BORN.

Moore—At the Parsonage, 423 King St. West, Hamilton, on Jan. 13, 1900, to Rev. and Mrs. T. Albert Moore, a daughter.

MARRIED.

Woodhall—McKay—On Wednesday, 17th of December, at the Methodist Parsonage, Georgetown, by Rev. J. Sanderson, M.A., Mr. Erastus Woodhall to Miss Elizabeth T. McKay, both of Georgetown.

Lane—Miller—At the Presbyterian Manse, Georgetown, on Wednesday, January 3rd, by the Rev. L. Perrin, B.A., Mr. William A. Lane, of Rexquesing, to Miss Margaret Miller, daughter of the late John Miller, of the 7th con. Rexquesing.

DIED.

Glassie—In 8th, near Orangeville, on Sunday, 14th January, Mrs. Alexander Currie, aged 72 years.

Hyde—At his home, Lansing, Mich., on Friday, 5th January, Robert Hyde, formerly of Acton, aged 67 years.

McPhail—At her home, Willow Street, Acton, on Wednesday morning, January 17th, Christina, widow of the late William McPhail, aged 77 years.

Cook—At his father's home, Palermo, on Friday morning, 12th January, Charles Robert, only son of Edward K. Cook, and grandson of the late Rev. R. H. Cook, Acton, aged 21 years, 1 month and 10 years.

The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 1900.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The expansion in the business of the Dominion is shown by the total bank clearings for Canada which amounted last week to $35,775,661, an increase over the previous week of $7,353,841.

Fifteen hundred and ninety-eight ratepayers and citizens of Guelph have petitioned the city council to reduce the number of hotel licenses in the city so that the number will not be more than one license to 1,000 of the city's population. The ratio at present is one license to 720 citizens.

The worst disease that can fasten itself on any municipal council is incompetency. Next to this comes politics. In Esquesing it seems to be a bad case of Grit and Tory. Whatever may have been the prime object in removing Mr. G. H. Kennedy from the township's clerkship, it must be satisfactory to him that the people were unanimous in assuring him that he discharged the duties of the office in a manner that left no room for complaint.—*Herald*.

Travellers now at work in the North-West are of the opinion that the sales of goods in that part of the Dominion for the coming season will be largely in excess of previous years. The large inflow of settlers the past year and the prospect of a much larger increase in the population this year, combined with the increased prosperity of the farmers, are the reasons on which they base their expectations of increases in business.

The news of the death of the Earl of Ava in South Africa, eldest son of the Marquis of Dufferin, was received with profound sorrow in Canada. The young earl, who died in the heroic defence of Ladysmith, although a frequent visitor to Canada, where his boyhood was spent, was not personally known to our people at large, but their sympathies are with his father and mother, who, when they filled the viceregal office in the Dominion, won all hearts.

The Ontario Government has under consideration an amendment to the regulations respecting pulp wood, which provides for the application of the manufacturing clauses to spruce logs, thus putting them on the same basis as saw logs. The order will take effect at the close of the present license year, 30th of April, and after that date no pulpwood cut on any timber limits sold by the government can be exported from Canada.

The annual report of the Ontario License Department shows similar decline in tavern licenses and similar decline in license revenue which has been manifest during the past few years. In 1874 there were 5,185 licenses; in 1897 there were 3,150; in 1898, 3,123; and now there are 3,040. Of this number 2,584 are ordinary licenses; 57 beer and wine; 64 are for six months; 312 shop and 23 wholesale. The revenue from the licenses amounted to $587,881, compared to $602,852 in the year before. Of this $252,589 went to the municipalities and $261,523 to the Province.

The Lives of the Lieutenant-Governors of Upper Canada and Ontario, by Mr. D. B. Read, Q. C., says that Francis Gore, in 1803, married Arabella, sister of Sir Charles Wentworth. This leads the Hamilton *Times* to ask: "Is it not probable that Mrs. Gore's maiden name is perpetuated in the name of the county of Wentworth? The Gore District included the counties of Halton and Wentworth, both formed and named during the Governor Gore's administration. Halton was called after the Governor's secretary, William Halton, Gore after the Governor himself, and why not Wentworth after the Governor's wife, her brother or her father?"

CHEWSONS CORNERS.

A good number from here attended the Farmers' Convention at Acton on the 4th and at Ospringe on the 5th inst.

The Methodist Church, Rockwood, held their anniversary services on Sunday. Consequently there was no service here.

Rev. R. W. Holdan delivered an excellent address to the Sabbath School on Sunday, 6th inst; taking for his text the word "Watch." He made a deep impression on the congregation. Miss Lila Wansborough sang a solo very sweetly, which was much appreciated.

The young people of this place spent a very social evening at the home of Mr. Wm. Cripps on Monday evening of last week. Mr. and Mrs Cripps did all in their power to entertain their guests and a very enjoyable time was spent by all.

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THE SIEGE OF LADYSMITH

Believed to be on the Point of Being Raised by General Buller Who is Slowly Approaching.

GEN. METHUEN is RECALLED.

London, Jan. 17—The censorship with regard to the operations in which Gen. Buller's forces are engaged in Natal continues to be rigidly exercised, and in the absence of news of an official character the wildest rumors are current. Telegrams are indeed published from three sources in Pietermaritzburg stating that very heavy firing was heard on Monday from the direction of the Tugela River, and possibly hard fighting has already begun. It is believed in military circles that Gen. Buller is slowly advancing on Ladysmith, and that a despatch giving news of its relief may be expected at any moment.

THE BOERS REFLECTING.

On Monday a Boer commando from Colenso attempted to storm a position held by a company of the Yorkshire Regiment and the New Zealanders. The Boers were beaten off with a loss of 21 killed and 50 wounded. There is no news of importance from any other part of the field. A *London Times* correspondent reports that heavy firing was heard at Springfield and Chieveley yesterday. The report, previously doubted, that General Methuen will be recalled is now asserted to be true.

MAFEKING HOLDING OUT.

The correspondent of the *Times* at Lorenzo Marquez, telegraphing Monday, Jan. 15, says: "I am informed on the best authority that six days ago Mafeking was holding out so pluckily as ever. There was then no likelihood of capitulation. The garrison had plenty of cattle, and tinned meats.

100,000 MEN IN THE FIELD.

The *Daily Chronicle* publishes to-day a detailed statement, showing that 104,373 men, with 289 guns, are now in the field, and that with the troops now at sea, or preparing to sail, there will be an aggregate strength of 160,000 men, 32,000 horses, and 447 guns in the course of a few weeks. This will be done without stripping India, England, and Ireland of their battalions, stiffened by militia, and without calling for more than 10,000 citizen soldiers.

BOERS PREPARING FOR ESCAPE.

The Durban correspondent of the *Standard* deals with the numerous reports that the Free Staters have tired of the war and will abandon the struggle as soon as the British cross the border. He mentions an extraordinary story with reference to a journey of President Kruger's son-in-law, Eloff, to Delagoa Bay to a German warship. According to this, Eloff has been making arrangements for President Kruger's escape through German Damaraland in the event of the capture of Pretoria.

ARE BOERS VISITING?

Merchants of Pietermaritzburg have received messages from Ladysmith, saying: "Bring up jam," etc., indicating that their Ladysmith agents anticipated an immediate opening of communications, while Ladysmith also telegraphed the belief prevalent there on Jan. 13th that the Boers were moving and concentrating their forces elsewhere. As corroborative of the British activity in the direction of the relief of Ladysmith, the Associated Press is able to say a despatch has been received in London from General Buller to the effect that he expected that all the dispositions for a synchronous movement of the various columns against the besieged would be completed this morning. Under these circumstances it is considered quite probable that the advance on the besieged town has commenced and that fighting is progressing.

BALLINAFAD.

Induction services will be held in Ballinafad next Tuesday, 23rd inst., at 2 o'clock when Rev. George Milne will be inducted into the pastorate of Knox Church, Ballinafad and Melville Church, Caledon. Rev. Mr. Fowlie, of Erin will preside, Rev. Mr. Buchanan, of Dundalk, will preach, Rev. Mr. McKay, Charleston, address the minister and Rev. Mr. McMinnon, Hillsburg, the people.

In the evening a tea-meeting will be given by the ladies of the church. Addresses will be delivered by the above ministers and Revs. H. A. Macpherson, of Acton, and E. Whitworth, of Erin, are also expected. There will be a good choir, music on the violin will be rendered by Miss Thompson and Mr. Shortill.

Good sleighing has come at last.

Rev. Mr. Milne is visiting friends in Luther.

Mr. Geo. Campbell, sr., is visiting his sister in Delhi.

G. C. Campbell made a business trip to Toronto last week.

We understand that some of our young ladies are quite put out because they did not get the cake in Acton the other evening for best dancer.

GLENWILLIAMS.

War reports from the Glen are decidedly "conflicting." The conflict is between Mr. Norton, who has been teacher in the Glen for a score of years, and the present trustees. A year ago, so it is understood, a verbal agreement was made between Mr. Norton and the trustees, that he should leave their employ at the end of 1900. Mr. Norton, however, holds an agreement executed nineteen years ago by him and the then trustees, which requires that he shall be given twelve months notice (in writing we presume) in case his services are not required. Mr. Norton claims that this was not done and that he is the only authorized teacher for 1900. The trustees engaged another teacher—a Mr. Foster from Chinguacousy. Both appeared to take charge on the first day of school, last week. Mr. and Mrs Cripps did all in their power to entertain their guests and a very enjoyable time was spent by all.

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OUR BOYS AT OTTAWA.

Their Duties and Doings While Quartered in Barracks At Ottawa.

LEFT FOR HALIFAX ON MONDAY.

The following letter from the Free Press' special correspondent at Ottawa will be read with interest:

"D" Battery, Canadian Artillery were quartered at the exhibition grounds as there is no stable accommodation at the drill shed. In Acton you will find residences named "Moorecroft," "Rose Cottage," "Fairview Place," "Sunderland Villa," etc., well the soldiers are not behind you and were to be found quartered with the name "Holstein," "Durhams," "Jerseys," "Devons," etc., over the doors of their stalls; while the horses quarters bore equally inappropriate inscriptions. The quarters are the stables used at the exhibition but new floors and stoves have made such a change that the place is pronounced as comfortable as any military barracks. The mangers have been taken out of the stalls and a plank platform eighteen inches from the floor put in. This covered with mattresses and plenty of blankets gives a good bed and a great deal more room than in a tent at Niagara, besides, any fellow disposed to kick in his sleep has the opportunity of doing so against the side of the stall, without injury to his neighbor's corns. The centre of the place is fitted with benches and tables, (?) at least they answer the purpose, and some of the philanthropic societies have sent in a generous supply of reading matter. But the Tommy Atkins in the artillery branch of the service are little time for reading.

When they arrived at first they were very busy unpacking and fitting up the quarters. Acton's "bit of the thin red line" have the stall at the extreme end of shed away from the sergeant and are not so apt to be called on for special duty. After first day all got squad drill, as the guns were in the painters hands being colored the same shade as South Africa sand; while the "Vale" were selecting horses.

In this there was lots of fun for a civilian who had time to watch proceedings. Some fellows seemed to think that any old horse that was no use to them would do for Tommy Atkins, consequently the first day the surgeon had the pleasure of looking on more ring-boned, spavined plugs than he had seen in his whole practice. After these had been sent away, good horses were purchased, and a fine lot of horses they are, mostly blocky horses for heavy loads. The next few days were spent in branding and numbering, which consisted of a "D" on the hind hoof and the number on the front hoof on the off side, done with a red hot iron.

On Wednesday, 10th inst., the whole outfit was inspected by the Major-General. In the forenoon the men were examined in the main building. They all passed inspection, also their quarters, kits, etc. In the afternoon they were to march in review with the guns and ammunition wagons and that was when the fun began. The main building, where the guns were, has a tin roof, and many of the horses had never been hitched double before, but when it came to hitch six horses to one of those cannon, the snow sliding off the tin roof, the drivers on their backs, the gay uniforms of the officers and the rattling of the chains, it was too much for most of them. Some rose straight up on their hind feet, others balked, while the third team seemed to be dancing a jig. Finally, with a man leading each horse, they got past the inspecting officer.

On Thursday there was a parade up through the city to allow the citizens to have a look at the men, horses, etc., and get the horses used to their work. The horses went well and soon got warmed up dragging the heavy guns through the snow. The weather was below zero and although the men had plenty of clothes, overcoats, etc., had it not been for the warm patriotism that burned within each breast, I am sure the drivers on the horses would have been cold.

Your Acton heroes were not faring so badly. Gould was on a gun carriage and Moore on an ammunition wagon and they got shaking enough to keep them warm and secure an appetite. These gun carriages give an awful shaking to a fellow. The springs on them are the same make as that of Dan Graham's wheelbarrow.

Friday was spent practicing the horses with the guns and they got into line pretty well; but no firing was done on account of there being no range here. Unless the horses are trained to standing during shooting I am afraid they will stampede worse than those mules did at Nicholson's Nek.

On Saturday there was another parade through the streets and the guns were taken to the station and shipped to Pretoria via Halifax and Cape Town.

In the afternoon the military strictness was somewhat relaxed and the visitors were allowed through without passes. I went through late in the afternoon and some of the men were entreating the ladies to help with alterations necessary to clothes, while others were sampling pie and other delicacies the ladies had brought out. Most of them were packing up ready to go off on their long journey. Acton's quota had quite a lot of packing to do as they were about as generously supplied with extras for the journey as any of the men. I noticed two dogs that the fellows were taking with them, while in nearly every inside pocket was a picture of "The Girl I Left Behind Me."

Church parade was an item for Sunday and general take-it-easy for the rest of the day.

The life of an artillery man is no snap compared with the infantry. The horses, guns, etc., to look after, make enough work to keep them going all day long.

Imperial army regulations governed the camp and very few of the men got up town.

On Saturday Gunner Moore was appointed collar maker and will work at repairing harness, etc., so will miss a great deal of guard and fatigue work.

The crowd as a whole were a fine looking lot of men. Though not as tall as the infantry men of 1st contingent they made up the difference in breadth. All were jolly and glad to get away.

THE FAREWELL.

For the first week of the mobilization of "D" Battery the different contingents arrived at the capital very quietly and in some cases it might be termed a "night attack." That they captured the city no one can doubt. For among the 25,000 people who lined the streets, mounted snow banks, telegraph poles, verandahs, roofs and every conceivable point of vantage to cheer the boys off, there was not one but wished them all good luck. Places of business were closed, schools suspended, and business at a stand still to allow all to join the lightly outburst of enthusiasm, of which the capital is generally noted for its absence.

The boys were up at grey dawn this morning grooming horses and themselves, and putting things in readiness for departure. At 7.30 the roll call took place with "all present," and although the past fortnight has been full of enjoyment and merriment, there seemed to be an air of sadness over this last roll call at the capitol, and a silent wonder how many of them will return to answer "present," or would any or all of them answer the last roll call in South Africa, fighting for Queen and Empire.

The first march was to the freight yards, where the horses were loaded, and by the actions of some of them it was evident the horses were not as patriotic as the men. One beast in particular, had to be coaxed into the car with ropes and hood-winks, and that after he had escorted a driver around the yards for a half hour on the extreme end of a halter.

The horses hauled at 9.30, the grand triumphal parade of a mile to Central Depot took place, escorted by the bands of the Governor-General's Foot Guards, 43rd Battalion Band and the Bugle Band, with the gray-haired veterans of 1866-70, decorated with their service medals which were issued Saturday, acting as a guard of honor.

The girls nearly all carried small Union Jacks, which were freely exchanged with the boys for buttons, etc., as souvenirs. I am afraid some of them won't pass inspection after the ordeal. At the station was a sad but sad sight. Mothers and sisters sending parcels to their boys of the 1st contingent, hasty farewells, hand shaking, and caresses; soldiers kissing mothers and sisters and other fellow's sisters, in fact, it became so general that I would not care to say that our own two Acton representatives were able to withstand the temptations of the many pretty faces that surged around them. But the order "all aboard for Pretoria" unceremoniously broke up the scene, and with the band playing "Auld Lang Syne," the train carrying a banner "God Speed and a Victorious Return" slowly moved out and the crowd cheered itself hoarse, while women fainted and many a tear was shed, as the boys passed out of sight, "probably for years and may be forever."

The Governor-General met the train a mile out and bade all farewell and hoped the boys would bring back more guns than they took away.

There were 138 horses and 174 men.

The receptions along the line were very enthusiastic.—M. O.

Ottawa, Monday, Jany. 15, 1900.

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ROCKWOOD.

The annual meeting of the Eramosa Agricultural Society was held last Wednesday in the town hall. The following officers were elected: President, Robert Talbot; Vice-Pres., John Gibbons; Sec.-Treas., Colin Cameron; Directors, James Grey, Wm. Argo, Matthew Loree, Thomas Lush, Geo. Smith, James Keough, George J. Thorp, W. R. Ramsay, John McNabb. The society has a balance on hand of $307.10, after paying for the recent improvements at the fair grounds.

The annual meeting of the Congregation of the Presbyterian Church was held last week. After the business of the church was transacted lunch was served.

A meeting of the directors of the Public Scales Co., of Rockwood, was held at P. Lee's hotel to set in up the business of the year last week.

Rev. W. H. Harvey, B. A., of Fergus, preached anniversary sermons in the Methodist Church last Sunday, both morning and evening. He also addressed the Sabbath School in the afternoon at two o'clock. His sermons and his visit were very much enjoyed by the congregation.

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ERIN.

Our village is now putting on airs with its newly installed electric light. The citizens are delighted with the effect produced.

Mr. Ernest Pearson, of Acton is engaged on the electric light system here.

William Meikleham, of Cleveland, and Mr. Thos. Meikleham, of Toledo, are home on a visit to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Meikleham of this place.

Rev. W. W. Weeks, pastor of the Walmer Road Baptist Church, Toronto, will deliver his famous lecture "The Ideal Home or the Comedy and Tragedy of Home Life" in the Town Hall here on Friday evening, 26th inst.

On Tuesday of last week there was a large assembly in the Presbyterian Church here. The annual meeting of the Orangeville Presbytery, held here this year, and the annual meeting of the Women's Foreign Missionary Society, combined to draw a large congregation.

GEORGETOWN.

The citizens generally are indignant at the discharge without cause of Mr. George Kennedy, the efficient clerk of Esquesing township council.

The council at the first meeting granted $25 as a testimonial to Lieut. Ballantyne, who is in the second contingent for South Africa.

At the annual meeting of the Baptist Church last week Mr. R. D. Warden was re-elected Clerk of the session and Superintendent of the Sunday School.

The Fire Brigade had but two calls last year. Fire losses $1100. The brigade has 45 members.

The farewell to Mr. J. P. Bell, of the Bank of Hamilton, who has been promoted to Berlin, held Tuesday evening of last week, was a most cordial send-off. Much regret is felt at his removal.

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Double Damask Napkins, only 4 or 5 of a pattern, good designs, many easily worth double marked prices, dinner size, each 17c, tea size, each 10c

Dress Goods at Half—

Tweeds in both light and dark grey mixtures, 44-inch, formerly 50c, now 25c

Diagonal Serges, all wool, 42-inch, in grey, fawn and brown, formerly 60c, now 39c

Fancy Dress Materials in green and blue mixtures, regular $1.25 and $1.50, for 50c

Jackets Less than Half—

Black Jackets in frieze, boucle and serges:

Formerly $6.50, now $2.00
Formerly $7.00, now $2.50
Formerly $7.75, now $3.75
Colored Jackets, in covert coatings and beavers, colors—browns, blackwood fawns:
Formerly $8.50, now $3.75
Formerly $9.00, now $4.50
Formerly $15.00, now $5.00

Boys' 50c Shirts for 50c—

Boys' Grey All Wool Flannel Shirts, with collar and pocket, sizes 14 and 14½, were $1.25, now 75c; sizes 12½ to 13½, were 95c, now 50c

25c. Flannelettes for 8 1-3c.—

Fancy Printed Flannelettes in plaids, stripes and floral designs, both light and dark colorings, for wrappers blouses and children's wear, formerly 15c, now 8⅓c

12 1-2c. Prints for 10c.—

A limited quantity of Best Quality English Prints, mostly dark shades of blue, cardinal, green, also black, various good designs, were 12½c, now 10c

75c. Underwear for 50c.—

Very Heavy Cotton Fleece Lined Vests, for women, large sizes, were 75c, now 50c
Were 50c, now 35c

Laces at Half Price—

Oriental Laces, in butter shade, widths 2½ to 8½ inches:
Were 40c, reduced to 20c
Were 35c, reduced to 15c
Were 20c, reduced to 10c
Were 12½c, reduced to 5c

Ginghams at Half Price—

Ginghams for ladies' waists, etc., mostly in striped designs, but some plaids:
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Formerly 20c, now 10c
Formerly 15c, now 8c

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The Early Bird.

We have heard it said that the early bird gets the worm. It may be so, but we have noticed the weakly warbling of the bewildered robin compared with the full burst of song of his more sensible fellow who waits for the regular time and a more congenial season.

OUR WHITE GOODS SALE

Will be in good time as usual. We are not rushing to forestall any, nor are we paying attention to what others may do. We are not particular to make it the first, but we will make it the **Greatest Sale.** Some of the goods are here now, others are on the ocean, and more are being manufactured, and we want to tell you that for price, quality and quantity you will be safe in waiting for our White Goods Sale, till about the time you will need such goods.

We are busy now with Millinery, Mantles and Dress Goods and the winding up of the year's operations, and we will have further interesting announcements to make later.

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Peter McIlschron, of the 6th line, East Caledon, was probably fatally crushed by a threshing engine falling on him on Monday. He was engaged in loading the engine on a sleigh, when it fell on him, fracturing the base of his skull and one leg.

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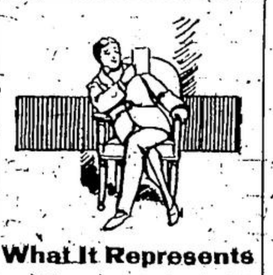

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