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PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W.
Toronto, Jan. 19.—11 a. m.—Fresh to strong easterly to southerly winds, milder, light snowfalls to night and on Wednesday.
The following figures were registered to-day at seven a. m. at Turner's weather bureau:
Barometer 29.87.
Thermometer 5.
Highest yesterday 9.
Lowest yesterday 3 below.
Direction of wind, southeast.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

William Vance, Tupperville, was a Chatham visitor to-day.

Miss Bertha Capman, of this city, is spending the day in Detroit.

J. A. McGregor, of Tilbury, was registered at the Rankin House yesterday.

Burrister, Walter Mills, of Ridgeway, was in the city yesterday on legal business.

When you want an artistic design, call up or visit Victoria Avenue Green Houses, Phone 181.

All of the Lake Erie trains were on time again this morning. The tracks near Sombra are all cleared.

C. H. Adkins, advance agent for "A Thoroughbred Tramp," was registered at the Rankin House to-day.

Found, this morning, on bank of the river, a boy's overcoat. Owner may have same by paying for this advertisement.

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Robert Deyo, of Guelph, formerly an old C. C. I. boy, is in the city on business and incidentally calling on a few of his friends.

Mrs. Frank W. Phelps will receive at her home on Raleigh street south at Thursday, the 21st inst., from three to six o'clock.

Miss Maggie Hogarth, Tilsonburg, who has been visiting with her sister, Mrs. W. H. Benson, Cross St., returned home to-day.

W. C. Sifton, of Palmyra, Peter Haggart, of Blenheim, and Warden Thomas Robinson, of Cootesworth, were in the city yesterday on county business.

A full rehearsal of the cast for the Macaulay Club presentation of King Henry VIII. will be held this evening under the direction of J. S. Lane, B. A.

The Women Folk will give a grand time on the eve of the 22nd of January at St. Andrew's Sabbath school, what we Scotch airs and songs and oat cake forebye.

The Dramatic and Debating Society of No. 1, Harwich, will hold the following debate to-night. Resolved that the territory west of Lake Superior is destined to become the most important and influential section of Canada. Affirmative, Lindsay Parrott; negative, W. H. McGeachy.

J. M. Pike, chairman of the Dramatic committee of the Macaulay Club, this morning received word that Orville B. Cragg, of Detroit, who so skillfully superintended the intricate duties of the "making-up" in the presentation of the trial scene from the Merchant of Venice last year, will come down from Detroit next week to perform these duties and those of stage manager for the production of the two scenes from King Henry VIII. to be presented at the Grand on Friday evening, the 23rd inst. Mr. Cragg is one of the best in the business.

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NOT EVEN KILTS!

The members of the Ottawa Canadian club are discussing the question of dress suits for their evening meetings. The regulation costume for a Canadian club man is a sack coat and an open mind.—Toronto Globe.

GENEALOGICAL

In a field near Rome recently heavy rain uncovered an ancient headless statue bearing the inscription: "Publius Elms Apollinaris." It is presumed by antiquarians to be the companion sculpture that originally stood at the other end of the bar from the well-known "Scutus Apollinaris High-bellus."—Indianapolis News.

A KENTUCKY OPINION.

"This Iroquois fire," says a Philadelphia clergyman, "I believe to be a warning from God to a wicked world. Churches have been razed to make room for theatres, and God is wrathful." This divine might make a stronger argument that the Iroquois tragedy was the work of God than the theatre had been filled with the children.—Louisville, Ky., Courier-Journal.

MUSICAL.

CHARMING RECITAL.

A delightful musical was that given by the piano students of the Misses Louise and Florence Hillman in the I. O. O. F. auditorium last evening to a large and very appreciative audience. The excellent and artistic display of skill by the many young students is no mean tribute to the teaching ability of the Misses Hillman, who are among the foremost in Maple City musical circles.

Misses H. Elythe Hill and Pearl White, vocalists of Park St. Methodist choir, and Miss Eva Barassin, elocutionist, assisted.

All the numbers of the above were most heartily received and well-rendered.

The Program—

Two Pianos (8 hands), William Tell—Ressant, Miss M. VonGuten, G. Shillington, E. Strapp, C. Fleming.

Piano—"At Home"—Gardner—Miss Jennie Bidford.

Vocal—Selection—Miss H. Elythe Hill.

Piano—"Tj Penne"—Meyer-Holm.

Piano—"Bando Capriccio, op. 11"—Mendelssohn, Miss Candace Fleming.

Piano Duet—"Rule Britannia"—Dr. Arme, Master Murry Cathcart and Lawrence Thornton.

Reading—Bethoven, Miss Bird Kincaid.

"How his Moonlight Sonata was composed."

Piano—"Moonlight Sonata"—Bethoven, Miss May Vandenberg.

Vocal—Selection, Miss Pearl White.

Piano—"Valse Lente"—Shutte, Miss Mabel Brown.

Piano—"La Coquette"—Browskiz, Miss Gertie Speckman.

Recitation—"The Lost Chord," Miss Eva Barassin.

Piano Duet—"On Blooming Meadows"—Rive-King, Misses Florence Munroe and Jennie Bidford.

Piano—"Etude in A Flat"—Wollnhaupt, Miss Anna Chmielek.

Piano Solo—Miss Nellie Henderson.

Vocal—Selection—Miss H. Elythe Hill.

Piano—"Scats, op. 31 (Allegro)"—Bethoven, Miss Genevieve Shillington.

Piano—"Spring Song"—Mendelssohn, Miss Eva Strapp.

Reading—"Our Creed," Master Lawrence Thornton.

Piano Duet—"Gipsy Dance"—Miss Norma Shillington and Grace Gammage.

Piano—"Shepherd's all and Maidens Fair"—Novin, Miss Ruby Jamison.

Vocal—Selection, Miss Pearl White.

Piano—"Rustle of Spring," (by Valse op. 64, No. 2—Sindig—Chopin, Miss Freda Speckman.

Piano—"Diana"—Wely, Miss Minnie Cummings.

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DEATH'S CALL

Archie Lamont, one of Chatham's oldest and most respected residents, passed away last night, at midnight, in Grace Hospital, Detroit. Mr. Lamont has been ill for some time with a cancer in his throat. He has received expert surgical treatment without any permanent success, and for the last three months he has been in Grace Hospital. His death, while not entirely unexpected, has been a sad blow to his relatives who have the undivided sympathy of the entire community. Miss Lamont, his daughter, was at his bedside when the end came. Hugh Lamont, of this city, a son, is the only other surviving member of the family.
The remains will be brought to Chatham for interment.

WAR NOT WORTH WHILE

Questions Disputed Not Serious Enough For Supreme Remedy.

Situation in the Far East—Ministers Are Talking Peace—Two Questions Upon Which Negotiations Are in Progress to Secure a Peaceful Settlement—Peace Party Ascendant in Councils of the Czar.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 19.—The Associated Press correspondent on high authority is able to give the following as the status of the negotiations between Russia and Japan:

"Russia recognizes Japan's pre-eminence in Korea, and Japan recognizes Russia's special position in Manchuria. There are two main questions still at issue—the Russian demand for a neutral zone on the Korean side of the Yalu River, which Japan met with a proposal for the similar neutral strip on the Manchurian side. Japan also asks for certain guarantees covering Manchuria which Russia thus far has declined to grant. It is pointed out, however, that the assurances given a few days ago by Russia regarding open ports in Manchuria and respect for treaty rights is a concession on this point."

War Not Warranted.

That the two countries are not so far apart may be fairly inferred from the following statement made by Mr. Kurino, the Japanese Minister, to the Associated Press: "War now would only be disastrous to both countries. Owing to the geographical situation, an armed conflict would result in a great drain of the men and treasure of both Japan and Russia without being decisive. Besides, I believe it would not be worth while to go to war on the questions still in dispute."

There is a strong indication that through the Czar's personal acts, the peace party is completely in the ascendant. M. Bobrozoff, the head of the war party, has gone abroad. Foreign Minister Lamudoff, who from the beginning has favored peace, is now completely rehabilitated and Viceroy Alexieff has been made subservient to the Foreign Office in the Russo-Japanese negotiations. His extensive powers are curtailed, and he can make no move without the Czar's personal approval.

Another strong influence on the side of peace has been the attitude of M. Witte, who has been bending his energies to avoid a conflict. It is predicted that if peace prevails M. Witte again will become a great power in the Government.

Rising of People Probable.

Seoul, Jan. 19.—The Government declares the reports of the disturbance on the northern frontiers to be unfounded, but it seems to think that a rising of the people is probable.

Off For the War.

Montreal, Jan. 19.—William Maxwell and C. L. Brownell of The London Standard, and R. J. McHugh of The Telegraph, war correspondents, passed through yesterday on their way to Japan.

POT BOILS IN OXFORD.

Both Sides Adding Fuel to the Flame—Whitney and Ross Spoke in Woodstock Friday and Saturday.

Woodstock, Jan. 19.—In the north riding of Oxford the political pot now no longer simmers; it boils.

Both parties are throwing themselves into the contest with vigor and enthusiasm. The Conservative and Liberal headquarters are the scenes of activity never before equalled in an election campaign in this constituency.

A large clerical staff has been busily engaged all day at both places under the direction of the organizers in perfecting the arrangements of the plan of attack to be followed out during the week. Each party has called meetings for every portion of the riding, these gatherings to be addressed by leading speakers from the members of both parties in the Provincial and Dominion Houses. J. P. Whitney addresses a Conservative mass meeting in Woodstock on Friday night, while the Premier, Hon. George W. Ross, speaks at Liberal meetings in the Opera House here Saturday afternoon and evening.

Looks Bright For Conservatives.

Thus far everything appears extremely bright for the Conservative cause. The members of the party here, encouraged by the support extended, and the interest manifested in the contest by the leaders of the party at Toronto, are entering the fight with enthusiasm. They present a united front, and all are determined to prove their ability to fight against great odds. They are confident of success, notwithstanding the fact that very large Liberal majorities have been rolled up in this riding in the past. They recognize that on this occasion the Liberals have not only to fight the Conservative nominee but the members of the disensionist element in the Reform party here occasioned by the manner in which certain sharp tactics were practiced at the convention one week ago, and also by certain appointments made in North Oxford recently by the Ross Administration.

Models For Statues.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 19.—Models for the statue of Hon. Joseph Howe to be erected next autumn on the 100th anniversary of his birth have been submitted to the Monument Committee by Hamilton McCarthy and L. P. Hebert.

Hails in Britain.

London, Jan. 19.—The Grand Trunk Railway have ordered 15,000 tons of the best English rails at \$28.50 per ton, as against 25,000 tons bought in the United States by the Canadian Northern Railway at \$26.

Clearing Sale

of Men's and Women's Fancy and Felt Slippers

We commence this week to clear out the following:

Men's Fancy Velvet Slippers, all sizes, 6-10, \$1.00 for 80c
Men's Fine Alligator, tan and black, sizes 6-10, \$1.00 for 80c
Boys' Fine Alligator, sizes 1-5, regular 75c, for 50c
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