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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

DEATHS.
NEILSON.—On Saturday, 10th inst., at the residence of his son-in-law, R. J. McIntyre, Harwich, Peter Neilson, in his 89th year.
Funeral Tuesday, the 13th, at one p. m., to Maple Leaf Cemetery.

THE PROBABILITY.

G. N. W. Special.
Toronto, Feb. 12, 10 a. m.—South-easterly winds; cloudy to fair and mild. Tuesday, mild and rainy.

LOCAL BRIEFS

One of the firemen started his companions laughing while sitting in bed about 2 a. m., and he still further electrified them by stating that he had bought 200 acres of land in the heart of the city for \$200. The dreamer denies all about it today.

Orders for bookbinding should be left at The Planet office. It is surprising how nice a volume can be made of magazines, even though they are somewhat soiled from much handling. Books, magazines, or periodicals bound or rebound in any style at very reasonable prices.

The following named gentlemen were at the lumbermen's banquet at the Russell House, Detroit, last Thursday evening: Chas. Hadley, W. A. Hadley, F. F. Quinn, G. W. Sulman, Wm. Bethune, R. Pritchard, and were registered as the representatives of the S. Hadley Co., of Chatham. The American Lumberman, published in Chicago, has a very lengthy article on the affair and the trip to Bay City and Saginaw, which was much appreciated by those who were fortunate enough to go. If every lumberman was as well pleased with the entertainment as the S. Hadley Co. representatives were the executive of the association should be proud indeed.

VETERANS, ATTENTION!

A meeting of the County of Kent Veterans' Association will be held on Friday evening, the 16th inst., at 7:30 p. m. at the store of Major H. G. Reid to arrange for the distribution of medals.

JAS. C. WEIR,
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Society Dress Hints....

The correct dress for gentlemen for social functions occurring after 6 o'clock is the full dress suit.

There is but one exception permissible, that is the Tuxedo or dinner coat. These may be worn at theatres and dinner parties respectively.

The Inverness is worn as an easy top coat over dress suits.

The Faisset is becoming quite a favorite among good dressers, while the frock suit is the correct day dress.

Morley & Co. TAILORS and IMPORTERS

HOPE RUNS HIGH

Though There is not a Scrap of News From the Front.

Which Side Will Strike First is the Problem—Boer Aggressiveness Checked.

London, Feb. 12.—Not a line of war news having been received since yesterday Britain remains waiting anxiously to learn which side will succeed in striking first. The feeling, however, is much more confident than at the opening of last week, in consequence of the widespread belief that the hands of Lord Roberts and Gen. Kitchener are now firmly gripped at the helm and that, whatever happens the campaign will now be waged under careful, comprehensive plans, in which all the forces will co-operate.

Both sides seem to be collecting themselves for the attack. The left horn of the Boer army is creeping through Zululand and threatening the British right, and at Chieveley General Buller, with 6,000 men, is reported endeavoring to attack Gen. Buller.

Boer aggressiveness has already developed and has met with a repulse at Rensberg, while from what now becomes the most important point of the campaign, Modder River, comes the news of ceaseless activity and redoubled vigilance.

CAUGHT NAPPING.

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About 11 o'clock the water began to enter the cellar of the L. O. O. F. block. Wm. Bonnell, the men, however, are all employed working about the mill.

At one o'clock this afternoon the jam gave way and the ice began to move rapidly down the river. In less than a quarter of an hour after the river fell a foot in the course of a couple of hours two feet. The breaking of the jam stopped a big flood.

AT INDIAN CREEK.
Wm. Abbe, of Harwich, was in the city this morning. He stated that when he came across the Indian creek bridge the water was up to the axles of the buggy and it was still rising.

DR. BATTISBY'S SERMON.

Rev. Dr. Battisby preached to a very large congregation last night on "The Government of the British Empire." The Government of the British Empire, he said, is a subject of great importance. The Doctor opened his sermon with a reference to the national debt of Great Britain. He stated that it was large, yet he claimed it could be wiped out entirely if the nation which were indebted to her paid what they owed. Russia, France, Germany, in fact all the continental powers, the United States, South America, are more or less heavily indebted to Great Britain. Great Britain has her failings—and the established church and powerful landed proprietors are of them—but the industry, honesty and morality of her people are her supports. No continental city reverences the Sabbath as does this city. Sabbath, Germany and Austria if not as bad, yet do not hesitate to openly violate the Lord's day.

It is remarkable that security one feels in Great Britain compared to the experience on the continent. Go where you will among the continent of nations and you cannot help but feel a certain amount of insecurity of life and limb, but so long as you arrive in Britain all feeling of nervousness vanishes. This is the common experience of travellers.

During the course of his address the reverend gentleman made a reference to the action of a certain politician, Edward Blake, who after being a failure in his own land, returned to Ireland and the other day voted to allow the Transvaal its independence. The doctor was strong in his denunciation of this gentleman's conduct, and his words struck a chord of sympathy throughout the entire congregation.

SPECIAL COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING.

Warden Davidson, of Thamesville, was in the city today and arranged with County Clerk Fleming to call a special meeting of the county council for Friday. As each of last week, the business to be taken up will comprise Moravian and Fansher creek bridge matters and the school dispute. Chatham township, which has been carrying into the courts. The salary question is not likely to be discussed.

Warden Davidson says the county will suffer no financial loss by the bridge, the temporary supports for the new one and the iron stringers were carried away. The Hamilton Bridge Company had had 17 men there for three weeks getting the temporary woodwork in shape for the iron work. All this labor is lost, and they will be unable to do any more until the first of May. This closes a most important road for three months longer. The stone-work contractors, it is said, will have to indemnify the county for the old bridge which was valued at \$200. It should have been removed and stowed safely away some time ago, but the stone-work contractors made arrangements to leave it there for the use of the bridge company, hence its loss. Warden Davidson expects the new bridge will be ready for traffic by May 15th.

A patriotic concert and military display will be given in the Zone town hall on Friday, March 2nd, for the benefit of the Canadian soldiers in South Africa. Major Rankin will give an address on the war. Miss May E. Colles is directing the matter, and it promises to be a great success.

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TORONTO PRODUCE.

Toronto, Feb. 10.—Eggs—Receipts only fair and the market is about steady. Local demand good. Strictly new laid bring 20 to 22; fresh gathered sell at 17 to 18; and No. 2 at 13 to 15; and lined at 15.

Butter—Market firmer. Deliveries of choice butter rather light. Local demand is good. Local quotations to the trade: Dairy, tubs, poor to medium 15 to 17; strictly choice 18; large rolls 19 to 20; small dairy 18; prints about 20 to 21; creamery, tubs, and boxes, 23 to 24; pounds, 24 to 25.

Potatoes—Free deliveries and a slow local demand keeps prices down. Car lots are sold on track here at 35c, to 40c, per bag, and at farmers' wagons about 50c per bag. Car lots of choice stock bring 45 to 50c per bag.

Dried apples—Quiet market. Dealers pay 5 1/2c for dried stock, delivered here, and in small lots resell at 6 to 8 1/2c; evaporated 1 1/2 to 9c, in small lots.

Honey—Strong. Dealers quote from 9 to 10c. per lb for 5 lb, 10, or 60-lb tins, and in comb at around 12 to 12 1/2c per dozen sections.

Butter—Choice stock in demand. No. 1 timothy will bring 12 1/2 to 13; No. 2 sells at 12; No. 3 at 11.

Straw—Nominal. Car lots are quoted at \$1.50 to \$1.75 on track.

Hops—Quiet. Dealers here quote choice Canada '99's at 16 to 18c. Outside holders are asking from 16 to 18c.

Poultry—About steady. Chickens job at 30 to 50c; geese at 7 to 7 1/2c; ducks at 40 to 60c per pair; east turkeys at 9 to 11c. per lb.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK.

East Buffalo, Feb. 10.—Cattle—The offerings were three loads, and with cooler weather and a little improvement in the demand, the general market was firmer.

Calves were in good supply, fair demand, and about steady.

Choice to extra, \$8 to \$8.25.

Good to choice, \$7.75 to \$8.25.

Sheep and lambs—The offerings of sheep and lambs were quite liberal, 58 loads, 13 of which were left over; the demand was rather slow, but the moderate proportion of strictly choice lambs sold on the basis of \$7.20 to \$7.25 for the top quality, with the kind of the sales at the inside figure; the feeling is not quite as it was a few days ago, but there is nothing to indicate a heavy break.

Choice to extra lambs \$7.10 to \$7.25.

Good to choice, \$6.75 to \$7.

Common to fair, \$6 to \$6.75.

Mixed, \$5.50 to \$5.75.

Ewes, \$4 to \$4.25.

Wethers, \$5.50 to \$6.00.

The close was strong, with only a few loads over.

Hogs—Weak and lower, but after the report of Chicago was in showing the market there to be higher the basis settled at \$5.15 to \$5.20 for heavy, \$5.10 to \$5.15 for Yorkers. Pigs sold at \$5 for bulk of the sales, and late sales at \$5.05, with one sale at \$5.10.

Roughs, \$4.40 to \$4.60.

Stags, \$3.50 to \$4.

The close was strong with all sold but some pigs.

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- I.—Best make, plain pillow cottons, extra heavy, soft finish, 44 and 46 in. wide, per yd. 12 1/2c
- II.—Mercerized satens, for undershirts, black ground, with silver or gold stripes, 32 in. wide, reg. 35c quality, special per yd. 25c
- III.—New chenille table covers, big range of sizes and all the latest colorings, sizes 36x36 in., 50c each. 54x54 in., \$1 each. 72x72 in., special. \$2 each
- 50 in. curtain damask, in shades of bronze, old gold and peacock blue, per yard. 50c
- IV.—Extra special, 36 and 38 in. fancy light striped flannelettes, fine soft finish, good washing colors, per yd. 10c
- V.—Special values in butcher's linen and brown Hollands, suitable for children's aprons, per yd. 10c, 12 1/2c, 17c, 20c
- V.—Bleached sanitary towels, 27x27 in., per pair. 25c
- VII.—Special bleached table damask, all pure linen, 60 in. wide, reg. 50c quality, for per yd. 42c
- 2 pieces only, reg. 75c full bleached Irish table damask, choice patterns, satin finish, 62 in. wide, Special price per yd. 68c

Clothing Department

Pounding Them Down

While every body is talking about higher prices AUSTIN & CO. calmly continues to pound prices down. AUSTIN & CO. are at war with war prices. These are a few of the many bargain prices for February—

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\$3 Boys' 2 Pc. Suits for \$1.48
Made from reliable wearing tweeds, nice shades gray, brown and fawn, odd sizes, for ages 4 to 9 years.

\$2.50 Boys' Odd 2 Pc. Suits for \$1.98
Made from all-wool tweeds and serges, single and double breast styles, for ages 5 to 12 years, nice colorings, good wearers.

\$3 Boys' Odd 2 Pc. Middy Suits for \$2.48
Made from all-wool tweeds and serges, single and double breast styles, for ages 5 to 12 years, good suits for little prices.

\$4.50 Boys' 3 Pc. Middy Suits for \$3.48
Made from fine novelty tweeds, hand-somely trimmed, A 1 fitters, odd sizes to clear, for ages 3 to 8 years.

\$5 Boys' 3 Pc. Middy Suits for \$3.95
Handsome suits for the little chaps, made from the best cloth, big sailor collar, nicely trimmed, because, for ages 3 to 8 years, odd sizes to clear.

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