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SQUIBOGRAPHS.

Perhaps it is this self raising flour that is boosting up the price of bread.

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This is the time of the year when the money market and the parlor stovepipe are both out of joint.

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Since the Chicago Cubs took four straights from the Tigers, Detroit has no further claim to the title of City of the Straits.

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The canvas shoe
The sleeveless sleeve
The Oxford tie
With the leaves must leave.

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Mrs. Cassie Chadwick having passed away a number of prominent bankers and financiers are at liberty to crawl out of their holes.

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A room has been provided for theatrical performances on the transatlantic steamers. Nautical, but not knotty plays will be presented.

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It appears that the Egyptians were indeterate gamblers in the early ages. In exploring the tombs of the ancient kings several Pharaoh banks were unearthed.

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A Society for the Prevention of Unnecessary Noise has been formed in New York. It is hoped that branches will be organized in Toronto and Ottawa before the next session starts.

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Another member of the Dominion Cabinet is afflicted with deafness. When he addresses the house all "Ear Ears," will be considered unparliamentary and auricular.

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The widow of the late P. T. Barnum was married for the third time last week. P. T. was the first man to introduce the three rings, and can hardly blame his relief for continuing the practice.

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The Postmaster General of Canada, and the Postmaster General of Japan, will confer as to the best method of stamping out the yellow peril. The diplomatic correspondence will no doubt take the form of postal notes.

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The proprietor of an American powder factory received word that his factory had exploded just as he was leading his bride to the altar. This is the earliest matrimonial blow up on record.

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There was a young man from Galt, Who at home was not worth his salt Bought a mine for a dime Unloaded in time And now owns half of Cobalt.

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A Michigan woman has applied for a divorce on the ground that her husband only gave her forty cents in three years. The extravagance of some women is astounding. Did she want a whole dollar?

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There is not so much difference between hard and good times after all. When times are good prices are high and it takes all you make to live. When they are hard prices are so low that you can afford to do without lots of things.

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There was a young gent in Bay City Who considered himself very witty He worked off a pun On a man with a gun Who over his body Sang a ditty.

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While operating on a patient a Brooklyn dentist struck him on the head with a hammer, a much prompter method of producing unconsciousness than gas. The victim forgot all about his toothache, but, Oh! what a headache.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

COUNCIL minutes on inside pages.

CHILDREN'S "blizzard proof coats."—SWIFT'S.

TAX collector Cameron is gathering up the municipal shekels.

JOS. COOK shipped a load of butchers cattle to Toronto Tuesday.

REV. JOHN POTTS, an eminent Methodist clergyman, died in Toronto Wednesday.

WE are showing the best rain coats in Ontario for the money.—SWIFT'S.

THESE are busy days for the apple pickers, who are working hard to harvest the fruit before winter sets in.

\$1.05 FOR WHEAT.
OATS are up to 55c. a bushel.
STOR that cough with McLaren's cough syrup, 25 cents.

MISTRESS—Did the mustard plaster do you any good, Bridget?—Maid—Yes; but be gorry, mum, ut do bite the tongue!

THE Rose Gault Comedy Co. were billed to appear in the Music Hall Tuesday evening, but failed to put in an appearance.

LONDON Conservatives have nominated Major Beattie for the vacancy in the House of Commons caused by the resignation of Hon. C. Hyman.

TO DOZEN more of those fine wool ribbed hose for 25 cents.—SWIFT BROS.

T. F. ROBINSON, who purchased the dry goods stock of W. T. Fuller a few months ago, is removing the stock this week to his Dutton store.

THERE will be no service in the Baptist Church on Sunday next on account of the Convention in Woodstock, which the pastor is attending. S. S. as usual.

GIANT TRIPLETS "Currency," "Bobs" and "Stag" Chewing Tobaccos, in big plugs. Quality always the same.

THE Grand Trunk Railway will give a \$6 excursion from Port Huron to Chicago and return on Thursday, October 24th. Tickets good to return Monday, Oct. 28th.

SCOTCH and Irish tweeds imported direct, made to your order \$16.00 to \$18.00 this line of goods are shown only by Swift Bros.

"WILL you pass the butter, Mr. Diggs?" asked the new boarder. "Every time," replied Diggs. And the landlady said it was the way he said it that made her angry.

THE report in circulation that Mr. A. E. Anderson, merchant tailor, purposed removing from Watford is entirely without foundation. Mr. Anderson informs us he has no intention of leaving town.

LET us help you select a wedding present. Something in our well assorted stock of cut glass, silverware and chinaware, may suggest itself. You are at liberty to look through anytime.—J. W. McLAREN.

JAMES CLARK, a resident of Watford for the past thirty years, who has recently become too infirm to care for himself, was taken to the House of Refuge at Sarnia on Monday. Mr. Clark is past his ninetieth year.

OUR young men's overcoats at \$6.50, \$7.50 and \$8.50. Neat styles, best value.—SWIFT BROS.

DR. B. F. KENWARD has disposed of his dental practice to Dr. Bricker, of Toronto, formerly of Listowel. Dr. Kenward purposes leaving for San Francisco early in December where he expects to locate.

WHILE an Irishman was gazing in the window of a Washington bookstore the following sign caught his eye—"Dickens's works all this week for only \$4.00." "The devil he does!" exclaimed Pat in disgust. "The dirty scab!"

THE past month we have been sending suits from our tailoring department all over Ontario. Why? Call at Swifts' they will tell you.

GAME WARDEN GIBSON, of Strathroy, has received from the Ontario Government blank forms for deer hunters' license. Hunters from this neighborhood can save delay and inconvenience by securing licenses from Mr. Gibson.

THE writs have been issued for nominations for the bye-elections in London, North Wellington and East Northumberland for the House of Commons. The nominations will be held on Tuesday Oct. 22nd, and elections a week later, Oct. 29th.

JUDGE TAYLOR, of Sarnia, to whom was appealed the recent conviction by a magistrate at Petrolia, of A. Houston for selling tea contrary to the transient traders bylaw recently passed by the town, has handed down his decision quashing the conviction.

OUR ordered overcoats have a style about them city, people buy them and wonder how we can get up such swell coats for the price.—SWIFT BROS.

A MEETING of the directors of the East Lambton Ag'l Society will be held in the Council Chamber, Watford, at 2 p. m. Saturday Oct. 19th to wind up the business in connection with the recent fair. All bills against the Association must be in by that date.

A SCHOOL teacher trying to explain to his class the meaning of the word "conceded," said: "Suppose I would go around saying, 'Look how good I am to my class,' or bragging about how much I know or how good looking I am—what would you say I was?" "A liar," instantly responded his class.

NO better value in ready made suits in Ontario. Men's \$5.50, \$8.50, \$10.00, \$12.50.—SWIFT BROS.

A PROFESSIONAL chicken plucker is now at work in Stapleford's poultry rooms. The way he makes the feathers fly is worth while. With favorable weather and a good run of birds he can kill and dress 250 in ten hours. At the rate of three cents each he can make a fair day's pay.

DID you ever reflect that the mail order house is, from the very nature of its business, unable to "carry" you when times are bad, that it takes no credit risks and never does a thing for you except on a cash basis? Is there not some return due the merchant who has favored you when you need a favor?

BULBS.—Chinese sacred lily, hyacinth, tulips and Japanese fern balls, now on sale at McLaren's.

THERE will be a social hop at the Odd Fellow's Hall this (Thursday) evening. The London Harpers will provide the music.

AT the Presbyterian Manse, on Wednesday evening of last week, the Rev. E. B. Horne performed the marriage ceremony uniting Mr. Sidney Barnes and Miss Mary Brushy, both of Watford. The young couple will make their home in Watford.

YOU cannot believe every report you hear, but the one we all heard Thursday morning was so plain there was no room for doubt. All the windows on one side of the street in Petrolia were broken by the force of the explosion at the nitro glycerine works.

AN exchange says:—"Knowing ones hereabouts claim that the coming winter will be a warm one. The husks on the corn are said to be very thin this season, the potatoes have not stored up as large a supply of nuts as usual and the bees have not made honey, all of which are claimed to be sure signs of a warm winter."

AN effort is being made to secure a supply of cheap low grade feed from the west. If the railways will give a special freight rate the feed can be laid down in Western Ontario at a low price and would do much to relieve the shortage in feed here. Farmers are advised not to sacrifice their stock until something is done along this line.

THE power of King Edward should be considerably limited, at least in the matter of choosing his raiment. During a recent visit to the continent he wore a green hat, and as a result Americans are taking to topieces of the same hue. We may expect our streets in a short time to resemble a thoroughfare in Limerick, on March 17th.

SMALL boy's school suits, ask to see them, no better value and few as good.—SWIFT BROS.

THE Rev. S. W. Muxworthy, Chairman of the Strathroy District, preached in the Alvinston Methodist Church on Sunday last. Rev. Mr. Morrison, of Alvinston preaching here in the morning and conducting Anniversary services at Zion, in the afternoon and evening.

REVEREND R. HAY filled the local pulpit in the evening.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT says: "It is not a kindness to bring up a child in the belief that it can get through life by shirking difficulties. The child that is going to be worth its salt must be taught to face difficulties and overcome them."

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THE annual thank offering and anniversary services will be held in the Congregational Church, Watford, next Sunday morning and evening Oct. 20th. The preacher of the day will be Rev. C. E. Willoughby of Forest. This is not Mr. Willoughby's first visit to Watford, he is somewhat known here and a pleasant day is looked forward to by those who know him.

LOOK at those fine beaver coats ready made Sanford goods, \$10.00, \$11.00, \$12.50, best ready to wear overcoats in Ontario.—SWIFT BROS.

FOR stealing two coats and a pair of gloves from Mr. William Thomson, at the Queen's Hotel, Strathroy, Thomas King was given as one year last sentenced by Police Magistrate Noble to six months in the Central Prison. The prisoner was arrested in London and brought back for trial by Chief Wilson. Kinnear pleaded guilty to the charge, offering as an excuse that he was in an intoxicated condition at the time of committing the theft.

THE following recommendations have been made to the Minister of Education by the Advisory Council of Education. A reduction of the pressure of home work in the lower classes of the Public Schools, with instructions to inspectors in the case of others; the remodeling of the High School entrance books and examinations and financial aid to fifth classes in localities where the High School accommodations are insufficient or the progress of studies is unsuitable.

MANY old friends in Lambton will regret to hear of the death of Mr. Joseph Osborne, formerly of Wyoming, which occurred at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. G. Richardson, Nanton, Alta., on Oct. 6th. No man in the west possessed such a fund of information and facts regarding Lambton and its pioneers. His articles under the name of "Senex" were a valuable contribution to the early history of the county and it is to be regretted that his recent illness prevented their completion.

THE liquidation of the Wire Works is a matter in which the town is seriously interested, and our municipal representatives will no doubt see that our interests are not overlooked at the meeting to be held in Toronto on the 25th. Parties in a position to know claim that the industry can be made a paying concern if properly managed, and it is now in order to turn on the searchlight and see where the money went to. On the face of it there appears to have been gross mismanagement and recklessness that would wreck any ordinary enterprise. Let the facts come out.

SABLE, mink and sealskin are the three skins which will be made up into the costliest coat, bolera, and half-dollman forms, while muskrat, pony skin

and mole-dyed squirrel skin will be seen in motor and long cloaks. Fur trimmed dresses will not be frequently seen, but cloth trimmings on furs, such as the three choicer varieties above mentioned, will be. Stitche bands of cloth are to be used to define seams which heretofore were preferably left undefined, and silk braids of a close fine mesh will be employed for the same purpose in connection with heavy soutache and lace ornamental fastenings.

PERSONAL.

T. Dodds was in Toronto on business Tuesday.

Dr. F. R. Eccles, London, was in town Saturday.

T. H. Willoughby left Tuesday on a business trip to Vermillion, Ohio.

Chief Shaw and F. S. McEwen took in the ball game at Detroit Saturday.

A. McCabe, Appin, is relieving at the G. T. R. station during the absence of Mr. S. Kerton on his honeymoon.

Fred Walker, the popular young salesman at Swift Bros., has secured a position in Oak Hall, Windsor, and leaves for that city on Friday.

Harry Williamson returned from Regina Tuesday. Mr. Williamson reports the Watford colony in that bustling city all well and prospering.

J. S. Rivers, of the Hastings Wagon Co., paid a business trip to New Ontario, last week. The Hastings sleigh is in great demand in that country.

KERTON-HARBOWEN.

A quiet wedding took place on October the seventeenth at the home of Mrs. M. Harrower, Erie St., when her eldest daughter, Mary A., was united in marriage to Mr. Shurdon Kerton, J. T. R. operator. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. M. Kelly, of the Congregational Church. Mendelsohn's wedding march was played by Miss Lily Howden. The groom's gift to the bride was a gold watch. Mr. and Mrs. Kerton left on the afternoon train for Buffalo and different points east.

MILLAR-SAUNDERS.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Saunders, St. Clair St., Watford, was the scene of an interesting event at high noon on Tuesday, when their daughter, Jessie Margaret, was joined in wedlock to Wilford Loftus, accompanied by Miss Beatrice Apter, of London on the violin. The groom's gift to the bride was a prayer book, to the bridesmaid a signet ring and a bracelet to the flower girl. After partaking of a sumptuous wedding breakfast the happy young couple left on the afternoon express for a trip to Toronto and points east. The popularity of the contracting parties among a wide circle of friends was attested by the handsome and costly array of wedding gifts. Mr. and Mrs. Millar have the best wishes of a host of friends for their future happiness and prosperity.

Among the out of town guests were: Miss Beatrice Apter and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Saunders, London; Miss Marjorie McKeiver and Miss Mary Gibson, Sarnia; Miss Laura Butler, Mr. and Mrs. Baskerville and Mr. and Mrs. Jones, Strathroy; M. Leslie Millar, Miss Kate Millar and Mr. Albert Prouse, Toronto, and Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Saunders, of Wyoming.

WHAT A JOLT.

About four o'clock on Thursday morning a violent explosion that shook all the buildings in town was heard. Citizens were aroused from their slumbers and various were the conjectures as to the cause of the commotion. Visions of earthquakes, burglars, volcanic disturbances etc., passed through the mind. Lights were lit and a search made for the origin of the jar. Many thought that the P. O. safe or one of the banks had been blown up, but investigation proved everything intact. Early on Thursday morning it was learned that the nitro glycerine works on the 12th line Ennis-Killen had exploded. No one is reported injured, but the force of the explosion must have been tremendous to affect so extended a territory.

GROSVENOR-DAUNCE.

The marriage took place at London on Wednesday, Oct. 16th, of Mr. Stanley James Grosvenor, attendant at the London asylum, and Miss E. Daunce, training nurse, of Toronto. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Hector McKay, pastor of the London Junction Presbyterian Church. The groom is well known in Watford and Watford, where he resided for a number of years, and is now spending a few days visiting old friends.

WARWICK.

Tax Collector Edwards is on his rounds.

The Sisson drain bylaw is published in this issue.

Geo. Clark has rented his farm for a term of years. His stock and implements will be sold without reserve.

Messrs. Chester Wallace and Harry McClesney left Monday for Toronto to attend the Ontario Veterinary College.

Divine services will (D.V.) be held in St. Paul's church, Wisbeach, at 3 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. on Sunday, October 20th.

Miss Ethel McKenzie left for her home in Winnipeg on Monday after spending a few weeks with Warwick relatives. She was accompanied by her cousin, Miss Alice McKenzie.

Auction sale of 22 extra good dairy cows and 6 springers, Roche House, Watford, Saturday, Oct. 19th at 2 p.m. Cows guaranteed to calve in March or April. 12 mos. credit.

We are in receipt of an interesting letter from our old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Gowrie, formerly of Watford, who are now settled on a homestead near Kingsview, Sask. They say: "We have been living here for over a year and now have a fine home. The crops turned out well with us as is evidenced by the samples of grain we have sent down for inspection. Our wheat will average 35 bushels to the acre, oats from 60 to 80 bushels, and the straw is so tall, a person will easily lose himself if he ventures too far into the fields. At present a government drill is busy boring for water which is quite plentiful. They are putting down test wells. We are situated 60 miles south west of Battleford and only six miles from the G. T. P., which will pass through here this fall from the east. The hunting season will soon open and wild geese and ducks are quite plentiful. Prairie chicken appear to be rather scarce

BORN.

In Meleta, Man., on Oct. 5th, 1907, to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Howden, a son.

In Watford, on Oct. 10th, 1907, the wife of J. J. Spackman, of a daughter.

MARRIED.

In Windsor on October the fifth, by the Rev. Thomas Manning, Mr. Charles L. Wells to Miss Ada M. Pemberton, both of Sarnia.

At the Manse, Bridgen, on Wednesday, Sept. 26th, by Rev. Walter Keid, B. D., John D. Currie, of Dawn, to Doris Beatrice, eldest daughter of Mr. John Shaw, of Sombra.

At the home of the bride's father on Wednesday, October 9th, 1907, by the Rev. R. Hosking, Mr. Wm. Vance to Susie, daughter of Mr. Nicholas Luckham, all of Warwick.

In Parkhill, on the 5th inst., John Graham to Florence McGinnis, both of Tiesford.

At the residence of the bride's sister, Mt. Hamilton, on Wednesday, October 16th, 1907, by the Rev. J. R. Young, Mr. Wm. B. Ferguson, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. James Ferguson, Caradoc, to Miss Agnes B. Smith.

At the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Benstead, on Wednesday, Oct. 16th, 1907, by the Rev. S. F. Robinson, Mr. E. Moore to Miss Mary Elizabeth Benstead, both of Strathroy.

DIED.

In Plympton on Tuesday, Oct. 8th, 1907, Catherine Purcell, wife of Mr. Danan, McMillan, 87, aged 78 years and 6 months.

In Bosanquet on Sunday, Oct. 6, 1907, Flora Patterson, Hamilton, wife of Mr. Hugh Johnson, in her 87th year.

In Sarnia, on Friday, October 18th, 1907, Miss Mary Andrews, aged 58 years.

At the residence of his daughter, Mrs. W. G. Richardson, at Nanton, Alberta on Sunday, Oct. 6th, Joseph Richardson Osborne, aged 75 years.

In Strathroy, on Tuesday afternoon, October 15th, 1907, Dr. Wm. Bridgides, aged 70 years and 5 months.

In Adelaide, on Wednesday morning, October 16, 1907, M. M. Thompson, aged 64 years. Funeral Friday afternoon to Strathroy cemetery.

Men don't believe in a Devil Man, as their fathers used to do; They forced the door of the broadest creed to let his Majesty through There isn't a print of his cloven foot, or a fiery dart from his bow, To be found in earth or air to-day, for the world has voted so; But, who is it mixing the fatal draught that palsies heart and brain; And loads the bier of each passing year with ten thousand slain? Who blights the bloom of the land today with fiery breath of hell? If the Devil isn't and never was? Won't somebody rise and tell? Who dogs the steps of the toiling Saints, and digs the pit for his feet? Who sows the tares in the field of time, wherever God has sown His wheat? The Devil is voted not to be, and, of course, the thing is true; But, who is doing the kind of work the kind of work the Devil alone should do; We are told he does not go around like a roaring lion now; To be heard in home, in church and state to the earth's remotest bound, If the Devil by a unanimous vote is no where to be found? Won't somebody step to the front forthwith and make their bow and show How the frauds and the crimes of a single day spring up? We want to know, The Devil was fairly voted out, and, of course the Devil's gone, But simple people would like to know who carries his business on.

NAPIER.

Divine service will be held in St. Mary's Church on Sunday morning next at 11 o'clock.