

## BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

**BORN.**  
LEWIS.—In this city, on Dec. 22, the wife of Mr. Frank Lewis, of a son.

**DIED.**  
McKELLAR.—In this city, on Dec. 23, 1900, Florence May, youngest daughter of Malcolm and Catharine McKellar, aged 22 years 5 months.

Funeral from the family residence, 315 Dundas street, on Tuesday, at 2:30 p.m. to Woodland. Friends and acquaintances kindly accept this intimation.

HOMISTER.—In this city, on Dec. 22, 1900, Charles Homister, in his 76th year. Funeral from his late residence, Oliver street, this afternoon, at 3 o'clock; service, 2:30. Friends and acquaintances kindly accept this intimation.

NOONAN.—At the family residence, 72 Blackfriars street, West London, on Dec. 22, 1900, Bridget, beloved wife of Thomas Noonan, aged 58 years. Funeral from above address Wednesday morning, at 8:30, to St. Peter's Cathedral. Friends and acquaintances kindly accept this intimation.

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

**London Opera House** One Solid Week.  
Commencing Monday, Dec. 24, Grand Xmas Mat., 2:30—10c, 15c, 25c, reserved.

**MARKS & BROS.**  
Continuous performance; specialties between acts. Xmas mat., "The Celebrated Case," Xmas, "Soldier's Sweetheart." Prices—10c, 15c and 25c. Plan now open.

**PRINCESS ICE PALACE—CHRISTMAS**  
afternoon and evening, good skating (weather permitting), 17th Battalion Band. Season books, ladies and children, 5c; gents, 10c. Skates to rent. Watch the ball.

**A FESTAL CAROL SERVICE** WILL be held in St. Paul's Cathedral on Wednesday evening next at 8 o'clock.

**JUBILEE RINK—MUSICAL SOCIETY** hand Christmas afternoon and evening.

**TWILIGHT ORGAN RECITAL**, DUNDAS CENTER METHODIST CHURCH.

Thursday afternoon next, at 4 o'clock, by Mr. W. H. Hewlett, assisted by Mrs. Clara Barnes-Holmes, contralto soloist, of Buffalo, N. Y.

Admission, 10 cents and upwards.

**FREE LUNCH—CHRISTMAS MORNING**, from 10 to 12, the Ross House, East London, will serve a free lunch of seasonable edibles. R. H. Reid, proprietor.

**PRINCESS ICE PALACE—THE MAN-AGEMENT** respectfully notifies its patrons that, having carefully reserved the ice for the past few days, that, weather permitting, skating on Christmas Day will be to the standard of this popular resort.

**THE AMERICAN LINE SHIPS**, NEW York to Southampton, take the Southern route to England, St. Louis, Wednesday, Dec. 26; New York, Wednesday, Jan. 2. F. E. Clarke, agent, Richmond street, next Advertiser.

**SPECIAL NOTICE—PALACE ACADEMY**—All classes adjourned until Jan. 2. Beginners' new term opens week Jan. 7. Dayton & McCormick.

**PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING** by R. B. Millard, 255 Princess venue. Special attention given to the waltz and two-step. Rapid teaching. Low rates. Lessons any hour.

**RELIGIOUS SERVICES.**

**ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL—THE DIVINE** service on Christmas Day will be held at 10 o'clock instead of 11, as announced, the thanksgiving service for the returning contingent being held at 11:30 a.m.

**MEETINGS.**

Headquarters 7th Regiment  
London, Ont., Dec. 24, 1900.

Regimental order by Maj. J. W. Little, commanding.

The Regiment will parade in field day order (great-coats and busbies) at the Drill Shed on Tuesday, Dec. 26, at 10 a.m. By order.

W. A. McCORMICK, Lieut. and Adjutant.

**L. C. I. CADETS WILL PARADE** at the school on Tuesday, at 9:40 a.m. G. Ingram, captain.

**OWING TO THE HALL BEING OTHER- WISE** in use the regular meeting of the Real Estate Owners' Association will be held in Duffell Hall on Thursday evening, 28th inst. Every member should attend. W. H. Ferguson, secretary.

**ANCIENT ORDER FORESTERS—RAL- Y.** Court Pride Dominion robes, 10 a.m., Christmas morning, to meet our brothers. Bring your regalia.

**SPECIAL MEETING OF TRADES AND** Labor Council Wednesday night, 26th. Building Laborers' Hall, corner Dundas and Richmond streets.

**DOMESTICS WANTED.**

**WANTED—KITCHEN GIRL**, FRASER House.

**WANTED IMMEDIATELY—A GEN- ERAL** servant. Good wages. Apply at 96 Elmwood avenue.

**HOUSEMAID WANTED—REF- ER- ENCES** required. Apply Mrs. W. M. Garthorne, "Beechwood," Ridout street south.

**WANTED—50 GENERAL GIRLS** and cooks for London, St. Thomas and Woodstock, big wages. Mrs. Lockhart's Employment Office, European Hotel, Dundas street. Phone 964.

**FEMALE HELP WANTED.**

**GIRLS WANTED—APPLY PARISIAN** Steam Laundry.

**SCOTCH TWEED SUITS, \$15**

All new patterns to select from; made and trimmed in first-class style.

**JOS. DAMBRA,**  
MERCHANT TAILOR,  
Cor. Richmond and Carling Sts.

## The Christmas Turkey

can easily be bought with the money you'll save on a fair-sized purchase here.

## Ladies' Slippers

This has always been a good store for Ladies' Slippers, but just now our shelves are loaded with all the new and fetching styles suitable for gifts, with stacks of the ordinary kinds too. Here are just a few:

- Women's Plain Black Felt Slippers...50c
- Women's Colored Felt House Slippers, elastic fronts, or lace...75c, 90c and \$1.00
- Women's Kumfort Slippers, dark tan goatskin, white fleece-lined...90c
- Women's Colored Felt House Slippers, very cozy, made in France \$1.00
- Women's French Felt Slippers, in colors, lined with lambswool...\$1.25
- Women's Quilted Satin and Fanny Velvet High-cut Julets, in colors, fur-bound and lined only...\$1.50, \$1.75
- Women's Vic Kid or Patent Leather Strap Slippers, with fancy bows (American)...\$1.25
- Women's Fancy Kid or Patent Leather Slippers, beaded and ornamented (American)...\$1.50, \$1.75, \$1.98, \$2.50, \$3.00

## Men's Slippers

Every sort that's fit for a gentleman—bran new kinds—specially ordered for Christmas. Stylish, up to the minute and prosperous looking—not a few, but hundreds of them—modest ones as well. Can't name 'em all, but here are some:

- Men's Novelty Slippers, for bedroom, American made, oriental colors, in velvet, 50c, Derby...35c
- Men's Carpet Slippers...30c, 60c, 65c
- Men's Fancy Velvet Slippers...65c, 75c, 85c, \$1.00
- Men's Dark Tan Goatskin Kumfort Slippers, white lambswool lining...\$1.00
- Men's Fancy Slippers, tan, black, and other colors, in dongola, kid, goatskin, imitation alligator, calf, etc., all shapes (American made)...\$1.25
- Men's Tan and Black Slippers, in vic kid, goat and fine calf, any style desired...\$1.50
- Men's American Slippers, in all the new colors and styles, extra fine linings and finish...\$1.98
- Men's Best Black Cloth Overgaiters...75c

## LAMBSWOOL SOLES

—finest made, leather binding. Men's, 35c; women's, 20c; misses', 18c; children's, 16c; infants', 13c.

## Sorosis' Skating Boots

—tan, for women, \$3.50.

- Women's 10-button, Black Cloth Overgaiters, guaranteed to keep color and wear...50c, 65c
- Women's 13-button Black Cloth Overgaiters, best quality...75c
- Women's No. 1 Quality Leggings...90c

Shoes may be exchanged after the holidays, or any time, if size is not right.

**Open Evenings Till 10 O'Clock.**

## J. P. COOK

167 Dundas Street.

## MALE HELP WANTED.

1c per word first insertion, and 1/2c per word each subsequent insertion. No advt. less than 10 words.

**FAITHFUL PERSONS TO TRAVEL.** Salary, \$750 and expenses. Absolutely not canvassing. Inclose self-addressed stamped envelope. Colonial Company, Chicago.

**WANTED—100 MEN TO PLUCK TUR- KEYS** tomorrow morning. H. Stevenson, Slater's Storage.

## HELP WANTED.

**WANTED—D. B. NOTES, GERMANIA,** Franklin and all others paid, return at once; needed here. Ellyian. 44u yz

## SITUATIONS WANTED.

1c per word each insertion, and 1/2c per word each subsequent insertion. No advt. less than 10 words.

**WANTED—SITUATION BY BOOK- KEEPER** employed at present, six years experience, \$3 a week to start. First-class references. Address Box 75, Advertiser.

## HOUSES, ETC., TO LET.

1c per word each insertion, and 1/2c per word each subsequent insertion. No advt. less than 10 words.

**TO LET—TWO-STORY BRICK HOUSE,** with stable and large lot, Duchess avenue, South London. Apply 354 Richmond street.

**TO RENT—EITHER FURNISHED OR** unfurnished, the residence of the late Mrs. McNeil, 54 Wellington street, opposite the park. Apply to Thomas Coffey, Catholic Record office, Richmond street.

**TO LET—STORE AT PRESENT OCCU- PIED** by The Dominion Savings and Investment Society. Apply Thomas C. Knott.

**TO LET—LARGE STORE**, No. 173 Dundas street. Possession Dec. 1. Apply Fitzgibbon, Scandrett & Co.

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

## The Hang of It

Here is the point in a fashionably-made garment. Clothes nowadays should not fit like paper on the wall; but they should seem to do so. An artist only can give the true effect. Try us. We employ none but the finest workmen.

## DEEKS & MUNSON

Merchant Tailors,  
355 Richmond Street.

## AGENTS WANTED.

1c per word first insertion, and 1/2c per word each subsequent insertion. No advt. less than 10 words.

**CITY CANVASSER TO SOLICIT OR- DERS** for Roswell's tea and coffee. 743 Richmond street.

## LOST AND FOUND.

1c per word each insertion, and 1/2c per word each subsequent insertion. No advt. less than 10 words.

**LOST—SATURDAY—ON OR NEAR** Clarence street, purse containing about \$12. Particulars and reward at Fraser House, King street.

**LOST—SUNDAY—SMALL BUNCH OF** keys, about 5 on ring. Please return to Advertiser. Reward.

**LOST—ON MONDAY, 24TH—SATCHEL** purse, containing about \$8, between Dundas street and entrance to Public Library. Reward at this office.

**LOST—ON DEC. 20, BETWEEN IL- BERTON** and Oxford street bridge, London, a lady's hand-bag, containing purse, sum of money, etc. Finder rewarded at this office.

**STRAYED OR STOLEN FROM** 518 Queen's avenue, London, on Dec. 2, white and black and tan English setter dog. Had on collar and dog tag tag. Liberal reward for information. J. C. Duffield.

## ARTICLES FOR SALE.

**HARD WOOD—BEECH AND MAPLE—** Best quality; also soft wood. Prompt delivery. S. Gillies & Son. Phone 1,312.

**SIRLOIN AND PORTERHOUSE** steak, 10c; rib roast, 8c; shoulder roast, 7c and 8c; building plates, 5c and 6c, at Park's, corner Market Lane.

**SKATES, AIR GUNS, AND POCKET** Knives at lowest prices. D. McKenzie & Co., 228 Richmond street, one door south of G. R. station.

**\$75—A SOLID OAK DESK FOR \$25.** A fine dresser for husband and son. Keene Bros., 127 King street.

**C. D. GIBSON'S SKETCHES FROM** "Life." A limited number only; mounted ready for framing.

Gold lettering done on purses, Bibles, etc. Blank Books made to order. CHAPMAN'S BINDERY, 31 Dundas Street.

**SNAP IN NEW AND SECOND-HAND** Pianos during next ten days. One fine piano, 7 1/2 octaves, guaranteed; only \$100. Heintzman & Co., 217 Dundas street.

**BUCHANAN'S COAL AND WOOD DE- LIVERED** to any part of the city. Office 633 Colborne street. Phone 1,096.

**STOVES—NEW AND SECOND-HAND—** Very cheap at Keene's Stove and Furniture Store, 141 King street.

**TURKEYS! TURKEYS! TURKEYS!** The market advanced today, but we will sell at the same price. 150 pairs of ducks of the largest size must be sold. Poultry to suit everyone at the Murphy Provision Store.

**TURKEYS, GEESSE, DUCKS, AND** Chickens—All for the Christmas trade. No occasion to go to the market for your Christmas poultry, as we guarantee our birds to be the best in the market. Strictly new-laid eggs, 2c dozen; good eggs, 1c dozen; choice rold and crook Stoves, 21c by cooking but- ter. 1c lb. T. A. Faulds, 67 Dundas.

**NEW PROVISION STORE—NO. 12** Market House—Having purchased the provision business of James Clark, all friends of the late proprietor will be welcomed with any new ones. Finest butter and fresh eggs only will be handled. J. C. Abbott.

**\$1 GOLD COINS, TWO AND ONE-HALF** Gold Coins, Five Dollar Gold Coins for sale at 10c. F. C. Clarke, Richmond street, next Advertiser.

**IF YOU ARE TROUBLED WITH OLD** sores, piles, burns, skin disease, use New Century Magic Salve. No. 3 Market Square.

**NEW RIVER COAL—THE BEST IN** the city; a good supply of the best quality of hard and soft coal, at the lowest cash price. Yard, William street and Grand Trunk Railway. Green & Co. Phone 1,321.

**\$300 VIOLIN FOR SALE OR EX- CHANGE.** At a bargain; also square piano. Sanborn & Treblecock, 183 Dundas street, London (Anderson's book-store).

**STORM RASH MUST BE PUT ON** eavegutters cleaned, trees pruned. Now is the time to buy an extension ladder. Factory, 465 York street. Catalogue free. Address, The Waggoner Ladder Company, Limited, London, Ont.

**BARGAINS AT PARISH'S STORE—** Few more baseburners left with ovens; 1 Red Cross, 2 Royals, Parlor and Cook Stoves for coal. Furniture, Bedroom Sets, Mattresses, Springs, all taken in exchange. Remember place, 357 Talbot street, south Market Square.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

**THE FACTORY OF THE ROBINSON** Corset Company, 375 Clarence street, closes on 24th inst. for their usual two weeks' holidays, reopening Jan. 7, 1901.

**OLD GOLD, SILVER, JEWELRY** and diamonds bought for cash. S. K. Milroy, manufacturing jeweler, 255 Dundas street.

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

**F. B. LEYS' OFFICE** WILL BE AT the London Hat, Cap and Mantle Manufacturing Company, 355 and 357 Clarence street, for the present.

## PERSONAL.

**WILL THE WOMAN WHO HAS SEEN** take a basket beside a little boy Saturday morning return and save further trouble to 143 William street?

## STARTLING STORY!

Given Out With Reference to the Kidnapping of Million-

aire Cudahy's Son.

Toledo, Dec. 24.—A rather startling story with reference to the recent Cudahy kidnapping was given out here today by L. A. Bolton, a New York commercial traveler, who vouches for the truth of the story as he tells it. He asserts that a league has been formed for the express purpose of kidnapping as a business, the victims to be in every case the multi-millionaires of the country, either through their children, or, if necessary, to abduct the men themselves. The organization has nothing to do with known crooks and will not tolerate any such within its circle. It is being gradually extended, but only such recruits are sought as would not be at all likely to be under suspicion of any such offenses, and those in with the authorities. Bolton says that his acquaintance and disowned son of a millionaire, who was approached and asked to join the organization. Secrecy is insured by the fact that no one member knows more than two other members. No victim is to be used except in self-defense or in case of violation of confidence. Among the victims already selected are said to be J. P. Morgan, Andrew Carnegie and John D. Rockefeller. The idea is always to secure young children if possible, girls preferred.

## SERIOUS AND WELL-PLANNED

A British View of the Cape Colony Inva-

sion by De Wet's Forces.

The Elusive Boer Commander's Ability Underestimated—

Kitchener Reports the Movement Checked—Burghers

Said To Be Short of Ammunition.

London, Dec. 24.—Lord Kitchener's dispatches are almost the only available news from the seat of hostilities in South Africa, but telegrams from Cape Town depict the situation in anything but roseate views. Without believing the assertion of the Transvaal agency in Brussels that 6,000 Boers have invaded Cape Colony, it is quite evident that the invasion was a SERIOUS AND WELL-PLANNED AFFAIR.

In connection with this a corresponding sends an extremely interesting letter, dated Bethulie, Dec. 1, describing Gen. De Wet and his doings. "De Wet has never been taken seriously enough," says the correspondent. "It is of little use to pursue him. He fights a rear guard action and gains twenty miles while he is being fought. He is a born military genius, whose wonderful powers have kept up his phenomenal resistance. Once he fails the whole thing would be crushed in a fortnight. He has every single commando under his supervision. All his patrols and columns march and counter-march on his order. The forces under his command have been reduced by his strength of will to a properly organized army, moving at his word. The sooner the British rid themselves of the idea that De Wet's forces are a mere rabble, wandering aimlessly, the sooner they will grasp the need of the determined effort which is necessary to capture him."

**THE DUTCH JOYFUL.**  
Advices from Cape Town represent the Dutch element in Cape Colony as greatly elated over the southward progress of the Boers, and as boasting that the whole district of Victoria West will join the raiders. It is suspected in Cape Town that the force traveling from Zoutpans Drift is not a body of Boers, but one of colonials, hastening to join the invaders. The Pietermaritzburg correspondent of the London Daily Mail says: "The Boers are active between Johannesburg and Pretoria, exchanging shots with the British outposts, and it is reported that parties of Boers are hovering around Johannesburg." It appears that the Boers have destroyed a railway bridge 90 feet long, about 120 miles from De Aar, and Cape mails have arrived at Bloemfontein for three days. Further anxiety has been caused in Cape Town by the discovery that, during the last two months public bodies in out-of-the-way places have requisitioned supplies of dynamite. The colonial government is now endeavoring to recover possession of these explosives.

## LIVERY STABLES.

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

## BUSINESS CHANCES.

1c per word first insertion, and 1/2c per word each subsequent insertion. No advt. less than 10 words.

**FOR SALE—BRICK STORE AND GEN- ERAL** stock; six miles south of Bothwell. A great country trade. A snap for a man with \$3,000. J. H. Trethian, Clachan.

**PERSONS WISHING TO PLACE SOME** money in a safe place, and who will do well to address Box N, Advertiser.

## MUSICAL INSTRUCTION.

**J. T. WOLCOTT, ORGANIST FIRST** Methodist Church. Teacher of piano organ and composition. Address 5 Prospect avenue.

**MR. W. H. HEWLETT, ORGANIST.** Dundas Center Methodist Church, teacher of piano, organ, theory and composition. 418 Queen's avenue. Telephone 1218.

**CHARLES E. WHEELER, ORGANIST** St. Andrew's Church, receives pupils in piano, pipe organ, harmony and singing. Both elementary and advanced tuition given. Studio, 215 King street.

## Christmas Perfumes and Toilet Goods

Dainty gifts for both ladies and men—for young and old.

We have the new, beautiful and useful—the best that money can buy. Give perfumes if you'd please the fair sex. The choicest kinds are here. All the famous makes—all the desirable odors—in bulk or in lovely packages for Christmas gifts; prices very low. Our assortment of Fine Hair Brushes, Military Brushes, Whisks, etc., in ebony and handsome woods, is the most complete in the city. No one shows so large a variety or asks such small prices.

**CAIRNCROSS & LAWRENCE,**  
Chemists and Druggists,  
216 Dundas street, London.

and men was posted, showing that 60 had been killed and 162 wounded.

## MORE MOUNTED TROOPS.

The war office has made the following announcement: In view of the general position in South Africa, the following reinforcements of mounted troops have been arranged: Eight hundred will start next week. Two cavalry regiments have been ordered to leave as soon as the transports are ready. The colonial police will be increased to 10,000. Detachments will leave as fast as they are formed. Further drafts of cavalry will be dispatched at once. Australia and New Zealand have been invited to send further contingents.

In view of the prolongation of the war in South Africa, members of the Imperial Yeomanry will be paid five shillings instead of one shilling and twopence per day. Militiamen are promised priority of return over regulars.

None of the leading South African firms interested in Kimberley have received information to confirm the Evening Standard's report that the town is threatened.

Gen. Trotter, commanding the troops in the London district, in a speech at Twickenham, said he had obtained information by which he knew that the Boers were running short of ammunition, and that they could not maintain their guerrilla warfare long.

A Reuter correspondent says: "The Boers are totally ignorant of the real state of affairs, and do not believe that Mr. Kruger has left South Africa. They believe that Lord Roberts has been killed, that all the Cape Dutch will shortly join them, and that European intervention is certain. One of De Wet's artillerymen told my informant that De Wet's guns were worn out and useless."

## WILL ARRIVE IN LONDON TOMORROW.

Returning Heroes Will Eat Christmas Dinner at Home.

Are Expected to Reach the City on the 11:05 Express—Were at Moncton Last Light.

The London soldiers will dine at home tomorrow. It is most likely that they will arrive here at 10:05 o'clock on No. 3 express, G. T. R.

A despatch states that a special train of eight coaches, having on board the returning soldiers, left Moncton, N. B., at 3:30 o'clock last evening. The train was running on the Intercolonial Railway on fast time, and should reach Montreal about 4:30 o'clock this afternoon.

A special may be run west of Montreal, in which event the Toronto men would reach home at 2 o'clock in the morning, a very unsatisfactory time. It is probable, therefore that they will be sent west on the Grand Trunk express, No. 3, reaching Toronto shortly after seven o'clock, and getting in to London at 11:05 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Lieut.-Col. Pinault, Deputy Minister of Militia, wired Mayor Rumball yesterday morning that "B" company would be home Christmas day.

Any organization may take part in the parade by making known their desires.

## GOOD YEAR FOR COLLECTING TAXES.

Toronto, Dec. 24.—"This has been the best year we have ever had," said City Treasurer Coady today, when asked about the payment of taxes. When the returns are compiled, Mr. Coady thinks the arrears will be considerably below those of last year. The taxes for the year were about \$3,000,000.