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Rev. C. S. Lloyd, M. A., Minister
SUNDAY, JANUARY 4
New Year's Services, 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.

PARKDALE

Mr. and Mrs. W. Buchanan and daughter Marjorie of Leamington spent the Christmas holidays at Robson's Campbell's.
Frank Campbell has returned to Windsor after having spent Christmas with his parents here.
A number of the young people attended the ball in Newbury Friday evening and all report an exceptionally good time.
George Smith of Detroit is visiting at C. Nichols'.
E. Nichols is spending the holidays in the winter home at London. Mrs. J. J. Nichols is spending her vacation at her home here.

KILMARTIN

Many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Moore tendered them a surprise on Friday evening at their beautiful new home at 26 Pilette road, City. A very happy evening was spent in cards and dancing. About 70 guests were present, among them were the following former residents of Glencoe: Mr. and Mrs. Ben Munroe, Mr. and Mrs. Hector McFarlane, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Moore of Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Crosby and daughter Highgate; Miss Elizabeth McAlpine of Sombra; Miss Malcolmina Munro of Brownsville; and Miss Mary McAlpine of London.
Mr. and Mrs. Doug. McAlpine and daughter are spending Christmas with the latter's parents in Detroit.
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Moore entertained a number of their friends on Friday evening of last week.
Mr. and Mrs. John Little visited friends in Thamesville recently.

IN GREAT DEMAND

The portrait of the Prince of Wales that goes with the Family Herald and Weekly Star of Montreal is in great demand. It is certainly the best portrait of the Prince we have seen. The Family Herald is simply deluged with orders from new and old subscribers. The yearly subscription price, including the Prince's portrait, is only \$1.25 and is remitted for by January 15, and is the best value offered anywhere. It is said the Family Herald's subscription receipts are more than double former years. It is certainly worth the price and should be in every home in this country.

TOWN AND VICINITY

2020.
Leap Year.
This is Woman's Year.
May it be a Happy one for you.
Motorists are advised to do their license shopping early.
A union watch night service was held in the Anglican church.
Miss Elizabeth Grant has taken a position as bookkeeper with E. A. Mayhew & Co.
The courier on R. R. No. 3 wishes to thank those who kindly remembered him at Christmas.
John A. McIntyre has sold his farm of 100 acres on the Ekfrid-Metcalfe township to F. W. Gubbins of Mossa for \$7,000.
Rev. T. J. and Mrs. Charlton desire publicly to acknowledge with thanks the magnificent Christmas cash gift of \$75, and also numerous gifts of fowl, butter, eggs, etc., from the people of St. John's church.
Several cases of jaundice among the school children were reported both here and at Alvinston just before the schools closed for the holidays. The disease was not of a violent type, but those contracting it were made quite ill for a short time.
H. J. Jamieson has taken a general agency for the Sovereign Life Insurance Company and will have his headquarters in the office occupied for some time by E. T. Houston, town treasurer. He has appointed Launchin McKelvie, jr., his district agent.
Local passenger traffic on the railways this holiday season, while fairly heavy, is perhaps not up to the average in times past. So far this winter, as well as all fall, the wagon roads have been in ideal condition and there is but little let-up to motor car traffic.
The organized classes of Tait's Corners Sunday school are giving a concert in the church on Friday evening, January 2, of choruses, recitations, quartettes, etc., and a play entitled "Church Bazaar at Mulberry Corners." Admission—adults, 35c; children, 15c.
The rector of St. John's church held a cottage meeting on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Fred Simpson. Considering the inclemency of the weather there was a very fair attendance. These lectures are being given in connection with the United Forward Movement of the churches.
Last summer Ontario experienced an ice famine, due to lack of frost the preceding winter. Usually ice is put away in February, but this winter many are taking time by the forelock and, fearing that there might be a shortage again for next summer, are harvesting their supply now. The ice is said to be about a foot in thickness and of a good quality.
The pupils of S. S. No. 5, Ekfrid, held a successful entertainment on Monday evening, Dec. 22. John Strachan occupied the chair in his usual pleasing manner. The children were assisted by Miss J. McKelvie, Mrs.

the McAlpine program Santa school and took during the presents. The program was \$12.50, \$5 of which will be a Christmas gift to the Sick Children's Hospital, Toronto.
Lorne Mitchell thought that the little affairs as the play of some practical joker are now convinced that there is a dangerous individual at large who should be confined either in the jail or the asylum. Better get a detective on the job.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL

—Miss Tena Marsh is holidaying at Appin.
—M. J. Puccett of Toronto is visiting at A. J. Wright's.
—Miss Lily Timms is holidaying at her home in Mitchell.
—Roy Freese of Ilderton is visiting his brother, Dr. Freese.
—Lorne Mitchell of Detroit spent Christmas at his home here.
—Miss Louise Martin of Dresden is visiting her sister, Mrs. Irwin Kerr.
—Morley McMaster of the Royal Bank staff spent the week-end in Toronto.
—J. B. Scott of Stratford spent the week-end with his sister, Mrs. Alfred Squire.
—Joseph Munroe of Streetsville spent Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Rhoda Munroe.
—George Grant of the Technical School, Stratford, is spending the holidays at his home here.
—Russell Stevenson of Detroit spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stevenson.
—Miss Ruby Garbutt of Lansdowne and Egbert Garbutt of Toronto are holidaying at the parsonage.
—Miss Bella Mitchell of St. Thomas spent a few days this week with her cousin, Mrs. D. K. McRae, jr.
—Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McLachlan are attending the wedding of Mr. McLachlan's niece at Drayton this week.
—Dr. Will Harris of Toronto spent the Christmas holidays with his sisters, Misses Lizzie and Phemia Harris.
—Reeve A. J. and Mrs. Wright and daughter Mabel and Mr. Puccett are spending a few days in Stratford this week.
—Will and Harry Hollingshead and Mr. and Mrs. Porter of Dutton were the guests of Mrs. Hollingshead on Sunday.
—Mr. and Mrs. John Hodge and daughter Mary of Windsor spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stinson.
—Mr. and Mrs. Neil Leitch of Stratford spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Mary Leitch, and other relatives here.
—Mrs. George Harris and little son of Rodney spent a few days with Mrs. Harris, Concession street, en route to Alvinston to visit her mother.

—Mrs. Charles Dean and daughter Dorothy of St. Thomas and Mrs. W. T. Jelly of Blenheim are sending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. B. Towers.
—Mr. and Mrs. John Blake of Theford announce the engagement of their daughter, Agnes, to Andrew Flynn of Glencoe for the marriage to take place in January.
—Mrs. Battersby of Essex and Mrs. Tremble and little daughter of Red Deer, Alberta, spent the week-end with Mrs. Battersby's brother, W. K. and sister, Mrs. Mawhinney and Mrs. Hurley.
—Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Rapley of Stratford spent Christmas in Glencoe at the latter's home, where there was a family gathering, prior to the departure of Mrs. P. D. McCallum and Miss Audrey McCallum for Regina, Sask., and Mrs. W. T. McCallum and little daughter for Stony Beach.
—Out-of-town visitors at J. A. McAlpine's for Christmas were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Singleton and daughter Helen of London, W. H. Williams, M. A., and three children of Toronto, Mr. and Mrs. Norman McLachlan of Petrolia and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hingsthead and daughter Elva of Dutton.

SCHOOL REPORTS

Middlemiss Public School
The following is the result of the term examinations of Middlemiss public school. The names are in order of merit:
Class V.—James McNabb (honors).
Class IV.—Margaret McNabb, Annie McArthur, Tena Carruth, Lester Graham.
Class III.—Frank Lucas.
Class II.—Sr. Annie Wrightman (honors), Graham McDonald, Lloyd Lucas, Evelyn McIntyre, Anna Graham, Vernon Mitchell.
Class I.—Sr. Henry McNeill, Willie Richards, Rhema Gratton, Shirley Graham, George Clarke.
Class I.—Aden Lucas (honors), Margaret McNeill (honors), Alvin Gratton.
Sr. Primer.—George McIntyre, Emory Gratton, Willie Burdon, Oswald Gratton.
Jr. Primer.—Hazel Gratton, Lena Clarke, Carl Lucas, Viola Clarke, Tris Timothy.
Elinor McNabb, Teacher.
S. S. No. 2, Ekfrid
Following is the report for S. S. No. 2, Ekfrid. The names are in order of merit:
IV.—Stanley Hyndman, William Trostian, Jessie Afan, John Allan, Gladys McEachren, Flora McRae, Philip McRae.
III.—James Coad, Mac. McRae, James Brown.
II.—Phemie McEachren, Dan Brown, Norman Reath, Maudie Allan, Marion Doble, Ross Allan, George Berdan.
I.—Frank Brown, Thea Cyster, David McRae, Helen McEachren, Isabel McAlpine.
Primer A.—Ellen Berdan.
Primer B.—Willie Reath, Donald McRae, Verna Brown.

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U. S. S. No. 17, Mossa

Report of U. S. S. No. 17, Mossa, for December. Means absent for one or more exams.
Fourth Class.—Alexander Munroe 78.
Third Class.—Hughie McKellar 68.
Second Class.—Albert Moore 74.
Lloyd Little 70. Zeida Munroe 63.
Mary McKellar 61. *Dougal McIntyre 43.
First Class.—Hughie Leitch 75, V. O. Munroe 81.
Primer.—A.—Duncan Leitch; B.—Kenneth McKellar.
Elizabeth Leitch, Teacher.

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SPECIAL NOTICES

Young calf for sale.—Tom Walker.
Fresh oysters in stock at W. A. Currie's.
Alex. McAlpine & Son, dealers in flour and feed, coal, salt, cement, etc.
Chopping Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.—W. R. Stephenson, Appin.
Wanted—smart boy to learn moulding trade.—Fletcher Manufacturing Co.
Labrador herring, fresh white fish and Pacific Coast flat fish at George's this week.
Flour and feed for sale at store corner of Main and McKellar streets.—J. D. McKellar.
All grocery orders promptly filled and delivered to all parts of the village.—W. A. Currie.
For sale at Miss Riggs'—crochet threads of all kinds, stamped linens and miscellaneous millinery goods.
Ekfrid Mills will be chopping Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Your patronage solicited.—Bert Cyster.
New currants, raisins, figs, dates and other groceries taken into stock this week at W. A. Currie's.

A meeting of the Farmers' Club will be held in S. S. No. 7, Ekfrid, on Thursday, Jan. 8. A debate and outside speakers in connection with the meeting. Come and enjoy a social evening.
The Appin Pleasure Club are holding a dance at the Town Hall, Appin, on Friday evening, Jan. 9. Fisher orchestra. Come and enjoy yourself.
The anniversary of Glencoe Methodist church will be held on Sunday, Jan. 11. The sermons will be preached by Rev. Mr. Garbutt and there will be special music by the choir.
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Our Wish for You

A Prosperous and Happy New Year

During this period of rapid changes and new ideas, it is satisfying to know that the sentiment above and the sincere wish behind it has remained unaltered

New Year's Plans

Just at this time, when each one is formulating 1920 plans, we would be very glad to give any of our customers or friends whatever information we can on any matter along our particular line. Our advice always being based on the experience and information gained by close observation of conditions foreshadowed and gained by being in close touch through the largest manufacturers of Canada and Great Britain. It is for us to study future conditions as closely as possible as we have a year or even more in advance in order to get our orders completely

We have received this week invoices of large shipments of Spring Merchandise in transit. Since placing spring orders some months ago several material advances have been taken place.

It is our wish to protect our customers so far as we are able and guide their buying in a way which will mean not only money saved but place in their hands most reliable goods which many merchants will find unable to procure.

Following the big Christmas rush and the largest year's business we have ever had, we have many broken lines to clear before stock-taking, just at a season when required.

You will find, by reading our advertisements each week during 1920, information which will help you save money and get what you want. Who speaks, "sows"; Who listens, "reaps."

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ORANGE INSTALLATION

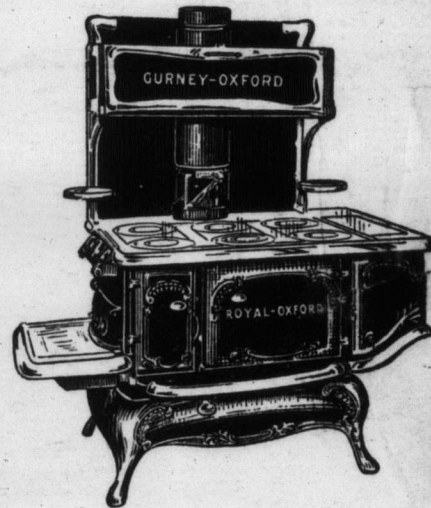
Appin, Dec. 26.—The Appin Orange Lodge held its regular annual installation of officers recently, when the following were duly inducted:—
W. M. C. F. Bardwell
D. M. Angus McMaster
Chaplain A. Bardwell
Rec. Sec. W. H. Galbraith
Fin. Sec. Wm. Gibbs
Treasurer T. J. Devlin
Lect. (1) Dougal McIntyre
Lect. (2) E. T. Huston
D. of C. (1) Wm. T. May
D. of C. (2) G. Philpott
A very successful year, with almost one hundred per cent. increase in membership, together with bright prospects for 1920, was the keynote of the happy speeches following. After the initiation of a number of candidates and the acceptance of applications from others, the evening closed with the usual banquet, put on in fine style by the energetic committee in charge.

PROVINCIAL GOOD ROADS

Replying to a deputation from Middlesex county, Hon. F. C. Biggs, Minister of Public Works, intimated in reference to the construction of provincial county roads that nothing would be definitely done pending the announcement by the Government of definite plans for the management of the provincial highways. The Minister in the course of the interview intimated that it was his intention to proceed with the plans for the construction of 1,600 miles of provincial highways in Older Ontario. The system of provincial roads would reach through and include all the counties, and instead of one, Middlesex would likely have two and possibly three highways pass through the county. He also intimated that it is his intention to suggest to the Provincial Legislature that direct grants be made to township councils for road improvements, and that apart from this suggestion there will be no change in the policy with regards to road improvement of his predecessor. During the interview, the deputation received the impression that it is not the Minister's intention to pave the provincial highway throughout with concrete or any other form of permanent pavement, as had been asserted during the recent provincial election.

THE FORWARD MOVEMENT

The next regular weekly meeting in connection with the United Churches Forward Movement will be held in the Methodist church Wednesday evening, Jan. 7, at 8 p. m. Preacher, Rev. W. J. Knox, M. A., London; subject, "The Home," etc.
No. 6, Ekfrid, school house, Tuesday, Jan. 8; No. 2, Mossa, Thursday, Jan. 8; No. 1, Mossa, Friday, Jan. 9; No. 7, Ekfrid, Friday, Jan. 9. These meetings are arranged by the Glencoe clergy in connection with the United Churches Forward Movement. They will be addressed by laymen assisting the clergy and the services will be of a distinctive missionary character. Meetings to commence at 7.30 p. m. Gospel hymns. "Ye have not passed this way heretofore."—Jos. III.:4.



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With the fruits of father's sweat,
My small voice is hushed and still—
I am in the butcher's bill.
"And no matter where I go,
People disregard me so;
I don't seem to count for much,
Among the profiteers and such."
Bill, take heart, your luck may change,
I'll admit the times are strange.
Though you're weak I love you still—
Crinkle, crinkle, little bill.

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