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THE PROBABILITIES.
Toronto, April 30.—10 a. m.—Strong west to northwest winds, cooler, becoming fine towards evening. Tuesday, fine and comparatively cool.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Miss Rose Weldon, of Detroit, is spending a few days with her mother, Murray St.

A large number were down at Mitchell's Bay yesterday. The fishing was reported good.

Owing to ill health Miss Mate Mount has been compelled to come home from St. Vincent's, a training school for nurses in Toledo.

Lytle Joseph, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Day, Harvey street, passed away at an early hour Sunday morning. The funeral took place this morning to St. Joseph's Church, thence to St. Anthony's Cemetery, where the remains of the little one were reverently laid away.

COMMITTED FOR PERJURY.
Mary and Addie Johnson were committed for trial at this morning's police court session on crown charges of perjury, in connection with the recent case against the former for using insulting language to Mrs. Valade. They secured bail in \$500 each. Senex Bannister was remanded for a week on a charge of violating the city ordinance respecting the removal of night soil without a license.

DROWNED IN A PAIL OF MILK.
A most distressing accident occurred at the home of Daniel McDonald, who resides between the fourth and fifth concessions, Dover. His little son, only a year and a half old was playing around the door near which a pail was standing full of sour milk. The child was only missed a few minutes when it was found by the horrified parents lying head down in the pail life being extinct. The family of Mr. McDonald have been peculiarly unfortunate. Some two years ago, their little boy was playing near where a scrapper was standing against the fence. The heavy implement fell on the child and killed it instantly. The family have the sympathy of the community in this second sad death.

PRACTICE COMMENCES.
Baseball is again a reality in the Maple City. Work has been commenced on the grounds and the contract let for leveling and grading the same. Chas. Bowers has been appointed caretaker and assumed his duties this morning.

Manager Black is also at work with his players. "Shorty" Saunders, the popular little backstop of last year, dropped into town on Saturday evening and was given a hearty welcome. This morning Shorty's merry laugh and amusing chatter were again heard on the grounds at practice. Wilson, a promising young pitcher, took a steady work-out with him. Other players who were practicing this morning were Boyd, catcher and utility man. Fuller second, Handicoff third, and Conklin, Neil and Black outfielders.

To-day these players will be augmented by the appearance of Hale, Donnell, Habel and Donegan, pitchers; Moore and Sechrist, out-fielders, and Grimeshaw, first base. O'Connell, the short stop will be here tomorrow, while LaFleur and Damoth have promised to blow in about June 1st.

The men are rapidly rounding into shape and Thursday's game with the D. A. C. should give patrons a good line on their abilities.

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FENIANS COMING.

Seven Battalions of Infantry Called Out

To Defend the Canadian Frontier in This District—Toronto 1 called.

G. N. W. Special.
Toronto, April 30.—It was stated around the parliament building this morning that orders had been issued to seven battalions in Western Ontario to hold themselves in readiness to proceed to the St. Clair River for frontier duty. Col. Matrie, of the 20th Wellington battalion, is said to have been one of the commanding officers warned but he cannot be found at present to confirm or deny the statement.
Military men in the buildings say the move is much more likely to be the result of Fenian activity than the carrying out of the suggested military spring manoeuvres.

IRISH JACK WINS.

His Nominee, James Holmes, gets the Court Vacancy.

The Appointment to be Gazetted next Saturday—A surprise for the Law Society.

Score a knockout for Irish Jack. With almost the entire Reform party in this riding arrayed against him in the interests of other candidates, Mr. Pleasance, proprietor of the Grand Central hotel, is said to have carried the day and placed James Holmes in the position of county clerk. Word comes from Toronto that Mr. Holmes' appointment will be gazetted next Saturday.

This is indeed a victory. The Law Association declared for nobody but a lawyer. Hon. Mr. Gibson said that nobody but a lawyer would get the office. Premier Ross declared that nobody but a lawyer would be appointed and nominated Barrister Walter Mills, of Ridgeway. Robert Ferguson, M. P. E., announced that nobody but a lawyer would win the office, and added that it would be an East Kent lawyer at that. The Tories backed D. R. Farquharson against the field. Mr. Farquharson is a lawyer and a member of capable and deserving Reform workers, who it was hard to ignore. Then Irish Jack came in against the field, backed Mr. Holmes, and won out with a weak and, as the law association declared, by inference, because he was a layman, incapable candidate. He had the government members opposed to him, nearly all the local Reformers using their influence for others, and finally the opposition of all the lawyers irrespective of party, to contend with. And yet he won. Verily, great is his "pull."

This appointment has been hanging fire for a long time, long enough to make it doubtful if a few days ago Mr. Pleasance took a trip to Toronto and Ottawa. The trip was a pleasure one, Mr. Pleasance accompanying him. Whether he stressed his position of all the lawyers irrespective of party, to contend with. And yet he won. Verily, great is his "pull."

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.
At Glencoe on Saturday the preliminary trial of five young men, charged with the brutal assault upon the colored woman Dorsey, was concluded, and all the prisoners committed for trial and lodged in the county jail at London. The trial lasted three days. The prisoners committed are Montgomery Golding, Nathan Fillmore, William Orr, Arthur Monk (of Chatham), and Archie McCallum. The chief witness was Nathan Fillmore, one of the accused, who turned Queen's evidence. Fillmore is only 16 years of age. Sarah Dorsey, the victim, was one of the witnesses, but her evidence was practically of no consequence. She remembered nothing whatever of the occurrences of the night of the crime. A strong case has been made out for the prisoners to meet. They have been identified in many places by other witnesses, whose stories fit in with that of Fillmore.

WHAT THEY SAY.
Mr. Pleasance was seen by The Planet this morning and said that Mrs. Pleasance and himself had been to Ottawa and Toronto, but it was on personal business and not as had been rumored, to interview the government on the matter of appointments.

"Has Mr. Holmes received the appointment?" Mr. Pleasance was asked.
"I'm sure I can't tell you for I haven't heard," was the reply. "But you'll remember at the start I told you that Mr. Holmes had as good a chance as anyone and I think so now, only more so. When I tell you a thing you will usually find I tell you what is right."

When seen by The Planet Mr. Holmes could give this journal no facts upon the matter.
"I know officially nothing at all about the appointment," said Mr. Holmes. "I have been dropping in congratulating me upon the appointment, but I have heard nothing at all about it, myself."

Warden Davidson thinks a good deal of the fuss made about the court house is caused by an official desire to get into Harrison Hall. "But," said the Warden, emphatically, "they will never get Harrison Hall for court purposes during the life of the present council anyway. That I can say. So they may as well make the best of it."

GETS TEN YEARS.
New York, April 30.—Special to The Planet.—W. F. Miller, who promoted the Franklin Syndicate, was today sentenced to ten years in Sing Sing prison. Readers of The Planet will remember that Miller was the promoter of the syndicate which asked the people to advance money. They promised to give in return interest on the money at the rate of 50 per cent per annum. The workers of this wild cat scheme were raking in the shining shooks in great style when the police stepped in. Miller skipped out, but was caught in Montreal.

HESSIAN FLY IS BAD.
Chicago, April 30.—President Davis, of the Winter Wheat Millers' League, was on the floor of the Board of Trade from Shelby, Ohio, Saturday. He says there is not enough soft winter wheat in Ohio, Mich., and Indiana to keep the mills going, and that the Hessian fly is so bad in great sections of these states that the farmers, discouraged by two bad crops in succession, will plow up a great deal of wheat land and sow other crops as the only means of getting rid of the fly.

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Gen. Dewet Tried to Turn the British Flank but Failed.

The Enemy Have Taken up a very Strong Position Near Thabanchu.

London, April 30.—The latest news from the Orange Free State indicates that though the Boers have evacuated Thabanchu, they have only done so to occupy stronger positions.

On Sunday, April 29, Gen. Dewet made an effort to turn French's eastern flank, which was only foiled by the cavalry after vigorous manoeuvring.

The Boers hold the ridges to the eastward, whence they will probably fall back when the pressure of superior numbers increases.

The British casualties sustained during the Thabanchu fighting were slight. Gen. French's object, now that all chance of catching the main bodies of the burghers has disappeared, is to harass the Boers and prevent any well-organized retreat.

From Peora, Portuguese East Africa, under date of Monday, April 23, comes the news of the arrival there of a Canadian 12-pounder battery. It is added that Gen. Carrington, who is to command the British troops going to Rhodesia, has been cordially welcomed by the Portuguese officials and that he has received the Portuguese troops and a convention of the continuous ravages of the war can be gathered from a Cape Town despatch, dated to-day, briefly announcing the arrival from Natal of 25 officers and 252 men invalided home and the sailing of the Aurania for England with 400 sick and wounded soldiers.

Endeavors are being made to remedy the recurrent question of a S.M.A. despatch announcing that 500 experienced native horse keepers, 150 shoemakers and 50 veterinary officers have been drawn from India for service in South Africa.

THE I. O. O. F. AT CHURCH.

The Oddfellows of the city held their annual church parade last evening to Holy Trinity Church, headed by the City Band. The brethren turned out about 200 strong, all wearing badges and white gloves. They presented a fine appearance. The brethren of the united lodges, Chatham and Western City No. 93, were marshalled by Bros. Wm. P. J. Secord and Wm. Terry. Holy Trinity Church was handsomely decorated and in addition congregations were present in addition to the Oddfellows. The sermon was preached in the absence of the rector, by the Rev. Mr. Wright, of Brantford. It was a very fine discourse. Mr. Wright told how Jesus Christ himself first taught the brotherhood of man and the principles he had laid down were those practiced by the I. O. O. F. to-day. The good the order did, the reverend speaker said, could hardly be estimated. On the return of the lodges to their temple hearty votes of thanks were passed to Mr. Wright for his excellent sermon, to the rector of Holy Trinity and to the choir.

VERY THOUGHTFUL.
At both services yesterday in the William Street Baptist Church the Rev. J. J. Ross made appeals in behalf of the fire sufferers of Hull and Ottawa. He asked principally for wearing apparel and bed clothes and, as a result of his request, a number were waiting this morning at the church door with clothes, etc., when Mr. Ross got up.

The pastor was quite agreeably surprised to find his request so quickly acted on. A box will be sent away tonight and, from the appearance of things, two boxes may be sent.

A FINE HORSE.
Topelo, the magnificent thoroughbred blood stallion which captured first money at the Peninsular Spring Fair, is owned by Carl Eberle, of this city, and is stabled at Lorne Arnold's establishment on the market square. Topelo is one of the finest and largest of this class of thoroughbreds and is an exceedingly handsome animal. His four ancestors were the best in the country and he had no difficulty in taking first place in the field.

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Real Oxford shirts, checks and stripes, a big range of patterns, extra fine quality, since the advance on cottons this cloth is worth 15c a yard, but we still sell at the old price 12c per yd.
Standard shirts are now worth 12c a yd. at the wholesale houses, we were fortunate enough to secure a big lot at the old price, and as long as they last you can have them at the old price which is 12c per yd.
English tudden shirts, in check and dark stripes, a very fine cloth, good colors and will wear well, 12c per yd.
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We are showing the swellest line and by far the largest assortment of young men's suits shown in the city; in all the new effects and designs for spring 1900, nobby overalls, neat checks and hair stripes, handsomely made and best trimmings, perfection in fit, sizes range 31 to 35, prices run \$3.50, \$4, \$5, \$6, \$6.50, \$7.50, \$8.50 to \$10.

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Made from honest cloths, in tweeds, serges and worsteds, nobby styles, nicely pleated, a special line of double breasted 2 pc. suits. See us about the boys' outfit and save money, sizes 22 to 30, prices run \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$1.98, \$2, \$2.25. A special line of boys' double breasted suits for extra tall lads, made from honest wearing worsted Halifax tweeds, sizes 20 to 32, very special \$3.50.

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