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LONDON AND DISTRICT

-Mrs. Florence Reilly, of Port Huron, is visiting friends in the city. -Mrs. W. McNabb, of Stouffville, is visiting relatives here. -Miss Lena Johnson, of this city,

s visiting Mrs. Wm. Hyslop, of Fort

-Sergt.-Instructor Dymond is spending Christmas with his family

-Major Layborn, district staff adjutant, is busily engaged inspecting the arms of the rural corps of No. 1 mili-

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nas joined the Royal Canadian Dra--Today is being observed as a holi day at Wolseley Barracks, it being the anniversary of the formation of the Royal Canadian Regiment. The day is always celebrated in the schools.

-Dixon Council, No. 125, Canadian Order of Chosen Friends, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Friend W. Warren, C. C.; S. A. Webb, V. S.; Dr. J. J. Mason, prelate: R. Howie, marshal; W. Barker, warden; George B. Nash, recorder; A. B. Greer, treasurer; S. Golden, guard; George Webb, sentry; medical examiners, Dr. J. J. Mason, Dr. R. Ferguson and Dr. H. Hogg; grand council representa-tives, George B. Nash and R. Howie

An old resident of Melrose passed away last week in the person of David Sells, aged 80 years. He had lived at cialty of executing times in Adelaide and Strathroy, but of late he had been residing with his son Benjamin. The funeral was held on Friday to the Strathroy Cemetery. FUNERAL OF A PIONEER.

On Saturday Walter Blaikie, a wellknown Westminster farmer, died after a long illness. He was 73 years of age, and had lived in the township for many years. The funeral was held today from the residence of Mr. James Blaikie, con. 6, lot 8, Westminster, to North Street Cemetery, Rev. Dr. Mc-Crae conducted the services.

TO LIGHT THE CLOCK. There is a strong probability that the clock in the tower of St. Paul's Cathedral will in the future be illuminated at night. It is proposed to ask the city to place an electric light in the tower and maintain it at the city's expense, as the clock is a public convenience, and it is likely the city will

HAD A CHRISTMAS DINNER. Yesterday the annual Christmas dinner, given by Christian workers, county jail. Sunday was chosen in-stead of Christmas Day, as on the latter day the turnkeys have a holiday. The dinner yesterday was a treat to the inmates. It was served at 9

PICTORIAL POSTCARDS. The difficulty attached to sending messages by pictorial postcards the backs of which are cover-ed by a picture, is largely obviated by the passage of a regulation permitting communications to be put upon the face of the card in a special place for the purpose to the left of the address. This section is to be specially marked off, and the space for the address is not to be less than

3¼ inches long, nor 1½ inches wide. CHINESE CASE SETTLED. The dispute as to the ownership of \$500, and which resulted in a lawsuit between London and Brantford Chinamen, was settled in the Brantford rendered acquitting Chong, the defendant, and ordering the plaintiff, Bing, to pay all costs. Steps have been taken to proceed against Lee Bing, and his witnesses for perjury.

TAVERN DEBTS. The jurisdiction of division courts over claims for debts due an hotelkeeper for liquor drunk over the bar was raised in the application at To-ronto by Mr. J. Hammond, of Middlasex county, for an order prohibiting the local judge adjudicating on the question. Mrs. Peine, the plaintiff, sued Hammond on an I. O. U. and Mr Justice Meredith holds that the local judge rightly discredited the evidence that the I. O. U. was given for liquor, and that the action was entirely with-in his jurisdiction. The motion to pre-vent judgment was dismissed.

TWILIGHT RECITAL. The Woman's Music Club was the assistant of Mr. Albert D. Jordan in the twilight organ recital Saturday at the First Methodist Church. There was an orchestra of fourteen pieces, who gave selections from Handel and Tschalkowsky. Their playing was an exhibition of accomplishment. The Woman's Choral Club also displayed

careful and successful training. The number of lady singers was 40, and they were well received in the four numbers they gave. Mr. Jordan's playing was, as usual, very good. DAUGHTER RESIDES HERE. Mr. Samuel Henderson, who died recently at Montreal, had lived near

Lakefield for many years. Besides his wife he is survived by three sons and eight daughters, as follows: Rev. Wm. Henderson, Valleyfield; Rev. John Henderson, Staffa, Ont.; Mr. Robert G. Henderson, New Orleans; Mrs. Wm. Kenny, Snellgrove, Ont.; Mrs. Wesley Jackson, London, Ont.; Mrs. John Seale, Morin Flats, Que.; Mrs. Wm. Richardson, Montreal; Mrs. Orlando Ring, Vermont, U. S.; Mrs. Wm. A. Russell, Delta, Ont.; Mrs. Alex. Adam, Montreal; Miss Priscilla Henderson,

LIBERAL-CONSERVATIVE OFFI CERS.

The East Middlesex Liberal-Conservatives, at a meeting held in this city on Saturday afternoon, elected officers, fixed the date for a nominating con- J. P. Whitney. vention, and also adopted a series of resolutions. The new officers are: President, Mr. S. F. Glass; vice-presidents. Messrs. R. A. Powell, city: London township, west side, R. H. Smith; east township, west side, R. H. Smith; east the following paragraph appeared, containing the property of the property of the following paragraph appeared, containing the property of the property Pte. Edward Walliker has re-engaged for another term of three years in the Royal Canadian Regiment.

Rev. Wallace Horton and bride, of Toronto, are spending their honeymoon at Mr. James Taylor's, 181 Clarence Street.

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which is believed to be pending. The resolutions passed expressed approval of Chamberlain's policy, and confidence in Messrs. R. L. Borden and

cerning "Doc" Shrieves, a character formerly well known on London market: "From time to time there visits this city a little old man, whom the upon as the date of a convention to colored people salute with respect, and nominate a candidate for the election, call 'Prof.' Shrieves. He usually carries a little bag of remedies, guaranteed to cure every ailment of the teeth, and his wares find ready sale. The old -Mr. L. Leach has been installed postmaster of Eden, to succeed Mr. Jones, who resigned and intends removing to Sarnia.

-J. N. McIntyre, a former member of No. 1 Company, R. C. R., an enthusiastic baseball and football player.

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felt the day was incomplete till they had put an eye tooth in their pocket to carry home. Advancing years have compelled 'Doc' to retire from open air practice, but he is still at it indoors with unabated success."

AN EDITOR IN EARLY DAYS

Late Freeman Talbot Conducted a Paper Here in 1849.

Founded the Old Prototype - London's Early Newspaper Days.

The recent death of Mr. Freeman Talbot in Manitoba, causes the editor of the Hamilton Spectator to recall early newspaper days in London. In the issue of Saturday, the Spec. ed-

Hor savs:

"In the year 1849 Freeman Talbot, a eivil engineer, started the London Frototype, a Conservative weekly newspaper, and John Siddons was his foreman and business manager. Mr. Talnot wrote the political editorials and Siddons used the scissors and furnished the local happenings, the latter not being much of a feature in newspapers in Canada in those days, Mr. Talbot's professional duties as an engineer kept him busy, therefore, he paid but little or no attention to the internal management of his newspaper office. At that time the Times was the Conservative paper in London, and the Free Press advocated the doctrines of the Reform party. The Times was of but little political force, being managed by a woman, so that the Prototype at once became the recognized paper of the Conservative party, and before the end of its first year its subscription list had turned the one thousand mark-which was considered to be quite a large circulation in those days. Besides being a writer of great ability, Mr. Talbot was one of the best platform speakers around Lon-don. He was Irish by descent, if not by birth, and the keen wit of the irish was at the end of his tongue. It is a long way back to '49, and memory sometimes plays one false, but if we mistake not, after some years Mr. Talbot transferred the Prototype to his son and John Siddons. Young Talbot went to Ireland with his wife on a visit, and on their way home the Hungarian, the vessel in which they sailed, was lost at sea, and but few were saved. Talbot and wife were among the lost. Siddons continued the Prototype till he landed into a betterpaying job in the custom house in London, where he ended his days. Freeman Talbot went to Minnesota to live, where it is said that his lines fell in pleasant places, and he became a wealthy landowner. The other day an item in a newspaper reported his death, but gave nothing of the important part he played in the political history of London away back in 1849, when he started the Prototype. "When the Prototype was started in

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writing. Peter was as smart as they and Freeman Talbot made lively reading in both papers. They were not abusive, but Irish wit and sarcasm

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gave zest to the editorials."

Keays' drug store, 268 Dundas streat on Dec. 19 to 24. In a letter advocating a plan for the establishment in England of a great scientific school, Lord Rosebery says: "It is little short of scandalous that

Marion, Ind., Dec. 21.-Wilbur Todd, leading man with a comedy company, playing at the Gas City Opera House, placed a cartridge in a "property" revolver Saturday night, turned the wea-pon on himself and pulled the trigger, dying soon after. The tragedy occurred on the stage and in the presence of the members of the company, but before the curtain had risen on the

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