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Births, Marriages, Deaths

MARRIED.

KNOWLES—SILK—At the residence of the bride's parents, 551 Talbot street, city, on Sept. 13, by the Rev. Dr. J. V. Smith, Rev. Richard W. Knowles, of Tupperville, Ont., to Fannie Victoria, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Silk.

DIED.

GERRY—At the family residence, Base Line, Westminster township, on Sept. 13, Elizabeth, beloved wife of Thomas Gerry, aged 52 years.

Funeral on Friday, 15th, at 3 p.m., service at 2:30, to Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances kindly accept this intimation.

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TONIGHT—LAST TIME.

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WANTED—GIRL FOR SMALL FAMILY. Apply 804 Queen's avenue. 50c

WANTED — GENERAL SERVANT— Light work, good wages. Mrs. McPherson, 420 Oxford street. 50tf

EXPERIENCED WORKING HOUSEKEEPER desires position. Apply Box 10, Advertiser office. 50c

WANTED—GOOD GENERAL SERVANT who understands cooking; also young girl to attend to upstairs work and to go home at night. Apply at 499 Dufferin avenue. 50c

WANTED — GENERAL SERVANT — Apply 267 Wellington street. 50c

WANTED—GOOD GENERAL SERVANT. Apply Mrs. Wm. D. Mills, 181 St. James street. 49c

WANTED—GOOD GENERAL SERVANT; good wages; no stairs; no heavy washing. 160 Cheapside. 50c

WANTED – GIRL FOR GENERAL housework. No washing. Apply Mrs. Butler, 342 St. James street. 48c

WANTED—GOOD PLAIN COOK. APPLY 136 Kent street. 45tf

WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT; MUST have reference; only four in family. Apply to Mrs. Gill, No. 2 Cartwright street. 46n

WANTED—EXPERIENCED GENERAL servant. 562 Ridout street. 46tf

WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT; ALSO young girl to assist in care of children. Apply at 385 King street. 44tf

Male Help Wanted

WANTED—BOY TO DRIVE DELIVERY wagon on Saturdays. Apply 234 Dundas street. 48c

WANTED—USEFUL BOY TO CARRY parcels. Johnston's Shoe Store. b

WANTED—CARRIAGE WOODWORKER —Apply to Jas. Brooks & Co., 94 Fullarton street. 49u

WANTED—GOOD MAN TO WORK ON farm. Apply this office. 48c

WANTED—SMART, ACTIVE BOY OF about 15, to assist in mailing department. Apply at this office. 48c

WANTED—MEN TO LEARN BARBER trade. Only eight weeks required. Half rate transportation furnished now. Positions guaranteed. Mohler Barber College, Chicago, Ills. 46n

MEN WANTED AT SAULT STE. MARIE, Ontario; carpenters, mechanics, millhands, masons and laborers. Apply to The Lake Superior Power Company, Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

WANTED—BOYS—MUST BE OVER 16— D. S. Perrin & Co. 40tf

Female Help Wanted

WANTED—BAG-MAKERS—AT ONCE— Apply to C. R. Somerville, 644 Dundas street. 50c

WANTED—COAT, VEST AND PANT MAKERS. Apply Walter Fairbairn, opposite City Hall. 49c

WANTED — FIRST-CLASS MANTEL-MAKERS. Apply Miss Wylie, Kirgemill's Mantel Dept., 128 and 130 Dundas street, city. 48c

WANTED—GIRLS—INCLUDING CHOCOLATE dippers. D. S. Perrin & Co. 40tf

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LOCAL AGENTS WANTED—TO SELL THE Oliver, the only Canadian Free Type Bar Standard machine. Visible writing. Address the Manufacturers, Linotype Company, Montreal. 49n

AGENTS WANTED—$20 A WEEK. APPLY Cooper Drawer 531, London.

Wanted.

WILL THE PARTIES WHO SAW ME pulled off a street car about corner Dundas and Burwell streets, on July 12, please send names and addresses to me. I intend action for damages. George Garlick, The Grove Postoffice. 50u

WANTED — WAGON — LIGHT-WEIGHT grocery; must be in good repair. Address 126 Advertiser office. 50c

HIGHEST PRICE PAID FOR GENTLEMEN'S cast-off clothing. A. P. Salsbury, 90 King street. Mail orders attended to

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LILLEY'S LIVERY—NO. 619 DUNDAS street, East London, Ont. Telephone 666.

Massage Treatment.

MISS SHUFF—GRADUATE OF DR. Weir Mitchell's Hospital for Nervous Diseases, Philadelphia. Massage and Swedish Movements. 497 King street, London, Ont. Phone 502.

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All Kinds of Trunks and Valises Cheap.

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LOST OR STOLEN FROM MY COAT pocket, either Sunday evening or Monday, pocketbook containing check on Bank of Toronto, London, for $64 95, and other papers. Parties are warned against negotiating for check. Reward if returned to Advertiser. Thos. Bedggood, Crumlin. 50u

LOST—ON THE FAIR GROUNDS, SABLE collie dog. Return to Wylie's Cattle Stalls, Exhibition Grounds. Reward. 50c

STRAYED—FROM LOT 21, CON. 10, LONDON, dark red steer. Any person giving information will be rewarded. Jas. B. Rowe, Ilderton Postoffice. 46n eod

LOST—ON EXHIBITION GROUNDS, 12TH, near Agricultural Hall, opera glasses. Reward for return to this office. 49c

Business Chances.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT—NEW HOTEL pavilion at Springbank; built after the most modern plans; also 20 acres land, most suitable for the place, 3¼ miles from London. The popular drive, bicycle ride or walk, at all seasons of the year, especially in summer. Apply J. Pocock, 140 Dundas. 50c

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FOR SALE—DWELLING, STORE AND stock of general merchandise. Also saw and chopping mill. Will sell together or separate. Seven miles from Alvinston. John Grant, Aberfeldy Postoffice. 43tf

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FOR SALE—McCLARY CASCADE WOOD-HEATING stove; fine heater; cheap. Apply 542 Waterloo street. b

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FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN—BUILDER'S moving tackle, mortise machine, block pulleys, odds and ends of lumber, etc. Must be be sold at once. 15 St. Andrews street, West London. 48c

FOR SALE—ONE GOOD MILCH COW. Thomas Collins, Muncey, Ont. 48c

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$8.00 BUYS A HARTFORD BICYCLE; $10 for a lady's special and a few other makes at very low prices. D. McKenzie & Co., 374 Richmond street.

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FOR SALE—FOUR GOOD COTTAGES four blocks from Grand Trunk station; one new brick (modern). Small cash payment; balance monthly. Two-story house, Bathurst street, near Talbot. At a bargain. J. F. Sangster, 403 Richmond. tyw

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FOR SALE—BRICK VENEER COTTAGE— East of city limits, situated on Homer street, near Hamilton road. Apply Lewis Clark, 358 Rectory street, or this office.

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TO LET—STORE—183½ DUNDAS STREET —Apply R. Short, 673 York street. 50bu

NINE-ROOMED BRICK HOUSE; MODERN conveniences; rent moderate. Apply 656 Talbot street. 50n wty

TO RENT—HOUSE OR COTTAGE WITH stable. J. W. G. Winnett, Barrister, 420 Talbot street. ywt

FARM TO RENT—65 ACRES, LONGWOOD road, 9½ miles from London. Apply K. M. Whitehead, Thorndale, or S. W. Adams, 37 Becher street, London. 46c tyw&bw

TOLET—DESIRABLE HOUSE, TEN MINUTES walk from market; rent moderate. Apply 34 Victor street. 4tf ywt

TO LET OR FOR SALE—NEW TWO-STORY brick house, modern improvements. 17 Railway street. ywt

TO LET—NICELY FURNISHED ROOMS, very easy terms, with privileges of light housekeeping. Apply 64 Stanley street. 49c

TO LET—NICE COTTAGE ON NELSON street; six rooms, brick foundation, in good order; $5 per month; water found. Apply A. Keenleyside, 330 Maitland street. 48c

TO LET—NO. 290 PRINCESS AVENUE— 10 room house, furnace, bath, and all modern conveniences. Inquire J. R. Shuttleworth. Phone 809. 47tf

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O'NEIL HOUSE—CORNER TALBOT AND York streets; new and convenient stables. Wm. Collins, proprietor.

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Will It Be Peace?

The Question That Kruger Is to Answer.

Anxious Thousands Awaiting Oom Paul's Reply.

Orange Free State Will Back Up the Transvaal.

Knowledge of an Offer of 10,000 Irish-Americans Denied.

The British Message Not Regarded as an Ultimatum.

Bloemfontein, Orange Free State, Sept. 14—The members of the Raad of the Orange Free State have been notified to be ready to be summoned for an extraordinary session at a moment's notice. The burgers of the Orange Free State, at a meeting just held, passed a resolution to stand shoulder to shoulder with the Transvaal in case of hostilities.

Pretoria, Sept. 14.—President Kruger and the executive council met here last evening to consider the reply to be made to the British secretary of state for the colonies, Mr. Chamberlain. They are still conferring by telegraph with the Orange Free State. The decision is anxiously awaited by the crowds outside the executive building.

The reply will possibly come before the Volksraad today. The decision of the executive will undoubtedly be influenced by the action of the Orange Free State.

The government is still willing to attend the joint commission originally proposed.

The Transvaal war office denies any knowledge of the reported offer of 10,000 Irish-Americans to fight against Great Britain.

The Imperial Government, when intimating that it did not desire to fix a time limit, pointed out that its chief desires was only "for reasonable promptness to put an end to the crisis. It is understood President Kruger is awaiting the arrival from Bloemfontein of Mr. Fischer, of the Orange Free State Executive Council, before replying.

LIKELY TO ACCEPT.

Cape Town, Sept. 14.—It is asserted in official circles that the Transvaal will accept the British note, leaving the question of suzerainty on the basis of the convention of 1884. The Cape Times and the Cape Argus both consider the British note generous and conciliatory, and all the papers, including the Krugerite organs, assume that the Transvaal will comply with the British demands. It is believed that the Orange State Volksraad will be summoned to consider the situation.

A special dispatch from Pretoria says the leaders of the Afrikander Bund have telegraphed to President Kruger, urging him to yield to Mr. Chamberlain's last demands.

IN CASE OF WAR.

Johannesburg, Sept. 14. — The war instructions issued to railway officials direct them to remain at their posts as long as possible. When the enemy seizes any section of the line, they must go to the next unseized point. They are forbidden to carry arms, or to resist any regular force.

Military developments continue, and the work of preparing for emergencies goes on. Upon the arrival of the next batch of British troops the headquarters' staff of the royal artillery will be transferred to Kimberley, whither a battery will proceed to protect the diamond mines.

A dispatch from Pietermaritzburg, capital of Natal, says the uitlanders' council express great dissatisfaction with the British note, claiming that the imperial authorities are willing to claim inferior concessions in order to avoid war.

CAPT DREYFUS NOT PARDONED

Decision in His Case Awaits the Action of the Court—General Cable News.

London, Sept. 14.—The rumor that the Rothschilds had received word from Paris that Dreyfus had been pardoned was absolutely denied by them. Such action, they said, would be absolutely impossible before the council of revision passes on the appeal.

The government commissioner attached to the council of revision may possibly finish the report on the Dreyfus case before Monday. In that event the council will give a decision regarding the merits of the appeal that day, and on the following day the cabinet will decide whether measures of clemency are advisable.

Generals Roget and Mercier, it is reported, have offered, on the part of the army, to demand from President Loubet the pardon of Capt. Dreyfus, if the Jewish committee will drop the matter, and on the condition that Dreyfus shall live away from the large cities of France for three years.

Capt. Dreyfus is in good spirits and his health is fairly good, although the intestinal trouble still clings to him. Madame Dreyfus visited her husband yesterday, and came away looking cheerful. She spent about an hour with him. M. Labori's assistant sees him twice a day. Most of his waking hours are passed in reading correspondence of Paris literary reviews. He is under the same discipline as prior to the trial, and is allowed exercise daily in the prison yard. A guard of 40 soldiers is posted in the prison yard beneath his window, and a sentry, with loaded rifle and fixed bayonet, is stationed on the wall overlooking the second court yard, where he takes his exercise.

A NEW MINISTRY.

Sydney, N. S. W., Sept., 14.—A new ministry has been formed here, with Mr. W. O. Lyne, the leader of the Opposition as premier.

FATAL FLOODS.

Berlin, Sept. 14.—Floods are causing widespread damage in Southern Germany and Austria. The northerly part of Zwickau is inundated. Owing to the undermining of the railway bridge over the Insen, between Mueldorf and Roerbach, a train fell into the river and five persons were killed. All the tributaries of the Danube in Austria are flooded. A bridge over the Schwarza, at Payerbach, collapsed and ten persons were carried away.

WITHOUT WIRES.

London, Sept. 14.—The British Association for the Advancement of Science successfully exchanged courtesies yesterday with the French Association for the Advancement of Science, now in session at Boulogne-Sur-Mer, using wireless telegraphy for the purpose.

CABLE NOTES.

Ten soldiers were struck by lightning and four killed at Also-Kazmark, Hungary.

The rise of the Rivers Salzach, Ems and Traun has flooded Upper Austria, interrupting railway communication. Rain is falling everywhere.

Armenians who fled to the Caucasus during the Kurdish massacres are prevented from returning to their homes by the Turkish government. Armenians are also refused permits to emigrate to Russia.

The Cape Times says the news of the reported massacre of the members of the French Foureau-Lamy expedition, near Lake Tanganyika, has not been confirmed.

The Queen Regent of Spain has signed a decree proclaiming martial law in the Province of Viscaya.

The German commissioner for the Paris Exhibition, accompanied by three assistants, has gone to Paris to complete arrangements for the German exhibitors.

News has been received in Bombay from Ahmedabad of serious trouble at Panch Mahls, in Guzerat, in which several persons were killed. The Bhills and other turbulent tribes are giving considerable trouble.

DISASTROUS PANIC!

Results in the Death of Thirty-Two Women and Children.

Berlin, Sept. 14.—Advices from Kalisch, in Russian Poland says that 32 persons have been crushed to death there during a panic in a synagogue, caused by the upsetting of a lamp. The victims were all women and children. Many others were injured.

MISSIONARIES WERE DRIVEN OUT

Anti-Foreign Demonstration in Thibet —Native Catholics Massacred.

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 14.—A special from Tacoma, Wash., says: "Telegrams have been received at Shanghai that several missionaries have been driven out of the city of Paongan, situated 160 miles across the border in Audone Province, Thibet. Over 3,000 Lamas reside there, the majority of whom joined the anti-foreign demonstration and drove the missionaries out. The latter include Mr. and Mrs. Shields and Mrs. MacBeth. For several weeks previous to the final riot the missionaries were compelled to stay indoors. Details are not known further than that the mission was destroyed and the missionaries barely escaped by journeying secretly at night. Near Ychang and Chun King an anti-Catholic uprising was caused by the kidnapping of children. Children have been stolen almost by the wholesale by wandering gypsies, but the natives believe that they were eaten by the hated foreigners. A number of native Catholics have been killed. At Fuchow two natives were executed for circulating reports against the foreigners.

THE GRAPE CROP BADLY DAMAGED

In the Lake Erie Belt—Dry Rot Has Caused $1,000,000 Loss.

Ashtabula, Ohio, Sept. 14.—A species of dry rot has ruined the grape crop in the famous Lake Shore grape belt on Lake Erie, to the extent of a million dollars, and the crop of next year is in peril unless a remedy can be found. In the majority of the vineyards there is not a perfect bunch of grapes to be found, and to pick them in baskets for the market would be wholly unprofitable.

BIG STORM OFF LABRADOR.

St. Johns, Nfld., Sept. 14.—Another severe storm along the Labrador coast has driven huge ice floes on to the land and crushed several vessels, with their cargoes, aggregating nearly 3,000 quintals of codfish. The crews escaped with their lives by making their way over the ice, but the vessels were completely destroyed.

THE TENSION IS INTENSE!

Transvaal's Reply to Britain's Last Note Received.

But It Has Not Been Made Public.

Lord Wolseley Summons the Prospective Commander of the Forces at Natal—Speculations on the Nature of the Document.

London, Sept. 14.—The Transvaal's reply to the last note of the British secretary of state for the colonies, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, has been received, but its nature is not yet known.

At the colonial office a reporter of the Associated Press was informed that nothing will be given out for the present.

It was regarded as significant, however, that the nature of the Boer reply was communicated to the commander-in-chief, Field Marshal Lord Wolseley, who immediately summoned Gen. Sir George Stewart White, V. C., former quartermaster-general, the prospective commander of the British forces in Natal.

"IF."

3:20 p.m.—The tension now existing here and at the Cape may be temporarily settled at any moment by the publication of President Kruger's reply. On the other hand, it may be several days before the general public learns what answer the Transvaal has made. If President Kruger had answered defiantly, it does not necessarily mean the immediate breaking off of negotiations. The British would probably reply with an unmistakable ultimatum, but it is scarcely to their advantage to bring about hostilities until the reinforcements are nearer the scene of action than they are at present. Whatever the nature of President Kruger's reply, it is probable that several more stages of diplomatic processes will be gone through with before there is definite war or peace, unless, of course, President Kruger takes the initiative and raids Natal. It is the possibility of this move that makes definite news of his reply so eagerly and anxiously awaited.

CONFLICTING RUMORS.

3:40 p.m.—At this hour the South African advices continue most conflicting, regarding the tenor of President Kruger's answer to Mr. Chamberlain.

The Morning Post, in a second edition, prints a special dispatch from Pietermaritzburg, capital of Natal, saying the reply is "truculent, loquacious and blasphemous."

The Manchester Guardian's correspondent at Cape Town telegraphs, saying the outlook is of the gloomiest character.

The Cape Town papers themselves take a more hopeful view of the situation, basing their belief on the probable acceptance by President Kruger of the franchise measures suggested in Mr. Chamberlain's latest dispatch; but even they admit it is impossible to learn or foreshadow President Kruger's attitude towards the suzerainty of Great Britain, which, after all, is still the main issue.

TRAINS COLLIDE

Three Women Killed and Three Men Seriously Injured.

Bakersfield, Cal., Sept. 14.—Northbound passenger train No. 82, on the Southern Pacific Railroad, ran into the rear end of the Porterville accommodation train at Formosa, about 20 miles north of here, last night.

Mrs. Maggie Majors, of Los Angeles; Mrs. Rose, her mother, and Mrs. Larue, were killed.

Engineer Wright and Fireman Keller were seriously injured and their condition is precarious.

A track-walker, whose name is not known, was badly hurt and is still unconscious.

SAWN TO PIECES!

Terrible Death of a Young Man in Booth's Mills, Ottawa.

[Special to The Advertiser per C.P.R.]

Ottawa, Sept. 14.—Harry Dooley, Division street, 25 years of age, mill hand at J. R. Booth's, while at work today, was caught between two rolls six inches apart, and drawn in front of a large five-feet circular saw, and was mangled in such a way as to die shortly afterwards. Dooley was unmarried. He took the place of another man who was absent, and had only started work, when he met a horrible death.

The flesh was sawn off the back of his head, and a part of his shoulders and his hips were sawn from his body.

C. W TAYLOR DEAD

A Familiar Figure in Insurance Circles Passed Away.

[Special to The Advertiser per G.N.W.]

Waterloo, Ont., Sept. 14.—C. W. Taylor, familiarly known as the "Father of Insurance," died early this morning. Mr. Taylor was the founder of the Waterloo Mutual Fire Insurace Company, of this town, and took an active part in organizing the Ontario Mutual. He was manager of the former from 1863 until last September, when failing health compelled him to retire, when he became consulting manager. He was vice-president of the Ontario Mutual from its formation until his death. He leaves a widow and six children.

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ORDERED TO COME HOME

Members of U. S. Philippine Commission Recalled.

Sharp Engagement at Balemao—A Warship Takes Part—11,608 Men Are Now Quartered at the Presidio, San Francisco.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 14.—The following dispatch has been received at the navy department, dated, Manila, Sept. 14:

"Davidson, commanding Paragua, reports sharp engagement at Balemao. Vessel struck many times by rifle shots; no casualties. Paragua silenced insurgents' fire in 20 minutes; range, from 400 to 900 yards. Occasion, capture Filipino schooner, which Davidson destroyed. Watson."

Balemao is in the Province of Masbato, south of Luzon and north of Visayas.

COMMISSIONERS RECALLED.

Manila, Sept. 14.—Col. Charles Denby and Prof. Dean Worcester, members of the Philippine commission, have received instructions from President McKinley, asking them to return as soon as possible. They will embark on the steamer Empress of India, which sails from Hong Kong on Sept. 26. The commissioners had just moved into new offices and had expected to spend some months working on the establishment of municipal government.

The Filipino police, numbering 250 armed men, with revolvers and clubs, became operative at Manila today. The force is controlled by the provost marshal.

11,608 MEN AT THE PRESIDIO.

San Francisco, Sept. 14. — There are now 11,608 men quartered at the Presidio. This includes 950 recruits, 40 casuals, 357 in the regular garrison, approximately 5,256 volunteer infantry on the way to the Philippines, and approximately 5,000 more returned from the islands and awaiting muster out.

DEATH SENTENCE COMMUTED.

Washington, Sept. 14. — Private Thos. McVeigh, Company G, First Wyoming Volunteer Infantry, was tried by a general court-martial at Imus in July on a charge of striking his superior officer. He was sentenced to be shot to death. President McKinley has directed that the sentence be commuted to dishonorable discharge, forfeiture of pay and allowances, and confinement at hard labor for three years on Alcatraz Island, Cal.

"NO, THANK YOU."

A copy of the reply adopted by the Filipino Congress to the American offer of an autonomous government repeats the arguments contained in the recent appeal to the powers for recognition, and the Filipino assertion that the Americans were the aggressors in the war, and concludes: "Notwithstanding the foregoing we could have accepted your sovereignty and autonomy if we had not seen by the behavior of the Americans in the beginning that they were strongly opposed to us, through race prejudice, and the high-handed methods of dealing with us made us fear for the future in your hands. Finally, we thank you for your offers of autonomy under sovereignty."

BRAVE WINSLOW'S PRIZE.

New York, Sept. 14.—The bravery of Lieut. Winslow, flag officer of Admiral Sampson's fleet, who was twice wounded while cutting the Spanish cables in Cienfuegos harbor, won the heart of Miss Dora Havermeyer, the late millionaire's daughter, and they will wed at Newport, Sept. 18.

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