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Births, Marriages, Deaths.

MARRIED.

WOOD—MURRAY—On Wednesday, Dec. 4, 1901, at the residence of the bride's parents, No. 755 Dundas street, by the Rev. Thomas Wilson, William H. Wood to Mary A. Murray.

DIED.

RICKARD—At 429 Colborne street, on Dec. 5, of paralysis, Amelia, eldest daughter of the late Martin Rickard, aged 59 years.
Funeral private.

FYSH—On Dec. 5, 1901, at his late residence, 361 Princess avenue, Hewitt Fysh, in his 78th year.
Funeral Saturday at 3 p.m. Private.

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

NEW GRAND TONIGHT!
Fourth number in the METROPOLITAN COURSE.
THE ROGERS-GRILLEY RECITALS.
50c, 35c, 25c.

TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 10, James H. Wallack's Remarkable Scenic Production, "WHEN LONDON SLEEPS."
Full carload scenery. Sensational melodrama. Popular prices, 50c, 35c, 25c. Seats ready Saturday. b

LONDON OPERA HOUSE TONIGHT
HARRY LINDLEY
Specialties Comedy Company,
Matinee Saturday—"Little Lord Fauntleroy."
Prices 10c, 15c, 25c—Tonight, "Struck Gas."

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, 3:30 o'clock — Palace Dancing Academy. Opening of children's classes. Special rates for season tickets. Dayton & McCormick.

THE PRINCESS—SKATING MATINEE Saturday. Doors open at 2 o'clock. Admission, 10c and 15c. Season books: Ladies and children, $3; gentlemen, $3 50. b

THE PRINCESS—LONDON'S ICE PALACE—Skating tonight. Season books: Gentlemen, $3 50; ladies and children, $3. b

SPANISH TRANSATLANTIC LINE—$48 70, first class, London, Ont., to Havana, Cuba, via New York. Other rates on application. F. B. Clarke, Richmond street, next Advertiser. zxv

LUCANIA WILL LAND YOU FOUR days before Christmas. The fast flyer, the steamship Lucania, will sail from New York Saturday, Dec. 14, for Liverpool; due Liverpool, Saturday, Dec. 21. F. B. Clarke, agent, Cunard Line, Richmond street, next Advertiser.

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.

MEETINGS.

THE WESTERN ONTARIO COMMERCIAL Travelers' Association—The regular general meeting will be held on Saturday, Dec. 7, at 8 p.m. Nomination of officers for ensuing year. All members are requested to attend. W. L. Underwood, president; Alfred Robinson, secretary. 42k-tzvt

MACCABEES — LONDON TENT, 17, will meet this (Friday) evening, at 8 o'clock, Knights of Pythias Hall, Dundas street. Election of officers and general business. b

LONDON PROOF LINE ROAD COMPANY, Limited—The annual meeting of the shareholders of the London Proof Line Road Company, Limited, will be held at the office of the company, Masonic Temple Building, Richmond street, in the City of London, on Monday, the 9th day of December, 1901, at the hour of 11 o'clock a.m. John Overell, secretary-treasurer. 39c-27 D6,7

MASONIC—A REGULAR MEETING OF St. John's, 209a, this (Friday) evening, at 7:30, in the Masonic Temple. General business and election. Visitors welcome. T. H. Weldon, W.M.; T. A. Rowat, secretary. b

PRESS CLUB—REGULAR MONTHLY meeting of Press Club will be held at their rooms, New Grand Opera House, on Saturday, Dec. 7, at 4:30 p.m. Important business and election of officers. 46u

FEMALE HELP WANTED.

1c per word first insertion, and ½c per word each subsequent insertion. No advertisement less than ten words.

WANTED — GENERAL SERVANT; small family. Apply at once, 517 Princess avenue. 47c

GOOD GIRL WANTED FOR GENERAL housework; no washing. Apply 295 Wolfe street. 43c-zxv

WANTED—A LAUNDRESS. APPLY TO Matron, Victoria Hospital. 46c

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—GOOD GIRL for general housework, in small family. Mrs. A. Keenleyside, 500 King street. 45c

WANTED—EXPERIENCED GENERAL servant. Apply Mrs. Butler, 290 Princess avenue. 35tf

GIRLS FOR CANDY DEPARTMENT. Apply immediately, McCormick Company. 30tf

WANTED TODAY—25 GIRLS, $2 TO $3 per week, housework; also agents, male and female. Lockhart, 442 Park avenue. 'Phone 964.

25 MORE GIRLS WANTED IMMEDIATELY. D. S. Perrin & Co. 29tf

BOARDING, ROOMS, ETC.

PLEASANT ROOMS, WITH BOARD; warm and comfortable. Apply 123 Horton street. 47c

DOMINION
Savings and Investment Society.
HIGHEST RATES
Paid on Deposits and Debentures.
OFFICES — Masonic Temple Building, corner King and Richmond Streets.
NATHANIEL MILLS, Manager

We Often Wonder
where all the lamentably obsolete footwear comes from, one sees on so many men—in street cars. A little time and gumption would make SUCH A DIFFERENCE. Our store is so handy, too! All the style there is comes in
"ASTORIA"
Brand. For wear they beat all. Big variety, too—25 styles.
J. P. COOK,
167 Dundas Street.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS EACH night except Saturday, at 8 p.m.; Lord's day at 7 p.m., in Gospel Hall, corner Horton and Colborne streets, conducted by Mr. William McLean, of Peterhead, Scotland. All are welcome. 46c

EVANGELISTIC SERVICES — HIGH Street Mission, every night this week, conducted by Revs. Thomas and Hamilton. 431

SITUATIONS WANTED.

FIRST-CLASS GENERAL SERVANT wants position by the day. Address Box 37, Advertiser office. 45c

MALE HELP WANTED.

WANTED—RELIABLE MAN, ACCUSTOMED to paper hanging. Apply 410 Horton street. 47tf

WANTED—A RELIABLE YOUNG MAN as salesman. Salary, $15 a week. Also a canvasser, at $2 per day. Apply F. H. Hall, 414½ Talbot street, London, Ont. zxv

CHOIRMASTER AND ORGANIST wanted for the Colborne Street Methodist Church. Duties to commence 1st January next. Applicants will please give references and state salary required on or before 7th inst. Address W. D. Buckle, secretary-treasurer, Colborne Street Church. 44u-yv

APPRENTICE WANTED, TO LEARN litho-engraving. Lawson & Jones. 46c

TWO SMART BOYS WANTED AT Campbell's Carriage Factory. 45c

BOARDING, ROOMS, ETC.

GENTLEMEN CAN HAVE FURNISHED rooms, with our without board; all modern conveniences; terms moderate. 415 Dundas street. 2tf

ARTICLES FOR SALE.

SKATES HOLLOW-GROUND WITH special machinery, at 15c a pair. D. McKenzie & Co., 298 Richmond street, one door south G. T. R. station.

20 PER CENT OFF LADIES' FELT Hats and Mercerized Sateen Underskirts. Astrachan Muffs, $1 50, worth $2 50. Also cheap furs and drygoods, at Cunningham's, 662 Dundas street.

FOR SALE — TEN PERMANENT shares of People's Building and Loan Society. Offers solicited. John Wright, stock broker, London, Ont.

EXTENSION LADDERS, 20c A FOOT—Best on earth for cleaning eavestroughs, placing storm windows, painting, etc. Catalogue free. The Waggoner Ladder Company, Limited, London, Ont.

THIS IS THE TIME OF THE YEAR that makes the people look for the best wood at the best prices. Ring up 1,312, and ask them about their different kinds of wood and prices. D. H. Gillies & Co., 673 Bathurst street.

BARGAINS AT ALFRED T. PARISH'S store in square and round baseburners and cook stoves. A large assortment of small coal and wood heaters. Mattresses, springs, bedroom suites and all household furniture taken in exchange for new, or sold cheap for cash. Parish, 357 Talbot street, three doors south of King.

21 POUNDS REDPATH'S GRANULATED sugar, $1; good raisins, 5c lb; choice new candied lemon and orange peel, 12½c lb; new prunes, 4 lbs. 25c; new cooking figs, 7 lbs, 25c; Maple Leaf salmon, 2 cans, 25c; good red salmon, 10c can; pink salmon, 8c can; 10 per cent off all other canned meats. T. A. Faulds, 687 Dundas street. zxv

$5 00 WILL BUY A $6 50 EXTENSION table this week at Keene Bros., 127 King street, opposite Market House.

APPLES—AT COLD STORAGE, BATHURST street. Good cull apples, 10c and 15c a basket. 42n

$1 20 WOOD—FOR TWO WEEKS WE will sell a load of dry mixed sawmill wood for $1 20 cash. All kinds of coal and wood at the lowest cash prices. Green & Co., William street and G. T. R. 'Phone 1,391.

STOVES—STOVES—STOVES—WE HAVE a large stock of stoves, comprising coal baseburners, hot blast and St. Lewis airtight. Very cheap, at Keene's, 141 King street.

SNAP—GOOD PIANO, ROSEWOOD case, 7 1-3 octaves; in first-class condition, and guaranteed for 5 years. Only $100, on easy terms of payment. Heintzman & Co., 217 Dundas street, corner Clarence.

HOUSES, ETC., TO LET.

TO LET—1,012 WELLINGTON STREET; new house, barn and two acres land; possession immediately. Apply on premises. 47u

TWO FIRST-CLASS OFFICES TO rent in the Masonic Temple building. Apply to Purdom & Purdom. 87tf-vzx

TWO OFFICES, WITH VAULT, IN Albion Building, to let. Apply T. H. Carling, or H. & C. Colerick, on premises. 35tf

TO LET—COMFORTABE COTTAGE, No. 85 Clarence street. The London Soap Company. 20tf

TO LET—HOUSE, NO. 29 PICTON street; double parlors, four bedrooms, furnace, bath, etc; central locality. Fraser & Moore, solicitors. 29tf

TWO-STORY HOUSE ON TALBOT street, near Horton; rent moderate. Apply 33 Horton street. 12tf

STORE WITH VAULT TO LET—IN Albion Buildings; immediate possession. Apply to T. H. Carling or H. & C. Colerick, in building. 99tf

TO LET—UNION FURNITURE VAN—Furniture carefully handled. John Biggs, Cathcart and Bruce, South London, late of London Furniture Company. 'Phone 310.

We'll Take Your Measure
And make your fall suit without any of those annoying delays characteristic of many tailors. It will be just the suit you want, too—perfect in fit and fabric. Come in and select the materials. There's a beautiful array of the latest styles to choose from.
DEEKS & MUNSON,
393 Richmond Street.
Telephone 1321.

AGENTS WANTED.

THREE AGENTS WANTED FOR THIS city at once; $3 per day guarantee. Apply Postoffice Drawer 531, city. 91tf

LOST AND FOUND.

WILL THE GENTLEMAN WHO TOOK away the wrong hat from the St. Andrew's dinner at the Tecumseh House, kindly leave it at The Advertiser office? The hat was marked inside, Graham Bros. 45tf

BUSINESS CHANCES.

FOR SALE — BLACKSMITH SHOP, tools, house and lot; established business. Apply at once, Box 8, Blyth, Ont. 29bg-vty

FOR SALE—NORTH STREET CHEESE and butter factory; situated in fine section of country for dairying. Eight miles from London. H. B. Stevens, Scottsville. 44n

GROCERY BUSINESS FOR SALE—DOING good trade; good stand. Good reason for selling. Address Box 36, this office. 43tf

BUSINESS CARDS.

WM. HODGSON, HOUSE PAINTER, paperhanger, decorator, contractor, etc., 410 Horton street. Orders promptly attended to. First-class work done. Patronage kindly solicited. Estimates free.

WATSON & CO., HOUSE MOVERS—Steam boilers and safes a specialty. 194 Hamilton road. 'Phone 1,231.

WANTED.

COME AND SEE OUR NATURAL Pompadours. They are perfect. Combings wanted. Miller's Hair Store, 222 Dundas street.

MISCELLANEOUS.

STAMPS—CURRENT CANADA, OLD collections, revenues, bought and sold. Adams, 401 Yonge street, Toronto.

F. B. LEYS—OFFICES AT MASONIC Temple, first floor and London Hat, Cap and Mantle Manufacturing Company, 355-357 Clarence.

DENTAL CARDS.

WOOLVERTON & BENTLEY, DENTISTS, 216 Dundas street, next Edy Bros., over Cairncross & Lawrence, druggists. Telephone 228.

McDONALD & CUNNINGHAM—DENTISTS, 183½ Dundas street. 'Phone 702.

DR. W. S. WESTLAND, DENTIST—Post-graduate in crown and bridge work, Chicago. Edge Block, Richmond street. 'Phone 960. Residence, 287 Queen's avenue. 'Phone 420.

DR. G. H. KENNEDY, DENTIST—Successor to the late Dr. Davis. Specialty, preservation of natural teeth. 170 Dundas street. 'Phone 975.

REAL ESTATE.

THE RESIDENCE OF THE LATE Col. Lewis; also the store and warerooms occupied by him, for sale. Apply to Purdom & Purdom. 87tf-vzx

FOR SALE—100 ACRES, 90 CLEARED, 10 good bush, mostly maple; watered by spring creek; two-story brick cottage; cost $3,000; all necessary outbuildings. Would take house in city for part. Apply Samuel Grant, Tempo P. O. 46c

FOR SALE — TWO-STORY BRICK; slate roof, bath, w.c., and furnace; large lot. Must be sold. If you want a real good home for very little money, call on J. F. Sangster, 112 Masonic Temple.

FOR SALE OR TO RENT—TWO-STORY brick residence of Francis Love, 34 Hope street, rear of Princess avenue school; gas, furnace, etc. Francis Love, police magistrate. 18tf

FARM FOR SALE—NEAR STRATHROY—75 acres. Good buildings and water. G. M. Haldane, Strathroy, Ont.

Bylaw No. 1,935

FOR TAKING THE VOTES OF THE ELECTORS of the City of London upon the question of fixing the assessment of the McClary Manufacturing Company at One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, for a period of ten years:

Whereas, it is expedient that a vote of the electors of the City of London should be taken upon the question of whether or not a fixed assessment should be granted to the McClary Manufacturing Company of One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, for a period of ten years, in order to ascertain the opinion of the ratepayers thereon.

And whereas, it is expedient that the said vote be taken at the same time, and by the same officers, as the vote of the electors at the next Municipal Elections are taken, on the following question, namely, "For or against the fixing of the assessment of the McClary Manufacturing Company at One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, for a period of ten years."

Be it therefore enacted by the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of London as follows:

1. That a vote of the electors of the City of London, qualified to vote at the next ensuing Municipal Elections for Mayor of the said city, be taken at the same time, and by the same officers, and in the same manner as the votes for the election of Mayor for the said City of London, at the next ensuing Municipal Elections for the said City of London are taken, upon the question of the advisability of fixing the assessment of the McClary Manufacturing Company at One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, for a period of ten years.

2. That the question upon which the vote shall be taken shall be as follows: "For or against the fixing of the assessment of the McClary Manufacturing Company at One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars, for a period of ten years."

3. That the votes to be taken upon the said question be taken by ballot, and the clerk shall sum up the votes and declare the result at the same time as the result of the election of the Mayor of the said City of London for the next ensuing Municipal Elections is declared.

Passed in open Council this second day of December, A. D. 1901.

F. G. RUMBALL, Mayor.
C. A. KINGSTON, City Clerk. 47c-v

BRICK HOUSE—ONE AND A HALF stories, 8 rooms, basement and stables. No. 5 Hamilton road. Also frame cottage, 270 Burwell street, 7 rooms. By auction at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 17, 1901, on the premises. D. H. Porter, auctioneer. 421-2,6,10,13,16

IN THE TOILS!

Some 250 Boers Captured in One Day---Three Laagers Scooped by the British.

Pretoria, Dec. 5.—The largest capture of Boers in many months occurred today, when three columns secured an aggregate of 250 prisoners.

Gen. Bruce Hamilton, near Ermelo; Major Dawkins, in the Waterbury district, and Gen. Methuen in Northwest Transvaal, rounded up three laagers, with only a few casualties on either side.

PEACE NEGOTIATIONS STARTED.

London, Dec. 5.—The Daily News says it has good authority for the statement that the government is engaged in another informal attempt to negotiate with the Boers to end the war.

OTHER OPERATIONS.

Pretoria, Dec. 5.—The operations in the last three months in the southeastern part of the Orange River Colony have resulted in the reduction of the Boers' forces by about 400 men, practically wiping out the burghers there. This rapid success was attained by a system of advanced fortified bases, from which mounted troops acted without transport. Gen. Dartnell, with the Imperial Light Horse, captured 24 Boers on the Wilge River, east of Heilbron. He also captured 800 cattle and 150 horses. On other days he took fourteen prisoners and thousands of cattle. His operations extended over ten days. These captures resulted from forming fortified laagers, and making sudden raids and night marches.

CANADIAN UNITY

One of the Features Specially Referred To by the Prince of Wales at the Reception in the Guildhall.

London, Dec. 6.—Yesterday's reception to the Prince and Princess of Wales at the Guildhall was made the occasion of a demonstration in favor of the government and of Mr. Chamberlain, as well as of emphasizing the loyalty of the colonies and their devotion to Great Britain. It was a purely family affair, no foreign diplomats being invited; but those present included most of the notabilities of the country. The Prince of Wales wore the full uniform of a rear admiral. The Princess was dressed in black brocaded velvet, relieved by a long chain of diamonds. Seated in the vicinity of the Prince and Princess of Wales were Lord Salisbury, Lord Rosebery, the Duke of Devonshire and Mr. Chamberlain.

The Prince of Wales made a long, statesmanlike speech on the relations between the mother land and the colonies. Speaking about the Dominion, he said: "To Canada was borne the message already conveyed to Australia and New Zealand of the motherland's loving appreciation of the services rendered by its gallant sons. In the journey from ocean to ocean, marvelous in its comfort and organization, we were enabled to see something of its matchless scenery, the richness of its soil and the boundless possibilities of that vast and but partly explored territory. We saw, too, the success which has crowned the efforts to weld into one community the peoples of its two great races."

Mr. Chamberlain was accorded a tremendous reception when he rose to respond to Lord Rosebery's toast to the colonies, but neither he nor Lord Rosebery said anything of international importance.

Lord Rosebery referred to England's unpopularity abroad. He said: "No doubt it is true just at this moment that we have many enemies who are not very reticent in expressing their opinion, but on the other hand, today's celebration, which is largely due to the action and co-operation of their royal highnesses, has shown that we possess in the support of our distant kinsmen an approval and a sanction which, to us, is worth infinitely more than all the contempt and all the censure that we may receive from other nations." This remark of the premier was greeted with prolonged cheering, after which he continued, saying: "I cannot admit that they are judges of our conduct or that we can modify our proceedings in deference to their opinion. What we look to are the opinions of our own kinsmen, who belong to our own empire. We have received from all portions of that empire an indication that we have lost nothing in the opinion they held of the justice of our claim."

140 PERSONS WERE DROWNED

By the Sinking of a Launch During a Feast Day Celebration in Arabia---Torpedo Boat Destroyer Wrecked---Wilhelmina and Henry.

London, Dec. 6.—A dispatch to the Daily Express from Bombay says that during the celebration of Feast Day of St. Francis Xavier, Dec. 3, at the Portugese city of Goa, on the west coast of Arabia, the sinking of a launch resulted in the drowning of 140 devotees 50 yards from the shore.

DESTRUCTIVE BLAZE IN LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Dec. 6.—The fire in the Liverpool Exchange buildings, which broke out this morning, as the result of an explosion, was subdued after two and a half hours' work by the firemen. The Chamber of Commerce offices and the Exchange News rooms were chiefly affected. The damage is considerable.

A DESTROYER DESTROYED

Harwich, Dec. 6.—The Great Eastern Railway's continental steamship Cambridge collided with the torpedo boat destroyer Salmon Tuesday night. The Cambridge ran into a fleet of destroyers, of which the Salmon was the last. Before the Salmon could avoid the steamship the bow of the Cambridge crashed into her. The crew of the destroyer clambered on board the Cambridge, but two are missing. The Salmon had her sides stove in, her decks ripped up, and her guns scattered.

WILHELMINA AND HENRY.

The Paris correspondent of the London Times quotes a dispatch from the Hague correspondent of the Temps in regard to the reports of a serious quarrel between Queen Wilhelmina and her husband, Prince Henry of the Netherlands. The Temps vouches for the correspondent as a contributor who has the reputation of sending accurate information.

LIKE TURTLE DOVES.

The correspondent says the malicious rumors in regard to the Queen and Prince Henry are the fabrications of cheap Socialist papers in Holland. He adds:

"It is a most happy thing that there is no domestic strife. The prince is kind and affectionate, the queen loves her husband, and harmony has always prevailed."

CONVICT HOLDS THE FORT 30 HOURS.

London, Dec. 6,—A convict at the Penterville prison who managed to elude the warders established a sort of a fort chabrol on the roof of the institution, and for thirty hours defied all attemps to disloge him. Thousands of spectators watched the show and aided the prisoner by timely warnings of the movements of his would-be captors. Ladders placed against the wall were promptly thrown down by the occupant of the roof. The fugitive collected a large pile of slates, which he gleefully threw at the heads of the officials who attempted to scale the wall. At noon he was still holding the officials at bay, but eventually he was starved into submission. He surrendered this afternoon after defeating all attempts to dislodge him by force. He was finally lured to the ground by the offer of a dish of roast beef and potatoes.

TRAIN DASHED INTO STATION BUILDING.

A large part of the handsome railway station precincts at Frankfort was wrecked this morning by the Orient express, the airbrakes of which failed to work. The train dashed into the station at full speed, jumped the platform and came to a standstill in the middle of the waiting room, against the debris of a stone wall. A few of the passengers were badly bruised, but none was fatally injured.

HEAVY FAILURE IN DRESDEN.

The Dresden Savings and Loan Bank has made an assignment. The bank's share capital is 1,000,000 marks. Its depositors number 7,000, with aggregate deposits of 7,000,000 marks.

BIG TOBACCO TRUST.

The London Financier says: A combine is being effected among the tobacco growers of the Philippine Islands, with a capital of between £6,- being carried on in London under the auspices of the Rothschilds.

The editor of the Financier reasserts the correctness of the report regarding the organization of a combination of the tobacco growers in the Philippine Islands, adding that he was sure the project would go through and that he had positive information that the Rothschilds were interested in it.

POSTOFFICE DEPARTMENT.

Revenue Increased Under Lower Postal Rates.

Greatly Improved Facilities in the Postal-Note and Money-Order Department.

Ottawa, Dec. 6.—The report of the postmaster-general for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1901, shows great extensions of the service throughout the whole of the Dominion. During the year increased facilities were given to the public in various ways, no less than 619 miles of additional railway being utilized for mail purposes. The total annual mileage that the mails were carried by rail exceeded the total mileage of the previous year by 16,962 miles. The total mileage that the mails were carried by stage routes exceeded the total mileage of the previous year by no less than 460,809 miles. The frequency of the mail service was increased by 347 postoffices, while 227 new postoffices were opened, and 13,375,500 more letters were carried than in the previous year.

POSTAL NOTES.

The number of postal notes issued and paid during the year increased from 769,-250 to $77,569, the aggregate value of the year's issue being $1,459,015, an increase of $108,349. This branch of the service was inaugurated in the month of August, 1898, the total sale of postal notes that month being 2,777, whilst for the month of June, 1900, it was 66,509. During the year 596 new postal note offices were established, being an increase for the twelve months

MONEY ORDER BRANCH.

In the money order branch 76,102 more money orders were issued than in the previous year. The aggregate value of the money orders for the year amounted to $17,956,257 57, being an advance over the previous year of $1,747,183 53, and an increase of $4,874,397 25 over the value of the money orders issued for the year ending June 30, 1896, the last year of the Conservative administration. The postal note and money order transactions of the department for the fiscal year just closed aggregated $19,415,273 62, being greater by $6,373,416 than for the fiscal year closing June 30, 1896, or an increase of 49 per cent.

NEW INTERNATIONAL ARRANGEMENT.

During the year the department arranged with the United States a plan for the simplification of the exchange of money orders and postal notes between the two countries, the result being that an agreement was come to whereby the United States pays all money orders and postal notes drawn upon it by the Dominion of Canada in the same manner as if the orders were to be paid in the Dominion itself. This arrangement practically adds to the list the names of some 30,000 offices in the United States upon which the Canadian postoffice department may issue money orders and postal notes. Canada renders a similar service to the United States.

POSTOFFICE SAVINGS BANK.

At the close of the year the deposits in the postoffice savings bank amounted to $89,950,812 62, or an increase of $2,443,356 82, being the largest balance at the close of any year. There was also an increase of 6,381 in the total number of open accounts during the year, there having been inaugurated 157,368 new accounts, as against 150,987 during the previous year. The revenue for the year exceeded that for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1896, by $238,924 19, notwithstanding the fact that the public are now enjoying a letter rate throughout Canada of 2 cents, as against 3 cents, as formerly; also a 2-cent rate as against 3 cents on letters to the United States, and 2 cents as against 5 cents in former days on correspondence between Canada and the rest of the empire. The immediate result of these reductions in rates, which took effect in January, 1899, was a great loss of revenue, but there has been a steady increase in correspondence, and in the month of January last—that is, at the expiration of two years from the time that this reduction took effect—the monthly revenue has grown to exceed what it had been under the higher previously existing rates. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1896, there was a deficit in the department, omitting Yukon transactions, amounting to $781,-152 19. The deficit for the year 1900 has fallen to $416,183 99, notwithstanding a reduction of about 33 per cent in the rates of postage.

February 5.

Ottawa, Dec. 6.—Efforts are being made to have parliament meet on February 5.

Deaths of a Day.

Dean O'Meara died at Winnipeg about 3 o'clock this (Friday) morning.

Rev. Dr. Carl Meyer, one of the oldest professors in Rutgers College, is dead in New Brunswick, N.J. He was more than 80 years old.

Rev. Herman C. Scripps died on Thursday afternoon at Mount Clemens, Mich., aged 41 years.

After a prolonged illness Rev. James Preston died on Thursday at Brantford. The deceased was a superannuated minister of the Methodist Church of Canada, and had been in active work some 30 years. Besides his widow, there survice him two daughters, Miss Preston, now in Japan; Mrs. Ed Johnston, of Brandon, and two sons, Mr. Wm. Preston, of Stratford, and T. H. Preston, M.P.P., of Brantford.

NAVIGATION NOTES.

SOO CANAL TRAFFIC.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Dec. 6.—The statistical report of the commerce through the Sault Ste. Marie canals for November gives the freight tonnage at 3,274,201 tons, exceeding November of 1900 by 1,094,429 tons. The total freight for the season to Dec. 1 was 27,817,811 tons, more than 2,000,000 tons in excess of last season's total. The principal items for November were: Grain, other than wheat, 8,832,442 bushels; wheat, 13,348,333 bushels; flour, 1,042,169 barrels; iron ore, 1,651,465 tons.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 5.	Reported at.	From.
Pretorian	New York	Glasgow
Deutschland	New York	Hamburg
Breslau	New York	Bremen
Celtic	Liverpool	New York
Bohemian	Liverpool	New York
Westernland	Liverpool	Philadelphia
Nomadic	Liverpool	New York

Eleven boats are waiting at Port Arthur and Fort William to load wheat.

A Superb Display OF Ebony Goods
For Your Christmas Selection
We are exhibiting the most complete line of Ebony Goods ever imported into this city. Every article is Solid Ebony, and guaranteed absolutely perfect.
These will be sold at close prices.
CAIRNCROSS & LAWRENCE,
Chemists and Druggists,
216 Dundas Street.

The Count in West Huron.

Goderich, Dec. 5.—No. 2 East Wawanosh gives a majority to Mr. Garrow of 25. These additions give Mr. Garrow a majority of 295.

COL. PRIOR WILL RETIRE.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 5.—Hon. E. G. Prior tonight announced his intention of retiring from politics altogether, for the present at least.

News in Brief.

Mrs. Martha McKibbon, of Picton, was asphyxiated by gas from a coal stove.

The latter census returns received at Ottawa increase the population of Ontario by 12,000.

Owing to a strike of railroad men the steel mills in Homestead, Pa., may be compelled to close down.

Carnegie has under consideration the gift of a large sum of money to be used for the benefit of aged telegraphers.

There is little likelihood of a mayoralty campaign this year in Toronto. Mayor Howland will doubtless get a second term.

Registrars have been appointed to compile the Portage la Prairie voters' list. It is expected the election will take place about Feb. 24.

The Prince and Princess of Wales and suite have sent handsome souvenirs of their tour over the C. P. R. to Mr. Baker, in whose charge they traveled.

Presbyterian creed revisers in Washington, assisted by Elisha Fraser, of Detroit, are preparing a statement of about 1,000 words, which will be a summary of the present creed in plain language.

Sir Christopher Furness, who has returned to England after his extensive tour of the iron industries of the United States, is reported as about to build a $10,000,000 steel plant at some undesignated point in Canada.

Teddy Counsell, a former Hamilton boy, and now manager of the Merchants' Bank at Carberry, was married at Winnipeg on Thursday, his bride being Miss Nellie Campbell, a well-known Winnipeg vocalist.

Tickets for St. Andrew's ball, Dawson, sold for $15 each.

The Duncan Lithographing Co.'s factory in Hamilton was damaged $25,000 by fire yesterday.

The bill for the incorporation of Dawson will be passed at the next session of the Yukon council.

Public vaccination in Ottawa already has cost the city $2,200 for people who cannot pay the 25 cents allowed for the operation.

Government creameries in the Northwest exported 672,432 pounds of butter this year, an increase of 44,248 pounds over last year.

The Montreal Board of Trade has approved of the idea that the Dominion Government should establish a public mining museum in that city.

Judge Burbidge has ordered that $3,500 paid by F. H. Clergue as duty on the steamer Minnie M., built in the United States to run between the Soo and Michipicoten, be refunded.

Dundas is to have another paper, making three again. It will be Conservative in politics. The promoters are Messrs. N. H. Boden and Jos. Reid, ex-principal of the Dundas High school.

William Weir, ex-president of the defunct Banque Ville Marie, was released from the Montreal jail on Thursday, having served a sentence of nearly two years for sending a false bank report to the Dominion Government.

Godfrey Beauchamp, a well-connected youth of 19 years, confessed in court at Montreal on Thursday to have uttered fourteen forged checks to the total amount of about $300. A. D. Morgan's name was forged.

According to the ruling of the Supreme Court of Missouri, the assessment of the Western Union Telegraph Company's franchise by the State Board of Equalization is legal and binding. This opinion authorizes the collection of an aggregate of about $250,000 in taxes. In effect this declares the state franchise tax law valid. The court found that the Western Union Telegraph Company was organized under the laws of New York, and is not a federal corporation.

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