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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

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HALLOW'EEN NOVELTIES AT McLAREN'S.

WHEN a girl begins to call a young man by his first name she has designs on his last.

ALD. S. F. GLASS, Conservative, was elected in East Middlesex Federal by-election by a majority of 988.

GIRLS' heavy wool hose, ribbed, 4 pairs for a dollar.—SWIFTS'.

THE Watford Fruit Growers Association shipped a carload of apples to the West on Saturday.

Rural Route No. 7, sixth line east to 27 sideroad, was commenced on Friday last, Miss Harrison is the courier.

THE trouble with the girls nowadays is that they would rather make a name for themselves than make baby's clothes.

THE cold rain on Monday made Thanksgiving Day a very disagreeable day for a holiday, and the people kept pretty well indoors.

THE County Conference for Lambton of the Layman's Missionary Movement will be held in Sarnia, on Wednesday, Nov. 5th. Full particulars next week.

THE high cost of living cut in two in our clothing department, look through.—SWIFTS'.

THE prize list is now out for the Ontario Provincial Winter Fair which will be held in Guelph from December 9th to 12th. \$15,000.00 are offered in prizes.

MR. DURKIN, G. T. R. trainmaster, London, attended the coroner's inquest into the death of R. G. Campbell to look after the interests of the Company.

MRS. PANKHURST has stated that she came to the United States to fire the hearts of the American people. As long as she does not include historic mansions and letter boxes her visit should be fairly successful.

"PROTECT the calves!" is the new cry of the conservationists, who seek to reduce the cost of living. Certainly! But one fails to see how abolishing the slit skirt is going to make living cheaper, though it may make it less interesting.

CHILDREN'S coats, odd sizes, \$2.50 each. Another lot \$3.50. Fine warm garments for school wear.—SWIFTS'.

A DEPUTATION of the Daughters of the Empire distributed the prizes awarded by that Society to the primary room at the Public School on Friday afternoon. The other prizes, contributed by the Women's Institute, the Board of Education and Inspector McDougall, were distributed at the same time.

THE children's service in Trinity Church Sunday afternoon was well attended and of an exceedingly interesting nature. The singing by the children was excellent and the several addresses were attentively listened to. A good collection was taken up for Sunday School purposes.

THE marriage was solemnized at St. Hyppolite, Sask., on Tuesday, Oct. 7th of Miss Rosa A., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Gavigan, to Mr. J. Raymond Thibaudau, of North Battleford, Sask. Mr. and Mrs. Thibaudau will reside at North Battleford. The Guide-Advocate joins with their many friends in wishing them much happiness.

THE underwear that gives satisfaction is Watson's. Ask the first woman you meet who has growing girls or children; she knows it will not shrink.—SWIFTS'.

ONTARIO game law wardens have been instructed to keep a sharp lookout for the meanest of all sports, the "pot hunters" whose mode of hunting is with a bag and ferret. The ferret is put down a rabbit hole at one end and the bag held over the other exit. Scenting the ferret the rabbit runs into the bag and the would-be sport simply knocks it on the head. A good sport allows the rabbit a chance for its life and if it escapes the lead pellets from his breach-loader it has earned the right to be free.

LT.-COLONEL G. S. MAUNSELL and Lieut. F. Owen Hodgins, both of the Royal Canadian Engineers, Ottawa, were in town on Wednesday looking over the New Drill Hall to ascertain for the Department of Militia and Defence how the work on the new building is progressing. In conversation with the Colonel he expressed pleasure at the satisfactory manner in which the work is being done, and complimented contractor R. C. McLeay on the business-like manner in which he has conducted all matters pertaining to the building.

WHAT a difference a few clothes makes when they are Swifts' ordered.

QUITE a number of local people, who gave up 25 cents to a smooth-tongued agent who was offering The People's Home Journal and another magazine for a quarter for six months, some two months ago, are wishing now that they had not been quite so ready to snap up this stupendous bargain in reading matter. As might have been expected they have seen nothing of the magazine or the so-called agent since, and letters to the head office elicit a multigraph letter informing them that they do not employ agents.

New silks open this week, 36 in. wide, all wanted shades, fancy stripes and duches.—SWIFTS'.

BULBS for winter blooming at McLAREN'S.

PEABODY LODGE, I. O. O. F., regular meeting Monday evening Oct 27th. This is a special request for all members to be present.

MR. SID BROWN writes from Englehart that the crops there are good. He left last Sunday for Iroquois Falls to hunt moose.

A FEW minutes looking over our furs should interest buyers.—SWIFTS, SONS & Co.

ACCOUNTS due the Bell Telephone Co., placed from head office, must be paid at the local central exchange. All accounts must be paid promptly when rendered.

A BRONZE plate with raised letters bearing the inscription "Laid by Col. Sam Hughes, Minister of Militia and Defence, Ottawa, July 30th, 1913," has been embedded in the corner stone of the new drill hall.

THE death occurred on Oct. 9th at the General Hospital, Winnipeg, from diphtheria of Fraser Hewitt Irving the seven-year-old son of the late Thomas Hewitt Irving and Mrs Irving 444 Logan Ave. The funeral took place at 11 o'clock from Gardiner's undertaking rooms to Elmwood Cemetery. Rev. G. Sinclair, Ph. D., pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, conducted the services.

On Wednesday, Oct. 29th, a lecture will be given in the Lyceum, by Rev. Hy. A. Fish, of Owen Sound, on "Protestants Awake and Asleep" Everybody is cordially invited to be present. This lecture has been given in a great many places throughout Ont., and is very highly spoken of, and well worth attending, though your other business be somewhat neglected. Reeve Stapleford Chairman.

THE entertainment in the Lyceum Friday evening given by Everett Kemp under the auspices of the Board of Education, drew a fair-sized house, but, the disagreeable state of the weather prevented many from the country from attending. Mr. Kemp presented "Seven Oaks" and his versatility in assuming the different characters was admirable. The entertainment was much enjoyed by all present, especially by the older ones.

BIG purchase of men's, boys' and children's suits, 87 suits in all, saved 1/2 on the lot, fine range of sizes, Watford's good clothing.—SWIFTS, SONS & Co.

THE following specials are donated by Lambton county to exhibits shown by residents of Lambton county, at the Ontario Provincial Winter Fair to be held at Guelph, Dec. 9, 10, 11 and 12, 1913:—For best stallion, 1st, \$25, 2nd, \$10; for best heavy draught mare, \$10 and \$5; for best heavy draught gelding, \$10 and \$5; for best beef animal, \$10 and \$5; for best sheep, \$6 and \$4; for best bacon hog, \$6 and \$4.

"LIST of Permits" the unassuming blue book of automobile and motor cycle licenses has been issued by the Provincial Secretary's Department. This book is printed twice a year, and to date shows practically 23,000 motors under license, 600 demonstrating licenses and 2,405 motor cycle permits. The total revenue from this source is now running close to the \$100,000 mark, and will probably exceed that figure before the year is out.

ALL you expect, all you hope for in our clothing department.—SWIFTS, SONS & Co.

AMONG the relics of antiquity will shortly be placed the "pay car" on the Grand Trunk Railway. It is stated at the G. T. R. headquarters that checks will in future be forwarded to the ticket agents at the various points on the system, and passed out by him to the authorized heads of the different departments for distribution among the employees. A receipt will be attached to each check. Each employee will be required to append his signature; also that of a witness will be required, and the check returned to Montreal.

THERE are too many able bodied men and women, strangers, going up and down our streets selling collar buttons, pencils, etc., on the pretext that they have sick husbands or wives with several small children to support. There may be some excuse for cripples engaging in this work, but the well-dressed, healthy specimens of humanity who trade on the sympathies of our people, ought to be ousted from town. In these days when there is plenty of work for all who want it, there is no necessity for anybody faking a living in this manner.

A GREAT many merchants think the expansion of the parcel post system is designed solely to benefit a few great stores in Toronto. Not so, a certain New York paper says—"It ought not to take the merchant of a small town long to find out that in the parcel post he has a friend and not a foe. Let him start an energetic advertising campaign in his local papers and he will soon learn that he can reach a class of patrons who were never within gunshot before the parcel post came to town. This means that rural journalism will assume an importance that was never known before."

All the cottages at Hillsboro have been rented for next season, and Mr. Jones intends putting up a couple of new ones. Mr. W. Ham Cottingham, of Chatham, formerly of Bothwell, sold the Fuester farm at Chatham township, adjoining the north end of Delaware avenue, to T. D. Mcatlay, of Euphemia, for \$15,000. There are eighty acres in the farm.

PERSONAL.

Mr. R. D. Swift, Toronto, was home for Thanksgiving.

Mr. Cal. Johnston, Detroit, spent the holiday at his home here.

Hayward Jack, Stratford, spent the holiday with Watford friends.

Mrs. F. W. Rogers and children were London visitors on Saturday.

Mrs. James Newell visited friends in Stratford on Wednesday.

Mr. Roy J. Fuller, Toronto, if spend a two-weeks vacation at his home here.

Miss E. Linton, Toronto, visited her friend, Miss A. Lingebach over Sunday.

Mrs. Margaret Harrower, Sarnia, spent the holidays at her daughters, Mrs. C. S. Kerton.

Miss Martha McIntyre, Adelaide, spent the holidays with her sister, Miss McIntyre.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Millar, Hanover, spent the holidays with his brother, W. L. Millar.

Mrs. Armstrong, Toronto, spent Thanksgiving here with her sister, Mrs. Neil Bennett.

Mrs. John Swift, London, spent the week end at Rose Lawn, as the guest of Mrs. E. D. Swift.

Miss Margaret White, Alvinston, spent the Thanksgiving vacation with Miss Gladys Shrapnell.

Mrs. Wm. H. Ward, John St., spent last week at Lapeer, Mich., the guest of Mrs. Bert Gray.

Mrs. Geo. Chambers and son, Robert, spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. C. B. Hathaway, Palmerston.

Miss M. O'Connor who has been visiting at Mr. D. Roche's returned to her home in Toronto on Saturday.

Mr. W. R. Davis, editor of the Mitchell Advocate, spent Thanksgiving with his daughter, Mrs. K. Matthews.

Miss Ethel Tye, London, spent Thanksgiving at her home here. She was accompanied by her friend Miss Griffith.

Mrs. M. J. Rogers, who has spent the past four months with her daughter, Mrs. Thos. Collins, has returned to Montreal.

Mr. V. R. McCallum, Toronto, and his mother, Mrs. A. D. McCallum, Belmont, spent the holidays at Mrs. James Hamilton's.

Mr. H. I. Wiley, of the London Medical School, spent the Thanksgiving holidays with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wiley.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morris left here Saturday, Mr. Morris came east to purchase drygoods as he will open a store in Rossland.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Chambers and two sons, George and Bert, Aylmer, motored to Watford, Wednesday. They paid a flying visit to Mr. Geo. Chambers, Front street.

Dr. J. I. Wiley, of Dresden, spent Thanksgiving holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wiley. His two little daughters, Gertrude and Mary accompanied him.

Mrs. Dan Ross, Sarnia, visited her old home here Thanksgiving. Her daughter, Mona, who has been spending some time with her grandmother, Mrs. McLaughlin, returned home to Sarnia with her mother.

Mrs. Fred Bayley, of London, who has been spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wiley, left Monday for a visit with her brother, Dr. Wiley, in Dresden. Little Miss Margaret accompanied her.

Masonic Lodge of Instruction

A lodge of instruction for St. Clair District, No. 2, will be held in Havelock Lodge, Watford, on Tuesday, November 11th commencing at 2.45 p.m. At the afternoon session the officers of Havelock Lodge will exemplify the first degree, and the officers of Forest Lodge No. 263, the second. At the evening session, commencing at 8 o'clock, the officers of Washington Lodge, No. 260, Petrolia, will give an exemplification of the third degree. Those taking part will be entertained at a banquet after the lodge is closed.

Women's Institute "At Home"

On Thursday, Oct. 16th, a very pleasant "At Home" was given under the auspices of the Watford Women's Institute, at the home of Mrs. Thos. Dodds. The ladies had extended an invitation to the Kerwood and Brooke branches, which were represented by twenty-two; fourteen visitors from Watford and twenty-four members were present. Promptly at 3.30 p.m. the chair was taken by the president, Mrs. P. J. Dodds, who in a very able manner welcomed the visiting ladies, after which a musical program was rendered: Duet by Mrs. Mills and Mrs. de Gex; reading by Miss Ada McGugan, "Love in a Balloon"; instrumental by Miss Hughes; paper, Miss M. Waugh, "Educational value of music"; short addresses from Mrs. Campbell, president of Brooke, and Mrs. Mills, honorary president of Kerwood; solo, Miss L. Cameron, "May Morning"; solo, Miss Richardson, "There is silver now where once was gold"; instrumental, Miss Hughes; duet, Mrs. de Gex and Mrs. Bennett "Danube River." Lunch was then served by the Watford ladies on daintily decorated tables in the dining room. Master Valore Dodds presided at the piano during lunch. Prior to leaving for their homes all joined in singing "Auld Lang Syne."

WATFORD HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT KILLED BY G.T.R. TRAIN

Instant Death of Robert G. Campbell, of Alvinston, on Saturday Morning

CORONER'S JURY EXONERATES G.T.R. FROM ALL BLAME

A sad fatality occurred on the G. T. R. track about three-quarters of a mile west of Watford early Saturday morning when Robert Grayton Campbell, the 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Campbell, of Brooke, was instantly killed by a fast passenger train. The deceased was a student at the Watford High School, and left his boarding house here about five o'clock to walk to Kingscourt where he expected to take the 6.23 train for Alvinston to spend Thanksgiving at his home near there. Soon after seven o'clock the G.T.R. section men found his body, badly mangled, lying between the east and westbound tracks. Dr. R. G. Kelly, coroner, viewed the remains and decided to hold an inquest. It is supposed that Campbell while proceeding west noticed an eastbound freight approaching and that he stepped out of the way on to the north track, directly in the path of regular passenger express No. 7, which is due at Watford at 4.49, but on that morning was over 30 minutes late. The morning was dark and it is supposed that Campbell did not notice the westbound train and that it struck him, causing instant death, part of his skull being carried away and many bones broken. The train was going at a speed of 55 miles an hour. The remains were brought to Harper's undertaking rooms and after being viewed by the coroner's jury were conveyed to Alvinston.

Deceased was a fourth form pupil at the Watford High School. The teachers state that he was very clever and had been spared would in all probability have developed into a valuable citizen. His department was excellent and he was in every way a most desirable student. The school purchased a wreath as a token of esteem and which Russell Trenouth and Clare Roche conveyed to the parents with a letter from Principal Potter.

The funeral took place on Monday from the family residence about a mile west of Alvinston and was very largely attended, showing deep sympathy for the afflicted parents in the loss of their only son on the threshold of a promising manhood. The service was conducted by Rev. R. G. McKay, assisted by Rev. J. C. Forster, of Watford. Interment took place in the Alvinston cemetery. The pall bearers were Warren Munro, Nevill McPhail, S. Downey, J. A. Ferguson, E. Oke and J. McKellar. The floral offerings were very beautiful and included wreaths from Maple Ridge School Mates, Watford School Mates, Alvinston School Mates, and some eight or ten from friends of the family.

The following letter to the parents of the boy was sent with the wreath from the Watford High School:—

Watford, Oct. 19, 1913.
MR. AND MRS. CAMPBELL,
ALVINSTON, ONT.

DEAR FRIENDS:—

It is needless for me to state that the entire community was inexpressibly shocked when your son's death became generally known and that the deepest sympathy is felt for you by all.

I trust that it will afford you some comfort to learn that during Robert's life he was attentive and industrious and his department was most excellent. Every member of the staff was thoroughly satisfied with his progress and regarded him as an exceptionally bright student. I had the pleasure of giving him instruction in four subjects and I have rarely met so apt a pupil. I shall greatly miss him in my classes and I know his classmates will meet with sorrowful hearts next Tuesday morning. He was held in the highest esteem by the teachers and the students. In token of respect and affection we send a wreath.

Yours with heartfelt sympathy,
Chas. Potter,
Principal, W. H. S.

THE CORONER'S INQUEST

The jury empanelled to inquire into the death of Robt. G. Campbell met in the council chamber on Monday evening and answered their names as follows:—E. McGillicuddy, foreman; J. H. Hume, J. Shirley, W. S. Kelly, Jos. Keller, W. McKecher, C. B. Matthews, A. McDonnell and T. Harris.

Coroner Dr. R. G. Kelly conducted the investigation, assisted by Crown Attorney J. P. Bucke.

Mrs. James Hamilton testified that deceased boarded with her and left the house about 5.05 a.m.

N. McNece, foreman of the section gang, testified to the finding of the body about 7.15, between the two tracks about 3/4 of a mile west of Watford. He described how he supposed the boy had been struck by westbound train and rebounded from eastbound train to where found, the body being thrown 127 feet before it rested. He produced plan of track with particulars marked thereon.

John Doar, sectionman, corroborated the previous evidence.

C. W. Vail, station agent testified that train No. 7, the westbound express, passed the station at 5.25. It was due

at 4.49 and was 36 minutes late. The eastbound freight passed at 5.29.

T. Elliot, engineer of No. 7, testified that his train was behind time and was going about 55 miles an hour when it passed here. The morning was dark and drizzly. At the speed train was going could see 25 to 30 yards ahead. Did not notice striking anything or anyone on track. Examined his engine at Sarnia and there was no blood or evidence of having struck anything.

J. Kennedy, fireman on the express, knew nothing of the accident.

J. P. Wilcock, engineer on the east-bound freight. Had train of about 40 cars, was going 15 to 20 miles an hour. Did not see anyone on track. Heard of accident at Paris. No trace of anything unusual on engine.

N. R. Aitken, fireman on freight, could give no information.

Clare Roche stated that he identified the body as that of Campbell. Had been going to school with him since Sept. last.

Dr. Newell testified that he had examined the body and found a compound fracture of left leg, a bruise and tear on back, shoulder blade severely crushed, back of skull knocked off and gone, no brains, clothing badly torn. Injury to skull sufficient to cause instant death. Judged that boy was struck first on leg by cowcatcher and then head struck by buffer beam.

The Crown Attorney summed up the evidence and the jury rendered this verdict:—"We are of the opinion that the death of Robert Grayton Campbell of the township of Brooke, who was walking on the Grand Trunk Railway property was caused by being struck by the engine of G. T. R. train No. 7 on the morning of the 18th of October, and that his death was purely accidental; and further that the Grand Trunk Railway Co. is in no way responsible for said accident."

From Sectionmen, Watford

To no one is the tragedy of that cold, grey, cloudy morning of Oct. 18th more real and terrible than to these five men, who, in the solemn stillness of that morning, with not a sound breaking the quiet of the open country, as they proceeded over their section towards Kingscourt Jct. Coming almost suddenly upon the corpse of a young man lying between the tracks, evidently having been struck by a train, and as we gazed upon him each choked back a feeling of awful pity that seemed to rise within them. To others who saw him afterward it could not be the same, for they were told what they would see. But we came suddenly face to face with a tragedy of which no earthly being knew, and each heart went out in anguish and sympathy for some mother who at that very moment might be looking for or thinking of her boy. To us the spot where we found him will be ever sacred. For there man met man in one common brotherhood—the living and the dead. No one can extend such sympathy as we extend to the loved ones of the young man whom we met as his spirit sped on to the Great Beyond.

Yours in sympathy,
N. MCNECE,
S. WELSH,
J. DOAR,
D. MCNEE,
R. WATSON.

[Alvinston Free Press please copy.]

BORN.

In Brooke, on Monday, October 13th, to Mr. and Mrs. Albert J. Oke, a son.

In Plympton, on Tuesday, October 14th, 1913, to Mr. and Mrs. David Gilatly, a son.

In Brooke, on Saturday, October 11th, 1913, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Roland, a son.

In Camiache, on Tuesday, October 7th, 1913, to Mr. and Mrs. Thos. McPhedran, a daughter—Jessie May Young.

In Alvinston, on Wednesday, Oct. 15th, 1913, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sharpe, a son.

MARRIED.

At the Manse, Inwood, on Wednesday, October 8th, 1913, by the Rev. N. A. Campbell, Miss Alma Roberts to Mr. Roy Milbrook, both of Dawn township.

DIED.

In Plympton, on Tuesday, Oct. 14, Mary Jane Chalk, beloved wife of Robert J. Garrett, aged 35 years, 11 months and 14 days.

In Brooke, on Friday, Oct. 10th, Wm. Bowie, aged 88 years.

In Stratford, on Wednesday morning, Oct. 15, 1913, Samuel Martin, aged 88 years and 2 months.

In Stratford, on Friday, Oct. 10, 1913, Mrs. Rachael Johnson, aged 68 years and 3 months.

In Stratford, on Friday evening, Oct. 10, 1913, Bridget Kearns, widow of the late Bryan Kearns, in her 94th year.

W. Goodyear, of con. 13, Metos'fe, living near Cairngorm, disposed of 8 barrels of choice winter pears, which brought him the snug sum of \$20. The pears were produced by one tree and were shaken down from the limbs.

Fire destroyed the Devine street school in Sarnia on Sunday night, only the bare walls being left standing.