
tion or by war. I have affection and ad-  
miration for that great people every  
day I live. To love one's country with  
a love to which it is entitled is a good  
thing, but we should not hate another  
country bordering on our own."  
Speeches were also made by Hon. W.  
S. Fielding, Sir Louis Davies, Messrs.  
Patterson and Sifton, all of whom were  
heartily applauded.

**MANITOBA PROHIBITION ACT.**  
Winnipeg, Dec. 14.—The argument on  
the legality of the Manitoba prohibition  
act was concluded Wednesday, when  
the judges reserved judgment until  
next term. The appeal will then be car-  
ried to the judicial committee of the  
imperial privy council.

Gen. Clement's Force Meets With a Re-  
verse at Nootgedacht.

Retired After a Severe Fight—Four British Officers  
Killed—Boers Beaten at Lichtenburg—Their General  
Among the Slain—Dewet, "The Fox,"  
Still at Large.

London, Dec. 14.—Orders were issued  
at Aldershot, Malta, and other mili-  
tary centers, this morning to dispatch  
all the available mounted infantry to  
South Africa.

**STILL FIGHTING.**  
London, Dec. 14.—Lord Kitchener re-  
ports that after severe fighting at No-  
otgedacht, Gen. Clement's force was  
compelled to retire by Commandant  
Delarey, with a force of 2,500 men.  
Four British officers were killed. The  
other casualties were not reported.

Lord Kitchener's official dispatch to  
the war office is as follows:  
"Pretoria, Dec. 13.—Clement's force  
at Nootgedacht, on the Magaliesburg,  
was attacked at dawn today by De-  
larey, reinforced by Beyers' commando,  
from Warmbath, making a force esti-  
mated at 2,500. Though the first at-  
tack was repulsed, the Boers managed  
to get at the top of the Magaliesburg,  
which was held by four companies of  
the Northumberland Fusiliers, and  
were thus able to command Clement's  
camp. He retired on Heikpoort and  
took up a position on a hill in the center  
of the valley.  
"The casualties have not been com-  
pletely reported, but the fighting was  
very severe, and I deeply regret Col.  
Legg, of the 20th Hussars, and Capt.  
Maclean, of the 2nd Buffs, and Capt.  
Moorhead, of the 2nd Buffs, were killed.  
Reinforcements have left here."

**A BOER GENERAL KILLED.**  
Lord Kitchener also reports that the  
Boers made an attack and were re-  
pulsed at Lichtenburg and that Gen.  
Lettimer was killed. Attacks upon  
Delatam and Vrede were also re-  
pulsed, the Boers losing ten killed and  
fourteen wounded. Vryheid was at-  
tacked Dec. 11.

**"THE FOX" AT LARGE.**  
London, Dec. 13.—Dewet, "the fox,"  
is still at large, and running to cover,  
with his pursuers close behind. Knox's  
troops have not lost sight of the brush  
during the long circuit, and are rid-  
ing hard. The persistence with which  
the British flying columns hang on De-  
wet's flank and keep up a running  
fight is better proof of ultimate suc-  
cess than the assumption of experts  
that the wary guerrilla will be entrap-  
ped by the column waiting for him.  
Dewet has the advantage of knowing  
every foot of the country, but there  
will be limits to his powers of endur-  
ance if Knox's troops, as is generally  
believed in military circles here, are  
well supplied with relays of horses and  
can keep up the chase.

**TRAIN HELD UP.**  
A train proceeding from Natal to  
Johannesburg was held up early Sat-  
urday morning by 150 Boers near  
Vrakkiesburg. The Boers used oxen to  
pull up two lengths of rails, and the  
train, which contained 100 passengers  
and 100 troops, was necessarily compelled  
to stop. The burghers made the  
horses jump out of the trucks and  
captured 130 of them.

A second train, conveying provi-  
sions, was fired on, and the engineer  
was wounded. The locomotive was  
slightly damaged. The men in charge  
of the train were compelled to alight  
and watch the Boers getting the  
horses galloped away on them. They  
left two trucks untouched. Later the  
rails were relaid and the train pro-  
ceeded.

The Boers raided the Riverton road,  
station Dec. 11. They are being fol-  
lowed up.

**DOUBTFUL STORY.**  
London, Dec. 14.—The Daily Express  
publishes a rumor of a serious disaster  
to the British arms. According to this  
report, the Boers attacked the camp of  
Gen. Clement, in the Barberton dis-  
trict, capturing the camp, killing a  
number of British officers, and taking  
prisoners all the British troops, includ-  
ing four companies of the Northumber-  
land Fusiliers. The story is not con-  
firmed in any quarter, and is not gen-  
erally believed.

**TALK OF FAMINE.**  
The Manchester Guardian says that  
famine has been added to the horrors  
of war in South Africa, and asserts  
that Mr. Chamberlain, the colonial sec-  
retary, has ordered the starting of re-  
lief work.

**HARD FIGHTING.**  
London, Dec. 13.—A dispatch from  
Cape Town today says: "Col. Meyrick  
has been heavily engaged with the  
Boers at Wonderfontein, on the  
western border of the Transvaal. Lord  
Methuen has sent reinforcements to  
beat off the enemy."

**DEATH OF PTE. DANDY.**  
London, Dec. 13.—The war office re-  
ports the deaths of No. 51, Dandy, of  
the Strathconas, of enteric fever, at  
Potchefstroom, on Nov. 11, and No. 607,  
Dunmore, a Squadron, R. C. Dragoons,  
at Pretoria, on Nov. 10.

Lord Strathcona knows nothing of  
an announcement received from Cape  
Town that Col. Steele, of the Strath-  
conas, had accepted a divisional com-  
mand in Baden-Powell's constabulary.  
The announcement says he will return  
to South Africa after taking the  
Strathconas to Canada. The date that  
the Strathconas will leave South Af-  
rica is undecided. The period of ser-  
vice is not up till February.

**INVALIDS ON THE CHAMPPLAIN.**  
Ottawa, Dec. 13.—The department of  
militia has received a supplementary  
list giving the names of eight men who  
are returning upon the Lake Cham-  
plain as follows: E. H. Price, R. C. R.  
1; L. Brooks, R. C. A.; W. Eaton, A.  
Field Battery, R. C. A.; C. F. Peter-  
son, R. C. R. 1; J. Hawkins, 1st Fusiliers;  
G. Hampson, 5th Royal Scots; J. H.  
F. Deeds, 50th Wellington Rifles; C.  
H. Burritt, G. G. P. G.

Pte. Robert John Dunmore, who  
died of fever in Pretoria on Dec. 9, was  
a resident of Hamilton. He would have  
been 21 years of age in another month.  
On the first call for volunteers he went  
to Toronto to enlist, and being rejected,  
joined the Royal Canadian Dragoons.  
When the second Canadian con-  
tingent was made up he was chosen  
as private in the Canadian Mounted  
Rifles. Dunmore was a private in the  
12th Regiment before joining the Dragoons.

**BRITISH STANDING TO ARMS.**  
Lorenzo Marquez, Dec. 14.—The British