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Births, Marriages, Deaths

MARRIED.

STEVENSON-FRASER — On Thursday, Dec. 23, at the residence of the bride's parents, 293 Dundas street, by the Rev. Robt. Johnston, B.D., pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Evangeline I., daughter of Mr. Donald Fraser, to Orlando J. Stevenson, M.A., of St. Thomas, Ont.

Amusements and Lectures

Advertisements under this heading, two cents per word, or ten cents per line each insertion.

SKATING—CENTRAL RINK — AFTERNOON and evening. Good ice. Usual prices. 7n

PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING BY Ms. R. B. Millard, at his residence, 345 Princess avenue. Special attention given to teaching the waltz and two step. Lessons any hour.

SULPHUR BATHS AS USUAL ON Saturday and Sunday, foot Dundas street. Building comfortably heated. t

10,500 TONS—NEW STEAMER CASTILIAN will soon be in commission for the Allan Line. Mongolian sails Saturday, Jan. 1. F. B. CLARKE, agent, Richmond street, next door to Advertiser office.

VOICE CULTURE—
EVA N. ROBLYN.
Studio, Bell Piano Parlors: Residence, 320 Dundas street. Concert engagements. Phone 1,270. tx

PALACE DANCING ACADEMY—SEASON tickets for advanced class now ready at special low rates. Meets Wednesday evenings. Learn the new dances as taught by competent teachers. Circular mailed on application. DAYTON & MCCORMICK.

Meetings.

1c per word each insertion. No ad. less than ten words.

ELDER BALLENGER WILL SPEAK IN the hall of Chosen Friends, 664 Dundas street, tomorrow, 7 p.m. b

AUDITORIUM—SUNDAY, 4:15—LAST meeting for 1897. Rev. Robert Johnston concludes the series of talks on Pilgrim's Progress. Seats for 700. Boys not admitted. Illustrated talk to boys in Auditorium, Jan 7, 1898. 11u

NOMINATIONS FOR ROMAN CATHOlic separate school trustees will be held in St. Peter's school at noon on Wednesday, Dec. 29, 1897. P. MULKERN, returning officer; M. O'SULLIVAN, secretary. 11c

CONDENSED ADVERTISEMENTS cost 1 Cent per word for first insertion and one-half cent per word for each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than 10 words.

Domestics Wanted.

WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT—252 Wellington street. 10c

GOOD GENERAL SERVANTS WANTED at the Osborne Intelligence Agency, 56 Dundas street. Phone 386.

HEADQUARTERS FOR RELIABLE help. We have them: Man and wife as cook and coachman, housekeepers, nurses, dining-room girls, kitchen girls to suit all. We want hotel cooks for out of city. DWYER'S Employment Agency, 591 Richmond street. Phone, 1,121.

Male Help Wanted.

BOY WANTED—TO TEND FURNACE—Board, lodging and $2 a month. Reference required. T. J. G., Advertiser Office. 11c

Wanted.

WANTED — BAKER'S DELIVERY wagon and single set harness, in good order. State lowest price and whereabouts. Box G, this office. 12k tywt

WANTED—LOAN COMPANY STOCK or mortgage: state price and amount. Box Stock, Advertiser Office. 8c ywt

WANTED—THREE HUNDRED GOOD second-hand overcoats. Highest price paid. A. P. SAINSBURY, 90 King street. Mail orders attended to.

Lost and Found.

LOST—A PARCEL CONTAINING FOUR fur caps, between Advertiser Office and Perry street. Finder will be rewarded by returning to this office. 12c

LOST—BLACK ROBE—FINDER REWARDED by returning to Dr. JOHN D. WILSON, Queen's avenue. 11u

SPECTACLES LOST ON OXFORD OR North Richmond street, Wednesday. Reward at 256 Oxford street. 11u

Houses, Etc., To Let.

TO LET—THE UPPER FLAT IN THE Canadian Savings and Loan Company's building. Apply M. H. HOWLAND, manager. 11f eod

TO LET—185 ST. JAMES STREET—NICE 2-story brick; 4 bedrooms, bath grate; very convenient; choice location. Apply 410 Princess avenue. 3tf

Agents Wanted.

WANTED—MEN AND WOMEN OF good reputation to sell a general family medicine in their vicinity; will guarantee this remedy to cure 80 per cent of all diseases; there is no poison or crude drugs in its composition; perfectly harmless; splendid profits; write us for information, circulars, etc. Old chronic stubborn diseases are being cured by this wonderful remedy. Ozone Specific Company, 16 Avenue Place, Toronto 88t tf&wtf

WANTED — INDUSTRIOUS MEN OF character. The Linscott Company, Toronto. 11h

AGENTS—BOOK BUSINESS IS BETTER than for years past; also have better and faster selling books. Agents clearing from $10 to $40 weekly. A few leaders are: Queen Victoria: Life of Mr. Gladstone; My Mother's Bible Stories; Progressive Speaker; Klondike Gold Fields; Woman; Glimpses of the Unseen; Breakfast, Dinner and Supper. Books on time. Outfits free to canvassers. Bradley-Garretson Company, Limited, Toronto. 11h

WANTED — CANVASSERS — QUEEN Victoria, Her Life and Reign, has captured the British empire. Extraordinary testimonials from the great men; send for copy free. Marquis of Lorne says: "The best popular life of the Queen I have seen." Her Majesty sends a kind letter of appreciation. Selling by thousands; gives enthusiastic satisfaction. Canvassers making from $15 to $40 weekly. Bradley-Garretson Company, Limited, Toronto. 11h

"Graduated

from the Western Ontario Shorthand and Business Academy" is a passport to success. We can put clever people through in the shortest possible time. Mr. Hess, of Zurich, who completed a course

in Ten Weeks

has been placed as stenographer with the Imperial Oil Company, this city. We have placed every graduate during 1897 in a situation. For terms apply

W. C. COO, Official Court Stenographer
76 Dundas Street, London.

The Churches Tomorrow

KING STREET METHODIST CHURCH—Services by pastor. Morning, Lessons from Bethlehem. Special music. Evening, Friends.

KING STREET PRESBYTERIAN Church—Rev. Thomas Wilson. Morning, Christ's Second Coming. Evening, New Year Resolves.

WEST LONDON METHODIST CHURCH—Rev. A. G. Harris, pastor. Morning, Christ's Birth. Evening, A Citizen of No Mean City.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH—Rev. Dr. Daniel, pastor.
Services as usual.
Morning—Anthem—A Light Streams Downward (Shelley).
Solo—Glory to God (Rotoli).
Evening—Anthem—Sing, O Heavens (Tours).
Solo—The Birthday of a King (Neidlinger).
Duet—Hark, Hark, My Soul (Shelley).
J. T. Wolcott, organist and choirmaster.

WELLINGTON STREET METHODIST Church—Rev. A. L. Russell, M.A., B.D., pastor. Subjects: 11, Christmas. 7, What to Do in Presence of the Dying Year. 2:30, Sunday school.

CHALMERS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Corner Grey and Waterloo—Rev. Walter Moffat, pastor. 11 a.m., Christ at Bethesda. 7 p.m., Joseph in Prison. Bible class 3 p.m.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH—
Rev. Robert Johnston, B.D., pastor.
Sabbath, Dec. 26.
The pastor will preach at both services.
11 a.m.—The Christmas Message for the World's Present Need.
3 p.m.—Sabbath School—The pastor's class, In the Palace Beautiful.
7 p.m.—Is It Ever Too Late to Mend?
Monday, 8 p.m.—Y. P. S. C. E.
Tuesday, 8 p.m.—North prayer meeting.
Wednesday, 8 p.m.—Prayer meeting.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH—Rev. J. W. Pedley. Morning, More Xmas Cheer. Evening, Men or Money.

COLBORNE STREET METHODIST Church—Sermons at 11 and 7 by Rev. Geo. Richardson, of Ingersoll, a former London pastor.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Rev. W. J. Clark, pastor. Services 11 a.m., Mr. John A. Clark, B.A., of Knox College; subject, The Incarnation. 7 p.m. the pastor; subject, The Prophet Amos and His Message. 3 p.m., Sabbath school and Society for Bible Study.

KNOX PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Rev. J. G. Stuart, pastor. Services as usual.

ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL—SERVICES as usual.

TALBOT STREET BAPTIST CHURCH—Rev. Ira Smith, pastor. Services as usual.

CENTENNIAL METHODIST CHURCH—W. J. Ford, pastor. Services as usual.

ASKIN STREET METHODIST CHURCH Rev. R. Hobbs, pastor. Services as usual.

CHURCH OF CHRIST (SCIENTIST)—Duffield Block. Service 11 a.m. Experience meeting Friday, at 8 p.m. All welcome.

ADELAIDE STREET BAPTIST CHURCH—Rev. T. S. Johnson, pastor. Services 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Everybody welcome.

ST. JAMES' PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—Services as usual.

HIS LORDSHIP THE BISHOP OF Huron will preach the second anniversary sermon Sunday morning at St. Matthew's Church. All welcome. b

Articles For Sale.

FRESH OYSTERS — EVERY DAY—wholesale and retail. Any orders received by mail given prompt attention. CATALANO & SANSONE, 306 Dundas street.

XMAS CARDS AND CALENDARS—UP-TO-DATE—CHEAP, CHEAP.
R. V. S. SAUNDERS,
650 Dundas street, East London.

MINING STOCK—
Ruby Reef will be withdrawn from sale in a few days. At the present price it is the best thing in the market. Send your orders at once. J. F. SANGSTER,
402 Richmond street.

FOR SALE — SKATES AND SKATE parts; bicycle enameling and general repairing at lowest prices. D. MCKENZIE & Co. 374 Richmond street.

CHEAPER THAN EVER—WILL SELL pine lumber balance season at $10, and pine shingles at $1 25 per 1,000 cash; lath, post at reduced prices to clear out at C. P. R. yard, Pall Mall street, opposite freight sheds, London. J. A. SUTHERLAND. 22tf-t-&wtf

THE LOCKED WIRE FENCE CO., LTD., of Ingersoll, whose head office is at 309 Bathurst street, city, have been instructed by the waterworks commissioners to place one of their famous fences round the pond at Byron. ywt

STEWART'S STOVES, RANGES, STEEL ovens are perfect workers. We give estimates on iron roofs. Iron eavestroughs, hot air furnaces. JAS. THOMPSON, 414 Richmond street. ywt

ENGINE—45 HORSE POWER, STATIONARY, first-class order. PATTERSON & JOLLY. 56tf t

CAST IRON SOIL PIPE AND SOIL PIPE fittings of all kinds. SMITH BROS. 265 Dundas street. t

MACHINERY. FORGE FANS, JOINTER, rounder, hub mortiser, bolt cutter, pulleys, hangers, machinist tools, etc. PATTERSON & JOLLY. 56tf t

WAGON WOODWORK BAR IRONS, benches, bolt headers, anvil, window frames and sash, large double doors and frames cheap. PATTERSON & JOLLY. 16tf t

SNAPS—HEINTZMAN & CO. UPRIGHT piano, nearly new 7 1-3 octaves, guaranteed, 1 Hale Co. American piano, 7 octaves, 1 Bell Co. piano, case open, 6 octaves. These are rare bargains. Easy terms. HEINTZMAN & Co., 286 Dundas street. 72tf-t

SWEET CIDER FOR MINCE-MEAT FOR sale. Apply L. V. LUDWIG, 94 King street. Phone 231. 92 bc wty

STOVES—
ALL KINDS—
BASEBURNERS,
with and without oven, and a large assortment of wood stoves at lowest prices.
GEO. PARISH,
357 Talbot street, south of King.
ywt

J. W. SMITH—CARRIAGE AND IRON work, horseshoeing and repairing. 150 Fullarton street. wty

ENGINE FOR SALE—A BARGAIN—Thirty horse power; can be run at 90 revolutions; is in capital order; can be had at a very low figure. Address Engine, care "Advertiser" Office.

CUSTOMS PAPERS OF ALL KINDS always on hand at Advertiser Job Department. You can have them in large or small quantities.

TIMBERS, TRUSS RODS AND PLATES. PATTERSON & JOLLY. 72tf

STOVES AND SECOND-HAND FURNITURE for sale cheap at KERNE'S Furniture Store, Masonic Temple, Market Square.

DYMENT-BAKER LUMBER CO.—
Lumber Yard,
Planing Mill,
Box Factory,
Wood Carving.
Corner Wellington and Bathurst Sts.
London. xb

Religious Services.

DUNDAS CENTER METHODIST CHURCH—Special Christmas services Sunday, Dec. 26. The pastor, Rev. E. B. Lanceley, will preach. Morning subject, "Bethlehem's Babe." Evening subject, "The Mother of Jesus." Morning—Anthems, Sing, O Sing (Leslie), and Come Near Ye Nations (Watson); solo and chorus, Hail Christmas Day (Warren); solo, How Brightly Dawns the Morning (Shelley). Evening—Anthems, Sing and Rejoice (Barnby), and It Came Upon the Midnight Clear (Sullivan); solos, Glory to God (Rotoli), and The Birthday of a King (Neidlinger), Hallelujah Chorus, (Messiah) Handel. 11u

Miscellaneous.

THE FACTORY OF THE ROBINSON Corset Company will be closed after the 24th for their usual two weeks' holidays. Business will resume on Jan. 10. b

Educational.

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL MEN supplied with office help without charge for our services. Apply W. C. Coo, court reporter, 76 Dundas street. t

Business Chances.

FOR SALE OR RENT—GOOD ESTABLISHED shoemaking business, house shop, fruit garden, occupied by the late Hugh McCallum, Dutton. Apply MRS. MCCALLUM, Dutton. 4bu

Situations Wanted.

EXPERIENCED COOKS, DINING-ROOM girls, general servants, housekeepers, ladies' companions, saleladies, etc., are waiting situations.
London Employment Bureau,
372 Richmond.

Livery Stables.

THOMAS TREBILCOCK—STAR LIVERY—833 Richmond street. Best hacks, coupes, etc. Light livery a specialty. Careful attention to orders. Phone 423. Open night and day.

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

Hotel Cards.

GRIGG HOUSE, LONDON, ONT.—Refurnished and renovated throughout. Large and light sample rooms for commercial men. Rates $1 50 and $2 per day. M. O'MEARA, proprietor.

O'NEIL HOUSE—CORNER TALBOT AND York street; new and convenient; stables. WM. COLLINS, proprietor.

CITY HOTEL, LONDON—BEST $1 DAY house in Canada; good stables in connection. J. MCMARTIN, proprietor.

THE ST. LAWRENCE HOTEL, MONTREAL—Centrally located and first-class in every respect. H. HOGAN, Proprietor.

"THE RICHMOND" — CORNER KING and Richmond streets. JAMES FALLAHE, new proprietor. A call solicited.

TECUMSEH HOUSE—LONDON, ONT. Largest and best hotel in Western Ontario. No charge for baggage or sample rooms. Rates $2 and $2 50 per day. C. W. DAVIS proprietor.

Jewelers.

SPECIAL ATTENTION TO REPAIRING—J. T. WESTLAND, Engraver and Manufacturing Jeweler, 340 Richmond street (up stairs), London, Ont.

NOTICE.

THE OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES Consul has been removed from the Tecumseh House to Dr. Kingsmill's terrace, Queen's avenue. 7n

Dental Cards.

DR. G. H. KENNEDY, DENTIST, successor to the late Dr Davis. Specialty, preservation of natural teeth. 170 Dundas street. Phone 975.

DR. W. S. WESTLAND, DENTIST—Honor graduate Toronto University, post-graduate in crown and bridge work Chicago. Electric cataphoresis for painless filling. Edge Block, Richmond street. Phone 960.

DR. HARRY E. SILK, DENTIST—Honor graduate of Toronto University. 185½ Dundas street, over Gurd's gun store.

J. ELLIOTT HOLMES, L.D.S., ROOM 3, Duffield Block, Dundas and Clarence streets. Phone 897.

DR. L. H. DAWSON, DENTIST, CORNER Dundas and Lyle streets, East London.

DR. JEFFREY N. WOOD—DENTIST—Higgins' Block, over 212 Dundas street.

L. MCDONALD, DENTIST,
Office, 183½ Dundas street, London
Telephone 702.

DR. J. H. SWANN—DENTIST—OFFICE 207½ Dundas street. Telephone 1,131.

WOOLVERTON & BENTLEY, DENTISTS—216 Dundas street, next Edy Bros., over Cairncross & Lawrence, druggists. Telephone 822.

Veterinary Surgeons.

J. H. TENNANT—VETERINARY SURGEON—Office, King street, opposite Market House; residence, corner King and Wellington. Telephone.

Insurance.

A. N. UDY, INSURANCE AGENT Office over C. P. R. ticket office. Telephone, 735. ywt

LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE, Phœnix Insurance Company, New York Life Insurance Company (this company is indorsed by 82 separate and distinct governments throughout the civilized world), Canada Accident Assurance Company, American Surety Company, Employers' Liability Corporation; the assets of the foregoing companies exceed $251,000,000. Funds to loan at 5½ and 5 per cent. For all kinds of insurance loans, valuations, real estate, apply to
EDWARD TOWE,
Over Bank of Commerce, 412 Richmond street, London. Phone office 690. wyt

The Huron & Erie Loan & Savings Co.

Dividend No. 67.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT a dividend of 4½ per cent. for the current half year upon the paid-up capital stock of this company has been declared, and that the same will be payable at the company's office, in this city, on and after

MONDAY, JAN. 3, 1898.

The transfer books will be closed from the 16th to the 31st December, both days inclusive.
By order of the board.
GEO. A. SOMERVILLE, Manager.
London, Ont., Dec. 1, 1897. 100u 11-25

THE LONDON LOAN CO'Y OF CANADA.

DIVIDEND NO. 41.

NOTICE is hereby given that a dividend has been declared at rate of 6 per cent per annum for half year ending Dec. 31, 1897.
M. J. KENT, Manager.
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Real Estate.

FARM FOR SALE—LOT 47, CON. B, Westminster, containing 100 acres; will sell all or part; never-failing spring; creek suitable for trout pond; within one quarter mile of terminous of Springbank railway. JOS. MONTAGUE, Byron postoffice. 9u xt& bw

FOR SALE—TEN FINE BUILDING LOTS five fronting on Grey street and five fronting on Simcoe street, immediately east of the London and Petrolea Barrel Works, East London. Price and particulars given by
GEO. PRITCHARD
yt 9 Market Lane.

GOOD COTTAGE FOR SALE ON Queen's avenue, west of Adelaide street, $1,400. Land alone is worth the purchase money. For particulars apply J. W. WINNETT, barrister, 420 Talbot street, London. ywt

P. Walsh's Bulletin.

110 Dundas street. Phone 1,021.

Let intending purchasers of real estate bear in mind we carry on exclusively the real estate business of London. We devote our time to it, and have no side lines to ensnare buyers.

We know the construction of every house we offer for sale, and deal only in substantial properties, and through practical experience we are able to furnish information in regard to building that can only be obtained in this office. We have elegant properties now on hand, too numerous to mention here, so call and receive our list of properties for sale, Money advanced. Titles perfect.

P. WALSH - - Real Estate.

REALTY INVESTMENTS.
A. A. CAMPBELL,
Real Estate, Loans and Investments, Molsons Bank Buildings.
Telephone 642.

Ten years of active experience on the London real estate market enables us to give valuable advice as to values to intending buyers. It also enables us to discriminate between poor properties and those which will increase in value. Consequently you will not find our lists filled up with unsaleable and unattractive properties. Buyers as well as sellers appreciate this as our large list of sales evince.

Hence if you either wish to buy or sell it is to your advantage to apply in person at our office. Information on realty matters given whether you buy or not.

LOANS.

$137,000 special funds to loan for the purpose of buying property, building, remodeling the old house or to pay off old mortgages. No delays. No publicity.

A. A. CAMPBELL,
Molsons Bank Buildings,
London, Ont.

DR. W. L. SMITH—OFFICE 619 RICHMOND street, London, specialist in Piles, Ulcers, Tumors, Fissure, Fistula, Pruritis and all Rectal Diseases. wty

Your vote is respectfully requested for

DUNCAN M. STUART

as School Trustee for
NO. 1 WARD.
8c eod

Bylaw No. ---

FOR TAKING THE VOTES OF the electors upon the question of the advisability of providing for the issue of debentures of the corporation to the extent of $70,000, to raise money for the purpose of altering and improving the London General Hospital buildings, upon the site of the London General Hospital, so as to provide further accommodation for the said Hospital.

WHEREAS, a recommendation has been made by the Board of Hospital Trustees of the City of London to the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London, that certain alterations should be made to the London General Hospital, and that additional buildings should also be erected on the site of the London General Hospital for the accommodation of the said Hospital.

AND WHEREAS, it is expedient that a bylaw be prepared for submission to the electors of the City of London at the next ensuing municipal elections, to ascertain their opinion with regard to the advisability of providing for the issue of debentures of the corporation to a sum not exceeding $70,000 for the purposes aforesaid;

AND WHEREAS, it is expedient that the said question should be submitted to a vote of the electors of the City of London, who would, under the provisions of "The Consolidated Municipal Act, 1892," be entitled to vote upon this bylaw if it were a bylaw, requiring the assent of the electors of the municipality under the provisions of section 293 of the said act, beforethe final passing thereof:

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London as follows:

1. That a vote of the electors of the City of London who would, under the provisions of "The Consolidated Municipal Act, 1892," be qualified to vote on this bylaw if it were a bylaw requiring the assent of the electors of the municipality, under the provisions of section 293 of the said act, before the final passing thereof, be taken at the same time, by the same officials and at the same places as the votes for the election of aldermen of the said City of London at the next ensuing municipal elections are taken.

2. That the question upon which the vote shall be taken shall be "For or against the issue of debentures of the Corporation of the City of London, to the extent of $70,000, to raise money for altering and improving the London General Hospital buildings and erecting additional buildings on the site of the London General Hospital."

3. That the votes taken upon the said question shall be taken by ballot, and the clerk shall sum up the votes and declare the results of the election at the same time as the results of the election of the mayor of the said city is declared.

PASSED in open council, this day of December, A.D., 1897.

Clerk. Mayor.

TAKE NOTICE that the above is a true copy of a proposed bylaw which has been taken into consideration, and which will be finally passed by the council in the event of the assent of the electors being obtained thereto, after one month from the first publication in the London Advertiser (the first publication being on the 8th day of December, 1897), and that at the hour, day and place fixed for taking the vote of the electors at the municipal elections the polls will be held.

Dated this 7th day of December, 1897.
C. A. KINGSTON,
City Clerk.
12c tyw

Merry Christmas.

"AT CHRISTMAS, PLAY AND MAKE GOOD CHEER,
FOR CHRISTMAS COMES BUT ONCE A YEAR."

Today we "Play and Make Good Cheer," and in the spirit of good fellowship that animates all mankind, we extend to the good people of London and vicinity a hearty "Merry Christmas." In addition we embrace this opportunity to acknowledge the favor of liberal and increased trade that our friends the buying public have bestowed upon us, and to testify that it shall be our constant effort to merit a continuation of their steadfast patronage and good will.

Cairncross & Lawrence.

Away Below Zero.

New York State Experiences a Cold Wave.

Massachusetts and Pennsylvania in the Track of the Storm—Deep Snow—Mercury 25 Below Zero.

New York, Dec. 24.—This is the coldest day this winter. New York has only experienced two December 24's as cold, and there is no record of this day of the month ever being colder.

Saratoga, N. Y., Dec. 24.—The mercury in Saratoga county and the Adirondacks today averaged from zero to 25 below. Rivers and lakes are blocked.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 24.—A cold wave, accompanied by a severe northwest gale, swept over New England last night, and continued today. One death has been reported in this city.

Corry, Pa., Dec. 24.—The snow is drifting at a terrific rate. At Sherman, N. Y., and vicinity reports say that it is over four feet and still drifting. It takes two engines to pull three cars on the Western New York and Pennsylvania, which goes through that section. Trains on the Pennsylvania are also delayed.

ALL DEAD.

Four Children Suffocated by Smoke — $1,000,000 Loss by the Cleveland Blaze.

Philadelphia, Dec. 24.—Four children named Malbelski were suffocated by smoke this morning in an attic room occupied by the family at 17 Christian street. Their parents were both away. The house caught fire from an overheated stove, and before the little ones could be rescued they were rendered unconscious by smoke, and all were dead when carried out of the house.

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 24.—The loss by last night's fire probably will exceed $1,000,000. The list of accidents was unusually heavy, and as a result Lieut. Wm. B. McFelers, who fell down the elevator shaft, has died.

Cure that cough with Shiloh's Cure. The best Cough Cure. Relieves Croup promptly. One million bottles sold last year. 40 doses for 25c. Sold by all druggists.

The Wabash Railroad.

With its superb and magnificent train service is now acknowledged to be the most perfect railway system in America, the great winter tourist route to the south and west, including the famous Hot Springs of Arkansas, Old Mexico (the Egypt of the new world), Texas and California (the land of sunshine and flowers). Passengers going by the Wabash new line reach their destination in advance of other routes. Wabash trains reach more large cities than any other railroad in the world. Detailed information will be gladly furnished by any railroad agent or J. A. Richardson, northeast corner King and Yonge streets, Toronto. 44tf

$400,000 TO LEND ON MORTGAGES at low rates of interest; repayable either monthly, quarterly, half yearly or yearly as required. Applications for loans dealt with promptly. Apply WILLIAM F. BULLEN, Manager Ontario Loan and Debenture Company; office corner Dundas street and Market Lane. ywt

THE MAYORALTY.

To the Electors of the City of London:

Ladies and Gentlemen,—

Your vote and influence respectfully solicited for

Ald. Edw. Parnell

As Mayor

For the Year 1898.

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Mail Contract.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Postmaster-General, will be received at Ottawa until noon, on Friday, Jan. 21, 1898, for the conveyance of Her Majesty's mails, on a proposed contract for four years, six times per week each way, between Granton and London, from the 1st of April next.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed contract may be seen and blank forms of tender may be obtained at the postoffices on the route and at this office.

H. G. HOPKIRK,
Postoffice Inspector.

Postoffice Inspector's Office,
London, Dec. 10, 1897. 100ct

The Christmas Mail.

Largest in the History of the London Postoffice.

Tons of Letters and Parcels Sent and Received by Citizens.

The letter-carriers and clerks in the postal service here have had their hands full for the past few days with the Christmas mail, which has been much larger than ever before in the history of the office. The staff inside has been worked to the utmost night and day handling the great loads of letters, parcels, etc., that on the arrival of every train are deposited at the rear of the office, and also the steady stream of outgoing mail. Many of the postmen this morning will have to make three trips from the office to complete their routes, and for a couple of days past almost each man has found it necessary to divide his allotment into two or three loads.

Speaking of the unusually heavy mail, the postmaster said: "It is the largest I have ever seen here. Our revenue is going up, I can tell you."

The amount of stuff and the celerity with which it is handled is astonishing. Yesterday at some of the busiest hours the quantity of parcels mailed was such that every fifteen minutes or less the large basket placed to receive them, and holding about six bushels, had to be emptied. Tons of letters and parcels of all shapes and sizes have been sent and received by the citizens in the past day of two.

HEADING FOR KLONDIKE

Frank W. Herring, of London, One of a Company to Carry 50 Tons of Provisions to Dawson City.

Mr. Frank W. Herring, of Fullarton street, this city, who for the past 22 years has represented J. H. Caulfield & Co.'s gents' furnishing house of Toronto, on the road, left at 8 o'clock last night on the C. P. R. for Toronto, en route to Dawson City. He leaves to join a strong provision company at Seattle, which point the company expect to leave about Jan. 10, taking along 50 tons of provisions, a large consignment of shoes and mackinaw suits. They expect to get through the pass by Feb. 1, and reach Dawson City about one month before the boats arrive in the Yukon. Mr. Herring has little fear of starving to death, as he has taken along for his own individual use eighteen months' provisions. Mr. Herring previous to embarking into commercial life, was a sailor, and is as familiar with the ports of Siberia as he is with some of the towns in Ontario. He says he has roughed it before, and to do it again will only feel like old times. Mr. Herring has been a resident here for seventeen or eighteen years, and owing to a fall resulting in a sprained ankle, he was unable to bid all his friends good-bye, but extends to them the season's compliments. Mr. Herring is well known all over Ontario, and his many friends wish him every success. He carries with him all necessary documents, even to a letter of introduction to Major Walsh.

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