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Births, Marriages, Deaths.

DIED.

McLAREN—On Feb. 4, 1902, at the residence of his father, 26 Victor street, South London, of pneumonia, Chester D., second son of J. W. McLaren, railway mail service, city, in his 22nd year.

Funeral Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Friends will kindly omit flowers. 99u

ROSSCONNEL—On Wednesday, Feb. 5, 1902, Barbara Rossconnel, widow of the late David Rossconnel.

Funeral on Friday, the 7th inst., at 11 a.m., from her late residence, 570 Hill street, London. Service at 10:30 a.m.

ROBERTSON—In this city, on Feb. 6, 1902, Jane, beloved wife of Robert Robertson, aged 34 years, 11 months, 11 days.

Funeral from W. J. Smith & Son's undertaking parlors, on Saturday, Feb. 8, at 11 a.m.; services at 10:30 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

St. Marys papers please copy.

ARKELL—On Feb. 5, 1902, at 100 Stanley street, London South, Mrs. Maria S. Arkell, relict of the late Robert Arkell.

Funeral private, on Friday, at 2:30 p.m.; service at 2 o'clock. Interment at Woodland Cemetery. 100u

AMUSEMENTS, LECTURES, ETC.

Advertisements under this heading 10c per line, or 2c per word each insertion.

THE "LONDON," Friday & Sat. "ALBINI," King of Cards, Supported by the **IN GAY PAREE** 2 hours of music, song and laughter. Prices, 15c, 25c, 35c, 50c. Matinee Saturday, 15c, 25c. Vaudeville Extravaganza. 99k

Next Satur. NEW GRAND Mat. & Eveng. **SAN TOY** The complete New York production. Nothing better this year. Company of 75. Gorgeously staged. Prices Mat. and Eveg. $1 50, $1, 75c, 50c, 25c. Seats ready.

HOCKEY London vs. Waterloo. Jubilee Rink, Friday, Feb. 7. Game called 8 p.m. Admission 25c, 15c. 100u

AUDITORIUM — TONIGHT—PAULINE JOHNSON, Walter McRaye. Be sure and hear these talented artists. Reserved seats, 50 cents. b

JUBILEE RINK—FIRST-CLASS UNION Band tonight. Grand ice. Good music. Open every afternoon. b

MANHATTAN CARNIVAL—MONDAY, Feb. 10, Jubilee Rink. Best of season. Brass band. b

WESTMINSTER RINK—SKATING AFTERNOON and night. Cortese's Orchestra Saturday afternoon and night. Fairyland, Friday, 14th. b

PRINCESS ICE PALACE—BY ORDER, Lieut.-Col. Smith and officers, 7th Band tonight. Skates to rent. b

WESTERN UNIVERSITY CONVERSAZIONE—Monday, Feb. 10, 8:15 p.m., at College buildings, George street. Magnificent talent. Miss Dora Taylor, Miss E. L. Sutherland and Mr. George Fox. Public cordially invited. Admission, 50 cents. 99l

THE NEW STEAMSHIP IONIAN, OF the Allan Line, will sail Saturday, Feb. 15, from St. John to Liverpool. Pretorian, Saturday, Feb. 22. F. B. Clarke, Richmond street, next Advertiser office.

HOCKEY — CHAMPIONSHIP GAME. Waterloo vs. Tecumsehs. Friday, Feb. 7. Jubilee Rink. 99c

PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING BY R. B. Millard, 965 Princess avenue. Special attention given to the waltz and two-step. Rapid teaching. Low rates. Lessons any hour.

DANCING—BEGINNERS' NEW TERM now open. Gentlemen, Monday; ladies, Tuesday evening; children, Saturday afternoon. Private tuition any hour. Dayton & McCormick.

MEETINGS.

Officers, Non-Commissioned Officers and Men of C Company, 7th Regiment, will parade at Drill Shed on Friday afternoon, 7th inst., at 2:15, for the purpose of attending the funeral of our late comrade, Chester D. McLaren. Order of Dress—Gray coats and busbies. By order, John Graham, Captain, commanding C Company.

P. S.—All officers, non-commissioned officers and men of other companies wishing to pay their respects to our late comrade will kindly meet at the above hour and join in the parade. b

REGULAR MEETING ST. GEORGE'S, 42, A., F. and A. M., G. R. C., this Thursday, 6th inst., 7:30 p.m., in Blue Room, Masonic Temple. Visitors welcome. Conferring third degree. Chas. H. Ward, W. Master; A. Ellis, secretary. b

BUSINESS CARDS.

HODGSON & HOWARD, PAINTERS, paper-hangers. Estimates free. 410 Horton street. Orders promptly done.

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

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The Nordheimer Piano and Music Co. Limited.

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62 years established.

Wind-Up Prices Sale

is drawing people to our store. People who make it a point to compare values and qualities are eagerly taking advantage of our offerings. Notably—ALL KINDS OF HIGH-GRADE RUBBERS AND OVERSHOES AT LESS THAN COST PRICE.

Men's Rubber-sole Boots, price $5, for $3 00

Ladies' Rubber-sole Boots, price $5, for $3 00

Hundreds of other lines of reliable Footwear selling at like reductions.

Pocock Bros.

Exceptional value in all kinds of Trunks, Valises and Satchels. Free delivery to any part of city.

MALE HELP WANTED.

DO YOU WRITE ADS?—SEND ADDRESS today on your business stationery for invaluable information free. Harper Syndicate, Columbus, Ohio. 33tf-wty

SPLENDID WAGES PAID MEN WHO learn barber trade with us. Can earn scholarship, board, tools and transportation if desired. Two months required; 100 wanted to prepare for spring rush. Particulars mailed. Moler Barber College, Buffalo, N. Y. 98n

WANTED—YOUTH TO LEARN JOB printing; one with about two years' experience at the business. Apply Advertiser Job Department. 75tf

FEMALE HELP WANTED.

1c per word first insertion, and ½c per word each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

WANTED—TWO LAUNDRESSES. APPLY for terms to Dr. Hobbs, superintendent Homewood Retreat, Guelph, Ont. 100c

EXPERIENCED DINING-ROOM GIRL wanted at once. Apply Walsh House. 99c

FIRST-CLASS PANT AND VEST MAKERS wanted at once. A. Tillmann, 415 Richmond street. 99c

AGENTS WANTED.

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$3 A DAY SURE—SEND US YOUR address and we will show you how to make $3 a day, absolutely sure; we furnish the work and teach you free; you work in the locality where you live. Send us your address and we will explain the business fully. Remember we guarantee a clear profit of $3 for every day's work; absolutely sure; don't fail to write today. Imperial Silverware Company, Box 504, Windsor, Ont. ywt

AGENTS WANTED. MARSHALL BROS. & CO., importers, teas and coffees, 67 Dundas street.

AGENTS—WE START YOU IN BUSINESS. You can easily make $25 per week. No capital required. Apply P. O. Drawer 531, London. 91tf

ARTICLES FOR SALE.

1c per word first insertion, and ½c per word each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

FOR SALE—CORN, BRAN AND shorts, at the Denfield elevator. Highest market price given for all kinds of grain. 100c

25 PER CENT OFF BALANCE OF ladies' felt hats, chinaware and Christmas novelties. Bargains in furs at Cunningham's, 662 Dundas street.

STOVES—STOVES—STOVES—WE HAVE a large stock of stoves, comprising coal baseburners, hot blast and St. Lewis airtight. Very cheap, at Keene's, 141 King street.

HAVE YOU TRIED MIRACLE WASHING COMPOUND? It has no equal. Free sample at G. Marshall & Co.'s tea store. wt

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.

PRINTING BARGAIN HOUSE—THOUSAND statements, billheads, circulars, etc., $1. Write for prices. Adams, Toronto. ywt

FRESH TENDERLOINS TODAY—Frankfort Sausage, Liverwisth and Blood Pudding. Pork Sausage, 3 lbs for 25c; sirloin steak, 10c. Just received, a nice lot of dairy butter at lowest market prices, at G. Park's, corner Market Lane. ywt

WE WILL SELL FOR TWO WEEKS only $4 trunks for $3, and $4 50 for $3 25. P. Hendershott & Co., 427 Park avenue. yw

FOR SALE, CHEAP—FORTY CHURCH cushions, 5 to 12 feet; quantity of cable wire; wire cage, 3x12 feet; two-seated cutter and buggy; mattresses, springs, bedroom suites, cook stoves. Parish, 357 Talbot street, three doors south King.

FOR THE BEST HARD AND SOFT coal, steam coal and slack, or the best hard and soft wood, and good, dry sawmill slabs, at $1 30 per load, go to Green & Co., William street and G. T. R. 'Phone 1,391.

GASOLINE ENGINES AT LOWEST prices. Manufactured by D. McKenzie & Co., 298 Richmond street.

HEADQUARTERS FOR ALL KINDS fresh and smoked fish. Our goods are the best; fresh daily. F. S. Onn, Fish Market. 'Phone 1,296. zxw

$11 WILL BUY A $15 HALL STAND this week at Keene Bros.' furniture store, 127 King street, opposite Market House.

EXTENSION LADDERS, 20c A FOOT—Best on earth for cleaning eavestroughs, placing storm windows, painting, etc. Catalogue free. The Waggoner Ladder Company, Limited, London, Ont.

THIS IS THE TIME OF THE YEAR that makes the people look for the best wood at the best prices. Ring up 1,312, and ask them about their different kinds of wood and prices. D. H. Gillies & Co., 673 Bathurst street.

HOUSES, ETC., TO LET.

1c per word first insertion, and ½c per word each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

SMALL COTTAGE TO RENT. APPLY J. W. G. Winnett, barrister, etc., 420 Talbot street. ywt

TO LET—UNION FURNITURE VAN—Furniture carefully handled. John Biggs, Cathcart and Bruce, South London, late of London Furniture Company. 'Phone 210.

BOARDING, ROOMS, ETC.

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FRONT ROOM, WITH GOOD BOARD. All conveniences. 211 Queen's avenue. 99c

PARCEL DELIVERY.

CITY PARCEL EXPRESS—OFFICE removed to 154 Carling street. Parcels called for and delivered to any part of city. Telephone 1,295. C. H. Anderson.

WANTED TO RENT.

WANTED TO RENT OR PURCHASE—Ten to twenty acres, good buildings, near street cars; Springbank preferred. Box 338, London. 94tf-wty

BUSINESS CHANCES.

GOOD BUTCHER BUSINESS IN THE City of London for sale. First-class locality. Good reason for selling. Complete butcher's outfit. Apply Meredith & Fisher, 74 Dundas street, city. 100u-wz

WANTED—MEN WITH MONEY FOR small investment; exclusive right to manufacture household necessity; large sales. Fraser House, Room 21, 2 to 8 p.m., few days. Fraser Manufacturing Company. 98c

BLACKSMITH SHOP TO LET—CORNER of Talbot and Queen's avenue; best location in city; immediate possession. Alex. Harvey. 67tf

BAKE SHOP FOR RENT. INQUIRE at St. James P. O., London South. 62tf

LOST AND FOUND.

1c per word first insertion, and ½c per word each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

LOST—BETWEEN JAMES COWAN Hardware Company's and Opera House, $2. Please return to this office. b

LOST—BLACK AND TAN COLLIE PUP. Reward on returning to 673 York street. 100c

LOST—LADY'S GOLD WATCH AND chain. Initials "M. G. B." on case. Reward at this office. 99c

REAL ESTATE.

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100 ACRE FARM FOR SALE—FINE locality, 1½ miles Arkona, Lambton county; everything up to date. Immediate sale. Levi E. Bearss, Box 54, Arkona, Ont. 961 85u

FOR SALE—CHEAP COTTAGE NEAR Carshops. Apply E. H. Johnston, 87½ Dundas street. 78bu-tyw

FOR SALE—BUILDING LOTS, NEAR new Normal School. Will sell cheap on easy terms. Apply 278 Ridout street. 16tf-ywt

TWO-STORY HOUSE, 107 CARTWRIGHT street, nearly new, first-class order; $1,600. A bargain. Convenient to Collegiate Institute. Apply G. N. Weekes, barrister, London. 48tf-tzw

FOR SALE—100 ACRE FARM, LOT 8, con. 8, Lobo. Apply Peter McVicar, Coldstream. 93bu

FOR SALE — TWO-STORY BRICK — Nearly new; all modern, and central; brick cottage on Dufferin avenue. Frame cottage on King street. Small cottage on monthly installments. J. F. Sangster, 112 Masonic Temple.

711 QUEEN'S AVENUE—SUPERIOR built and planned brick cottage, in excellent repair, with large lot. Price low. Terms easy. J. H. McMechan, 268 King street.

FOR SALE—VERY DESIRABLE RESIDENCE and store premises on main street of Thorndale. For particulars apply to Alfred Bailey, Thorndale P.O.

100 ACRE FARM, LOT 10, CON. 10 (north half), London township. For particulars apply James Robb, Bryanston. 90bu

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

DRESSMAKING.

1c per word first insertion, and ½c per word each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

LADIES WANTED TO LEARN DRESSMAKING in two weeks; none but good sewers need apply. If you are perfectly satisfied after you are through you pay me $10, including one of the best systems in the world. If not, I guarantee to give you $10 for your trouble. I have taught over 200 girls, and have been successful in every case. I will teach in Stratford from Feb. 17 to 28. All wishing to learn call at my room, over Johnson's butcher shop, Stratford, on Saturday, Feb. 15, from 1 to 6 p.m. I will be at London House, London, from 12 to 1, noon, until Feb. 14. All wishing to learn next time I am here, call on me that hour. Mrs. William Saunders. 66bh-ywt 79n

DRESS-CUTTING SCHOOL—SYSTEM unexcelled. Pupils welcome to return for assistance. Lessons unlimited. Experienced, capable teachers. Costumes copied for modistes. 233½ Dundas street, London.

The Western Real Estate Exchange.

78½ Dundas Street, London. Telephone 696.

Farms and city property for sale. You will make a mistake if you buy a farm without first seeing our list of farms in Ontario for sale and exchange. Your future happiness and prosperity may depend upon the choice of farm you make. Get full particulars of as many farms as possible that are for sale in Ontario before you buy. Compare soils, conditions, locations and other advantages, and then make your choice. Drop us a postcard and get our lists.

You will make a mistake if you try to sell your farm without giving every prospective purchaser in Ontario a chance to buy by placing before him a full and accurate description of its soil, buildings, location, etc. We bring buyers and sellers of real estate from the most distant parts of Ontario together.

Our plan of advertising is the only one which does this successfully. Nothing to pay except the usual commission if the property is sold at any time within two years. We can sell your property if you place it in our hands at once at a fair price.

Over 100 farms were sold off our list last year. We expect to sell between two and three hundred during the coming spring and summer. We will have nearly 200 local agents in different parts of Ontario to assist us in distributing our circulars and printed lists of farms for sale and exchange, and in finding purchasers and in making sales of the farms that are in our hands.

Last year we advertised in a number of daily and over 225 weekly newspapers in Ontario, Quebec and Manitoba. This year our advertising will be more extensive than ever. An advertisement by a board, with the words "For Sale" on it, put up on your farm, or even an advertisement in a local paper, reaches a very limited number of probable buyers. Why not try and let every man in Ontario who really wants to buy know about your farm by placing it in our hands for sale?

Drop us a postcard and get our terms.

JAMES BURROWS, Manager.

bw 100u-wt

IDENTICAL IN ITS FORM

With the Measure of Last Session.

Perennial Wife's Sister Bill Read Second Time in the Commons.

King Edward Is a Fond Grandfather—Salisbury in Splendid Health.

London, Feb. 6.—The perennial deceased wife's sister bill reappeared in the House of Commons yesterday in a form identical with that of last year. After some discussion the house voted in favor of the second reading of the bill, 249 ayes and 124 noes.

Lord Hugh Cecil and Evelyn Cecil (Conservatives), who opposed the bill, used every parliamentary trick to delay reaching a vote within the time limits of Wednesday, and when they returned to the house from the lobbies, both of Lord Salisbury's relatives were greeted with angry cries of "Shame," "Churlish," and similar epithets.

THE KING A FOND GRANDPA.

King Edward is an exceedingly fond grandpa. This is an inherited form of affection, the late Queen Victoria having been bound up with her strongly family ties.

Last week the public was allowed a glimpse of one evidence of King Edward's love for his son's children. It is a collection of four miniatures of the Prince of Wales' little ones and formed the Kings gift to his son and daughter-in-law. The portraits were painted by Mrs. Gertrude Massey and are exquisite examples of miniatures.

The four children are, in the order of their ages: Prince Edward, born June 23, 1894; Prince Albert George, born Dec. 14, 1895; Princess Victoria Alexandra, born April 25, 1897; and little Prince Henry William Frederick Albert, born in 1900.

It is, of course, in Prince Edward that the greatest public interest lies, for he is in direct line of succession to the crown, and, if he lives, will reign over Britain as Edward VIII. Little Prince Edward is a healthy child, as indeed are his little royal brothers and sisters.

SALISBURY HALE AT 72.

There is no confirmation of the report that Lord Salisbury is to retire. The truth of the matter is that Lord Salisbury is in excellent health. It was generally remarked how well he looked on Monday, his 72nd birthday.

ITALY SATISFIED.

A Rome correspondent says the Italian press comment on Chamberlain's speech regarding Malta confirms the opinion that by his announcement of the withdrawal of the language proclamation, accompanied by his frank declarations of friendship and esteem for Italy, he has removed the feeling of soreness that had grown up among Italians. This feeling was in part spontaneous, and in part due to misrepresentations of Radical and Clerical Anglophobes.

ARCHDUKE FERDINAND'S VISIT.

The Archduke Francis Ferdinand, heir-presumptive to the thrones of Austria and Hungary, started yesterday for St. Petersburg. The czar's private train will meet him at the frontier. The visit of the Archduke to the Russian capital is regarded as being of great political significance.

ASSERTION AND DENIAL.

Berlin, Feb. 5.—The German foreign office confirms the substantial accuracy of the statement on the subject of Germany's course toward the United States during the war with Spain, which the Kreuz Zeitung printed.

London, Feb. 5.—The Associated Press has the highest official authority for denying the story printed by the Kreuz Zeitung of Berlin, as to the part said to have been taken by Lord Pauncefote, the British ambassador at Washington, in the Spanish-American war intervention, in spite of the confirmation of the story by the German foreign office.

SENTENCED TO DEATH BY THE SULTAN.

Constantinople, Feb. 6.—The sultan's brother-in-law, Damad Mahmud Pasha has been sentenced to death. Mahmud has long been prominent in the Young Turk movement and was recently expelled from Greece at the behest of the sultan. Mahmud went to Rome and the sultan requested his expulsion from Italy. It was refused, but Mahmud proceeded to Paris where he remains in safety. All the sultan's blandishments have failed to induce him to return to Constantinople, so the criminal court was instructed to issue a warrant for Mahmud's arrest, and to try the fugitive by default, with the result that he was condemned to death.

CHARLES DICKENS' GRANDDAUGHTER MARRIED.

London, Feb. 6.—Miss Enid Dickens, a grand-daughter of Charles Dickens, has just married Ernest Bourchier Hawksley, son of the solicitor for Cecil Rhodes and the Chartered Company. She is a favorite in literary and art circles; and the wedding was attended by many actors and artists.

CABLE NOTES.

The rate of discount of the Bank of England was today reduced from 3½ to 3 per cent.

At a Protestant demonstration held in London resolutions were passed against the confessional and the celebration of mass within the Church of England. They also urge the government to enforce the law concerning exclusion of monks and Jesuits from Great Britain.

In an imperial rescript thanking the German people for their birthday congratulations Emperor William refers to the particular pleasure which he experienced as a result of the receipt of telegraphic messages from the Germans in all quarters of the globe.

At the opening of the Colonial Legislature in Kingston, Ja., the governor of Jamaica, Sir Augustus Hemming, announced for the first time in many years a slight surplus in the transactions of the year. He attributes it partly to the growth of the fruit trade with the United States.

CLAIRVOYANT.

MADAME BAKER, THE GREAT clairvoyant and trance medium, seventh daughter, will be at Saddler House, opposite Market, for a short time. Prices: Ladies, 50c; gentlemen, 75c. 100n

WANTED.

1c per word first insertion, and ½c per word each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

COME AND SEE OUR NATURAL Pompadours. They are perfect. Combings wanted. Miller's Hair Store, 222 Dundas street.

PERSONAL.

HONORABLE, MORAL YOUNG GENTLEMAN (stranger), pianist, references, desires acquaintance with agreeable, respectable young woman. Address Box 79, this office. 100c

LADIES' CONSULTATION PARLORS —Specialty, health and toilet remedies. Palmistry continued by request. Madame, 470 Ridout.

SALISBURY ON HOLLAND'S NOTE.

Noteworthy Speech by British Prime Minister.

Unable to Imagine the Precise Object of the Dutch—No Encouragement That Peace Will Result.

London, Feb. 5.—Prime Minister Salisbury attended a banquet at the Junior Constitutional Club tonight, and devoted a considerable part of a noteworthy speech to comments on Holland's overture in the direction of peace in South Africa, which he describes as having filled the newspapers for a few days with a species of abortive crisis. His remarks, although delicately framed, betrayed that he regards the step taken by the Netherlands Government with a sort of amused cynicism as a harmless diplomatic solecism, and he did not encourage his hearers to hope that peace would result from the step.

"I suppose," he said, "that every important step taken by an important people is dictated by some motive or another, but I am really unable to imagine what the precise object of the Dutch Government, to whose friendly feeling I desire to pay every homage, hoped to gain by the step taken."

Emphasizing the statement that the Boers on the continent not only did not authorize, but disavowed the action of the Netherlands Government, Lord Salisbury reaffirmed his inability to imagine upon what ground, with what motive, and with what object this curious step was taken. He could only surmise that the English pro-Boers were responsible, but he doubted very much whether it would have the effect they expected.

SUCH THINGS ALWAYS OCCUR.

Continuing, he said that Great Britain had arrived at that condition of things which always occurred in critical periods, when many attempts were made to reconcile divergent views and many suggestions were offered, which it was neither easy nor desirable to take into account. Many amiable and excellent people would be desiring to sacrifice all the nation had done and borne for the purpose of patching up a piece.

They must bear in mind there was no question of sentiment. They had entered upon a matter of business which they must push through. (Loud applause.)

In doing so they must continually look back and examine the motive and object for which they were sacrificing so much blood and treasure. The motive, the object, was to obtain security. He added:

"Any restoration of peace which recognized fully the rights our sovereign has given us and security for the empire we should accept, not only with willingness, but with delight."

"There is nothing we so desire as a peace which will carry with it the fulfilment of all our duties and the attainment of the aims which it is our business to pursue, but we must have security on the part of the empire on which the ambition of Kruger has cast this abundance of sorrow and desolation. It is useless to tell us that we must so behave as to leave pleasant recollections in the minds of those with whom we are fighting. It would be an imposture, and an imposture not worth performing. I entreat you, therefore, when asked to consider how any particular sort of policy can adjust itself to the feelings of the peoples to whom it is the least attractive, to remember that there are others whose interests must be regarded."

These others, Lord Salisbury explained, were the loyalists in South Africa who had borne and risked so much, besides all the constituent parts of the empire, which were watching to see whether the results of the efforts for three or four years would be such as they could admire and such as would tend to strengthen the empire and increase their devotion to it.

A FEW WORDS AS TO IRELAND.

The prime minister concluded with a reference to Ireland, reiterating his past warnings against home rule, and declaring that the existence of a hostile Irish Government having the power to accumulate arms and ammunition would constitute a far more serious threat to the empire than it had to face in South Africa.

It was his belief that the maintenance of the English position in Ireland was one of the most vital objects that the empire had now to consider. It was only obtainable by constant, strenuous and vigilant exertions.

The speaker was frequently interrupted during his speech by enthusiastic applause.

REFUSED $7,000,000.

Sault Ste. Marie, Feb. 6.—The Express was told on good authority, that Mr. F. H. Clergue refused last week $7,000,000 which an English capitalist offered him for investment. In declining to accept the money the president said he had sufficient money on hand to carry on all his industries for the next two years.

DEADLY GAS EXPLOSION

Building Wrecked and 13 Persons Killed.

Larger Part of the Victims Were Members of One Family.

Boiler Explosion at Pittsburg—Many of a Towboat's Crew Seriously Injured and Three Are Missing.

Chicago, Feb. 6.—By the explosion of illuminating gas in the basement of a two-story frame building at 376 Twenty-second street last evening, a number of people lost their lives, and the building was blown into kindling wood. By 8:45 p.m. five bodies had been removed from the ruins. They were all of one family. Not a member of the family escaped. The bodies recovered are those of Otto Trostle, Mrs. Otto Trostle, Otto Trostle, jun., Minnie Trostle, Annie Trostle.

THREE EXPLOSIONS.

Two other explosions of gas followed so quickly that it was hard to distinguish them. The first to explode was a main at Twenty-second street and Archer avenue. Then the manhole, half a block south of Archer avenue, was thrown into the air by a loud explosion. The fire spread below the street and smaller manholes were blown into the air. The flames from the first gas main reached the Trostle butcher shop. The building was a three-story frame structure, and it had been weakened and nearly wrecked by the shock. It is supposed that the occupants of the building were knocked unconscious or were too panic-stricken to rush from the place. The dry and rotten wood was food for the fire, and in an instant the flames had enveloped the structure. With a roar the building collapsed and the occupants, with one exception, were carried with it to the basement.

THE FLAMES SPREAD.

The adjoining buildings also soon caught fire. It seemed that the whole block would be wiped out before the firemen could get the blaze under control. A fire wall of a brick building on one side of the burning structure, held the fire in that direction. Many persons in buildings near the explosion were knocked down. On several street cars near the place several windows were smashed and the passengers severely shaken up. When people in the cars saw the flames gush from the ground they rushed for the door. A number of persons were bruised and knocked down in the excited exit.

THE DEAD.

Among the dead are supposed to be three children of the Trostle family, whose bodies have not yet been recovered. It is not known positively that they were in the house at the time, but a search of the neighborhood has not shown any trace of them. There were six children in the family, and there is little doubt that all the eight members of the family were killed. The three other people who are said to be dead are supposed to have been customers in the meat shop.

The direct cause of the explosion is not known, but all indications show that it was due to escaping gas in the basement of the Trostle house.

In all thirteen lives were lost.

TEN BODIES RECOVERED.

Chicago, Feb. 6.—At 2 o'clock this morning ten bodies had been recovered from the ruins of the Trostel House, which was destroyed last night by an explosion of gas. Eight have been identified as Otto Trostel, Mrs. August Trostel, Annie Trostel (11 years old), Lena Trostel (7 years), Sophie Knieppe (domestic in Trostel family), Otto Trostel, jun., Mrs. Mamie Rosenthal, Fred Trostel.

The cause of the explosion has not yet been fixed.

PRESENTIMENT WAS CORRECT.

On Monday, Otto Trostel insured his life for $5,000, making his wife the beneficiary. Yesterday Mrs. Trostel called on the insurance agent and asked if the two oldest children could be insured. She said she had a presentiment that something would happen. The agent was instructed to write policies of $2,000 each.

TOWBOAT BLOWN UP.

Pittsburg, Feb. 5.—By the explosion of the boilers on the towboat John Wailes, owned by the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke Company, near lock No. 2, at 1:30 o'clock this morning, one man was killed outright, four probably fatally injured, and several are still missing. Six others were rescued from the icy waters, and two of these Maria Walker, the cook, and James Williams, fireman, are dangerously injured.

The dead: Wm. Perry, deck hand, aged 30 years, of Roscoe, Pa., found pinioned under the anchor, with clothing afire.

The injured: Edward Mitchell, mate, aged 23 years, badly burned, and inhaled flames, Merchantville, Pa., will die; John W. Burke, pilot; Floyd Still, chief engineer; Maria Walker, negress, cook, of Pittsburg, leg broken and badly injured about head and body, rescued from the river; James Williams, fireman, leg broken and seriously hurt about head and body; Booker Nu, second engineer; William Campbell, fireman, badly burned.

The missing: John Coffin, watchman, Freedrickstown, Md.; Weaver Wolf, deck hand, Middleport, Ohio.

There was a crew of fourteen all told aboard the Wailes, including the captain. The Wailes was completely destroyed. The loss is placed at $25,000. No one has been able to give an account of the exact manner in which the accident occurred.

LOVE LEADS TO THEFT.

New York, Feb. 6.—When Mrs. Margaret Colgan, a widow, went to her bureau to get $7 saved for the rent, it was gone. She told her 13-year-old daughter, Minnie, that they would be dispossessed, and the girl began to cry. She confessed that she had stolen the money and had bought two silver watches, one for her sweetheart, 8-year-old Johnny Burke, and the other for herself.

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SURPRISED A COMMANDO

Major Leader's Men Pounced Upon Delearey.

Seven of the Boer Force Killed and 131 Captured.

The "Sweeping" Policy Will End the War—A Pro-Boer's Eyes Opened.

London, Feb. 6.—Lord Kitchener has sent the following message from Pretoria: "Major Leader's force surprised Delarey's commando, killed seven and captured 131. The British casualties were slight. No British were killed.

THE "SWEEPING POLICY."

Bloemfontein, Feb. 5.—The success of General Bruce Hamilton's night marches in the Eastern Transvaal has not been repeated in Eastern Orange Colony, Gen. Dewet's favorite campaigning ground. In this quarter the enemy sleep in the open, and have a most elaborate system of scouting. Even Gen. Elliot's circling movements, skillfully conceived and dashingly carried out, failed to entrap the wily Dewet and his main body, although his network of scouts were captured and the country swept clean. The army and the thinking public have every confidence in Lord Kitchener's ability to finish the war. It means patience and time. The whole of the colonies cannot be divided up by blockhouses—the country is too vast; but the process now in force of combined sweeps is gradually clearing up the vast resources of the land, and is adding to the districts in which it is impossible for armed bodies of Boers to move, besides swelling the lists of prisoners of war.

PRO-BOER CONVERTED.

London, Feb. 6.—The London Times prints a letter from Count Aldebert Sternberg, and who declares the treatment he has received from the British press and official and non-official Englishmen leaves him no cause to be an Anglophobe.

Sternberg says, while England is hated, the Englishman is respected and loved. Hatred always arises from a sense of moral and mental injury, and to this extent the continent has a right to hate England, because her policy is at all times directed to promoting continental complications. The continent does not understand the Boer war, and attacks England's political morality because it misunderstands the political principle which England represents, the principle in which is England's greatness. He says that the English recognize only two factors in the world, namely, God and England.

MISUNDERSTOOD.

The economic advantage to be derived from the gold fields, says Sternberg, was merely a contributory cause in the South African war. The real cause making action imperative was the English principle, the essence of which is free trade and straightforward competition. On the continent this feeling is not understood, because the continent does not enjoy the blessings of civilization and government, based on the word "straight." Sternberg says he always thought England was the enemy of the continent until he visited the United States and studied economic conditions there. He now believes that continental hatred of England is ungrateful, and the continent ought to awake and recognize that its true enemy is arising in the west, like a great sun of gold, whose rays have already been projected across the Atlantic. America's only principle, he says, is worship of mammon. Germany and all Europe should join with England.

ADVICE TO BOERS.

In an article written before the publication of the Dutch note to Great Britain, and the British reply, the Independence Belge says the Boer leaders have no longer the right to sacrifice thousands of lives attempting to get what is unattainable. It is the imperative duty of the Boers to accept such conditions as would secure a certain measure of autonomy whereby they can alone be saved from complete extermination.

DOWN WITH FEVER.

Ottawa, Feb. 5.—Mr. Chamberlain cables to Lord Minto as follows: "London, Feb. 1.—Regret to inform you that Wilbert Edgar Hodgkinson, C Division, S. A. Constabulary, reported dangerously ill with enteric fever at Heifelberg, Jan. 31. Brother, J. J. Hodgkinson, Kincardine, Bruce county, Ontario. (Signed) Chamberlain."

Lord and Lady Minto and suite crossed the St. Lawrence from Levis to Quebec in canoes, and are now attending the winter sports.