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WATFORD, MAY 19, 1911.

WARWICK.

Two Miss Actons left for the West this week, one for Edmonton and the other for Castor.

There will be service in Zion Congregational church at the regular hour of worship next Sunday.

Mrs. Campbell and daughter, Miss Gertrude Batchelor, Calgary, spent a few days this week in London.

Miss Pearl McCormick spent a few days this week with her cousin, Miss Lou McCormick, Kingscourt.

The Rev. Mr. Stephenson, Paisley, occupied the pulpit of Watford and Zion Congregational churches last Sunday.

Miss Jennie McPherson, Detroit, was summoned to her home by the death of her father on Wednesday of last week.

Mr. John Muxlow left for Liverpool, England, this week. He was ticketed through by Mr. Jos. H. Hume, Watford.

Mr. Fred Cook, who recently sold his farm to Mr. James King, has now purchased the farm of ex-Warden Auld on the Main Road.

Mr. Fred Cook, Main Road, has sold his fine farm of 100 acres to James King, of Brooke, for a handsome figure. Mr. Cook wishes to secure larger holdings.

The members of the Women's Auxiliary of St. Mary's church, Watford, will hold a meeting at the home of Mrs. Ernest Lester on Thursday, May 25th, at 2 p.m.

Mr. Jas. O'Brien, of Deckerville, Mich., a former resident of the 2nd line south, Watford, died last week aged 81 years. His nephew, Mr. John Farrell, attended the funeral.

The census enumerators for this township are E. A. Edwards, John Cameron, Thos. Gavigan, R. Ellerker, Joseph Crone, F. W. Crawford, and William Parker.

The death of Andrew Hill took place in Sarnia jail where he had been taken before being admitted to the insane asylum. The remains were interred in Bethel cemetery, Watford.

The death of Mr. Joseph McPherson, who was in his eighty-first year, occurred at his home, 6th line, on Wednesday of last week after an illness of four years from cancer. Interment took place at Arkona on Friday afternoon.

Mr. Gordon Barnes, Edmonton, an old Birnam boy, is moving to Vancouver, where he intends making his home in future, and with his wife and two children are making a few weeks' visit in this part of Ontario before taking their final leave for the coast.

The very sudden death of Mrs. Robt. James, from heart failure, on Friday night of last week was a great shock to the community. Mr. James and his young family of nine children have the deepest sympathy of all friends and neighbors. Interment at Bethel cemetery on Monday afternoon of this week.

The Watford branch of the Women's Institute held their annual meeting on May 17th in the Foresters' Hall. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: Pres., Mrs. Cox; Vice Pres., Mrs. Falloon; Sec.-Treas., Miss L. Waugh. With the present new officers and large membership, success is assured for the next year.

The yearly meeting of the Watford branch of the Women's Institute was held in the Foresters' Hall, Watford, on Thursday, May 11, when the following officers were elected:—President, Mrs. A. N. Cox; Vice President, Mrs. David R. Falloon; Sec.-Treas., Miss Lena Waugh; Directors, Mrs. Robert Auld, Mrs. Chas. Barnes, Mrs. James Thompson. Auditors, Mrs. McAusland and Miss Helen Laws.

George E. Hunt, of Castor, Alberta, writes: "I arrived in Castor, safe with our live stock after an eleven days journey. We had a fine trip, and found fine weather waiting us when we landed here. The seeding and planting are finished. It takes the Guide-Advocate a long time to come here but we are glad to see it come. There is a lot of breaking being done here this year and the railroads are building at top speed."

A very sad death occurred on the second line north on Friday night when Mrs. Robert James suddenly passed away to a better land. While in bed she was seized with a fit of coughing. Her husband got up to render her assistance, when she suddenly collapsed. Dr. Copeland, of Arkona, was immediately telephoned for, and on his arrival declared heart failure to be the cause of death. Mrs. James was in the prime of life, being only 41 years, 4 months and 15 days old. She was a daughter of the late Adam Baird and Mrs. Baird of the 2nd line, and was married about 21 years ago. A husband, nine children (7 boys and 2 girls) are left to cherish the memory of a kind and thoughtful mother and a good wife. The funeral took place from the family residence, lot 14, con. 3, on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock for Bethel cemetery and was attended by a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends who assembled to pay their last respects to the deceased. The funeral service was taken by Rev. E. B. Horne, pastor of the Presbyterian church. The pall bearers were James McElroy, Geo. A. Baird, Chas. Smith, And. Auld, Joseph McCormick, and R. J. McCormick, M. P. P.

Because her husband, a son of deceased, signed as a witness to her father-in-law's will, Mrs. John H. Knapp, of Chatham will lose a legacy of about \$1,000. This was the effect of a decision handed out in the Surrogate Court of Kent county by His Honor Judge Bell. The will in question was drawn up by a licensed conveyancer.

COMMUNICATIONS.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for opinions expressed by correspondents.

Public Charity.

Lambton has a Home of Refuge (so called). On May 15th, a man in destitute circumstances and unable to work was committed in due form by the Reeve of Watford to Lambton's Home for the Poor. The necessary medical certificate certifying that he was free from any contagious or infectious disease was filled out by a licensed physician. What was the result when this man was presented for admission to the Refuge? Turned away by the authorities in charge because he has trouble of a malignant nature on the side of his face which is neither contagious nor infectious. "Take him to the Home for Incurables," they said. Might I ask where is Lambton's Home for Incurables? One says "commit him to the county jail as a vagrant." What humiliation to a man whose only crime is that he is poor and afflicted. Is this man going to be let die on the street? Is this section of Lambton, that has done its share in erecting and maintaining that institution, going to stand such treatment as this? Is one single physician going to say who shall and who shall not enter Lambton's Work House? Charity, charity, what a cold thing thou art!

What a blot on our boasted civilization! "The mills of the Gods grind slowly but they grind exceedingly fine," and the end is not yet.

BADEN POWELL.

Watford, May 17th, 1911.

CHOP STUFF.

Forest will organize a bowling club. Thamesville will build a new town hall.

Glencoe post office hours are 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Glencoe has only sixteen dogs on the assessment roll.

Blenheim will submit a local option by-law next January.

Petrolia barbers close at 8 o'clock each evening except Saturday.

Petrolia baseball club will play ball with Alvinston at that town on the 24th.

The Royal Hotel, Essex, burned down last week, was the oldest hotel in the county.

The Legislative grant to the Strathroy Collegiate will be withheld unless a new building is erected.

A third dividend of 5 per cent. has been declared by the Petrolia Curling and Skating Rink Co.

Petrolia's population is 3913, according to the last assessment roll. This is a gain of 217 over last year.

Glencoe bowlers have organized, and are open for matches with neighboring towns. H. Von Mettke is secretary.

Soundings are being made along the Canadian shore between Sarnia and Point Edward by government engineers to mark out the shoal spots where the department of marine and fisheries will shortly begin extensive dredging operations.

On Monday night, the 1st inst., Wm. Wills, of Wildder, left his home about 10 o'clock, and his whereabouts is still unknown. He was only partly dressed when he left the house. Diligent search has been made for him, and his disappearance is a mystery.

Leamington council offers a reward of \$25 to anyone giving information that will lead to the prosecution and conviction of anyone violating the local option law. A Leamington paper says there is no doubt plenty of opportunities of securing this reward.

Alfred Booten, aged 38, a former resident of Glencoe, dropped dead a few blocks from his home in Detroit, while on his way with his wife to attend the wedding of their daughter in Pontiac, Mich. He had been ill for several months and had been warned by his physician that death might come at any time.

Mr. G. A. Hadden, Alvinston, has again been appointed official photographer by the Military Department for Military District No. 1, Western Ontario, and will attend the camps at Niagara-on-the-Lake, June 5th to the 16th, and Goderich, June 19th to the 30th. This makes the fifth year he has done the Military Camp work.

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A Page of Interest to Ladies

We have set out to establish May, 1911, as a record month in our

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THE SPREADING PLAGUE.

It Has Become, in a Measure, a World-wide Menace.

The terrible bubonic plague, which appeared in Hongkong in 1894, spread from there to Bombay and in the next twelve years carried off more than 6,000,000 victims, has been almost quiescent for the past few years, but in 1910 it appeared in a virulent form in Harbin, has since spread to other cities and is now a worldwide menace.

More alarming than the reappearance of the disease in Manchuria is the discovery of the disease in the eastern coastwise counties of England, where several deaths have occurred.

Until 1906 little was known regarding the mode of propagation of this terrible disease, although the disease itself is as old as history. In 1906 the Indian plague research commission definitely traced the spread of the epidemic to the fleas on the black rats of the country. The rats themselves have the disease. A flea which sucks the blood of the rat takes the germs into its stomach.

If the flea bites a human being within a period of three weeks the germs are transferred and the human being contracts the disease. Until recently it had been supposed that only the black rat is susceptible to the plague and that only the flea known as Pulex cheopis could transfer it. Later discoveries, however, have shown that the common brown or Norway rat is also liable to the disease and that it may be transferred by the ordinary rat flea.

Still another matter of great interest has been disclosed by the cases in England, which are not the bubonic, but the even more deadly and more dangerous pneumonic plague.

The bubonic form, in which the lymphatic glands swell and suppurate, is transferable only through some such medium as the rat and the flea. The pneumonic form, on the other hand, is directly infectious.—Youth's Companion.

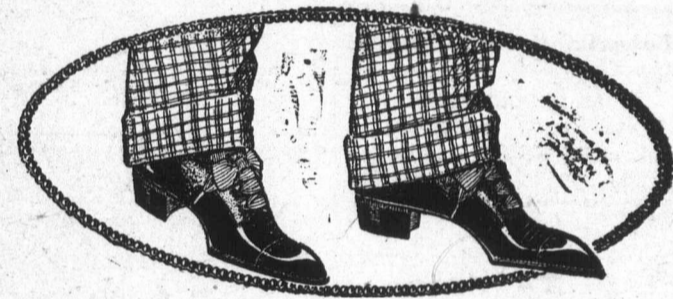
FELLING BIG TREES.

The Great Waste That Comes With Making Up Their Beds.

In logging operations the felling of one of the big trees requires much skill in order that it may not be broken in the fall, as such an accident means perhaps the loss of fully \$500, owing to the value of the wood. As yet, however, the old method prevails of cutting it part of the way through with the crosscut saw worked by two men, the ax being used for an incision on the opposite side, the trunk being felled by means of wedges.

In felling the tree, a number of smaller ones are frequently cut down to form a bed on which it may fall so that it will not break on account of its weight. Here is a great waste, since the felling of a fir 150 tons in weight may require the sacrifice of a group of other trees which at maturity would equal it in size. In the "clearings" may be seen thousands of the young trees which have been cut down merely for "beds."

Undoubtedly a mechanical system could be utilized in the work, such as a portable power derrick, the top of which could be attached to a tree by the block and tackle system, thus allowing the trunk when cut through to be lowered gradually by means of ropes of steel cable without the timber being injured and the crushing of the smaller trees near it.—W. A. Day in Cassier's Magazine.



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COMFORTABLE frame house for sale, corner John and Ontario streets. Contains 7 rooms and every convenience. Good water, orchard. Easy terms to quick buyer. Must be sold. Apply to S. STAPLEFORD, Watford.

DR. CORNELL, the well known, eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, of Port Huron, will be at the Franklin Hotel, Watford, on Friday, April 28th. Glasses fitted and diseases of those organs treated.

ANY PERSON desiring live stock insurance against death, accident or disease should apply to W. E. Fitzgerald, Watford, who represents the Yorkshire Insurance Company, the strongest and wealthiest company in the world doing live stock insurance.

SEWDICK BROS. are prepared to do all kinds of new and repair woodwork. A new engine has been installed and turning and jobbing of all kinds will be promptly and satisfactorily attended to. Shop—the old Woolen Mill, Huron street. 31m6ft

R. W. Riddle of the Commercial Hotel Wyoming, was convicted on Thursday, by police magistrate McKenzie, of Petrolia, selling liquor in a local option municipality on April 14 and of obstructing an officer on April 19 and was fined \$100 in each case. Provincial Inspector Ayeast laid the charge.

An explosion of gas occurred in the boiler-room of the Petrolia Wagon Factory on Monday morning about eight o'clock. Wm. Moore, one of the firemen was severely burned about the face and hands. He was taken to the Ranglehart hospital where his wounds were attended to.

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D. A. McLACHLAN - PRINCIPAL.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the Estate of Miles Hagle, late of the Township of Watford, in the County of Lambton, Farmer, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the statute in that behalf that all creditors having claims against the above named Miles Hagle, who died on or about the Twenty-second day of April A. D. 1911, are required to send to the undersigned on or before the Twentieth day of June A. D. 1911, their names and addresses and full particulars of their claims and the nature of any securities held by them, and after the 20th day of June the executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased, having regard only to the claims of which they shall have had notice.

Dated at Watford this 16th day of May A. D. 1911.

COWAN & TOWERS.

Watford, Ontario.

Solicitors for John J. Smith and Henry Cable, Executors.

100 Acre Farm for Sale.

BRING west half of Lot 27, in 15th Concession, of Brooke. Good clay loam soil, part suitable for fruit growing. Well fenced, good buildings in good repair, good well with new windmill. Convenient to church and school. 6 miles from Watford, 5 from Kewood. For further particulars write to

JAS. A. HAIR, Watford, Ont.

F. T. Hoskin, the veteran tinmith of Stratford, met with quite a serious accident Tuesday morning. He and his son were engaged in making repairs to the roof of the residence of Mrs. Bolton on Quality Hill. Mr. Hoskin was ascending a ladder and accidentally fell off backward to the ground, sustaining a fracture of his collar bone and several bruises about the head. Mr. Hoskin, who is 83 years old but remarkably active will be confined to his bed for some time.