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LONDON AND DISTRICT
Miss Minnie Maguire, of Simcoe street school, is spending the Christmas holidays in Toronto.

The Christmas tree entertainment of the Templo Presbyterian Sunday school will be held tomorrow evening.

Miss Daisy Fox, of Chicago, accompanied by her uncle, Mr. Willis J. Fox, is visiting relatives at 229 Burwell street, for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. McCauley, at Port Huron, Mrs. John Harper, of this city, has returned home.

Rev. Robert McIntyre, of Templo, will deliver a lecture, "What I Saw in the Old Land," at the Kintore Presbyterian Church tomorrow night.

Mrs. Walter Y. Martin (nee Bell), of St. Albans, Vermont, is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bell, of York street.

Mr. John Pringle, the retiring president of St. Andrew's Society, entertained the members of the executive in a pleasant way at his home last evening.

Special Christmas services will be held in the Westminster Presbyterian Church on Sunday. Dr. McCrae will preach, and Mr. Walter Nichol, B.A., will address the young people.

An old and respected citizen of Ingersoll, Mr. Elias Cook, passed away yesterday at the home of Mr. Howay, 3 Cherry avenue, this city. Mr. Cook had been visited in this city, and death resulted from an attack of influenza.

BANK CLEARINGS.
The bank clearings for the week ended today amounted to \$1,000,537.

MANUFACTURERS' BANQUET.
Invitations are being sent out to all the manufacturers of this city, to those who are not members of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, as well as those who are, to attend the big dinner of the association on Jan. 5 at the London Club. A committee has been appointed to make the necessary arrangements for the banquet.

ILDERTON WOODMEN.
At the grand assembly to be given under the auspices of the Woodmen of Borton camp, No. 17, on Thursday evening, Dec. 29, 1904, the committee in charge have decided to offer prizes for the best lady and gentleman waltzers. The prizes consist of a handsome gold bracelet and stickpin. As Ilderton and vicinity have long been noted for their dancers, it is expected that those beautiful presents will be keenly contested for by those in attendance on that evening.

PRESENTATION TO TEACHER.
On Wednesday afternoon at the closing exercises of Pond Mills school, the teacher, Miss Florence E. Nichol, of this city, who is retiring from the school, was the recipient of a presentation by the pupils. The address was read by Master J. D. McCrae, and Miss Jessie Elliott presented Miss Nichol with a beautiful pearl pendant. Miss Nichol replied suitably. Regret is expressed at her departure.

REV. MR. NIXON UNDOING.
On Tuesday, Rev. Thomas Nixon, formerly of Smith's Falls, was formally inducted into the pastorate of Hyde Park and Komoka by the Presbytery of London. The moderator, Rev. Mr. Drummond, presided, and Rev. Dr. Ross delivered the sermon. Rev. Mr. McGillivray addressed the new minister, and Rev. Mr. Stuart delivered the benediction. Refreshments were afterwards served.

CLOSING EXERCISES.
The children of Chesley avenue kindergarten held their Christmas closing yesterday morning. The kindergarten was prettily decorated with evergreens and in a conspicuous place stood the Christmas tree, laden with the work of the children, pretty gifts, which they had made for their parents and friends, and decorations they had made to beautify the tree. A large

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THE CHRISTMAS CHEER.

Persons desiring to send anything for distribution at the Salvation Army, please send the same to the city office, 420-422 Richmond street.

The distribution takes place at the city office, 420-422 Richmond street, on Saturday morning. All the parties coming for a share of the Christmas cheer are requested to bring baskets. We mention this, as some of the parties giving out the tickets may not have made this definite understanding.

FUNERAL OF MR. ORME.
The remains of the late Mr. Thomas Orme were laid to rest in Birk Cemetery on Tuesday afternoon. The funeral took place from the residence of Mr. R. H. Morgan, and services were conducted by Revs. J. C. Nethercott, of the Methodist Church, and J. Mahon, of the Presbyterian Church. A very stormy, large number of deceased's friends many of them from a distance, were in attendance, to pay their last respects to the remains of the pioneer. Rev. Dr. Thomas Orme, of Buffalo, and Rev. James Orme, of this city, were also present. The pallbearers consisted of six grandsons of deceased.

TRAFFIC WAS DELAYED.
Yesterday afternoon traffic on the C. P. R. west of London was delayed for nearly five hours through a somewhat peculiar accident. The company is constructing a new iron bridge over the L. H. and B. line of the Grand Trunk near Hyde Park, and as the girders were being lowered into place, the jacks slipped, allowing it to fall onto the track. The girder was so heavy and awkward to handle that it took, as stated, several hours to remove it, and to remedy the damage caused by the fall.

DIED IN POTTERSBURG.
Mr. James B. Hodgins, a well-known and esteemed resident of this city, passed away yesterday at his home in Potteryburg, after a prolonged illness. Mr. Hodgins, who was 59 years of age at the time of his death, was a native of Biddulph, and lived on the second city block west of the city. He was engaged in the grocery business at the corner of William and Hill streets, subsequently he was in the employ of the street railway company until illness compelled him to retire. He was possessed of many sterling qualities, and a large circle of friends and acquaintances will much regret his death. He was a member of St. John's Anglican Church, No. 20, A. F. and A. M., and also of Lodge Perseverance, C. O. F. Manchester Unity. Deceased leaves three children: Mrs. A. E. Porter and James B. Hodgins, both of Potteryburg; Mrs. Hodgins died eight years ago. The funeral takes place at 2 o'clock, from the home named Potteryburg, Hale street, Potteryburg, to Woodland Cemetery. Services at 2 o'clock.

GOOD WORK BEING DONE
V. I. Ior's Impressions of the Salvation Army's Rescue Home.

Major Rawlings, of the Salvation Army, is in receipt of a letter from "An Outsider," in which the work of the Army's Rescue Home is referred to in the most complimentary terms. The writer recently visited the institution, and was so impressed with the good work being done there, that he wrote what was being carried on in a three-fold way in the children's shelter, the maternity hospital and the rescue home. The writer was so impressed with the good work being done there, that he wrote what was being carried on in a three-fold way in the children's shelter, the maternity hospital and the rescue home.

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