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PROBABILITIES.

Special per G. N. W.

Toronto, Feb. 10.—11 a. m.—Strong
westerly winds, fair and colder. Sun-
day, fine and decidedly colder.

LOCAL BUDGET

H. Pepper, of Buxton, is in Chatham to-day.

Mrs. C. L. Johnson has returned from Dutton.

A. Bounnell has obtained a position in Sulman's store.

F. Hazelgrove, of London, was in Chatham yesterday.

D. Dewar, of Sarnia, is in Chatham to-day on business.

C. F. Kendall, of St. Thomas, was in Chatham yesterday.

M. Dillon and H. Flaverly, of Merlin, are in the city to-day.

S. S. Gilhul, of Buxton, is visiting in the Maple City to-day.

Mrs. Aksel Egelund will sing at the evening service in Christ Church to-morrow.

The Misses Edith and Emma Pegg, of Blenheim, are visiting their Chatham friends.

The many friends of Mrs. Furrill will be glad to learn that she is out of the hospital.

Mr. Ben. Longley, Adelaide street, who has been ill for a short time, is now quite recovered.

Mrs. Nelson, of Chatham, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jos. Shippy, Morpeth, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Atkinson, of Bothwell, were visiting their friends in Chatham yesterday.

The Creamery informed The Planet to-day that they will commence putting up ice on Monday.

Special music has been prepared for to-morrow evening's service in the First Presbyterian church.

Rev. M. F. Freeman, of Thamesville, will preach in Christ Church both morning and evening to-morrow.

Francis Knight, of Wallaceburg, was in Chatham this morning visiting his brother in the General Hospital.

Miss Mulholland, of Sarnia, who has been visiting her friend, Mrs. Grandy, on Head St., returned to her home to-day.

The Messrs. Maria and Elizabeth Geener have sold the east half of lot 63 S. T. R. Orford, to Mr. Thos. Leslie, price \$5,000.

Mr. J. Poole, of Murray street, will take over Hartman's grocery, Prince street, in a few days, having bought the goodwill of the business.

The Maple City Creamery churned 428 pounds of butter yesterday. Mr. Lister says that butter and butter-milk are plentiful considering the time of the year.

The Sergeants' Mess of the 24th Regiment have received an invitation from the Sergeants of the 25th Regiment, St. Thomas, to attend a ball to be given by them on the 26th of this month.

Dr. Henderson, High Chief Ranger, Sarnia, and Geo. W. Wands, Deputy Chief Ranger, of this city, initiated thirty candidates into the mysteries of Forestry in Court Glenagarry, I. O. O. F., Windsor, on Friday evening.

A delegation representing Tilbury North, Tilbury West and other interested townships on Big Creek—upon which Tilbury West still has a deficit of \$1,200—will interview the Ontario Government on the 21st inst. in Toronto, with the view of securing a further grant to that amount.

THE HORSE BREEDERS.

Arena Project Outlined and the Association Elects Officers.

Toronto, Feb. 10.—The fourth annual Canadian Clydesdale and Shire Horse Show was concluded last night with the holding of the annual meeting of the Canadian Horse Breeders' Association. A discussion took place on the question of the erection of an arena to show horses and live stock, and in which to hold other great conventions. An estimate was submitted showing that 10 per cent. earnings on the outlay of from \$200,000 to \$250,000 could be realized. A committee was appointed to look into the matter.

Grants were made to various horse societies, to Toronto Open Air Horse Parade \$200, to Spring Show \$1,750, to Stallion Show \$1,000. The directors were empowered, however, to increase the grants if they deemed necessary.

The following gentlemen representing the societies named form the directors of the association: Hackney Horse Society, Thos. Graham, E. C. H. Tidale; Clydesdale Horse Breeders, Wm. Smith, John Bright; Harness, Hunter and Saddle Horse Society, J. J. Dixon, O. B. Sheppard; Trotting and Pacing Horse Association, S. McBride; Geo. Pepper; Shire Horse, J. M. Gard; Wm. E. Wellings; Canadian Pony Society, W. J. Stark, Dr. O. Orr; Thoroughbred Horse Association, Dr. A. Smith, Wm. Hendrie, Jr.; Open Air Horse Parade Association, Noel Marshall, Jess Applethorpe.

The other officers elected were: Honorary president, Dr. A. Smith; president, Thos. Graham; first vice-president, O. B. Sheppard; second vice-president, Wm. Hendrie, Jr.; auditors, W. J. Stark and Geo. Pepper; secretary-treasurer, H. Wade; delegates to advisory board for heavy horses, John Bright, M. Gardhouse; and light horses, Thos. Graham and Geo. Pepper.

The balance on hand this year was \$5,536.

NATIVE RISING FEARED.

Blacks Wound Police Officers and Six Men Are Missing.

Petermaritzburg, Natal, Feb. 10.—The collection of the poll tax from natives near Richmond has led to trouble which it is feared will spread and possibly develop into an ugly native rising. Armed natives have resisted the collection of taxes, and have wounded with spears several police and a trooper. Fourteen mounted police were proceeding to the scene, have been attacked, and six are missing.

Cavalry and artillery and outlying detachments of police have been called in, and are being concentrated to deal with the recalcitrant natives.

Blacks Demand Equality.

Cape Town, Feb. 10.—The demands of the colored inhabitants of the Transvaal and Orange River colonies for full political rights are becoming more insistent. The African colored political association, representing all South Africa, is preparing a monster petition to King Edward, asking for all the political rights enjoyed by the whites, which will be presented in London by a deputation of colored men from South Africa.

SEEKS CIVIC JOB.

Plumbers' Scribe Would Be Toronto's Commissioner of Industries.

Toronto, Feb. 10.—W. H. Meredith, until recently Secretary of the Master Plumbers' Association, and more recently still the star witness in the combine investigation, is seeking the office of Commissioner of Industries of the city. The position has not yet been created, but there are a number of applicants already. Mr. Meredith, who, both by the story he told and the tale unfolded by his books, threw much light on crooked business methods, bases one of his claims for the position on "my close connection with both the commercial and manufacturing interests of our city." This he believes should well fit him to perform the duties to the "satisfaction of your board and with profit to the city."

view of his reluctance to testify before, it is interesting to note that Mr. Meredith is willing to furnish "such evidence as will convince you gentlemen that you will make no mistake in selecting me for the position."

DEATH OF HENRY TOTTEN.

Former Civil Service Employee Dies After Long Illness.

Toronto, Feb. 10.—Henry Totten, who died yesterday, after a long illness, was until about two and a half years ago chief officer of the Provincial License Department, a position he held for a quarter of a century. Mr. Totten entered the department in 1868, being an appointee of the Sandfield Macdonald Government. His resignation from the service was due to ill-health. A widow survives.

Drowned in a Flume.

Ottawa, Feb. 10.—Michael Pasko, a laborer employed at Booth's pulp mill on the flume, is supposed to have been drowned Thursday about noon. He has not been seen since that time. He leaves a wife and one child, and had only been married fourteen months. He came to Ottawa from Renfrew about the first of January.

Tour of Investigation.

Winnipeg, Feb. 10.—The select telephone committee of the local House left last night for St. Paul, Minneapolis, Chicago and Grand Rapids, where sessions of the committee will be held to inquire into different independent telephone systems. Attorney-General Campbell is chairman of the committee.

McGill's Rhodes Scholar.

Montreal, Feb. 10.—A. R. McLeod, a native of Prince Edward Island, has been awarded this year's McGill's Rhodes scholarship.

Parade to Move Address.

Ottawa, Feb. 10.—F. F. Pardee, member for West Lambton, will move the address in reply to the speech from the throne on March 9.

Falls on Circular Saw.

Whitevale, Feb. 10.—Earl Meek, son of Wm. Meek, fell under a circular saw and his foot was almost severed.

"WAS DRUGGED"

Geo. Minihinnick, Hero of Escape in Detroit Tells a Weird Tale

George Minihinnick, the hero of Thursday's escape in Detroit, arrived back in London last night and related a rather startling tale of how it happened. He produced letters in proof of his statements.

"I was drugged," Minihinnick told the Free Press, "and did not know a single thing of what occurred until I awoke in a room in the Detroit police station, with a doctor working over me. He said it was the worst case he had ever seen."

"Where did I get the drug? I don't know. I remember being in Detroit on Wednesday morning, and going out with a young fellow named Worthington. I had three glasses of beer, but I have no idea where I got the drug."

"My grip was robbed. Look here." (And Minihinnick produced his grip, which contained a miscellaneous assortment of women's wearing apparel, and gent's furnishings. These latter Minihinnick declared were not his. Besides, he had been relieved of all his money (some \$25).

Mr. Minihinnick says he is the representative of B. Hole & Company, London, and was working on a petition in Chatham. In this connection he went to Windsor to see some parties.

TWO DIE IN FLAMES.

Woman Hurls Babe From Window, But Loses Own Life.

Glenboro, Man., Feb. 10.—Mr. and Mrs. Scherffeger, living about ten miles north of Glenboro, were burnt to death Thursday night, and a young Englishman, about 18 years of age, managed to get out with only his shirt on.

Mrs. Scherffeger, threw her only child, about two years of age, out of the window and was in the act of getting out herself when the floor gave way and she and her husband went down to their awful death.

Sending the nothing could be done, the young Englishman took the baby and wrapped it in a horse blanket and placed it in the manger, while he rode nearly a mile without any clothing, to the nearest neighbor.

WANT MARTIN TO RUN.

Mr. Templeman Will Very Likely Go In by Acclamation.

Victoria, B. C., Feb. 10.—A discontented section of the local Liberal party is seeking to induce Joseph Martin to oppose Senator Templeman in the bye-election necessitated by his appointment as Minister of Inland Revenue and appeal to Victoria as a Commons' candidate.

Martin will not consider the proposition.

Writ For Victoria.

Ottawa, Feb. 10.—The writ issued yesterday for the Parliamentary bye-election in Victoria, B. C., which has been brought about by the retirement of George R. Miller, the sitting member.

Nominations will be held on the 27th inst., and polling one week later.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED—To buy small cottage in suburbs of Chatham, good sized lot preferred; must be cheap. Address Box 10, Planet.

FOR SALE—A new McCormick Binder, has been used only two years. Apply to Joseph Jackson, Dover Centre.

TEACHER WANTED—For S. S. No. 5, Tp. of Chatham; duties to commence after Easter. Applications should be addressed to Geo. Barr, Sec'y, Chatham.

TENDERS

Will be received by the undersigned up to the hour of 4 o'clock p. m. on Monday, the 19th day of February, 1906, for the following repairs to the City Fire Hall, viz.:

New roof, new floor in sleeping room, new hanging, painting and some plastering, as per specifications to be seen at the City Engineer's Office.

Feb. 7th, 1906. W. G. MERRITT, City Clerk

Farm for Sale

For sale by executors of the estate of Henry B. Hall in the Township of Howard, Kent Co., Ontario, 400 acres, the finest stock and grain farm in Western Ontario. Brick house with furnace and water piped in house. Stone stable under feed barn for 40 head cattle, alone horse stable for 10 or 12 horses, patent roller brick walk pig pens for 60 or 80 pigs. Grain barn, sheds and other buildings necessary for stock raising on a large scale; wind-mill with water piped to cattle and horse stables and pig pens. Good land in good condition, old homestead, church and school on lots. Will divide to suit purchasers. For particulars apply to Ward Stanworth, Barrister & Co., Chatham, Ont.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Huron & Ontario Railway Company to the Parliament of Canada at the next session thereof for an Act to amend the Company's Act of incorporation by giving further and additional power to issue bonds and to extend branches of said Railway in the County of Ontario from Port Perry to a point on Lake Ontario at or near Whiffy or Oshtemo, and from Goderich Town south through the Counties of Huron, Middlesex, Lambton, Kent and Essex to the city of Windsor and town of Sarnia touching at Parkhill and Stushbury, and for other purposes.

Dated at Toronto this 9th day of February, A. D. 1906.

PROUDFOOT, DUNCAN, GRANT & KEANS, Solicitors for Applicant.

Minard's Liniment for Sale Everywhere.

Hockey Match!

TO-NIGHT at 8:15

AMHERSTBURG vs. CHATHAM

Skating after Game. Rink tickets honored.



NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned, marked on the envelope "Tenders for Construction," will be received at the office of the Commissioners of the Transcontinental Railway at Ottawa, until twelve o'clock noon on Monday the 12th day of March, 1906, for the work required for the construction, in accordance with the plans, profiles and specifications of said Commissioners, for the following sections of the Transcontinental Railway, the said work to be completed on or before the first day of September, 1907, viz.:

(1) District "E." From a point designated on the plans of the said Commissioners at or near the City of Winnipeg, to a point known as Peninsula Crossing, near the junction point of the Port William branch of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway a distance of about 245 miles.

(2) District "B." From a point designated on the plans of the said Commissioners, at the north end of the Quebec Bridge and Railway Company's bridge in the vicinity of the City of Quebec, to a point near La Tuque, a distance of about 150 miles.

(3) A steel viaduct about 3,000 feet long across the Cap Rouge Valley, in said District "B," in the vicinity of the City of Quebec, the work to be performed in accordance with the General Specifications of the Commissioners of the Transcontinental Railway, and the General Specifications for steel bridges and viaducts of the Department of Railways and Canals of Canada, 1905.

Plans, profiles and specifications may be seen in the office of the Chief Engineer of the Commissioners at Ottawa, also in the office of the District Engineer at Kenora, Ontario, for the section of District "F," and for the section of District "B" in the office of the District Engineer at Quebec.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made in duplicate, and on the printed forms supplied by the Commissioners.

Separate tenders must be submitted for the work in each District.

Tenders shall not be in any way entitled to rely upon the classification or any other information given by any person on behalf of the Commissioners, and before submitting any tender, bidders should make a careful examination of the plans, profiles, drawings and specifications, and read the forms to be executed, and fully inform themselves as to the quantity, quality of materials and character of workmanship required; and are understood to accept and agree to be bound by the terms and conditions contained in the form of contract, specifications, &c., annexed to the form of tender.

Each tender must be signed and sealed by all the parties to the tender and witnessed, and be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered bank of the Dominion of Canada, payable to the Commissioners of the Transcontinental Railway for the sum of four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000), for District "F," and two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$225,000), for District "B," and thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) for steel viaduct in said District "B." Any person whose tender is accepted shall within ten days after the acceptance thereof furnish the security required by the Commissioners of the contract according to its terms, sign the contract, specifications and other documents required to be signed by said Commissioners; and in any case of refusal or failure on the part of the party whose tender is accepted to complete and execute a contract with the said Commissioners and to furnish the approved security within ten days after the acceptance of the tender, the said cheque shall be forfeited to the Commissioners as liquidated damages for such refusal or failure, and all contract rights acquired by the acceptance of the tender shall be forfeited. Cheques deposited by parties whose tenders are rejected will be returned within ten days after the signing of the contract.

Attention is called to the following clauses in the form of contract.

"All mechanics, labourers or other persons who perform labour for the purpose of the construction of the works hereby contracted for shall be paid such wages as are generally accepted as current for competent workmen in the District in which the work is being performed, and there is no current rate in such District, then a fair and reasonable rate; and, in the event of a dispute arising as to what is the current or a fair and reasonable rate, it shall be determined by the commissioners, whose decision shall be final."

"This agreement is subject to the regulations now in force, or which may at any time hereafter be in force during the construction of the works hereby contracted for, made under the authority of the Department of Labour, and which are or shall be applicable to such works."

"The contractor shall in connection with the whole of the said work, as far as practicable, use only material, machinery, plant, supplies and rolling stock manufactured or produced in Canada, provided the same can be obtained as cheaply and upon as good terms in Canada as elsewhere, having regard to quality and price."

"The contractor shall conform to the Fire Regulations adopted by the Commissioners, and also to the Laws and Regulations respecting fire in the different Provinces wherein the work is being performed."

"The right is reserved to reject any or all tenders."

By order
P. E. RYAN, Secretary.

The Commissioners of the Transcontinental Railway, Ottawa, 8th February, 1906.

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C. AUSTIN & CO. NEW IDEA PATTERNS

February Fashion Sheets Free

NEW SPRING

Wash Cottons!

Thousands of yards of bright new Spring Wash Cottons now in stock, including Prints, Cotton Delaines, Voiles, Fancy White Muslins, Cheek Gingham, Fancy Dress Zephyrs, Costume Ducks, Galateas, Figured Sateens, Swiss Muslins, Mercerized Mulls, Dimities, Embroidered Pique, Cold Bedford Corals, Mersilda Lawns, Plain White Organdies and Swisses, White P.K's, India Lawns, Victoria Lawns, Nainsook Lawns, Persian Lawn, Stripes, Fancy Checks and Embroidered Swisses, White Shirtwaist Linens in different weights. Popular Prices.

NEW

Staple Dry Goods

New Sheetings, New Pillow Cottons, New White Cottons, New Cambrics, New Shirtings, Galateas, Apron Ducks, Bordered Apron Gingham, Oxford Shirtings, New Bedspreads—honeycomb or Marcellines, New Cream Opera Flannels, Costume Ducks, American Twill Sheetings, Durban Drills. Our Motto—No Trouble to Show Goods.

NEW

Drapery Dept. Items

Cushion Girdles

100 Cushion Girdles in a wide assortment of colors, 3 yards long, mercerised finish, excellent values at 19c and 25c each.

Art Silkolines

Suitable for draperies, in floral and oriental designs, finished plain or in crepe effect, 36 in. wide and reversible. Good values at 14c, 20c and 25c yard.

Cretonnes and Art Denims

Hundreds of yards of the very best values procurable, every color and weight desired, at 10c, 12½c, 14c, 18c, 20c and 25c per yard.

Drapery Scrims and Muslins

Just opened—a complete range of white scrims and muslins at 10c, 12½c, 15c, 20c and 25c per yard.

It pays to buy Carpets at Austin's. A very extensive showing of Rugs to show you this month

A Flyer for Men

at Austin's Saturday

Exceptional clothing values, conscientious consideration to detail precludes negligence. Negligence levies the greatest impost on business. The clock-like system of Austin & Co. eliminates false estimates, insuring the greatest value at the lowest price.

See King Street Window

Men's Sack Suits, regular \$12.50 to \$15.00, in either single or double breasted styles, neat mixtures, checks and overblends and plain blue and blacks. Sizes 34 to 46, \$9.99 instead of up to \$15.00.

Saturday \$9.99 Your Choice

MEN'S OVERCOATS—Values up to \$14.00

Chesterfield and Tourist Overcoats, choice \$9.90

There is no other style of garment more becoming to tall chaps than the long smart "Tourist". February and March are the real winter months in Canada, and the coats offered today will be quite as satisfactory for next season as they are now.

Special Sale of High Class Imported Wool Underwear Saturday...

Manufacturer's samples of all High-Class Wool and Silk Mixture Underwear, mostly drawers, 25 to 33½ off the reg. prices. If you need an odd garment to finish the season. Come and see these.

C. AUSTIN & CO.

Ottawa, 8th February, 1906.

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