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DIED.

COX.—At the residence, 746 Waterloo street, on the 28th inst., Emma, wife of George Cox. Funeral private.

AMUSEMENTS.

RACE AT WESTMINSTER RINK postponed. Watch for date.

HEAR W. CAVEN BARRON, pianist; Miss Terwilliger, elocutionist, at Masonic Concert, to-night.

MISS LILLYWHITE, LONDON'S leading soprano soloist, will sing at Masonic Concert, to-night.

MR. DEVLIN, LONDON'S LEADING tenor soloist, will sing at Masonic concert, to-night.

MASONIC CONCERT TICKETS cost 50c, 35c and 25c.

TWO FLATS AND A SHARP, A comedietta, will be given to-night at Masonic concert.

TICKETS FOR TUSCAN CONCERT. Reserved seats, 50c and 35c; general admission, 25c.

COOD FISH BALL AND PAN CAKE Social, Somerset Hall, Friday evening, W. C. T. U. and all friends invited. Come and enjoy social hour. Good programme and these novel refreshments. Admission 15c. Payable in aid of poor.

QUEEN'S AVE RINK—HOCKEY match postponed.

"SNAZELLE"—GRAND ILLUMINATED Matinee, Saturday, March 2nd, 3 p. m. Beautiful programme. Prices, 15c, 25c and 50c. By special request, "The Whistler" and "Travelers' Aid" (the quickest song ever written) will be given.

"SNAZELLE"—GRAND OPERA. Monday, March 4th, "Knoch Ardian" and the "Oberammergau Passion Play" with its weird and weird scenes; also Mr. Percy Carroll will sing with Mr. Snazelle the fine duet, "The Moon Hath Raised Her Lamp Above," with scenic effects. Prices, 25c, 35c and 50c.

HEAR MISS ROBLIN, (THE LEAD ING Soprano) at the Christian Endeavor "At Home," in the King St. Presbyterian Church, Monday evening, March 4th. Miss Hartson, Mr. Moxon and others will take part. Refreshments. Collection taken at the door, no less than 10c.

GRAND CONCERT, UNDER united auspices of St. Andrew's Society and Clan Fraser, O. S. C. An evening of song and story, by Mr. and Mrs. Durward Lily, Wednesday, March 6th.

MR. AND MRS. DURWARD LILY, Grand Opera House, Wednesday, March 6th.

DON'T FAIL TO HEAR DURWARD LILY, the great Scottish tenor, Wednesday, March 6th. Plan opens at box office Monday, March 4th, at 10 o'clock. Popular prices, 25c, 35c, 50c.

PALACE DANCING ACADEMY.—The recognized leading school of Western Ontario. Last term of the season, commencing week of Monday, March 4th. Prizes classes—Gentlemen, Monday evenings; ladies, Tuesday evenings, at 8 o'clock. Ladies and children, Saturday afternoons, at 3 o'clock. Advanced classes, ladies and gentlemen, Wednesday evenings, at 8 o'clock. All the latest dances taught in the advanced class. Private tuition also not occupied with classes. DAYTON & McCORMICK, members of N.A.M. of A. Academy, 476 Richmond street. Residence, 34 Oxford street.

MEETINGS.

MASONIC—REGULAR COMMUNICATION, St. John's Lodge, 206a, this evening (Friday, March 1st, 7:30). General business and degrees.—JOHN GRAHAM, Master; J. SIDDOUS, Sec.

LONDON NATIONAL COUNCIL OF Women.—A special and important meeting will be held in the "Y" Rooms, on Saturday, March 2nd, at 8:30 o'clock. Presidents and delegates of federate societies are urgently requested to attend.

LECTURES.

MR. HENRY GEORGE, THE celebrated author of "Progress and Poverty," will deliver a lecture at the Grand Opera House, Tuesday evening, the 5th March; at the conclusion Mr. George will answer any questions in connection with free trade and the single tax. Admission, 25c; reserved seats, 50c. Plan opens at the Opera House, Saturday morning, the 2nd March. Tickets for sale at C. F. Colwell's and James I. Anderson & Co.'s Book Store.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES.—Adelaide Street Baptist Church, on Sabbath, 3rd March next, when Rev. H. C. Speller, of Florida, will preach. Collections in aid of building fund.

SPECIAL SERVICES IN ST. JAMES' Church, South London. Daily Bible instruction at 4 p. m. Services and sermons at 8 p. m. All welcome. The Bishop of Huron will preach this [Friday] evening.

FEMALE HELP WANTED.

ONE EXPERIENCED HEAD waitress wanted at once; also two and three for out of city; wages \$16 and \$12 per month. For further particulars apply DORRIS'S INTELLIGENCE OFFICE, 56 Dundas street.

EXPERIENCED MILLINER WANTED.

ED to take charge; accustomed to city trade. Apply by letter, Box 44, FREE PRESS Office.

DINING-ROOM GIRL AND COOK WANTED.

Apply at OFFICE RESTAURANT, Richmond street.

GIRLS, GIRLS, GIRLS—YOU CAN get the best situations and highest wages to be had in private families or hotels to be had at DWYER'S INTELLIGENCE OFFICE. Dress making and children's dresses a specialty. Apply to 201 Richmond street.

MALE HELP WANTED.

WANTED AT ONCE—MANAGER of a large manufacturing joint stock corp., in Toronto; none but thoroughly reliable and experienced need apply.—HIGGINS & DOUGLAS, Solicitors for Company, 120 Yonge street, Toronto.

FOUR FIRST-CLASS SALESMEN WANTED.

Apply personally, to JAMES ROBERTSON & Co., St. Thomas, at once.

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MEN AND WOMEN WANTING employment in Toronto, Montreal, Buffalo, Rochester, Detroit, write (enclosing postage) for application forms and try the TORONTO EMPLOYMENT AGENCY, 12 King street east.

WRITERS WANTED—TO DO copying at home.—LAW COLLEGE, L. O. Ont.

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AGENTS WANTED TO SOLICIT business for the Home Life Association of Canada; good remuneration. Apply to I. W. BERKE, Sup't., 292 Spencer Block.

THERMAL BATHS.

WHY ARE THE ELECTRO-THERMO BATHS popular? Because they give satisfaction in their curative effects. No cure is disappointed. They cleanse, strengthen the body and lengthen the life. 251 Dundas street.—J. G. WILSON, Electro Inventor.

The Free Press

LONDON, ONT., FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 1895.

TO LET. In answering advertisement please refer to Free Press. PREMISES, SUITABLE FOR MANUFACTURING or mercantile business, to sit on Talbot street, near market. Apply J. A. CHILDS, 100 Wortley Road.

TO LEASE FOR TERM OF YEARS. Store 135 Dundas street, opposite Market Lane.—Apply JOHN PURDOM, builder, or PARKER & PURDOM, barristers, London, bldg.

OFFICE OR STORE TO RENT in the Albion Block, 443 Richmond street, next door to Beldom's & Brown's. Apply Room 5, upstairs, or to T. H. OATMAN, Carling's Brewery.

WANTED—SOME PERSON TO rent part of office centrally located; ground floor; steam heated and vault. OFFICE, FREE PRESS.

FOR SALE. In answering advertisement please refer to Free Press. VISIBLE WRITING MACHINES. The Williams, the machine par excellence. It conquers every one of superiority. The Williams' Writing Machine, only \$45.00.—CHELSEA BROS., Georgetown, Ont.

FOR SALE—A 197 GREY STREET, the household furniture, comprising parlor set, bedroom set, carpets, kitchen furniture, sideboard, stove, etc.; must be sold; owner leaving town.—197 Grey street, west of Clarence.

CONTENTS OF WELL FURNISHED boarding house and established business. Apply 794 Dundas.

EGGS—THIS IS THE TIME to produce them abundantly by using Cottam's Poultry Food or Magic Egg Producer. For live stock of every description Cottam's Food is undoubtedly the best on the market. For sale by J. S. Pearce & Co., seedsmen, etc., Dundas street. Ask for circular.

PIANOS, NEW AND SECOND-HAND, at Nordheimer's, 44 Bay Street, Steinway Square at special cash price, or on easy terms. Late Bannos just received; some of the best. S. NORDHEIMER, Piano Warehouse, 44 Dundas street.

DRY FOUR-FOOT SLABS, HAIR and soft; price 75c to \$1.75 per cord, in car lots.—J. E. MURPHY, Heyworth Street.

THE CELEBRATED PERCHERON stallion Black Chief for sale for cash or will exchange. Black Chief \$688 (1884), recorded with pedigree in the Percheron Stall Book of France and America. Descendant of King of 1864; height 1,700 lbs.; foaled May 2nd, 1886; imported 1887; bred by M. Garbault, of Hermelieuville, Commanche of Haute Normandie, La Chartre; got by Cheamo (1840), belonging to M. Viviant; dam La Biene (1838), belonging to M. Garbault. Cheamo (1840), got by Cheamo (1840), he by Paul, belonging to M. Dubois.—J. D. BURK, Amherstburg.

FRESH OYSTERS, RAW, 20c PER dish for sale. Ice cream, Italian lemonade, the best in the city; ginger ale, candies, fruit, bananas, nuts, etc.; also steamed bread at JOHN BENNETT, 344 Richmond street.

BARGAINS—PIANOS AND ORGANS, new and second-hand, at J. S. PEARCE & Co., 236 Dundas street, London. Burnett, manager.

APPLE MACHINERY, CIDER Presses, Apple Grinders, Blenders, Peeling Machines, Apple Slicers, etc. Send for catalogue.—S. PATTERSON & Co., Toronto.

PRINTING TYPE, INK, PRESSES, supplies of all kinds; new outfits out specialty.—TORONTO TYPE FOUNDRY, 44 Bay street, Toronto, and 236 Portage avenue, Winnipeg.

WANTED TO PURCHASE. WAGON WANTED TO BUY, for grocery business.—C. M. NEWANS & Co., 362 Dundas street.

BUSINESS CHANCES. In answering advertisement please refer to Free Press. BREWERY AND MALT-HOUSE for sale or to let in Woodstock, Ont.; capacity, 40 barrels a brewing; no other brewery with new mill; everything in order and ready running; also stable for ten horses. Apply to FREDERICK BERNHARDT, Preston, Ont.

PARTNER WANTED IN GROCERY business, with capital from \$300 to \$500; established over 30 years; single man preferred; experience not necessary. Address B, this office.

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN—A desirable located Club House and Saloon in Detroit, Mich.; doing good business; long lease; satisfactory reasons for selling. Full particulars, price and address, apply to M. care Savage's Advertising Bureau, Detroit, Mich.

GO TO D. GILLESPIE'S COAL and wood yards, Malind street, C. P. H. and get the best bargain in the city on wood. Order forenoon Saturdays and avoid a rush. Phone 1089.

VETERINARY. JAMES H. WILSON & SON, VETERINARY Surgeons, Office, 904 King Street. Residence, 346 Richmond street and 82 King street. Telephones.

J. H. TENNENT, VETERINARY Surgeon, Office, King street opposite Market House. Residence, 100 King street. Wellington Street. Telephone at office and residence.—J. H. TENNENT.

PATENTS. RIDOUT & MAYBEE—SOLICITORS of Patents and Experts, 103 Bay street, Toronto. "Ridout on Patents" price \$2.00. A valuable pamphlet on patents sent free.

ACCOUNTANTS. ALFRED A. BOOKER, ACCOUNTANT, 136 Elmwood Ave., Telephone No. 1009. 11st London South

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FINANCIAL. DEBENTURES WANTED—TOWNS, villages, townships and counties issuing debentures will find cash purchaser by applying to G. A. STEWART, 9 Toronto St., Toronto.

PAWNBROKERS. PAWNBROKER—LENDS MONEY on diamonds, watches, jewellery, etc. Highest cash price for cast-off clothing.—L. LEVY, corner of King and Clarence streets.

REAL ESTATE. In answering advertisement please refer to Free Press. VALUABLE FARM FOR SALE—100 acres north of lot 22 in the 3rd Concession, London Township; five miles from city and one mile from Highway, immediate possession. Apply to JOHN HALL, Dashwood.

INSURANCE. ALLIANCE ASSURANCE CO., Rt. Hon. Lord Rothschild, Chairman, succeeding Royal Canadian Ins. Co. Capital and reserve, \$4,000,000. GEO. PRITCHARD, General Agent, Office, 436 Richmond St., Telephone 777.

LOST OR FOUND. In answering advertisement please refer to Free Press. PURSE CONTAINING SOME money and gold ring lost Thursday morning. Finder rewarded at 121 Maple street.

LIVER COLORED COCKER spaniel dog lost. Reward on returning to EDWARD WILCO, Barrister.

PERSONALS. NOTICE—MADAM GENOSKEY, the celebrated clairvoyant, has returned at City Hotel, Room 4, where she reveals past, present and future.

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LIVERY. LONDON SALE, BOARDING AND Livery Stable, Hacks and Light Livery, Express trays, special attention paid to boarding horses. Telephone 563.—A. G. STROYAN, proprietor.

LILLY'S LIVERY, NO. 619 DUNDAS street, East, London, Ont. Telephone No. 607.

H. FITZSIMON'S LIVERY—New horses, bays, and light livery and boarding stable, 34 Talbot street. Telephone 286.

THE TAX COLLECTOR. May gain his points without using our want columns. But most people find a Free Press "Want ad." exactly to the point.

MONEY TO LEND. In answering advertisement please refer to Free Press. \$2,000 AT LOW INTEREST ON suitable security.—Apply 76 York street.

MONEY TO LOAN—CERTAIN sums of \$2,000, \$3,000, \$4,000, \$5,000 and \$10,000 and other sums to loan at 5% and 6% per cent, on first-class mortgage in Ontario.—WEBER & SCARBRETT, Solicitors, etc., 88 Dundas street, London, Ont.

A LARGE AMOUNT OF TRUST funds to loan on first mortgages of real estate, at very low rates, by MEREDITH & FISHER, Barristers, etc., London, Ont.

DENTISTRY. DR. N. HARVEY, D.D.S., DENTIST—Office and residence over Eddy Bros. photographers, 214 Dundas street.

DR. FRED. L. WOOD—DENTAL parlors, 181 1/2 Dundas St., Telephone 1077.

DR. GEO. C. DAVIS, GRADUATE of R.C.D.S., Toronto, 1873; graduate of Philadelphia Dental College, 1875. Specialties, preservation of the natural teeth; crown, porcelain and bridge work.—129 Dundas street, London, Ont. Telephone 975.

DR. CHESTER N. ABBOTT, HONOR graduate of University of Toronto, success to Dr. H. B. Nelles. Office, over Fitzgerald's grocery. Satisfaction assured.

J. E. HOLMES, DENTIST, SUCCESSOR to Dr. W. R. Wilkinson. Crown and bridge work a specialty. Office, Room 3, Dufrail Block, corner Dundas and Clarence.

WOLVERTON & SWANN, DENTISTS, 216 Dundas street, corner of Park avenue (Clarence). Telephone 322. Special attention given to all modern improvements in dentistry.

MISCELLANEOUS. In answering advertisement please refer to Free Press. ELECTRIC TREATMENT IN ALL its branches. Particular attention given to female complaints and urinary troubles; a cure guaranteed in all curable cases. Twenty years' experience. Call or address A. NORMAN, L., 206 Yonge street, Toronto.

HOUSE OF COMMONS. Welsh Disestablishment Bill Passes the Third Reading—Behring Sea Award—Armenian Inquiry.

London, Feb. 28.—The Welsh Disestablishment Bill passed its first reading in the House of Commons this evening without a division.

The Irish Land Bill will be introduced on March 4.

Sir Edward Grey, Parliamentary Secretary to the Foreign Office, replying to Sir Edward Baden-Powell [Conservative], said that he did not know whether the rejection of the Behring Sea appropriation by the U. S. Congress was final. However, it was included in detail by a commission as previously arranged.

Sir Edward Grey, replying to questions in regard to the Armenian inquiry, said that the commission would occupy two months more in finishing its labor.

LATEST BY CABLE. Japs Evacuating Their Position at Wei-Hai-Wei.

RUSSIAN REVOLUTIONARY PLOTTERS.

The Czar Appoints Prince Lobanoff Foreign Minister.

THE POPE AND THE PRIMROSE LEAGUE.

Friction Between France and San Domingo—The Manchester Canal Not a Financial Success—A New French Gun—Fighting in Cuba.

Appointed to the China Station. Vice-Admiral Alexander Buller, C. B., has been appointed to the command of the China station, relieving Vice-Admiral the Hon. E. Fremantle, K. C. B.

Louise Oudet, the Anarchist, who is known as the "Red Nun of Paris," and who was reported on Wednesday last to be dying, is now out of danger.

Has the Influenza. The United States Ambassador, Mr. Thos. F. Bayard, is suffering from influenza, and is going to Bournemouth in order to seek recovery from his illness.

Vienna and the Monetary Conference. The Fremdenblatt, a semi-official newspaper of Vienna, says that it is certain that Austria-Hungary will accept an invitation to join in an international monetary conference.

Ex-Lord Mayor Reported Dying. Sir Francis Wyatt Truscott, who was Lord Mayor of London the year President Garfield died, and who had the Stars and Stripes carried in the Lord Mayor's show, is dying. He was born in 1821.

Admiral Fremantle. The term of Admiral Fremantle, in command of the British fleet in Chinese waters, will expire soon, but in view of the critical situation in East Asia his transfer may be delayed. His successor will be Admiral Buller.

Russian Plotters. A Vienna correspondent telegraphs that a large number of persons, mostly students, have been arrested in Kieff and Odessa on suspicion that they were engaged in revolutionary plots. Among the prisoners are several Poles and Jews.

Will Congratulate the Captain. The municipal council of Havre have resolved to board the steamer La Gasconne immediately upon her arrival at the harbor and congratulate Capt. Baudelon and his staff of officers on having safely brought the ship into New York.

Attempted Assassination of a Bishop. A theological student in Catanzaro, Italy, shot the bishop of the diocese yesterday with a revolver. The bishop was wounded seriously, but he will recover. The student, after his arrest, said that he sought revenge for the bishop's refusal to ordain him.

The Pope and the Primrose League. The Irish Catholic publishes a telegram from Rome, saying that it is reported there that the Pope is about to issue a condemnation of the Primrose League of England, the great Conservative party organization, and will forbid Catholics belonging to it.

Fifty Thousand Chinese. The Times correspondent at Hai-Chang says: "The Chinese are now between Liaoyang and Liao river. Their forces has been increased to fifty thousand. Sixteen thousand of them have been seen in the vicinity of Hai-Chang since the 21st, but there has been no serious fighting."

Redmonies Against the Government. The Exchange Telegraph Co. says that the Redmonie party does not make a secret of the fact that its members intend to vote against the Government to night on the motion of the Chamberlain of the Exchequer, Sir William Vernon Harcourt, to take all the time allotted to private members for the furtherance of Government business.

Tinned or Dressed Beef not Affected. Contrary to the cable reports received at Paris, the United States ambassador to France has not received instructions to protest against the French exclusion of American cattle. It seems that there is a misapprehension in the United States in regard to the scope of the decree, which applies only to American live cattle, and which does not affect tinned or dressed beef.

Presents for Her Majesty. The Chinese Minister to day took to Windsor the presents sent to Queen Victoria by the ex-Empress of China in return for those sent by Her Majesty on the occasion of the anniversary of the birth of the ex-Empress. The gifts consist mainly of beautiful colored satin scarves, bearing inscriptions in Chinese characters, worked by the hand of the ex-Empress, expressing good wishes for the Queen.

The Japs Moving. A Chee Foo despatch says the Japanese are evacuating their advanced position at Wei Hai Wei. Ninghai, a town lying about midway between Wei Hai Wei and this city, has been abandoned. The greater part of the Japanese army, which has been operating on the Shan Tung Peninsula, has been re-embarked onto transports which have left Wei Hai Wei for Talien Wan on the Liao Tung Peninsula, almost directly across the Gulf of Pei Chi Li from Wei Hai Wei.

The Cuban Rebels Defeated. A despatch from Havana to Madrid announced that in skirmishes with the Government troops in Matanzas the rebels lost two killed. Three of their number were taken prisoners. The insurgents at Guantanamo, a short distance east of the city of Santiago de Cuba, have dispersed. Garcia, a famous Cuban bandit, and a companion were shot yesterday in Havana by Government soldiers.

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Abandoned at Sea. The Norwegian bark Protector, Capt. Sorenson, which sailed for Mobile Dec. 19, has been abandoned at sea in a sinking condition. Her crew have arrived at St. Michael.

The Manchester Canal. The half-yearly meeting of the corporation of the Manchester Ship Canal was held at Manchester to-day. The chairman stated that the canal had hitherto virtually failed to secure anything like a fair share of the cotton traffic, the canal having carried within the last six months only 18,000 tons, against 800,000 tons arriving at Liverpool. They could show the cotton producers of the world, the chairman said, that Manchester had a powerful association of buyers, who were willing to buy in Manchester if the sellers would only send their cotton there. The great difficulty confronting them in the near future was the payment of interest on the loan capital. After the meeting the shares of the canal fell heavily.

China's Position. Willing to Make Peace With Japan if That Peace is Honorable—Otherwise She Will Continue to Fight.

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To Quell the Cuban Outbreak. The Spanish Cortes devoted several hours to-day to a discussion of Cuban affairs. The ministers expressed their approval of action to the Cuban officials. The leaders of all sections of the Opposition, including even West Indian autonomists, offered their full support of all efforts to quell the outbreak. Six thousand troops are held in readiness to embark from Havana. All the available troops in Porto Rico also are ready to start for Cuba in case of need. The Government has decided upon a military occupation of the disturbed districts of Cuba. Orders have been issued to the Royal navy and transatlantic company to hasten preparations to transport 6,800 troops from Spain, and a battalion from Porto Rico to Cuba.

France's New Gun. The French War Department has completed experiments with a new gun which is guaranteed for 1,000 rounds. After 8,000 rounds had been fired with the heaviest charges of smokeless powder the rifling was found in fair condition. The muzzle velocity of the projectile was 3,000 feet per second. The gun is made of hard-tempered steel. It has a choke bore of such construction that as the projectile moves forward in the barrel the bands of rifling become large and closed, so the copper forming the driving band is constantly set out. The discharge of gas between the projectile and the walls of guns, and the consequent erosion of the gun are thus prevented. The gun has a bore of about six inches and is between 22 and 23 feet long.

The Loch Marec. A despatch to the Lloyds says the steamer Loch Marec, which was abandoned off the coast of Ireland while on a voyage from Charleston for Bremen, and was picked up by a tug and taken to Belfast, where she was docked, was sighted by the tug which towed her into port 185 miles north-west of Inishtrahull the Monday morning. A part of her deck load was slightly scorched.

Giolitti in Court. Ex-Premier Giolitti appeared before the examining magistrate at Rome to-day. He denied the competence of an ordinary judge to try him in connection with the documents which had been published by order of the Italian Chamber of Deputies.

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