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PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W.
Toronto, March 10, 11 a. m.—Fine and moderately cold. Thursday, fine, not much change in temperature. The following figures were registered to-day at seven a. m. at Turner's weather bureau:

THERMOMETER.

Highest yesterday, 34.
Lowest during night, 25.
This morning, 28.
Barometer, 29.21.
Direction of wind, west.

Local Briefs

A. B. Vester, of Blenheim, was a visitor in the city yesterday.

Neil Watson, the popular "mayor" of Mull, spent yesterday in the city.

There is only one man in jail just now, Eddie Williston, who was remanded till Friday.

Probate of the will of the late Alice Shaw, of Dresden, has been granted to Sylvanus Shaw.

There is a dead cat on Thames St. opposite Scott Bros. & Co's. office. Health department kindly note.

Dr. and Miss Mary McKee are in Detroit to-day attending the presentation of Ben Har in the Detroit Opera House.

The only place in the city where you can get real home-made bread, pies, cakes and cookies is at Mrs. Cook's bakery, two doors from Harrison Hall, Fifth St.

There will be a meeting of the Non-Commissioned Officers of the 24th Kent Regiment in the Sergeant's Mess Rooms, over the Merchants' Bank, at 8 o'clock this evening. All the Non-Coms. are requested to be present, as this will be a very important meeting.

Provincial Detective Winslow, called up Chief of Police Holmes from London last night. He said that he had travelled from Chatham with a little short, stout lawyer man, who asked him if he had not seen Boyd on the platform at the station. The lawyer man was evidently our friend Ald. G. G. Martin, who was having a little fun with the detective person.

The Chatham Rug Factory have installed a modern and up-to-date process for cleaning carpets and rugs—the best that can be got—at quite an expense. They are moving into the McLachlan Block, and will be ready for operations at the end of this week, which plant Chatham ought to appreciate and help. Their advertisement appears in another column of this paper.

Mr. Kennedy, manager of the Downey Spring and Axle Co., says that the report in last night's Planet that Charlie Humphrey had contracted a nasty skin disease at the Downey Factory is quite erroneous. The boy never had a towel of his own. He did use a towel, however, belonging to another lad in the factory. At present there is no one with a disease of this kind working in the factory. Mr. Kennedy objects, and rightly so, to people circulating malicious reports about the factory, and this report appears to have been just that.

Mr. Wellsman appeared once before in Chatham, and those who heard him then announce that he is one of the best that have ever come to Chatham. He frequently plays in Massey Hall Toronto, and on such occasions the audiences are large and the seats are by no means low priced. No one should miss this opportunity of hearing Mr. Wellsman.

Harold Jarvis needs no introduction to Chatham audiences. He is always a favorite and well received wherever he goes, and no one tires of hearing him. He would draw in himself alone.

Miss Carrie Estelle Williams is also very favorably known to a large number of Chatham's critics, having sung for Mr. Frank Bebock at a recent recital in the Mason & Beach piano parlors. She is possessed with a beautiful lyric soprano voice, and she is admired wherever she goes. She sang for several years on the continent and she has studied for several years in Boston.

This concert should be well patronized, as it will be of a very high order and the people here should encourage good talent when they have an opportunity. It will no doubt be one of the most important musical events of the season.

Mr. Wellsman has requested Mr. E. B. Arthur to play the accompaniments of the evening and that gentleman has kindly consented to do so.

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CAUCUS SHUNTS LIQUOR BILL

Premier Ross' Strong words Received in Ominous Silence.

Anti-Prohibitionist J. R. Stratton Stays away—Temperance said to be killed.

"Gentlemen, you know my views on this question; I stand on my record."

These were the words of Premier Ross referring to temperance legislation at the adjourned caucus of the Liberal members of the Legislature yesterday. Dr. James, of Nipissing, was in the chair and the temperance question was the first taken up.

The Premier intimated in this short and pungent sentence his attitude towards any half-way measure for temperance reform. It was expected that the whole matter would be thrashed out and a decision come to, but there was an inclination to drop the matter at once. And it was so. And with the cool reception accorded the leader's suggestion, vanished all hope of anything being done to "banish the bar" from the Province of Ontario.

It was significant that Hon. J. R. Stratton, leader of the anti-prohibition wing of the party, was not present at the caucus. He had other business down town.

NO TEMPERANCE BILL.

One of the most prominent Liberals sitting in the Legislature informed the World that there would be no temperance legislation of any sort whatsoever. This remark was endorsed by others less prominent in the party ranks. The World's informant added:

"This, of course, does not mean that there will be no license law amendments, but whatever is brought down will hardly come within the designation of 'temperance' legislation. The present act will be changed in some respects to bring about a better enforcement. There has been a good deal of talk about a split in the party over this suggested temperance bill, but such is not the case. The party is not united on the best means to abate the evil of intemperance, but that is generally the situation with regard to every great question. The views of all the members are sought on these questions, and that is just what the caucus is for. The majority rules. Every man has a chance to put forward his ideas and the best are adopted. The Premier is very anxious to have a prohibitory measure enacted, but the great majority are opposed to doing anything more than to improve the present law. The members are not anxious to court defeat by supporting the demand of the temperance people, and for that reason there will be no bill at all. That is the situation to-day, and there is not likely to be any change. I don't think the matter will again be discussed in caucus, and the general feeling of the members is that we have heard the last of it for some time."

What will the Premier do? Ask him. No, I don't think he will resign. When a man's views are not entertained by his colleagues he does not throw up the game. He generally submits to the will of the majority, and I imagine that is what Mr. Ross will do, no matter how disappointed he may feel."

FEEL BETTER NOW.

The members express considerable relief since a troublesome matter has been disposed of, so far as the caucus is concerned. But the responsible heads are not likely to rest for a while yet. They are expecting considerable pressure from the prohibition bodies, but will now be able to reply to insistent demands for legislation that the government is not able to carry out the program it had drawn up.

Pocket Book Lost!—Lost to-day, between Austin's Store and the corner of Park and William Sts., a Pearl Grey Wrist-Bag, containing a sum of money. The finder will be rewarded by returning to this office.

CHICAGO MARKETS
Reported by F. B. Proctor, Broker, Northwood Block, Chatham, March 10, 1904.

What—	OPEN.	HIGH.	LOW.	CLOSE.
May (old)....	97	97 1/2	96	96 1/2
July (new)....	92 1/2	93 1/2	90 1/2	90 1/2
Sept. (new 86)	86 1/2	87 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2

Corn—
May..... 54 54 1/2 53 1/2 53 1/2
July..... 51 1/2 52 1/2 50 1/2 50 1/2
Sept..... 51 51 1/2 50 50

Oats—
May..... 40 1/2 41 40 40 1/2
July..... 38 1/2 39 38 1/2 38 1/2
Sept..... 33 1/2 34 33 1/2 33 1/2

Pork—
May..... 1387 1390 1377 1382
July..... 1410 1412 1402 1405
Sept..... 1410 1412 1402 1405

Lard—
May..... 722 722 710 712
July..... 740 740 725 730
Sept..... 727 727 720 722

Ribs—
May..... 717 717 707 710
July..... 727 727 720 722

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HOUSE FOR SALE—On Grant street. For particulars, apply to Thomas Scullard, or at this office.

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NIGHTGOWNS AT 50c, 75c, \$1.00 UP TO \$4.50.

Children's gowns, with yoke tucked in clusters, neck and sleeves finished with small cambric ruffles, sizes for children from 4 to 12 years of age. Prices range from 40c to 50c.

LADIES' GOWNS AT \$1.00.

Six styles, Empire style, V or high neck, trimmed with lace or embroidery, with insertions to match. Some have yokes of fine tuckings, with neck and sleeves finished with ruffles of embroidery.

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Special at \$1.50.—With very deep flounce trimmed with two rows of torchon lace or with deep tucked muslin flounce with ruffle of embroidery.

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SPECIAL SALE OF
Dress Goods

Here's a chance to buy children's dresses at one half regular price.

We have placed on our bargain counter for this week all our short ends of dress goods in lengths from 2 to 5 yards, consisting of serges, cashmere, voils, plain and figured lustrs, Panama Satin Dutchess, black mohair, whip cords, Amazon, broad cloths, Bengeline, Pirie, Cheviot, Crepe de Chine and Poplin. Over 100 pieces to choose from and marked at quick selling prices.

Our 25c Dress Ends at 12 1/2c	
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Our 75c " " 37 1/2c	
Our \$1.00 " " 50c	
Our \$1.25 " " 62 1/2c	
Our \$1.40 " " 70c	
Our \$1.50 " " 75c	

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25c—Good quality shades, 3 cols. at each	25c
35c—Trimmed with lace, 5 cols. at each	35c
45c—Trimmed with chintz insertion, at each	45c
45c—Best Oil Cloth with guaranteed rollers at each	45c
\$1.00—Ivory shade with deep lace madallion at	\$1.00

Also a full stock of laces and insertions for mounting while you wait.

Good Clothing News

For Boys, Little and Big.

The spring showing of clothing for boys was never finer than it is this season. Styles are the most handsome we have ever presented, and the variety is most gratifying. New lines are arriving nearly every day. A short talk on the lines now ready for selling.

NEW NORFOLK SUITS for ages 6 to 16 years, at \$2.75.—In the Norfolk Jacket Suits, neat grey effect pattern tweed, 6 to 12 years, \$2.75 and the large sizes 13 to 16 years, \$3.00.

At \$3.75.—A very handsome range of new pattern tweeds, made with full box pleats and belt to match, either side with close fitting collar or lapel, ages 6 to 12 years \$3.75, large sizes 13 to 16, \$4.

At \$5.00.—The Paris and the Moscow Russian suits, for ages 3 to 8 years, extra quality blue serge, military braid button close to neck, with white linen cotton collar and tie to match suit, bloomer pants, the Paris is of soft cheviot serge, neat self collar, button close to neck with separate white cotton collar and tie to match, bloomer pants, very handsome.

At \$5.00 and \$6.50.—Boys' new 3 pc. knicker suits, ages 9 to 16 years, in the very new pattern tweeds, which are to be so popular latest cut, very dressy effects, suitable for all season sizes 20 to 33, specially nice at \$5.00 and \$6.50.

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