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HEAL—On Dec. 26, at 573 Princess avenue,
the wife of Wm. Heal, of a daughter.

MARRIED.

MOORHOUSE-WHITE—At the residence
of John Ashworth, Esq., Clachan, uncle of the
bride, on Dec. 25, by Principal Shepherd, as-
sisted by Rev. Dr. Aylesworth, of Highgate,
Frank Moorhouse, of Calgary, to Miss Louie
M. White.

MAGE-AIDIE—On Wednesday evening,
last, Dec. 20, at the residence of Mrs. Airdie
by the Rev. J. A. Murray, Mr. Richy Mage
to Jessie, daughter of the late Leonard
Airdie.

DIED.
KNOWLES—On Dec. 28, Pearl, daughter of
Arthur and Sarah Knowles, South London,
aged 1 year and 6 months.
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THE WEATHER.

Toronto, Dec. 29—11 p. m.—There is a
general increase in pressure taking place
throughout the Northwest, with fair
weather and light local snow falls. High
pressure and fair weather continues
throughout the lake district and Eastern
Canada, with light local falls of snow in
Ontario.

Minimum and maximum temperatures:
Victoria, 34°—40°; Calgary, 6°—14°; Ed-
monton, 6° below—2°; Qu'Appelle, 10°—18°;
Winnipeg, 12° below—12°; Port Arthur, 2°
—20°; Toronto, 13°—26°; Kingston, zero
—16°; Montreal, 4°—15°; Quebec, 2° below
—14°; Halifax, 22°—28°.

30-DAY'S PROBABILITIES.

Toronto, Dec. 30—1 a. m.—Probabil-
ities for the next 24 hours for the lower
lakes region (covering the peninsula and
as far east as Belleville) are: Fair weather;
a little higher temperature; light snow in
the 29th.

CLOSING-OUT SALE

—OF—
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As this stock must be sold within 30 days, all
goods will be offered at bankruptcy prices.
Don't forget the place, opposite Odeon/Hall.

ATHLETICS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 29—Two
thousand five hundred people saw the battle
between the featherweights Jimmy Van
Heest, of Ashland, Wis., and Solly Smith,
of Los Angeles, for a purse of \$2,500 to-
night. They fought at 118 pounds. The
fighting was fast and furious but Smith was
too much for the eastern man and put him
to sleep in the fourteenth round.

A BELL IN BUFFALO.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 29—Jim Daly, of
Philadelphia, and Tom McCarthy, of Olean,
fought to a finish here to-night for a purse
of \$2,000 and a side bet of \$1,000. Up to
the twentieth round the fight was pretty
even, but the Olean man was knocked out
in the 29th.

THE TURF.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29—Turfmen in this
city take a deep interest in the report
which comes from the west that Chris
Smith, owner of the Koudal stable and the
most desperate plunger on the turf, is
"broke," and his stable will have to be
sold to meet his indebtedness. His
stable contains Yo Tambien, Vali Buren,
Coverton, Dolly McConne and other well-
known pacers, and they won about \$80,000
in stakes and purses for him last season.
Smith has won and lost several fortunes
during his career.

Why will you allow a cough to lacerate
your throat or lungs and run the risk of
filling a consumptive's grave, when by the
timely use of Bickel's Anti-Consumptive
syrup the pain can be allayed and the
taste, and unsurpassed for relieving,
healing and curing all sections of the
throat and lungs, coughs, colds, bronchitis
etc.

One more grand chance to buy goods
cheap. Saturday next, \$1 a lot, before
taking stock and closing our business, we
will sell goods at prices that were never
bought or sold at before. This is the last
day before stock taking, and every yard
and every article in the house will be sold
cheaper than ever. Remember our stock
is mostly all this season's purchases, and
is equal in quality or price in the city.
Since opening this store we have held the
reputation of selling first-class goods at
any price that could not be compared in any
house in the city; and for a proof of our
determination to close the business we will
offer goods cheaper than ever. Our table
linens, all Belfast importations, will be sold
at less than cost, which means considerable
profit to purchasers. A lot of remnants at
profit to purchasers. JAMES SHEA, 136 Dundas
street, opposite Market Square.

Electors, resent the imputation that
you, as sensible men, are not capable
of regulating your own conduct as
good citizens. Be free men and vote
against the 7 o'clock closing lobby.
—Advertisement.

Do not be misled by specious talk of any
kind in voting for the Salmon. Vote for
the Home. Vote for closing the saloons at
7 o'clock. Workingmen, vote for the good
of your boys, who are the hope of the
future. —Advt.

Are you more interested in the well-
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MAIL.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Sage, of this city,
are visiting at Iona.

—Mrs. (Dr.) Thompson, Aymer, is
spending a few days in the city.

—Miss Jessie Hedley, St. Marys, is
visiting Mrs. R. A. Hedley, Craig street,
South London.

—Mr. Alf. Connor, of Detroit, is spend-
ing the holidays with his brother Arthur,
in this city.

—Rev. Mr. McIntyre, the genial Presby-
terian clergyman of St. Thomas, was in
the city yesterday.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. D. H. Brown, of
Toronto, are in London spending their
holidays with "the old folks at home."

—Mrs. Chas. Richardson, Maple avenue,
went out on her veranda on Wednesday
night to quiet a barking dog, when she fell,
dislocating the wrist and breaking the arm.

—The good sleighing has had the effect
of increasing the supply of wood. Prices
manage to keep up just the same and the
loads do not grow any larger. —[Stratford
Herald.]

—The charge of indecent assault laid by
John McKenzie, of Vancouver, against Frank
McKenzie, came before Judge Elliot at the
Interim Sessions to-day, but the judge
summarily disposed of the case upon sus-
pended sentence.

—Mr. H. J. Carter, head waiter at the
Tecumseh House, was recently presented by
the dining-room employees with a beauti-
ful silver stand holding a cut-glass preserve
dish, with spoon and case to match. Mr.
Carter handsomely entertained the em-
ployees at his residence.

—"Constant Reader" (Westminster).
The only institution of the kind in this
Province is the Ontario Veterinary College.
It is an excellent college, and students
come from far and near to attend it.
Write "The Principal." He will send you
full particulars. The ADVERTISER hopes
to see a veterinary college in this city, in
close connection with our Western Uni-
versity, some day soon.

—Since last session Ottawa society has
received some notable acquisitions, among
which may be mentioned the accomplished
wife of Mr. W. J. Anderson, manager of
the Bank of Montreal. Mr. Anderson was
until recently manager of the bank at
London, Ont., and he comes here as the
successor of Mr. F. Gundry, who will long
be pleasantly remembered by all classes of
citizens. —[Ottawa Citizen.]

—Ida Powell pleaded guilty at the Police
Court this morning on a charge of keeping
a disorderly house on Wellington street
near Bathurst. Unless she leaves the city
in the meantime she will be sentenced next
Friday. Jennie Dickens, charged with
being an inmate, was remanded for a week.
Sentence was suspended on Maurice Bald-
win because one of his horses obtained his
liberty the other day and was found on a
neighbor's lawn.

—The Marybone Presbyterian Church
in London are making great efforts to
secure Dr. George F. Pentecost as a perma-
nent pastor. In his early days, resided in
this city. They have made very flattering
offers in the form of salary and a house free
of rent. The Park Street Church of Boston
has also given him a call, and Dr. Pen-
tecost has asked the Marybone people to
release him from his temporary engagement,
that he may accept the call to Boston.

—Miss Minnie Peel, of Portland, Ore.,
was united in marriage yesterday to
Robert W. Osborn, of St. Catharines. The
bride spent her girlhood in this city, and
for years was an active member of St.
James' Presbyterian Church. The groom
is the head of a prosperous business con-
cern in St. Kits, where the young couple
will make their home. The bride, who
will make her home, Mr. J. Cameron,
given away by her uncle, Mr. J. Cameron,
of Hyde Park. The ceremony, which took
place in St. James' Church, was performed
by Rev. M. P. Talling. Miss Ellen Fergu-
son and Mr. Claude Gadsby were brides-
maid and groomsmen respectively. A
number of interested friends witnessed the
ceremony and said their farewells, amidst
showers of rice and good wishes. Mr.
and Mrs. Osborn took a train at once for
the east.

—"Mum's the Word."
One of the heavy-weight aldermanic
candidates in No. 1 ward went in to en-
courage a well-known merchant yesterday
morning.

"How are you on the 7 o'clock closing?"
the merchant asked.

"Well," replied the candidate, "I meet
so many different people that 'Mum's the
word.' May I have your support?"

"Mum's the word," said the merchant.
The candidate went out.

Adelaide Street Baptist Sunday School
Entertainment.

The annual Christmas treat and en-
tertainment of the scholars and friends of the
Adelaide Street Baptist Bible School was
held last evening in the church. These
entertainments are always looked forward
to with pleasure, and last evening's was
one which must have satisfied all present.

The church was filled to the doors; up-
wards of 100 were present. Mr. F. J.
Reed, superintendent of the school, occu-
pied the chair. The singing and
recitations which were given by
the scholars were excellent and reflected
the highest praise on Miss Rendell, for the
manner in which she has trained them.
Handsome prizes were awarded to the suc-
cessful scholars for regular attendance dur-
ing the year 1902. The first prize was
awarded to Myrtle Beidgood.

Harriet Taylor, Alfred Reed, Florence Winn and
G. C. Beidgood; second prizes to Harry
Smith and James McMichael; third prizes

to Maud Dawson, N. Mason, F. Nicholson,
A. Stewart and Hope McMichael. The
entertainment closed with a fine exhibition
of lime-light views by Mr. Kershaw.

The programme consisted of choruses by
the children; recitation by Nellie Angus,
Mamie Mason, Ethel Reid, Ruth Finch,
Annie Stewart, Chester Fitzgerald, Stewart
Woodburne, Jas. McMichael; songs by Nor-
man Mason and the infant class; duet
by Misses Little and Finch; dialogues
by the girls of the school.

Manell Monday Night.

The sale of seals for Robert Mantell at the
Grand on Monday begins at the box
office this morning. The piece has just
finished a long and successful run in New
York city, at Proctor's Twenty-third Street
Theater. The scenes are laid in France
during the French revolution. Mr. Mantell
essays a difficult dual role, that of Victor
Ambrose, a young French officer, and his
half-brother, Rabat, an outlaw. The
former is a strong romantic character,
while the latter is pre-eminently a comedy
role. The play is said to be free from bomb-
ast and cheap sensationalism. Mr. Mantell
makes no less than a dozen changes in
character, and in many respects the dual
role is similar to the famous dual character,
"Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde," except that
the outlaw is by no means guilty of such
innate murderous propensities as was the
famous Mr. Hyde.

The Scottish Concert.

The Edith Ross Scottish Concert Com-
pany was heralded as a very superior
organization, and the audience that as-
sembled in the Grand Opera House last
night again and again testified to the fact
that the well balanced company had not
been spoken too highly of. The programme,
embraced not only the choicest of Scottish
ballads and part songs of a sentimental
character, but humorous songs and
sketches, fine Highland dancing, and guitar
and violin solos. Miss Ross and her com-
pany give an ideal Scottish enter-
tainment, and it is satisfactory
to know that in their present
tour they have been meeting with much
success. The members of the company
embrace Miss Edith Ross, a host in her-
self; Miss A. M. Thomas, Miss Nannie
Baker, Mr. R. F. Shearer, Mr. James
Black, soloists; Mr. James Lumsden, the
well-known humorist; Miss Mary McNeill,
Highland dancer, a worthy daughter of a
dancer of Scotland; and Miss M. C. Reade,
a highly-accomplished violin player. The
concert was given under the auspices of
Clan Fraser.

Presbyterian Missions.

The foreign mission committee of the
Presbyterian Church, western division,
concluded its sitting in Toronto on
Wednesday. The resignation of Dr. Eliza-
beth Beattie, of the Central India mission,
who was granted furlough some time since
on account of ill health, was accepted. Dr.
Beattie has opened an office in Bradford,
and she hopes to recover her health and
return to the mission work. A report
from the Government inspector of schools
in India, giving an account of the pro-
gress of the mission, was also presented.
A letter offered to contribute annually
\$200 towards the support of a missionary.
Her offer was gratefully accepted. Word
was received from Dr. W. G. Fraser, who was
recently sent out, that he had obtained his
medical diploma in Constantinople, and
was on his way to Palestine. A report
from Mr. Newmark, who is laboring
among the 6,000 Jews in Montreal, gives
very encouraging prospects. Several ap-
pointment on a foreign field. On
account of the great amount of sickness
among the missionaries at Honan, China,
it was resolved to ask the medical mis-
sionaries to report to the committee, think-
ing that possibly the location was un-
healthy. The session then adjourned.

"Private Secretary" To Night.

"Plays may come and plays may go, but
"The Private Secretary," which will be
presented at the Grand to-night, like
Tennyson's brook, seems destined to "go
on forever." Each representation finds
this comedy, with its consistent humor,
quaint saying and exuberantly funny
tableaux, as attractive as ever, and large
audiences are the rule without exception.
Since its last presentation here, the cast
has been considerably altered, and the lines
changed by the addition of new laughs.
For the benefit of those not familiar
with it an outline may not be inap-
propriate. Douglas Cattermole is a
prophetic seer, surrounded by
important creditors in a London lodging
house. He owes everybody, from his land-
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