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## LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

THE GUIDE-ADVOCATE welcomes all items of interest for this column. Call Phone 11, send by mail or drop items in GUIDE-ADVOCATE Letter Box.

**PHABOY OVERALLS.**—SWIFT'S. CHOPPING—5 cents at CHAMBERS'. No danger of an ice famine this year.

**COURT LORNS** meets Monday next. Installation of officers.

**PERCY RESTORICK** shipped a car of fine export cattle to Toronto this week.

The Watford Roller Flour Mills shipped a car of their celebrated flour to Hensall the other day.

**ROBES, horse blankets and mitts** at clearing prices at A. BROWN & CO.'s.

The Lambton County Poultry Association will hold its tenth annual show in the town hall, Sarnia, on Jan. 24, 25 and 26.

**NINETEEN candidates** initiated at one meeting about heads the list. This was the record of the Woodmen Wednesday night.

The Good Roads meeting at Ottawa has been postponed until Feb. 7th. Ex-Reeve Stapleford will represent Watford at this meeting.

**YOU GOT your account.** Have you paid it.—SWIFT BROS.

SOME snow shovellers scanning the sky for snow birds Tuesday morning claim to have seen several wild duck flying over the town.

**STRATHROY** will run a special train to Watford on the 30th for the accommodation of those who wish to see the hockey match here on that date.

The Junior Hockey Club will give an informal party in the Lyceum on Friday, Feb. 2nd. The Cortese orchestra of London will furnish the music.

New prints, new gingham, new laces and new embroideries.—A. BROWN & CO.

A LARGE quantity of good clear ice has been packed during the past week. It is the best ice harvested in years, but a little thick for convenient handling.

**MR. JAMES FRAYNE, Alvinston** writes: "Enclosed find \$1.00 for subscription for 1912. I could not do without your paper." Just like the rest of them.

It is said that "A man who squeezes a dollar never squeezes his wife." Looking over our subscription list we are led to believe there are some awfully nice women in this community who are not getting the pressure they deserve.

**LADIES' underwear** at sale prices.—SWIFT'S.

The \$4 Dominion bill, which was never much of a favorite, is to be withdrawn from circulation by the government. They were almost as great a nuisance as the old 20 cent silver coins. The government will issue \$5 bills instead of the old fours.

**THE THIRD CONCERT** of the Presbyterian Concert Series will be given by Ralph E. Bingham, an all round entertainer, with a world-wide reputation, Saturday evening, February 24th. Secure your tickets now. Plan of hall at McLaren's.

The minister of agriculture has adopted a scheme which should prove a benefit to the grain and potato growers of the country. It has been decided to distribute during the winter and spring superior sorts of grain and potatoes to the farmers.

**OUR ready-made clothing department** got soaked with water Thursday morning. We will sell all damaged garments at about half price.—SWIFT'S.

The officers of the Northern Crown Bank are issuing warnings to the branches and to other banks to be on the lookout for bogus ten-dollar Crown Bank bills. The workmanship is not good, particularly on the back, the paper is of poor quality and the bogus bills are thus easily detected.

At the regular meeting of the Council held Monday evening, Nelson Chatterton was appointed town constable at a salary of \$365 per year. The appointment is a good one. Mr. Chatterton is capable and reliable and is a man of good judgment. He commenced his duties Tuesday and will no doubt give the best of satisfaction.

CANADA is not only a country of magnificent distances but one of extreme and varied temperature. A change from 102 the first week in July to 24 below zero on Friday last—126 deg. difference—should provide a temperature in the interim that would be satisfactory to each and everyone. Take your choice. There must be some days during the year that conform with your ideas of climate.

The Women's Home and Foreign Mission Circle of the Watford Baptist Church, held their annual business meeting on Tuesday afternoon, January 16th, at the home of Mrs. Geo. Zavitz. After devotional exercises and appointing of officers a very unpleasant duty was performed in bidding farewell to their late President, Mrs. John Jack, who has been an active worker in all branches of the church, especially in the choir, and will be greatly missed. As a slight token of their love and esteem they presented her with a purse of money. Although taken by surprise, Mrs. Jack made a suitable reply. The meeting closed by singing "Blest be the Tie That Binds."

A few blankets left.—SWIFT'S SALE.

**CLEARING SALE** of clothing at Browns' ALVINSTON JUNIORS beat Sarnia 7-6 at Sarnia on Wednesday.

MR. T. G. MITCHELL shipped a car of oats to Waterloo this week.

**JANUARY THAW**—Thursday the 18th. Can this date for reference.

OUR \$1.50 hat sale. See window.—SWIFT'S.

ALVINSTON wants a scavenger and is advertising for one in our want column.

**COAL**—Try Chambers' genuine Scranton coal and you will use no other.

ANNUAL meeting of the E. L. Agricultural Society to-day (Friday) at one o'clock.

W. W. EDWARDS shipped a double deck of hogs this week, notwithstanding the severe weather.

G. KETTLE is shipping a car of logs a day from the Watford station consigned to McKenzie Bros., of Petrolia.

**MEN'S odd vests**—small sizes only—for 50c.—A. BROWN & CO.

MONTREAL has 94 millionaires. The claim is made that for its size Montreal is the richest city in the world.

The official thermometer at London recorded 24 below zero Friday night, the lowest reached since Jan. 20th, 1892.

The government has decided to appoint a royal commission to thoroughly investigate the affairs of the Farmers Bank.

**CLEAN** off your snow or the new constable will be after you. It is easier to do a half hour's work than to pay \$1.00 and costs.

MRS. FRANK K. MATTHEWS will hold her post-nuptial reception on Friday afternoon, Jan. 26th, and will receive the third Thursday of each month thereafter.

**3 MEN'S fur coats** left, 5 ladies' at sale prices.—SWIFT'S.

REMEMBER the birds, while the snow is thick upon the ground. A few crumbs thrown out in the back yard make an inestimable treasure for the "feathered friends."

MISS MARTHA THOMPSON, teacher, has been confined to the house through illness for the past two weeks and her school on the sixth line is closed until she recovers.

An exchange reports that a woman drove in to do her shopping, but found she had lost her purse. When her husband returned home, something dropped from his pocket. An investigation showed it was the missing purse, with money intact.

The balance of children's and misses' coats at one half price.—A. BROWN & CO.

SENATOR GEORGE W. ROSS, ex-premier of Ontario, is leaving in a few days for Hot Springs, Ark., to receive treatment for rheumatism, which has rendered him an almost helpless cripple. His thousands of warm old friends hope that his sojourn will vastly improve his condition.

The Forest Free Press is now in its 34th year, and the present owner, Mr. H. J. Pettipiece, has been in charge for the past 24 years. We congratulate Bro. Petty on his successful management and prosperity and hope he may continue to be "the patriarch of Lambton newspaperdom," for many years to come. The editor of the Guide-Advocate is content with the title of "The Dean of Lambton Printers."

The regular monthly meeting of Trinity Church Women's Guild was held at the home of Mrs. T. Harris on Thursday, Jan. 11, and the following officers were elected for the present year:—President, Mrs. T. Harris; Vice-President, Mrs. N. B. Howden; Treasurer, Mrs. J. Mitchell; Secretary, Mrs. W. J. Howden. Collectors for east side of town, Mrs. Bennett and Mrs. S. Mitchell. Collectors for west side, Mrs. W. Sedwick and Mrs. H. Restorick.

Out in the Northwest the people began to enjoy life a couple of weeks ago, when the thermometer dropped to 65 below zero. Out there, you know, the cold is never felt unless the mercury hits about 80 below. When the temperature goes higher than 25 below zero the people put on summer underwear and straw hats. Of course, this statement is made from the stories of those who come east for the winter, not from actual experience.

D. A. STEWART, of London, promoter of the London and Northwestern Radial Railway, says they will proceed with their project as soon as spring opens. They intend to get in the railway material by boat at Sarnia and build toward London over the construction as it proceeds. This will save the necessity of carrying material for the road bed over the railways. Mr. Stewart made the following statement to the press:—"I think I can definitely promise that we will begin building from Sarnia toward London as soon as the weather makes it possible."

Now that the snowstorms and blizzards of another winter are upon us, some action should be taken about the matter of shovelling the snow off the sidewalks. It is the duty of each household, those who fail to perform this duty should be notified by the Chief of Police of their obligation in the matter. If it is up to the town to keep the sidewalks clean the council should see that it is done. It is beneath the pride of a progressive village like Watford to allow women to wade through snow a foot and more deep because some citizens are too lazy to do their duty.

**READ the Want Column.**

COLOR-SERGE, KEMSLEY, of E Company, 27th Regt., won the best shot badge for 1911 of regiments in the first military division.

Two rinks of curlers went to Strathroy last Monday for a friendly game. P. E. Fuller skipped one rink with a score of 7 up, but the other rink with J. Livingston as skip was not so successful, the score being 5 down. The return game will be played here next Tuesday.

MR. AND MRS. P. E. FULLER entertained the members of the Watford Bowling Green Syndicate at dinner at their home on Ontario street on Friday evening last. After the tasty and substantial repast had been disposed of the opportunity of presenting Mr. John Jack with an address and a handsome gold-headed cane. The address was read by Mr. J. W. McLaren and the presentation made by Mr. P. J. Dadds. Mr. Jack, who is severing his connection with the town and going to reside in Stratford, has always been active in promoting the welfare of the Syndicate, and much regret is expressed at his departure from the town. Rev. S. P. Irwin, President of the Bowling Club, was also a guest.

At the commencement exercises of the Ridgeway Collegiate Institute held last week, Bert Potter, son of Principal C. Potter, took a prominent part. He gave several selections on his musical bottles and also played in the orchestra. A year ago Bert was confined to the house and could not walk even a few yards. To day his health is so much improved and he is able to attend all practices and take a leading part in the entertainment. The Dominion, a Ridgeway paper, says:—"Bert Potter's selections on the musical bottles (bottles of all kinds and sizes, containing more or less water, his own invention) were received with delight." Bert's many friends in Watford will no doubt be glad to hear that his health has improved so much, and that he could stand the strenuous work of taking part in these commencement exercises.

Miss Sara Mavety is visiting friends in Toronto.

Joseph Acton left on Wednesday for South.

Mr. Butler, Thorold, is the new day operator at the G.T.R.

Mrs. Chas. M. Foster, Erie View, visited at S. W. Louks' last week.

V. R. McCallum, manager of the Sterling Bank, Kerwood, was a Watford visitor.

Miss Ange Mitchell, Strathroy, is the guest of her brother, Mr. T. G. Mitchell, for a few days.

Mr. Ben. Richardson returned Saturday from a week's visit to relatives and friends in Rockford, Ont.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Jack and family left this week for Stratford, where they will make their home in future.

F. W. Rogers went to Sarnia on Wednesday to referee the Sarnia-Alvinston junior O. H. A. game.

Mrs. (Dr.) Shaver, Grindstone City, Mich., was the guest of Mrs. John Wiley for a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Cooke and Albert Cooke were in Petrolia over Sunday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Willoughby.

Mrs. Thos. Brent and Miss Nesbitt, of Watford, and Mrs. Geo. Brent, of Warwick, left for Chicago, Tuesday evening, to visit relatives and friends in that city.

Aubrey Barnes operator at the G.T.R. station here, is in Wyoming this week relieving Mr. T. Davis, who was called to Edmonton on account of his brother being killed there.

**C. O. C. F.**

Watford Council of the Canadian Order of Chosen Friends at their regular meeting on Tuesday evening of last week installed their officers for 1912 and several persons were initiated as members of the Order. J. H. Bell, M. D., Hamilton, Ont., Grand Medical Examiner, was present and conducted the installation ceremony, assisted by Organizer Berdan. The business part of the meeting being concluded, Reeve W. E. Fitzgerald was asked to take the chair. The chairman thanked so many for coming out, notwithstanding the stormy and severe weather and stated many more would have been present had the weather and roads been good. Dr. Bell was then called on and gave one of the most instructive and appropriate addresses ever delivered to Watford audience, dealing specially with the question of heredity and very material in deciding as to the kinds of life insurance risks that should be accepted, even showing that people dying from accident were no exception to the rule. Organizer Berdan spoke in a usually happy and humorous way. Short addresses were also delivered by Organizer Curtis of the Canadian Order of Woodmen of the World, S. W. Louks, John Humphries, Dr. R. G. Kelly, Joseph Acton, Angus Mitchell and several other members of the order, after which all present enjoyed coffee, sandwiches, cakes, etc., served by the ladies. One of the most profitable, enjoyable and social evenings was spent by all, and those absent certainly missed a great treat. Dr. Bell has promised to again favor us with his presence on some future occasion and those who did not hear him may have another opportunity.

## HOCKEY.

**Strathroy Juniors vs. Watford Juniors.**

The Strathroy Juniors defeated the Watford Juniors in a very close game of hockey by a score of 2-1. The half time score was 1-1. In the second half Strathroy managed, by off-sides and rough playing, to again put the rubber in the Watford net. This ended the scoring. The Watford boys lost many fine shots and lacked combination.

**Juniors 4, High School 2.**

The Watford Juniors proved themselves superiors over the Watford High School team in a fast game of hockey on the home rink Monday night. The school boys got the better of the Juniors in the first half by a score of 1-0, and took the lead by a goal in the second half, but their opponents got to work and before the time was up had taken the lead by two goals. The play was clean and few penalties were made.

**Intermediate Hockey.**

Strathroy 10, Watford 4.

The second of the games in group 10, Intermediate O.H.A., in which Watford took part was played in Strathroy on Monday night with the team of that town. About 30 went down from here to see the game which was slimly attended by the townpeople, probably on account of the severe storm. There was nothing exciting about the match. Watford scored first, but before the gong sounded for half time Strathroy scored four, the first half ending: Strathroy 4, Watford 1. The second half started strong and both teams were inclined to mix it, but Referee Waghorne kept the game well in hand. Strathroy scored three, then Watford added three more, leaving the final score, Strathroy 10, Watford 4. Strathroy and Watford have always been rivals and have battled for the hockey supremacy many times and victory perched first on one and then on the other. Watford team does not seem to be in good trim this year and have had both games played in the series. Probably when they go to Sarnia next Monday they will be able to give a better account of themselves. The line-up:—

Watford	Strathroy
Brown..... goal.....	McKellar
Ellis..... point.....	Urquhart
McCallum..... centre.....	McCoy
Thorner..... rover.....	Wilson
Stapleford..... centre.....	McCandless
L. Dadds..... r wing.....	Habibick
Thompson..... l wing.....	Avery
Referee—Waghorne.	

Speaking of the Sarnia-Watford hockey game here last week, the Sarnia Observer says:—"The game was largely attended and was a splendid exhibition of this kind of winter sports. From the time that play started until the game was called the contest was a hard fought one, and was replete with brilliant plays by players on both teams. The game was without doubt one of the best exhibitions of hockey that has been witnessed in Watford for years past. The Sarnia boys and their supporters are considerably elated over this victory, as this is the first time in ten years that a Watford hockey team has met defeat on their own ice."

**Woodmen of the World.**

The annual installation of the officers of Watford Camp No. 23, Woodmen of the World, was held in the lodge room on Wednesday evening. Prior to the installation, Organizer Curtis presented a class of 19 candidates who were duly initiated. The installation ceremony was performed by Head Clerk Jarvis, of present) such a large class for initiation. An interesting address was given by Head Clerk Jarvis showing the substantial increase in membership being made all along the line and relating the phenomenal success attained by the Order. Short addresses were given by a number of others and a pleasant social hour spent. The company broke up about one o'clock well pleased with the evening's entertainment.

**Thanks.**

Parkhill Gazette:—The Watford Guide-Advocate entered on its 38th year of publication on January 5th. We extend our hearty congratulations to Brer Harris on the success he has attained with one of the spiciest exchanges laid on our table.

Forest Standard:—The Watford Guide-Advocate was 37 years old last Friday. It is one of the brightest and newest exchanges coming into our office, and we extend to Editor Harris our hearty congratulations.

## WARWICK.

Mr. James Harrower, Vancouver, B.C., was the guest of his cousin, Mr. James Harrower, 4th line, last week.

Mr. Joseph Keller, 6th line, has disposed of his well-matched black colts rising two and three years old to Arch. Wiley at a good figure.

Clark's Warwick Cheese and Butter Factory shipped 450 lbs. of butter to E. N. Hart, London, last week, receiving 31 cents per lb., f.o.b. Watford for the shipment. Mr. Clark has taken his son into partnership with him and in future the firm will be known as J. S. Clark & Son.

The meeting of the Warwick Branch Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Barnes on Jan. 11th. Members present, 12, visitors 8. The meeting opened by singing "The Maple Leaf" and prayer that God's guidance might be with the members of the Institute during the coming year. A letter of thanks was read from the Secretary of the Sick Children's Hospital, Toronto, thanking the Institute for the gift of a quilt which had been made at the last meeting. Mrs. Mains sang very acceptably "The Star of Robbie Burns" and "The Songs My Mother Used to Sing," which took many minds, in thought, to the land of the heather. A musical selection was nicely rendered by Miss Thompson. Miss Helen Laws, in her paper on "Kingship of Self Control," thought the word kingship better expressed by the word power. Among the many things in our lives over which we should use the power of self control are worry, fear, nagging, gossiping, selfishness in times of grief. How powerful for good would our lives be, if by watching and prayer we gain the kingship of self-control. The next meeting will be held on February 8th at the home of Mrs. Falloun.—ETHEL THOMPSON, Sec. pro tem.

**Public Guarantee.**

That most beautiful picture, entitled "Home Again," has brought such an enormous amount of new subscriptions to The Family Herald and Weekly Star, that the Publishers are finding it impossible to keep up with the filling of orders, but in the columns of that paper this week we notice a positive guarantee from the Publishers that every subscriber to that great weekly for 1912 will receive a copy of the picture, "Home Again." Their guarantee is sufficient although the picture need not feel anxious over the picture. Those who have not yet subscribed to The Family Herald and Weekly Star should do so at once and make sure of having a copy of the picture "Home Again." We learn that the Publishers are contemplating something for next season that will make this picture even more valuable than at present. One dollar pays for a full year's subscription to the paper, and the picture.

**Doan—Bullick.**

A pretty little wedding took place at the Methodist parsonage, Biggar, Sask., on Wednesday, Jan. 10th, when Miss Rachel Bullick, of Watford, Ont., became the bride of Mr. Ben. Doan, of Biggar, Sask. The bride was attired in a charming gown of green broad cloth elaborately trimmed with silk braid and over-lace to match. The bridal party then returned to Mr. Ed. Ferguson's home on Fourth Ave., where a sumptuous dinner was awaiting them. After congratulations and best wishes were tendered the happy couple, they went to their future home south of the town.

**Miss Eva A. Moffatt Dead.**

A very sudden death occurred in Alvinston on January 16th, when Miss Eva Alma, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Moffatt, passed away at the home of her parents. For some time deceased had been troubled with rheumatism, and it finally affected her heart. Deceased was in her 22nd year. She leaves to mourn her loss a father and mother and two sisters, Misses Besse and Wilhelmine, at home. Mr. Moffatt is secretary of the Brooke and Alvinston Agricultural Society, also secretary of the Liberal-Conservative Club.

**NAPIER.**

The W. F. M. S. met at the home of Mrs. (Dr.) Sawers, Wednesday at 3 p.m.

The annual meeting of the congregation was held in St. Andrew's church Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. K. Byron, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Dunlop, for the past six months, left for her home in Detroit Saturday.

Our stage driver, Mr. Moore, was unable to go on his route Tuesday morning on account of the roads being badly drifted. The Alvinston stage also failed to visit our village. Tobogganing and skating is ended for the present, but Napier is not "snowed-in."

A box social under the auspices of the Napier Literary Society will be held in the town hall, on Tuesday evening, Jan. 23rd. Each lady is requested to bring a well-filled box and place her name thereon. Boxes will be sold by auction. Proceeds for the benefit of the Public Library. Officers will be elected for the year and a good program given.

Watford merchants have the goods and meet all price competition.