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LONDON, CANADA, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1899.

WHOLE NO. 11841

Births, Marriages, Death

DIED.
McBRIDE—In this city, on Thursday, Dec. 28, Enid Leona McBride, aged 7 years.
Funeral private.
GRANT—At the family residence, 127 Maitland street, on Dec. 28, Wm. Grant.
Funeral on Saturday morning, at 8:30, from above residence, to St. Peter's Cathedral. Friends and acquaintances will please accept this intimation.

Amusements and Lectures

GRAND OPERA HOUSE—
The Lyceum Company.
Tonight, "Othello" Saturday matinee, "David Garrick." Saturday night, "Home and Juliet." Popular prices—Matinee, 15c, 25c, night, 15c, 25c, 35c, 50c. Seats now on sale.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

New Year's Matinee and Night.
Mr. W. H. Wright's Company, presenting Broadhurst's Roaring Farces.

What Happened to Jones

NIGHT—
Why Smith Left Home
Prices—Matinee, 25c, 35c, 50c. Night, 25c, 50c, 75c. Seats now on sale.

London Athletic Club.

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When You Buy Rubbers

buy good ones. That'll give us a chance. We handle the best rubbers made, and our prices are more than reasonable, they are positively the lowest. Rubbers, to wear well, should fit well. We always keep this in mind, and you can depend on getting satisfaction in this respect, if you'll have us fit them on your shoes.

J. P. COOK,

167 Dundas Street.
Your money back if you want it.

Maie Help Wanted.

WANTED—BARBER—E. WILKINS, 731 Richmond street.

WANTED—AT ONCE—GENERAL blacksmith, a good shoer, steady job. Apply E. A. Proctor, Belmont, Ont. 41u

WANTED AT ONCE—BUTCHER—WITH experience. Apply Thos. Hamilton, 417 Hill street.

CASH FOR ACCEPTABLE IDEAS: STATE patented. Address The Patent Record, Baltimore, Md.

Agents Wanted.

WANTED—GOOD, PUSHING SALESMAN—At once. Apply 618 Dundas street.

A BRIGHT MAN TO CANVASS TOWNS and country, immense profits, biggest sales, good pay, largest line, best sellers, goods, premiums, freightage prepaid, outfit free or returnable. Write quickly. Cooper, Drawer 631, London.

ROSSELL'S TEA, COFFEE AND SUPPLY house wants an energetic canvasser. Special inducements. 748 Richmond street.

Teachers Wanted.

WANTED—AT ONCE, FOR SECTION 3, a teacher, second-class professional male teacher. Duties commence Jan. 3, 1900. Apply to James Skinner, Rutherford, Ont. 39c bw

Lost and Found.

LOST—THURSDAY AFTERNOON—BETWEEN TWENTY AND TRENTON STS., a leather purse containing \$10 bill and change, address and receipts. Reward if returned to 332 Richmond street, or Advertiser.

LOST—PARTY WHO FOUND PURSE containing about \$10 on Saturday last will kindly return purse and papers only to 117 Dufferin avenue, no questions will be asked. 41u

LOST—ON WEDNESDAY—ON MAPLE or Talbot streets, between Lewis' Huron Hotel and Carling's, a small black bag, containing money, keys, etc. Reward if returned to 117 Dufferin avenue, no questions will be asked. 41u

FOUND—SATURDAY, SMALL SUM OF MONEY. Apply this office. 39c

LOST—ON WEDNESDAY, A LADY'S silver watch, on north side Dufferin avenue, between Cartwright street and Wellington street. The finder will be rewarded by returning same to this office. 39c

Articles For Sale.

\$10.00 WILL BUY A HANDSOME mahogany dining table, with 12 chairs, with glass mirror, for this week only, at Keene Bros., 127 King street.

UPRIGHT PIANO, SLIGHTLY USED, 7½ octaves, large size, Toronto make, Sanborn & Trebilcock, "Bell" Pianos, 183 Dundas street (Anderson's Book Store).

HORSE, SLEIGH AND DELIVERY wagon, with harness, for sale, at 290 Richmond street. 39c

FOR SALE—SMALL ENGINE AND BOILER. Engine 3½, with fittings. Apply Box 78, Advertiser's office.

CLEARING SALE OF GOODS, CHINAWARE, and notions, at 50 per cent discount. We bought these before we decided to move to present premises and now desire to dispose of them. Call on these giving up the lines. J. H. Cunningham, 602 Dundas street.

DO YOU USE BRUSSELS SPROUTS? The winter substitute for cauliflower. They are not inferior to cauliflower in flavor and are served in the same way. For sale by all prominent grocers. 25v

IF YOUR RANGE IS NOT WORKING satisfactorily, try our Lehigh Valley Coal. Others have found it an improvement. Phone 1383. 117 Pecadilly street. R. J. WEBSTER. Office, 713 Richmond street.

COLD WEATHER COAL—THE KIND that heats. W. G. Kadey, 771 Dundas street. Phone 1383.

TURKEY FOR CHRISTMAS—GOOSE FOR New Year's, and we have the geese, and lots of them, which we are selling at 10c to 15c. Also a large stock of turkeys, 8c to 10c lb.; also a large stock of ducks and chickens; best pure pork sausages in the city, 8c to 10c lb.; also a large stock of smoked shoulders and picnic hams, 8c lb. F. T. Baker, corner of Lyle and Dundas.

NEW RIVER COAL—THE BEST and cheapest coal in the city; all kinds of hard and soft coal and hard and soft wood. Call the above in quantity and cheap for cash. Green & Co., William street and G. T. Railway, Phone 1391.

KENNES, MASONIC TEMPLE, IS THE cheapest place to buy stoves or furniture. Large stock on hand.

NOTICE—STOVES—CALL AT PARISH'S Furniture Store if you want to sell or buy stoves. Good stoves with covers, good assortment on hand. Examining them you find them right. 267 Talbot street, south Market Square.

GET YOUR BICYCLE CLEANED and repaired at lowest prices. All kinds of repairing. D. McKenzie & Co., 238 Richmond street, one door south of G. T. R.

BEST QUALITY HARD WOOD: D. H. GUNTER & Co., Lumber and Wood Dealer.

COAL AND WOOD—BUY THE BEST—we have them. McKenzie & McLeod, 300 Clarence street.

MERRY BILLS—WE MAKE BELLS and equal to any, and cannot be beat. John Law, 121 Clarence street, London.

DIAMONDS—REMOVED AND OLD jewelry made up-to-date at small expense. J. T. Westland, 280 Richmond street, upstairs.

A BARGAIN—ONE FANCY WALNUT bureau, up-to-date, 75 octaves, 2 pairs, in use. A snap. Organs \$10 and upwards. Easy terms. Heinemann Co., 217 Dundas street, corner Clarence.

FOR SALE—A NUMBER OF GOOD COAL burners, with covers, at 97 Carling street.

Situations Wanted

WANTED—SITUATION BY COMPETENT lady bookkeeper. Address Leah Parker, Stratford.

Insurance.

A. N. UDY, INSURANCE AGENT, OVER R. P. R. ticket office, corner Dundas and Richmond streets. Telephone 735.

Large Variety of Goods

is here waiting your inspection and approval. All the best goods in newest weaves and colorings. We will make you a made-to-measure suit from our stock of imported Scotch Tweeds, Serges or Worsteds, for \$17.00. We guarantee a perfect fit and perfect finish. If you want a suit for good, solid wear, it will pay you to get one of these.

DEEKS & MUNSON,
Near City Hall.

Business Chances.

WANTED—IN AN ESTABLISHED MANUFACTURING business, active partner, with from \$2,000 to \$10,000, which can be profitably employed. Apply Box 75, Advertiser.

Houses, Etc., To Let.

COTTAGE TO LET—NO. 7 OXFORD street.

TO LET—UNION FURNITURE VAN—Finest and best. Winter rates, 50 cents an hour; two men. John Biggs, Cathcart and Bruce, South London.

TO LET—MOVING VANS, LARGEST and best. Winter rate \$1 per load. Office 97 Carling street. Phone 1102 and 1167.

TO RENT—STORE—NO. 173 DUNDAS street, formerly occupied by J. P. Cook. Apply at 101 Dundas street.

Real Estate.

FOR SALE—100 ACRE FARM, SOUTH half lot 20, 4th range, south London road, Carleton Place, well watered; also 60 acres, 3rd range, Carleton. For further particulars apply Geo. Haggerty, Burwell Road, Carleton Place.

HORSE FOR SALE—APPLY J. M. HARRIS, 637 Queen's avenue.

\$1,200 WILL BUY A BEAUTIFUL 25-acre farm, between North Newbury and North Gloucester, convenient to the city, with a good two-story frame cottage, lately improved; good stables, three acres orchard, mostly in fruit, a fine home for an old couple or a market garden. Apply Box 365, Newbury.

Patent Notice.

IMPROVEMENTS IN MECHANICAL, ETC., FOR bicycles and the like, as described in Canada Letters Patent No. 23,293, can be obtained, the devices will be furnished at a reasonable price to any person desiring to use them, by applying to J. J. Edmunds, Solicitor of Patents, in Canada, resident attorney in Canada for Lord Waddington, London, England, owner of the said patents.

Miscellaneous.

MAKE A SPECIALTY OF REPAIRING electro-mechanical instruments of all kinds. R. M. Miller, 267 Dundas street, Spencer Block.

Wanted.

WANTED—SECOND-HAND OFFICE desk in good repair. Apply at 123 King street.

DRESS SUITS FOR SALE OR TO RENT in first-class condition. A. P. Sainsbury, 90 King street.

Dressmaking.

DRESS-MAKING SCHOOL—DURING holidays we are presenting pupils with a valuable Xmas box. For further particulars, apply to Mrs. K. Frank, 233 Dundas street.

PUBLIC NOTICE

To the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of London:

We the undersigned citizens and electors of Ward No. 1, hereby request that a public mass meeting be called in the City Hall, on Saturday, Dec. 30, to discuss municipal affairs. F. E. Lea, F. Hazelgrove, Geo. W. Pitt, and others.

To F. E. Lea and others.

In accordance with the above request I have called a meeting of the electors of Ward No. 1, for Saturday, Dec. 30, at 8 p.m., in the City Hall.

JOHN D. WILSON, Mayor.

NOTICE—WE THE UNDERSIGNED electors of the north and east of the township of support Mr. Thomas Ramsay, as he is the only candidate who resides within the limits of St. George's ward. Signed on behalf of the ward: H. Hall, John Fleming, G. H. Routledge, Fred H. Slight, Geo. A. Routledge, Wm. Routledge, Hyde Park, Dec. 23, 1899.

WELLAND CANAL.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and endorsed, "Tender for Improvements at Port Colborne," will be received at this office until 10 o'clock on Friday, the 30th day of January, 1900, for the works of improvement at the upper entrance to the Welland Canal.

Plans and specifications of the works can be seen on and after the 25th day of December, 1899, at the office of the Chief Engineer of the Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, and at the Superintendent Engineer's office at Port Colborne. Printed forms of tender can also be obtained at the places mentioned. In the case of firms there must be attached to the tender the actual signatures of the full name, the nature of the occupation and residence of each member of the same, and further, an accepted bank check for the sum of \$10,000 must accompany the tender. The accepted bank check must be endorsed over to the Minister of Railways and Canals, and be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the work at the rates and on the terms stated in the offer submitted.

The accepted bank check thus sent in will be returned to the respective parties whose tenders are not accepted.

The department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

Contractors are specially notified that the conditions requiring the works to be wholly completed by the 30th day of June, 1902, will be rigidly enforced and all penalties for delay enforced. By order.

L. K. JONES,
Secretary, Dept. Ry. & Canals,
Department of Railways and Canals,
Ottawa, December 21, 1899.

The Situation At Ladysmith

British Defenses Have Been Made Almost Impregnable.

Fighting on Sunday South of Elandslaagte--British Defeated the Burghers and Destroyed Their Tents--Boers Driven Back in Front of Buller's Lines--10,000 Yeomanry May Be Mobilized by British Authorities.

Kruger Thinks Britain Will Yet Sue for Peace--The Heat at Ladysmith Is Intense--Tramway Built on Which to Move the Heavy Guns--The Casualties at Mafeking--Duke of Marlborough's Offer Accepted--Cousin of the Duke Going to the Front.

London, Dec. 29.—The British war office has notified the Duke of Marlborough that his offer to serve in South Africa as a captain of Imperial Yeomanry is accepted, says a London cable. The duke expects to sail about the end of January.

John Chamberlain, cousin of the duke, Lady Randolph's second son, now 18 years old, is accepted as a lieutenant in the same corps.

FIGHTING.
Chieveley Camp, Dec. 25, 4:35 p.m.—Reports from native sources state that there was fighting yesterday south of Elandslaagte. The Boers engaged came from Helpmaakar. The British troops defeated the Burghers and destroyed their tents. There are no Boers at Helpmaakar now.

Chieveley Camp, Natal, Wednesday, Dec. 27.—A heavy Boer gun on Bulwer's Hill fired steadily upon Ladysmith throughout the morning. Ladysmith did not respond.

The enemy having been again detected attempting to improve the trenches facing Gen. Buller, the British heavy guns opened upon them, and the Boers scampered back into the hills.

The British patrols sighted the enemy in force on our extreme left. Nine Boers were killed in a skirmish that followed and six Boer wagons were captured.

SUMMARY OF THE SITUATION.
London, Friday, Dec. 29, 4:30 a.m.—The dispatches from the front all represent the Boers as in nervous condition and all in fear of the advance, but this is probably an exaggeration. It is now estimated that the war will cost at least £20,000,000, and the suggested that the sinking fund of the national debt should be suspended for five or six years in order to defray the cost.

The Transvaal Government, according to information supplied by Boer sympathizers, threaten to reduce the rations of British prisoners if Great Britain stops the entrance of food by Delagoa Bay.

THE YEOMANRY.
The Imperial Yeomanry committee has issued a statement that the government considers the formation and dispatch of yeomanry as one of the most pressing needs of the situation, and has intimated that it will now pay to accept 8,000 to 10,000 yeomanry, instead of 3,000 formerly asked for. It is expected that the first contingent of 1,000 will sail about the middle of January.

The government has announced that it will accept the service of a battery from the Honorable Artillery Company. It will be attached to the city imperial corps.

Lady Chesham and Lady Georgiana Curzon have issued an appeal for public funds to establish a field hospital for the yeomanry.

CRITICISING THE GOVERNMENT.
London, Friday, Dec. 29, 4:40 a.m.—During the continued lull in the military operations in South Africa, the papers are filled with letters and articles criticising the government and the campaign, and suggesting remedies, improvements, alterations in plans and the like. The Times complains of "needless censorship and concealment." It cites the fact that nothing has yet transpired to show how Gen. Gatacre came to lose 600 men at the like. The Times complains of the inadequacy of the hospital arrangements.

FALSE ALARM CAUSED BY WIND.
The Modder River correspondent of the

Female Help Wanted
WANTED—EXPERIENCED VISITING governess for young ladies. Address M. C. Advertiser's office.

WANTED—COAT PAINT AND VEST MAKERS to take work home; constant employment. Apply A. Christie, R. Greene Manufacturing Company, Richmond street.

WANTED—VESTMAKER—NONE BUT first-class hand need apply. A. S. Croton & Co.

Start The New Year Baking Right!

Make a good beginning with the New Year baking! The first material to look after is the Baking Powder. Everyone expects "good things" to eat New Year's. If the family reunion is to be at your home this year, you'll certainly want your dainties to be perfect. Don't take any chances with your rolls, cakes and pies. Get Purity Baking Powder and make sure that everything you bake will be a success.

You'll have NO apologies to make for anything "not turning out well" if you use Purity Baking Powder.

Only 20 cents a pound.

FREE.

A beautiful Calendar for 1900 will be given free to every purchaser for this week only.

CAIRNCROSS & LAWRENCE,
Chemists, etc.,
218 Dundas street, London.

Boers will retaliate by raiding Portuguese territory.

HOT AND ANGRY.

Mafeking, Dec. 12, via Mochudi, Dec. 19.—The following is published by Col. Baden-Powell: Gen. Symman has written regarding our circular to the Boers, advising them to return home, that he is very incensed at its having been sent directed to the burghers themselves. He is also apparently much annoyed at the remark in the circular that sitting down and looking upon the raw, and that the circular is of some importance to him.

"Our casualties up to the present are 33 killed and 55 wounded. The total killed and wounded, including natives, is 134. The garrison is well. Bombardment and sniping continue daily. Several have been killed and wounded during the week by shell and rifle fire."

BOER ACTIVITY

Enemy Mount a New Gun on Surprise Hill.

Ladysmith Well Off for Provisions—Casualties Since the Siege Began.

70 Killed, 236 Wounded.

Pietermaritzburg, Dec. 27.—A dispatch from Ladysmith, dated Dec. 22, says: "The Boers have mounted another howitzer on Surprise Hill, replacing the gun captured in the force of the Rifle Brigade."

"The Boers have a searchlight, watch us nightly with a searchlight, and bombard the place daily, they show no signs of assaulting the town. They probably think they can starve us out, but we have plenty of provisions. The total casualties since the siege are