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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Time to renew your subscription. Open Evenings till Christmas.—A. Brown & Co.

Matinee at the Lyceum at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon. This is Sunday School Christmas entertainment week, a joyful time for the kiddies.

There will be no service in the Watford Baptist church next Sunday December 25th.

Is that Christmas shopping all done or have you yet some last day purchases to make? We are practically the slaves of our own modern conveniences—especially the telephone.

See there are no holes in the stocking you hang up Saturday night or Santa might pass it by.

Ivory, Ebony, Perfumes—a selection from one of these would please her. See the display at McLaren's.

When a man is preoccupied these days it is safe to guess that he is wondering how to buy \$100 worth of Christmas presents with a \$10 bill.

The financial statements of the Village of Watford are printed and ready for distribution. Copies can be had at this office or from the Village Clerk.

No wonder the Bell Telephone is hard up and wants to raise rates to subscribers when the Presidents' and First and second Vice-Presidents' salaries amount to a total of \$60,000 a year.

The New Christmas Blouses at Swift's.

Special Christmas services in the Cong'l church on Sunday, conducted by the pastor, the Rev. T. DeCourcy Rayner. The Christmas messages will be: 11 a.m., "The First Christmas Service," and 7 p.m., "Following the Star." You are invited to "Come and Worship Christ."

The Christmas festival will be fittingly observed in Trinity church on Sunday. There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at 9:30 in the morning. Evening service at 7 o'clock, when special music will be given by the choir including an anthem and a solo.

Men's Ties in big variety, 50c to \$1.25, fancy boxes.—Swift's.

Contributions to the columns of the Guide-Advocate are always welcome, but should be in the printer's hands not later than Wednesday noon, and as much earlier as possible. Late contributions make the paper late for press to the disappointment of many subscribers.

"Around the Manger", a Christmas Cantata by E. S. Lorenz, comprising anthems, male quartettes, etc. will be given in the Congregational Church on Sunday evening, Dec. 25, commencing at 8:30 p.m. Special offering in aid of the Manger furnace fund. You are invited to come in and hear the Cantata.

Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Hosiery, in Christmas boxes.—Swift's.

If the snow bylaw is still in force let us hope it will be enforced this winter. There are a few residents of our town who are somewhat negligent in observing their duty to their neighbors. There is little use seven householders in a block keeping the sidewalk clear of snow if the eighth fails in his duty.

Mr. E. L. Mott, at one time editor of the Alvinston Free Press and Wyoming Enterprise was deported from North Dakota and sent by the Provincial Secretary to Alvinston for support. Both his legs have been severed, he is totally blind and paralyzed in one arm. He was sent by the Alvinston authorities to the House of Refuge.

Big Sales at Swift's Friday and Saturday.

The Presbyterian Sunday School entertainment held in the Lyceum on Tuesday evening was very enjoyable affair and had a fair-sized audience. A short play, "Susan Gregg's Christmas Orphans" was given, also choruses, drill, recitations, etc., made up a very interesting program, after which presents were distributed from a Christmas tree.

Ladies' Coats, fur collars, lined.—Swift's Christmas Sale.

The Guide-Advocate wishes all its readers a Merry Christmas.

The children of Trinity church, Sunday school enjoyed their usual Christmas treat in the school room on Wednesday evening.

Remember the New Year's Dance in the Armory on Thursday, Dec. 29. A good time is guaranteed.—Lambtons 149, I.O.D.E.

A Fur Set for Christmas—fine stock.—Swift's.

The shortest day is past, and all are thankful that the days will soon lengthen. Hydro is all right but it can't compete with daylight.

We do not hear of any new aspirants for the local municipal council but it is hard to say what Monday night's meeting will bring forth.

At a recent meeting of the Ontario Hockey Association, Watford intermediates were placed in group 13 along with Sarnia, Watford, Alvinston, Strathroy and Glencoe.

Handkerchiefs always good—a big shipment to hand.—Swift's. Local merchants are to be commended for giving the town a tasty holiday appearance by dressing their show windows appropriately for the Christmas season.

Watford municipal nomination meeting will be held in Coupland's Hall on Monday evening, Dec. 26, at 7:30. If a poll is required the voting will take place a week later at the usual places.

A special Glove for a Dollar a pair.—Christmas Sale.—Swift's.

The retiring members of the Bd. of Education this December are J. W. McLaren, E. D. Swift, W. E. Fitzgerald and John McKecher, the latter being an appointee of the County Council.

Hockey fans are pleased to see the building of the new rink pushed forward so rapidly. The frame work is about finished and the steel plates for covering are here. The building will be ready for occupancy by the end of the year.

Our open stock Vesta Pattern in semi porcelain china has just arrived—we have it opened for Christmas.—J. W. McLaren.

That was something like a Christmas gift that the Armament Conference at Washington handed out to the world last week. It was the biggest exemplification of the divine command "Peace on Earth" that the world has ever seen.

Don't miss the Picture in the Lyceum Christmas night (Monday).

The next regular meeting of the Watford Chosen Friends is to be held here Tuesday, December 27th, and the Watford Independent Foresters are also to meet the following evening, next Wednesday, December 28. Every member of the respective societies mentioned is kindly requested to be present. Election of officers and other important business.

Take your Christmas visitors to the Matinee in the Lyceum Monday at 3 o'clock.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Dodds was more than ordinarily attractive last Friday night when the "Lucky Ten" assembled to say goodbye to one of the most popular of their number—Mr. Keith Dodds, more familiarly known as "Cuffy." The rooms were tastefully decorated with large white and yellow mums and a very happy time was spent. During refreshments Mr. Jim Kinnell proposed the toast to the King, and Miss Mary Connolly the one to the guest of honor, Miss Rita Dodds presented a pair of handsome cuff links to Mr. Dodds, who is leaving next week for California, and the evening came to a close with the singing of "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow."

Santa Claus in the person of the members of the Women's Institute visited the Public School on Friday last week and presented to the pupils and teachers a fine Victrola and ten dollars worth of records. The present is one which combines entertainment and instruction. Many records are made expressly for Public School work, such as the Bubble Books, marches, patriotic songs, recitations etc. The surplus left from the School Fair formed a part of the purchase money so that the pupils may feel that they had a share in earning the Victrola. Mrs. McKecher president of the Institute, made the presentation and several of the other members addressed the pupils.

Two Suits Plush Coats, sizes 42 and 46.—Swift's Christmas Sale.

We wish to draw the attention of the ratepayers of Watford to an error in the detailed statement of the Corporation just printed, which credits Councillor Harry Hollingsworth with \$200 for his year's work instead of \$20. Apparently our Linotype machine—human as it is—thought Mr. Hollingsworth was not receiving due recognition for his invaluable services.

Men's House Coats, Ladies' Dressing Gowns.—Swift's.

WARWICK

The polling booth for Division No. 2 will be held in the house on Lot 15, con. 5.

Reeve Parker and Deputy-Reeve Higgins are in Sarnia this week attending the closing sessions of the county council.

Our open stock Vesta Pattern in semi porcelain china has just arrived—we have it opened for Christmas.—J. W. McLaren.

The Sunday School of the Calvary Baptist church (townline) will hold their Christmas entertainment on Friday evening, Dec. 23rd. Admission Adults 25c, children free.

In the municipal elections at Edmonton last week, Mr. S. A. G. Barnes headed the poll in the contest for School Trustees, going up a step from his showing in 1919. Mr. Barnes is an old Warwick boy.

Special Christmas service in Zion Cong'l church on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. The pastor, Rev. T. DeCourcy Rayner, will preach, his topic being: "The Babe of Bethlehem." You are invited to "Come and Worship Christ."

The Warwick W. I. held their regular meeting in the Town Hall on Thursday evening, Dec. 8th. Correspondence was read from the "Canadian Home Journal" and Muskoka Free Hospital, and a sum of money was voted to be sent to the Hospital and also to the French Orphans. Miss S. Barnes rendered a solo, after which Miss M. Archer gave a very full and interesting report of the Women's Institute Convention held in London in November. Mrs. Falloon gave a paper in regard to our progress during the past year which inspired us all with brighter hopes for the coming year. Miss Archer favored us with an instrumental after which all joined in community singing. Meeting closed by singing "Home Sweet Home." Next meeting in Town Hall on Thursday, Jan. 12th.

The death of Mrs. James Clark, in her 79th year, occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Donald Ferguson, Saskatoon, on Sunday, Dec. 11, where she had gone over a year ago to make her home. Deceased had suffered a stroke some time ago but was in her usual health till about two weeks previous to her death, when heart trouble had weakened her but it was not thought to be serious. Interment took place from Harpers Undertaking Rooms, Watford, to Bethel cemetery on Saturday afternoon. The Rev. Mr. Rayner, pastor of Zion Cong'l church had charge of the service in the church, also at the grave. His text was "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord." Rev. 14, 13. Miss Ida Richardson and Mr. C. Smith sang "In the Garden," an old favorite of the family. The bearers were John Thomas, W. H. Luckham, Charles Smith, Charles Richardson, George Brent and John Smith. Mr. Clark predeceased Mrs. Clark at their home in Toronto about five years ago and he and a young daughter, Amy, are buried at Bethel cemetery. A young son, Herbert, died many years ago. The surviving members of the family are, Mrs. Rogers (Clara), B. C. Mrs. George Lee (Nettie) California, Mrs. Ferguson (Dora), Saskatoon, Mrs. Tibbets (Rose), Toronto, Mrs. Shortt (Mary) Daton, Ohio, and one son, George of Hamilton. Those attending the funeral were Mr. Donald Ferguson, Saskatoon, who accompanied the remains, Mrs. Shortt of Daton, and Mr. and Mrs. George Clark of Hamilton. The latter were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mack Luckham from Wednesday till after the funeral. The family were well and favorably known here, having lived in Warwick for a number of years. They removed from this locality about thirty years ago.

THE NEW YEAR'S DANCE

The date of the New Year's Dance has been changed from Friday, Dec. 30th, to Thursday, Dec. 29th. A first class orchestra—The Alexandra Orchestra of Sarnia—has been engaged, and will furnish excellent music. Everybody come. Lunch will be served. Tickets \$1.50. Extra lady 50c. Lambtons 149 I.O.D.E.

PERSONAL

Send in the names of your Christmas visitors.

Reeve Harper is attending the county council meeting at Sarnia this week.

Miss Marjorie Swift of Western University, London, is home for Christmas.

Mr. G. H. Brown, wife and daughter, Ottawa, is spending his Christmas holidays at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Cone, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, are spending Christmas at the home of E. D. Swift.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dunlop, Detroit, spent a few days this week with Mr. and Mrs. Basil Richardson.

Mrs. M. Morgan left for Sarnia last Saturday where she will spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. T. Goodburn.

Mrs. R. G. Kelly and family are spending the Christmas and New Year's holidays with relatives in Montreal.

Dr. Vern L. Newell, and daughter Frances Alma, Detroit, spent Wednesday with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. James Newell.

Dr. James McGillicuddy, Lansing, Mich., was here this week to see his father, Mr. E. McGillicuddy, who is confined to the house with illness.

Mr. Martin, wife and family, Petrolia, Mr. Wm. Smith, wife and family, London; Mr. Austin Willer, wife and family, Warwick, and Mr. John Willer, wife and family, Brooke, are spending Christmas at Mr. Joseph N. Campbell's, Watford.

BROOKE

There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at the Christmas service in St. James' church on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

Our open stock Vesta Pattern in semi porcelain china has just arrived—we have it opened for Christmas.—J. W. McLaren.

There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at the Christmas service in Christ church, Sutorville on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock.

Don't forget the Christmas Tree and Entertainment on Friday evening Dec. 23rd, in Chalmers church, Brooke. The usual program is being prepared. Come and enjoy the evening with us.

Don't forget the Supper from 6 to 8 o'clock and concert at Walnut Methodist Church, Friday evening, Dec. 30th. A good program is being prepared. Come and bring your friends. Admission 35c and 25c.

The Olde Tyme concert held by the Brooke W. I. Dec. 7, in Chalmers church proved a success. The program consisting of old time songs and music rendered by the ladies and their friends, was well received by the audience who showed their approval by a hearty encore of each number. Proceeds of the concert amounted to over \$65.00.

The Brooke W. I. met at the home of Mrs. L. MacLean, Dec. 15th. The meeting opened by the singing of the Maple Leaf, after which the minutes were read and adopted. Roll call was answered by "Ideas on Christmas Giving." An excellent paper on "Living As We Go," was given by Mrs. W. Annett which was followed by a candy making demonstration. The meeting closed by the singing of the National Anthem and lunch was served by the hostess.

The death occurred in Brooke Township on Tuesday of Margaret Campbell, widow of the late Donald McKinley. Deceased was born in Mosa 64 years ago and resided there for some years, later moving with her husband to Brooke to reside on the farm, where she died. The late Mrs. McKinley leaves to mourn her loss six children, Mrs. John Cam, Mrs. Clinton Armstrong and Donald, of Brooke; Mrs. John Vosbouff of Alvinston and Viola and Peter at home. The funeral was held on Friday from her late residence, interment taking place in Alvinston cemetery.

WATFORD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The regular meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. P. J. Dodds, Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 14th. President in the chair. Meeting opened in the usual way by singing the "Maple Leaf" followed by prayer. Minutes of last meeting read and approved. 27 members and 5 visitors present, after which the treasurer gave a report of the money on hand.

A committee was appointed to purchase the Victrola for the Public School and was presented to them on Friday, the 16th, some of the members being present. Mrs. Robinson our District President, then gave a good address and all were much pleased to have her present at this meeting. Miss Hughes then favored with two selections on the piano, also several pieces were played on the Victrola. Mrs. Thomas Dodds was then asked to come forward when an address and a hand bag was presented as a slight token, before leaving for her new home in California.

Some old familiar songs were then sung, after which the National Anthem was sung, the hostess serving a nice lunch. At the close a vote of thanks was given to all those who took part in the program. Next meeting at the home of Mrs. J. Hawes. Following is the address. To Mrs. Thomas Dodds, Dear Mrs. Dodds,—

We, the members of the Watford Women's Institute feel that we would like you to know at this time how very much we regret that you are leaving our Society and our town.

You will be missed in many ways in Watford, but we are sure in no place more than in the Women's Institute of which you have been a faithful member and an untiring worker since its organization.

We will miss our pleasant meetings at your home, your sound advice, and good judgment in our deliberations, and your business ability in helping to manage the affairs of the Institute.

Please accept this small token of our regards. We hope you will return to visit Watford and the Institute and we trust also that in your new home and country you will find congenial work along the lines you have enjoyed here.

We wish you God speed and we wish you and yours every success and happiness in your new home. Signed on behalf of the Watford Women's Institute, Mrs. Jno. McKecher, President, Dec. 14th, 1921.

WATFORD COUNCIL

Watford, Dec. 15th, 1921 Council met pursuant to adjournment. Present: Messrs. Harper, Hollingsworth, Fuller, Connolly and McCormick.

Connolly—Fuller, that the taxes collected by mistake to pay sidewalk debenture No. 1 be refunded to the rate-payers who paid same.—Carried. Finance Committee examined accounts and recommended payment.

W. S. Fuller, ac. postage and telegrams \$2, to pay Bowers 30c, \$2.30; S. W. Louks, collector salary and supplies \$42.00; Geo. Dodds, clean pipes Fire Hall \$4.00; H. Durstan, repairs Fire Hall \$1.15; The Franklin Press, ptg. bonds \$45.00; Joshua Saunders to repair bolts and labor \$10.00; Thos. Adams, 72 hours labor on drain \$28.80; Geo. Goodman, 80 hours labor on drain \$32.00; Andrew Harrower and Son, 91 hours labor on drain \$36.20; W. G. Siddall, M.O. H. sal. \$25.00, fumigating material for Buchner house \$8.00, postage re water samples \$1.00, \$34.00; N. B. Howden Estate, ac. re water works \$5.01; Cowan, Towers & Cowan, solicitors ac \$119.60; J. F. Elliott, statutory allowance \$12.00; R. Hollingsworth, labor ditching \$29.00; Treas. Water Commission loan \$250.00; Guide-Advocate, 4th. qr. printing \$25; Thanksgiving folders \$10.00, cards, road closed 50c, notice re pavement \$3.40, \$38.90; Wm. McLeay, phone ac. \$7.35, hall rent for court \$24.00, salary \$60.00, Financial stat. \$5.00, statutory allowance \$24.00, \$120.35. Fuller—McCormick, that accounts be passed and Reeve grant his order.—Carried.

Connolly—McCormick, that the minutes as read be adopted.—Car. Hollingsworth—Harper, that we adjourn.—Carried. W. S. FULLER, Clerk.