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## LOCAL HAPPENINGS

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

SUNDAY next is St. Andrew's Day. TAILORING in city style.—SWIFTS.

THE most miserable people are the ones who make pleasure a business.

J. W. McLAREN's south window is entirely devoted to a display of PEP'S. Did you ever use Peps?

THE season will soon be here when we compare the smallness of our purses with the largeness of our hearts.

RAYO LAMPS \$1.65 and \$2.00, Rayo Lamps \$5.50, fancy parlor lamps \$1.25 to \$6.50 at HOWDEN'S.

SPECIAL sale of men's and boys' Overcoats Saturday.—SWIFTS.

No Housewife can make a "business matter" of the buying for the home unless she is a persistent reader of the ads.

A NUMBER of the friends of Mr. W. J. Trenchon enjoyed some very tasty venison which he generously sent round to them last week.

THE Strollers' Male Quartette is under the auspices of the Board of Education. Give a good thing a boost. In the Lyceum to-night, (Thursday.)

SEE our fine display of skates and accessories.—T. DODDS & SON.

GRISL'S coats, fine warm ones, ages 8 to 12 years, \$2.50 and \$3.50.—SWIFTS.

AN item on the changes in the election law will be found on another page. As the municipal elections are drawing near workers and others should post themselves regarding these changes.

THE Postoffice Department has issued a circular announcing that the postal service to Turkey and the Balkans has been completely re-established, and that firearms cannot be mailed to Mexico.

If people were as careful about their religion as they are about the clothes they wear to church, what a pleasant place this old earth would be.

GRISL'S coats, heavy grey and tan chinchilla coats, ages 8, 10 and 12, special price \$6.50.—SWIFTS.

WHEAT taken in exchange for bread and pastry flour at R. HASKETT'S.

THE blacksmiths of Watford and Warwick Village have raised the price of horse shoeing. After Dec. 1st new shoes will cost 35c cash or 40c credit; setting 15c cash or 20c credit.

MR. FITZGERALD was wearing a buttonhole bouquet of pansies on Monday, picked from his garden. This beats the second-growth raspberries exhibited in the early part of the month.

If some people spent half the time attending to their own business that they do looking after and into other people's, what a happy and prosperous home they would have and how intensely delighted would be their neighbors.

CHRISTMAS raisins, currants, nuts, peels and all other holiday supplies now in. Everything choice and fresh.—P. DODDS & SON.

OUR ladies' coats are smart in style and right in price, heavy, warm garments, \$7.50, \$9.00, \$12.50. You save \$3 on every coat.—SWIFTS.

SINCE the recent big storm that swept over Lake Huron there is now about forty feet more of beach at the shore in the vicinity of the new Sarnia water-works. The water extended so far up the beach during the storm that the ballast for the railway track and switch was completely washed away.

ON Sunday evening next, Nov. 30th, in the Congregational Church, Rev. R. Stevenson will deliver a special lecture on "The Scottish Covenanters." This will be the first of a series of monthly evening lectures on historical subjects which Mr. Stevenson intends delivering (D.V.) throughout the coming winter. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

CUT GLASS, fancy china and brass goods in pieces suitable for Christmas and wedding gifts just arrived.—THE N. B. HOWDEN EST.

WHEN the publisher of a local newspaper advertises that his paper at \$1 a year is the best value to be had in the town, do not put him down as a falsifier. Remember that when turkeys were \$1 each and eggs eight cents a dozen, every local weekly newspaper in the country was \$1 a year and the majority of them have still stuck to the one dollar rate.

HERE is a bargain. Fifty up-to-the-minute suits and overcoats made to order. No better goods made. Correct in cut, style and finish.—SWIFTS' Tailoring Dept.

To those merchants who are not regular patrons of our advertising columns we wish to offer our services in bringing their business prominently before the public during the Christmas shopping season. Our charges for advertising space are very moderate and we are firmly convinced that the merchants of Watford are offered no better means of putting their goods before the public and thus increasing sales and profits.

RUBBER boots, overshoes and rubbers, all of the best quality, new goods, all sizes, also a full line of boots and shoes for men, women and children. Get our prices. See the goods.—P. DODDS & SON.

THE real Scotch blanket at Swifts'.

COUNCIL meeting next Monday night. SEE our display of carpet sweepers.—T. DODDS & SON.

R. E. JOHNSTON shipped two cars of turkeys for Ivor & Son on Wednesday.

A MAN with ideas always has enemies—but seldom as many ideas as enemies.

GET your next order of groceries here, we sell good goods.—R. HASKETT.

THE increased cost of living doesn't seem to make any difference with the bed bug.

THE man who thinks he is a lady killer is what the ladies designate as something soft.

MR. W. J. MITCHELL, of Toronto, is visiting his brother, Mr. S. H. Mitchell, Main street.

THE original Khorassan Persian tufted rugs, 27 x 36 and 36 x 63. See these beauties.—SWIFTS.

BROWN BROS., Arkona, shipped a car of apples this week from Watford to Montreal.

MR. NEWMAN, night-operator at Watford Station, has returned to his home in New Ontario.

MR. CLEM HINDS, night watchman, at the Avaporator, left for his home in Conway Ont., this week.

TAX COLLECTOR CAMERON requests all who have not yet paid their taxes to do so as soon as possible.

TABLE cutlery, carving sets, pocket cutlery and razors, all prices and best quality possible for the money.—THE HOWDEN EST.

MR. SAM COOKE, of the Empire Hotel, Regina, who has been spending a couple of weeks in this vicinity, returned home on Monday.

PROBABLY the most noteworthy event in the grocery trade is the decline in the price of canned tomatoes. This is one bright spot in the high cost of living gloom.

THERE will be a special meeting of Court Lodge, C. O. F., this (Friday) evening. Organizer W. H. McLeish will be present and several candidates will be initiated.

500 MEN'S corduroy trousers, all the new attachments, \$3.50.—SWIFTS.

THE regular meeting of the Daughters of the Empire will be held Dec. 2nd at the home of Mrs. S. Mitchell, Mrs. Bennett assisting. Quotations, Suggestions on Xmas giving. Members are requested to be there at 3 o'clock sharp.—S.H.C.

HORSE BLANKETS, halters, cow chains, lanterns, pails and stable fittings of all kinds. See our \$2.00 "Stayon" blanket.—THE N. B. HOWDEN EST.

THE Strollers' Quartette, of Chicago, to-night, (Thursday.) This is one of the best male quartettes in town. Aside from their singing they give a varied program, which is sure to be appreciated by all. Redpath concerts are always good.

THE campaign of self-denial in the matter of eating eggs is rapidly spreading over the entire country. There are 12,000 club women alone who have joined the ranks of those who will refrain from using eggs until the price becomes reasonable.

WALL PAPER in a great variety of patterns, from the cheapest to the best. Also a few remnants at remarkably low price.—P. DODDS & SON.

AS the Christmas season approaches there will be as usual a number of people writing Christmas in an abbreviated form—Xmas. How would Christian look written "Xian"? And yet it would be just as proper as the other, which, of course, is not proper at all.

AN address will be given in the Presbyterian church on Friday evening at 8 o'clock by Rev. Gillies Eadie, of Honan, China, on "China and Our Work There." Mr. Eadie is a most interesting speaker and no one should fail to be present.

You will confer a great favor on our firm if you pay your account before Dec. 4th.—E. D. SWIFT.

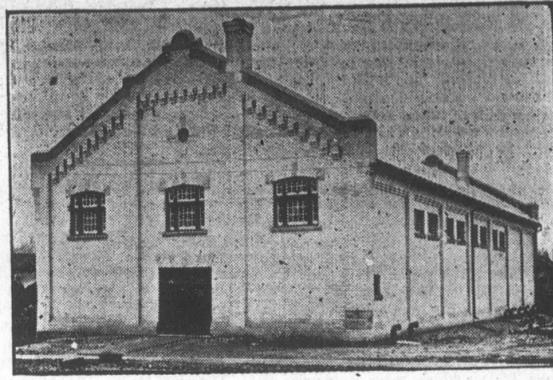
SOME time next year a tour of the principal towns of Canada will be made by a train containing exhibits of British factory products. It is probable that each class of exhibits will be grouped in a car by itself. The exhibition train will stay in a town at least two days and in the more important centres a week or longer.

To make the farm pay all it can pay, should be the object of every good farmer, not to impoverish the land, but to handle it as a business proposition. Do this and you are bound to succeed. The Weekly Sun, Toronto, the farmer's business paper, can help you. Send the publishers a post card, they will be pleased to furnish free sample copies.

NEARLY time for that Christmas cake. Raisins 10c, currants 10c, seeded raisins 12½c, mixed peels 25c, shelled nuts 50c, raw sugar, gingerbread molasses, highest quality and reasonable prices.—THE HOWDEN EST.

AT the public school one day this week, a teacher asked a young boy a question that required an affirmative or negative answer, and he replied, "Yep." "Yep," said the teacher, "is not a good word. If you mean yes, why say yes, not yep. Now will you remember that?" The little fellow unhesitatingly replied, "Yep."

READ our ad., it will save you dollars during the month.—SWIFTS.



WATFORD ARMORY—OPENED NOV. 20TH, 1913.

THERE is a slight drop in the price of hogs.

SEE our north window for skates.—T. DODDS & SON.

A NUMBER of new books have been received at the Library. The list will be published next week.

MR. AND MRS. HUGH WHITE, of Ewart, Mich., are the guests of their nephew, Mr. P. J. Dodds.

FRANK RESTORICK shipped to Montreal on Monday last one of the finest lots of heavy horses ever exported from here.

ALL persons having accounts against the corporation of Watford are requested to send them in to the Clerk by Monday next, Dec. 1st.

BATHROOM towels, 40c. per pair, linen department.—SWIFTS.

THERE will be a special arch meeting of L. O. L. 505 in their lodge room this (Friday) night at usual hour. Important business.

WEDNESDAY was turkey shipping day and a string of teams two blocks long could be seen waiting to unload the fowl at the freight sheds.

THIS has been a grand week for the masons to finish up their fall work. The brick work on Dr. McGillivuddy's new building is about completed.

WE have a very handsome assortment of china, lamps, etc., suitable for Christmas. Selections made now will be placed away until you need them.—P. DODDS & SON.

THE A. Y. P. A. purpose holding a bazaar in the basement of Trinity Church on Friday, December 5th. Useful articles for Christmas will be offered for sale.

MISS TILLOTSON, from Hawaii Islands, an electionist and entertainer, will give an entertainment in the school room of Trinity Church on Wednesday, December 10th. Particulars later.

MISS WILLIAMS will have a special clearing sale of children's hats and bonnets for one week. Everything at half price, in order to make space for our new Christmas goods.

If you are looking for a dinner set, we can please you from \$9.00 up. Genuine Bridal Rose dinner set with every piece stamped \$20.00 per set. Tea sets \$4.00 to \$8.50 at HOWDEN'S.

THE regular meeting of the A. Y. P. A. was held in the school room on Tuesday evening, November 25th. Interesting and instructive papers were read by members of the society on "The Life and Epistles of St. Paul."

A copy of the Maple Creek News, published in Maple Creek, Sask., gives a description of the thriving little town of Forres, where Mr. Murdo McLeay, formerly of Watford, is located. His son-in-law, Mr. J. P. Mitchell, erected the first building in the town, and is now postmaster of the place. Mr. McLeay is assistant postmaster.

MISS NESBITT will have a display of her Christmas goods at Harper Bros. store this year, commencing Friday, Dec. 5th, until Christmas. Have a pretty line of water color work in cards, silk work, and pictures. Kindly call and see if I cannot suit you in a pretty present for the holidays. n28-tx

\$20.00 tweed suits for \$16.50, Irish, Scotch and English, made to order.—SWIFTS.

MR. THOS. PAUL, Wyoming, D. D. G. M., of St. Clair District, A. F. & A. M., made an official visit to Havelock Lodge on Tuesday night. After the business of the lodge had been concluded a delicious oyster supper was served at Lovell's popular restaurant. Mr. Paul was the guest of W. M. Millar over night.

A MEETING to re-organize the hockey club for the season was held in P. Podds' store on Monday evening. A number of enthusiastic hockey players were present. P. J. Dodds was elected president, C. W. Wilson manager, and T. L. Swift secretary. It was decided to join the O. H. A., and enter the Inter-mediate series.

THE municipal pot is not yet simmering. Talk is plentiful as to what should be done in municipal affairs but so far we have not heard anyone state definitely that he is a candidate for municipal honors. A number of names are being put forward as being good men for reeve or councillor and in all probability there will be several new names on the ballot for 1914.

## OPENING OF NEW ARMORY

A LARGE GATHERING, SOME INTERESTING SPEECHES AND EXCELLENT MUSIC

Watford's new \$10,000 armory building was thrown open to the public on Friday evening last and the event was attended by a large number of people. After due time had been allowed for visitors to inspect the building, the gathering was called to order by Reeve S. Stapleford, who, as chairman of the meeting, welcomed the visitors.

A number of short congratulatory speeches were given. Among the speakers were Colonel W. E. Hodgins, of London, commanding No. 1 division; J. E. Armstrong, M. P., East Lambton; R. J. McCormick, M. P., East Lambton; Mr. John Farrell, Forest; Lieutenant Colonel D. A. Bentley, A. M. C., Sarnia; Neil McDougal, I. P. S., Rev. Mr. Connolly, of Japan; Rev. Mr. Currie, and others.

Colonel Hodgins explained that the armory was, of course, for military purposes first of all, and he hoped that the placing of the building here would be the means of strengthening the two companies of the 27th now stationed here. He also hoped that the military men and the people of Watford generally should spend many happy hours in the building. He cited the many advantages of a military training, both physically and morally. It was necessary to use all reasonable precautions for the defence of the country and to be prepared at any time for war.

J. E. Armstrong, M. P., emphasized that the armory was a public building for the use of the people regardless of political leanings. There was no better town anywhere in Canada. Liberals were as welcome as Conservatives to take part in the benefits accruing from the building. It was for the use of the whole community and he hoped that all would do what they could for the development of the militia. While all wished for peace there was no better way to ensure it than being adequately prepared for war. What he had done towards securing the armory could not have been accomplished without the backing up of Capt. Kelly and brother officers. The interest taken by the people of Watford in military matters also helped to bring such a building to town. He hoped that the men and women would use it to entertain and be entertained, and that all such meetings would help to stimulate a military spirit in the community.

The Reeve read regrets from Hon. W. J. Hanna and Dr. Fairbank. During the evening Finney's orchestra, of Detroit, played several excellent selections.

Major E. W. Shannon, of the divisional staff, London, and several officers of the 20th Regt. were among those present.

## DESCRIPTION OF THE ARMORY

The building is a substantial structure 92x42 feet, built of white brick with manufactured stone facings. The walls are 16 inches thick. There are eight oblong windows on each side near the roof, six at the rear and three in front. Large double doors open into the drill hall, a room 39x58 feet. At the rear of this are three rooms 24x12 for arms, clothing, etc. Over these are three more rooms for the use of the officers. These are approached by stairs and a gallery the entire width of the building. Solid purlins, 6x12 inches, support the roof which is covered with Art metal shingles. The interior woodwork is white pine with hard maple floor set in cement. The smaller rooms are heated by a Kelsey hot air generator and the drill hall by a large coal stove. In the basement is a rifle-practice range the entire length of the building. This is equipped with two sub-target Ross rifles, adjustable to three positions. These rifles register the shots on a small card adjusted on the rifle as well as on the larger target at the end of the range. The basement is lighted in the day time by luxur prisms and has eight six-inch ventilators. Up and down-stairs rooms are brilliantly illuminated at night by electric lights, controlled by a number of switches. The building is a very substantial structure and is furnished with every convenience. The contractor, Mr. R. C. McLeay, may justly feel proud of the structure, and his work has been highly commended by the government inspectors, who took it

off his hands last week. Mr. McLeay did the work in a conscientious manner and in the best way possible. The brick work was done by W. Marwick and the carpenter work by Stevenson and McClelland, the painting by P. J. Hughes, the heating and tynwork by the Howden Est., and the electric lighting by Geo. Chambers.

## The Armory Ball

The long looked forward to ball in connection with the opening of the new Armory was a grand success. About 1900 dancers were in attendance. The rooms were decorated in a most tasteful manner with flags, bunting, patriotic pictures, crossed rifles, etc., and excellent music was furnished by Finney's orchestra, of Detroit. The charming women, many of whom were richly and beautifully gowned, the brilliant uniforms of the officers, and the regulation evening dress of the other men, as they intermingled in the dance to the entrancing music, made a kaleidoscopic picture long to be remembered by those present. A dainty lunch, presided over by some of the matrons, with redcoated assistants, was served in one of the rear rooms. Dancing was kept up till about 3 a. m.

Owing to the almost impassable state of the roads, driving was out of the question, consequently nearby towns were not largely represented, but among the guests from a distance were noticed Col. W. E. Hodgins, Major Shannon, Mrs. McConnell, Miss M. Taylor and Mr. Ger. Taylor, of London; Mr. John Farrell, Forest; Miss Davis, Mitchell; Col. and Mrs. Bentley, Mr. and Mrs. A. K. Wanless, Miss A. L. Kelly, Mr. J. M. McAdams, Mr. R. V. Lesueur and Mr. John Simpson, Sarnia; Miss Brock, J. E. Armstrong and Neil McDougal, Petrolia; Lieuts. Cuddy, Campbell, Cheslham, Jay, McDougal and Gough, of Strathroy; Miss Mustard, Miss R. Robinson, Miss S. McIntyre, Miss McIntosh, Dr. W. Reid, Mr. J. Anderson and Mr. A. Canton, Wyoming.

WE are showing fine heavy made trousers for \$1.75, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00.—SWIFTS.

COLONEL HODGINS expressed himself as being exceedingly pleased with the reception given him on entering the Armory Thursday evening, where he was met by a squad of the Militia in charge of Lieut. Browne. The moment the Colonel entered the building the boys came to attention and saluted. It tickled the jovial Colonel as he was not expecting anything of the kind, and he thinks the boys are made of the right stuff to make good soldiers.

A LANTERN LECTURE will be given in the Congregational Church Watford on Thursday Evening, Dec. 4th, at 8 o'clock, by the Rev. H. D. Arty, Whitmore, first Congregational Church, London. Subject: Ten years missionary labour among the deep sea fishermen of Newfoundland. The lecture will be illustrated with beautiful slides and will prove exceedingly interesting to all who can attend. Admission: Adults 25c., Children 15c.

YOU will save from \$2 to \$4 on every set of furs. Will you save it?—SWIFTS.

GUY BROTHERS MINSTRELS gave a most amusing performance in the Lyceum on Saturday evening to a good sized audience. This was the first appearance of this excellent company in Watford and they were warmly received, and had it not been for the bad roads they would have had a capacity house. Every number on the program was good, and the band and orchestra music was greatly enjoyed by all. It is to be hoped that they will take Watford in on their next tour.

AT a cateria tea in connection with the anniversary services of the Brantford Congregational Church last week the pastor, Rev. Mr. Kelly, (formerly of Watford) gave a splendid outline of the history of the church which was organized in 1835. The church enjoys the distinction of being one of the oldest in not the oldest in the city. The present building was erected in 1864. The Courier says:—"The church has enjoyed the services of the best of pastors. Under the present pastor the work has gone on exceedingly well."

INTERESTING facts regarding the results of a decade's warfare against the ravages of consumption are contained in a circular which has just been issued by the National Sanitarium Association in order that Clergymen taking part in Tuberculosis Sunday, on Nov. 30th, may be possessed of the latest statistics. The most striking result of the analysis of vital record for the Province of Ontario is that, compared with eleven years ago, and despite the large increase in the population during that time, there is a total decrease of 900 in the annual number of deaths. In 1911 there were 32,400 victims of consumption; in the year 1921 the total was 22,500. This is the more remarkable, too, in view of the large increase in the population of urban centres, where the overcrowding contributes largely to the spread of the disease. In its history of fifteen years the National Sanitarium Association has had under treatment 70,000 patients, many of whom were in advanced and hopeless stages. Of these over 4,000 have been sent back to their homes either cured or in much improved health.

8 LADIES' SUITS, size 34 and 38, \$10.00, regular \$15.00. Come quick.—SWIFTS.