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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

THE GUIDE-ADVOCATE welcomes all items of interest for this column. Call Phone 1, send by mail or drop item in GUIDE-ADVOCATE Letter Box.

CHRISTMAS next Tuesday.
FUR SETS for Xmas.—SWIFT'S
HAVE you tried oleomargarine yet? If you have anything to sell try the "Want Column."
THE GUIDE-ADVOCATE wishes all its readers a joyous Christmas.
CHRISTMAS candies, nuts, oranges and eating apples at LOVELL'S.
ROGERS & JACKLIN wish all A Merry Christmas.
Now that the elections are over let us have a little more good will to man.
SEND in the names of your Christmas visitors, and any other items of interest you know.
STORE open Thursday, Friday and Monday evenings.—A. BROWN & Co.
ORANGES, nuts, candied peel, currants, raisins and all choice Christmas groceries at P. DODDS & SON'S.
THE schools close Friday for the Christmas vacation and reopen Thursday, Jan. 3rd.
MISS WILLIAMS big clearing sale is still on. Bargains in everything. Only a few hats left. Your choice at 75c.
SHOP in the morning if possible at SWIFT'S Xmas store.
EVERYTHING comes to him who waits. But the fellow who gets out and hustles is apt to get what he wants a little sooner.
Two firms in Canada have received licenses to manufacture oleomargarine, and three hundred licenses have been granted to import it.
WE intend having a select brand of oysters for the Christmas holidays.—LOVELL'S.
PHONE 89.—Our stock is complete, candy, nuts, oranges, grapes, table raisins, figs, Valencia raisins in bulk, oleomargarine.—ROGERS & JACKLIN.
ANONYMOUS items will not be published, so it is only wasting time and paper writing them. You can't get a dig at someone that way.
"GERMANY'S stomach empty."
Says a heading from Oskosh.
Well, her stomach may be empty, but her hands are full, by gosh!
LADIES' and Gents' Initial Handkerchiefs, sheer Irish linen, narrow hemstitched, 25c and 35c each, two or three in a box.—SWIFT'S.
THE pastor of the Methodist church will preach Christmas sermons next Sunday and the choir render special music. You are invited to worship there.
P. J. DODDS wishes all his friends and customers a joyous Christmas and a Prosperous and Happy New Year.
Two ministers in St. Marys addressed their congregations endorsing Union government, and the ministers of the town talked to the electors in the town hall.
"WHERE was your old man wounded?"
"In the abdomen."
"Where's that?"
"Don't know—somewhere in France, I suppose."
RAYO hanging lamps \$7.50, table lamps \$3.00, electric irons \$5.00, toasters \$4.50, carpet sweepers \$3.00 to \$7.50, carving sets \$1.00 to \$5.00.—See us for Christmas goods.—N. B. HOWDEN EST.
HEY, listen, Ma—"Me an' Teso has split the kindlin', brought in the coal, swept the porch, fed the cat, washed and wiped the dishes—Is there anything else we can do, Ma?"
STORE open Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Monday nights.—SWIFT'S
This editorial, "Christmas Day," on page four will bear a careful perusal. It is from the pen of Rev. S. P. Irwin, rector of Watford, and was kindly written by request of the editor.
HAVE you a son or daughter away from home? If so, why not send them their old home town paper, the Guide-Advocate, for a year. It will be like a message from home every week of the year.
FOWNES guaranteed kid gloves, all shades and all sizes for men or women.—A. BROWN & Co.
NEILSON'S CHOCOLATES—a box for a Christmas gift. Can you beat it?—F. LOVELL.
THERE will be two celebrations of Holy Communion at Trinity Church on Christmas Day. At 8 o'clock and 10 o'clock in the morning. The choir will be present at the 2nd service and the Christmas music will be rendered.
HERE is a gift that literally hits the spot—a smoking or house coat, \$5.00 to \$7.50.—SWIFT'S.
FOOD CONTROLLER HANNA must issue a dispensation allowing everyone to eat turkey, goose, roast beef or any other kind of meat on the last Tuesday in 1917 and the first Tuesday in 1918. Christmas days and New Year's Day fall on meatless interference with their Christmas dinner, war or no war.
JOIN the Christmas list for SWIFT'S store now.

THE skating is good for December. THE thaw was welcome to those short of fuel.
THE election nightmare is over. Now let old father Santa Claus hold sway.
MERCHANTS report a bigger and better cold weather trade than for many years.
25 DOZ. Christmas neckwear, each tie in pretty gift box. Regular 35c. and 50c., clearing at 25c.—A. BROWN & Co.
OWING to a war among the bakers in Brantford, bread is selling at six cents per loaf.
THE thaw Tuesday night put an end to the coldest December week within the memory of the oldest inhabitant.
THE Watford financial statement is printed and ready for distribution. Get a copy from the town clerk.
WITHOUT doubt the finest Christmas neckwear ever shown in Watford, 25c to \$1.00.—SWIFT'S.
WE may not greet the Christmas of 1917 with the gladness of other years, but we can greet it with brave and hopeful hearts.
THE regular meeting of Court Lorne, C. O. F., will be held in the Fire Hall, on Monday evening, Dec. 24th, for the election of officers and other important business.
WE have a nice line of cigars, 10 in a box, at 85c and 50c per box. A nice remembrance at Christmas time.—F. LOVELL.
AT special meetings of Tecumseh Chapter I. O. D. E., the sum of \$50 was voted for British Sailors Relief Work and \$25 toward Halifax fund for sufferers in the recent disaster.
THE Sunday Schools are having their Christmas treat this week. The Methodists held their entertainment on Tuesday night, the Anglicans Wednesday, and the Presbyterians Thursday.
DON'T have cold feet. Go to P. J. DODDS and buy a pair of rubbers or overshoes. All kinds on hand, arctic or low, heavy or light.
THIRTY-FIVE cents buys a six month's card at the Public Library, or fifty cents a year card. This would be an excellent and inexpensive Christmas or New Year's gift for a boy, girl, or adult, and would help along a good institution.
MRN'S Kid Gloves, silk lined, greys and tans.—SWIFT'S.
OUR esteemed townsman Mr. Thomas Fortune passed away on Tuesday morning after a long illness. The funeral takes place this (Thursday) afternoon at 2:30, conducted by the member of Court Lorne, C. O. F., to the Watford cemetery.
MEATLESS days are good for your rheumatism, the shortness of sugar has a good effect on your kidneys, and the diminished coal supply works against the overheating of houses and consequent colds. If the war lasts long enough we shall be a healthy people.
EVERYTHING in staple and fancy groceries at lowest prices. Oranges, bananas, candies, nuts, etc., for the Christmas season, fresh and reliable with some special values we cannot duplicate.—N. B. HOWDEN EST.
The politicians have controlled the advertising columns of all the papers for the past few weeks and shadowed by the big ads. The elections being over readers may now look for more general information in their favorite papers.
SANTA CLAUS can make me happy. Bring to me the joy I crave, and if he will only do it I will be his willing slave. If, instead of chimney visits, He would at my door dismount, With a good fat check, to bolster Up my weakened bank account!
LADIES' Kid Gloves, Dents, \$1.75 and \$2.25, white, black, tans, greys, greens.—SWIFT'S SONS & Co.
LAMBTONS 149, I. O. D. E., wish to thank all those who so kindly contributed to the sales the chapter sent to Halifax this week. The sales contained 28 quilts, 30 winter coats, besides many other warm winter articles of clothing. The chapter also gratefully acknowledged cash donations from Mrs. A. B. Steer and Mrs. M. Shaw.
SAUSAGE, frankforts, cooked ham, corn beef, head cheese, ring bologna, breakfast bacon, roll bacon and boned ham.—PHONE 89, ROGERS & JACKLIN.
MAY I ask the members of Tecumseh Chapter to make some sacrifice this Christmas and give a donation to help pay the sixty dollars pledged by our Chapter for a comfort for the soldiers ward by Byron Sanitarium. Kindly give donation to Mrs. (Dr.) Newell Treasurer, before January 8, 1918.—Mrs. W. E. Fitzgerald, Regent, Tecumseh Chapter I. O. D. E.
GIFTS FOR THE HOME, hearth rugs, \$1.25 to \$5.00; bath towels 25c. to \$1.00; linen table napkins \$2.25 to \$6.00; table covers \$1.25 to \$6.00.—A. BROWN & Co.
HON. W. J. HANNA has announced that on and after February 1, 1918, no person or firm dealing, wholesale, in fresh fruits or fresh vegetables, either at producing points or in distributing centres, would be permitted to operate without a license from his office. Any attempt at speculation, or the taking of undue profits by any licensee holder may result in the immediate suspension or cancellation of such license.
CHRISTMAS HOLLY—Place your orders now.—SWIFT'S.

NO change in Watford markets. A KODAK for Xmas, get it at McLaren's. LOOKS like a Green Christmas just now.
The butchers are showing some fine Christmas beef.
LOTS of nice things to sell or to give away for Xmas at MISS MINIBLY'S. Come and see them.
SOME exceedingly attractive window displays are to be seen in the Watford stores this Christmas. They were never better.
LIGGETT'S and Patterson's Xmas chocolates—handsome packages 25c to \$3.50 at McLaren's.
LAMBTON'S 149 I. O. D. E. will be pleased to welcome all the ladies and gentlemen of Watford and the surrounding community at their "Jitney" dance which they are holding in the Army New Year's night. The price of admission for the ladies is a box of lunch for two and for the gentlemen a silver collection.
MUNICIPAL election matters are beginning to occupy the attention of the ratepayers and several new men are spoken of as likely candidates. Among the names mentioned are Mr. W. E. Fitzgerald for the reeve's chair and Messrs. R. C. McLEAY, E. A. Brown, Frank Taylor and George Harper for councillors. The present reeve, Col. Kenward, will not be a candidate for re-election, and Councillor Hawn will ask the electors to place him in the reeve's chair. The other councillors are open for re-elections.
A NICE piece of china makes a very suitable Christmas present. We have some beautiful pieces of hand painted ware at a very reasonable price.—P. DODDS & SON.
ON Sunday evening next in Congregational church, a special prophetic lecture will be delivered by Rev. R. M. Stevenson, F.R.C.S. Subject: "The Fall of Jerusalem, the most significant event since the outbreak of the war. What does it mean for those who are watching the 'signs of the times'? What does it mean for the great world of unbelievers?" A welcome will be extended to all who are interested in this very important subject.
MONTREAL hockey skates at \$3.75 are guaranteed in material and finish as good as any skate at any price. Hockey King \$3.25, Centaur \$2.00, with other line cheaper. New hockey sticks 25c to 75c.—N. B. HOWDEN EST.
THE County Court with jury has been adjourned until the 15th of January at 1 p.m., when two jury cases and five non-jury cases will be heard. At the general sessions no grand or petit jury members were present as they had been informed in the former case that no cases were to be tried and in the latter the jury would not be required until the fifteenth of January. Two persons received certificates of naturalization and the appointment of several constables was confirmed. The sessions then adjourned sine die.
WHEN you are in doubt as to what to give—sometimes a good book solves the problem—we have them.—MCLAREN'S.
THE food controller announced Friday that he had fixed the prices for bran and shorts at \$24.50 and \$29.50, respectively, per ton in bulk, f. o. b. Fort William, effective December 17. The margin of profits to dealers may also be fixed. Prices of food at Western points will be the fixed prices, less freight to Fort William. At Eastern points the prices will be the fixed prices plus the freight from Fort William. The millers committee has agreed to be guided by the food controller and preference in the distribution of supplies will be given to the farmers.
START for our store now. It will pay you.—SWIFT'S, SONS & Co.
THE COMMITTEE in charge of the work of preparation for the Union Special Services are busy at work. They have sub-committees looking after the fitting of the armory, the matters of finance, the task of the ushers, securing of pianist, etc. Mr. E. A. Baskerville, who has assumed the task as leader of song was present to meet representative singers from different churches on Monday evening. They unanimously decided to use the "Songs for Service" book. A large number of these will be purchased at once and it is hoped the people will secure a copy and begin to get familiar with the beautiful selections before the services start. There will be a mass meeting in the Armory at 8 o'clock on Sunday, Jan. 6th, and then the special services will commence Jan. 13th, at 7 o'clock and continue for three weeks. All are invited to participate in these meetings.
CHRISTMAS is the gladtime day when our cares are thrown away, and though spavined, old and grey, we uprise, and upon the children beam, playing like a four-horse team, till we see the gladness gleam in their eyes. For a day man glances his years, and the ancient chap appear playing with the laughing dears on the floor; for a day our hearts are thawed by the warmth that's all aboard, and we loosen up the wad we adore. Far from all the business grind and the cares that warp the mind, for a day we're good and kind, full of glee; for a day we make life good for our little neighborhood, for a day we're as we should always be. We could bear the Christmas heart in the workday mill or mart, and from gronchiness depart if we'd try; we could

wear the Christmas face in our dingy trading place, letting kindly smiles embrace passers-by! Yes, of griefs we have a raft, but 'way they might be laughed; we could work this Christmas craft, always, now, if we'd only try to see how absurd our quarrels be, and the Man of Galilee shows us how.
OUR Toy Department is in full swing.—MCLAREN'S.

The I. O. D. E. Entertainment

The Parcel Post Shower under the auspices of Tecumseh Chapter, I. O. D. E., was splendidly patronized. Even the city boys were there, each with a gift for "Our Boys." Reeve Kenward as chairman made everyone feel at home. The following excellent program was given: Miss Blanche Stapleford, solo; William Fitzgerald, Julia Osborne and Evelyn Fortner, recitations; four boys gave a splendid recruiting song, "Boys of Ontario," Mr. Steer kindly acted as accompanist; Miss Nellie Kinnell and Miss Mamie Moir gave a violin and piano duet. J. Gibson, of London, home on furlough from France, gave an interesting talk on conditions at the front, and also recited a poem of his own composition. An amusing 45 minute play, "The Militant Maids," in which the parts were taken by Mrs. Letherland, Miss McCaw, Mrs. Raper, Miss L. McCkercher, Miss May Reid, Miss Jean Cameron, Miss Nellie Roy and Miss Florence Lovell, completed the program. The gifts were many and suitable. A low estimate placed their value at \$85.00 and the collection was \$48.26, to which a kind friend has donated \$5.00. The gifts will be packed in 2-lb. boxes and names of donors put in. Tecumseh Chapter will add sox where necessary. The Chapter is deeply grateful to everyone who took part in the program or brought a gift.

High School Notes

Owing to pressure of work the commencement exercises are deferred until February.
ON Dec. 3rd Dr. Siddal addressed the students, presenting the work of the physician and that of the trained nurse. He outlined in an interesting manner the magnitude of the work of each, dwelling especially on their work in connection with the present war.
Last Friday Mr. Millar of the Wire Works gave an address in an attractive and forceful manner on "The Importance of Accuracy in Mechanical Measurements." Both addresses were well received by the students and thoroughly enjoyed.

PERSONAL

Miss Winnie Harper, London, spent the week end at her home here.
Rev. A. C. and Mrs. Tiffin visited at the former's parental home in Goderich last week.
Mr. T. M. Fortune and bride from Biggar, Sask. are visiting at Mr. T. Fortune's town.
Miss Murial Brown is home from Macdonald College, Guelph, for the Christmas holidays.
Mrs. Ed. Lamont, Detroit, visited her father, Mr. W. H. Rogers, and other relatives here on Monday last. She was also in London to see her son Charlie, who goes overseas soon.

WARWICK

Mrs. M. J. Cowan attended the Steiff-Liggett wedding while in Detroit.
The Christmas tree and school entertainment of Grace Church, 4th line, advertised to be held in S. S. 12 on Friday, Dec. 21st, has been called off.
Mrs. M. J. Cowan, 4th line east, returned last week from visiting her son Roydon B. Cowan, prior to his departure for Camp Meigs, Washington. He will leave shortly for France.
The regular meeting of Court Pearl, No. 306, C. O. F., will be held on Thursday evening, Dec. 27th, instead of the 25th. A good attendance is requested. Election of officers and other important business.

DIED

In Watford, on Tuesday, Dec. 18th, 1917, Thomas Fortune, in his 71st year.
In Wyoming, on Wednesday, Dec. 5th, 1917, Elizabeth Hickmore, relict of the late Allan Duncan, aged 75 years.
In Plympton, on Friday, Dec. 7th, Harriet Bennett, relict of the late Robert Culley, aged 86 years, 3 months and 10 days.
In Strathroy Hospital on December 10th, Dougald McLellan, of Detroit, a native of Canada, in his 57th year.
In Strathroy, on Friday, Dec. 7, 1917, James Scott, in his 93rd year.
Bothwell people purchased \$80,000 worth of Victory Bonds.
Thos. Kirk was fined \$200 for having a bottle of hre-water in his possession.
A Theford man was fined \$200 for selling a bottle of liquor to an Arkona man.
Thomas Dykes has opened a blacksmith shop on his farm on concession A. Aldborough.
Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Jennings, of Brook Farm, near Parkhill celebrated their golden wedding on Dec. 10th.

BROOKE

The Christmas service will be held in St. James' Church, Brooke, on Sunday morning next. There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion.
The service at Christ Church, Sutorville, on Sunday will be in keeping with the Christmas season. There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion.
The play "She Stoops to Conquer" given by the young people of Walnut on Friday evening last was a grand success. The acting of the young people who took part was good, the characters all well portrayed, and everything moved along as smoothly as possible. The school house was crowded and all went home highly pleased with the evening's entertainment. There was a sale of home-made candy after the play. Proceeds \$63.00.
The Invincible R. C. S. met at the home of Mrs. James Squire, on Wednesday, Dec. 12th, and packed a splendid bale for Hyman Hall. Headquarters at London, had sent an urgent appeal for a special week of work, and nearly everyone in the neighborhood responded to the call. The result was the following bale which was valued at one hundred and fifty-five dollars. 41 grey flannel shirts, 50 pair of socks, 23 pyjama suits, 10 trench towels, 10 hospital towels.
We are always glad to receive news by mail or over short items by phone, and we delight in being accommodating, but we must request correspondents to mail their items of more than a few words in stead of phoning. In these days of shortage of help the spending of ten minutes or so at the phone taking down an item often keeps several people waiting, and not only that but causes a loss that could have been saved by the expenditure of a one cent stamp. Mark "Printer's Copy" on outside of unsealed envelope and your letter comes through with a one cent stamp.
The Women's Institute held its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Angus Graham. Splendid reports of the Convention at London were given by the delegates Mrs. Howard Lett and Miss M. Willoughby, and also by Mrs. M. J. Campbell. Meeting then closed in the usual way and a dainty lunch was served by the hostess. The next meeting will be held Jan. 10th, 1918, at the home of Miss Pearl Maddock. A fruit and jam shower for convalescent soldiers will be held. Contributions to same will be gladly accepted.

Parker—Lucas

A very pretty event was solemnized at the home of Mrs. J. H. Lucas, Sutorville, on Wednesday, December the twelfth, when her second eldest daughter, Mary E., was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. Arnold Parker, a prosperous young farmer of Brooke.
The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. P. Irwin. Promptly at twelve o'clock to the strains of "Lohengrin's Wedding March" played by Miss Irene Lucas, sister of the bride, the bridal party entered the parlor, the bride leaning on the arm of her brother. The bride looked charming in a dress of ivory duchess satin with pearl and silver trimmings wearing the bridal veil of net beautifully embroidered in silk, held in place by a wreath of orange blossoms and carrying a shower bouquet of bridal roses and white carnations. The bride's only ornament was a gold extension wrist watch, the gift of the groom.
After the congratulations, the guests numbering about thirty, repaired to the dining room, which was beautifully decorated in pink and white, where a sumptuous wedding dinner was served. The usual toast was proposed by Rev. S. P. Irwin and responded to by the groom and Mr. Andrew Lucas, grandfather of the bride.
The presents which were many and beautiful, show the high esteem in which the young couple were held. The happy couple motored to Watford where they took the 5.16 train to points east. The bride's travelling suit was dark brown and velvet hat with gold trimmings to match. They will be home to their friends by the beginning of the New Year.

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