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PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W.
Toronto, March 17.—11 a. m.—Fine to-day; rising temperature; sleet and rain on Friday.

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

THERMOMETER.

Highest yesterday, 33.
Lowest during night, 17.
This morning, 25.
Barometer, 29.24.
Direction of wind, northeast.

Local Briefs

S. M. Gardiner, of Valetta, was a Chatham visitor yesterday.

Mrs. Alfred N. Shotwell, of Mount Clemens, was registered at the Garner House yesterday.

William E. Stewart, of Oshbourne, has entered upon a business course in the Canada Business College.

W. B. Hughes of Kent Bridge, is among the recent arrivals at the C. B. C. He is taking a business course.

Will Wheeler of the offices of Drs. Rutherford & Rutherford, is spending a couple of days in the city of the Straits.

Charles Ashwell, formerly of Harper's Ticket and Express office, now of the Soo, visited his Chatham friends yesterday. He left this morning to visit his brother in Dresden.

A. M. Fleming, Chatham's talented artist sent a picture to the Montreal show some time ago, and it has since been chosen as an exhibit at the St. Louis Fair.

Howard Waddell, draughtsman in the offices of J. L. Wilson & Son, architects, witnessed the presentation of Ben Hur in Detroit last night. He says it was great.

Ald. Westman is busy receiving contracts for pens etc., for giving accommodation to cattlemen and farmers at the city scales. Tenders must be in by Saturday.

The Liberal-Conservatives will meet in their rooms in the Northwood Hall Block to-morrow evening, to make preparatory arrangements for Macdonald Day. A full attendance is requested.

W. H. Harper, agent for C. P. Ry., was advised to-day that the Owen Sound section has been opened and that tickets are again on sale and that the Toxewat section is still closed west of Grand Valley.

Among the many Chatham people who attended the presentation of Ben Hur at the Detroit Opera House last evening were, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Pike; O. L. Lewis; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Sulman; Mr. and Mrs. Phil Coote; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Repton, and Jno. Piggett.

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BOTH ENJOY LITTLE JOKE

Ald. Martin and Ben Coyne
Just Having a Lovely
Time Laughing at
the Other Fellow

While Alderman is Giving Detective the "Ha Ha" the Sprinter Smiles a few at G. G.

"Ha, Ha, Ha," laughed Ben Coyne. Then Mr. Coyne was noticed to laugh again. "Say, I got the greatest joke," and here Mr. Coyne paused to get rid of a few more smiles. "This is too funny for anything," continued Mr. Coyne. "Why, I was taken for Billy Boyd this morning, and we look so much alike, you know, that one of your aldermen can't tell us apart when we are apart." Here Ben cashed in a few more laughs. "This morning Ald. Martin came up to me, shook me warmly by the hand and called me Mr. Boyd. I shook him back. He asked me how I had evaded Detective Winslow, and praised my cleverness. I thanked him very cordially. He asked me if I wasn't afraid to appear so openly. I told him I was watching out and I didn't think that he would give an old friend like me away. Mr. Martin went away, quite satisfied and I enjoyed the joke immensely. We look so much alike, you know," and Mr. Coyne's face was once more wreathed in smiles.

"Great story for you to-day," remarked Ald. Martin, the eloquent member of the City Council. "I saw Boyd after he got away from Detective Winslow and he was actually down to the train to see Winslow off."

"Of course I wouldn't be mistaken. Why I've known Boyd for 25 years. Be mistaken, well I guess not. I went down on the five o'clock p. m. train on Tuesday to London. I didn't know anything about Boyd's escape. I saw him on the platform at the station and talked with him. On the train I told him with a wink that Winslow and he told me about Boyd's escape. That was the first I had heard of it."

"Why Boyd was on the station platform and I was talking to him before I left," I remarked to Winslow. "You can't think that I gave the Provincial detective the laugh then. Why it makes me laugh now to think how easily that man was fooled. And Boyd was down to see him off. Wasn't that funny?" and the worthy alderman went off into a paroxysm of laughter. He has had many a laugh over the incident.

FINE TRIP

"I have been homesick ever since I came home," was the odd comment of J. E. Thomas, manager of the Bank of Commerce, who has just returned from a two months' trip to Asheville, North Carolina.

Mr. Thomas left Chatham on the 9th of January to join Mrs. Thomas and Miss Helen, who have been in Carolina since last November. He is very much in love with the weather there and was much disappointed to find such miserable winter weather in Chatham. He was not here long before he was wishing himself back.

"I had a splendid time and I never enjoyed a trip as much in my life before. The weather in Asheville is everything that could be expected—nice and warm. When I left people were sitting out on their lawns in the afternoon and evenings and enjoying themselves immensely. The scenery of Asheville is simply beyond description."

"Asheville is a great place to go for health and the finest place for convalescents on the continent. Several people cannot live any other place but there. It is a good place, not only for my home. I tried to find my trunk and if I could have found it I would have gone right back."

"They have good saddle horses and liveries there and the roads are something magnificent for driving on. I stayed at the Knickerbocker, and it was an excellent place. The people there are very friendly and agreeable."

Mr. Thomas was in poor health when he left, but he has recovered much of his old time vigor and is now feeling well. Both Mrs. and Miss Thomas are also improving in health and enjoying themselves. They will return when the weather north becomes milder.

GOVERNMENT GRANTS

The first instalment of the estimates were presented in parliament yesterday. They include an additional \$10,000 to the Chatham armories and \$16,000 to Rondeau harbor.

A MYSTERY

There was plenty of shamrock in evidence around Harrison Hall this morning, and R. G. Fleming and Jonas Gosnell were wearing the green. They both dropped into the office of the County Clerk on their way to dinner. Now, Mr. Holmes always boasts about being Irish and as yesterday he was wearing a bunch of shamrock, they thought for sure he would have some shamrock on to-day. The County Clerk found the County Court Clerk with his coat off, and busily engaged in work, but a bit of shamrock was in evidence. R. G. Fleming, who was wearing a huge bunch of the Irish emblem leaves, kindly donated some and all was happy and peace reigned serene once more. There are several conjectures as to the absence of the shamrock.

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Geo. A. Young

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THE LATE

NELSON MILLS

Nelson Mills, an old resident of this county passed away at his home in Marysville, Mich., on Wednesday, March 10th. Mr. Mills was in his 61st year. He leaves a family of three girls and two boys. Three brothers and three sisters still survive him. Mrs. John Oldershaw, Raleigh St., was a niece of Mr. Mills, and the late Hon. David Mills was a nephew.

The funeral will take place to-morrow at Port Huron.

Mr. Mills was a very fine gentleman and was very successful. He is well and favorably known to many of the old residents of this county.

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The first great principle governing this business is

Giving Our Customers the Best Values Possible for Their Money

We care not where we procure our goods, we are not tied to any one firm or source, the STYLE must be RIGHT, the QUALITY must be GOOD, and the PRICE must be right, and the rest we leave to your good judgment.

This season we have gathered carefully and largely and have now ready for your inspection the choicest range we have ever shown.

New Dress Goods

The best yet, more variety, more novelties in both British, French and Domestic Fabrics than we have ever shown. We have been careful to produce only limited quantities of each design so that no pattern will become common. Here are some of the kinds that are ruling favorites just now:—

Greatest value yet offered in colored and black silk and wool edienne, black and colored all wool French voile, crisp finish and perfect dye, a fine range of shades, values up to \$1.50.

At 75c yard, special lot of French all wool voile, colors and black, all new spring shades, perfect black.

At 50c yard, 42 inch all wool flake effect, in brown, black, green, cardinal, grey and fawn.

Black dress goods, the handsomest goods ever shown at our black dress goods counter; the latest weaves are here in fancy voiles, silks, mohairs, venetians, chevrons, broadcloth, and fancy flake, values up to \$2.00.

Mohairs of high lustre, in navy blue, black, pink, sky blue, fawn and cream, prices 85c to \$1.25 per yard.

Cream waist goods, plain fancy lustres, canvas cloth, crepe de chine, Panama and serges, prices from 35c to \$1.00 per yard.

Choice Wash Cottons.

The collection is always on the increase these days—charming new patterns are continually arriving and it's too early for the choicest designs to disappear as they will later. Many women recognize the wisdom of making their selection now, and securing the first and best picking—every year more women learn this from experience. And there's continual delightful surprise at the beauty and variety of the new designs. Here are a few of the very newest bidders for favor

LINEN SUITINGS—

Flake and Blister effect in Pure Linen, for ladies' shirt waist suits, latest novelties, in black and white, navy and white, green and white, royal and white, red and white, linen and white mixtures, perfectly fast colors, at per yard 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c.

Also, yard wide Linen Crash Suitings, at per yard 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c.

Plain White, Linen Color and Cadet Blue, Shirt Waist Linen, 36 inches wide, extra fine weave, per yard, 35c and 40c.

WOOL DELAINIES—

Special for children's dresses and ladies' waists, polka dots on ground work of crease, cardinal and navy, very fine, per yard 40c.

FANCY LINEN WAISTINGS—

Extra fine linen and silk and linen and batiste, for fancy dresses and waists, correct for cool garments, green, pink, white, black spots, also fancy white, white and green, pink and white stripes, at per yard 40c and 50c.

36-in. Linen Crash Waist Cloth, medium weight, New York style, with large spots, in white, helio, black turquoise colors, per yard \$1.00

COTTON CREPINES—

A very new wash fabric for ladies and children's summer garments, fine soft make, mottled effect, champagne shade, with small red, blue, green, and black spots, per yard 50c.

COTTON CREP DE CHENES—

Special for fancy warm weather gowns, soft crinkle finish, blister effect, woven spots, of white on colors of rose, champagne, light blue, pink and grey, also black spot on white, fast colors, per yard 35c, 40c, 45c, 50c.

COTTON VOILES, 50c YARD—

A mercerized cotton, made as sheer as gingham and as lustrous as silk; in all the newest colors, cream, black, white, rose, pearl grey, navy, warranted fast colors per yard 50c.

WHITE GOODS—

White Vestings, light weights, small raised patterns, polka dots and fancy stripes, at 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 50c and 60c.

Basot Weave Madras, for shirt waist suits, white ground with small black figures, fancy stripes, per yard 12 1/2c and 15c.

Clothing Dept.

Spring Overcoat Time

To day chilly, to-morrow warm—that's spring—a condition which emphasizes the necessity of a spring overcoat. From now on, the spring overcoat will hold sway. It may be a short boxy overcoat or a long loose shorter-proof cloth coat, or a medium length graceful overcoat. You'll find the new models here. In name only may they be likened to the ordinary ready made kind. Come here and try on some of them. You'll see the difference in our shoulders, our collars, which are long and snug fitting, in our coat fronts which wrinkle or lose their shape. In short you will have an overcoat to be of "it if it comes from Austin & Co.'s." Prices range from \$750 to \$1

Here are Some of the New Models:

At \$10.00.—Many elegant and new models in the snappy top coat, made in black Venetians and tan and grey covers, very special at \$10.

At \$12 to \$12.50.—Top coats of novel pattern cover new olive effects in the short 30 inch length and every dressy quarter length coat in neat black and white pin head wadded, dressy, handsome garments, \$12.00 to \$12.50.

At \$7.50.—New spring rain coats that do double duty, gentle shade of Oxford grey, nice weight, velvet collar, mail good overcoat as well as a water-proof.

At \$10.00.—Our special shower proof coat in plain fords olive and tan shades, a very dressy garment, long full in an extra quality and weight, self collar, lined or unlined, sizes, 34 to 44 chest.

At \$14.00.—A very handsome coat in the new bone pattern, very pretty olive effect with combination over concave shoulders, neat close fitting collar, extra full skirt, best coat in the market.



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