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C. A. Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson, of a son.

MARIEZED.

GRANT, Mrs., at Battle River, Manitoba, on Tuesday August 1st, by Rev. John McPhee, Representative Methodist Conference, Rev. Dr. George Wilson, of St. Paul, Minn., and Miss Mary B. Dean, sister of Rev. G. W. Dean, Calgary.

DIED.

SAYERS—On Thursday, September 11th, at the residence of H. Dyer, Eden Mills, Remained here until his death.

CONWAY—In Milton, on Wednesday, September 11th, Michael Conway, aged 30 years.

The Acton Free Press.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th, 1893.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Miller's Association of Canada has adopted the following table to govern the price of wheat: "Sixty two pounds or over per cent over standard price; sixty one pounds pay one cent over standard price; fifty nine pounds pay one cent below standard price; fifty seven pounds pay five cents below standard price; fifty five pounds pay twelve cents below standard price."

An order in council has been passed on a report of the Minister of Agriculture to prevent dried figs and other dried fruits from Smyrna, from passing through the Canadian quarantines, for the reason that such are not susceptible of disinfection. This order was passed in consequence of the reported presence of Ascalon in epidemic form in that Province. A quarantine regulation establishing such prohibition is published in the *Canada Gazette*.

Her Majesty has been pleased to confer the degree of Knighthood upon Hon. C. H. Tupper, Minister of Marine and Fisheries for Canada. He is now a Knight of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, as a recognition of the valuable services rendered as British agent for Canada in the field of the administration. He is still under 40 years of age, and the honor thus bestowed, will serve to renew his enthusiasm as a Canadian public official.

According to a cable dispatch from Brussels the King of the Belgians has left a letter to be signed after his death, the contents of which give rise to grave apprehensions. It is hinted that King Leopold disapproves of the revised constitution, and that he either declines any responsibility for it or gives advice respecting it to his successor. The King had been kept in Brussels during all the last summer months awaiting the break of the deadlock caused by the refusal of the House of Representatives to ratify the vote of the Senate on the conditions of eligibility for candidates to the Upper House and is weary of the endless discussions and discussions.

The Earl of Aberdeen was entertained at banqueting by the Lord Mayor of Liverpool prior to his departure for Canada by the Saddlers. The new Governor General's arrival was also noted.

A private secretary to His private secretary, who was formerly the private secretary to the new Baron Stanmore (late Sir Arthur Gordon), during the latter's term of service in New Brunswick, the Fiji Islands and Ceylon. His Excellency's aides de camp are Capt. Kimberley of the Coldstream Guards, who will act as military secretary, and Capt. Umphlett of the Cameron Highlanders, who will be permanent A.D.C. with Major Erskine and Ferguson as extra aides.

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TALK OF THE DAY.

ANNUALDO OF THE WORLD'S DOINGS DURING THIS WEEK.

BABY Ruth Cleveland now has a sister, Christopher's first rate this year will be 20 million on the dollar.

John Kyle, aged 7, was drowned in the oil canal at St. Catharines Monday.

Three more Canadian soldiers, prisoners have been seized by Russians in Siberia.

The Queen's budget bill for the Imperial treasury and from Scotland comes to £6,000,000 a year.

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The village of Beechley which has suffered severely from fire is to introduce a system of waterworks and fire protection at a cost of \$10,000.

The flour mill, elevator, engine house and office belonging to the Bell Farm at Indian Head has been destroyed by fire. The total loss is about \$25,000.

A number of barbers and cigar and tobacco dealers were fined at Hamilton Police Court Tuesday for violation of the Lord Day act, in having carried on trade on Sunday last.

MISS FREDERICKA WHITING, THE WEST RIDGE AMERICAN temperance organizer, who is visiting London, Eng., is in very poor health, and her physicians advise her to rest for a year.

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GENERAL ELECTION IN JANUARY.

STUMBLE for that effect have been heard at Ottawa.

Ottawa, Sept. 12.—There is a rumor floating about here to-day to the effect that the general elections will be sprung up in January on the old lists. It is pointed out that at the present moment a change in the law would certainly extend the franchise to large majorities who would otherwise neglect their franchise.

The necessary motions that the Government is strong enough to hold throughout the country, strengthen the belief in this theory.

Mr. H. B. Brewster, of Ottawa, says:

With Control of Suction After Much Suffering, Miss Edith Mata-Surfer, of Victoria, British Columbia, has given birth to a healthy girl, born at Victoria, British Columbia.

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