

JOHN MCCLARY, CITY'S "GRAND OLD MAN," DIES

Grim Reaper Claims Stalwart
Captain of Canadian In-
dustry Sunday.

OPPOSED AGE "DEAD LINE"

Piloted Largest Stove Manu-
facturing Concern in Empire,
Although 92 Years Old.

John McClary, president of the Mc-
Clary Manufacturing Company, one of
Canada's most venerable and stalwart
captains of industry, passed away at
3 o'clock Sunday morning at the home
in South London where he had lived
for more than 50 years, on the avenue
which bears his name.

If he had lived until Jan. 2 he would
have been 93 years old.

Notwithstanding his advanced age, he
was keen and vigorous mentally bright
up to the last. He was in his office
at the Wellington street factory on
Friday, and took a drive of several
miles that afternoon.

At 6 o'clock in the evening he suf-
fered an attack of heart-failure. The
firm's welfare nurse was called, and
though he was seriously ill, his first
thought was not for himself, but for
the welfare of his employees. When
she asked, "What can I do for you?"
his answer was, "You must tell me
first how all the sick people are."

Too ill even to have his clothes re-
moved through the hours of his last
illness, he had a cordial greeting and
a warm smile for the relatives and
members of the firm who visited him.
He was discussing questions of the day
ten minutes before the end.

Two Daughters Survive.

He is survived by two daughters,
Mrs. Theresa Gunn, whose husband at
the time of his death some years ago
was secretary of the company, and
Mrs. W. M. Garsmore, wife of Lieut.-
Col. Garsmore, vice-president of the
McClary Manufacturing Company.

The funeral, which will be strictly
private, will be held Tuesday from the
late residence to the family plot in
Mount Pleasant Cemetery. Rev. Dr. R.
G. Peever, former pastor of the First
Methodist Church, is coming up from
Hamilton to assist Rev. Mr. Watts of
Wellington Street Methodist Church in
conducting the service.

A believer in the gospel of work and
strongly opposed to an age of "dead-
line" for workers, Mr. McClary had the
happy experience of remaining the
active head of the great industry he
had built up, even as the years slipped
by in the last decade on the way to a
century of life. What was good for
himself he held was also good for
others. No man willing to work in his
firm was ever turned away because he
was "too old to work."

When advancing years made an em-
ployee's work too heavy for him it was
the policy of the president to see that
a task was found more suited to the
declining strength. He believed that
his business had reaped the benefit
of men's brain and muscle in their
prime.

MOTHER!

Move Child's Bowels with
"California Fig Syrup"

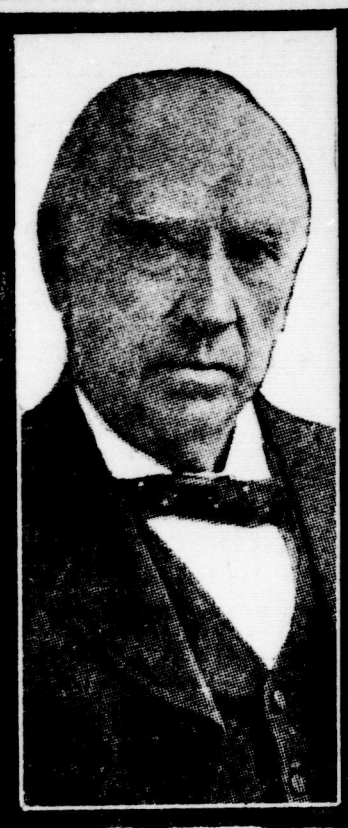


Hurry, mother! Even a sick child
loves the "fruity" taste of "California
Fig Syrup," and it never fails to open
the bowels. A teaspoonful today may
prevent a sick child tomorrow. If con-
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all that is necessary.

Ask your druggist for genuine "Cal-
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for babies and children of all ages
printed on bottle. "Mother," you must
say "California" or you may get an imi-
tation fig syrup.

Dies At 92 Years

London's "Grand Old Man" Was Ill
Only a Few Days.



JOHN MCCLARY.

better years consideration was due
to them when they were failing.

Moved to Canada.

With the exception of a short period
during the Californian gold rush of '49,
John McClary spent nearly all his 92
years in London and the immediate
vicinity. His father, John McClary,
and the descendant of a long line of
the same name, at the time of the war
of 1812 was a lumber manufacturer in
Pennsylvania. In 1835 a large cargo
of his lumber was seized and burned.
This so crippled him that he moved to
Canada in 1817 to try to repair his for-
tune, settling in Westminster Town-
ship and engaging in farming and the
lumbering business until his death in
1848.

The boy who was destined to become
a power in the industrial life of Can-
ada was born on Jan. 2, 1829, the
second youngest son of a family of
twelve, on the farm in Niles town a few
miles from what was then the "police
village" of London. The home was
one of moderate means, but the lad
came of sturdy fighting stock. In his
veins was the blood of men who had
fought for their rights in the revolu-
tionary war, the men who, like Gen-
eral Stark, had become the leaders.
His grandmother, Dorothy Fletcher,
was niece of John Adams, second pre-
sident of the United States, and a cousin
of the famous John Quincy Adams,
sixth president of the republic.

Joined Gold Rush.

His early life was uneventful, spent
on the farm, and in learning the trade
of tinsmith. At the age of 20 the lure
of gold and adventure caused him to
undertake the long and hazardous jour-
ney by way of the isthmus of Panama
to join the excitement and possibly
the fortune of the California gold rush.
Six months were occupied by the jour-
ney. Every day for months he was in
the shadow of disease, and menaced
by knife and bullet. He went into the
business that he knew, that of a tin-
smith, but loss by fire and the fate of
friends who had gone prospecting con-
vinced him at the end of a year that the
quiet valleys of Ontario had as much
to offer him as the Pacific slope.

Returning home, he launched out in
business with his brother, the late
Oliver McClary. Starting business on
small capital bristled with difficulties.
The small manufacturer was unable to
procure raw material, and was obliged
to buy from the retailer. In conse-
quence, he paid several commissions
before beginning to manufacture. But
John McClary possessed indomitable
courage and determination. He lived to
see the little wooden shop on York
street expand to a great industry, em-
ploying 150 people, with branches in
eight Canadian cities, and agencies in
South Africa, New Zealand, Australia
and other countries around the world.

A story told of the earlier days of
his business career illustrates the char-
acteristics which fought down all ob-
stacles and achieved triumphant suc-
cess. He was frequently twitted upon
the fact that he could not make a
boiler. He had not learned the trade,
but was determined to show that he
could. He worked all day and the
boiler was not completed. He worked
all night, and to use his own words:
"It was a sorry looking boiler, but it
was a boiler."

Lost Personal Contact.

One of Mr. McClary's regrets in con-
nection with the growth of his business
was that he lost the personal contact
of the earlier years with his employees.
Possessed of a somewhat stern ex-
terior, his great goodness of heart, un-

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Save Time
Avoid
Crowding.

For your own com-
fort, when going
from floor to floor,
take west side ele-
vators. Safety, com-
fort and speed.

FOR MONTHS the servants of Santa Claus have been busy getting everything in readiness, and Toyland is greater than ever in its comprehensiveness. In addition to the numberless playthings, we have this year a great collection of entertaining things that may be classed as educational, and are yet toys. In certain lines there is a marked scarcity, and many of the better and most popular things cannot now be replaced. It will, therefore, be wisdom to make your selection now before present stocks are depleted, have them placed in "Santa Claus" storeroom, that he may have them ready for distribution the night before Christmas.

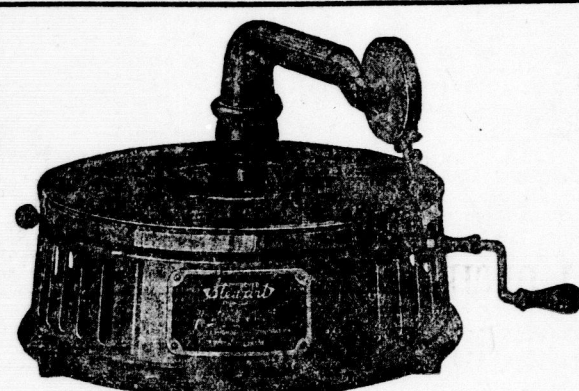
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Christmas shoppers, a
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booth will be found on
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Stamps will be found
here. Parcels insured and
mailed.

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Winding-Up Toys	Authors 25c
30c, 50c, 60c, 75c, \$1.00 up	Horses and Carls
Jack in the Box..... 25c, 30c	\$1.25, \$1.75, \$2.50 up to \$12.00
Meccano Sets... \$1.50, \$3, \$6	Iron Toys 60c
Drums.. \$2, \$2.75, \$5.50 to \$7	Motorcycle \$1.00
Hockey Sticks... 25c, 35c, 50c	Tut-Tut Auto \$1.25
John Bull Printing Outfit....	Dogs with chimes
25c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25	\$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00
Tinkertoy 90c	Tumbling Bear \$2.00
Trumpets 25c, 30c, 60c, 85c	Tumbling Monkey \$2.00
Register Banks ... \$3.00, \$3.50	Chicken Coop 50c, \$1.35, \$1.75
Moving Picture Machines	Tenpins \$1.00, \$1.50
\$4.50 up to \$21.00	Boats \$1.00
Books:	Moo Cows... \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.25
Tom Sawyer 90c	Rocking Horses
Huckleberry Finn 90c	\$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.50, \$19.00
Tom Swift 75c	Musical Tops 25c, 50c, 75c
The Young Aeroplane Scouts	Wagons \$4.25, \$6.50, \$9, \$11.50
75c	Sleighs
Boy Scouts 75c	60c, \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50

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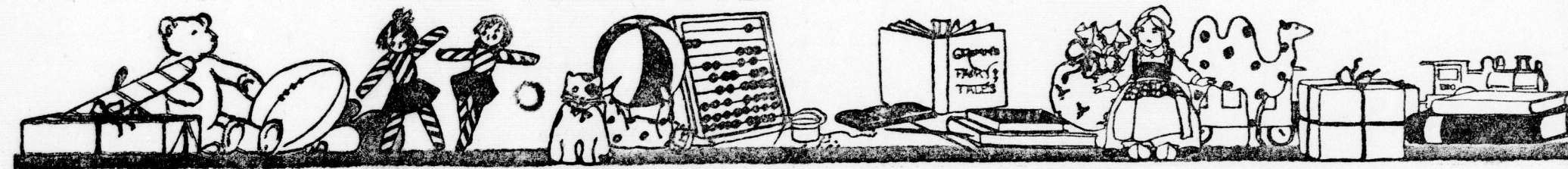
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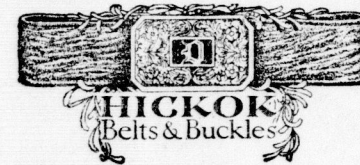
Gifts for GIRLS

Jointed Dolls	Books:
65c, \$2.00, \$3.00, \$5.00, \$7.00	Marjorie Dean's Books... 75c
Dressed Dolls 65c	Campfire Girls 75c
\$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.50	Bunny Brown Series 75c
Kid-Body Dolls 85c, \$1.25, \$1.50	Mistress Mary 75c
Teddy Bears \$3.00, \$6.00	Outdoor Girls 75c
Doll Cradles \$1.00	Mildred's Daughter Series 75c
Doll Carriages	Carpet Sweepers..... 40c, 60c
\$2.25, \$3.00, \$5.50, \$24.00	Pianos (Baby Grand)... \$4.75
Doll Furniture	Doll Sulkies \$1.50
50c, 75c, \$1.00 up to \$7.50	Blackboards
Sewing Sets	75c, \$1.50, \$2.75, \$3.25
25c, 85c, \$1.25, \$2.25	Desks and Chairs
Sewing Machines	\$9.50, \$12.00, \$18.00
\$1.75, \$2.50, \$3.25	Toy Villages 60c, \$1.00
Aluminum Dishes	Noah Arks 50c, 60c, \$1.50
\$1.69, \$2.50, \$3.50	Washing Sets... \$1.50 to \$4.25
China Dishes	Telephones 69c, \$2.25, \$7.00
\$1.00, \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.50	Embroidery Sets
Granite Dishes \$2.50	35c, 65c, \$1.25, \$1.75
Tin Dishes 50c, 75c, \$1.25	Blocks
Dominoes 35c, 65c	15c, 35c, 50c, \$1.35 and \$2.25
	Pianos... \$1, \$1.35, \$2.50, \$4.75

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Cross."

failing sympathy and tenderness, as
great as that of a woman, to the suf-
fering and bereaved, were known only
to a privileged few.

He always insisted that those ap-
pointed at the heads of departments
should not only possess business abil-
ity, but be humane men. Several years
previous to the world war, shortly after
the opening of the new foundry on Nel-
son street, a cripple who had lost a leg
applied for a position. Work suitable
for him was found. He told his friends,
and the result was a "one-legged man's
row."

When a very large part of the Mc-
Clary plant was destroyed by fire in
1902 his first question was in regard
to the men. He wanted to know if they
were all out safely.

A lover of animals, and especially
dogs and horses, he never would sell
a horse if he had any suspicion that
it might be ill-treated. When it was
too old to be useful it became a pen-
sioner on his bounty until death or
chloroform was administered to put it
out of misery.

One day when he was driving to
business, he saw a horse struggling
to draw a load of gravel up the Wel-
lington street hill. The driver was beat-
ing the animal unmercifully. "How
much is that load worth?" called Mr.
McClary. On being told the amount,
he handed out the money, saying, "I'll
take the load. Drop it off here."

Saw Humorous Side.

The ability to laugh and enjoy a joke
at his own expense carried Mr. Mc-
Clary over many a rough place in his
business career.

A few years ago, he discovered an
audacious and questionable deal some-
one was scheming to slip over on him.
He didn't give way to an outburst of
rage, great as was the provocation.

He didn't waste words. As the colossal
nerve behind the transaction struck
him, it appealed to his sense of hu-
mor. He laughed heartily, and then
proceeded to see that he wasn't rob-
bed of the hundreds of dollars involved.

Apart from his business, his great-
est happiness was in his home and the
few intimate friends with whom he en-
joyed his recreations, cards, checkers,
backgammon.

He lived his days by a set schedule
of work and recreation, playing the
games of his leisure hours with the
keenest of interest, skill and concen-
tration which marked his playing of
the biggest game of all, that of work.

On his ninetieth birthday, a reporter
from The Advertiser called to inter-
view Mr. McClary.

"To what do you attribute your long
life, success and vigor?" he was asked.
His eyes twinkled as he replied,
"Hard work. There weren't any eight
hour days when I was starting in busi-
ness."

Although a staunch Conservative all
his life, he was so fully occupied with
developing his own industry that he
had little time for public affairs. Dur-
ing the course of the ninetieth birth-
day interview, he courteously, but hu-
mously and firmly refused to talk for
a Liberal publication anything that
might be construed as politics.

"I don't mind talking about early
days," he said, reminiscing delightfully
with regard to the times when London
was a little village at the forks of the
Thames, when the boys in his employ
60 years and more back had chased
squirrels on the block on York street,
where the big factory stands. He was
too busy chasing money himself to
chase squirrels.

Married Twice.

He was a member for many years of

the Wellington Street Methodist

Church, but in recent years has been
associated with the First Methodist.

He was twice married, first in 1855,
to Mary Ann Drake, daughter of Phi-
neas Drake, of United Empire Loyalist
stock. In 1862 Mrs. McClary died, and
some years later he married Mary Jane
Pavey, who died in September, 1909.

In addition to being president of the
McClary Manufacturing Company, Mr.
McClary, until the time of his death, was
president of the Ontario Loan and De-
benture Company, a director of the
London and Western Trusts Company,
and was a past president of the London
Life Insurance Company.

The place of responsibility and com-
mand held by Mr. McClary in the late
years of his life, as in his earlier man-
hood, the manner in which his lieuten-
ants looked to him for guidance, and
his attitude towards the empire dur-
ing the great struggle of the world war,
and the possible effect of the war
upon the huge industry and the families
of the very near future that
he still ventured to hope might not
materialize. Having cautioned, ad-
vised and encouraged his men, he con-
cluded his speech as follows:

"God bless you! God help the British
Empire, and God help Canada and our
young men at war. God help the man-

agement of this company to do justice

to its employees."

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ordered Gray to hold up his hands.
Gray tried to assure the bandit that
there were no valuables in the car.
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bination of the inner door, whereupon
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the inside door with an axe. Finding
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