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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

DIED.

SHEPLEY—In Cripple Creek, Col., on Sunday, May 6th, of peritonitis, John Parker, aged 37 years and 9 mos., only son of the late Clark Shepley, of Chatham, Ont., and brother of Mrs. P. C. McLean, of this city.

THE PROBABILITIES.

G. N. W. Special.

Toronto, May 9—10 a. m.—Northerly to north-westerly winds, fresh to strong until evening; fine and cool; local showers at night. Thursday, fine with a little higher temperature.

LOCAL BRIEFS

The papal delegate will visit Chatham some time in September not June as anticipated.

Manager Thomas Maguire, of the People's Life Insurance Company, is in the city on business.

Father Solanus, of St. Joseph's church, returned Saturday from conducting a mission in Michigan.

The City of Chatham ran out to-day to go in dry dock at Detroit for her regular spring overhauling.

Thomas Cornish, of this city, gave the valedictory address at the McMaster University exercises.

House Wanted—A small house, modern conveniences, centrally located. Apply, box 213, stating lowest cash price.

Arthur Richardson, who has been suffering with sciatica for the past few weeks, is improving.

Father Menier, of Belle River, and Father Villeneuve, of Tecumseh, are visiting the St. Joseph's church to-day.

The Reverend Father De Paul, of St. Joseph's church, will leave next Monday to conduct a 40-hours devotion at Millbank, Ont.

Tancred Doyle, in the office of Blonde Bros. & Co., was operated on this morning at St. Joseph's Hospital for appendicitis. Dr. Carson, of Detroit, came up for the operation.

The regular, "all-round," written, bi-monthly examinations begin at the C. C. I. to-morrow and continue for three days. Parents and guardians are respectfully requested to see that their children and wards attend unless most urgent causes prevent.

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THEY WONT STAND

Boers Decline to Contest the Passage of the Zand River.

Free Staters in Large Numbers Surrendering—Roberts to Co-operate With Buller.

London, May 9.—Although the British expected considerable opposition at the difficult drift of the Zand river, the latest advices from Smaldeel indicate that the federals are not yet ready to make a determined attempt to stem Lord Roberts' advance.

The latter's front, indeed, is so wide and overwhelming in numbers that it is difficult to see how the Boers can help being ousted out of Virginia Siding. The contract has been awarded to Blonde Bros. & Co.

Mr. Reaume, Cross St., has the first open air grown radishes of the season.

Mrs. A. I. McCall and children will leave to-morrow for a two months' visit to eastern points.

Matthew J. Doyle and E. J. Peltier went to Wallaceburg to-day in the interests of the Maple Leaf Brewery.

Don't miss the Concert in Christ Church Hall to-morrow (Thursday) at 8 p. m. H. Ruthven MacDonald and other talent.

Grand Concert to-morrow evening, May 10th. Best Local Talent. Hugh MacDonald, Ontario's Favorite. Admission 15 cents.

Rev. Father Menier, of Belle River, is in the city in the interests of the new convent to be erected at Tecumseh. The contract has been awarded to Blonde Bros. & Co.

Mr. Tyndall, who resides off Park avenue, received word this morning of the death of his daughter in London. She had been in poor health for a long time. The body will be brought here for interment.

Owing to the delay in transferring the license of the Aberdeen people of North Chatham are inconvenienced for want of a hotel. The commissioners should remedy this as soon as possible.

July examinations—Tuesday, 3rd July, 8:40 a. m.—Junior leaving part I or public school leaving. Thursday, 5th July, 1:15 p. m.—Junior leaving part II, junior matriculation part I, commercial diploma part II. Monday, 9th July, 8:40 a. m.—Senior leaving or Hon. matriculation.

At a meeting of lay preachers, held in J. F. Maine's office on Tuesday evening for arranging evangelistic work for the coming summer, ten available men reported as ready to assist. It was decided to send men to assist the union Sunday schools held in Bloomfield, Chatham and Shriever's schoolhouses, with an after meeting for adults as well as to take any part in the Sunday school service that the students desired. The project of holding open air services in the outlying parts of the city during the warm weather was discussed and approved, but no decided steps were taken. Meeting adjourned to Tuesday, May 22nd, at 8 p. m., at the same place, for further arrangements.

The Concert in Christ Church Hall on Thursday evening promises to be an unqualified success. The people of Chatham will no doubt give a hearty welcome to H. Ruthven MacDonald, a great favorite in times past, and now the most popular entertainer in Western Ontario. Mr. MacDonald will sing among other numbers "Honor and Arms," from Handel's Simson Sands of Dee, by Clay. The local talent is made up of well known favorites who will be heard at their best. — Mrs. John Cooper and the First Presbyterian Ladies' Quartette, Misses Rhody, McCosh and Thein, Messrs. Wilson, McCosh and Forsythe. Admission only 15c.

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Books

Worth Reading

To Have and To Hold

By Mary Johnston, the most successful book of the year, 200,000 copies sold in six weeks.

The Ferringdons

By Helen Thordycroft Fowler, author of "Concerning Isabel Carnaby," "A Double Thread," Etc.

The Green Flag

By A. Conan Doyle. A book of short stories of war and sport. Dr. Doyle is at present serving in the British Army in South Africa.

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IN SORE STRAITS.

Mafeking is Sadly Suffering from the Pangs of Hunger.

Relief not Likely to Reach There Before June—Baden Powell's Last Message.

London, May 9.—The Times has a special despatch from Mafeking, dated April 21.—Lord Roberts' message implies that the relief cannot be expected at the earliest before May 18. It seems possible, however, that the siege may continue till June. The commissariat has begun to make flesh sausages. A new Boer laager has appeared near the southwestern outposts. Fever is spreading.

The besieged are celebrating the two hundredth day of the siege with horse dinners. Col. Baden-Powell sent a message to Lord Roberts saying: "After two hundred days of siege I desire to bring to your lordship's notice the exceptionally good spirit of loyalty which pervades all classes of the garrison and the patience of everybody. Mafeking is making the best of things under the long strain of anxiety, hardship and privation. The men, half of whom are not accustomed to the use of arms, have adapted themselves to their duties with the greatest zeal and readiness. The pluck and devotion of the women have been remarkable. With such spirits our organization runs like clockwork. I have every hope it will pull us through."

GLOOMIER THAN EVER.

London, May 9, 4:30 a. m.—The tidings from Mafeking are gloomier than ever. Everybody there has an empty stomach and a pinched face. The natives are no longer given even porridge, and the whites now have nothing but a quart of that substance, and a pound of horse manure daily. Everything else eatable has gone. Insufficient food, wet trenches and cold nights are deadly to the health of the garrison. The information comes from reliable natives. Lady Sarah Wilson, under date of April 27, says: "The Boers now number 4,500, including Young Elton, President Kruger's grandson, who has sent for six more guns." A Mafeking correspondent of the Times, who also emphasizes the extreme gravity of the situation, says: "It is impossible to ignore the fatal significance of Col. Baden-Powell's reference to the hardships endured by the women and children, among whom many deaths have already occurred. The commissariat is holding a certain stock of food in reserve for use in the direct extremity."

THE RELIEF COLUMN.

The British column is reported to have reached Tunga, thirty miles north of Walvisburg. According to Pretoria advices, the British are nearing Vryburg, which is half-way between Warrenton and Mafeking. Gen. Hunter is probably not in possession of the relief column.

His force embraces 20,000 infantry and from 5,000 to 6,000 horsemen, an army far greater than has hitherto been supposed.

Lord Methuen is apparently a subordinate. While the relief column is moving towards Vryburg, General Hunter is apparently preparing an orderly advance north-east, along the Vaal River to participate in the Pretoria advance as Lord Roberts' left flank.

Notice Court of Revision.

Notice is hereby given that the Court of Revision on the Assessment Roll for City of Chatham for 1900, will hold its first sitting at the city council chamber, Harrison Hall, in said City, on Friday, the 25th day of May, 1900, at the hour of ten o'clock a. m.

Dated, Chatham, May 8th, 1900.
W. G. MERRITT,
City Clerk.

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IX.—The best in the trade, is the table linen we sell at 25c a yd., new patterns, extra heavy quality and 56 in. wide, per yd. 25c

X.—New patterns, in English, Oxford shirtings, at per yd. 12½c

XI.—Just in, 1 bale full yd. wide, unbleached sheeting, fine even yarns, free from black specks, at per yd. 6c

XII.—Special value in crash toweling, 18 in. wide, at per yd. 6c

XIII.—Specials in chenille table covers, new designs and colorings, 8x4 size, each. \$2.00

XIV.—Don't forget that we have one of the largest assortments of white dress lawns, of any house in the city, per yd. from 10c to 50c

XV.—Over 400 yds. of 36 in. light prints, in little checks and stripes, suitable for boys' shirts, special per yard. 10c

XVI.—New linen crash shirtings, in plain, twilled or fancy checks, at per yd. 12½c, 20c and 25c

XVII.—Two big drives in linen towels, 1st, 16 doz. solid buck towels, fancy red border, fringed ends, size 20x40, extra heavy quality, each. 12½c

XVIII.—A special assortment of side board runners, both German and Irish linen, 16x70 in., at each. 30c, 35c, 40c, 50c, 60c, 75c, \$1.25

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Made from imported navy blue serge, hand twist, handsomely tailored, best trimmings, made single and double breasted styles, always dressy, sizes 28 to 32, value \$6.50.

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For the boys, made from imported blue serge, always neat and dressy, wearers, suitable for all seasons, single and double breasted styles, sizes 24 to 30, \$3.75 and \$4.00.

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Made from nobby and reliable tweed, neat hair stripe and check worsteds, the new and nobby effects, made especially for young men, also tall slender men, sizes run from 33 to 37, prices range \$7, \$7.50, \$8.50 to \$10.

50 Pairs of Men's Special Pants

Just opened up, in nobby overplaid, pretty shading lawn and brown effects in reliable wearing tweeds, full range of sizes, value at \$2, we make a run of them at \$1.50 per pair.

Boys' Reliable Tweed Knickers

Boys' honest tweed pattern pant neat checks, all sizes, 50c.

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