

Guide-Advocate

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NOTE AND COMMENT.

Madame Nordica is gone, but thanks to modern invention, her voice does not depart with her and remains to delight future generations.

What nobody in this country can understand is why Sicilians persist in building villages on the chin of a volcano when the fate of former villages is so well known.

It is now optional with all municipalities to hold elections on New Year's Day. This privilege was formerly enjoyed by Toronto alone, but at the recent session of the Legislature a bill was passed permitting any municipality to change its election date to the first of the year.

An analysis of automobile registration in Ontario for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1913 shows the number of automobiles owned by residents of the province to be 16,458, with a total seating capacity of 78,981, or accommodation for one out of every 33 persons in the province; 3,161 are owned in rural parts and villages, 1,600 being the property of farmers.

Hon. James S. Duff, Minister of Agriculture, says that only fifteen per cent. of the farms of Ontario are now under mortgage, and these are decreasing yearly. The farmers are the people with the money, apparently, and as proof of this Mr. Duff finds that the total amount of farm moneys on deposit has increased from 15 to 20 per cent., the aggregate amount being over one hundred millions, and the aggregate wealth totalling \$1,405,950,940.

Immigrant Competition

Canada, Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa are all competing for the same class of British emigrant. None of them want mechanics, tradesmen, clerks or the seekers after soft jobs. All are after farmers, agricultural laborers and domestic servants and immigrants

with capital who are prepared to go on the land. Britain, on the other hand, is becoming alarmed over the inroads made on its rural population. It has a class whose departure would be welcomed, but that class is far from acceptable to the dominions, and the feeling of antagonism is more likely to increase than diminish.

Competition for the men who are willing and able to settle on the land will certainly become keener and will be heightened by the efforts made in Britain to retain its tillers of the soil.

An Exciting Experience

(Petroleum Advertiser)
George Snider, a Petroleum driller, who has spent a number of years drilling in Mexico, arrived in town penniless, on Saturday, after a very exciting experience.

Mr. Snider and Frank Lawson, also of Petrolia, have been engaged in drilling in Tampico district, and, until recently, were not effected by the disturbance, as their operations were being conducted under the protection of the British flag. However, it appears that the rebels, either collectively or individually, are no respecter of flags, and on April 22nd, the rig was destroyed and Snider and Lawson warned to leave the country and given only two hours in which to do so. Profiting by the experience of Benton, both men made a hasty exit, Lawson finding refuge on a British man-of-war, and Snider on an oil steamer which conveyed him to Galveston, Texas, where he arrived clothed in his working clothes and without funds, having left he stated his position furnished transportation to Detroit and gave him a five dollar bill, and friends in Detroit furnished transportation here. When he arrived in Petrolia, the Petroleum representative of the English company for whom Mr. Snider was working, and who cabled to King after spending Sunday receiving the congratulations of his friends on his escape, left on Monday for Oil Springs where he will rest at the home of his brother-in-law, Wm. Cameron.

Glencoe horse show will be held on June 3rd.

Wm. Smithman, grain buyer at Caradoc Station, is dead.

Forest electric light plant cost the town \$31,005.81.

Duncan McArthur an esteemed citizen of Glencoe, died of pleurisy last week.

Strathroy has a new steel water wagon costing \$400, to water the town streets.

Alvinston will celebrate Victoria Day on May 25th and a baseball tournament will be the chief attraction.



Wall Paper

BEFORE you decide on that wall papering come into this store and see the latest designs that we have just taken into stock. Much of the value of wall paper depends on effect and artistic combination.

Let our experience with hundreds of other customers help you. Come in to-day.

Have you seen our spring stock of shoes? Some odd lines to be cleared out regardless of cost.

P. Dodds & Son

SWIFTS - OUR - SWIFTS MAY SPECIALS

Grand display of Floor Rugs, full range of sizes up to 4x4, lovely new patterns, come now while our range is complete, price from 5 to 50 Dollars.

Our stock of Dress Silks, yard wide, in all the new shadings and weaves, new patterns for 24th May.

Another stock of our yard wide blacks at 1.00 and 1.25.

These are the two best silks shown in Ontario for the price.

See our window of Silk Dresses at \$10.00 each, nothing nicer at the price, fine lot of stylish garments, a crisp lot, the newest thing.

We are showing a lot of Wash Dresses at 1.00 to 8.00, just in for 24th May.

Lace Curtains direct from Martin and Halliwell, Nottingham, England, per S. S. Trunisian, 29 styles, in cream, ecru and white, 2 1/2 and 3 yds long, lovely goods, correct in style, both patterns and design, the lot of curtains are much less than regular price, at.....85c to \$4.00 a pair

Ladies, our stock of Underwear, Hosiery and Gloves will surprise you. Special Silk Hose at 50, 75 and 1.00.

Ladies' Lisle Combinations at 75c and 1.00. Children's black and colored Silk Hose at 25 and 40c to 50c are specials.

Long Gloves in cotton, lisle and silk.

We would call special attention to our stock of ladies' and men's Waterproof Coats, the Raglan style is correct at present. Our showing comprises the new tweed effects from 8.00 to 12.00, and other good coats in men's at 6.75 to 10.00; in ladies from 4.50 to 7.50 and out coats at 10.00 and fine garments.

Clothes don't make the man, but it helps out. We can fit you up in a 24th May Suit with cut, style and finish that any young Canadian can feel proud of. Look through our styles and compare our prices and we leave the rest with yourself.

NEW COATS FOR 24th OF MAY OPEN SATURDAY.

Swift, Sons & Co. - Direct Importers

WANT COLUMN.

All notices in this column are strictly cash. If orders are telephoned The Guide-Advocate you are in town, so they will not have to be carried through the books.

CLIMAX WALLPAPER CLEANER, can't be beat.—For sale by A. WEIGER, Main street. m8-3t

Wool wanted.—At Strathroy Woollen Mills, 17 to 18 cents per lb paid for unwashed wool until June 30th. m15-4t

I. J. Hastings has put in a new up-to-date machine for sharpening lawn mowers. Good work guaranteed. Shop, Warwick street. m15-3t

WANTED.—Experienced cook, general. No housemaid's work required to be done. No washing or ironing. Apply this office. m1-3t

FOR SALE OR RENT.—Comfortable frame house and stable on St. Clair street. Possession 18th May.—Apply to J. F. ELLIOT, Watford. m8-2t

Rose Combed Black Minorca eggs for hatching purposes for sale. Special prices when several settings purchased. Now is the time to get this excellent rare laying fowl. Apply to W. E. Fitzgerald, Watford. m8-3t

CARD OF THANKS.—The family of the late Mrs. Robert Collier wish to thank the kind friends and neighbors for many evidences of goodwill and sympathy at the time of their sad bereavement in the death of their mother. m8-3t

FOR SALE.—House and lot on corner of Erie and Wall street, Village of Watford. Will be sold at a bargain as owner is leaving town. For particulars apply to owner on premises.—ROBERT CARROLL. m8-3t

CARRIAGE PAINTING.—Have fitted up a carriage painting department in connection with my blacksmith business. A first class man engaged. Buggies, wagons, or any vehicle painted in a workmanlike and artistic manner. Terms reasonable.—R. E. WALKER, Watford. m8-3t

THE MERCHANTS' BANK OF CANADA

President.....SIR H. MONTAGU ALLEN
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General Manager.....E. F. HEDDERN

Paid-up Capital.....\$6,000,000
Reserve Fund and Undivided Profits.....5,458,878
Deposits Nov. 30, 1911.....63,494,580
Assets Nov. 30, 1911.....81,928,960

107 BRANCHES IN CANADA.

General Banking Business transacted. SAVINGS DEPARTMENT at all Branches. Deposits of \$1.00 and upwards received and interest allowed at best current rates.

Watford Branch :- F. KENWARD, Manager

BIG SHIPMENTS OF LUMBER

WE have received this week 5 cars. We have bought this at a bargain and must sell likewise.

SEE US FOR SILOS

WE recommend cypress silos. Cypress is recognized as the leading lumber of the day. We buy direct from the mills and can save you the middleman's profits.

CHOICE CEDAR POSTS.

WATFORD PLANING MILLS
ESTABLISHED 1870.
GEORGE CHAMBERS

ARKONA

Will Bell, of Norwich, spent the week end with his father Mr. William Bell.

Thos. Wilson, of London, spent Sunday with his brother Mr. Richard Wilson.

Five auto loads took in the Dukes reception at Sarnia last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Stephenson left on Monday to spend the summer with friends near Ingersoll.

Sole agents for Chi-Namel.—Brown Bros.

The general stores in Arkona, will be closed Wednesday afternoons during, June, July and August.

Mr. N. C. Eastman is spending a few days with son Ray, in Tilbury.

Miss Ethel Smith, of Detroit, is spending the week with her mother Mrs. D. Smith.

Miss Mabel Jackson left on Monday for Sudbury, where she will spend the summer with Mr. and Mrs. A. Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Conlic, of Brooks, Sask., made a short visit with Arkona friends on Saturday.

Are you going to paint your house this spring? If so let us tell you about the Martin Senour proposition.—Brown Bros.

Decoration Day at the Arkona cemetery will be held Monday, May 25th. Everybody welcome to plant flowers on their plots.

Mrs. Newton of Calgary, Alta., and Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Wright of Aylmer, spent Sunday with Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Wright.

At the annual meeting of the Arkona branch of the Women's Institute held at the home of Mrs. W. Lucas the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. H. Rook; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. E. M. Copeland; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. W. Lucas; Sec.-Treas., Miss A. Carnaghan; Ass. Sec., Miss M. Jackson. The delegates to the annual meeting at Watford were Mrs. W. Eastman, Mrs. S. Lampan and Mrs. W. H. Lackham; the Dis. Director, Mrs. R. Wilson. A dainty lunch of cake and ice cream was served at the close of the meeting.

Miss A. Rae of Sarnia is visiting Mrs. R. A. Home.

Robert Fitzsimmons and Jacob Smith left for the Northwest this week.

We carry a beautiful range of Embroidery Flouncings, 27 inches and 45 inches wide.—Fuller Bros.

Miss Pearl Maidment and Miss Wills, of Forest, spent Saturday in town last.

Miss Rosa Brown spent Sunday in Watford.

WISBEACH

Mr. and Mrs. R. Freele, Strathroy, visited Mr. and Mrs. Nat Conkey, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Reg. McIntosh, Watford called on main road friends Sunday.

Mr. Ed. Cundick motored to London Sunday, visiting his parents there.

Mr. Norman McIntosh, Strathroy visited his brother James, Sunday.

Mr. Harry Williams visited friends in Watford Sunday. Mr. Williams has his auto running again. The girls want to look out now.

Andy Iles has an attack of sciatica. We hope to hear of his speedy recovery.

Dr. Chester Wallace, Ingersoll, and Earl Wallace, Flint, are home on account of their father's illness.

Mr. Ashel Bryson visited friends Strathroy.

Mr. Willie Bryson and sister Mag were the guests of Lorne Marshall 2 line north.

Mr. Jas Wiley has invested in a goline spray motor outfit.

Miss Ella Watson is spending a days at Jas. Wilson's.

Jas. Macklin, Sarnia, spent Sunday Jno. Watson's.

Jas. McIntosh lost a very valuable rat on Monday, which died from the effect of distemper.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Watson renewing old acquaintance in Strat one day last week.

Dr. Hume, wife and family making flying visit to Mr. and Mrs. Will Hove.

Mr. Will Williams has returned Arkona, after spending the week at home here.

Mr. Geo. Conkey has disposed of his lawn by planting trees.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Marshall Sunday at their aunt's, Mrs. Cartl.

The farmers in this vicinity are anxious about their crops, it has the dampest season for some time.

Basil Watson is all smiles this one gosling.

Mr. W. E. Parker has recently ached from a well known breed registered durham cow and a six old heifer calf.

WHAT MOTHERS SAY OF BABY'S OWN TABLETS

Thousands of mothers use medicine for their little ones but Baby's Own Tablets. Once a mother the Tablets she will use no other. Concerning them Mrs. Bunn, Clifford, Ont., writes: "I find twenty-five cents for another Baby's Own Tablets, as I won't without them. When baby is ailing I give him a tablet or two and soon he is happy again. I have no other medicine to equal find them far superior to C Tablets. The Tablets are sold by medicine or by mail at 25 cents a box. Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Ont."