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PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W.
Toronto, Sept. 8.—11 a. m.—Fresh to strong, southerly and south-westerly winds, unsettled, with occasional showers. Wednesday, south-westerly winds, warmer, and for the most part fair.

A Meeting of the Liberal-Conservatives of the City of Chatham for the selection of delegates to the forthcoming convention will be held at Ward Stanworth's Office on Thursday evening at 8 o'clock.

MR. KNOWLES RESIGNED

Pastor of First Presbyterian Church Surprised his Congregation

Going as a Missionary to the Yukon—The Decision of a Popular Preacher

The congregation of the First Presbyterian church had a very unpleasant surprise last Sunday morning, when their pastor, Rev. W. E. Knowles, announced from the pulpit his intention to resign his pastorate. This was the first intimation the church had of this unexpected action on the part of their beloved pastor, and they were naturally much astonished and grieved to hear of his sudden leaving. Mr. Knowles in addressing his congregation gave no reasons for his action and said that the causes were entirely of a personal character. He spoke very feelingly of the pleasant and enjoyable conditions that had always existed between himself and the congregation and intimated that he was much grieved in taking this step. He hoped that none in the congregation would in any way discuss with him his reasons for resigning his charge, as he had firmly made up his mind to leave Chatham. Mr. Knowles leaves in two weeks for the Yukon, where he is going as a missionary.

The matter came up at the meeting of the Presbytery in St. Andrew's church this morning. Mr. Knowles addressed the Presbytery. "I have decided to enter upon missionary work in the Yukon," said he, "and I desire to leave Chatham as soon as possible. I have given the congregation the usual two weeks' notice. I would ask the Presbytery to hold their special meeting next week in order that preparations can be made for my departure at once, as navigation closes early and it will be necessary for me to get in at an early date."

Mr. Tolmie moved that the resignation be accepted and that the congregation of First church be notified of a meeting next Tuesday morning at ten o'clock to deal with the matter.

"It is with deep regret," said he, "that I make this motion; I am exceedingly sorry to see Mr. Knowles take this step. While they admire his action in going to the Home Mission field, the congregation are sorry to see him go, and highly appreciate the splendid work he has done here."

Dr. Battisby—I would second that motion, but it would come with very poor taste from me. Mr. Knowles and I have always got along admirably, which is more than I can say for previous pastors of the First Presbyterian Church. I sincerely regret his departure and earnestly wish that success may attend his efforts in the Yukon. The vigorous climate there may also suit his health better than the climate here. I hope he may be long spared in the country where he is going. We have never had an angry word. When he came here he gave me a warm handshake and the friendship which sprang up between

us has never ceased to exist. Mr. Knowles made a brief reply. He said,—"I appreciate the kind words of the brethren and I regret to leave. It is easier for me to go with these kind words, as it gets rid of any idea of being hurried off. Dr. Battisby and I have always been friendly and I shall regret to say good-bye when the time comes to do so." The moderator, Rev. Mr. Ross, then on behalf of the Presbytery spoke a few kind words of Mr. Knowles' work here, and expressed the regret of the Presbytery in his departure.

THE CAR SHOPS

Ald. Walter Piggott, chairman of the civic industrial committee, is in receipt of an interesting communication from General Manager Carpenter, of the Pere Marquette Railroad. Mr. Carpenter writes concerning the establishment and building of the car shops and says that, all things even, Chatham has the preference.

WHAT SHALL WE FEED BABY ON?—Many mothers upon perceiving that their little ones are not growing as healthy babies should, ask the question, "What shall we feed baby on?" We answer without hesitation "Lactated Food," the only nourishment perfectly adapted for infantile growth and expansion. Lactated Food is relished by every baby; it favors digestive strength, it prevents dysentery and diarrhoea, it enables the child to rest and sleep well, and mother is relieved of all care and anxiety. Lactated Food makes strong babies. All Druggists recommend it.

CHICAGO MARKETS

Reported by F. B. Proctor, Broker, Northwood Block, Chatham, Sept. 7, 1903.

Wheat	OPEN.	HIGH.	LOW.	CLOSE
Sept.	80 1/2	80 3/4	80	80
Dec.	82 1/2	82 3/4	81 1/2	81 1/2
May.	84 1/2	84 3/4	84	84
Corn				
Sept.	52	52 1/2	51	51
Dec.	51 1/2	52	50 1/2	51
May.	54 1/2	54 3/4	54	54
Oats				
Sept.	36	36 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2
Dec.	37 1/2	37 3/4	37	37
May.	39 1/2	39 3/4	38 1/2	38 1/2
Pork				
Sept.	1265	1270	1265	1270
Oct.	1285	1287	1280	1287
Lard				
Sept.	880	885	880	885
Oct.	882	885	882	885
Ribs				
Sept.	822	830	822	827
Oct.	817	850	817	837

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Hon. J. A. Davidson of Manitoba is in a critical condition.

Mr. Daniel Churchill of South Norwich died while sitting in church.

The differences among the leaders of the German Socialist party have ceased to be a serious matter.

St. Andrew's Church, Beaverton, founded seventy-one years ago, celebrated a number of interesting anniversaries.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier will be asked by a delegation to use his influence to secure the Jubilee presents for the Ottawa Fair.

Rain interfered with the celebration of Labor Day throughout the Province. Five thousand people gathered at Port Colborne, and Sir William Mulock spoke.

Tenders Wanted

Sealed, bulk or separate tenders addressed to Church Committee will be received at the office of the undersigned until Wednesday, September 16th, for the various trades, including slate roofing and art required in the erection and completion of a brick parsonage at Baldoon.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

A. M. PIPER,

Architect,

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City Property for Sale

Two story frame house on Lorne Ave., containing parlor, dining room, kitchen, pantry, one bedroom downstairs, and three bedrooms, bathroom and clothes closets, upstairs. Brick cellar and brick foundation. Large coal and wood shed. Everything in first-class repair. Price, \$1,500.

Two story frame house, double parlor, dining room, kitchen, pantry, fine bedrooms, cellar, large veranda, stable. Price \$1,300.

Money to Loan at 4 1/2 per cent.

DUNN & MERRITT,

C. P. R. ANNUAL REPORT.

LAND SALES AMOUNTED TO NEARLY \$10,000,000.

To Improve Terminals—An Expenditure of \$4,500,000 Proposed—Stock and Debentures Sold—New Lines Building.

Montreal, Sept. 8.—The C. P. R. Company to-day will issue to the shareholders their 22nd annual report, being a statement for the year ended June 30, 1903. The details of the financial statement, which show net earnings of \$15,836,845, and a surplus after payment of all fixed charges and dividends of \$3,973,960, have already been published. The working expenses for the year amounted to 63.57 per cent. of the gross earnings, and the net earnings to 36.03 per cent., as compared with 64.44 and 37.56 per cent. respectively in 1902.

Reference is made to the acquisition of new branch lines, and the report continues:—"The residue of the issue of preference stock previously authorized by you for the purpose of the company, amounting to £273,082, was created and sold during the year. Four per cent. consolidated debentures stock to the amount of £764,350 was also created and sold, and the proceeds were used to cover the cost of the Pacific coast steamships and for the acquisition of the bonds of other companies, whose lines constitute a portion of your system, the interest on which had with your authority been guaranteed by your company."

The land sales for the year amounted to \$6,890,517 acres, for the price of \$9,695,973, being an average of \$3.67 per acre.

During the year the guarantee of your company as to interest was endorsed on consolidated bonds of the Minneapolis, St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie Railway Company to the amount of \$2,454,000, representing the cost of 122.7 miles of additional railway constructed by that company.

Under the authority of the resolution passed at the last annual meeting your directors purchased from the Elder Dempster Company fifteen steamships, constituting that company's Canadian Atlantic fleet, the purchase price of the vessels and of the goodwill of the sellers being \$1,417,500 sterling. This amount has been temporarily advanced from your surplus earnings, pending the issue and sale of 4 per cent. consolidated debenture stock to a like amount, which you will be asked to authorize at this meeting.

An unfortunate accident resulted in the loss of one of the freight steamers. The amount required in excess of the insurance to replace this vessel will, of course, be charged against revenue.

Many of the new works on which capital has been expended are being carried out on a more comprehensive scale than was originally contemplated, and the increase of nearly 50 per cent. of the public and your own financial advantage, provide forthwith many additional facilities calculated to assist in promoting promptness and economy in the handling of your traffic, that under ordinary conditions might have been spread over a number of years.

Notwithstanding your large outlay in the past for lands, tracks, buildings, and other works on your more important terminals like St. John, Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa and Winnipeg, the facilities at most of these points are quite inadequate for present demands, and as a result there is frequent congestion, resulting in inconvenience and expense to everybody concerned.

With a view to remedying these conditions, and in order that the work of bringing your property to a high standard of efficiency may be continued without cessation, you will be asked to authorize the directors to expend capital for these general purposes to an amount not exceeding \$4,500,000.

SAM PARKS WAS THERE.

Headed a Labor Day Parade in New York City.

New York, Sept. 8.—The central feature of the Labor Day celebration was the parade of union workmen, which took place yesterday, representatives of unions in the building trades and of some outside unions marching under the leadership of Sam J. Parks, walking delegate of the Housecarpenter and Bridgemen's Union (who was recently convicted on charges of extortion, and allowed out on bail pending an appeal). The parade proceeded down Fifth avenue from the plaza, Sam Parks, mounted on a white horse, at his head. Behind him and his associate walking delegates came an open carriage, containing William S. Devery, former Chief of Police, bondsmen, and Assemblyman Butler, this carriage being flanked by one containing Mrs. Samuel Parks. After the carriages containing the walking delegates of the various organizations in the parade, Parks' progress from 59th street to Washington arch was attended with cheering and hissing, and upon and down the different points women standing at the curb hissed while Parks was passing, and then turned to cheering the rest of the parade. On several occasions there was hissing on the other side of the avenue reviewed by no city official, and the only approach to a formal review was Parks' near the end of the route, where Parks and those in the carriages halted while the paraders drilled before them. The parade then broke up and the organizations scattered.

SENSATION IN COREA.

Purchase by Japan of Strategically Important Island the Cause.

St. Petersburg, Sept. 8.—The following despatch has been received here from Port Arthur:—"The purchase by the Japanese of the small island of Sambak, near Mokko, which is strategically important, has caused a considerable sensation in Corea."

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TURRILL,
THE SHOE MAN.

CHOIR CHANGES

The session of the First Presbyterian church met on Friday night to consider matters pertaining to the choir and its organization. There were present at the meeting the Moderator, Rev. W. E. Knowles, K. Urquhart, James Birch, Andrew Thomson, Sr., D. R. Farquharson, William Robertson and Colonel J. B. Rankin.

It was moved by William Robertson, seconded by Kenneth Urquhart, that the resignations of the choir leader, H. C. Philp, and his organist, Miss Mary Brackin, be accepted, and that they be retired from their duties after the following Sunday. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Philp explained that as he had so many duties to attend to already that it was impossible for him to give the required attention to the choir.

It was moved by Col. J. B. Rankin, seconded by James Birch, that Fred Stone, William Robertson and the mover be a committee to wait on Mrs. John Cooper and report to the session.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BOGART—On Saturday, Sept. 5th, the wife of Milton R. Bogart, of a daughter.

plain cooking, for family, adults. Good Wages \$3 per week. Write to Mrs. F. S. North, 100 Elm street, Detroit, Mich.

MUSICAL.

Voice Culture and Concert Engagements.

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Organist of Christ Church, pupil of Mr. Julius V. Seyler, Detroit, will resume her classes Monday, Sept. 7th. Pupils will kindly call and arrange lesson hours at once. For terms, etc., apply at residence 36 Cross Street.

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At \$2.50 per Pair—Our leader, strictly pure wool White Blanket, finished with pink or blue borders, clean yarns, soft make, evenly woven, size, 60 in. by 80 in. Per pair, \$2.50.

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Alexandria Brand—Our best blanket, strictly pure wool, fine, soft and fleecy, evenly woven yarns, perfectly clean, heavy rich nap, pretty pink and blue borders, guaranteed unshrinkable. Sizes 60x78 in., 6 lbs, \$3.50 pair; size 64x82 in., 7 lbs, \$4.25 pr.; 68x86 in., 8 lbs, \$4.75 pair; 70x90 in., 9 lbs, \$5.25 a pair.

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GREY BLANKETS—Special values in Grey Blankets, for common use, the pure wool kind, large size, 7 lb. weight, at \$3.25 pair.

Union makes, heavy soft finish, at \$2 and \$2.75 pair.

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COTTON BLANKETS—Our Fall stock now at hand in cream or grey shades, 10-4 size, 75c a pair; 11-4 size, 95c. pair; 12-4 size, \$1.25 pair

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The immediate desire is for walking suits, with short skirts that just touch the ground. Women are apparently through carrying a heavy load of train in the streets. Good sense—and infinitely looking to see the skirt hanging in the graceful lines the tailor designed than mused up and carried in a bunch, tiresome and ugly.

The long coats and graceful skirts are wonderfully stylish, and so different. Made of Tweeds and Novelty Cloths. Jackets are silk lined, with collar or collarless. Some are trimmed with straps of stitched broadcloth. Skirts are gored flare, finished with lapped seams and stitching. Prices \$15, \$16.50 and \$18.00. Please call on C. Austin & Co. for more details.

Clothing Department.

September Ushers in the New.

All over the store the new Fall Goods are appearing. Summer is behind us. All eyes are looking forward to the delightful days of autumn. New apparel, new things for the autumn days are wanted by all. We're getting ready as fast as we can meet the demands that are coming earlier than ever this season. See what is ready even now.



Men's Fancy Suits.—In Plain Botany and Novelty Patterns. Just a few of the many groups of fall clothes that we have ready for men who dress well. Pure botany worsted blue serge, stylish, practical, a happy medium, not too dressy for business wear, yet will do in a pinch for afternoon dress occasions. The blue serge sack suits are double and single breasted as you choose. Double-breasted coats are 3-button, a loose but sharply tucked. Single-breasted coats have 3 to 4 buttons, are slightly cut away and have a neat collar and lapel. Suits are full of style and swing, and as to tailoring—collars and button holes are perfectly made. Shoulders are carefully padded. Canvas linings are carefully shrunk. Prices are \$10, \$12, \$13.50, \$15.

New Rain Coats for Men.—These rainy September days suggest rain coats and we are showing a big range of the popular Rain Proof Cloth Coats, light in weight, porous, best still thoroughly waterproof, no overheating like the paramatta waterproof, handsome shadings, grey, olive and fawn, full range of sizes, prices range at 7.50, 9, 10, 12. This coat makes a swell overgarment for fall as well as a rain coat.

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