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Births, Marriages, Deaths.

MARRIED.

PROCUNIER—PUCKRIDGE—At the residence of Mr. R. W. Puckridge, Nilestown, by the Rev. Mr. Sutton, of Belmont, his daughter, Annie Elizabeth, to Mr. Elgin A. Procunier, Belmont. At home after May 1.

CRUTHERS—WEBSTER—On April 17, 1901, by the Rev. Dr. Saunders, at the residence of the bride's mother, 352 William street, London, Ont., Samuel Cruthers, manager of the Union Bank of Canada, Manitou, Manitoba, to Esther, daughter of Mrs. R. Webster.

SCOTT—IN this city, on Wednesday, April 17, 1901, Lucy, daughter of William B. Scott, 868 Van street, aged 31 years and 6 months.

Funeral will leave her late residence on Friday, at 2:30; services at 2 p.m. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

BEST—In Calgary, N. W. T., on Saturday, April 13, 1901, Joseph, eldest son of Edward and Catharine Best, aged 23 years.

Funeral will take place from his parents' residence, 19 Cartwright street, to St. Peter's Cathedral, on Friday, 19th inst., at 9 a.m. Friends and acquaintances kindly accept this intimation.

AIKEN—AT Greytown, Natal, of typhoid fever, on April 16, 1901, Joseph H. Aiken, late of South London and of Cape Town, South Africa, in the 40th year of his age.

DIED.

DEACON—In this city, on Wednesday, April 17, 1901, Mary, beloved wife of Daniel Deacon, of 95 Bruce street, aged 78 years.

Funeral will leave her late residence on Friday, at 2:30; services, 2 p.m. Friends and acquaintances please accept this intimation.

AMUSEMENTS, LECTURES, ETC.

Advertisements under this heading 10c per line, or 2c per word each insertion.

LONDON OPERA HOUSE—
Saturday, April 20, matinee and night. Return, by popular request, of the distinguished actor,
FREDERICK WARDE,
TWO SPECIAL PERFORMANCES.
Matinee:
THE DUKE'S JESTER.
Night:
OTHELLO.
Mr. Warde as Othello. Prices, 25c, 50c, 75c, $1. Matinee—Children, 25c; adults, 50c. Plan now open. 47k

LONDON OPERA HOUSE—
The emotional actress,
MISS LAURA HULBERT,
Supported by Burrill Comedy Company.
Tonight—"Sapho."
Thursday—"Rip Van Winkle."
Prices, 10c, 20c, 30c. 42h

"HEZEKIAH"—
TONIGHT.
First Methodist Church.
Mrs. Wilson, Chicago, soprano.
Mrs. Clement, Detroit, contralto.
Chorus and Orchestra.
Admission, 25c.
Doors open 7:30 p.m. b

OLD COUNTRY EXCURSIONS—PASSENGERS contemplating a trip to the old country should not forget the fact that there are different lines and different rates. A call at my office will be greatly appreciated, as I am sure I can suit you. F. B. Clarke, Richmond street, next Advertiser.

P. D. A.—NEW TERM FOR BEGINNERS now open. Gentlemen, Monday; ladies, Tuesday evenings. Be taught by competent teachers. Dayton & McCormick.

PRIVATE LESSONS IN DANCING BY R. B. Millard, 345 Princess avenue. Special attention given to the waltz and two-step. Rapid teaching. Low rates. Lessons any hour.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES AT ST. Matthew's Church, Dundas street, every day, 4:15 and 8 p.m. Rev. Arthur Murphy. 39bu

MEETINGS.

A. O. U. W.—WOODBINE LODGE meets this evening. Visitors welcome. Wm. Nichols, M. W. b

KILWINNING LODGE, No. 64, A., F. and A. M., meets tonight at Corinthian lodge room, East London, at 7:30 o'clock. B. S. Murray, W.M.; John Overell, P.M., Secretary. b

MALE HELP WANTED.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE RECEIVED for choirmaster and organist of the Wellington Street Methodist Church until April 24, 1901. All applications to be addressed to Mr. W. Powell, secretary of Trust Board, 132 Colborne street, London. 46c ywt

WANTED AT ONCE—SIX BOYS OR young men to learn shorthand and typewriting. Situations guaranteed when competent. We cannot supply the demand for office help. Apply W. C. Coo, C.S.R., official court reporter, 76 Dundas street. 40n ywt bw

WANTED—TWO CARRIAGE PAINTERS and two helpers at Campbell's carriage factory. 46c

MEDICAL CARDS.

DR. E. PARDEE BUCKE, 209 QUEEN'S avenue, Kingsmill Terrace. Telephone 504.

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Our stock at present is very complete, comprising
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HUNTINGTON PIANOS.

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61 years established.

Price $3.50.

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We have secured the GEORGE A. SLATER'S Men's Boots and Shoes for London. All high-grade qualities, with Goodyear Welted Soles, in the most up-to-date styles and shapes. We believe them to be the best and finest Men's Footwear made in the world, and no careful dresser who sees them in our window will want to miss the chance of buying them at $3 50 a pair.

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WANTED—NURSE GIRL—APPLY 371 Wellington street. 46tf

WANTED—AN EXPERIENCED LAUNDRESS. Apply in the evening, Mrs. Adam Beck, "Headley," Richmond street. 46c

ARTICLES FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—A FIRST-CLASS BILLIARD table (Samuel May & Co.). Apply this office, Box 97. 48tf

PIANO FOR SALE—UPRIGHT PIANO for sale, cheap. Apply to 78 Dundas street, London. 47k

EGGS FOR SALE—WHITE LEGHORN, 50c dozen; Golden Wyandotte, $1 dozen. R. Sanders, Box 22, Ealing P. O. 47c

SAWYER & MASSEY, LIMITED, traction engine, 13 horse-power; separators and tanks; complete; nearly new. Apply George A. Patrick, Delaware. 44n

FOR SALE—WILSON EGG CRATES and good cistern tanks; cheap. 664 Dundas street.

LIGHT SPRING DELIVERY WAGON and buggy; in good repair. Chas. Johns, 361 Talbot street. 46c

FOR SALE—PHAETON BUGGY, GOOD. 266 Grosvenor street. 44k tywt

'PHONE 500 FOR FRESH TENDERLOINS, 14c lb; 3 lbs, best sausage, 25c; 3 lbs bologna and headcheese, 25c; fresh butter, 19c lb. At J. Park's, Market House. ywt

THREE CANS SALMON, 25 CENTS; raspberries and peaches, 15c a tin; dried plums, 2 lbs, 25c; cooking apples, 15c peck. For fine fruits, give us a call, at R. A. Ross, corner York and Thames streets. ywt

FOR SALE—BLACK MINORCA EGGS, from imported stock; $1 50 per sitting; no better in Canada. 170 Bruce street. 40n ywt

BICYCLES, TIRES, SPOKES, SADDLES, pedals, handlebars, all kinds of bicycle parts, at lowest prices. D. McKenzie & Co., 298 Richmond street, one door south G. T. R.

$6,000 STOCK OF WALL PAPER—NEWEST goods, latest designs; must be cleared out. Your own price. W. Scarrow, Lewis' old stand, next Free Press Office, Richmond street. 44tf

ACCOUNT BOOKS MADE TO ORDER. Before placing your order for Account Books or Stationery of any description, have us give you a quotation. It will be to your advantage, and we guarantee you satisfaction.
ANY PATTERN.
CHAPMAN'S BINDERY,
'Phone 370. 91 Dundas Street. ywt

PORK SAUSAGE, 3 LBS FOR 25 CENTS. Sirloin Steak, 10c. Rib Roast, 9c. Boiling Meat, 5c and 6c. Butter, 17c to 19c. At Park's, Corner Market lane ywt

BEST WHITING FOR KALSOMINING, 1 cent per lb; paints, oils, varnish, glass, putty, etc., half price. Scarrow, Lewis' old stand, 424 Richmond. 44tf

$200 WILL BUY A NEW WILLIAMS piano; will give guarantee. This piano cannot be bought direct without paying almost double the price. Anyone desiring a snap address Box 409, Advertiser office, and particulars will be given. 41h

WE CAN SAVE YOU FROM $1 TO $5 by purchasing your baby carriage or go-cart from us. Keene Bros., 127 King street.

YOU'LL BE SORRY IF YOU BUY A wheel before you see our handsome new models, $27 50 to $35. Dunlop tires, superb finish, highest grade materials throughout. None better at any price. Easy terms. Second-hand tires, 50c. Wheels to rent. J. H. Cunningham, 639 Dundas street.

THE CELEBRATED WAGGONER EXTENSION Ladder, 20 and 25 cents a foot; the Lindenwood Extension Step-Ladder, 50 cents a foot. Call at factory, 405-409 York street, or write The Waggoner Ladder Company, Limited, London. Catalogue free.

CHEAP COAL AND WOOD—A GOOD stock of the best hard coal and all kinds of soft coal, and the best quality of hard and soft wood, at the lowest cash price. Yard, William street and G. T. Railway. Green & Co. 'Phone 1,391.

IF YOU WANT A SNAP CALL AT Parish's and see a good range for coal or wood. Bedroom sets and all kinds furniture taken in exchange for new. Remember the place, 357 Talbot street, south of Market Square.

HARD WOOD—BEECH AND MAPLE—Best quality; also soft wood. Prompt delivery. S. Gillies & Son. 'Phone 1,312.

FOR BEST COAL AND WOOD, DELIVERED free, city, try Wm. Buchanan, 633 Colborne. Phone 1096.

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STOVES—NEW AND SECOND-HAND—Very cheap at Keene's Stove and Furniture Store, 141 King street.

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A. HOWAY HAS REMOVED TO 868 Queen's avenue—House moving, building and repairing. Yard, 815 Queen's avenue. 48n wty

F. B. LEYS' OFFICE WILL BE AT the London Hat, Cap and Mantle Manufacturing Company, 355 and 357 Clarence street, for the present. 29tf

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Here is just what you have been looking and longing for. A perfect Oxford tie; neither too heavy nor too light, exquisitely shaped yet very durable. It goes without saying that materials and workmanship are on a par with shape, style and comfort.

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We are **SOLE AGENTS** in London for Gray Bros., Edwin C. Burt, Utz & Dunn, Nettleton, Florsheim, Williams Kneeland, and other celebrated American manufacturers, whose names alone are a guarantee of the superiority of our footwear.

Brown's Shoe Store
(Near Smallman & Ingram's)
145 DUNDAS STREET.

DOMESTICS WANTED.

WANTED—BY MAY 15—AN EXPERIENCED housemaid. Apply to Mrs. T. G. Meredith, 530 Wellington street. 47c

WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT—APPLY Mrs. Belton, corner King and Wellington streets. 48c

SERVANT GIRL WANTED — FOR cooking and other services; wages, $15 per month, if service is found satisfactory; reference required. Apply Mrs. John McClary, London South. 38g tyw

WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT—APPLY to Mrs. Wilson, 82 King street. 46c

WANTED—A GOOD GENERAL SERVANT; to go home at night. Apply 232 Queen's avenue. 45tf

WANTED—GENERAL SERVANT—APPLY at once, 665 Colborne street. 44n

WANTED—THIS WEEK—50 GOOD girls; choice places, hotels, private houses. Mrs. Lockhart's employment office, 205½ Dundas street. 'Phone 944.

WANTED—EXPERIENCED GENERAL servant; references. Mrs. Chisholm, 478 Park avenue. 35tf

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AGENTS WANTED TO SELL DR. Chase's last and complete Receipt Book and Household Physician. Apply Dr. A. W. Chase Publishing Company. 46tf d&w

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AGENTS WANTED IN EVERY TOWN and city in Canada to sell Anchored Soap. It sells on sight. A delightful soap for the toilet, promoting healthy action of the skin and invigorating the system. Send 25c for a sample box of two cakes and silver-plated stand.
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No. 9 Masonic Temple, London, Ont.

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REAL ESTATE.

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FOR SALE—137 ALBERT STREET—Two-story brick house, 10 rooms, all modern conveniences; stable; large lot. Price moderate. Apply on premises. 48u wt

TWO-STORY BRICK HOUSE AND cottage for sale. Both in good repair. Must be sold immediately. Apply J. W. G. Winnett, barrister, 420 Talbot street. ywt

FOR SALE—BUILDING LOTS, NEAR new Normal School. Will sell cheap on easy terms. Apply 278 Ridout street. 16tf ywt

FOR SALE—TWO-STORY BRICK RESIDENCE; has all modern improvements; beautiful lot; central location, at $2,900. Nice new brick cottage; large lot; fine location, north; only $1,300. J. F. Sangster, 403 Richmond street. 20tf wty

FOR SALE—FINE NEW BRICK RESIDENCE—First-class in every respect; on a prominent corner. Very suitable for a doctor. J. F. Sangster, 403 Richmond street. 44c tyw

FOR SALE—CHOICE 9 ACRES, OPPOSITE Springbank. Apply 24 Stanley street. 44c twt

FOR SALE OR TO RENT—8½ ACRES of land, with house and barn on Victoria street. Apply Mrs. Bricklin, 391 Horton street. 47c

FOR SALE—FURNISHED COTTAGE, Fraser Heights, Fort Stanley; 8 rooms. Apply J. R. Shuttleworth, 388 Clarence street. 47m

FOR SALE—DESIRABLE PROPERTY, belonging to estate of late Donald R. McRae, consisting of 8 acres fine land, well tiled, choice fruits, brick house, good well, good stables, wood house, etc.; 1½ miles from Glencoe, three-quarters mile from Strathburn. Apply A. J. Taylor, Glencoe. 471

FOR SALE OR RENT—ON MAIN street—First-class stand; brick store and dwelling; fine opening for hardware, general or branch store. Apply T. Starr, Box 31, Princeton, Ont. 46c

FOR SALE—CHEAP—NO. 134 SYDENHAM street; comfortable 1½ story brick veneer house, 7 rooms, summer kitchen, woodshed; good cellar; gas, etc. Price, $1,250, if sold at once. 43h

WANTED.

HORSE WANTED—GOOD DRIVER, and one suitable for delivery wagon. T. A. Rowat & Co. 47u

DRESSMAKING WANTED BY THE day. Apply 552 York street. 46c

WANTED TO RENT—SMALL ROLLER mill, water-power; or would exchange good farm for same. Address Box 93, Advertiser Office. 45n

HORSES WANTED—I WILL BE AT the Fraser House every Saturday, for the purpose of buying all kinds of good horses, especially for the South African trade; standing from 14.1 to 15.3 hands; sound in every particular. James McCartney. 42a

BOARDING, ROOMS, ETC.

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TWO OR THREE BOARDERS CAN BE accommodated; central locality; terms very reasonable. 424 Waterloo street. 47c

BUSINESS CHANCES.

FURNACE FITTING—GILMOUR & SON have opened a new general jobbing and repairing shop at 753 Dundas street, where they will do all kinds of plumbing, iron pipe and gas fitting, eavestroughing, tin work and general repairing. Orders carefully and promptly attended to. Furnace fitting a specialty. 48n

FOR SALE ON EASY TERMS—THE plant, business, etc., of the Cottam Laundry, including three horses and wagons. To a practical laundryman or to a man able to devote entire time, the opening is a desirable one. Bart Cottam Company, London. 48c

HOUSES, ETC., TO LET.

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TO LET—328 KING STREET—WITHIN five minutes' walk to any store or office; no car fare. Two-story brick residence of G. W. Tackaberry; barn, laundry and storehouse; everything strictly up to date. Apply at 299 Pall Mall street, between hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. 47tf

RENT—258 DUNDAS STREET—STORE, warehouse, offices, three flats and basement; roadway on side. New plate-glass front; machinery room, elevator and furnace; in excellent condition, overhauled year ago. Suitable for extensive business. Possession 1st May. Apply to James McMillan, 131 Maple street. 40n ywt

TO LET—SUMMER RESIDENCE AT Goderich; 8 rooms; near lake; ten minutes' walk from town; furnished throughout. Apply Dr. Johnson, 52 Bloor street west, Toronto. 44c tyw

HOUSE TO LET OR SELL—NINE rooms; with barn, hard and soft water and garden. Brick store and dwelling, with barn, to rent, very cheap; good stand for shoemaker or butcher, on Ridout street. Inquire T. Tambling, 209 Ridout street. 48tf ywt

TO LET—NO. 63 CLARENCE STREET; comfortable cottage; rent, $6. The London Soap Company. 41tf

TO RENT—FROM MAY 1—STORY AND a half brick house, on Central avenue, southwest corner William street. Apply 528 Dundas street. 44tf

FURNISHED COTTAGE—BY MONTH or season, at New Orchard Beach, Port Stanley. 183 Dundas street.

TO LET—UNION FURNITURE VAN—Furniture carefully handled. John Biggs, Cathcart and Bruce, South London, late of London Furniture Company. 'Phone 210.

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—SOMEWHERE IN CITY, A couple of weeks ago, pair of brown undressed kid gauntlets. Finder will greatly oblige by leaving at or communicating with this office or 351 Adelaide street. 48u

LOST—SATURDAY—IN SOUTH LONDON—Black fur caperine, edged with gray fur, plaid lining. Finder please leave at 25 Bruce street. b

LOST—SILVER POODLE—FINDER REWARDED by returning to 790 William street. 47c

DOG FOUND—A DOG FOLLOWED ME across Lobo on the 8th inst. The owner is asked to prove property, pay this notice and take him away. D. A. Stewart, lot 14, con. 6, East Williams. 471

TENDERS

Tenders for RESHINGLING THE ROOF of Covent Garden Market House and other repairs will be received at this office up to 5 o'clock on Wednesday, 24th April.
A. O. GRAYDON,
City Engineer.
ALD. S. STEVELY,
Chairman No. 3 Committee.
48c wty

WILL BE SOLD

By public auction on the premises, corner Richmond and Bathurst streets, London, on Wednesday, the 24th day of April, 1901, at the hour of 2:30 p.m., the stock, lumber and chattels of F. A. Fitzgerald & Co., as follows:

Lumber	$1,270 25
Chattels	260 00
Office furniture	75 00
	$1,605 25

The lumber will be sold at a rate on the dollar in one lot. Terms: One-quarter down, balance in 2, 4 and 6 months, approved paper, with interest at 6 per cent. The chattels (which include one good horse, wagons, sleighs, etc.) will be sold in detail for cash, as will also the office furniture, which includes one safe.

Stock list on the premises, or with the vendor's solicitors. JOHN R. MINHINNICK, vendor; GIBBONS & HARPER, vendor's solicitors. 48c wty

AUCTION SALE OF BYRON GRIST Mill and water privilege, at auction rooms of J. W. Jones, 242 Dundas street, London, Monday, April 22, 1901, at 4 p.m. For terms, etc., apply to U. A. Buchner, 83 Dundas street, London. 47k

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS—SEALED tenders will be received by the undersigned until 5 p.m., April 25, for the erection of a brick church at Sutherland's appointment, near Mt. Brydges, either separately or in bulk. Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Plans and specifications may be seen at T. A. WILLCOCK'S, secretary, lot 11, con. 4, Mount Brydges P. O., Caradoc. 43n

TENDERS WANTED—TO REPAINT outside woodwork of Ivan Presbyterian Church, two coats, and graining front doors, both sides. Apply to secretary-treasurer, L. Nagel, Coldstream P. O. 47c

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Feather and Down Cushions 50 Cents Each.

Large stock of Pillows and Mattresses, Iron and Brass Bedsteads, Pillows and Cushions filled with feathers on the shortest notice. Large assortment of Stoves at Hunt & Song' Bed and Mattress Cleaning factory, 593 Richmond street. Telephone 997.

FOR ONE WEEK

The Town of Medicine Lodge, Kansas, Will Be Under Mrs. Nation's Rule.

Medicine Lodge, Kan., April 18.—Mrs. Carrie Nation, the saloon smasher, is to conduct the municipal affairs of this place for one week. If, during that time, according to the agreement, Mrs. Nation betters the condition of trade and social relations in Medicine Lodge, her ideas will be adopted permanently and the city run along the lines thus laid down. If business should fall off during the week and a majority of the citizens grow dissatisfied with her conduct of affairs, then the city officers will continue to run it "wide open."

It is said that Mrs. Nation will form a colony and make the race into the new Kiowa and Comanche reserves, soon to be thrown open to settlement. There they will be able to get a whole town site cheap and an ideal town can be started.

The Women's Christian Temperance Association promises to co-operate with Mrs. Nation in her experiment here.

SMITH-DORRIEN IS PROMOTED!

To the Rank of Adjutant-General to the Forces in India.

Gen. Kitchener Reports Good Progress Made by Plumer's and Douglass' Forces---The Situation Stated by Milner---Praise for Col. Hughes.

PROMOTION FOR SMITH-DORRIEN

London, April 18.—Major-Gen. Horace Lockwood Smith-Dorrien, now in South Africa, is to be promoted to the rank of adjutant-general to the forces in India.

BRITISH SUCCESSES.

London, April 18.—A dispatch from General Kitchener, dated Pretoria, Wednesday, April 17, says:

"Plumer has occupied Rathfont, capturing thirteen prisoners and a number of rifles and ammunition.

"Douglass' column has occupied Dullstroom. Six Boers were killed.

"On General Kitchener's advance from Lydenburg the Boers blew up a Long Tom. Thirteen prisoners were captured.

"Elliott's division has brought in a large number of cattle."

Col. Plumer has occupied Chumies Poort without opposition. The place is a difficult pass, flanked by precipitous mountains. It was expected that the Boers would defend it, but they retired three days before the arrival of the British. The latter found a thick population of Kaffirs reaping an a bundant harvest. The country is very fertile. Col. Plumer's advance has been checked by Commandant Beyers' preparations to lead his commando into the Cape Colony to help the invaders there.

Gen. Celliers, who was nursing a wound at Warm Baths, refused to retire on the approach of the British, and voluntarily surrendered.

[Gen. Celliers was officially reported on March 7 to have been killed at Lichtenburg.]

Advices from Heilbron say that Andries Wessels is alive. Wessels accompanied Morgan Dael on his visit to the Boers in the capacity of a peace envoy, and was reported to have been shot by order of Gen. Dewet.

ENEMY WEAKENING.

Col. Harry McCalmont, M. P., has returned to London from South Africa, where he was commander of the Warwickshire militia. He says: "Latterly the Boers have been fighting doggedly under very hard circumstances in some sections. In others, they have been able to maintain themselves more successfully. The British forces are carrying on a relentless campaign, marching and fighting most of the time. My personal belief is that the enemy is gradually being reduced to a state of helplessness. It is possible that the cold weather may put an end to military operations of any consequence. However, there will unquestionably be heavy police duties for our men for many months in both the Transvaal and the Orange River Colony."

THE S. A. BLUE BOOK.

London, April 18.—The South African blue book, containing recent dispatches from Sir Alfred Milner and other official correspondence, has just been issued. Sir Alfred Milner wired under date of March 3, requesting permission to return home at an early date upon leave of absence for the purpose of resting. Mr. Joseph Chamberlain granted the request, but expressed the government's regret that it should be necessary for Sir Alfred to leave South Africa at the present time, "quite recognizing, however, his need for rest," and mentioning three months as a possible period of absence.

In a dispatch, dated Feb. 6, Sir Alfred Milner reviews the situation in South Africa, and says he had hoped some definite point would be reached at which it might be possible to sum up that chapter of history containing the war, and forecast the administrative reconstruction which must succeed it. "But I am reluctantly forced to the conclusion that there will be no such dividing line," continued Sir Alfred Milner. "I have not the slightest doubt of the ultimate result, but I foresee that the work will be slower, more difficult, more harassing and more expensive than was at one time anticipated. At any rate, it is idle to wait much longer in the hope of being able to describe a clear and clean-cut situation.

RETROGRESSION.

"It is no use denying that the last half year has been one of retrogression. Seven months ago this colony was perfectly quiet—at least as far as the Orange River. The southern half of the Orange River Colony was rapidly settling down, and even a considerable portion of the Transvaal, notably the southwestern districts, seemed to have definitely accepted British authority and to rejoice at the opportunity to return to orderly government and the pursuits of peace. Today the scene is completely altered. The fact that the enemy are now broken up into a great number of small parties, raiding in every direction, and that our troops are similarly broken up in their pursuit, makes the area of actual fighting and consequently of destruction much wider than would be the case in a conflict between equal numbers operating in large masses.

FIGHTING FOR SUPPLIES.

"Moreover, the fight is now mainly over supplies. The Boers live entirely on the country through which they pass, not only taking all the food they can lay their hands on, but looting the small village stores of clothes, boots, coffee and sugar, all of which they are in great need. Our forces are compelled to denude the country of everything movable in order to frustrate these tactics of the enemy. The loss of crops and stock is more serious to the Boers," continues Sir Alfred Milner, "than farm burning, of which so much has been heard. I say this not at all as an advocate of such destruction. I am glad to think the measure is now seldom, if ever, resorted to."

Sir Alfred Milner considers that the inexpensive character of the farm buildings is a comparatively small item in the total damage caused. He also points out that the damage to the mines is not great, relatively to the large amount of capital sunk in them, one mine having been damaged to the extent of £20,000. "South Africans are sick unto death of the war," he says, "but are prepared to suffer in order to make South Africa indisputably one country under one flag." He believes that the young country will recuperate in a few years when the war is over.

COL. HUGHES PRAISED.

Ottawa, April 18.—Gen. Sir Charles Warren's report of the battle of Faber's Pit, in Griqualand West, on May 30, 1900, has been strongly supported by Lord Roberts himself, in his dispatches to the secretary of state for war. That report says (section 16):

"Lieut.-Col. Hughes, who was at the main farm house with the scouts, on hearing the firing, and seeing the horses stampede, got together a few of his men and rushed into the kraal, opening a brisk fire on the ridge where the Boers were in the diamond washings, until they were obliged to cease fire by the Yeomanry advancing out in front of them. At the same time, Capt. Parkin and a troop of 23rd Yeomanry took possession of the south end of the same kraal, and acting under the orders of Col. Hughes, by holding this kraal, they prevented the rebels getting hold of it from the direction of the cemetery. At this time the rebels began to run away from the south side of the garden, and were in doing so exposed to our fire, but Col. Hughes, supposing them to be our own men, ordered Capt. Parkin and party to cease fire, and they thus escaped. Col. Hughes then decided to outflank the enemy, and with some of the Yeomanry and some good shots of various corps, he drove the enemy up beyond the direction of the cemetery, thus getting in line with Col. Crowley, and bringing his right shoulder up he took Venter's men on their flank, and drove them away to the south."

In section 21, Surgeon - Major Worthington is specially mentioned. In section 23, Lieut.-Col. Hughes, A. A. G. intelligence officer; Major Ogilvie, E Battery, Royal Canadian Artillery, and Capt. Mackie, Warren's Scouts, are named "as being particularly worthy of mention for the excellent services they performed in their respective spheres during the day."

DANDRUFF WILL KILL YOUR HAIR.

If your hair is thin or beginning to come out, use Oriental Rum and Quinine Hair Tonic now. It gives the hair new life, stops it from falling out, makes the hair grow soft and beautiful. This grand tonic is always productive of good to the scalp and hair. Its constituents, by direct action on the hair bulbs, furnish stimulation and nourishment by which the hair regains vitality and takes on a quick, thick growth. A positive cure for Dandruff and other Scalp Diseases. Only 50 cents a bottle.

CAIRNCROSS & LAWRENCE,
Chemists and Druggists.
216 Dundas Street, London, Ont.

No Words Wasted.

The village of Warden, Que., was almost wiped out by fire.

France will take charge of the Catholic claims against China.

Mr. Isaac Naurgau was killed at Plattsville while tearing down an old barn.

The first draft of the Toronto civic estimates calls for a rate of 21¼ mills. Material reductions are promised.

The Provincial Government has decided to allow the veterans to select their land grants from any part of new Ontario.

At L'Orignal, Ont., Joseph Guindon was found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to three years in Kingston penitentiary.

The report is current that the C. P. R. is definitely and finally out of the opposition to the Crow's Nest and Southern Railway bill.

The body of Adolph Wilson, who left Regina for Wood Mountain last winter, after serving a term in jail, was found on the prairie. He had been caught in a snowstorm and was frozen to death.

The Grand Trunk Railway has started upon large extensions to the yards at both ends of the Sarnia tunnel under the St. Clair River. The extensions have been necessitated by the increased traffic handled through the tunnel.

The Tecumseh Historical Society of Kent has received authority from the Dominion and provincial governments to bring to the surface of the River Thames such gunboats and schooners as were lost in the war of 1812. The work begins next week.

A murder is reported from Inisfail, Alberta. Arthur Bolletta, a section man employed on the Innisfail section of the C. and E. Railway, shot and killed his brother-in-law, David Karr. Bolletta gave himself up. He says he shot Karr in self-defense.

The young man, Isidore Oldstein, who was arrested in Hamilton on Monday, on a charge of neglecting his wife, was on Wednesday divorced at the Toronto police station by Rabbi Weinreib. The divorce is in reality only a religious separation, and has no effect under the civil law.

At Ottawa yesterday, the friends of Mr. Clare, M. P., presented the newly-elected member for North Waterloo, with a silver tea service. The presentation was made by Mrs. Borden, wife of the leader of the opposition, who made a neat speech. The occasion was the anniversary of Mr. Clare's silver wedding.

At Marlaville, Me., on Sunday, Mrs. Eugene Jellison, Miss Carie Parkson, Miss Carrie Jellison and Mrs. Emma Trueworthy, attempted to cross the swiftly-flowing river in a small boat, the bridge being closed to traffic. Mrs. Jellison was drowned in the atttempt to prevent the boat from going over the falls. Spectators saved the other three women.

NOTHING IN THE STORY.

Lisbon, April 17.—In the best informed circles here it is declared that the story that the Queen of Portugal will enter a convent is absolutely fantastical.

THE $26,000,000 CANAL BILL KILLED.

Albany, N. Y., April 17.—A bill to submit the proposition for the expenditure of $26,000,000 for canal improvement to the people of the state at the next election, was killed in the Senate this morning.

PUT A BULLET IN HIS BRAIN.

Seattle, Wash., April 17.—In a fit of despondency over business reverses, aggravated by the depressing effects of an attack of grip, Melvin R. Baldwin, an ex-congressman from Minnesota and former state superintendent of Indian affairs, under President Cleveland, yesterday ended his life by putting a bullet through his brain.

The restaurants in the London parks are under the control of the London County Council, the governing body of Greater London, which fixes the schedule of prices on all articles sold.

The cost of transporting British forces to China has been £1,100,000 plus £8,000 per week to cover expenses of the hospital ship and of manning the transport department.

Among the figures returned for cities from the Italian census taken on February 9 are Rome 502,000; Florence, 190,000; Venice, 151,000, and Bologna 152,000.

Passengers on the Dauphin Line who reached Portage la Prairie Monday night, bring news of serious damage on the Northern Railway, caused by spring freshets and floods.

Presque Isle Bay is clear of ice.

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