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THE PROBABILITIES.

G. N. W. Special.

Toronto, Jan. 4.—10 a. m.—Fresh southerly winds; fair and a little milder. Friday, mild.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Mrs. Thos. McCrossan, of Winnipeg, is visiting Mrs. Goodyear.

Mrs. John Dolsen, Duluth, Minn., is seriously ill with inflammation of the lungs.

Miss Gertrude Barclay, of Detroit, is visiting Mrs. Caspar Schwenker, William St.

Walter Clements, of Chicago, is in the city owing to the serious illness of his mother.

J. H. Osterhout returned this morning to resume his studies at the University of Toronto.

The Amethyst Club will give its first semi-monthly hop at Northwood's hall this evening.

The organization meeting of the city council-elect will be held next Monday morning at 10 o'clock. It is probable that a general caucus will be held to-morrow evening.

Detective Heenan brought in a prisoner Austin Middlemiss, from Ridge town, who was sentenced to 60 days in jail for stealing a caddy of tobacco from the M. C. R. there. He was caught in Windsor.

The funeral of Mrs. Reaume took place this morning at St. Joseph's church and thence to St. Anthony's cemetery. The obsequies were conducted by the Rev. Fr. Heenan. The pall-bearers were Fred Deloge, Nelson Rocks, Napoleon Ebare and William Chrysl-r.

So far there has been little talk concerning the composition of the civic committee and the aldermen-elect are very reticent on the subject. It is said that the finance chairmanship is likely to go to Ald. Seane or Ald. Stephens, the board of works to Ald. McKeeough and property to Dr. Fleming.

Private Banker W. E. Merritt has received notice from the Dominion Bank that some of the \$10 uncounter-signed bank notes stolen at Nanaimo in August, 1898, are in circulation. The bank also offers \$2,000 for the return of the whole of the uncounter-signed notes and proportionate rewards for the return of any part of them.

THEY'RE OFF.

The western sections of the contingent left London for the front yesterday and were given a great send-off. Representing Chatham Gunners E. R. Shore and V. R. Skirving and Driver R. J. Coogan went with the artillery, and Privates W. M. Glover and Frank C. Peck with the mounted infantry.

Pumper Hough, injured by the gas explosion at Fargo, will recover.



Candy for Christmas

Should be above the ordinary—our rich and pure confectionery is so excellent that you will make a big mistake if you do not come and let us show you what we can sell you. A one lb. box of "Creams" for 30c, 1 lb. boxes 10c. A large variety of fancy boxes and packages, especially adapted for holiday trade. Come in and see them.

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Wm. Taylor, committed for trial from Bothwell, on a charge of larceny, comes before Judge Bell for trial this afternoon.

The Legislature will probably meet on either Feb. 8 or Feb. 13. Three by-elections will probably take place before that date, East Middlesex, North Waterloo and West Huron. In the latter case Mr. Garrow will not appear and will probably quit the House altogether, owing to the fact that he was overlooked in the recent distribution of portfolios.

TELEGRAPH NEWS.

The seven federal bye elections will be held on Jan. 25th.

The Government revenue from the Yukon gold field for the year amounts to \$1,100,000. The revenue for November was \$14,767.

News has reached London that the British steamer Borgheese foundered off Cape Finisterre last Friday, twenty-two of the crew being drowned.

The Evangelical Alliance has issued a request that Sunday next be observed in Canada, as it will be in Great Britain, as a day of prayer and humiliation in connection with the war in South Africa.

Gen. Joubert denies that he has ever protested against the use of lyddite. He avers that up to the present he has not lost a single man from lyddite.

Six horsemen made a dash from Lyddite a few nights ago, and though pursued they escaped. It is believed the party included Col. Rhodes, brother of Cecil Rhodes, and Dr. Jameson.

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IN ANOTHER SKIRMISH.

The Canadians at Belmont Again in Touch With the Enemy.

Orange River, Jan. 3.—There was a small skirmish near Belmont this morning. The British fired a few shells, but the Boers did not respond. A detachment of about 40 Boers attempted to rush Klooffontein this morning, but were beaten back by the mounted infantry. Possibly this force consisted of fugitives from Sunnyside.

ANOTHER BOAT BEING SEARCHED.

Berlin, Jan. 4.—The imperial mail steamer General has been detained at Aden and occupied by British troops, with the object of searching her cargo, which is to be discharged. The General is owned by the German East African Line, the owners of the Bundesrath, previously captured by the British Cruiser Magicienne, off Delagoa bay. Although the manifests of the General, show no war material on board, she was compelled to discharge her cargo.

RUMORED CHECK OF GEN. BULLER.

Paris, Jan. 4.—A report was current on the bourse to-day that General Buller had met with another check in his efforts to relieve Ladysmith.

FRENCH STILL BATTERING 'EM.

London, Jan. 4.—There is great satisfaction here at the news that De Aar has been able to send Gen. French reinforcements of guns and infantry, of which he appears to be so much in need.

The fighting in the hills is incessant. The latest telegrams say Gen. French has almost surrounded Colesberg, but that the Boers are stiffly defending all their positions close to the town, preventing the British from capturing it. A despatch from Rensburg this morning says the heavy artillery duel recommenced at daybreak.

THEY CARRIED THE BABIES.

Belmont, Jan. 4.—Col. Picher, it is officially announced, being only on a raiding expedition, and for military reasons being unable to occupy Douglas permanently, has evacuated the town, bringing off all the loyalists. He has now returned safely to close proximity to Belmont. When he announced the necessity of evacuating the place, the inhabitants of Douglas declared their lives were not worth five minutes' purchase after the troops left. Col. Picher, therefore, invited them to accompany him to Belmont. The preparations were speedily completed, but the vehicles of the town were totally inadequate to convey the refugees, so the troops gave up the transport wagons to the women and children.

The Canadians acted as an escort of the refugees, carrying babies for the women and kept everybody lively by singing as they marched pluckily along in spite of the pickets, occasioned by the heavy sand, which made marching extremely tiring. The force received Gen. Buller's congratulations on the success of the expedition with great satisfaction.

WAR NOTES.

Gen. Joubert preached in the Boer Camp New Years day.

It is rumored the Bechuas have risen against the Boers.

Capt. Thornycroft's patrol found the enemy in some force at the Little Tugela bridge. Their presence was discovered by scouts. It is reported that five men and a lieutenant of that party have not returned.

Federal scouts yesterday penetrated into the British camp. Upon returning, the British camp, discovered them and wounded one Boer. Gen. Lucas Meyer resumes command of the division here.

At midnight New Years' Eve the garrison at Ladysmith threw two shells into the Boer camp, killing a burgher. New Years morning the Boers threw shells filled with confetti and greetings into Ladysmith.

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YOUTH'S ULSTERS, made from heavy frieze, dark shades, brown, fawn and black, reg. \$5 coats, sizes 32 to 33, mark down price \$3.95

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MEN'S DRESS OVERCOATS—Men's blue and black beaver dress overcoats, single and double breasted, sizes 34 to 42, reg. value at \$6, mark down price \$4.95

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