

A FAIR INVITATION

IS extended to all who visit Watford Fair to make our store headquarters for meeting friends, resting, etc.

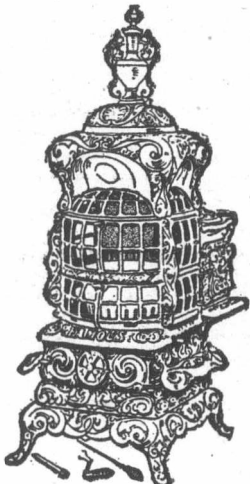
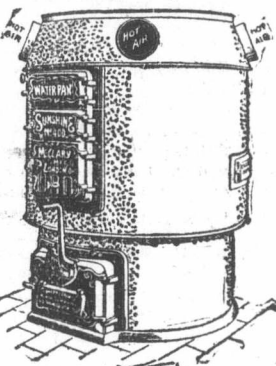


Owing to our exceptionally busy season it will be impossible for us to exhibit at the grounds, but we ask you to inspect our stock of

**STOVES,
RANGES,
HEATERS,
FURNACES**

etc., at our store. We have added the new HIGH OVEN RANGE to our already fine display, so that alone is worthy of your attention and our prices are excelled by none.

We are offering some very special prices on practically everything in our store on Fair Day.



HARDWARE T. DODDS & SON TINSMITHING
CHI-NAMEL PLUMBING
GLASS, ETC. WATFORD'S LEADING HARDWARE WORK, ETC.

ARKONA

On account of the wet morning Rally Day services in Methodist Church were postponed till next Sunday morning at 10.30 o'clock. All are welcome.

Miss Hattie Hall, of Stratford, spent the week end with friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, of Goderich, are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Eastman.

Mr. and Mrs. Bartram, of Alberta, are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. H. Smith.

Mrs. W. Lucas who has been spending the past month with friends in London, returned home last week.

Anniversary services will be held in Methodist church on Sunday Oct. 10th, followed on Monday evening (Thanksgiving Day) by supper and concert. Fuller announcement later.

Display of winter furs. Special values.—Brown Bros.

Mr. William Lovey of Parkhill, spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Herrington last week.

Mrs. Rutan, of Toronto, is visiting her sisters, Mrs. W. J. Fuller and Mrs. Fred Nelson.

Mr. Geo. Cline, of Thedford, made a business trip to town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Marshall, of Goderich are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Nial Eastman this week.

Mr. Peter Blackburn, of Sarnia, spent Sunday with friends in town.

Call and see our heavy winter coatings and sweaters.—Fuller Bros.

Rev. W. A. Johnson, former pastor of the Baptist church, but who for the past few years has been living in North Carolina, occupied the pulpit of the Baptist church last Sunday.

Mr. Lloyd Johnson son of the Rev. W. A. Johnson spent Sunday with friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Beam, of Port Colborne, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Harnish.

Mr. Alex. Towle, of London, is renewing old acquaintances in town this week.

Just received, a shipment of special Japan tea, at the old price, the best on the market.—Fuller Bros.

The regular meeting of the Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. Jas. Jackson, Saturday, October 2, at 3 p.m. Miss Mary Brown will give a paper on "Flower Gardening." The district president, Mrs. Connor, and the

FRUIT BULLETIN

Canning and Preserving Fruits are almost done—says the Government Notice to Housewife. A few good Niagara Grown Peaches still left, as the Government says—Put down an extra supply this year—Plums and Grapes for jam and jelly.

vice-president for the south, Mrs. M. Campbell, are expected to be present. Roll call will be answered by each member giving her favorite pickling recipe. Everybody welcome.

Display of ladies' fall and winter coats Friday and Saturday of this week. We are not stocking coats this season but have arranged with the manufacturers to have samples submitted for two days. Call and see them.—Brown Bros.

Mr. William Eason Brown, son of Dr. J. E. Brown, of Toronto, formerly of Arkona, will be among the entertainers at the fowl supper to be held in the Methodist Church Thanksgiving night. Further particulars later.

Rev. Alex. White, of Thedford, will occupy the pulpit of the Baptist church next Sunday morning.

Rev. Dr. McConnicky will occupy the pulpit of the Baptist church next Sunday evening in the interest of the Dominion Alliance.

Mr. Ethan Bates left on Monday to join the 70th Battalion.

Rev. A. C. Crewes, of the Methodist Book Room, editor of the Sunday school papers will occupy the pulpit in Methodist church next Sunday evening in aid of the Dominion Alliance campaign.

OFFICIAL FRUIT BULLETIN

Fruit Branch—Dept. of Agriculture

Canning and preserving fruits are almost done, although some good peaches may even yet be obtained. Those who have not canned or preserved sufficient to last for a year, should act promptly. Do not forget that grape jelly is delicious and a liberal supply should be on the shelves for the coming winter. Get Smock Peaches, the latest and one of the best for canning, this week. If you can still get a few Elbertas, take them. Some good prunes are still available. Do not forget our soldiers. Do up a few jars for them and communicate with the Canadian Club or Red Cross Branch in the nearest city.

BROOKE COUNCIL.

Alvinston, Sept. 25th 1915

Council met pursuant to adjournment, members all present.

Minutes of former meeting read and on motion by Johnston and Bourne were adopted.—Carried.

Engineer's report on the proposed McTaggart drain read, estimated costs \$301.

Johnston—Campbell, that report be laid over to consult solicitor regarding same.—Carried.

Report of engineer on proposed Logan drain read, estimated cost \$1843.00.

Johnston—Kennedy, that report be laid over for further consideration.—Carried.

Johnston—Campbell, that the clerk notify all Pathmasters to return all road lists not later than October 2nd, 1915, after which action will be taken.—Carried

Bourne—Johnston, that account of Harper Bros. amounting to \$32.30 for burial expenses of W. Kelly, indignant, killed by a G.T.R. train in the municipality be paid.—Carried.

Frank Lovell complained that the spreading of the earth on the north and east side of the Smith-Patterson drain was causing damages to his lands by closing up the natural runs of the water, and asked damages, to be referred to solicitor.

Bourne—Johnston, that council open as a Court of Revision on the west end of the 12th and 13th con. and townline drain by-law with reeve in chair.—Carried.

Declarations taken before clerk.

Bourne—Kennedy, as there is no appeal the by-law be read a third time and finally passed and court closed.—Carried.

By-law read and passed.

Paul Kingston submitted the names of Lachlan McLean and Fred Kingston as his bondsmen as tax collector for 1915.

Bourne—Campbell, that the names of parties submitted be accepted and clerk see to the due execution of the bond.—Carried.

Mrs. Pray and Mrs. Brown of Alvinston interviewed council asking for a grant to assist in carrying on the Red Cross work, stating the kind of work being done.—laid over.

By-law introduced and read to authorize reeve and treasurer to borrow \$10,000 until taxes are collected.

Johnston—Bourne, that by-law be read a third time and finally passed.—Carried.

Johnston—Campbell, that Engineer's report on the repair and extension of the Parker-Lucas drain and repair to 13th concession drain be received and Clerk prepare by-law authorizing work and loan.—Carried.

Kennedy—Campbell, that council do now adjourn to meet in the Village of Inwood on Saturday October 23rd.—Carried.

W. J. WEED, Clerk.

ALLIES HAVE ASSUMED THE OFFENSIVE

Great Victory in Northern France

Splendid victories were won by the French and British armies in general engagements fought on Saturday and Sunday at two widely separated points on the western battle-line. The German trenches were carried in the Champagne country, east of Rheims, on a front of fifteen miles, and 16,000 prisoners were taken. In Artois, in the region between Arras and the Basse Canal, the British captured the German trenches on a front of five miles, obtained vantage ground from which the important town of Lens may be menaced, and took 2,600 prisoners. The French captured the village of Souchez, and advanced toward Givenchy, taking a thousand prisoners. Altogether, in the two day's battle the German front was crumpled up for a distance of twenty miles and 20,000 un- wounded Germans were captured by the Allies. The losses on both sides in killed and wounded will be heavy, for the battles fought on Saturday and Sunday were the most important since those in front of Sissons in February, in which it is estimated that 50,000 French and Germans were killed and wounded. The results of the struggle will be of more consequence than those of any action on the western front since the battle of the Marne.

Paris, Sept. 27.—Military critics estimate that the Germans killed and wounded in the big battles of the last two days in the Artois and Champagne regions must easily equal the number of prisoners taken. Hence they reckon the Germans' total losses at not less than 40,000, equaling the size of an army corps.

The French official statement made public to-night says that the situation in the north of Arras remains unmodified and that the fighting in the Champagne continues.

The statement adds that the Germans to-day began another offensive movement in the Argonne, but that it was completely checked and that the German losses were heavy.

The text of the communication follows: "To the north of Arras the situation is without modification. The enemy has reacted only feebly against the new positions occupied by our troops. The number of prisoners taken in that region exceeds fifteen hundred."

BORN.

In Victoria, B.C., on Tuesday, September 21st, 1915, to Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Tanner, a son.

In Brooke, on Saturday, Sept. 18th, 1915, to Mr. and Mrs. John H. Downing, a daughter.

In New Liskeard, on Monday, Sept. 13, 1915, to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gallagher, (nee Lena McAlpine) a daughter.

On Sunday, Sept. 12th, 1915, to Mr. and Mrs. Neil Campbell, Euphemie, twin boys.

In Bosanquet, Friday, September 10th, to Mr. and Mrs. James Ryan, a daughter.

MARRIED.

At Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., September 22, 1915, by Rev. G. S. Faircloth, Miss Emily Helena Cameron to Mr. Alfred Kenneth Dormer, both of the Sault.

At Langenburg, Sask., on Tuesday, Sept. 14th, 1915, by the Rev. F. G. Lehman, Mr. Allan McIntyre Steele, of Langenburg, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Steele, of Forest, to Laura Adams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Berger.

DIED.

In Edmonton, Alta., on Sept. 10th, 1915, Mr. John R. Bailey, aged 48 years and 4 months.

In Plympton, on Thursday, Sept. 16th, Louella, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Rankin, aged 22 years, 4 months and 5 days.



RECRUITS FOR 70th BATTALION

Recruiting is now opened for 70th Battalion, Canadian Expeditionary Force.

Recruiting Stations for Lambton County are located at Sarnia, Petrolia, Alvinston, Watford, Forest, Thedford.

Watford Recruiting Station is in charge of Lieut. E. W. Lawrence.

THE STERLING BANK OF CANADA

SAVE, Because---

A reserve fund in the bank meets pressing needs should emergency arise



FORD Car (Without Body) \$450
FORD Roadster \$480
FORD Touring Car \$530

F. O. B. FORD, ONTARIO

RAY MORNINGSTAR, Arkona, dealer for Watford and Warwick.

G. A. HADDEN, Alvinston, dealer for Brooke and Alvinston.

SPECIAL SALE ON

Ladies' patent vamp, cloth top, low or high heels, at\$2.48
Ladies' patent vamp, mat top\$2.48
Girls' school shoes, button or lace, low or high heels at\$2.48
These shoes are specially low priced and will be on sale this week.
Girls' and Boys' School Shoes, solid leather and heavy soles—warranted to wear well.

Reduced prices on Men's and Boys' wearing shoes, ask to see them.

EVERYTHING IN RUBBERS—1st QUALITY ONLY

Boys' heavy gum Rubber Boots.....\$2.50
Child's Rubber Boots.....\$1.75
Girls' Rubber Boots.....\$2.25
Women's Rubber Boots.....\$2.45

J. WHITE