

BORN
Burke—On Monday, the 13th May, at 151
Bloor Street, Toronto, wife of Dr. G. E.
Burke, of a daughter.

CHURCH.—In Toronto, Saturday, 13th May, at
Mr. and Mrs. James Clapperton's son.

DIED.

Hastings—At 11, Misses Hastings, the home of his
brother, Mr. George Hastings, 13th May, at
noon. Mrs. Joseph Albert Hastings, aged 60.

Mitchell—At Kincardine, Ontario, Saturday,
13th May, Jessie, daughter of Wm. Mitchell,
aged 18 years.

McKee—At the family residence, Main Street,
Kincardine, Ontario, Saturday, 13th May, at
noon. Mrs. McKee, wife of James Brown, her late

husband—At 16, Hurley Street, Toronto,
Tuesday, 17th May, Mrs. Grace Brown, formerly of Acton, in her 70th

year.

Painter—At 13, East Jackson Street, Battle
Creek, Mich., on Tuesday, 13th May, W.
Painter, son of James Brown, her late

Husband—At 18, Main Street, Kincardine, Ontario, the wife
of May, Sarah Bell, relict of the late Jeremiah
Bell, in her 80th year.

Mallard—At Hurley, on Friday, May 10,

Miss Mallard, daughter of Acton, in her 80th

year.

Editorial Note.—
Hon. Rydney Fisher may visit Japan
next fall to study the opening of
Canadian trade in that country. The
food of the Japanese was formerly
limited to vegetables and fish, but
they are now becoming large con-
sumers of meat and bread-stuffs.

An impressive feature of the miners'
strike at Hamilton, Pa., is the action
of the members of the Gabriel's parish
in taking an oath to abstain from
the use of intoxicating liquors during the
period of the strike. There are many
thousands of men out on strike and
the action will have a most salutary
effect.

Among the candidates for the North-
west Legislative Assembly are three
newspaper men, namely, J. R. McPhail,
R. H. Stirling, J. J. Young, Cal-
ifornia; H. A. D. McLeod, Mac-
Mountain Star; Mr. J. E. Peaker,
who is opposing Dr. Patrick in York-
ton, is also an old newspaper man,
having formerly edited the Yorkton
Enterprise.

A dispatch from London, England,
says: Australia agrees with Sir Wil-
frid Laurier as to the advisability of a
hard and fast military agreement
between Great Britain and the colonies. This
announcement of this fact causes
neither surprise nor disappointment here. The speech of Lord Salisbury
to the Prime Minister emphasized
more strongly the importance of doing
nothing to force the various
portions of the British Empire into a
closer union than at present exists.

A conference was opened on Tues-
day between the members of the
Federal Cabinet and representatives
of all the Provinces, except Manitoba
and British Columbia. Thaglagring
is called by the Dominion Minister
of Fisheries to agree if possible upon an
interpretation of the judgement of the
Privy Council with respect to the
control of the fisheries as between the
Federal and Provincial authorities.
The various points at issue will be
referred to the courts for their inter-
pretation.

The Dominion Government has ap-
pointed a Select Council including 50,000
acres of land in the vicinity of
Merrimac Creek, in the Crow's Nest
Pass fields. An officer of the Inter-
ior Department who has some
special knowledge on this subject says
that there is enough coal in the
lands selected by the Government to
clear off the public debt of the Dominion.
These lands were obtained from
the C. P. R. as part of that company's
concessions in return for a bonus for
the Crow's Nest Pass road. The
Government's possession of the coal
will prevent the success of any possible
combine.

A CITY ANNihilated.
St. Pierre, Mart., and 30,000 In-
habitants Buried By Flow-
ing Lava.

LONDON, May 10.—The destruction
of St. Pierre is regarded as the most
 appalling volcanic catastrophe that
the world has seen since the blotting
out of Hermonaneum and Pompeii.
The complete annihilation of the town
seems certain. From 20,000 to 40,000
persons have evidently lost their lives,
and 147 vessels have been
destroyed.

New York, May 10.—A despatch
from Kingston, Jamaica, says: Although
the Mount Pelée volcano
had been emitting ashes and smoke
at intervals for "several" days, the
residents of St. Pierre did not
apprehend any great eruption. When
the volcano became active, after a silence of half a century the
inhabitants were startled and became
panic-stricken, but their fears began
to subside after a few days. Then
came the destruction of the Gaucin
factories, near Martinique, and the
loss of about a hundred and fifty lives.
The panic in the town was renewed,
but the population began to recover
just as the final catastrophe took
place. The inhabitants of St. Pierre
have perished through their heavy
and protracted suffering and losses.

St. Lucia, B. W. I., May 11.—The
entire southern end of the Bridal
Island of St. Vincent has been laid
waste by volcanic eruption.

The British Lieutenant in charge of
the parishioners reports that both
large craters on St. Vincent are emitting
enormous volumes of smoke, lava
and hot ashes.

The northern end of the island is
cut off from the southern end by an
enormous stream of lava, which is
destroying everything in its path.

It is estimated now that fully 200
lives have been lost on St. Vincent.

It is thought that when
details are received the loss of life will
prove to be much heavier.

Kirkcudbright, the capital of the island,
is covered with ashes, and is being
bombed with stones from the
volcanic crater.

A Card.

We, the undersigned, do hereby
agree to refund the money paid to
the title of "Grosvenor Warehouses,
Borough of York," if it fails to prove
sufficient or could not reasonably guarantee a
25 cent battle to cover a satisfactory
or money refunded. A. T. Brown,
Acton.

DATE FOR PEACE—MAY 25

A Limited Autonomy and Amnesty
For All Prisoners Except Capital
Crime Rebels.

BOERS WILL TAKE HEAVY TERMS
OFFERED.

"SERVANT OF GOD WELL DONE"
Death of Mrs. James Brown, For
Over Sixty Years An Esteemed
Citizen.

"Death to them that be God's dear
children is no other thing than the
dispenser of displeasure, the end
of all travel, the gate of gladness, the
entrance to felicity, the beginning
of all blissfulness," and all such it was
to Mrs. James Brown, who quietly
passed away at the family residence
early last Friday morning. For
several months Mrs. Brown had been
weak. In fact, since the
death of James, the only son of the
house in December, 1900, Mrs. Brown
had not been well. That she was a
promising young man, just entering
manhood, and most whom her
parents felt they could loan with
confidence, in their declining years, was
a terrible prospect to them and
Mrs. Brown never fully recovered
from the shock. Added to this was
the care of her beloved father, Asa Hall,
Esq., who for months has been bed-
ridden. A day or two prior to her death
Mrs. Brown was feeling much better
and contemplated a visit to the home
of her brother at Penetanguishene.

But Ann Hall was the oldest
daughter of Asa Hall, Esq., our oldest
citizen—who entered his ninety-third
year if spared by the 9th of next month,
and one of the present of the nation.
Born August 24, 1811, and lived
her entire life in Acton or its
immediate vicinity.

On the 12th May, 1863, she was mar-
ried in the home of her wedlock to her
now sorrowful husband, James Brown,
Esq., who is son of another
of our first settlers, the late Alexander
Brown, Esq., Rev. James E. Dyer
of Stony Creek, then pastor of the
church, performed the marriage.

Mr. E. L. Flagg attended the Dis-
trict Meeting at Acton on Tuesday
and Wednesday.

A woman you laud on Saturday
for the arrest of Harry Jones, employed
as a farm laborer with Mr. Herbert
J. Fletcher, of the Guelph road. Mr.
Fletcher sold a pair of cattle to
Drazer Smith a few days before receiving
therefore \$100 in five twenty
dollar bills. Jones accompanied Mr.
Fletcher and saw the money paid. On
Friday night he disappeared and the
money with him. He was traced to
Campbellville, thence to Hamilton,
where he purchased a ticket for
Buffalo. He was a young Englishman
and had been in Niagara Falls a couple
of years ago.

Mrs. W. Langill is lying at the
point of death at her home at Knatch-
bull. The old lady is in her eightieth
year.

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the members and friends of the
Woman's Missionary Society of
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