

Births, Marriages, Death

DIED.
RAWLINS—On Dec. 23, 1899, Annie Elizabeth, dearly beloved wife of Geo. W. Rawlins, in her 35th year.
Funeral from the residence of Mr. Geo. Cartledge, lot 12, con. 3, London township, on Tuesday, Dec. 26, at 2 p.m., services at 1:30, to Woodland Cemetery. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.
JACK—On the 23rd December, at 324 Adelaide street, James Francis Jack, only son of Mr. and Mrs. James Jack, in his 37th year.
Services at 2:30, funeral at 3 p.m. Tuesday, December 26. Friends and acquaintances kindly accept this intimation.
Hamilton papers please copy.

Amusements and Lectures

GRAND OPERA HOUSE
Christmas Day, Dec. 25.
MATINEE AND NIGHT.
Vera De Noles' Big Scenic Production,
"DEVIL'S ISLAND."
(The Dreyfus Affair). The topic of the hour.
Produced by a first-class cast and all of the original scenery used in the 14th street, N. Y., production, including the marvelous ship scenes. Prices—Matinee, 25c, 35c and 50c. Night, 25c, 35c and 50c. Seats now on sale. 34c

The Lyceum Company.

Repertoire—Tuesday, "Hamlet"; Wednesday night, "Merchant of Venice"; Thursday night, "David Garrick"; Friday, "Othello"; Saturday matinee, "David Garrick"; Saturday night, "Romeo and Juliet." Popular prices—Matinee, 15c, 25c, 35c, 50c. Seats now on sale.
JUBILEE RINK—XMAS DAY—MUSICAL
Society Band, afternoon and evening. b
TODAY—RESERVE YOUR SEAT FOR
Watkin Miller's Musical, Thursday evening. Plan open at Auditorium. Prices 50c and 75c. Greatest musical event of the season. b
WESTMINSTER RINK—BAND TO
NIGHT (Christmas). Good ice. Admission 10c.

PASSPORTS FOR PASSENGERS TO
Parliament and the Continent are not absolutely needed, but they are very useful. They can be obtained at F. R. Clarke's, Richmond street, next Advertiser, where low rates can always be obtained to the old country.
ADDITIONAL—TUESDAY, DECEMBER
25, Grenville House, of New York City, one of the foremost impersonations of the day, will road "David Copperfield." Tickets 50c and 50c. 35c
DO NOT BE A WALL FLOWER ANY
longer. Special new term for beginners opens at Palace Dancing Academy, Monday evening, January 8. Competent teachers and low rates. Dayton & McKenney, 345 Princess avenue. 64tf

Domestics Wanted.
WANTED—AT ONCE—TWO FIRST-
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WANTED—BY LADY WITH THREE
small children, two rooms, with board, including private use of dining room for meals; must be good locality; quiet family; no other boarders; good English cooking; liberal fire for right place. Address Box 73, this office. 36c
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with all conveniences for man and wife or two gentlemen. Address "King," Advertiser office. 36m

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

Agents Wanted.
A BRILLIANT OPPORTUNITY IS OF-
fered to a person to associate himself with a town in Canada to associate himself with an established importer and manufacturer selling direct to consumers. Apply Cooper, Drawer 631, London, Ont.

ROSWELL'S TEA, COFFEE AND SUPPLY
houses wants an energetic canvasser. Special inducements. 743 Richmond street.

Miscellaneous.
I MAKE A SPECIALTY OF REPAIRING
electro medical apparatus of all kinds. R. M. Miller, 203 Dundas street, Spencer Block. 60tf

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LOST—SATURDAY MORNING—ON BELT
line car, on Richmond street, black purse containing \$14. Reward at this office. 36c
LOST—THURSDAY EVENING, 6 FLAT
Journet in leather lined bag, between London and Ligon, on Peel Line. Liberal reward on return to this office. 36u

Houses, Etc., To Let.
COTTAGE TO LET—NO. 7 OXFORD
street. Alex. Harvey. 60f

TO LET—UNION FURNITURE VAN—
Finest and best. Winter rates, 50 cents an hour; two men, John Biggs, Cathcart and Bruce, South London. 36u

TO LET—MOVING VANS, LARGEST
and best. Winter rate \$1 per load. Office 97 Carling street. Phones 1162 and 1167.

TO RENT—STORE—NO. 173 DUNDAS
street, formerly occupied by J. P. Cook. Apply at 147 Dundas street. 32tf



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Direct from the woods and loaded with beautiful red berries. Place your order NOW, we will deliver when you say.
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Darch & Hunter,
Successors to
John S. Pearce & Co.
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J. P. COOK,
167 Dundas Street.
Your money back if you want it.

Articles For Sale.

\$10.00 WILL BUY A HANDSOME
quarter cut oak hall stand, with British plate glass mirror, for this week only, at Koene Bros., 127 King street.

THE BEST COAT AND WOOD CAN BE
had from W. G. Eadey, 771 Dundas street. Telephone 1134.

CLEARING SALE OF TOYS, CHINAWARE
and novelties, at 20 per cent discount. We bought these before we decided to move to present premises and now desire to dispose of them, as we are giving up these lines. J. H. Cunningham, 822 Dundas street.

FOR SALE—DELIVERY WAGON (COV-
ERED)—Cheap. Apply Jarvis & Vining, 101 Dundas street.

COAL COAL—TRY WALLS FOR YOUR
coal and wood. Good value and prices reasonable. 631 Colborne street. 33c xzv

DO YOU USE BRUSSELS SPIRITS?
The winter substitute for cauliflower. They are fully equal if not superior to cauliflower in flavor and are served in the same way. For sale by all prominent grocers.

TURKEYS, DUCKS AND
chickens. All kinds of poultry in abundance for the Christmas trade. We have thirty choice turkeys to arrive today which we will sell at 20c lb. After that we cannot guarantee the price. We have an elegant stock of oranges and lemons. Sweet Jamaica oranges, large size, 2c doz; second size, 20c doz; valencias (thin-skinned and juicy), 20c and 15c doz; two dozen for 25c; good lemons 15c per dozen; 2 dozen for 25c; malaga grapes, 15c lb; good cream candy, 10c lb; best creams, 20c lb; lovely mixed candy, 3c lb; humbugs, 10c lb; chocolates, 15c lb. Will remain open the rest of this week until 9:30 o'clock. F. Talbot, corner of Lyle and Dundas. xzv

SLIGHTLY USED UPRIGHT PIANO, 7 1/2
octaves, Toronto make, Rosendale and splendid condition, call quick. Sanborn & Trebilcock, 183 Dundas street, (Anderson's Bookstore).

CHEAP WOOD AND COAL—GOOD, DRY
blocks, body wood, mostly ash and soft maple, and only \$2.15 per half cord. Good maple and beech, in blocks and cut and split, and the best quality of coal at the lowest cash price. Green & Co., William street and G. T. Railway. Phone 1391.

YOUR RANGE IS NOT WORKING
satisfactorily, try our Lehigh Valley Coal. Others have found it an improvement. Phone 1388. Yard, Piccadilly street. Office, 713 Richmond street.

KENNEL'S MASONIC TEMPLE IS THE
cheapest place to buy stoves or furniture. Large stock on hand. 36c

NOTICE—STOVES—CALL AT PARISH'S
Furniture Store if you want to sell or buy a stove. Coal stoves with ovens, good assortment on hand. Examining them you will find them right. 367 Talbot street, south Market Square.

GET YOUR BICYCLE CLEANED AND
stored for the winter at lowest price. All kinds of repairing. D. McKenney & Co., 288 Richmond street, one door south of G.T.R.

BEST QUALITY HARD WOOD; ALSO
soft wood and slabs. Phone 1312. D. H. Gillies & Co., Lumber and Wood Dealer.

WOLAN WOOD—BUY THE BEST—
We have them. McKenney & McKenney, 370 Clarence street. Phone 1083.

MERRY BELLS—WE MAKE BELLS AND
Brass Work. Our Habit metals are equal to any, and cannot be beat. John Law, 181 Clarence street, London.

DIAMONDS REMOUNTED AND OLD
jewelry made up-to-date at small expense. J. T. Westland, 246 Richmond street, upstairs.

A BARGAIN—ONE FANCY WALNUT
buri upright piano, 7 1/2 octaves, 3 pedals, full swing stool and drape, only 4 months in use. A snap. Organ \$10 and upwards. Easy terms. Holman Co., 217 Dundas street, corner Clarence. 36c

FOR SALE—A NUMBER OF GOOD COAL
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Dressmaking.

DRESS-CUTTING SCHOOL—DURING
holidays we are presenting pupils with a valuable Xmas box. Dressmakers' inspection of our method solicited. Mrs. K. Franks, 23 Dundas street.

Wanted.

WANTED—UNFURNISHED HOUSE,
center of city, suitable for ten or more nurses. Address Box 74, Advertiser. 36c xzv

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

Large Variety of Goods

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

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Near City Hall.

Majorally 1900.

To the Electors
Of the City of London:

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,—
Having been solicited by a large number of citizens to stand for the position of mayor, I desire to solicit your vote and influence.

F. G. RUMBALL.
35tf

Public Notice.

London, Dec. 22, 1899.
To His Worship Mayor Wilson:
We the undersigned electors hereby respectfully ask you to call a public meeting of the electors of No. 5 Ward, in the East End Hall, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 26, at 8 p.m., for the purpose of discussing municipal matters.

J. C. SPENCE,
J. C. SPENCE,
JAS. DOBBIN.
To J. C. Spence and others.
Gentlemen:—In compliance with the above request I have called a public meeting of the electors of No. 5 Ward to be held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 26, at 8 p.m., in the East End Hall, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 26, at 8 p.m., for the purpose of discussing municipal matters.

JOHN D. WILSON, Mayor.
Major's Office, Dec. 22, 1899. 35u



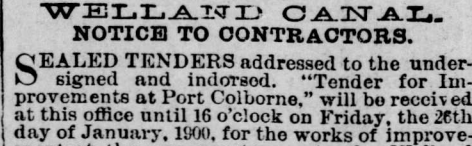
SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Heating Apparatus, Public Building, Ingersoll, Ont.," will be received at this office until Tuesday, Dec. 26, 1899, for the supplying and placing in position of a heating apparatus for the Public Building at Ingersoll, Ont., according to plans and specifications to be seen at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa, and at the office of the Clerk of Works at the Public Building at Ingersoll.

Tenders will not be considered unless made in the form supplied and signed with the actual signatures of the tenderers.

An accepted bank check, payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, equal to ten per cent of the total sum of the tender, must accompany each tender. The check will be forfeited if the party declines the contract or fails to complete the work contracted for, and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.
By order, E. F. E. ROY, Secretary, Department of Public Works, Ottawa, Dec. 6, 1899.

Newspapers inserting this advertisement without the actual signature of the full name of the advertiser, from the Department will not be paid for it. 35u



WELLAND CANAL. NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.
SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Improvements at Port Colborne," will be received at this office until 10 o'clock on Friday, the 26th day of January, 1900, for the works of improvement at the upper entrance to the Welland Canal.

Plans and specifications of the works can be seen on or after the 26th day of December, 1899, at the office of the Chief Engineer of the Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, and at the office of the Engineer-in-Charge at St. Catharines. Printed forms of tender can also be obtained at the places mentioned. In the case of firms there must be attached to the tender the actual signatures of the full name of the tenderer, and the name of the person in charge of the tender, and the residence of each member of the same, and further, an accepted bank check for the sum of \$10,000, in an accompanying the tender. The accepted bank check must be indorsed over to the Minister of Railways and Canals, and will be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the work at the rates and on the terms stated in the offer submitted.

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

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

Contractors are specially notified that the conditions requiring the works to be wholly completed by the 30th day of June, 1902, will be strictly enforced and all penalties for delay enacted. By order, L. K. JONES, Secretary, Dept. Ry. and Canals, Ottawa, December 21, 1899. 37f eod



WELLAND CANAL. Tenders for Supplies for the Year 1900.
SEALED TENDERS for supplies, addressed to the Superintendent, Engineer, Welland Canal, St. Catharines, will be received until 10 o'clock on Wednesday, 10th January, 1900, for the supply and delivery of various articles of Timber, Hardware, Castings, Fuel, Paints, Oils, etc., for use on the Welland Canal and its branches for the year 1900.

Specifications, forms of tender, and other information can be obtained at the Superintendent's Engineer's office, St. Catharines, on and after Thursday, the 21st day of December, 1899. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

L. K. JONES, Secretary, Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, Dec. 21, 1899. 36c xzv

Gen. White's Men Able to Fight

In Spite of the Reported Prevalence of Fever

Bulldog Buller Has Not Lost His Grip.

He Is Concentrating Fresh Troops for a Renewed Attack.

Peculiar Way in Which Britishers Take a Crisis.

The Official Casualty List Now Totals 7,737.

War May Require \$250,000,000 Instead of \$50,000,000.

Volunteer Force Will Ultimately Be Absorbed by the Regular Army.

FEVER AT LADYSMITH.
New York, Dec. 24.—The London correspondent of the Tribune, cabling under Sunday's date, says: Another voice comes from the darkness of Ladysmith. Seven more deaths from



Major-General W. F. Gatacre.

Gen. Gatacre is in command of the main body of British Middle Cape Colony, who are stationed at Molteno. He recently attempted to surprise the Boers, who are entrenched a few miles north of Stormberg, but the Boers turned the tables and surprised him. He is now waiting for reinforcements.

enteric fever are reported in the casualty list from garrison. These messages, which are flashed from one British camp to another make a different sound from the cheery "all well," which was received daily from Ladysmith at Estcourt a few weeks ago. All is not well, when typhoid fever and dysentery are prevalent, and men are dying daily from sickness induced by unsanitary conditions and a defective water supply. The war office makes no comment on this message, but adds five words of belated explanation to a previous casualty list of 20 killed and wounded, which London journals have attributed to a bursting shell from the enemy's batteries. These casualties are now officially described as occurring in an engagement.

WHITE'S MEN CAN FIGHT.
The hospitals may be full of fever patients and the garrison depressed with the evil tidings of Buller's disastrous battle, but Gen. White's men are still able to fight, and have been skirmishing as late as Friday. It is a situation with pathos unspeakable which these messages out of the darkness of Ladysmith reveal. The real condition of affairs in Ladysmith has been no secret to Gen. Buller, if the commentators on the casualty lists are for clues. If it be more critical than has been generally supposed, his own motive in massing two divisions around Colenso and attempting to force his way through by a frontal attack become intelligible. That fact will suffice to explain why the original plan of campaign was abandoned. Gatacre stripped of his battalions and Methuen's column inadequately stiffened for the arduous work which was before it.

BULLER CONCENTRATING FRESH TROOPS.
The same fact also throws light upon the dispatch of Sir Charles Warren's reinforcements from the fifth division to Natal. He and his staff were reported a few days ago at De Aar, but this was a mistake. But I have high authority for the statement that the staff of the fifth division was hurried off to Durban as soon as the ship arrived at Cape Town. It has also been

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"So cares and joys abound as seasons fleet."

That your Christmas may be merry and your New Year prosperous and happy is the sincere wish of

CAIRNCROSS & LAWRENCE,
216 Dundas St.

men with the colors and men in reserve, classified according to their immediate liability to be called up.

EFFECT OF A WEEK'S LULL.
The week's lull, besides serving partially to raise the gloom caused by the news of Gen. Buller's defeat (the recovery being greatly assisted by the appointment of Gen. Roberts and Gen. Kitchener), has also greatly diminished the rate of dimension of the casualty list. The week's official list, though this is probably incomplete, makes the total now 7,737.

HOW ENGLAND TAKES A CRISIS.
The London correspondent of the New York Evening Post cables at length regarding the manner in which the people of Great Britain takes a crisis, and how they have set to work to straighten matters out. He says: England takes her crisis in her own peculiar way. In France, Russia, Germany or any other great European country it would presumably be to the government that all men would turn for escape from entanglement and disaster. Today the Englishman thinks of his government only to criticize it, and, with heartfelt expostives denounces its dilatory methods of transport, its artillery of too short range, its failure to provide the regular mounted troops most needed for scouting, and so on.

But having done his swearing, the Englishman turns away from his government to himself and his sons, and we see springing up, spontaneously from every town and countryside a new citizen army, to be dressed, for the most part, in home-spun, and qualified alone by good health, and a desire and capacity to serve. The Lord Mayor began a few days ago to form a corps called the Lord Mayor's Own. He wanted only 1,000 from the city of London, but 1,400 places are already taken, and 69 men are to be mounted. The neighboring and hardly formed city of Westminster, not to be outdone, is gathering its own corps, while other mayors and other cities are forming other bodies.

THE YEOMANRY.
Then the yeomanry, the ancient and half-decayed semi-military organization of mounted farmers of the English countryside is springing into new life under the new impulse. Lord Chesham, one of the hundreds of public spirited noblemen, of whom no one hears except at times of crisis, has taken the lead. Enlisting officers have been opened and 9,000 offers of service have already been received, each man bringing his horse; while the hunting hunts are adding an Irish squadron. Besides these, there are the volunteers throughout the length and breadth of the land, who are leaving desk and warehouse to shoulder muskets, not in home defense, as was the stipulation when they joined the home volunteer force, but to go to the front in South Africa.

INDEPENDENT OF THE GOVERNMENT.
The English people in truth are taking the matter in hand themselves, and what is even more remarkable and typical, they are paying it over the counter, as it were, without the help of chancellors of the exchequer and elaborate budgets. The lord mayor is equipping his corps by the aid of gifts from city merchants. Mr. Balguy has himself set going in his own Scottish county of Haddington a public fund for the equipment of county yeomanry, and these examples are being widely followed. Moreover, the owners of the Castle, Union and Wilson Lines—the Wilsons, by the way, permanent Radicals and anti-Chamberlainian—are providing free transports to South Africa.

The day before the Archbishop of Canterbury published the king's letter to the Established Church, adjoining a national collection in aid of the widows' and orphans' fund. It is in just this spontaneous, unofficial, seemingly haphazard way, that the rich empire of history often does its best work. She does it in no spirit of panic. With England's navy as it is, panic would be childish, even though all Europe did more than growl, but she does it in calm, dogged belief in herself and her destiny, let the rest

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