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VERY DESERVING.

The N. W. Home For Neglected
Children a Useful Charity.

The Public Are Responding Liberally
For its support—An Acknowledgement From the
Collector.

To the public.—Having been requested by the president of "The Children's Aid Society" to undertake the work of collecting funds throughout the county for the purpose of providing a shelter, having visited every important point in the county and being unable to continue the work for want of time, I take this means of attesting to the very generous manner in which the call has been responded to by the public. Our thanks are due to the officials of the Lake Erie & Detroit River R.R. for free transportation over their road, and the generous offer of a subscription as well.

The human objects and purposes of this society have been explained to the public have made my mission a pleasant duty, rather than a difficult task. In a great many instances, I have received donations without any request on my part from parties who called at the office or met me during my canvass. I would like to say that we are now gathering our strength to make the project a success at the start, all parties who have not already donated and are willing to do so, will call at the Garner House, or send their names and addresses either to Dr. R. V. Bray, or myself, such assistance will be greatly appreciated by all concerned.

COUNTY SHOULD RESPOND.

I would like to call attention of our friends in the county that where we have had the opportunity to talk with them on the subject, they have acted generously, but I may say the larger portion of the donations so far received have come from the business and professional men, public officials, clerks and other various employees in the different towns in the county, they being that portion of the community easy of access by a personal canvass. As it is difficult or impossible to reach the farmers by a personal appeal, and in as much as a large number of the children rescued have come from the townships, we trust our rural friends will meet us joyfully with their encouragement and support, and send in such donations of apples, potatoes and such other provisions, as they can spare from their farms.

The Children's Home is located on the corner of Stanley street and Eight street, near the court house, and all goods delivered there will be properly cared for by the matron in charge. It is the spirit in which this aid is given that we appreciate. Therefore, any form of assistance—clothing, furniture, bedding, provisions, money in all amounts, from ten cents to ten dollars—will be cheerfully received with equal gratitude.

R. J. EBERTS.

DEATH OF A FORMER CHATHAM-ITE.

The death occurred recently in California, where he had gone in search of health, of Francis Smith, a prominent barrister of Muskogee, Mich., and a former resident of this city. The deceased was an uncle of Barrister Frank Smith, of Chatham, and a brother of David Smith, of Raleigh, who has just returned from attending the funeral at Muskogee. The late Mr. Smith, it may be incidentally mentioned, commenced the study of law in the office of the late Albert Prince, of this city, in which office Joseph M. Eberts was a fellow student. Speaking of the deceased the Grand Rapids Sunday Democrat says: "Mr. Smith was one of the leading attorneys of Muskogee and was in many ways identified with the prosperity of the city. He was a man of great liberality of mind, who on all occasions took a charitable view of the weaknesses of his fellow creatures. He was at all times a most diligent student, to which fact he largely owed his great success in his chosen field of labor. He was dignified and apparently austere, but in reality he was of the opposite character, invariably kind and generous and full of sympathy for the unfortunate. He was a public spirited, prudent, temperate and in fact possessed all the virtues of a good citizen, an honorable lawyer and an affectionate husband and father."

Mr. Smith was a native of Ontario. He was born in the town of

Dr. A. W. Thornton

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Beamsville on Oct. 10, 1834, and was the second youngest of four children, only two of whom still survive. They are a brother, David Smith, of Raleigh, Kent county, Ontario, and a sister, Elizabeth Ann Smith. After receiving his education in the public schools of his native town and an institution of learning at Toronto, Mr. Smith taught school for two years in Kent county, Ont. The Democrat then goes on to describe how he went to Detroit, graduated with honors from the law department of Michigan University and from the first proved a brilliant and successful member of the bar. On hearing of his death the Bar Association at Muskegon met and passed suitable resolutions.

CRONJE'S RECORD

Tells Against Him in Dealing
With Roberts and Kitchener

In the Campaign of 1881 he Committed an Unpardonable Breach of Civilized Warfare.

That Cronje should have been refused the armistice for which he asked on Monday after his first day's success in his hastily-formed league is not altogether surprising. Irrespective of the military necessity compelling the British commander-in-chief to finish his task completely at the earliest possible moment, General Cronje's past record in treacherous negotiations has been such as to render Lord Roberts wary.

When in 1881 an armistice had been actually arranged between Kruger, Joubert, and Sir Evelyn Wood after Majuba, Cronje, in defiance of the usages of civilized warfare, withheld the news from the garrison of Potchefstroom and continued the siege until Colonel Winslow was obliged to surrender in order to save the lives of the wounded and the women and children. When the incident became known after the terms of peace had been settled, the Transvaal Government was required by Sir Evelyn Wood to allow a British force to march up from Natal and recapture Potchefstroom as a formal acknowledgment of Cronje's treachery.

In the case of the Jameson raiders he hid himself open to censure by failing to abide strictly to the terms of the surrender under which Dr. Jameson's men gave up their arms. Cronje gave a distinct promise to spare the lives of those who surrendered, and this promise was set aside, and the question of sparing the lives of the prisoners was afterwards used as a lever by President Kruger in the subsequent negotiations.

IN ANOTHER MESS

General Gatacre Meets Reconnaissance in Force

And Succeeds in Getting his Scouts all Cut in Pieces.

Starkness, Feb. 26.—Gen. Gatacre, has issued a divisional order announcing the killing at Scherpenberg farm on Saturday of Captain Montmorency, commanding Montmorency's scouts, and Lieut.-Col. F. H. Hoskier, of the Third Middlesex Volunteer Artillery. A reconnaissance in force under Gen. Gatacre, with eight guns, found the Boers occupying a ridge three miles beyond Montmorency's position, and the Boers, who crept around the south flank, pouring in a deadly fire. The scouts were finally compelled to retire, having lost heavily. Fourteen men are missing.

The reconnaissance was valuable and would have been most satisfactory had it not been for the unfortunate disaster to the scouts, with whom Lieut.-Col. Hoskier happened to be. Their loss was four killed and many wounded and missing.

Harvey De Montmorency, who was killed in Gen. Gatacre's reconnaissance Saturday, is the son of Viscount Francis De Montmorency and is the second heir to a peerage who has fallen during the present war.

DEATH'S DEADLIEST WEAPON.

Nothing so much neglected as coughs and yet more people die of lung troubles than of all other diseases combined. Be wise. Get a bottle of Four T's, the great guaranteed cough and cold cure, to-day. The only remedy known that cures in 24 hours. Sold at the Central Drug Store.

MORE CANADIANS HURT.

Four Additional Casualties at Paardeburg on Tuesday Last.

Ottawa, Feb. 23.—A cable was received yesterday (Sunday) from Lieut.-Col. Otter at Paardeburg, dated Kimberley, 25th February, stating that the following men of his command were wounded on Tuesday, the 20th inst.: "C" Co.—Pte. R. Kinder, 10th Royal Grenadiers; J. Holland, Toronto. "E" Co.—Pte. W. Downing, 62nd St. John, N. B., Fusiliers (severely). "H" Co.—Pte. A. Parker, 68th King's County Battalion.

To Save Her Child.

From financial difficulties Mrs. Nannie Gallagher, of LaGrange, Ga., applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve to great sores on her head and face, and writes its quick cure exceeded all her hopes. It works wonders in Sores, Bruises, Skin Eruptions, Cuts, Burns, Scalds, Piles, Etc. Cure guaranteed by A. I. McCall & Co., druggists.

LOCAL BRIEFS

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LIGHT FEDORAS.
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OVER.

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GARNER HOUSE BLOCK.

Miss Mabel Crawley, of Detroit, is visiting Miss Gertrude Slagg, Selkirk St. Western City Lodge, No. 93, I. O. O. F., will meet to-night in the new Temple, King St.

The Allen Lumber, California, is ashore outside Portland, Maine, and will likely be a total loss. Six cable passengers, all Canadians, and all the average passengers and mails have been safely landed.

This morning Major J. B. Rankin received application from H. B. White, J. A. McEldan and H. A. Rispin for enlistment with the Strathcona Horse for South Africa and has forwarded the same to the militia department. H. A. Willoughby is also an applicant.

The Ladies' Aid and Altar Society of St. Joseph's church will give "a tea" in their rooms on the corner of Queen and Cross streets, on Tuesday evening, February 27th, from 5:30 to 8, as it will be Shrove Tuesday, not pan-cakes with maple syrup will be served. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone to come.

In connection with the recent patriotic concert, Major J. B. Rankin received communications regretting inability to take part from Warden John Davidson, whose child was seriously ill, and Miss Elda Ide, who was suffering from a severe attack of la grippe. Miss Ide, however, rendered valuable assistance in the preparatory committee work.

HOW THE CHURCHES GAVE.
The collections for the Patriotic Fund in the diocese of Huron, as received so far amount to \$1,172.41. Some of the contributions are as follows:—Comber \$3.12; Maresca, 90c; Tilbury, \$10.10; Meritt, \$3.31; Leamington, \$6.03; Wheatley, \$1.07; Charing Cross, \$3.52; Raleigh, \$1.07; Ridgeway, \$6; Highgate, \$5; Howard, \$6.40; Blenheim, \$8.77; Oshawa, \$10; Mervin, \$6.65.

MR. FISHER'S FUNERAL.
The funeral of the late S. J. Fisher took place on Sunday afternoon from the residence of his son-in-law, Mr. Jos. Innes, and notwithstanding the intense cold, was largely attended.

The services were conducted by the Rev. J. J. Ross, pastor of the William St. Baptist Church, assisted by Dr. J. R. Battisby. The hall-bearers were: Judge Bell, Judge Houston, G. S. Heyward, W. E. Rispin, H. Macaulay, and A. F. Fells. The deceased was a man of great respect and his scrupulously upright dealings gained him a host of friends to whom his sudden death was a source of great regret. The remains were interred in the Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

A MEMORIAL SERVICE.
Last evening, at the First Presbyterian church, the pastor, Rev. F. H. Larkin, preached an impressive memorial sermon on the Canadian soldiers, who recently lost their lives in South Africa. The rev. gentleman alluded to the righteousness of the British cause in which they were engaged and said that while all true Canadians mourned the loss of their gallant sons, they could thank God that they had died in the cause of righteousness and honor. The speaker had been impressed with the thought that the Canadian volunteers were a representative and as such had died for us. In concluding he alluded to the divine ruling, which governed all events. God was with the right, and although temporary reverses might be sent to the weaker side, they would be overcome, and he devoutly prayed for and predicted the ultimate complete triumph of the British arms in the cause of right.

At the conclusion of the sermon the choir gave an exquisite rendition of the Requiem Hymn, with quartette by Mrs. Jno. Cooper, Miss Ada Ross, H. W. Anderson, and W. H. Brackin. As the congregation were dismissing the organ pealed out the Dead March in Saul.

TO CURE A COED IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bronzo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. W. Grove's signature in each box.

WANT AN OFFER FROM CHATHAM.

Saturday morning, J. S. Bruner and Fred Fox, of Ruthven, were in the city interviewing Mayor Smith. These gentlemen represent a company that has been formed in Essex county to establish a tobacco factory. The capital stock of the company is \$40,000. Windsor, Leamington, Ruthven, Kingsville and Essex Centre have all been asked what they will offer to get the factory, and this delegation was in the city Saturday for the purpose of getting Chatham's terms. Leamington and Kingsville have all offered to give water, gas for fuel and exemption from taxation. Windsor has not yet put in a bid for the factory, but will do so next week. Mayor Smith met the delegation from Ruthven and went over to Harrison Hall, where the whole project was talked over. Messrs. Fox and Bruner don't ask for anything specific. They only want to know Chatham's best offer and they intend to locate in the town which will grant them the greatest bonus. Horatio Angle, of Leamington, is said to be behind the new scheme, and plans and specifications for a brick building 40x100 feet and four stories high are now being prepared. It is understood that the company would like to locate in Chatham owing to the splendid shipping facilities of this city. Mayor Smith has called a special meeting of the finance committee for Monday evening to discuss the whole matter.

FIVE OFFICERS CASHIERED.
Cairo, Feb. 26.—As a result of the investigation by a court of inquiry held at Omdurman, in connection with the recent insubordination of two battalions of Sudanese troops, five Egyptian officers have been cashiered and sent as prisoners to Cairo.

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