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Toronto, Feb. 10, 10 a. m.—Easterly winds and fair to-day. Sunday, strong easterly winds, cloudy, probably rain or snow before night.

G. W. Cornell
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Cor. 6th and King Sts.,
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LOCAL BRIEFS

The L. E. & D. R. R. pay-out was in the city to-day.

Mrs. McLean, Montreal, is the guest of Mrs. A. F. Falls.

Miss Aggie Richmond is visiting friends in Blenheim.

James Smith, of Stuart, was in the city to-day.

Miss Jean Fisher is spending a few days with Miss Stephenson, Victoria avenue.

London Glee Singers at the C. C. I. on Friday, February 10th. Full particulars on Monday.

At Park St. Methodist Church, tomorrow, Rev. F. M. Jones, D. D., of Guelph, will preach at both services.

Mr. Ernest Chrysler, of Brantford, who has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Chas. Bryan, returned home to-day.

Three rinks of Detroit curlers came up this afternoon to engage in a friendly contest with the Maple City club.

P. C. Darr is looking for the owner of a human hand found over in the vicinity of the C.C.I. The hand is that of a man and looks as if it had been preserved in alcohol, and was a specimen from some surgeon's office.

Court McGregor, No. 6, J. O. F., have issued invitation cards for their first annual basket assembly at Northwood's Hall on Feb. 20th. Music by Lorrimer's complete orchestra. The committee are bound to make it the success of the season.

Inspector Colles held an investigation in S. S. No. 2 Orford, Palmyra, on Thursday, upon the election of school trustees. A. Mills' election having been protested by C. O. Keyes and others. Mr. Colles confirmed the election of Trustees Mills.

Last evening the Patriotic Concert promoters held another well attended and enthusiastic practice. Major Rankin outlined the program of the concert as far as the committee had decided on it. The local colored residents of this city will contribute their share to the program in the shape of a colored quartette.



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Pies and
Pastry

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fully and daintily
made from high
grade flour and
the purest materials, is all you will ever
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Special attention is given to regular
family bread, with prompt deliveries.
Our Home-made Bread is particularly
nice, and our Cakes rich and light. Our
pastry you will always find fresh and
delicious.

W. S. RICHARDS

Society Dress Hints....

The correct dress for gentlemen for social functions occurring after 6 o'clock is the full dress suit.

There is but one exception permissible, that is the Tuxedo or dinner coat. These may be worn at theatres and dinner parties respectively.

The Inverness is worn as an easy top coat over dress suits.

The Frock suit is becoming quite a favorite among good dressers, while the frock suit is the correct day dress.

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Some sneak thief stole a four gallon crock filled with pork in pickle from the summer kitchen of Mrs. Sterling, Lorne ave.

Blenheim will give a grand concert on March 2nd in aid of the Patriotic Fund. Miss Ida Laird-Hall will sing the new solo, "Her Majesty," by the author of "The Holy City." There will also be a quartette by Mrs. Sheldon, Miss Laird-Hall, Mayor Haggart and Dentist Holmes.

It has been decided to further augment the choir of Christ church by the addition of adult voices to take up the different harmony parts. Mr. Forsythe, the choir-master, will be very pleased to meet any persons wishing to enroll under his instruction on Tuesday evening at 7:15 at the school house. Rehearsals for Easter are to be commenced at once.

SPECIAL ANGLICAN SERVICES.

His Grace the Archbishop of Ontario, Metropolitan, has been pleased to appoint Sunday, Feb. 11th, Septuagesima, Sunday, as the day upon which all our people of this Ecclesiastical Province shall be called upon to meet in solemn service, with the especial object of the united acknowledgment of the power and wisdom of Almighty God, and of seeking that He in His mercy and goodness, will bring the present unhappy war to a right and lasting peace, and overrule all things in this world of sin and sorrow to the enlargement of His blessed kingdom.

A special collection will be taken up for the benefit of the widows, orphans, and other dependents of officers and men of the military force of Canada, who may unfortunately lose their lives in, or in connection with, the war operations in South Africa. For that purpose the proceeds will be devoted to the Canadian patriotic fund, and forwarded forthwith to me for transmission to the Lieutenant Governor.

Headquarters Camp, Springfield Bridge, Feb. 9.—The position taken north of the Tugela river proved a difficult one to maintain. The regiments sent across as reinforcements went into the front line of trenches, but owing to the great strength of the Boers in the Brakfontein hills to the left, it was found impossible to advance without risking unnecessary loss.

The Boers continued shelling the British position. Several "Long Tom" shells fell among the transport trains, and four burst on Zivast kop, but the Boers could not get the range.

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BOERS FLED IN HASTE To Get Away From Macdonald's Brawny Highlanders at Koodoesberg.

Modder River, Feb. 9.—Noon.—Gen. Macdonald scored a distinct success at Koodoesberg. His original orders were to hold the drift and construct a fort. The position, however, was extremely difficult, a long range of high hills running northwest and terminating close to the drift on the north bank of the river.

As it was impossible to hold the whole summit Gen. Macdonald constructed strong works across the centre which were held by the Seaforth Highlanders and three companies of the Black Watch. While the Highland Light Infantry held a small kopje on the right the ninth Lancashire patrolled the left toward the river. Gen. Macdonald's being to repel attacks.

Things went quietly until Wednesday, when the Boers advanced along the ridge within 900 yards, mounting two mountain 7-pounders which were invisible from the plain. They also held a smaller drift three miles to the west.

On receipt of this news Gen. Methuen dispatched a large force of cavalry and two horse batteries under Gen. Babington, with the purpose of surrounding the Boers. To further this plan, Gen. Macdonald adopted merely defensive tactics. It was not attempted to force the Boer right, which move might have resulted in their general retirement too soon.

Gen. Babington left Modder River at 11.30 in the morning and arrived within two miles of Koodoesberg at 4.30 p. m., too late to attempt the turning movement.

The next morning it was found that the Boers had fled from the lower drift, but still remained on the hill, which they also left when they perceived Babington's movements. Early in the morning Babington vigorously shelled the retiring Boers. The whole British force is now returning to camp.

This little affair reflects great credit upon Gen. Macdonald's tactics and also proves that the Highlanders have thoroughly recovered their old go and courage.

CHANGED HIS TACTICS. Against us.

The latter we could deal with, but the others were beyond reach of our guns, except the naval 4.7-inch and the 5-inch siege guns.

Gen. Hildyard held his ground splendidly, but, unfortunately, the enemy's big guns upon the mountains could not be silenced by either the naval or siege guns.

Shells from the enemy's cannon even fell among our forces at the valley.

Only at greatest and with needless risk could Gen. Buller have forced his way through. He determined to face the wisest alternative and not to insist upon an advance that way.

I ask you to suspend judgment and to rely on Gen. Buller.

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