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LONDON, CANADA. TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1899.

WHOLE NO., 11320.

Births, Marriages, Death

DIED. CARTLIDGE-In this city, on Sunday, Dec. 2, 1899, at the residence of Mr. Geo. Talbot. 960 Walker street, Elizabeth Cartlidge, ago!

Funeral from the above residence, on Tuesday, at 3 o'clock; services at 2:30. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend. FLEMING -On Monday, December 4, Mrs. E.

8. Fleming.
Funeral on Wednesday, 2:30 p.m., from the residence of Mr. Geo. Couke, 243 Wellington street.

Amusements and Lectures GRAND OPERA HOUSE Wednesday, Dec. 6.

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A O. U. W.—ANNIVERSARY DINNER
Thursday evening, December 7. Reception at City Hall, 7:30. Grand Master Graham and Grand Overseer Gibson will deliver addresses. All members of the order will please attend, and the public generally are respectfully invited.

RAND OPERA HOUSE, WEDNESDAY.

GRAND OPERA HOUSE, WEDNESDAY.

December 13, complimentary testimonial to W. E. Hiscott, Bandmaster 7th Fusiliers, by the commanding officer and officers of the battalion. Mrs. Adele Laeis Baldwin, contralto. of New York, and Henry McKinley, tenor, of New York; Miss Inez Smith, Mr. Ruthven McDonald, Mr. W. H. Hewlett. Tickets, 75c, 50c and 25c.

CONCERT-OPERA HOUSE, THURSDAY, Dec. 7, by Division 97. Misses Pickard, Fowler and Mr. Ruthven McDonald. Prices

UBILEE RINK — OPEN TOMORROW (Wednesday) evening. Musical Society Band in attendance. GATE OF THE PARTON: HIS LIFE AND Work," is the subject of Rev. Thos. Wilson's lecture to be delivered in Adelaide Street Baptist Church, Thursday evening, Dec. 7. Stereopticon views. Everybody welcome.

TONIGHT-MR. WATKIN MILLS IN THE "Messiah." General admission, 50c, 75c and \$1. Gallery doors open 7:20. Curtain 8 o'clock sharp. SPEND A MERRY CHRISTMAS IN ENG-LAND—These boats give you ample time to get there: Umbria from New York to Liver-pool, on Dec. 9: Numidian from Portland, on Dec. 13: St. Louis from New York, Dec. 13: last boat, Lucania, Saturday, Dec. 16. F. B. Clarke, Richmond street, next Advertiser.

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Meetings.

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MASONIC-A REGULAR MEETING of St. George's 42. A. F. and A. M., G. R. C., will be held this Wednesday, Dec. 6, at 1:30 o'clock p.m., in the Masonic Temple, Election of officers. Official visit of the D. D. G. M., Rt. Wor. Bro. Geo. F. Morris. Visitors welcome. M. W. Aithouse, W. Master; A. Ellis, P. M., secretary.

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Female Help Wanted WANTED-GIRLS-APPLYD. S. PERRIN

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On Wednesday, Dec. 6, at No. 423 Park Avenue, Near Dundas Street. NEIL COOPER has been instructed to sell contents of house comprising in part car-pets, base-burner, gas stove, dining table, crockery and glassware, 7 befroom suites, springs, mattresses and bedding, cilcloth, wardrobes, kitchen utensils, etc. Sale at 10:30.

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Mafeking Is Safe!

The Boer Commander Practically Raises the Siege.

Touch With the Enemy Near Arundel.

Modder River Battle Described as the Waterloo of the Campaign.

Complete Defeat and Rout of the Enemy.

The Attacks on Ladysmith Continue-Boer Force at Colenso Placed at 15,000.

New York, Dec. 5.-There is good news at last from Mafeking, says the Herald's London cable news. It is reported that Gen. Cronje has moved his commandos south, and that the siege is practically over, to the immense joy of the beleaguered garrison. Everything points to the substantial accuracy of this piece of information. London, Tuesday, Dec. 5, 4:30 a.m.-

24. The British captured 24 burghers of Commandant Dutoit's force. Cape Town, Thursday, Nov. 30 .- The Cape Times has the following dispatch of shrapnel, grape and shells into the Boer positions. Lord Methuen had 22 from Mafeking: "Gen. Cronje, with guns, and each fired an average of 200 100 wagons and a large body of Boers, equal number of guns, which, it is re-

Mafeking is safe, or was so on Nov.

FEELING FOR THE FOE. London, Dec. 5.-The correspondent of the Daily News, telegraphing from Naauw Port, Cape Colony, under date of Nov. 28, says: "I have just returned from a mounted reconnoissance to the Reusburg farm, near Arundel. We located a small commando, which withdrew to the Reusburg farm without firing. We found the enemy in force at the farm. A native herdsman close to the farm informed us that the Boers were swarming on the Reusburg kopje, and that they had a number of big guns in position. Our pickets advanced to within half a mile of the enemy, who refused to be drawn. We then retired."

BOERS WITHDRAW FROM MOL-

TENO. The Daily Mail publishes a dispatch from Sterkstroom, Cape Colony, under Tuesday's date, which says: . "Gen. Gatacre, who occupies a strong position, has been reinforced by the 2nd Northumberland Regiment. Boers have withdrawn from Molteno. There has been a further movement towards Indwe. Dordrecht is safe. Bushman's Hook is strongly held by

imperial troops.

The London Times publishes the following special: Pitterskraal, Nov. 28. The Boers appear to be attempting turning movements from Steynsburg and the district north of Sterkstroom, in co-operation with the local rebels, via Meriasburg and Tarkastad, against Major-General Gatacre's column from Queenstown and Dordrecht, but have not met with much success, and we are still safe.

HOPELESS STRUGGLE. London, Dec. 5.—The later details received from Modder River seem to show that even the desperate courage

of the attacking force, displayed all day long, Nov. 28, failed to drive the Boers from their strong entrenchments, and night fell on an undecided battle. But apparently during the course of the night, Gen. Cronje, commanding the Boers, who are now said to have numbered 11,000 men, decided that the struggle was hopeless, for the British found the town and surrounding positions evacuated when daylight broke, and the whole British army crossed the river and encamped on the Boer positions. The experts here are unanimous in expressing the opinion that Kimberley's need must be very pressing to induce Gen. Methuen to expose the whole of his command to the Boer marksmen, snugly entrenched in a semi-circular

So deadly was the fire-zone that the Scots Guards were compelled to leave their Maxim guns behind, when they were forced to seek less posed ground. It was only after dusk that a portion of the British troops succeeded in crossing the river by a mill deen on the extreme left. When night fell the Boer artillery fire was still as vigorous as in the morning, but the Boers' retirement in the night saved the situation for the British. At the same time it precluded all possifality of pursuit, even if the exhausted British troops were capable of pursuing their enemy. The conclusion of the correspondents that the Boers must have suffered beavily, must be

LEFT THEIR MAXIMS BEHIND.

General Gatacre Gets in confirmed from official sources before it is accepted as a fact. In any case the Boers retired without any signs of disorder, carrying off their guns and equipments. Thus Gen. Cronje's force is still intact. But the fact that Gen. Methuen and Col. Kekewich are now in communication may cause a reconsideration of the Boer commander's plan to give battle at Spytfontein, where he might be simultaneously attacked by the British forces.

"A DAY OF HELL." London, Dec. 5.—Julian Ralph, de-scribing in the Daily Mail this morning the battle at Modder River, says: "I can testify that the British never once saw the enemy, yet they were not able to raise hand or foot without being riddled. Despite all this, how-ever, the day belonged to the artil-lery. The infantry never advanced two paces during the day of hell. The shells of our twenty guns were accurately planted in the enemy's trenches, and broke the heart of the Boers, for, after dark, they all retreated."

London, Dec. 5 .- The special correspondent of the Daily News with Gen. Methuen, telegraphing from Modder River on the day after the battle, says: "I hear that the Boers are in full re-treat to Bloemfontein." ANOTHER WATERLOO.

The correspondent of the Associated Press with Gen. Methuen's column, telegraphing from Modder River, last Thursday, says: The Waterloo of the campaign has been fought and won. The battle was conducted with unprecedented stubbornness on both sides, There was one continuous roar, like the explosion of countless fire-crackers. There was no flinching on either side, and not a moment's pause. For five hours the British batteries poured tons rounds. The Boers had an almost headlong.'

has left his laager, practically raising ported, were mostly served by French and German artillerists. It is believed the slege, although desultory firing that the Boers had occupied the posi-tion seven weeks before, and had spent under date of Nov. 28: "Hundreds the interval in fortifying and rendering it, as they considered, impregnable. They did not seem to fear to expend their ammunition, for their guns were well and smartly handled. Owing to are tired of war and are starving." the bend in the river on the right, the Boers had an opportunity of cross-fir-ing on the British attack. A Boer Hotchkiss was directed with marvelous acouracy against a British Maxim, killing the sergeant in charge, wounding an officer and disabling the gun. This occurred quite at the beginning of the engagement. Whenever the Boer fire silenced in one direction, it immediately reopened in another. Owing to the terrific fire, nobody on the plain was out of range. Stretcher-

> compelled, if possible, to crawl out of NO QUARTER

seems to have been given on either itzers. side. The British assert that amid the bullets the ambulance wagons displayed their flags prominestly to no advantage. These were repeatedly driven back and compelled to take refuge out of sight. It is alleged that the Boers used dum-dum bullets, and made special targets of the horses on the in the hope of hitting the riders. While the Argyll Highlanders were pushing across the river they were fired upon from a house, and several fell. There-upon the Highlanders stormed the house, and although the Boers hoisted a white flag, no attention was paid to

bearers found it impossible to go for-

ward in the few cases they were called

upon to attend, and the wounded were

it, and several were shot. It is reported that Gen. Cronje, with his contingent, retreated towards Langeberg at 4 o'clock in the aftermoon. Others followed in the direction of Pretoria. of Jacobsdal, and the main body of the Boers retired with the guns about 8 in the evening. On the following morning at daybreak the British fired a few shells into the village. Getting no response a patrol of cavalry crossed the river and found

THE ENEMY'S CAMP DESERTED. Dead Boers and many who were dying were to be seen everywhere in the entrenchments, as well as numerous new graves. Several buildings were in smoking ruins. Some of the Boer prisoners say that Gen. Cronje was in supreme command. He had to whip his men to prevent them from deserting, and, despite this, many threw down their rifles and fled.

HARD BLOWS WITHOUT SCIENCE. London, Tuesday, Dec. 5, 4:30 a.m.—
There is little further news from the seat of war. Even the later accounts of the battle at Modder River fail to give an intelligent idea of what has appened. The Times says, editorially: The battle affords splendid proofs of the unsurpassed qualities of the British soldier, but while victories won solely by the exercise of those qualities are indeed magnificent, they are not war. They fill us with pride, but with pride not unmixed with regret at the persistent perversity of circumstances which apparently, prevent us obtaining equal or greater results by processes savor-ing a little of that military science of which we hear so much.'

THE ADVANCE TO KIMBERLEY. It is reported that the Modder River bridge has been repaired, and that the British resumed their march towards Kimbertey yesterday. The fact that the De Beer's mines foundry is casting shells, while the garrison seldom replies to the Boer's artillery, is said to point to a scarcity of ammunition at Kamberley, partially accounting for Gen. Methuen's haste.

DAVID JOUBERT. London, Dec. 4-The Times has the

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CHEMISTS.

following special today: Pietermaritzburg, Nov. 29.—The correspondent of the Times of Natal, who recently had an interview with the cammandantgeneral of the Boer forces near Highlands, says the commandant-general is David Joubert, second cousin of the famous Piet Joubert.

BOMBAN AUNT OF LADYSMITH. The latest advices from Ladysmith, dated Saturlay, Nov. 25, say the shelling of that place was continued. It also appears that Gen. Schalkburgher, commanding the Boers, sent a message, suggesting that all the wounded be sent to a neutral camp and that Gen. White peremptorily refused, whereupon the Boers deliberately shelled the hospital. All accounts agree that the Boers' shells were much more damaging than previously. A number of civilians and police were killed or wounded, while the Liverpool and Gloucester battalions lost 11 men Nov. 24. The siege of Ladysmith was

then growing stronger. The Boers were estimated to number from 10,000 to 15,000 men. The health of the British garrison was good. The Boer force at Colenso is estimated to be 15,000 men, with 15 guns.

ENEMY IN A STRONG POSITION. London, Dec. 5.-The Times has the following from Frere camp, dated Wednesday, Nov. 29: "The Boer camp at Colenso is visible from a point near Chevalry. It has strong position, and difficult from a direct front attack." A local farmer, arrested by the Boers, and released Nov. 29, has arrived at Estcourt. He says Gen. Joubert personally commands the Colenso

A letter from an officer at Lady-smith says that the battle of Reitfontein "several ladies arrived on bi-cycles. Of course they kept at a distance, but a shell pitched close to them, and caused them to pedal off

HUNDREDS OF SICK BOERS. of Gen. Joubert's column are ill. Many, having lost their rifles and horses, have returned on foot. A few more deserters came in today. They say the Boers THE ISMORE A WRECK.

London, Dec. 5 .- An official dispatch from Cape Town announces that the Ismore broke up Sunday evening. All hands and 20 horses out of 350 were saved. The loss of the Ismore's horses is quite serious at the present moment, when they were particularly needed. They consisted of selected chargers and gun teams. It is not yet clear whether the six field guns on board the transport were saved.

MORE TROOPS REACH THE CAPE. The British transport Huronia, from New Orleans, Nov. 3, has arrived at Cape Town. The transport Canning, from London, Nov. 12, has also arrived here with the first battery of How-

BOERS BLOW UP COLENSO BRIDGE.

Lorenzo Marquez, Delagoa Bay, Wednesday, Nov. 29.—The following dispatch has been received here: "Head Laager (undated) .- Gen. Joubert has retired from Estcourt, and is now blowing up Colenso bridge. He brings . large herd of cattle and intends concentrating around Ladysmith."

PREPARED TO HOLD OUT SIX MONTHS. An Associated Press dispatch from

Durban says that persons arriving there from Pretoria assert that the Boers are full of confidence, and are well prepared for a six months' siege PATRIOTIC PEOPLE. Dondon, Dec. 5.-Patriotic demonstrations in the theaters and music halls of London continue unabated.

There was a remarkable scene at the Empire last evening, when Mrs. Brown-Potter recited a poem called "Ordered to the Front," with soldiers and sailors grouped around her on the stage. On each side of Mrs. Potter stood a sailor, one carrying the British and the other the American flag. When the curtain fell and rose again to an encore, she tied the two flags together, amid loud [Continued on page 7.]

Montenac Overcoatings.

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