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PROBABILITIES.

Special to The Planet.
Toronto, July 18.—11 a.m.—Light to moderate winds, becoming variable, fine to day and on Thursday; not much change in temperature.

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YESTERDAY.

Seven a. m.	62
Nine a. m.	62
Maximum	66
Minimum	59

TO-DAY.

Lowest during the night	60
Seven a. m.	56
Barometer	29.45

LOCAL

George M. Baird, of Blenheim, was a visitor to the city yesterday.

Miss Lorraine Oleschewski is spending a few days with friends at the Lighthouse.

John M. Park left Walkerville this morning with the steam yacht Ripple, for Erieau. He expects to complete the long journey by to-night.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Anderson are visiting in Kingsville. Mr. Anderson will return in a day or two but Mrs. Anderson will remain some time.

John Mays, of Dover, delivered his first load of wheat to the T. H. Taylor Co., this morning. His crop averaged 35 bushels to the acre, weighing 62 pounds to the bushel.

Van G. Gossell, a former pupil of the C. E. C., left today for Edmonton, Alta., where he has secured a good situation. Van's many friends wish him success in his new western home.

Miss Rice, Patterson Ave., is spending a few days at the Bau, the guest of Miss Evelyn Park, Beverly Lodge. The schooner Azov came into the river this morning with a cargo of lumber for W. M. Drader.

Chatham cricketers are promised an interesting exhibition of the sport for July 25th, when St. Thomas will send a strong team here to oppose the locals. Both teams are in good condition and are well matched. A close and entertaining contest is expected.

It is understood that an investigation into the small-pox trouble reported in the vicinity of the Township of Dawn will be instituted by the Provincial Board of Health. Provincial Inspector Bell will personally look into the matter, as soon as he has concluded some important business he has at present on hand up north. It might also be stated that the authorities of Florence have promptly denied the reports about that town. They claim that all cases have been rigidly attended to in that neighborhood.

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It seems strange that the things that don't seem possible happen so.

W. E. Rispin announces tourist season now on in full swing; tickets to all tourist resorts at low rates, good to return until end of the season. Here are a few examples: Lefroy via Toronto \$9.20, Orillia \$10.15, Muskoka Lakes \$10.55, All Round Muskoka Lakes \$13.55, All Round Lake of Bays \$15.45, Burk Falls \$12.95, and correspondingly low rates to all points in Muskoka, Lake of Bays, Magnetawan and Temiskaming Districts, also Georgian Bay resorts and the Soo.

The two offices of memory are motion and distribution.

LETTERS

ALD. AUSTIN EXPLAINS.

To the Editor of The Planet:

The article on your first page, headed "Is Investigation Needed into the Methods used by the Beet Sugar Promoters?" is a base fabrication as such, as we expect others will be during the course of the next two days in the endeavor to discredit those working for the carrying of the Sugar Beet By-law, and divert attention from the real issues of the campaign.

As your reporter was not present, I am assuming you published the article on the strength of what some person at the meeting told you, and whoever he was he has no regard for truth or honor or other men's reputations, but is evidently a man opposed to the Sugar Beet By-law and will stoop to anything in order to defeat the by-law. The facts in connection with the incident are too lengthy to be explained on a letter of this kind, but should you or your informant repeat the insinuations you made last night I will give the public an opportunity to judge of the facts by having them recited before a judge and jury.

I will simply say there was no attempt made and no understanding, directly or indirectly, to give the workers for the Sugar Beet By-law any advantage over the others.

There was simply a misunderstanding on my part as to the number of books finished when I distributed the first lot and on the mistake being discovered we did our best to rectify it.

Mr. R. L. Brackin has only been working in the interest of the Electrical By-law, has never attended any meetings or taken part in any way in the campaign for the Sugar Beet By-law. Mr. Jas. Brackin has been working whatever to do with the question, and the dragging of his name into the matter simply goes to show how persons actuated by petty personal spite will seize an opportunity to besmirch the object of their attack.

In conclusion, I trust that no friend of the Sugar Beet By-law will allow this to influence them into opposing the Electrical By-law. We want both by-laws to carry, and the Electrical By-law will require every available vote in order to carry it. In all fairness, I shall expect you to give this communication the same prominence on your first page that you gave to the article yesterday.

Yours sincerely,
CHAS. AUSTIN.

EX-ALD. DUNN'S EXPLANATION

To the Editor of The Planet:

Replying to your article in last evening's issue of The Planet, headed "Is investigation needed into methods used by the beet sugar promoters," in which my name is mentioned in an unfavorable light, I would like to make a short explanation of my connection with the affair.

The facts are these: Ald. Austin came into my office on Friday afternoon last, and placing some small division books upon my desk, said: "Here are some of the books for use in the beet sugar by-law campaign." The books with few exceptions remained there until Monday night, when I heard at the electrical by-law meeting that there had been a mistake made, and the books I had were claimed to be for the electrical by-law and not the beet sugar. I immediately, without being asked by anyone to do so, sent down stairs to my office and got them, and gave them to those present. The books were not and never had been at my residence, with the exception of the book for polling sub-division No. 2, where I was appointed to work for the electrical and also the beet sugar by-law. It is most unfortunate that one has to defend himself against such an unfair attack as this, especially where one minute's time spent over the 'phone would have put the whole matter right.

I may say, as secretary of the Beet Sugar committee, that some of the best and most influential men in the city are connected with it, and they are also all doing what they can to help carry the electrical by-law.

Yours truly,
A. J. DUNN.
Chatham, July 18, 1906.

Both Ald. Austin and Mr. Dunn have made personal explanations to The Planet concerning the unfortunate misunderstanding which gave rise to the report complained of. A perusal of their letters will satisfy any citizen that no wrong was intended by either of these two gentlemen in this matter. Misunderstandings of this kind might very easily arise, and no impressions of dishonesty or unfairness should be taken from the report of yesterday.

The Planet was not notified that the meeting above referred to was to take place and was left to depend wholly upon the information given by those who were present in publishing the report alluded to by Ald. Austin and Mr. Dunn. If one of our reporters had been present we would have been in a position to assume the full responsibility of the report. In the matter of public meetings it should be the duty of some one to notify the press. Nothing is lost through publicity in a matter of this kind and fair minded citizens look with ill-favor upon public meetings where the press is not given an opportunity to be represented.—Ed. Planet.

MORE EXPLANATIONS.

Editor Planet:

I can only take time to answer in a short form your editorial in Tuesday's issue.

We reintroduced the by-law at the request of many citizens who desired the industry, but on a different basis as regards security to the first one, amongst others Mr. Stephenson, proprietor of The Planet, expressed himself as favorable to the industry if the city was secured.

2. We accept your denial re any pecuniary influence and would simply say "People who live in glass houses should never throw stones; give the citizens who are working for the by-law credit for being as loyal to the city from their view of the question as you are for yours."

3. If you had not the courage of your convictions, the last time, what has since bolstered your courage up? An editor after advocating a question such as the sugar industry for the past five years should not require bolstering or much meditation either.

4. Your assertion that The Planet would support the project if the enterprise was in the hands of parties familiar with it is a lame one to me, as I know that the proprietor has had information from men who have a personal dislike to Mr. Fowler, stating that he (Mr. Fowler) understood the sugar question thoroughly.

You surely do not expect us to take seriously your statement because certain gentlemen who are successful clothiers, vinegar merchants, etc., take stock in it, you have no faith in it.

How many men connected with industrial enterprises are practical men? Is the proprietor of The Planet a practical printer? Yet he has made a special occasion of the citizens, no intention to deceive was attempted, and only about ten per cent. of the names attached are not ratepayers. We secured the opinion of all the bank managers for example, although most people know they do not own property here, but their opinion is particularly valuable in regard to financial conditions such as are involved in this, and they are gentlemen who cannot afford to countenance anything of a doubtful financial character, but again that adage about "glass houses" applies, only ten days ago The Planet published in heavy type "The ratepayers are against the sugar proposition," then follow the interviews with ten citizens, three of whom are not ratepayers, and four of them are supporters of the by-law and were not aware they were speaking for publication but simply jollying the reporter.

Five of the directors visited Chatham and addressed a public meeting and the president, Mr. Fleet, stated Mr. Fowler was the managing director and had full authority to represent the company here. I think this covers all the points advanced in your editorial, and I shall expect you to make the amende honorable by supporting the proposition on Thursday and with your vote Friday.

Yours for building up Chatham,
C. AUSTIN.

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Dissolution of Partnership

The business heretofore carried on under the name of J. Gilbert & Co., coal and wood merchants, Chatham, Ont., has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. Accounts due the firm may be paid to either of the undersigned, and all accounts not paid before August 1, 1906, will be placed in Court for collection.

Signed:
JOHN GILBERT,
MARY L. BURKE.
Witness:
WM. H. BENSON.

A FEW QUERIES.

To the Editor of The Planet:

A few queries re the sugar beet factory by-law before the voting comes on Friday.

1. Does the city have to pay for the submitting of both by-laws, and if so the plea of cheapness in ringing them in both together fails?

2. If Mr. Austin's estimate of benefits to the city, if we get the sugar factory, be on a 22 mill rate of taxation and be not misleading, why can we not have a 22 mill rate this year by the same man's inventive powers?

3. If the school boards cry "Down with kindergarten luxuries" because another \$25 a month teacher be needed, are we able to bonus everything asking a bonus of the city?

4. Did we not use reason in the first vote, that we are impudently asked to do our work over rationally?

Many other questions could be asked, and would plainly show the fallacy in the working of such an undertaking, but space requires me only to say in conclusion that I passed judgment on this matter once, and will again vote the same way, believing the matter to be properly weighed and found wanting.

RATEPAYER.

THE COMPANY WINS

Ontario Government Withdraws Its Claim Against the Nipissing.

Toronto, July 18.—The following statement was handed out yesterday by Attorney-General Foy:

"The Nipissing Mining Co. (of Cobalt), having satisfied the Government by evidence under oath, taken in the suit, that they were bona-fide purchasers, for value, without notice of any defect in the title, and having paid \$250,000 to the vendors, and having taken out a certificate under the Lands Title Act, the Government has withdrawn all claims against the company, so far as the matters at present in dispute are concerned."

Watchman Cuts His Throat.
Toronto, July 18.—Thomas Rooney, 31 Elm street, committed suicide some time yesterday afternoon by cutting his jugular vein and bleeding to death. He was about 60 years of age, and had been employed as a night watchman by Geo. D. Lovegrove upon the concrete sidewalk work from time to time. He quit work on July 1, and had been drinking heavily ever since. Rooney had been very despondent for several days, his wife being seriously ill at Grace Hospital.

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| | 20c
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| | 35c
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| | 25c and 30c
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