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## THE PROBABILITIES.

Toronto, June 13, 10 a.m.—Easterly to southerly winds, fine to-day, showers to-night. Thursday, moderate to fresh west to north winds, fine.

G. W. Cornell  
Dentist  
6th and King Sts.,  
Over Geo. E. Young's Grocery.

## LOCAL BRIEFS

Bicycle Repairs at Brisco's. If now is the time to have a gas stove, St. Andrew's S. S. excursion to Belle Isle, Tuesday, 19th inst., via City of Chatham. Tickets, 50c, 25c.

Dr. J. L. Bray has been elected to the finance committee of the Ontario Medical Council.

Miss Lettie Fife spent an enjoyable time with friends in Dresden on Saturday and Sunday.

Trooper Glover from Chatham, with the second Canadian contingent, is reported ill with enteric fever.

Four tramps were sentenced to three months each in the Central prison by Magistrate Bartlett, of Windsor.

David Dagnone, of Dover, was kicked by a horse this morning and, as a result, is nursing a badly bruised leg.

An At Home will be given at the residence of Mrs. James Holmes, Victoria Ave., Thursday, 14th, from 4 to 6, in aid of Ladies' Aid Society of Victoria Avenue Methodist Church.

The Ladies' Aid of the First Presbyterian Church will give an afternoon excursion on Friday, July 22nd. The boat will leave at 4.15. Tickets for adults 25 cents; children two for 25 cents.

On Friday afternoon at three o'clock the Ladies' Altar and Aid Society of St. Joseph's Church, will give an excursion by the steamer City of Chatham, to the mouth of the river. Tickets 25c. Children 10c. Refreshments will be served on board.

Gas ranges are being installed in all parts of the city. People realize that gas is the cheapest and most convenient fuel.

The Chatham cricket team will play the Detroit club on Tecumseh Park to-morrow. The following players will represent the Maple City eleven: W. B. Wells, L. L. Nichol, Joe. Kenny, F. Atkinson, Edwin Bell, John Horstead, Scott and W. G. Richards. The match will begin at 11 o'clock.

Ring Lost!—On Tuesday night, on City of Chatham or on Queen or Harvey streets, hand gold, with monogram W. D. S. Finder will be rewarded by leaving it at The Planet office.

OLD FRIENDS MEET. Last evening O. B. Hulin entertained the Rev. Mr. Rennie at supper. There were also present Mayor Smith, John Turner, Isaac Smith, John McCorvie, of Chatham Lodge, No. 29, and William Potter, of Western City Lodge, and Grand Patriarch of Ontario, Mr. Hulin only asked a few of those who remembered Mr. Rennie to this informal supper, and his only regret was that his accommodation prevented him extending his hospitality to more from the lodge.

## Suspensory Bandages

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Druggists and Opticians

Mrs. Woodlock, of Grey St., leaves to-morrow to visit friends in Oil Springs.

First of the season—Tuesday, 19th inst. St. Andrew's S. S. excursion to Belle Isle via City of Chatham. Come and bring the children for a day on the island among the flowers and birds, before the weather gets too hot. Refreshments on board. Bicycles carried free.

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## A BATTLE RAGING

Lord Roberts Savagely Attacking General Botha.

No Doubt About the Ultimate Result—Boers Putting up a Stiff Fight.

London, June 13.—After a week's silence Lord Roberts has been heard from, his line of communications having been practically restored by means of a complete victory gained by Gen. Methuen and Kitchener over Gen. Dewet, at the Rhenoster river, yesterday, June 12. The Boer camp was captured and the burghers, it is added, were scattered in all directions.

Lord Roberts, on being notified of the cutting of his line of communications, sent Gen. Kitchener in all haste to join Gen. Methuen.

June 11 Lord Roberts attacked Gen. Botha, who was in strong force, 15 miles southeast of Pretoria. After strenuous opposition the British forces gained considerable ground, but Gen. Botha, when Lord Roberts left the field, was still undefeated.

All is quiet at Pretoria and Johannesburg, and Lord Roberts says the government need have no apprehension about the security of the army in South Africa, as it will not take long to remedy the reverses and repair the railroads.

A lengthy despatch forwarded to the War Office by Maj.-Gen. Knox, from Kroonstad, presumably sent there by messenger, reads as follows: "Kroonstad, June 12.—We have been requested to forward you from Lord Roberts the following despatch from the Pretoria residency at 8.08 a.m. to-day:

"Pretoria, June 12.—Pretoria and Johannesburg are perfectly quiet, and several of the inhabitants have expressed gratitude for the peace and order which prevail.

BOTHA'S STRONG POSITION. After surrendering the city, Botha retired to a place about 15 miles east of the Middleburg road. He had a small force at first, but during the last few days his numbers increased, and he being so near the town kept up the excitement in the country, prevented the burghers from laying down their arms and interfered with the collection of supplies.

"Therefore it became necessary to attack him. This I did yesterday. He held a strong position practically unassailable in front, which enabled him to place the main portion of his troops on his flanks, which he knew from former experience were his vulnerable points. I sent French with Porter's and Dixon's cavalry brigades and Hutton's mounted infantry round by our left and Ian Hamilton with Bruce Hamilton's infantry brigade around by our right.

"Both columns met with great opposition to the key of the enemy's defense, saw two of Hamilton's infantry battalions advancing to what appeared to be the key of the enemy's defense on their left flank. This was gained before dark, and I ordered the force to bivouac on the ground they had won.

"Pole-Carew with his division, occupied the night. As I have explained, he was advanced so as to support Ian Hamilton, and when I left the field he was on the line held by the enemy's outposts in the morning.

"I hurried back to get news of Methuen's movement. On hearing that the Free Staters had taken advantage of our crossing the Vaal to interrupt our line of communication I sent Kitchener with such troops as I could spare to Ver (Vrededorf), with orders to push south and communicate with Methuen, who I knew, had a very compact force, in the vicinity of Heilbron.

"I also despatched a special messenger, Methuen, instructing him to push on at all speed to the main line of the railway. These two officers met at Vrededorf Road station on the evening of June 10. They marched yesterday to Rhenoster river, where Methuen gained a complete victory over Dewet and took possession of his camp and scattered his troops in all directions. He and Kitchener marched to-day toward Kroonstad.

Lord Roberts then goes on to assure the government that they need have no apprehension and everything will be all right in a day or so. He adds the battle now raging:

"Our losses yesterday were not, I trust, serious, but I deplore the death of that gallant soldier, the Earl of Airlie. The only other casualties reported as yet are—Seventeenth Lancers—Maj. Hon. Lionel Fortescue and Lieut. Hon. C. Cavendish, both killed."

The prohibition bill in Manitoba is up for its second reading. The general opinion is that it will pass and become law.

## HALF-PRICE

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PAPER

The unprecedented demand for Wall Paper this season has left us with a number of lots sufficient for one room and in some cases two and three rooms. They are all good designs, but to clean up the stock we are going to clear them out at about half the regular price.

WE DO PICTURE  
FRAMING.



THE SOLDIERS ARE OFF.

Owing to the unwillingness of certain hotel keepers, who are supposed to be the ones to benefit most, to subscribe willingly for a first of July demonstration, the project of bringing soldiers here is about being dropped. John Fleasance went around a short distance yesterday and succeeded in getting \$77 pledged, and then quit in disgust. A committee meeting will be held to-night to try and arrange some other program. A competition for the London, Windsor, Chatham and other Collegiate Cadet corps is spoken of.

BACK FROM CONFERENCE.

The delegates have returned from the Methodist conference at St. Marys and all speak of having had a pleasant trip. In the Thursday evening and Sunday services the preachers uttered strong sentiments of loyalty and these were loudly applauded by the dignified delegates who filled the church. Dr. Thornton made an excellent run for a position among the three delegates to the Ecumenical council, in London, England, but just failed of success. Those chosen were Rev. Dr. Smith and Joseph Ferguson, of London, and Rev. Dr. Antiff, of Montreal. They will pay their own expenses. The final draft of stations, as adopted, transfers Rev. J. H. Haylock, of Eldon, to Stratfordville, near St. Thomas; Rev. Mr. Clarke, of Cedar Springs, to Cedar Springs; Rev. Mr. McVittie, of Merlin, to Duncannon; Rev. J. B. Kennedy to Tilbury Centre; Rev. Mr. Reid, a newly ordained minister to Merlin, Dr. Gifford, of Kingsville, and Rev. Mr. Clinton, exchange. Rev. A. H. Goring is to be stationed at Waterloo St. Church, Stratford, and will be a co-worker in that city with Rev. E. N. Baker. The election for chairmen of districts and financial secretaries resulted for Windsor, Jas. Livingston, J. B. Cook; Chatham, Dr. Hannon, J. S. Cook; Ridgeway, J. G. Kerr, T. L. George.

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WANTED—For general household work, a washer or ironer. Apply at this office, if possible.

WANTED—Good girl wanted at the Chatham Steam Laundry, 6th St. Apply at once. 123-4

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Notice to Contractors.  
Sealed separate and bulk tenders addressed to the undersigned, will be received by mail, up to noon of Friday, 15th June, for the different trades required in the erection of a house on Wellington St. Plans may be seen at the office of T. J. Rutley, architect. The lowest not any tender not necessarily accepted. W. R. PHILMORE.

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