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*** PROBABILITIES

Special to The Planet. *Toronto, Dec. 18-10 a. m.-West-erly winds, fair. Friday, fresh west-erly winds, fair, and continued mild.

The following figures were registered to-day at seven a. m. at Turner's weather bureau: Thermometer 31.

Highest vesterday 32. Lowest vesterday 29

Births, Marriages and Deaths

DIED.

WHYTE - This morning, Eleanor Whyte, aged 82 years. Funeral will take place at two o'clock, Saturday, from the residence of Mrs. Christie, Victoria Ave. No

McDONALD-At her late residence, Pine St., Sarah Jane McDonald; born April 23rd, 1828; died Dec. 17th,

Funeral, Saturday afternoon at 3.30, to Maple Leaf Cemetery.

J. F. Whyte, of Walkerville, called on his Chatham friends yesterday. was a Maple City visitor yesterday.

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Was S. F. Ball, Edgar St., returned Colorado. Miss Pearson, Mr. Pearson, M from spending a few days in Detroit, Son's only daughter, is now study-Miss J. B. Crookshank, of Blenheim, visited friends in the city yesterday.

Mr. Pearson is delighted to see the

registered at the Merrill House yes-Harry Wilson, of Fort William, is visiting his uncle, J. A. Wilson, the

Queen St. grocer. William Doherty returns to-morrow evening from Toronto, where he has been attending the Ontario Dental

Miss Madge Smith, of Highgate, who has been attending the Model

school here, returned home this morn-Miss Flossie McDonald returned to

attending the School of Pharmacy at Toronto, passed through the city yes-

terday on his way home to Blenheim. Miss Irwin, of the Central school staff, and her sister, Miss Henrietta Irwin, who has been attending Model school, returned to their home in Owen Sound yesterday.

The neath occurred last night of Mrs. Sara Jane McDonald, born April 23, 1828, died Dec. 17, 1902. Deceased leaves a husband, one daughter and two sons. The latter are at the Canadian Soo. Mrs. J. M. Park, of Queen street, is a daughter of the deceased. The funeral will take place from her late residence, Pine street, to Maple Leaf cemetery, at 3.30 Saturday afternoon.

J. W. White spent yesterday in Bothwell.

Mrs. S. J. McCaw is visiting friends in Chatham. Frederick Burnett, of Toronto, pent yesterday with his brother-inlaw, W. E. Gundy.

J. M. Pike and Dr. Hall have returned from attending a meeting of the Conservative Executive of Ontario at Toronto. A very enthusiastic meeting was held.

The ratepayers would like to know how the city pulled out in that wood deal. Let the aldermen show the ****************** figures. - "Growler," to-day. M. Wilson, K. C., left for Toronto

to-day where he will appear for the plaintiff when the motion comes up to-morrow to quash a municipal by-law in Macdonald vs. Alexandria. The death occurred this morning of Mrs. Eleanor Whyte, at the advanced age of 82 years. The funeral will take place from her late residence, Victoria Ave., on Saturday afternoon

A son of Chas, Pink, engineer on the Lake Erie Ry., fell from a load of wood yesterday and was picked up unconscious and taken to his home. He recovered consciousness a short time after and is a little better.

Richard Guilt, a blacksmith on Wellington street, died last night from blood poisoning. He scratched his hand a few weeks ago and it since turned into bloodpoisoning. He leaves a widow, six daughters and one son to mourn his loss.

The team of James Fleming, Raligh Township, ran away to-day on Adelaide street. They were standing in front of J. L. Scott's coal office when an engine on the C. P. R. track frightened the horses. No damage was done beyond breaking the har-

BACK AGAIN

The many friends of G. L. Pearson, an ex-Chathamite, who has lately been living in Belleville, are pleased to see him again in Chatham and to learn that he will once again make the Maple City his headquart-

nections with the Sawyer-Massey Company of Toronto, and has been engaged by the John Goodison Thresher Company of Sarnia, with headquarters at Chatham. He and Fred Skevens went to Jeannette's his son Norman have taken up their residence at the Merrill House. His son Harry, who is well known in this city, being an ex-C. C. I. boy, is now enjoying life in Colorado, and is employed by the Geo. Whyte Co., wholesale grocers of Durango. T. F. Hennegan, of Wallaceburg, has now been there for about a Mrs. B. L. Leak, of Montreal, was great improvement which has been made in Chatham during his four years' absence. He still thinks there is no place like the Maple City.

HAMESVILLE

Dec. 17.-Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Scott, of Chatham, are guests at G. F. Scott's Drs. Davis & Bucke, of Kent Bridge,

vere in town yesterday. A quiet though pretty wedding oc urred to-day, when Miss Lizzie, her home in Northwood last night, son, and niece of the late Robt. Ferhaving completed her term at the guson, M. P. P., was united in maroungest daughter of James Ferguriage to Mr. Hugh Ferguson, of Ridge-J. Glen Crookshank, who has been town. Rev. John McInnis, of the St. James Presbyterian Church, officiated. Only the immediate friends were present, and after a dainty luncheon Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson left on the 2.50

express for eastern points, Dr. and Mrs. Duncan, of Chatham, are guests at James Ferguson's to-

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THE CHATHAM

DEBENTURES SOLD

City Treasurer Fleming has sold the value of \$8,778.65, to W. C. Brent, Tofor three years and some for 15 years. Five tenders were received, as fol-

F. Marx, Chatham, \$8,820. Dominion Security & Co., Toronto 88,785,70. Standard Bank, \$8,926.70.

W. C. Brent, Toronto, \$8,932.60. The tender of Brent was the highest

MINERS SCORE POINT IN CLOS-ING THEIR CASE.

Men Alleged to Have Received Big Salaries Had to Divide Money With Laborers.

Scranton, Pa., Dec. 18.-The anthracite coal operators opened their side of the controversy with the mine workers yesterday before the Strike Commission, and the attorneys for the non-union men began calling witnesses. At the morning session the miners' lawyers morning session the miners' lawyers challenged the fairness of certain wage statements handed to the commission by the Pennsylvania Coal Company, and in the afternoon lawyer Darrow had a spirited discussion with Chairman Gray as to whether or not the miners had as to whether or not the miners had a right to know who is paying the lawfers representing the non-union men be-fore the commission. Mr. Darrow asserted they were employed by the coal operators. Chairman Gray finally said was immaterial who paid them.
The alleged unfairness of the wage statements came to the notice of the commission as a result of its inquiry into the child labor question in this vi-cinity. Several little girls testified on Monday that they worked all night in a silk mill in order to help their fathers along, who were employed in the mines and received poor pay. Tuesday Everett Warren, who represented the Pennsylvania Coal Co., handed to the commission a memorandum showing that one father last year received about \$1,400 for himself and labores, and that the other father received \$1,600 for himself and laborer. At the opening of the session, the miners placed the two parents on the stand, and they

divided among four to six men. Chairman Gray then requested counsol for the company to indicate in his statement handed up whether the fig. ures given are for one, two, or more men. General Manager May said:--"The Pennsylvania Coal Company has wo systems, one where four men work in a place, and known as a four-handes' place, and another, in which there are only two men, and known as a two-handed place. The company, he said, does not pay the laborer, it only pays the man in whose name the place appears. Mr. Darrow cross-examined Mr. May, and the latter said he did not know whether two, four or six men worked to earn the money indicated on the memorandum handed to the commission, adding that he got the figures from the auditor the company.

swore that the earnings mentioned were

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A YOUNG HERO

"We have at least one hero at the C. C. I.," remarked Principal D. S. Paterson yesterday. "John A. Lanigan broke his arm the other day on the pavement, had it set in the morning, and was at school in the afternoon. He is now busy writing on the examinations in progress at the Collegiate Institute, and is to receive 50 marks as a bonus to com-pensate him for time lost in handling his papers."



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WOOL FASCINATORS-

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