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East Lambton Fall Fair

WATFORD

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY

OCTOBER 2nd and 3rd

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

THE GUIDE-ADVOCATE welcomes all items of interest for this column. All items should be sent by mail or drop them in GUIDE-ADVOCATE Letter Box.

FLOUR has gone up forty cents per barrel. SEE THE NEW FORDSON TRACTOR and Plow at R. MORNINGSTAR'S. a23tf

FRIDAY, the thirteenth, was certainly an unlucky day for the Kaiser.

THE EVAPORATOR is now taking in apples. Mr. Eccles is paying the top price as usual.

MEN'S Wool Sweater Coats at \$5.00. Light and dark, grey, navy, brown and Heather.—SWIFT'S.

THE Toronto International League game postponed last week will be played at Arkona, Tuesday, Sept. 24.

THE WORD "PREP" is now established as King's English, the King of England having used it in one of his speeches.

WESTERN ONTARIO'S greatest baseball attraction, Toronto vs. Arkona All Star team, Tuesday, Sept. 24.

A PRESS AGENT is no doubt a useful means of getting to the front, but General Foch seems to be getting there without one.

Now is the time to repair your buildings for the coming cold snap. Every thing in builders hardware for house, barn, stable or garage.—T. DODDS & SON.

THERE will be plenty of entertainment for fair visitors on the evening of fair day—two good concerts are being arranged for.

THIS WEEK we had customers from other towns. They were surprised at our stock of dress goods, silks, suits and coats.—SWIFT'S.

EUGENE DEBS, former Socialist candidate for the U. S. Presidency, has been sentenced to ten years in penitentiary for seditious oratory.

THE young pipers, Irene Anderson and Earl MacAlister, of London, who headed the procession at the Thrift Exhibit parade, are a pair of talented young artists.

HAVE you noticed that in the towns which led in the amounts subscribed to the sailors' fund last week the canvass was heralded by big advertisements in the local paper.

HOUSE-CLEANING time is here again. Washing machines, wringers, mops, scrub brushes, tubs, pails, step ladders, curtain stretchers, etc., at HOWDEN'S.

THERE were not many autos on the street Sunday, every patriotic citizen who could be anxious to help conserve the gasoline supply. Anyway it rained in the morning making travel unpleasant.

Now is the time of year you need good Rubbers. Beware of wet feet this damp weather. We have the better grade of rubbers, all sizes.—P. DODDS & SON.

THE Food Board gives warning that heavy penalties will be inflicted on any unlicensed person selling potatoes, or other vegetables. A grower does not require a license to deal in these products.

ONCE MORE, we have a goodly supply of Overseas boxes in two sizes. Better get yours ready for "his" Xmas box now.—T. DODDS & SON.

SOME of our correspondents have not heard from lately. A budget each week whether large or small would give great pleasure to our numerous readers in your section.

MERCHANTS who do not advertise shouldn't be surprised to see their customers going into their competitors' stores. Lots of people do not like to hunt in where they are not invited.

THE suggestion has been offered that all citizens having war gardens this year should take special care of the ground when the vegetables are taken up. The more it is cultivated the better for next year.

BRIGHTEN UP for winter with Sherwin-Williams' Paints and Varishes, Laquerette and Elasticia Floor Varishes, Floor Wax. A full line of paint and varnish brushes at HOWDEN'S.

THE LITERARY DIGEST makes a plea for an increase in ministers' salaries. The plea is well directed, Ministers are about the only class who haven't formed a union and struck for higher pay. Because a man is a minister of God is no reason why his material welfare should not be attended to.

LADY DUFF GORDON was speaking about the new skirts. "They're shorter and skimpier than they were," she remarked and added: "The children of Israel worshipped the golden calf, and now, in the twentieth century, the practice has become universal."

OUR CUTLER, Mr. Letherland, will be back next week from the western wheat fields. Get in your orders.—SWIFT'S Tailoring Dept.

DINNER sets are scarce and higher. If you want one this fall look over our stock while the assortment is good.—THE HOWDEN ESTATE.

THANKSGIVING DAY has been fixed for Monday, Oct. 14th.

MANY of Canada's greatest ball-players at Arkona, Tuesday, Sept. 24.

WATFORD HIGH SCHOOL will hold their annual fall day next Thursday.

SRATHROY FAIR was well patronized by Watford people this week.

IF YOUR FRUIT has a phenol smell expose it to the air and it will be as good as of yore.

HALTERS, blankets, brushes, combs, lanterns, stable brushes and all agricultural supplies at prices that large city stores don't offer.—HOWDEN'S.

COMMENCING next Sunday Trinity Church Sunday school will be held at 2:30 o'clock.

MR. R. HOME SMITH is the new Provincial Fuel Controller and Mr. E. L. Cousins is deputy.

THE LADIES' AID of the Watford Methodist Church intends to serve lunch in Mrs. White's store on the afternoon of the day of the Watford Fair. 13-2

TORONTO'S fuel commissioner advises those without coal to make application—they will receive a ton at once. Watfordites would be tickled to death if our commissioner would do likewise.

WE CARRY Gillette, Auto-Strop, Ever-Ready, Gem, Durlan Duplex and Enders Safety Razors at prices from one dollar to five.—HOWDEN EST.

CONCERT FAIR NIGHT, Oct. 3, in the Lyceum, The Brunswick Trio, Elocutionist and Irish and Scotch dancer. Auspices Lambton's 149 I. O. D. E. Particulars next week.

RUBBER BOOTS are what you want for wet fall weather. Let us show you our stock—at very low prices. We have pleased you before, let us do it again.—P. DODDS & SON.

IF you lack sugar for preserving try Glucose. Glucose prevents fermentation in fruit and crystallization of the syrup in jams and jellies which sometimes occurs on the top. Glucose can be bought in all grocery stores.

THE August number of "The Teller", a monthly magazine published by the Sterling Bank of Canada, has an excellent half-tone picture of the late Pte. Roy Acton who was killed while on active service towards the end of last year.

WATSON'S UNDERWEAR for women and children. We have sold it for 20 years—it's the best; no shirking.—SWIFT'S.

MEN who are working outside this wet weather need good waterproof shoes. Don't work with wet, cold feet—come in and get a pair of our good, strong, waterproof shoes. We sell the best at a little lower in price.—P. DODDS & SON.

CAPT. THOS. L. SWIFT, of Bowman River, Man., writing the Guide-Advocate, says:—"The old home paper comes more regular and is more welcome than any other paper. We are fortunate in the valley of having a very good crop. Cutting is all done and threshing has commenced."

THE regular meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. T. Dodds, Sept. 11th, Vice-president presiding. After opening prayer and the singing of the Maple Leaf, the minutes of last meeting read and adopted. The usual business was then disposed of. A donation of \$5 from a friend was much appreciated. The program consisted of a solo by Miss Evelyn Dodds, an instrumental by Miss M. Moir, and a reading on "Our Flag" by Miss N. Kinell, all were good. Meeting closed by the National Anthem. Next meeting at the home of Mrs. J. Bambridge.

THE POST OFFICE has received word that Canadian postal notes can now be sent to any Canadian or British soldier serving in France, and payable at any British field post office in France. As field post offices are handy to all units at the front, this should be a handy and cheap means of sending money to those at the front. The sender is protected from loss in case of the postal note not being received.

EVERY FARMER needs at this season, shovels for furrows, stable shovels, scooped shovels, drain cleaners, lanterns, manure forks, buck saws, etc. Let us supply your needs.—T. DODDS & SON.

THE ANDREWS WIRE WORKS CO., of Watford, are still desirous of obtaining more men and women. Young men and young women to work in their factory here, and the Corporation of Watford being interested in the welfare of this company and their ever increasing business, will undertake to see that any persons offering themselves to the management of said Company are comfortably located and that suitable lodging and boarding places are obtained.

IN ANOTHER COLUMN will be found the announcement of Prof. Howard Gordon, of Strathroy, a musician of acknowledged ability, who will visit Watford every Monday. Prof. Gordon is not long out from the old country, where he led some leading symphony orchestras. For some years he was lay chorister in St. Ninias Cathedral, Scotland, and is the composer of some excellent church music. He studied vocal and instrumental music under the great-est teachers in Europe. Mr. Gordon is at liberty one day each week, when he purposes coming to Watford. Anyone wishing to complete or advance their musical education should drop a line to Drawer A, Watford P.O., and the professor will call on them.

PERSONAL

Miss Pearl Saunders is visiting relatives in St. Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Matthews, Parkhill, spent the week end in Watford.

Mrs. Goodburn is spending a month with friends in Toronto.

Mrs. (Dr.) Newell is visiting her son in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Thom, Toronto, spent the week end with Mrs. D. Thom, Warwick street.

Miss Muriel Brown left Thursday for Guelph to resume her studies at McDonald College.

Mrs. Neil Bennett left on Monday for London where she will undergo a course of treatment in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Mrs. John Bryson is visiting with friends in Brantford, Toronto and other points east for a couple of weeks.

Mrs. W. H. Harper was called to Windsor on Monday by the sudden serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Dennis.

Mr. K. L. Haskett, travelling mail clerk, Guelph, spent a couple of days last week with relatives here.

Miss Kathleen Tanner, Toronto, spent the week end with Misses Winnifred and Marjorie Swift.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Davidson and children spent last week with his aunt, Mrs. N. Davidson, St. Clair street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Roger returned home Monday after a few days visit with relatives in London.

Mrs. N. Butler, Simcoe, and Mrs. E. Carter, Saskatoon, who have been visiting their son and brother, Mr. C. Butler, left on Monday for Simcoe.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Kersey of Georgetown, spent Thursday last week with Watford relatives and called on a number of old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. H. McConnell, Toronto, Mrs. A. Stewart, London, Mrs. A. Muxworthy, Detroit, and Mr. J. Pawlitzki, London, called on relatives and old Watford friends this week.

Mrs. Wm. Anderson and daughter Irene, London, were the guests of Mrs. W. E. Fitzgerald while attending the Thrift Exhibit. Many old friends were glad to see them.

The many friends of Miss Agnie Auld Toronto, will be pleased to hear that she is rapidly improving from her recent long illness and that she and her mother who is with her, expect to come home in a few days.

THE MERCHANTS BANK

Their Handsome New Building in Watford Opened to the Public

The handsome new building just erected on the corner of Main and Huron streets for the Merchants Bank of Canada was opened to the public on Tuesday last, and during the day was visited by a large number of people.

The building is a handsome and imposing structure, a valuable addition to the business houses of Watford and an ornament to the main street. In size it is 30 by 50 feet, two stories, and is built of rough-faced red brick laid in Flemish bond design, showing diamond shape in black, and has white stone facings. It stands on a high site, finished in quarter-cut oak, panelled ceiling, modern desks, cages, furniture, electric fixtures and other fittings. To the left on entering is the manager's private office, and at the rear are two large vaults where the safe and safety-deposit boxes are to be found. The second story is fitted up as a dwelling with every convenience. The building contains three lavatories, hot and cold water is forced through the rooms by a three horsepower electric motor.

On the opening day Manager F. A. MacLean welcomed all visitors and extended hospitality. Flowers and trailing vines decorated the outside office.

The first person to open an account in the new building was little Mary Elliot, the three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Elliot. She was presented with a box of candy by the manager, as was also Mr. Joseph McCormick, who made the first deposit by a regular customer.

The building is one that the Bank and the citizens of Watford will feel proud of. The contractors were Messrs. Shultz Bros., Limited, of Brantford.

How The Tax Rate Is Made Up

The 38½ mills on the dollar tax rate for the Village of Watford is made up as follows. The total assessment is \$309,000.00.

War and County rate.....	8	7-10	mills
Village rate.....	11	5-10	mills
Special Sidewalk Deb. rate.....	6-10	mills	
Wire Co. Debenture rate.....	1	8-10	mills
Public Library Deb. rate.....	4-10	mills	
Public School Maintenance.....	9	5-10	mills
High School Maintenance.....	6	-----	mills
Total rate.....	38	5-10	mills

OUR STUNNING COATS, they surprise city customers. Smart effects. Prices low, considering the state of the cloth market.—SWIFT'S.

Thrift Exhibit a Big Success

In spite of the rain and mud the boys and girls got their vegetables, etc., ready for the Exhibit on Friday last. There were 484 entries, being 142 in advance of last year. The judge, W. P. McDonald, said the vegetables were better and more uniform than in 1917. The parade, with the exception of the floats, had to keep to the sidewalks. Irene Anderson and Earl MacAlister, pipers in costume, led the school, many of the Public school, boys and girls being in costume.

The decorated bicycles helped to give color to the parade.

The Red Cross float with Mrs. Miller as Britannia and Mrs. Class as Miss U. S. A., with a bevy of Red Cross nurses, carried off first prize.

The Q. P. Club girls with their usual originality and initiative put on a float representing their work, which was much admired, and Carmen Harper and Co. deserve credit for the comic float.

Messrs. J. Farrell and E. A. Brown acted as judges on the parade and it was due to their generosity that all were remembered.

The evening concert drew a large audience and the recitations were judged. All were exceedingly well delivered and Eleanor Crawford deserves especial praise for her patriotic song.

Messrs. Steer and McKenzie gave two fine duets on the piano and Irene Anderson and Earl MacAlister in costume delighted all with their songs and dances.

N. McDougall, Public School Inspector, gave an excellent address.

The booth did a good business and several of the Public School girls donated their cakes to be sold at auction.

Mr. John Farrell acted as chairman and made everybody old and young feel at home.

Col. Kenward, Chairman of the Thrift Exhibit Committee, proved his ability as a gardener by exhibiting a fine collection of vegetables.

S. Stapleford kindly judged the live stock. R. Campbell, of Petrolia, the construction work, maps and writing, Miss Gormally the art work, Miss McCaw and Mr. MacKenzie the essays, Mr. MacDougall and Mr. MacKenzie judged the recitations, Mrs. Humphries and Mrs. Bambridge acting for the Women's Institute judged the darning, etc. done by the Public School girls.

Harper Bros. kindly supplied the piano which was used. Receipts at the door and booth were \$119 and special prizes were donated to the amount of \$36.

There will be a surplus of about \$30 above all expenses which will be used for patriotic work.

The prizes were distributed at the Public School on Tuesday. The committee in charge feel deeply grateful to all who helped to give the boys and girls a happy and profitable day.

They appreciated it and at the Public School on Tuesday expressed their thanks to their teachers and the Daughters of The Empire and the Committee very suitably and in a way that would have done credit to their elders.

A complete list of the prize winners on page eight.

Brown—Nixon

A very quiet wedding was solemnized on Wednesday afternoon, 18th inst., by the Rev. J. C. Forster, at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. W. J. Howden, when Miss Clara Victoria Nixon, daughter of the late Dr. Nixon and Mrs. Nixon, was joined in wedlock to Mr. Elmer A. Brown, of A. Brown & Co., merchants.

The contracting couple were unattended. They took the boat at Sarnia for Sault Ste. Marie for a short honeymoon. Their numerous friends extend congratulations.

Harvest Home

The annual Harvest Thanksgiving services will be held in Trinity Church on Sunday next. The rector will conduct the morning service and the sermon will be especially for young people. There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion. The Rev. Prof. Wright M. A., London, will preach in the evening. The thank offering will be given to Huron College.

Lambton's 149 I. O. D. E.

At the regular monthly meeting of Lambton's 149 I. O. D. E. held at the home of Mrs. Harper, on Tuesday, Sept. 17th, there were 13 members present. The meeting was opened with the singing of "God Save the King." The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted. The convener of the knitting committee reported 6 spindles of yarn had been delivered also having packed and sent 21 parcels on Sept. 3rd containing in all 62 pairs of socks and other comforts to men overseas. A letters and parcel was sent Lieut. Bury C. Binks.

The sum of \$25 was voted "The Sailors' Fund." The chapter are indebted to Miss Kelly of Brockport, Alberta, for the gift of a pair of beaded moccasins. A concert will be given in the Lyceum, Fair night, Oct. 3rd, under the auspices of the chapter. Good talent assured, particulars later.

Letters were received by the members from Geo. Mead, Will McNally, Cecil Dean, Corp. G. C. Matthews, W. R. Kent, J. W. Brown, Chas. Lawrence and Lloyd Howden.

The meeting closed with the singing of the National Anthem. October meeting at the home of Mrs. Kelly.

NOW FOR THE FAIR

Make It a Hummer and The Best Ever

Preparations are proceeding for the big fair of the East Lambton Agricultural Society which will be held in Watford on October 2nd and 3rd.

The fair has won the distinction of being one of the leading agricultural exhibitions in Western Ontario, and there is every prospect of that reputation being maintained this year. Everyone should work with that object in view, and all who can should make exhibits of live stock, poultry, fruits, vegetables, grain or in the other departments.

Among the attractions presented by the management will be two good trials of speed on Thursday, Oct. 3rd, as follows:

1.—Purse \$150.00—2.30 class trial, trotters or pacers, mile heats, 3 in 5. 1st \$75.00, 2nd \$37.50, 3rd \$22.50, 4th \$15.00.

1.—Purse \$200.00—Open. Trotters and pacers, mile heats, 3 in 5. 1st \$100.00, 2nd \$50.00, 3rd \$30.00, 4th \$20.00.

Other special features will be three cash prizes for lady drivers, a baby show, patriotic school drills, and other platform attractions.

Altogether the fair this year promises to be as good as any of its predecessors. Let there be no relaxation to make it the best yet.

Come with the crowd and meet your old friends and enjoy an outing.

HELP THE BOYS "OVER THERE" BY SAVING GASOLINE

The Allies need gasoline. Waste none of it on Sunday motoring for pleasure. He who uses it for this purpose stunts those who are fighting our battles. It is the duty of all motor car owners to comply with the Fuel Controller's request to save "gas."

The safety of the State being the supreme law, personal enjoyment must give place to national necessity during war time. To save gasoline is to save money. It will also ensure a more adequate supply of "gas" for the needs of our war machine, which must lack no essential. To comply with the Fuel Controller's request will save \$150,000 on a single Sunday. In gasoline it will also save hundreds of thousands of gallons. A word to the wise motor car owner is sufficient!

To the Patrons of the Roche House

Watford

Owing to the most exorbitant high price of everything used on the table and otherwise in the running of our hotel and the greatly decreased trade which conditions have imposed upon us, we are obliged to raise the price of our hotel sheds, yard, water, etc., privileges from \$2.00 to \$3 for the coming year, commencing October 1st, 1918, to October 1st, 1919. Do not forget the fact that when conditions were different, you enjoyed all these privileges free for a great number of years.

Thanking our patrons for the generous manner in which they responded last year. We will try and keep you warm if the coal holds out.

Yours most respectfully,
ROCHE BROS.

BROOKE

Miss Verna E. Acton left on Monday to attend the London Normal.

Glencoe school children were given a holiday to attend the London fair.

See the new Fordson Tractor and Plow at R. MORNINGSTAR'S, Watford. a 23tf

Anniversary services will be held in Chalmers Church, Brooke, on Sunday next, Sept. 22nd, at 12 noon and 8:30 p.m. Preacher at both services will be Rev. G. B. Ratcliffe, B. A., of Arkona. Special music by the choir.

Harvest Thanksgiving services will be held in Christ Church, Sutorville, on Sunday next. The Rev. Prof. Wright, M.A., of London, will preach at 11 o'clock in the morning, the Rector at 7:30 in the evening. The church will be decorated as usual. The thank offering will be given to the mission work of the church. All welcome.

The annual Harvest Thanksgiving service will be held in St. James Church on Sunday next at three o'clock in the afternoon. The Rev. Prof. Wright, M.A., of London, will preach. The church will be decorated. The thank offering will be given to the mission work of the church. All welcome.

Rev. and Mrs. J. A. Snell, formerly of Brooke Methodist circuit, have received word from their son Jerrold, stating that he has just been promoted to the rank of sergeant. He went to France two years ago this month as a private and has risen to the highest office possible in the C. A. M. C., except for those who are graduates of a medical college.

Three cars on the Glencoe-Petrolia combination train went off the track at Sutorville on Monday morning. The other two cars caught fire, the wooden part being burned, together with their contents, as well as the combination coach. Supt. C. E. Forrester of the London division was on the train at the time of the accident. When the cars left the track he was thrown in such a manner that his wrist was badly bruised.

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