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METEOROLOGICAL.

Toronto, March 16-8 p.m.—The low area which was centered over the Upper Ottawa Valley is now passing eastward off the Nova Scotia coast, having caused a gale and fall of snow or rain in the Maritime Provinces. The high area from the Northwest has moved to the lakes, bringing colder weather. Minimum and maximum temperatures—Victoria, 38-40; Calgary, 22-40; Banff, 10 below-18; Qu'Appelle, 4 below-10; Winnipeg, 18 below-14; Parry Sound, 4-18; Toronto, 24-24; Montreal, 28-28; Quebec, 24-30; Halifax, 22-36.

Local Temperature—The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the observatory on Thursday, March 16, were: Highest, 32 above; lowest, 20 above.

Today the sun rises at 6:26 a.m.; sets at 6:26 p.m. Moon rises at 9:27 a.m.; sets at 12:09 a.m.

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A LOCAL BUDGET

—Mr. J. H. Chapman was in Montreal this week.

—Twelve hours between sunrise and sunset today.

—The river is high again on account of the recent rains.

—Squire Curry, of 272 Talbot street, is said to be failing fast.

—Mrs. Wm. George, of Port Elgin, will spend some time with friends here.

—Mr. Edward Shaw and Mr. J. E. Darer, of London, England, are at the Tecumseh.

—Mr. T. Irving, superintendent of Bradstreet's for Ontario, was in the city yesterday.

—A culvert is being put in at the corner of Cavendish and Wharmcliffe road, West London.

—The Imperial Quartet, of this city, are announced to sing at Paisley next Wednesday evening.

—Mr. Chas. Watson, of Aylmer, has been spending a few days here with his wife (who is in the hospital), and reports her as regaining her health nicely.

—Miss Philp, daughter of Prof. Philp, will sing in the Asker Street Church on Sunday next, and the rest of the family intend coming to London to reside permanently in a few weeks.

—A defective chimney started a blaze at the residence of Mr. Fred Hessel, at 666 King street, yesterday morning. The loss by fire and water, principally the latter, will total about \$300.

—At a meeting of the creditors of Geo. Watson, held at the office of Assessor Charles Egan in Petrolia, the assets of the estate were taken over by the McClary Company, of this city.

—About 25 young people attended the surprise party at Mr. Charles Ross', Horton street, last night. The evening was spent in games and social conversation. Refreshments were also served.

—The board of works held a brief session last night. At the request of Mr. Wm. David it was decided to ask the council to signboards on front of shops to extend 15 inches instead of 6 inches over sidewalks. A number of accounts were passed.

—At the police court this morning, John Ryan, who was arrested yesterday by P. C. Monahan for begging and deceiving people with a story that he was minus an arm, was sent to jail this morning for two months in default of a \$5 fine. John Duggan, a drunk was discharged.

—St. Thomas Times: Last Saturday a young man living in London came here to see the "Turtle." He was broke, and he devised a novel plan to see the

show. He went to a grocery and got a dollar's worth of sugar on credit. He sold the sugar for half a dollar and hid himself to Duncombe's Theater, purchased a ticket and saw the "Turtle."

—There was a large attendance at the Froebel Society on Tuesday, two or three members returning who have been absent through illness. After routine business the circle was cleared for a march and games. Some pretty exercises with tossing and bouncing balls were followed by rhythmic games. The merriment always resulting from these exercises makes game-day one of the pleasantest on the society's programme.

—St. George's Society held a special meeting last night to consider what form of a celebration should be held on St. George's Day. There was a fair attendance of members, with the president, Mr. E. T. Essery, in the chair. A committee, comprising Messrs. Essery, Jones, Perry, Pritchard, Skinner, Weld, Cox and Cadwallader, was appointed to make arrangements for the banquet, which it was decided to hold on April 24. The annual church parade will be held on April 23.

—The L. E. and D. R. R. car ferry Shenango No. 1 arrived at Port Stanley at 3 p.m. Wednesday, from Conneaut, Ohio, having made a good run with a full load of 28 cars, comprising coal, coke, wire rods, etc., for St. Thomas, London, Hamilton, and other points. The dynamite did good work helping her into Conneaut harbor, and the prospects are now good for regular trips.

The L. E. and D. R. R. dynamite expert, W. E. Woodlark, of Walkerville, will, however, stay on the boat for a few trips, in case the dynamite is again required at Conneaut, Port Stanley being clear of ice. She left yesterday morning at 7:15 for Conneaut.

—At Osgoode Hall, in the suit of Dickson vs. Cole, before the high court, Mr. Follinsbee, Strathroy, for plaintiff, appealed from judgment of Street, J., dismissing the action and setting aside an award made pursuant to an agreement to refer under the act respecting arbitrations in the action, which was to set aside a chattel mortgage, and for delivery up and cancellation of promissory notes given on a purchased by plaintiff from defendant.

Strathroy, according to certain invoices produced, and also appealed from order of Ferguson, J., in another action between the same parties refusing injunction to restrain a sale of the goods under the chattel mortgage. Gibbons, Q.C., and Dromole, London, for defendants, contra. Reserved.

ST. ANDREW'S BALL.
The committee in charge of St. Andrew's ball have now definitely decided on April 7 as the date for that social function. Mr. R. C. Macfie has been appointed chairman of the refreshment committee. Mr. Robert Reid, Jun., of the printing, Mr. George Angus, of the music, and Mr. George Kennie, of the decorations.

DEATH OF MRS. MARY GUNN.
Mrs. Mary Gunn died last evening at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Ion Bond, of Elmwood avenue, South London, after an illness of several months' duration. Her husband died several years ago, and she leaves one daughter, Mrs. Ion Bond. The deceased was a member of Knox Presbyterian Church, and highly esteemed by a large circle of friends in this city.

REV. DR. MUNHALL.
Dundas Central Church has been the scene of a great awakening. Dr. Munhall spoke last night on "Redemption by the Blood of Christ." All, he held, have been redeemed, but all are not saved, for salvation depends on acceptance of Christ. In eloquent and impressive terms the speaker urged all to receive Christ as Saviour and Lord, and thus avail themselves of the benefits of his passion. Seventeen persons responded and professed conversion. This great work still goes on. Nearly 500 have already confessed Christ. The doctor speaks tonight on "The Story of the Deluge."

ARIEL LADIES' QUARTET.
The closing concert of the popular course at the Auditorium was held last night, and proved one of the best of the season. The building was, as on all former occasions, filled in every part. The programme was given by the Ariel Ladies' Quartet, assisted by T. G. Petrini, cornet soloist. The quartet was composed of Miss Florence Dyer, first soprano and pianist; Miss Annie F. Abbott, second soprano and violinist; Miss Norma Rockhold, first alto, and Miss Edith Woodwell, second alto and reader. The young ladies proved themselves to be finished and versatile artists. Every number was enthusiastically encouraged, and graciously responded to. Secretary Sawyer responded to the entertainment committee of the association for the liberal patronage given the concert course throughout the season. It was announced that the Boston Ladies' Band would play a return engagement.

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CITY COUNCIL IS SATISFIED

With the Conditions on Which an Armory Will Be Built Here.

Legislature to be Asked for Power to Borrow \$10,000

For the Purchase of the St. James' Church Property.

Trustees of the Drill Shed Site To Be Appointed.

The Government's Liberal Offer—The Armory to Cost \$40,000 or \$50,000—City Pays Practically Nothing—Action All But Unanimous.

The offer of the government to erect a \$40,000 armory in London, on certain conditions, was all but unanimously accepted by the city council at a special session last evening. This action practically means that the council will contribute \$10,000 toward the purchase of the St. James' Church site, that the building thereon of a thoroughly modern armory will be shortly commenced by the government, and that at the end of two years the present drill shed site will become the city's property. The government will add to the city's \$10,000 a sufficient sum to buy the St. James' Church property. The sale of the drill shed property is expected to realize at least \$10,000. A bona fide offer was made for it to the council last night of \$9,000, to be paid now, the purchaser to take possession two years later. Thus the acceptance of the government's offer practically does not cost the city anything, while it insures the employment of a large number of mechanics, the expenditure of a large amount of money, and the erection of a building that will not only be a landmark but of much practical use to the city. London's importance as a military center will be materially increased thereby.

The government's offer included other considerations to which the council all offered no objection. By it the city releases all claims for damages arising out of the drainage of Wolsey Barracks.

The members present were Mayor Wilson, Ald. Pritchard, Douglass, Jolly, O'Meara, Carrothers, Reed, Winnett, Graham, Malloch, Garratt, Dreaney, Plant, McCallum and Greenlee, City Solicitor Meredith and acting City Clerk Bell.

A deputation of military men were also present, among them being Sir John Carling, honorary colonel, Lieut.-Col. A. M. Smith, Major Little, Major Cronyn, and Capt. Graham, of the Seventh Battalion; Lieut.-Col. Gartshore and Capt. Booker, of the First Hussars; Capt. George D. Wilson, of the London Field Battery, and Surgeon Roome, of the Twenty-Sixth Battalion.

Major Little, ex-mayor, was the first speaker. He reminded the council of the steps taken to improve the local situation. The citizens' committee had called the attention of the major-general to the necessity of better accommodation for the battalion. The major-general acquiesced, and plans were prepared for an addition to the drill shed. Upon the protests of the local citizens, the plans were discarded, and the offer for a new building resulted. The deputation of citizens were told that the government had in no instance erected a drill shed for which they did not get a free site. Toronto paid \$150,000 for the site of the new drill shed. The deputation said that owing to large expenditures for a new hospital and a sewerage system, the city would not likely contribute anything. Then the members of the government asked that the city take care of the barracks' sewerage. The armory would cost not less than \$40,000. It would be thoroughly modern, and the noise of band practices would be no annoyance to residents in the vicinity. The St. James' Church site was a good one—central, and afforded light on three sides. As a citizen the speaker warmly pressed the acceptance of the offer.

Sir John Carling said the city could not do better than accept the offer. He believed there could be no doubt that the present property would realize \$10,000. The \$25,000 which the government would contribute would thus fully pay for the new site. The parliament at Ottawa had always dealt fairly with the city. The present site, he said, was a very acceptable one to the volunteers. It was central, and there were three lines of cars running by it. The armory would be a grand place for certain public gatherings, he said. He drew attention to the fact that the volunteers, and claimed that they were worthy at the hands of the citizens of the most comfortable and complete accommodations that could be given.

Dr. Roome said the deputation that went to Ottawa got an excellent reception and proposition. The drill shed property when built up would return to the city in taxes at least \$1,500 a year.



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GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTERS.

year. The proposed site for the new building was a very good one, and the expenditure of \$50,000 or \$60,000 in the city in the erection of a new armory would be to the interest of all citizens.

The city solicitor explained that if the offer were accepted the city should apply to the legislature for power to borrow the \$10,000, and to provide for the appointment of three trustees to sell the old drill shed.

Ald. McCallum moved, and Ald. Pritchard seconded, that the proposed clauses be added to the London bill.

Ald. O'Meara alone opposed the motion. He spoke very strongly against the purchase of the St. James' Church property, on the ground that the armory would be detrimental to other property in that vicinity.

On motion of Ald. Winnett, Mr. Meredith was instructed to attend to the matter before the legislature.

Ald. Dreaney moved, and Ald. Garratt seconded, that a deputation, including Ald. Pritchard, Douglass, Carrothers, Garratt, Dreaney and McCallum go to Ottawa to urge upon the government the building of the armory. Lost.

On motion of Ald. Winnett and Plant the question of a deputation was referred to the legislation committee.

Ald. Carrothers moved that upon the transfer of property being made and the armory undertaken, the city release the government from all claims on account of sewage entering from Wolsey Barracks into the city sewerage system. Ald. Graham seconded, and the motion carried.

In reply to Ald. O'Meara regarding the value of the drill shed property, Mayor Little said a number of gentlemen were ready to pay \$9,000 down for it, the title to be delivered two years hence.

AMUSEMENTS

"UNCLE TOM'S CABIN" TOMORROW.

The version of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" interpreted by Stetson's double monster company, which will exhibit at the Grand matinee and night tomorrow, has the special approval of Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe, the immortal authoress of that world-famous drama, from the fact that Manager Stetson's adherence to the original text, which is a complete deviation from the custom of other "Uncle Tom" managers, who interpolate so many attempted gags, stale jokes and vulgar witticisms into their rendition that the play is almost unrecognizable.

Aside from the great worth of the company, every act will be presented with new and elaborate scenery. The excellent company's two comical Topsyies, two ludicrous Marks, the elegant scenery, the novel mechanical effects, the ferocious band, the two brass bands, and the celebrated Lone Star Quartet, will all unite in making the engagement the most notable one.

"SHORE ACRES."

When Sir Henry Irving was asked for his opinion of James A. Herne's play, "Shore Acres," he said: "It is the best American play I have ever witnessed."

It was at Mr. Irving's request that another popular English actor, John Hare, other popular English actor, John Hare, went to see this ideal play of New England farm life. Mr. Hare was delighted with the performance, and said: "Any play that could bring tears to his eyes as 'Shore Acres' did must be a good play." When Mr. Herne decides to go abroad with this piece he will have all the leading players of the London stage to bid him welcome. A fine scenic production of "Shore Acres" will be given at the Grand next Monday.

FANNY RICE.

Quite the funniest woman on the stage is Bonnie Fanny Rice, who comes to the Grand next Tuesday evening, in her very successful comedy, "At the French Ball." She has the unusual gift of being genuinely, unmistakably funny, and this is rare among women. Without the aid of extravagant make-up, in fustian, or in silks and satins, without a distorting grimace, or an ungainly movement of her shapely body, she creates laughter until it borders on hysteria. Like all extremely imitated, but that, we know, is only "the sincerest flattery."

"At the French Ball" is an odd conceit from the German, whence the greater number of the successful farces are drawn. It has a serious undercurrent, but this is never allowed to crop up to the surface. It is a salutary lesson, but that is only the moral, the play itself being one long, continuous laugh.

AN EXCELLENT PERFORMANCE.

The Rev. Lyman Abbott says: "If the stage always gave us such clean and pure plays as 'Shore Acres,' the wholesale denunciation of the stage by the pulpit could not long survive."

There is hardly a city in this country today where "Shore Acres" is not welcomed by all classes of theatergoers, and it is known that over ten thousand clergymen have witnessed its presentation. As a special mark of approval the actor, dramatist and author of the work, James A. Herne, was invited to address a meeting of over four hundred

clergymen in Chicago about a year ago. The strangest part of it all is that there is not one word of religion introduced in the play.

WHAT WAS THE CAUSE?

Many Porkers in Middlesex Apparently Poisoned—Analysis Fails to Confirm the Suspicion.

St. Thomas Journal: County Attorney Donahue received a telegram last night from W. T. Nugent, J.P., of Belmont, saying that more hogs had been poisoned in South Dorchester not 100 rods from the residence of Mr. Stewart, who some months ago had 60 hogs poisoned.

Mr. J. W. Murray, chief inspector of the Ontario Criminal Investigation Department, who is in the city, was seen in regard to the matter. He stated that in December, 1898, 60 hogs belonging to Mr. Alfred Stewart, South Dorchester, died with all the symptoms of poisoning from strychnine, cats which ate the flesh of the dead hogs also died. Mr. Murray went to South Dorchester, made inquiries, and sent the viscera of several of the hogs to Dr. Ellis, of the School of Practical Science, for analysis. The doctor has been at work for the past three months on the contents of the stomachs of the animals, and has used all known tests for all known poisons, but has failed to find the trace of poison of any kind whatever.

Nine hogs also died near Dutton some time ago with every symptom of poisoning. Dr. Ellis has made tests of contents of their stomachs, but has failed to find poison.

Inspector Murray is now making inquiries into the burglary of Mr. McKenzie's store at Union, and when that is conducted he will go to South Dorchester and inquire into this latest case of supposed hog poisoning.

The people of the vicinity believe the porkers were poisoned by some unknown person.

Our Belmont correspondent says: The poisoning of Mr. Alfred Stewart's hogs last fall is still fresh in the minds of the people of this vicinity, and the feeling has risen to indignation when it was learned on Tuesday evening that Mr. Joseph Alexander, living on a rented farm adjoining Mr. Stewart's, in South Dorchester, was a victim of the same malicious act.

One of his hogs was fed and became sick, four dying as a result of the dose. The perpetrator should be ascertained and severely punished. Both of these men are quiet, inoffensive men, and the reasons for such malice are mysterious.

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FLOOD AT BRANTFORD.

Brantford, March 17.—The Grand River is on its annual rampage. At Brantford all dwellings on the flats are submerged in about four feet of water, and the occupants have moved out. The Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo Railway station is surrounded with two feet of water, and freight cars are standing in four feet of water. It is reported that the river below the city is blocked with ice, and this caused the water to back up. Reports from the north say the ice has broken up, but the water is getting lower.

If it's in the blood

Ayer's Sarsaparilla

will take it out.

Other kinds may, but probably will not.