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LADY CHURCHILL TO WED.

West, Her Husband-to-be, Is as Old as Her Eldest Son.

London, June 22.-Lady Randolph Churchill has announced that her marriage to Lieut, George Cornwallis West, of the Scots Guards, will take place in July. Lady Churchill is a daughter of the late Leonard Jerome, of New York city. She was married to Lord Randolph Churchill, second son of the seventh Duke of Marlborough, He died in 1895, leaving two sons, Winston and John Churchill, aged 26 and 20. Lieut. Cornwallis West is 26 years of age.

## CHASE SPRINGBOK

C. Battery's Principal Occupation at De Aar Just Now.

An Interesting Letter from One of the Boys-Auxious to get to the Front.

Elmo Marshall received a letter from a friend of his, a member, of the Canadian Artillery in South Africa. The writer, James Joseph Stokes, is a Niagara Falls South boy, and an old schoolmate of Mr. Marshall's. The latter, who is now in Toronto,, has kindly forwarded the letter to The Planet It is as follows:

De Aar, May 13, 1900. Friend Elmo-I guess you will be surprised to get word from me, but I supplose you have heard before that I was out here. Well, we had a fine trip out, couldn't have been better. We stayed at Green Point camp for three weeks, then we were sent to Victoria Roads and started out across the country after the rebels. It was awful; no water and haif rations for the men and less for the horses. struck Van Wysksblei in a pouring rain storm and it beat, everything I ever saw in the rainstorm line. The whole place was buried in about two feet of water in a short time, and it was tucky for us that the rebels were there before us and chased the people out. We took possession but the poor

horses were left out in it. The water was above their knees and they could not lay down. It was simply terrible. We lost dozens of our horses here. The we lost dozens of our norses here. The ra'a lasted about four days. Well, we chased the rebels about 400 miles and then they surrendered without firing a shot, the dirty cowards. You ought to see the way they use a town up. They take everything in sight. They take everything in sight.

After capturing the rebels we had to

After capturing the rebels we had to march back to De Aar and were escort-ed thither by the imperial Yeomanry, the Canadian Mounted Rifles, and the West Australians. We were quite a body of men altogether. The Australbody of men altogether. The Australian had been after the rebels before, but had to retire, not being strong enough, but when they saw the Canadians coming the rebels flew out of their resistance. their positions. The country is who, no trees, no grass; nothing but sand and rocks. You can see for miles. We encountered all kinds of things, We encountered all kinds of things, We encountered all kinds of things, such as sandstorms, and locusts galore. When this latter stop, you can't see the ground for them. They are the same as those big flying grasshoppers at home, only a little larger. It is fine here at De Aar. We have nothing but exercise rides, hunting springbok, hares and wild turkeys, but we are tired of this and long for some more excitement. The Royal Artillery talk of asking for volunteers out of the Canadians to man the big siege guns for Pretoria, and if so I am going for I don't think our artillery will get a chance to go to the front, but will stay behind and guard bridges and supplies. These siege guns are enarmous. They fire a shell weighinging 286 lbs., and about four feet long. I saw them firing Long tom at Green Point and you could hardly see where they struck, it was so far out to sea. The Canadian artillery are scattered all over the continent. C. battery to which I belong and with which all the other Niagara Falls boys are, is at De Aar, except Pay, who hails from Niagara but he was sick and came out with the re-inforcements of the R. C. Rifles. He intends to stay with them till he meets C. Battery. E. Battery is at Victoria Roads, the Centre Section is 70 miles up the line guarding the bridges and the left secsuch as sandstorms, and locusts ga-Battery is at Victoria Roads, the Centre Section is 70 miles up the line guarding the bridges and the left section is here to guard the base of supplies. I am on the Brigade Division staff and drive the lead team on the ambulance wagon. I have a fine little team.

De Aar is away ahead of all the other places we came through. There is grass here, something we never saw on the road. Well, Elmo, be sure and write. We are glad to hear from anywhere in Canada now. With best wishes to all, I remain, your friend, JAMES JOSEPH STOKES, B. D. Staff R. C. H. Artillery.



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When a girl discovers that she is beginning to think too much of a man

FLORENCE.

Will Clark, of Ridgetown, spent few days in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Calderwood and
children spent Sunday in Wardsville. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be held in the Presbyterian church next Sunday. The pre-communion ser

o'clock, when Rev. Mr. Ross, of Dawn Centre, will preach. Mr. Simpson, of Ridgetown, was the guest of Mrs. Wm. Reeder on Sunday Miss Flossie Atkinson, of Chatham

is a guest at Mrs. Ridley's,
Mr. and Mrs. Willis, of Cairo, were
guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Eberlee
on Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. Forshee spent Sunday

at Kent Bridge.

A number of Court Florence, No.
189, I. O. F., attended the anniversary
services of the I. O. F. of North Dawn
Court, held at Hoakdale on Sunday.
St. Martin's church will hold their grounds Friday evening, June 29th, for which the services of H. R. McDonald, vocalist, of London, has been secured to furnish a portion of the program, which will also consist of short addresses, instrumental and vocal music choruses. The Florence band will be in attendance. Refreshments will be served on the grounds and a pleasant time is anticipated. All are cordially invited.

Rev. C. R. Morrow preached his fare-well sermon in the Methodist church Sunday night to a large and appre

ciative audience.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Scarlett spent David Hazelwood, of London, spent Sunday the guests of his brothers, James and El., of town.

Miss Hattie Stocking, of Zone, was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Jerome, last week. Saturday at Blenheim and Chatham.

Will Reader left Wednesday for a week's visit at Holstein.

Rev. W. E. Ashton was, a guest at George Bloom's last week. Mrs. Bullis and children were guests at the Ellison House last week. Mr. Cummer, of Chatham township,

and Mrs. Copp, of Woodstock, were visitors at D. M. Cummer's this week.

Mrs. McCaffrey, of Windsor, is visiting at her home in town.

The McRobert House has been newly

The McRobert House has been newly painted outside by S. G. Crouch.
E. Milis was in London hast week.
Miss Eva Reeder returned home last week from Wallaceburg.
Miss Teresa Bilton and Fred. Huston were married at the residence of the bride's parents last Wednesday evening in the presence of about seventy invited guests, by Rev. R. C. Bij ton. invited guests, by Rev. R. C. Bir ton. The bride, who was attired in a sam cashmere, was attended by her sister cashmere, was attended by her sister Miss Lou Bilton, while the groom was supported by his brother Will. After the ceremony the guests sat down to a sumptuous repast, and about 10 p.m., the couple left for their home in Zone, attended by a number of guests, where the evening was spent in games where the evening was spent in games. and music. We extend congratula-

One of the events of the season was the "Empire Flag anniversary school" social, which was held on the school grounds, Friday evening June 15th, under the auspices of the Florence citizens of town, and the school chil-dren assembled at the fair grounds where a procession in the following rder was formed :-

Union Jack carried at the head. General "Bobs" on horseback. Strathcona Horse (mounted horse-

Royal Horse Artillery. Generals Buller and Baden-Powell, on horseback.) Florence Fusiliers.

Ambulance Corps. Florence Cornet Band. School Children.

School Children.
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The procession marched through the principal streets of the town, then to the school grounds, which they found decorated for the occasion with the national colors, also the school rooms, in which cases of old Indian relies, weapons of warfare and foreign coins were on exhibition. The waiters and waitresses were appropriately costumed in the national colors, and the tables were likewise decorated. The Florence Band was in attendance on the grounds and the string orchestra was in attendance in the school room. About 450 were present and an enjoyable time was spent.

### EIGHTH CON., RALEIGH.

The usual annual Sunday school pic nic to the lake was held last Thursday at Pardo's grove. Two other schools, Charing Cross and the Middle road, were also present, and a large number attended from each school. The ber attended from each school. The Charing Cross school had a stand at which they sold refreshments and, unfortunately, firecrackers, which amused the boys and annoyed others, as a constant watch had to be kept on the horses lest they should become frightened. One team did break loose, but were cought almost at the same more cought. ened. One team did break loose, but were caught almost at the same moment. We think firecrackers are all right in their place but should never be brought to a picnic by either boys or stand-keepers. The Charing Cross Band was also engaged and furnished fine music to those present. Many persons enjoyed themselves in rowing, while another crowd went out in the sail-boat, which did not go very well, however, as the wind was low. The picnickers were all liberally treated to lemonade by Wesley S. S., which made a quantity for their pupils. All returned home in the evening after spending an enjoyable day;

Misses Ethel and Gertie Brown have returned home, after spending an enjoyable few weeks with friends in Sarnia.

nia.

Roy Jordan spent Sunday last with friends at Charing Cross.

Geo. Towl attended the farewell service of Mr. Larkin in the First Pres-

whice of hir. I farking in the best of the byterian Church.

Mrs. Chas. Kiel, Jr., intends spending a few days with the Clarkson family, of Woodstock.

Miss Mabel Mammery is visiting iends in Blenheim.
Miss McColl, of Chatham, spent Wedesday with the Auldis family, of the

Richard Dale, of the 9th, who has been so sick for the past few weeks, is, we are sorry to say, not gaining much yet. However, we hope he will



The man tangled in the tape from the ticker is the type of the average business man. His business cares wrap him about like the coils of a strictor and slowly crush out his life. The common sign of the busiman's slavery is "weak stomach," the natural consequence of the rapid eating, the indigestible pastry, the coffee and pie or doughnuts, with which many a man stuffs his stomach under the name of "quick lunch." The quickest way back to a strong stomach and sound health is to use Dr. Pierce's Golden Medcal Discovery until perfectly cured.
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The Misses Terry, of Chatham, spent a few days last week the guests of Mrs Geo. Jordan. Sid. Auldis, who suddenly became ill while at the picnic, has, we understand, fully recovered. While bathing he suddenly became very weak and almost fainted away, but he soon regained strength enough to allow him

to walk about.

Messrs. Mummery and Noack have realized handsome sums for their fat Miss Flossie Ritchie, of the 10th, was

the guest of Miss Bertie Boothroyd last Wednesday afternoon. We are sorry to say that Mr. Brown, who has till recently lived on George Jordan's place here, has moved over to the 10th. He will be much missed in this vicinity.

### DOVER CENTRE.

The picnic under the auspices of the Presbyterian Church on the 13th, was great success financially, although drenching thunderstorm spoiled to a great extent the pleasures of the day. An exciting baseball match be-tween Dover Centre and the Seventh Concession teams was unfinished to the disappointment of all. Campbell's orchestra furnished the music of the day, with which everybody was de-lighted. The net proceeds exceeded

Miss Minnie Chester, Sarnia, i an extended visit at Rev. J. W.

We are sorry to report that Mrs. C.
McKnight has been quite seriously ill.
Wade Dunlop spent last Sunday
visiting friends in Raleigh. A number of our young people went to Mitchell's Bay for a moonlight sail

one night last week. A delightful time was spent.

Last Sunday was the Foresters' day.

Rev. J. J. Haylock preached to the I.

O, F. at Baldoon, and Rev. J. W. McLintock to the A. O. F. at the Seventh

Concession.
Miss Robinson, Harwich, is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. S. Huff.

Rev. C. F. Clark will be the pastor on the Baldoon circuit for the ensuing

The I. O. F. have decided to have a grand picnic on June 26th, in Hugh Porter's grove. This is without doubt the finest picnic ground in Dover, and if it does not rain, the Foresters promise a picnic that will long be remembered as a record-breaker. The sports of the day will be a baseball match—Dover Centre and Oungah— a match—Dover Centre and Connect a tug of war, foot races, jumping, etc. Prizes will be presented by Mayor T. A. Smith, Chatham. Don't fail to take it in, if you desire a day of fun.

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