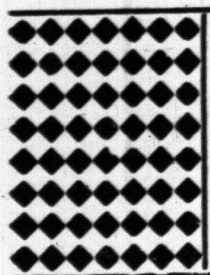


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THE PROBABILITIES.

G. N. W. Special.
Toronto, April 3.—10 a. m.—North-
west to northeast winds, fine; a lit-
tle lower temperature. Wednesday,
fine.

LOCAL BRIEFS

About 26 tons of rain to the acre fell yes-
terday.
George Taffel, who has been seriously ill,
is much improved.

Robert Owens, a colored man, was struck
and killed by a G.T.R. engine at London.
Auctioneer Andrew Thomson paid
his license to County Clerk Fleming to-day.

Dr. Rutherford was called to Fletcher
this afternoon on professional business.

Mr. Chappel, of Dover Centre, under-
went an operation on his nose in
this city this morning.

Wm. Carlyle, who came home from Brit-
ish Columbia sick with pleuro-pneumonia,
is somewhat better.

Mrs. Richard Pritchard is recovering
nicely from the effects of the recent opera-
tion she underwent at St. Joseph's hospital.

Don't pay extravagant prices for
hay and oats, when you can buy them
at wholesale at Tennant & Burks.

Rev. C. J. Dobson, of Chesley, Ont., ar-
rived in the city yesterday to see his old
and esteemed friend, O. B. Hullin, who is
slowly improving.

A Chicago despatch says—Wizard's pre-
diction is that this will be the dryest sum-
mer in 40 years and the St. Louis corn bull
who sends this valuable prediction adds
that "If so look out for 75c corn."

Rock Band Concert Co. at the First Pres-
byterian church on Monday next. "The
entertainment was charming. I have never
seen such unanimous satisfaction." Rev.
W. F. Stewart, Detroit. Tickets 25c and
50c.

Corporation workmen began the
work of cleaning the crossing ap-
proaches to the Queen street pavement
to-day. This street will shortly be
acquired.

Foreman Michael O'Mara was busy
to-day locating and fixing a leak in
the water service pipe in front of Nel-
son's barber shop on King street. The
pipe had not been put low enough
and froze and burst.

Contractor Darling has a large
force of men engaged remodeling the
house on Hurvey street, belonging to
Mrs. William Terry, Sr. Mr. and
Mrs. Terry will take up their resi-
dence there as soon as the work is
completed.

Mr. Wm. Ball is bound to keep up with
the procession in the matter of improve-
ments. He owns the store occupied by
George F. Turrell, the well-known shoe
merchant. Mr. Ball intends to put in the
finest of plate glass fronts, a metallic
ceiling, etc., making it one of the finest stores
on the street.

LOADED ON TO THE BANNER.
The tenders for the county printing
for the ensuing year were opened on
Saturday. Tenders only were received
from the Thamesville Herald, the
Highgate Monitor and the Chatham
Banner. The contract was awarded to
the Banner, whose tender was con-
siderably lower than either the Her-
ald or the Monitor. The contract at
the figures taken is a heavy loss and
it is said there was some scheming by
other papers to lead it on the Banner.
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has the contract hard and fast.



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FOR THE WATER WORKS

The British and Boers are now Fighting --Desperate Struggle in Progress.

London, April 3.—Fuller news of disaster
to the British army in the neighborhood of
Sannas post does not tend to improve mat-
ters from a British point of view, but with
the dispatches so mystifying it is impossible
to accurately portray the present situation
or to foretell the ultimate issue of Lord
Roberts' attempt to retrieve the defeat.
The war office has posted a dispatch from
Lord Roberts reading as follows:

Bloemfontein, April 2, 10:30 p. m.—In
continuation of my telegram of March 31.—
There has been a further delay in getting
accurate returns of the casualties, as the
action took place 22 miles hence, the tele-
graph cable has been interrupted several
times, cloudy weather has interfered with
signaling and although there has been no
engagement since the force is continually in
touch with the enemy.

There were many acts of conspicuous
gallantry displayed during the day.
A cross fire at 1,200 yards, for some
hours, the officers serving the guns as the
casualties reduced the detachments.
Several gallant attempts were
made to bring in two guns, the terms
of which had been killed, but at each
attempt the horses were shot.

BOERS HOLD THE WATER WORKS.
Rushman's Kop, Monday, April 2.—
The Boers are still occupying the wa-
terworks, which the British shelled
yesterday afternoon, the Boers re-
plying.

FIGHTING IN PROGRESS.
New York, April 3.—The Journal's
London special says a Boer com-
mand has marched 60 miles south from
Kroonstad and is now engaged in a
desperate battle with Roberts' forces.

SAVED FROM ANNIHILATION.
New York, April 3.—A despatch to
the Tribune from London says: There
are some curious discrepancies in the
official reports of Col. Broadwood's
mishap. According to two corre-
spondents the Boers were under com-
mand of Gen. Grobler, while another
names one Reichmann, a German-
American, as the commandant. Then
again, the Chronicle's account says
that two guns are reported to have
been recaptured, while the Times in-
dicates that the Boers got away.

It is interesting, too, to note that
while Lord Roberts speaks of the loss
of seven guns the Boers say they cap-
tured only six. Of the five guns that
are known to have been saved, four
did not fall into the hands of the
Boers simply owing to the fact that
when the drivers were shot the horses
stampeded out of action, but instead
of galloping toward the Boer lines,
they made off in the direction of

Bloemfontein and the opportune ar-
rival of the ninth division compelled
a detachment of Boers which had
been sent in pursuit, to beat a hasty
retreat.
Indeed, it seems that except for Gen.
Colville, the whole of Col. Broad-
wood's column would have gone under.
He forced the Boers back, and evi-
dently without much opposition, as by
the time he had got his artillery in
position the only resistance that was
offered to the advance of his infantry
came from the guns firing shrapnel at
too long a range.

According to The Chronicle, the
Boers cut off the water supply of
Bloemfontein, and destroyed the
pumping gear, as well as the field
telegraph. The waterworks were, how-
ever, new and the old supply of spring
water, if not very good, is still avail-
able. The Boer force is variously esti-
mated at from 6,000 to 15,000, but it may
yet be found that these figures have
exaggerated their strength.

The British losses in artillery in the
present war have been exceptionally
heavy. Altogether 23 guns have been
captured by the Boers, who, on their
part, have only lost seven.

LED BY A U. S. OFFICER.

New York, April 3.—The Journal as-
sumes that the American named Reichmann,
said to have been in command of the Boers
at the Rushman's Kop ambush, was in
fact a United States representative.
He reached the front about four weeks ago,
and like the French and German attaches, is be-
lieved to be helping the forces in whatever
way he can.

A Washington despatch said last night
that the war department had received no
report recently from Capt. Reichmann.
The report that he was fighting with the
Boers was a startling announcement to the
department. Capt. Reichmann is still
officially connected with the United States
government and such an act of his might
bring on grave diplomatic difficulties.

The cables giving this report were
handed at once to Adm. Gen. Gochin.
"Such a thing as this," said the gen-
eral, "is inconceivable. I cannot be-
lieve that Capt. Reichmann has done
this without first forwarding a resig-
nation to the war department. I have
been asked several times today what
he had resigned, I cannot believe that
he would take part in the Transvaal's
battles without first leaving the
United States army. As I have said,
such a thing is inconceivable under
military law."

Capt. Reichmann is one of the most
conservative officers in the army.
That is one of the reasons why he
was sent to the Transvaal.
If Capt. Reichmann has joined in the
fighting without first resigning from
the United States army he will be lia-
ble to court-martial on his return. If
he does not return he will be dis-
missed from the service in disgrace, if it
be found true that he joined the Boers
while still holding a commission under
the United States.

The plumbers in Cleveland have struck
for an increase of from \$3 to \$3.50 per day.
George Fry, at Lynn Valley, near
Simcoe, lost his life in trying to save his
valuables when his house burned.

The Americans have executed a couple of
Filipino leaders on the charge of treason.
They were alleged to have slain Filipinos
who refused to join them.

WISE COUNSEL MAY PREVAIL.
New York, April 3.—A Dublin ca-
ble says: Green parades calling for
a nationalist parade during the arrival
of the Queen, are still unopposed. (Cor-
respondents have been supplied with a
list of the societies which it is said will
march on Wednesday, placing 10,000
men in line; but it is probable wise
counsel will prevail and that to avoid
trouble the nationalists will delay
their demonstration.

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prise the largest assortment of designs and colors
we have ever shown, all the newest effects and
combinations, with borders to match, made
and laid for. .75c yd
New Best Brussels Carpets, the latest and best pro-
ductions of the leading British manufacturers,
designs and colors, suitable for drawing room,
libraries, bed rooms, halls and stairs, with bor-
ders to match, at. \$1.00 yd
New Velvet Carpets, rich velvets and colors com-
binations, Croxley's best goods, at. \$1.50 yd
New Axminster Carpets, rich oriental effects, in floral
combinations, with a border to match, at \$1.00
and \$1.25 yd
New Union Carpets, 36 in. wide, all good new ver-
sions, for bedroom use, at 25c per yd. to 50c yd
New Wool Carpets, immense range of designs and colors, 36 in. wide, all good re-
verses, equal in effect to brussels at 65c, 75c, 85c and. \$1.00 yd

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Better leave your order for it at once. The early styles
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and bust measurements, and made of the best
French cantons and best steel filling, drab or
white, at \$1.25.
II.—No. 789 is a P. D. Corset, short on
hips, long front and back steels, made of
French cantons and nicely trimmed with
lace and baby ribbon, \$1.40.
III.—"Crest" Corset, is made specially for
stout women, made of jean, all steel, filled
and has elastic gore set in hips, \$1.25.
IV.—We make a specialty of Children's
Corset Waists, we have a special waist, close-
ly corded, tape buttons, made of heavy jean,
at 25c.
V.—Misses' "Good Sense" Waist, made of
gray jean, steel in front and back, tape but-
tons and gored hip, shoulder straps, 50c.
VI.—We carry a special brown Corset,
with two side steels, triple front steel and
heavy back steels, closely striped and
perfect in fit, only 50c.

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We are sole agents for the "Trefousse" Kid Glove, every pair from \$1.00 upwards
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tan, brown, black castor and gray, embroid-
ered in Parisian style in self, white or black,
3 dome fasteners, \$1.25.
II.—"Pauline" is the nicest glove in the
market at the moment, made of fine kid skins,
versatile fastener, embroidered in self, white
or black, all the newest shades, tans, castors,
black and white, \$1.00.
III.—One of the novelties this season is a
Swede glove, is castor or black, 2 dome fast-
eners, very stylish, \$1.00.
IV.—Children's Kid Gloves, 2 dome fast-
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all sizes from 1 to 6, 75c.
V.—A few sizes in those Kid Gloves left
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able for sofa covers, cushions or curtains, per
yd. 17c, 22c.
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curtains and fancy cushions, per yd. 10c,
12c, 15c.
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tiful patterns, per yd., special 10c.
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tains, new spring designs, per yd. 12c.
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colorings, choice designs, special for sofa
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