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The Ontario Legislature will meet

The London Normal School will be ready for occupation by the students after the Christmas holidays.

Volunteers for South Africa are turn ing up by the dozen at London. Col. Holmes is still without orders concerning the number to enlist.

The German residents of Vancouver held a pro-Boer demonstration in a down-town cafe on Christmas night. Daring the evening some Britishers, who were also celebrating, broke in, and if the police had not interfered there would have been a free-for-all fight, with about a hundred people in the mix-up.

THE CANDIDATES.

The following candidates have issued ards to the the electors which may be found on page two of this issue:

For Aldermen. Ald Geo Stephens. Ald W S Marshall. Arch. B McCoig. Ex Ald. John Hendershott. Aid W E McKeough. Ex Ald G G Taylor. Ald Geo Sulman.

Ald D G Fleming, M D. For School Trusteet Ward 1-Wm Roberton. Ward 2-J A Wilson, and Alex Gre

Ward 3-A H Von Gunten and Dr. Geo T McKeough. Ward 4-Andrew Thompson and John Ward 5-J E Johnson and A J Pike.

Harwich. For councillor-Jim McCormick. For Reeve-E B Tole.

OUNGAH SCHOOL CONCERT.

It was a Great Success in Every way -Very Large Attendare :.

Never since Oungah had a school has there been held a concert which in any sense compares with that of Friday evening, Dec. 22, either in excel-

lence of program or in proceeds. The chocert was held under the auspices of he Uungah public and Sunday chools, it was a brilliant affair and magnificent success. In anticipation of a large audience he school room was cleared of desks and seated in such a manner that

In anticipation of a large audence he school room was cleared of desks and seated in such a manner that number that every foot of space could be utilized. The walls were handsomely decorated with evergreens and with artistic streamers of "Red, White and Blue." The Christmas tree was a lovely sight, drooping with its burden of Christmas gifts.

At a very carly hour the see begen to-fill and long before he time of commencement every available inch of room was literally thronged with an expectant crowd. Some, even, were obliged to go away, being unable to get within the doors.

In due time, the chairman of the evening, James Clancy "M. P., arrived, and opened what proved to be an admirable program with a very appropriate andress. The music of the Bal-

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in p mirable program with a very appro-priate address. The music of the Bal-doon orehestra and the Sunday school choir, the solos of Mrs. Pardo, Mr. choir, the solos of Mrs. Pardo, Mr. Fred. Parkyn, and Mr. McCarty, and the recitations of Gordon Stewart and Miss Adams, were highly appreciated. Miss Adams, were highly appreciated.
The part taken by the school children was performed with credit to them-selves and to their teacher, J. C. Stewart. The dialogue, "The Somnambulist," and the farces, "That nambulist," and "No Cure No Pay," with their Irish witticisms and drolleries and negro burlesque, simply

with their Irish witticisms and drolleries and negro burlesque, simply
brought down the the house.

At the close of the program Santa
Clans made his appearance and cheered the hearts of the little people by
distributing the presents from the
tree. A vote of thanks was tendered
to the outside talent and to the chairman. Mr. Clancy fittingly responded
and advised the committee to take
their next concert to the Grand Opera House, Chatham, where there was
anple room for their many patrons.
Proceeds amounted to the handsome
sum of \$51.

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IRTHS. MARRIAGES AND DEATES

THORNTON.—On Wednesday, Dec 27, the wife of Dr. A. W. Thornton, of a daughter.

Read the Messenger from Khartoum n to-day's paper. Read the Messenger from Khartoum

n to-day's paper. Ald. E. W. Scane is in Ridgetown to-day on legal busines. The Planet's new story, The Messenger from Khartoum commences

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G. E. Young will have to-morrow fresh salt water blue fish and salmon, shrimps, oysters and clams in the

Geo. W. Quinn, of Brantford, who has been in St. J Oseph's Hospital, left to-day.

Peter Tschirhart, of Harbor, Mich., is visiting his son, Frank Tschirhart, Raleigh St. Post office store to rent in the vil-

lage of Port Alma. No opposition. Box C., Port Alma, Ont. 1w Miss Louise Hillman, William St., is spending the holiday vacation with friends in London.

Miss Mary Lecocq, of Fletcher, is spending a few days with her cousin, Miss Maud Dyer, of Grey St.

Master George Dyer is spending a few days with his cousin, Samuel Le-cocq, of Fletcher. Miss Maggie Lecocq, of Fletcher, is spending a few days with her cousin, Miss Annie Kerr, Lacroix St.

The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies for the Home will be held friday afternoon in council chambers at 3 o'clock.

Bruce Steele, of Syeamore Station, who has been ill with typhoid at St. Joseph's hospital, refurned home today fully recovered. Dr. Francis McDonell, House Surgeon at St. Mary's Hospital, returned to Detroit yesterday, after spending Xmas with his parents.

Thr Catholic Order of Foresters hold their annual meeting for the election of officers to-night. Re-freshments will be served at the con-

The spring assizes will be held before Chief Justice Armour and will open on April 24th. There will be no nonjury court until June, when Judge Meredith will preside.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dezelia enter-tained a large number of friends at their residence on the corner of Sin-clair and Lowe streets. About 40 guests were present, and a most en-joyable time was spent in pedro. The great amount of design work done at the Victoria Avenue Green Houses is sufficient proof of the excellence of the work. Nothing but the best at the lowest prices. Phone 181.

The Poole Comedy Company, a local The Poole Comedy Company, a local organization, under the direction of Alfred Wrigley, who are reputed to have gained considerable skill in the dramatic art, will present "The Sly Detective" at the Grand on Friday

Toronto Saturday Night: The most successful canvasser for the Christmas number of Saturday Night was a lit tle Chatham girl, Miss Shirley Errett eant in the names of 12 rsand broke the record for this year. Miss Errett is a very bright and winome child, whose canvass was appar ently irresistible, and comes of narkably clever family. She is also

our youngest agent. London Free Press:—Matters were at a stand still at Wolseley Barracks yesterday with regard to recruiting for the second South African con-tingent. Official orders were not received up to noon, and Surgeon Belton did not examine any volunteers yes-If only ten men are to be terday. If only ten men are to be sent to the front from this district, the surgeon sees no good in examining the whole countryside.

The will of the late T. W. McKee, which was somewhat tangred, has been settled, and Mrs. McLeod, of Wood's stock, will receive her share, \$5,000. This was in stock in the Permanent oney had been placed there by Mr. Kee while he was acting as manag-of Mrs. McLeod's estate. The remainder of the estate goes to Mrs. Mc

"If your eyes could talk," what a story of suffering and of abuse they could tell. How we strained them; how we taxed them with overwork, and then, because they were tired w rubbed them to make irritation worse And to think that the most they need ed, in fact, all that they were asking for in their quiet way, was a rest, little help in the shape of a good pair of glasses, properly fitted. I have helped other tired eyes. I can help yours. Examination free. E. J. MacIntyre, leading optician, opposite Grand Opera House. Chatham.

WINDSOR IS GROWING.

Alex. Black, assessment commission Alex. Black, assessment commissioner of Windsor, has prepared some statistics in regard to the assessment and population of the city. The population is 11,446. Of this number, 3,398 are ratepayers. The religious classification is as follows: Roman Catholics, 3,499; Methodists, 1,976; Episcopalians, 1,899; Presbyterians, 1,696; Baptists, 1997, Interest 1777. Congregationals 1,889; Presbyterians, 1,696; Baptists, 510; Lutherans, 177; Congregational-ists, 30; Salvation Army, 71; Jews, 132; colored Methodists, 648; colored Baptists, 214; colored Catholics, 24, 38 scat-tered among several other denominations; 449 persons, religion unknown; 143 admit having none. The revised assessment of the city is placed at \$5, 315,530. The exempted properties assessment of the city is placed at \$9.315,530. The exempted property is valued at \$803,025. Of this, \$170,400 is in school properties, \$113,500 in churches, \$327,125 in city property, and \$75,000 in government property.

HARWICH-TAX NOTICE

I will be at Geo. Stephens store, Chathan on Saturday Dec. 30th, and January 13th, from 9 a m. to 3 p m. to receive tax-s. WILBER J. HUFFMAN, lad lm3 s-w

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DRESDEN.

Dec. 28.—Invitations have been issued by the married men of Wallaceburg for a ball to be given on January 10th. A number from here will

Miss Kate Garrett and Miss Cora Merritt, of Chatham, are the guests of Mrs. Joshua Wright, Hughes street. Mrs. Wright will entertain in their

Mrs. Wright with entering.

Mrs. Shain, and family, of Detroit, who have been spending several days with Mrs. S. Shaw, returns home to-morrow.

Messars. O. B. Cragg, T. N. Wilson, and R. McConnell, of Detroit, who spent Christmas in town, have return-

Candidates for the council of 1900 are busy canvassing for votes and in-W. R. Ward, of Toronto, is visiting his father, Wm. Ward.

WALLACEBURG

Dec. 28.-A large crowd skated on the river yesterday. The ice is the inest in many years. The Baptist S. S. entertainment is be given in the Opera House. Miss Ada Collinge has re has returned

nome, after spending the summer and fall in Detroit. The Separate school board held a meeting vesterday.

Mrs. A. Wills and Miss Graham, of London, are the guests of J. W.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

At the last regular meeting of the .M. C. C. the following officers were ected for the ensuing term:

Rev. Father De Paul-Spiritual Ad-Rev. Father Herman - Hon. Vice-

E. Donegan-President F. Crump-Vice-President. Harry Crump-Fin. Secretary. T. G. Roarke-Rec. Secretary.

Jacques Treasurer. as. Wood-Guard. Keenan-Marshal.

Executive Committee—M. J. Doyle, Brenan and Hy. O'Keeffe.

HIS SECRET DISCOVERED. . This extract is from the serial story, The Messenger from Khartoum, which

mmences in this issue. There is no need of concealment beween us, Mr. Grimes. You may de-eive these good people at the hotel, ut I have heard of you, sir."

mutters the individual addressed.
"Yes," Mynheer Joe goes on, quick-ly, as though his mind is made up; "you pass as a silver king at Cairo. cross the water, Mr. Grimes, you are nown as one of the shrewdest de-

ectives in the country." He pauses again as if to let this shot to home. Both puff away at their sigars as though the action may clear hear brains. It is the explorer who

oreaks the silence.
"You don't deny the soft impeach-ment, Mr. Grimes?" he says, with a I have no reason to, with you, sir. although I should not fike this subject o become common property," replies he stout man, in a singularly cool

Perhaps I can even guess the object of your visit to Egypt in this year eighty-five."
"Make a try at it now."

SMITH ACQUITTED.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 28.—At the police court here, when the case against J. Obed Smith, the Liberal organizer, charged with beibery in connection with the recent Provincial election, vas called, the prosecution announced that it had no evidence to offer, and Smith was accordingly discharged.

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Young Mr. Churchill Sets out to do it.

Mesonic Lodge Wiped Out-Plot at Cape Town Nipped in the Bud.

London, Dec. 28.—The Morning Post has received the following from Mr. has received the following from Mr. Churchill, under date of Dec. 26, telegraphed from Chieveley Camp, where he has arrived:—"All ranks have complete confidence in Sir Redvers Buller, and there is a stern determination to succeed next time at all costs. A painful impression was caused by the announcement of the change of commanders-in-chief, and the soldiers here are resolved to vindicate their trusted leader. The situation, however, is are resolved to vindicate their trusted leader. The situation, however, is difficult, the Boer position being one of extraordinary strength, with high hills lined tier on tier with trenches and galleries rising from an an almost unfordable river and with a smooth he ranges marked, and many powerful guns dominate the various points of the river, while the drifts are com-manded by converging musketry fire from probably 12,000 Boers. There are sixteen miles of wild, broken country before reaching Ladysmith , which de mandss early relief."

WAR NOTES.

The Hindoos of Bombay are praying for the success of the British arms. The day after Christmas the naval guns shelled the Boer positions at Chieveley for two hours with lyddite. A cable from Belmont en Christmas day, says the Canadians are all right. This disposes of the story about the picker being captured.

M. Pere Perrit, recruiting for the ambulance corps for the Boer army, suspended operations to-day, on account of the fastere to receive an expected draft from Dr. Leyds, It is stated that every member of the well-known Ermle Netherlands Lodge of Freemasons has been killed while fighting on the side of the Boers. The fact is believed to be unique in the history of Freemasonry.

A special correspondent of the Daily Chronicle, telegraphing from Stork-stroom, says:—Strong measures are necessary to check the hostile feeling among the Durch colonists, whose ser-dition is shown in the removal of rail-way bolts, the obstruction of bridges and culverts and attacks upon soli-tary horsemen. Chroniele, telegraphing from Stork

Lord Roterts, according to the Herald's London correspondent, absolutely refused to take command in South refused to take command in South Africa until this ultimatum was acceded to:—"The only conditions under which I will go out are that I shall have absolutely supreme command and receive no instructions from home."

FOR KINDNESS TO THE OLD PEO-PLE.

The undersigned, in behalf of the county of Kent, wishes to thank Mr. and Mrs. Butler, who presented the inmates of the House of Refuge with candy and shawls. Also the Epworth League of Park St. Methodist Church, who contributed twenty-seven pairs of carpet slippers and magazines. A. T. Arnold, Mgr.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS.

Two per cent. will be added to all taxes unpaid up to 31st inst, after which date 5 per cent, will be added. Wm. Rannie, collector.

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HORNE-THOMPSON. In the presence of about 70 invited guests, Miss Jennie Horne, youngest daughter of James Horne, Delaware united in marriage last evening. The bride presented a charming appearoride presented a charming once as she entered the parlor ther's arm, and took her stand with he groom beneath a beautiful arch of holly and mistletoe, where the Re-H. W. Crews, of St. Thomas, pronounced the potent words which made them man, and wife. The bridesmaid was Miss Bertha Coatsworth, and the groom was assisted by Alex McIntyre, of Morden, Man. Little Maud McCubbin, niece of the bride, made a pretty maid of honor, and Master Land McCubbin, nephew of the bride, #ulfilled the duties of page. The bride, #ulfilled the duties of page. d the duties of page. The bride was organdie trimmed with valen arried a bouquet of roses and chryscarried a bouquet of roses and chrys-anthonoums. The bridesmant, Miss-Bartha Coatsworth, wore a gown of white organdic adorned with a tor-quoise blue sash and collar and trim-med with lace. She carried chrysan-themums and carnations. The young themums and carnations. The young couple were the recipients of many tokens of esteem from Triends and relatives. The Victoria Ave. Methodist Church Epworth League, of which Mr. Thompson is president, sent a hautiful parlor lamp. The firm of Wilson, Kerr & Pike, of which Mr. Thompson is bookkeeper, sent a check for \$25. A delightful wedding repast was served after the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson will take up their residence on Head street.

GRANTED A PARDON. This morning Mayor Smith received of the Governor-General announcing the pardon of a lad named Arthur Darling, who went down to the Re-formatory for three years for theft. He has served about a year.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tab-lets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. E. W. Grove's signature in each box.

CHATHAM.

ROW BREAKS OUT AGAIN. There is every likelihood of a lively time at Belle River before the Separ-ate school will be established in that village. Three of the trustees who are favorable to the Separate school have placed new locks on the doors and gate, and forbid the other trustees to ssion of the school in some way, as it s a public school and has been paid, or out of the general tax fund and

HAS A GRAND EFFECT.

Quebec, Dec 28 -W. H. Wiggs, of he Mechanics' Supply Co., of this city, has just received a personal letter from a prominent member of the Brit-ish House of Commons, Charles E. Shaw, in which the writer says :- "You cannot imagine bow the colonial aid. so freely and spontaneously given, has touched the heart of the people here. Deep, deep down it is, and will never be forgotten.'

The skeleton of Sir Arthur Curtis. an English baronet, who perished on the way to the Klondike, has been found near Mud Creek, on the fatai Asheroft trail

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