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## LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

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

**SPECIALS in dress goods.—SWIFT'S.**  
How do you like the new system of street lighting?

**CLOCKS, watches and jewelry.** A good assortment at Dowding's.

**MRS. E. D. SWIFT and daughter Vera** were in Petrolia this week.

**BOYS' FANCY OVERCOATS,** worth up to \$5.00, for \$3.50.—A. BROWN & CO.

**MISS LAURA RICHARDSON, Inwood,** spent Sunday at her home here.

**FINEST stock of ladies' hand bags** ever shown.—McLaren's.

**COURT LORNE** meets next Monday. Nomination of officers for 1912.

**15 GIRLS' COATS,** to fit girls 14, 16, 18, \$5.00 each, regular \$7.50.—SWIFT'S.

**MISS LORRETTA ROCHE, Forest,** spent 24: week end at her home here.

**MR. JOHN HASTINGS, Petrolia,** spent several days in Watford this week.

**THE Local Option** by-law is published in this issue. Read it and get posted.

**MEN'S Monarch Knit sweater coats** at \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.00.—A. BROWN & CO.

**ALL municipal councils** meet Dec. 15th to close up the business of the year.

**THERE** will be three members of the Board of Education to be elected in January.

**PETROLIA and Alvinston** will likely enter the Intermediate O. H. A. this winter.

**BLACK COATS,** sizes 38, 40, 42, 44, regular \$10.00 to \$12.50, special price \$7.50.—SWIFT'S.

**SIDE COATS,** back coats and barettas, all guaranteed at Dowding's. A special from factory.

**MRS. COOMBS, Prince Albert, Sask.,** visited at A. Mitchell's, Front street, last week.

**THE Whitney Government** starts with seventeen elected by acclamation last Monday.

**A FUR LINED CAPE** for old ladies for \$5.00, regular \$10.00 and \$12.50.—SWIFT'S.

**F. J. HUGHES and John Doar** will be the Deputy Returning Officers for Watford next Monday.

**BOOKS, books, books** for everybody at McLaren's—never had such a fine collection of good books.

**REV. J. A. MACDONALD, editor** of the Toronto Globe, will address the electors of Petrolia Friday.

**H. M. S. MEMPHIS, first floor.—SWIFT BROS.**

**MRS. A. G. BROWN** has returned from Ancaster, where she has been attending her mother who is very ill.

**IT** is not unlikely that there will be an issue of the Canadian silver dollar before the new year sets in.

**MEN'S NECKWEAR, shirts and braces** in fancy boxes for Christmas.—A. BROWN & CO.

**A SYNOPSIS** of the election expenses of J. E. Armstrong, M. P., will be found in another column. The total amounts to \$43.07.

**IT** is said that the crowd at the nomination meeting Monday was the largest that ever attended a convention in Watford.

**HAND MIRRORS** and military brushes at Dowding's. Can't be beat for quality and price.

**WE** had shipped us this week a case of snail marmot furs. You save 35 per cent. on every purchase.—SWIFT'S.

**A LARGE** consignment of fancy china suitable for wedding and Christmas presents just to hand at P. Dodds & Son's. See these goods.

**THE Deputy Returning Officers** for the municipal election on New Year's Day are: For division 1, Alex. Cameron, division 2, W. J. Howden.

**MRS. LEWIS, mother** of Mrs. O. Jacklin, who has spent the past few weeks visiting relatives and friends in Indiana, returned home last Friday.

**10 PER CENT.** cash discount on every suit or overcoat sold this month.—A. BROWN & CO.

**SUPPORTERS** of R. J. McCormick will meet at Mr. Treboth's store this (Friday) evening, Dec. 8th, to appoint scrutineers and for general business.

**WE** have a dozen lovely black and navy ladies' coats, sizes 34, 36, 38, pattern models. We are selling at 1/4 less than regular price.—SWIFT BROS.

**THE Postoffice Inspector** writes that it was the courier who was to blame for the non-delivery of western papers two weeks ago. We mention this in justice to the inside staff.

**THE** price of vegetables having reached a spot almost out of reach of the ordinary mortal, the Ontario brewers are now going to raise the price of beer one dollar a barrel.

**MANICURE SETS** and toilet sets. Try Dowding for quality and price.

**SPECIAL** sale of small floor rugs.—SWIFT'S.

**DRESSED TURKEYS** wanted. Highest price paid. Birds must be bled in the mouth and well plucked. Also all kinds of fowl either alive or dressed.—P. DODDS & SON, Watford.

**SEND** in the news.  
**READ** the Want Column.  
**8 SCHOOL** REPORTS crowded out.

**MEN'S BLACK BRAVER COATS,** with velvet collar, \$7.50 and \$9.40.—A. BROWN & CO.

**W. E. FITZGERALD** was in Windsor last Friday on legal business.

**FRANK ELLIOT** has entered the Merchants Bank as junior clerk.

**SEE** McLaren's bargain book counters, any book 25 cents.

**MR. CHAS. SEAGER, Edmonton,** called on his brother, Mr. Frank Seager, this week.

**A FULL** LINE of embroideries, silk and cotton, and stamped linens, &c., for the Christmas trade at Miss Williams's.

**LADIES' and gent's umbrellas** for Xmas, Mission oak and Flemish wood handles with sterling mounts, \$2.50 to \$4.00.—SWIFT'S.

**MR. CECIL ANNETT,** of the Merchants Bank staff here, has been transferred to Winnipeg, and left for that place on Monday.

**RAVO** lamps in table and hanging styles from \$1.75 to \$5.50. If you want light you will buy no others.—THE HOWDEN EST.

**SECRETARIES** of societies are requested to send in the list of officers elected, and kindly send them in the day after the election.

**A 20TH CENTURY** suit or overcoat, ready to put on or made to your measure.—A. BROWN & CO.

**XMAS BOOKS** and toys. Dowding has a good assortment.

**ALL** supporters of the Whitney government are kindly requested to meet in Dr. Martyn's committee rooms here this (Thursday) evening at 8 o'clock sharp.

**THE County Council** banquet was a most successful affair this year. Warden Darvill, of Brooks, presided, and an excellent musical program was provided.

**SWIFT'S** Christmas store. Take a walk through and see the holiday goods.—SWIFT'S.

**WE** are sole agents for Kaut Krack rubbers, all sizes and kinds in stock. Also rubber boots and a full line of stylish and serviceable winter shoes.—P. DODDS & SON.

**MR. FRANK ESSON,** a former Petrolia freeman, attended a ball given by the freemen of that place on Friday evening last and reports 172 couples present and an enjoyable time spent.

**STOREV'S** GLOVES and mitts are best—best \$1.00 glove in Canada.—A. BROWN & CO.

**THE** election expenses of the candidates in West Lambton for the election last September were exceedingly light. Mr. E. E. LeSueur's expenses were \$42.75, and those of E. F. Pardee, M.P., \$369.50.

**DOWDING** has jewelry to suit young and old. Try him and be convinced.

**OUR** big store full of useful holiday requirements.—SWIFT'S.

**MISS E. HUME,** teacher of the primary department of the Public School, has been granted leave of absence for six months by the Board of Education. Miss M. Wynne will take charge of the department during her absence.

**THE** Boy Scouts will hold their weekly meeting in Fitzgerald's Hall to-night, (Thursday) instead of Friday night.

**THE** Scouts have received their certificate of registry, and will hereafter be known as the 1st Queensville Boy Scouts of Watford.

**THERE** are many little things for Xmas which you should buy now to avoid disappointment, such as holly, seals and tags, Xmas cards and booklets, holly paper napkins and decorative paper, all of which you will find in great variety at McLaren's.

**WE** have a large assortment of new dinner and tea sets in china and semi-porcelain and fancy china of every description. Look over our ten cent tables.—THE HOWDEN EST.

**THE** monthly meeting of the Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. Peter Dodds on Wednesday evening, Dec. 13th. Roll call will be answered by clippings on Christmas or a recipe. There will also be two papers given. All are welcome.

**MR. and MRS. HOWARD MCCONNELL,** of Montreal, arrived here on Friday last. Mr. McConnell left Saturday evening on an extended business trip to the coast visiting the principal cities in the West. Mrs. McConnell will remain here with her mother, Mrs. J. P. Taylor.

**MUNICIPAL** nomination day is drawing near. Would it not be well to hire a decent hall for the meeting and not ask the ratepayers to spend several hours in that vile-smelling, badly-ventilated, poorly lighted and heated building known as the Town Hall?

**BOYS'** odd bloomer pants, 23 to 33, for one dollar.—SWIFT'S.

**PETER MCARTHUR,** editor of Ourselves, and a writer of note, had a miraculous escape from instant death about midnight Friday. As he was driving to his home in Ekfrid, the fast Wabash freight struck his buggy at the Wabash G.T.R. crossing, a mite and a half east of Glencoe. The rig was hurled to one side and smashed to pieces. The train was brought to a standstill and Mr. McArthur picked up and taken back to Glencoe, where a doctor dressed his wounds in the depot. No bones were broken, and Mr. McArthur was not seriously hurt. Mr. McArthur's horse was injured and the rig was wrecked.

**POULTRY** prices are declining.  
**FATHER** GRAM wins the last round.

**NOBBY FIT** Reform overcoats.—SWIFT'S.

**WATFORD** MARKETS.—Wheat 85c, oats 38c to 39c, barley 65c to 75c, butter and eggs 25c.

**WHIPS,** halters, blankets, brushes, combs, lanterns, etc., at right prices at Howden's.

**ROY J. FULLER,** vice-president of the Engineering Society of the Toronto University, was appointed a representative to Queen's University, Toronto, for the various functions.

**MISS NESBITT, Artist,** will open in Mr. S. Howden's store in the Taylor Block Friday, Dec. 8th, with a very special line of Christmas novelties, and a large collection of water color pictures, also sepias, and black and white, at prices accommodating to you all. d-4t

**AMONG** the shipments from the G. T. R. station this week were the following: James McManus, 2 cars horses to Toronto; S. Stapleford & Son, car poultry to London; D. C. Monroe, car hay to Chatham and one to Windsor; Percy Restorick and W. Thompson each a car of export cattle to Toronto, and C. B. Mathews & Son, a car flour to Quebec.

**LADIES' FANCY COLLARS,** hats and ruchings specially boxed for Christmas.—A. BROWN & CO.

**A FREE** illustrated lecture with 140 lantern views, will be given on Friday evening, Dec. 8th, at 8 o'clock in the Methodist Church. Dr. R. G. Kelly has kindly consented to take the chair. J. B. Watson, secretary of this association, will be the lecturer. A collection will be taken at the close.

**REV. W. J. SPENCER,** rector of Holy Trinity church, Chatham, was present at the Ratto entertainment Tuesday evening and introduced the talent. Mr. Kennedy is the Canadian manager of the Redpath Entertainment Bureau, and the profits he makes from entertainments are devoted to church work.

**CLEVELAND** CAPITALISTS have sold to Buffalo parties their holdings in the natural gas wells of Western Ontario. A three million dollar consolidation, financed by Canadians and Buffalo capitalists, will control the United Fuel Supply Co., Northern Pipe Line Co., Volcanic Gas Co., and Medina Gas Co., and supply 20 cities and towns in Essex, Kent and Lambton.

**A TABLE** of odd coats, vests and pants, for school boys, selling 50c, 75c, and \$1.00 each.—SWIFT'S.

**ABOUT** 20 couples were present at the informal ball given by the young bachelors and benefactors of Watford in the Lyceum on Friday night. Visitors were present from Forest, Alvinston, Petrolia, Napier and other places, and all passed a very enjoyable evening. The Cortese orchestra furnished excellent music, and dancing was kept up until about three o'clock.

**THE** Missionary Auxiliary and Ladies' Aid, of the Watford Congregational Church, will hold a Bazaar on Saturday, Dec. 16th, in Mr. Oscar Cook's shop opposite E. D. Swift's store. There will be lots of useful articles on sale, and also home-made cooking and candy in connection with the Missionary Band will also have lots of up-to-date things that will be suitable for Christmas presents. Ladies please remember the date. 8d2t

**GIVE** us a call for Christmas fruits and candies. The best we can buy at right prices. Ask for "our special" mixed at 15 cts.—THE N. B. HOWDEN EST.

**AT** the regular meeting of L.O.L. 505, Watford, the following officers were duly elected.—W.M., J. Graham; Deputy, D. G. Cameron; F. Sec., B. Pike; Rec. Sec., S. Rivers; Treas., W. J. Howden; Chap., Joshua Saunders; Direc. of Ser., Gunn Newelle; 1st Com. Man, Fred Westgate; 2nd, A. Owen; 3rd, Robt. Jarrett; 4th, Rus. Chambers; 5th, C. Newell. A royal arch meeting will be held in the Lodge Room, Dec. 12th, to which the brethren from adjoining lodges are invited.

**THOSE** who attended the second of the series of concerts under the auspices of the Presbyterian church in the Lyceum on Tuesday evening, went home delighted with the evening's entertainment. The impersonation of John B. Ratto were a revelation to all and his complete mastery of every character personated brought forth the warmest commendation from those present. Mr. Ratto's rapid changes and true delineations of the characters represented showed him to be a master in his profession, and should be again visit Watford he will be greeted by a larger audience than was present Tuesday. J. Edward Jackson, the basso, rendered some excellent standard selections that were attentively listened to and much appreciated by those present.

**THIS** would be a good time to launch a live literary and debating society and thereby aid the young people of the community in acquiring the ability to publicly express their thoughts intelligently and also to attract attention to a course of good reading along lines of general utility. Many a young man who has risen to prominence in the world commenced his oratorical efforts in a very modest way and with little thought of attaining eminence. To-day there are many reasons why advantage should be taken of the literary clubs, so that the embryotic speaker may employ and improve his talents. The hope has been expressed that something would be done along this line in Watford this winter.

**McLaren's Xmas Goods Display.**

Thursday eve., Dec. 14th, will be the date for McLaren's annual display of holiday goods. On this evening we make a special display of our Xmas assortment, which gives you a chance to see the many things we have for Xmas giving without any obligations to buy.

Come and bring your friends and spend the evening with us.

**Daughters of the Empire.**

The December meeting of the Daughters of the Empire was held at the home of Mrs. N. B. Howden. There were eleven members and seven visitors present.

A very nice paper on "The Life of Our Beloved King and Queen," was read by the hostess. An excellent piano solo "Sweet Sabbath Bells" was played by Miss Stella Craig. Mrs. Wm. Thompson read a paper on "Our Canadian Kitchens," and also gave a description of some of the customs in Japan which was very interesting. The Chapter sang the hymn, "Rock of Ages," and Mrs. Thompson read a short sketch of the life of the composer, Toplady. Luncheon was served and a pleasant meeting closed by singing the National Anthem. The January meeting was appointed for the home of Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Lowry, assisting hostess. A review of the year's work will be given.

**Death of Mrs. A. J. Rogers.**

(From the Winnipeg Free Press.)

The death of Ella Lee Rogers, aged 35 years, wife of A. J. Rogers, of the Gordon, Ironside & Farns Company, took place on Saturday, November 25, at the family residence, 334 Home street. A funeral service, conducted by Rev. A. M. McDonald, pastor of Nassau street Baptist church, was held at 8 o'clock last evening in the chapel of Clark Bros. & Co., the body being removed to the C.P.R. depot and shipped to Forest, Ont., for interment in the family grave. Mr. Rogers accompanied the remains. The coffin was covered with wreaths from the members of Nassau street church and friends and relatives of the deceased. Mrs. Rogers is survived by her father and sisters in Forest, Ont.; husband and son, Ofa, and brother in Calgary. The death was unexpected, she having been ill only eight days and apparently on the way to recovery. Her son was visiting his uncle, J. Deibert McFarland, in Calgary, and was summoned to the funeral, arriving on Monday. Mrs. Rogers was a devoted soloist of Nassau street Baptist church, and had all her life been an earnest worker in church and philanthropic circles.

**Westgate—Williamson.**

A pretty wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. John Williamson, 4th line, Warwick, 30th November, when their youngest daughter, Cora Emma, became the bride of Alexander Westgate, also of 4th line, Warwick. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. Deibert McFarland, minister of Watford Congregational church. The young couple were unattended. They entered the room to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march, played by Miss Margaret Caughlin. The flower girl was Miss Hazel Bryce. The bride was handsomely dressed in cream French-delaine; her travelling dress was of blue ladies' cloth with hat to match. After the wedding the newly-married couple departed for the east. They were the recipients of many beautiful and valuable presents and their many friends extend to them sincerest wishes for long life and happiness.

**WATFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL.**

HONOR ROLL FOR NOVEMBER.

Class IV, Sr.—Stella Williamson, George Mead, Franklin Smith, Burton Cook, Ross Luckham, Clarence Cook, Rheta Thompson, Edgar Fren's, Allie Harper, Michael O'Meara, Leo Sedwick, Winnie Fowler, John Lamb, Katie Aitken, Jr.—Jean Fitzgerald, Winnifred Swift, Mary Currie, Jean Cameron, Valore Dodds, Celestine McManus, Eston Fowler, Verne Johnston, Alma Barnes, Eva Thorner, Clare Roche, Henry Rivers, Nelvin McCormick.—W. H. SHRAPNELL, Principal.

Class III, Sr.—Teresa Logan, Mildred Fortune, Stella McMacken, Jean McManus, John Bruce, Geraldine Elliot, Charlie Fitzgerald, equal, Kathleen Elliot, Carleton Harrower, Bruce Trenouth, Ada Mackman, Ross Restorick, Cecil Atchison, Charlie Stumpf, Harold Jamieson, Jr.—Sara Howden, Roger Thorner, Marjorie Swift, Georgie Chambers, Margaret Cameron, Earl Logan, Florence Roberts, Ethel Wright, Ha Cook, Jack Irwin, Hazel Thorner, Carmen McCormick, Ethelbert Greer, Barrie Vail.—M. RHID, Teacher.

Class II, Sr.—Wilfred Jamieson, Lillian McKercher, Mamie Moire, Leo McMans, Deloise Dodds, Spence Bruce, Norman Trenouth, Evelyn Dodds, Mary Fowler, Claire Lambert, Clifford Abbott, Alvin Styles, Helen Hamilton, Dorothy Hastings, Harold Roche, Eulalie Logan, Vernon White, Orville McGillicuddy, Lloyd Harper, Elsie Brown, Earl Dobbin, Nellie Kennell, Elsie Wright, Arthur Wrinkle, Gordon Trenouth, Part II, Sr.—Ernest McKercher, Florence Lambert, Harry Cook, Louise Dodds, Frank Roberts, Blanche Stapleford, Flossie Doan,

**Robert McLeay.—M. WAUGH, Teacher.**

PRIMARY CLASS.

Fr. Pt. II. Class—Edith McDowell, Beatrice Cook, Stanley Mitchell, Irene Willson, Evelyn Williamson, Aileen Wrinkle, Earl Roberts, Douglas Weight, Rebe Bruce, Ula Higgins, Elgin Kersey.

Class I.—Romaine Thorner, Blanche Barton, Frank McGillicuddy, Willie Thorner, Wesley Shepherd, Gwendolyn Cook, Irene Graham, Harry Croucher, Family Graham, Franklin Potter. Classes II and III.—Moran McWaters, Alfie Drury, Dorothy Fowler, Rushton Seager, Stanley Trenouth, Margaret Irwin, Frank McCormick, Esther McKercher, Keith Spackman, Gladys Kersey, Burton White, William Fitzgerald, Jack McGillicuddy, Keith Dodds, Everil Cook, John Restorick, Burton Roberts.—E. HUME, Teacher.

**WATFORD COUNCIL.**

Watford, Dec. 4, 1911.

Regular meeting of Council. Members present, Reeve, Brown, Williams, Willoughby and Graham.

Minutes as read confirmed by Reeve. Cameron deputy returning officer for division No. 1 and W. J. Howden for Div. No. 2, and Town Hall for holding nominations.—Carried and by-law read and filed in.

Williams—Willoughby, that by-law No. 5 to appoint deputy returning officers, polling places and place for holding nominations be read first time.—Carried and by-law read.

Graham—Brown, that by-law No. 5 be read second time and filed in. Alex. Cameron deputy returning officer for division No. 1 and W. J. Howden for Div. No. 2, and Town Hall for holding nominations.—Carried and by-law read and filed in.

Williams—Willoughby, that by-law No. 5 be read third time and passed.—Carried and by-law read and passed.

Brown—Graham, that by-law No. 6 to prohibit the sale of spirituous, fermented or other manufactured liquors in the Municipality of the Village of Watford be read the first time, carried and by-law read.

Willoughby—Williams, that by-law No. 6, to prohibit the sale of spirituous, fermented or other manufactured liquors in the municipality of the Village of Watford be read the second time and that the Clerk publish the same in Guide-Advocate, Watford, in keeping with the act.—Carried and by-law read.

Finance Committee examined accounts and recommended payment.

Geo. Chambers, electric light to Dec. 1st. \$7 50  
J. Stapleford, putting on fire and sweeping Council room. 1 00  
H. Kersey, wood to S. Laughtin. 5 00  
Mrs. R. A. Stapleford, street sprinkling \$50, and sprinkling in front band stand \$7 50  
Mary Lewis, 2 new coat Boyles, Nov. and Dec. 4 00  
H. Ingram, Co. Treas., for J. Hartley, H. of R. to 28th Nov. 1911. 18 00  
Thos. Malone, labor, Stapleford's div. 11 48  
Clifford, light, singing bell, 4th div. 10 00  
Treas. Board of Education, Public School, balance taxes. 225 00  
P. E. Fuller, taking Whitchet to jail. 4 45  
Wm. Williamson, coal and draying. 14 33  
S. Stapleford, commissioner. 20 00  
D. Brown. 20 00  
J. S. Williams. 20 00  
Jas. Graham. 20 00  
Cowan & Towers, solicitors acct., 1910 and 1911. 15 25  
Mat. Boyles, sweeping crossings, Nov. 2 74  
T. Dodds, hardware acct. 1 25  
Fred Rogers, meal and beds, indigent. 1 25  
W. S. Fuller, salary 4th div. 30 postage 50c. 20 50  
Thos. Kerr, gravel, Graham's div. 1 00  
Treas. Board of Education, taxes high school. 800 00  
W. D. Cameron, scraping track. 1 50  
N. B. Howden, hardware acct. 8 85  
Wm. Doan, labor, Wire Works roof. 5 75  
Walter Scott, salary 4th div. care engine. 7 50

Brown—Williams, that accounts be passed and Reeve grant his order.—Carried.

Willoughby—Graham, that we adjourn until 15th instant at 8 p.m.—Carried.

W. S. FULLER, Clerk.

**At The Nomination.**

Below are a few of the many questions that will be asked and some of the statements that will be made by candidates nominated:—

I stand for equal rights to all.

How can a policeman arrest a man or quell a riot when he is miles away?

How much was saved by having a Board of Education?

Another year in office and I will make my division the best in the town.

I got more for the money spent than any other man who has had my division.

I advocate a reduction in expenditure all along the line.

I advocate paving Main street with crushed stone.

The man who piles poor gravel on Main street does not know anything about road-making.

If elected, I will manage the affairs of the town as I would my own.

How much of the business of the public school section of the Board of Education was done legally?

If I had charge of Main street the work would be done properly.

Regarding local option it is for the people to say. I have only one vote and that will be cast right.

You all know where I stand on local option.

Let us do something to keep down the taxes.

If elected, I will see that steps are taken to get natural gas.