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PROBABILITIES

Special to The Planet.

Toronto, Nov. 14.—10 a. m.—Strong winds and gales, east, shifting to south and southwest; rain, turning gradually colder, more particularly on Saturday.

The following figures were registered to-day at seven a. m. at Turner's weather bureau:
Thermometer 56.
Highest yesterday 68.
Lowest yesterday 54.
Direction of wind, south.

THE LOCAL BUDGET

Ernest Bradshaw has returned to work after his recent accident.

Arthur Andrews, who had his hand badly clawed by a chicken, is doing nicely.

Found! An Overcoat. Owner can have same by calling at this office and paying expenses.

To-morrow 50 odd sizes in \$12.50 New Method Suits for \$10.00 each at The 2 Ts.

Frank Humphrey, the enterprising Wellington street resident, is making improvements to his lot.

"The Span of Life" troupe went to London this morning, where they perform in the new grand to-night.

Sam Male, representing the J. A. Taylor Crockery Company of Hamilton, is in the city to-day on business.

Mrs. D. A. Hutchinson, William St., is quite ill with typhoid fever. She was removed to St. Joseph's Hospital this afternoon.

The Young People's Literary Society of the First Presbyterian church will hold their regular meeting to-night, when an address will be given by Roy Brock.

The Board of Works have still neglected to repair the Centre-street granite sidewalk, said a citizen this morning. "This matter should be attended to at once, as its present condition is a disgrace to the street."

There will be a roving gospel temperance meeting Sunday afternoon in the Grand Opera House. A very interesting program is being arranged. Miss Ethel Webster, of the Park street Methodist church, will sing.

A citizen says that the reason so many people were footed on the rail wood sold by the city wood yard was because it is difficult to tell the difference between old oak rails and old chestnut ones. Both look alike and it is almost impossible for an expert to tell the difference without testing the weight.

A very successful dance was given in the I. O. O. F. Auditorium last evening under the auspices of the young ladies' club of the city. There were about 150 couple present and a most enjoyable time was spent by everyone. Orr's orchestra furnished the music and J. Thompson, caterer, furnished the refreshments.

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There were six surgical operations at the Public General this forenoon. The new infantry instruction books for the officers of the 24th Kent Regiment, have arrived.

Mechanical Superintendent S. Austin, of the Lake Erie Walkerville, was in the city yesterday on business. Thomas Rankin, of Dover, who has been ill for some time, left to-day for Woodstock, where he will undergo special medical treatment. He was accompanied by Miss Ellen Angus.

The Girls' Mission Band of the Park St. Methodist Church will hold a special meeting at 3.30 to-morrow afternoon and a full attendance is requested.

The Independent Order of Foresters held a large and interesting meeting in their lodge rooms last evening. Five candidates were initiated into the order. This lodge is growing rapidly in Chatham.

This morning before the Clerk of the County Court both the plaintiff and defendant were examined for discovery in Bennett vs. Witherford. R. L. Gosnell for plaintiff, O. L. Lewis contra.

Ex-Mayor T. A. Smith, Dr. W. R. Hall, Wm. Hall and J. M. Pike will attend the banquet given in London to-night to the Hon. Mr. Whitney, leader of the Conservative party in Ontario.

A motion was made to-day before His Honor Judge Bell in Chambers, asking for speedy judgment in Andrew Thomson vs. Dudley Bros., an action over a note. Unless the amount in dispute is paid into court within four days, the order for speedy judgment will be made.

The Literary Society of the C. C. I. is meeting this afternoon in the assembly hall of the school. The debate is, "Resolved that the eighteenth century witnessed more progress than the nineteenth, with Messrs. Forbes and Ferguson supporting the affirmative and Messrs. Warnick and Oldershaw the negative.

Fred Fitzsimmons, an old Chatham boy, now of Sandwich, is spending a few days at his home here. Mr. Fitzsimmons is now motorman on the electric car line running between Sandwich and Walkerville. He is at present laid up with a poisoned hand.

William Campbell was committed this morning in the County Court before Judge Houston on a charge of assault preferred by Wm. Brown. Both parties live in Raleigh Township and Campbell is a tenant of Brown. Campbell was fined a dollar and costs, \$5.39 in all. O. L. Lewis appeared for the plaintiff.

The audit of the county treasurer's books still continues. Auditor Laing, of Toronto, can give no information as to how much longer it will take.

The treasurers from the various municipalities of the county have nearly all been in James Rutherford's lecture at St. Joseph's Hall, of Thorncliffe, and D. Smith, of Tilbury village, were in to-day.

Dr. A. W. Thornton, one of the most enthusiastic Irishmen in the city, will deliver a lecture at St. Joseph's Hall to-night on "Ireland and the Irish."

It will be given under the auspices of the Altar Society of the church. The doctor has become famous through this lecture, and those who have heard him deliver it will no doubt be present at the hall to-night if it is at all possible.

BASEBALL

"Jimmie" Connelton, the Guelph outfielder, who has been with Colorado Springs, in the Western League, during the past season, has received a flattering offer to play right field for Cincinnati next year. He is anxious to break into National League company again, and will join the "Reds" if he can secure his release from the Springs.

BOWLING

In the semi-finals of the singles Edwin Bell defeated T. K. McKeand. Also in the semi-finals D. A. Hutchinson was defeated by A. E. Jewett.

Mr. Hutchinson thought he was the better man, and a certain M. P. P. of lean crop fame, offered to bet him a dollar he wasn't. It was decided to play with the understanding that the first who reached ten points won one. Mr. Hutchinson got the required number first.

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Mr. T. H. Estabrooks secured an excellent advertisement for Red Rose Tea when it was selected for the use of T. R. H., the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York during their recent visit. Its selection is a guarantee of its very superior quality. Red Rose Tea is sold by a number of our

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AUCTIONEERS' YAPNS.

Customs of the Trade and Querer Expert. ences Told—How the Irish Taught English and Scotch.

English and Scotch members of the Auctioneers' institute who are attending the autumn meetings of the organization in Belfast reached the Ulster capital in considerable numbers on Sept. 4th. Doubtless most of the visitors from Great Britain arrived here under the impression that their Irish brethren could teach them very little. It turned out, however, that the boot is on the other leg, and that in some respects the Irish auctioneers are more clever. In their professional business they have a pleasant habit of exacting a commission both from vendor and purchaser. This is a sale of chattels is taking place, the individual who conducts it gets 5 per cent. from the seller and 5 per cent. from the buyer.

This system is defended on the ground that the buyer knows that he has to pay this 5 per cent. and frames his bids accordingly. In England the attempt is occasionally made to saddle the purchaser in certain cases with 3 per cent. toward the auctioneer's costs, and another 2 per cent. toward the solicitor's costs, but this is unusual. It remains to be seen whether the English auctioneers will think it worth while to follow the lead of their Irish confreres in respect to a double commission, but the chances are that they are not likely to attempt it. It is custom which rules, and customs are difficult to transplant.

The occasion, of course, served for an exchange of professional experiences, and some of these, as told in conversation across the table, certainly discount the impression that an auctioneer's business is prosaic and uninteresting. For instance, a story was passed on about a "rummage" sale in London, at which one of the lots put down by the auctioneer's clerk consisted of three silver cups which had been found in a cupboard. Nobody attached any importance to these utensils, especially as a well-known firm which is noted for collecting the cream in this class of articles had overlooked them. However, somebody hurriedly ran up in a hansom to the auctioneer's office, and said he should like to buy these particular cups. The auctioneer asked how much he would give for them, and the reply was £200. The auctioneer was staggered, but managed, nevertheless, to preserve his equilibrium, and remarked:—"I do not think my client will take that."

Shortly afterward he sent around for an expert, who pronounced the cups to be silver chalices of sixteenth century work, and said he himself was prepared to give £700 for them. This last-mentioned price was not accepted, however. The cups were put up for sale and they realized £1,135. They had originally come out of a monastery in Spain, and their possession was vigorously competed for by two Roman Catholic noblemen. Of course, if the individual who first discovered the value of the chalices had kept his own counsel, he probably would have secured them at the sale for £50, but then the story would have been spoiled.

Another rather unusual experience in the auctioneering world was related before the toast list was reached. A London auctioneer was asked to conduct a pro-estate valuation at Wimbledon, which it was expected would reach something like £1,500. The estate was that of a lady of somewhat miserly habits, and accordingly, a careful search was made for any little parcels of jewelry which might have been stowed away. As it turned out, jewels were found to the value of between £15,000 and £16,000. They included a string of pearls which had never been worn which fetched £4,700, and another string of pearls, which sold for £3,000. Jewels had been hidden away in toilet and other substances which seemed likely to ward off the inquisitive. meantime the old lady had contented herself with wearing Scotch ribbles. She had a couple of rooms to which no one but herself had access for twenty years, and there some magnificent old silver was found. Not a little of the property, which sold altogether for £24,000, was discovered in a loft over a stable—London Times.

A New Sport for Women.

"Hammering" is an unpleasant process in the Stock exchange, but in Australia the word has recently acquired a new and more agreeable significance. At antipodean bazaars "hammering" is now an established institution. Ladies who enter for the competition go on the platform with hammers in their hands. Each is supplied with a piece of hard Australian timber largely used for the paving of London streets. Each lady is also presented with three nails, and at a given signal they start to work. The lady who is the first to drive three nails home at the head wins the prize. Says one descriptive reporter: "Steel sparks and splinters flew around. The nails would go anywhere but through the wood. The hammers would go anywhere but on the nail heads."—London Chronicle.

A Dickens Fellowship.

There is a Dickens Fellowship in London, and Mr. Percy Fitzpatrick, who knew Dickens well, and has written so much about him and his works, is to be the first president. It will seek to extend the power and influence of his writings in the English-speaking world. To that end it will meet once a month, from October to April, for the reading and discussion of papers on subjects relating to Dickens, his teachings, and writings.

Dean Gregory.

Dean Gregory, of St. Paul's, London, is said to be the only surviving schoolfellow of the late Thomas James Bailey, the author of "Fetters." The two studied together at the private school of the late Rev. Benjamin Carpenter, minister of the High Pavement Unitarian Chapel. Dean Gregory has recently denounced Board schools as the nurseries of vice and crime.

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But Not With the Line.
He had fished up the stream and down the stream and used flies, paste, worms and every other form of bait, but the ingenuity of man could devise, but without result, and as he wended his way homeward at the close of the day his temper was high and his fish basket empty. Still, there was no occasion to publish the latter fact to the whole world, so when he met a friend by the way the following dialogue ensued:

"Been fishing?"
"Yes."
"Had a good day's sport?"
"Yes."
"What did you catch?"
"The 6.30."

Peach Stones.
Peach stones will make a quick, hot fire and one that will last. One and a half or two buckets of peach stones will last as long as a bucket of coal. One has to be careful not to fill the stove too full or there will likely be an explosion similar to a gasoline explosion. The proper way to keep the fire going is to put in a shovelful at a time. "Peach stones thrown into a damp cellar," said one who has used them, "are said to have a peculiar effect on a person. After the stones are in a cellar for a time gases arise, and the fumes will go to one's head and give the same effect as if the distilled product of the peach had been inhaled."

Recently Acquired.
Tom—By George, old man, that's a stunning girl who just bowed to you. Who is she?
Jack—My sister.
Tom—Your sister! Since when?
Jack—Since last night.

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