We take great pleasure in heartily wishing our Customers and Friends a Prosperous and Happy New Year.

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RAILWAY AND POSTAL GUIDE.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Eastbound—No. 18, express, stops only for passengers Toronto or east, 3.41 a.m.; No. 634, express, stops at local points, 11.46 a.m.; No. 22, express, stops at local points, 4.34 p.m.; No. 670, London mixed, 6.35 p.m.

Westbound—No. 671, Chatham mixed, 9.15 a.m.; No. 21, express, stops for passengers west of Chatham and east of London, 12.17 p.m.; No. 633, express, stops at local points, 8.37 p.m.; No. 17, express, stops only for passengers from Toronto and east or for points west of Detroit, 11.40 p.m.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

Main Line.

Eastbound—No. 12, mail and express to London and intermediate points, 9.27 a.m.; No. 22, express to London and intermediate points, 3 p.m.; No. 16, Eastern Flyer, for Toronto, Montreal, etc., 6.05 p.m.; No. 26, local accommodation to London, 10.10 p.m.

Westbound—No. 21, local mail and express, 7.30 a.m.; No. 73, way freight and passenger, 10.15 a.m.; No. 23, express from London and points east for Detroit, 12.21 p.m.; No. 11, local mail and express, 3 p.m.; No. 15, International Limited, from Toronto and east for Detroit, 8.52 p.m.

Nos. 22, 16, 25 and 15, Sundays included.

Wabash and Air Line.

Eastbound—No. 6, Wabash, 3.08 a. m.; No. 48, mixed, local points to St. Thomas, 9.35 a.m.; No. 2, Wabash, 1.42 p.m.; No. 28, Wabash, 5.17 p.m.; No. 74, way freight and passenger to St. Thomas, 4.20 p.m.

Westbound—No. 1, Wabash, 5.55 a.m.; No. 48, way freight, St. Thomas to Glencoe, 9 a.m.; No. 3, Wabash, 12.01 p.m.; No. 49, mixed, local points, St. Thomas to Glencoe, 2.55 p.m.

Wabash trains, Sundays included.

Kingscourt Branch.

Leave Glencoe for Alvinston, Petrolea, etc., connecting for Sarnia Tunnel and points west—No. 155, mixed, 9 a.m.; No. 159, passenger, 3.10 p.m.; No. 163, mixed, 6.10 p.m.

Arrive at Glencoe—No. 156, passenger, 7.15 a.m.; No. 158, express, 3 p.m.; No. 160, mixed, 8.15 p.m.

GLENCOE POST-OFFICE

Mails closed — G. T. R. East, 9 a.m.; G. T. R. West, 2.40 p. m.; London and East, 7 p. m. and 2.40 p. m.; Strathburn, Alliance, Woodgreen, 4 p.m.

Mails received — London and East, 8 a. m.; G.T.R. East, 3.20 p.m.; G.T.R. West, 9.30 a. m.; Strathburn, Alliance and Woodgreen, 2.30 p.m.

Post Office hours—8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

In the public schools of Baltimore the eyes of 53,067 pupils were examined by the tests ordinarily used, and the results are interesting and suggestive: 9,051 pupils were found to have such defective eyesight as to make school work unsafe; 53 per cent. of the children were not to be in the enjoyment of normal vision, but curiously enough the percentage of defective eyesight increased with the age of the pupils. The report recommends yearly examinations of the pupils' eyesight. The large percentage, nearly one-fifth of the total number examined, found to be in no condition to do school work at all, is a warning to parents and school authorities all over the country. It shows great negligence and ignorance on the part of parents, where the responsibility rests in the first place, and where periodical examinations of the pupils' eyesight by school authorities will place it at last."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

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Christmas 1911 AND 1912 New Year's

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Return limit Wednesday, Jan. 3, 1912.

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Alex. Edwards, a Glencoe old boy, is a candidate for the reeveship in Galt.

An "Ear Telephone."

Differing from the various kinds of instruments which are used to aid persons of defective hearing, a new long distance hearing apparatus has recently been invented to assist the hearing of normal persons in much the same way that a telescope does the eye; that is, it enables one to distinguish sounds through a greater distance, besides amplifying those which would ordinarily be detected by the unaided ears. For this reason it has been facetiously called the "ear telescope."

BORN.

McCRACKEN.—In Glencoe, on Wednesday, Dec. 20, 1911, to Mr. and Mrs. P. D. McCracken, a son.

LOCAL.

Bury politics in municipal affairs. Pick out the best men.

These are the short days, and these are the days we are short.

Archie Duncanson has obtained a good well of water after several tests on his farm in Ekfrid.

The Melbourne Fair Association intend making their exhibit buildings larger the coming year.

Mrs. C. J. Campbell, of Mayfair, who broke her leg a few weeks ago, is in a critical condition of health as a result.

Mrs. Duncan Stuart, Main Street, is in a very critical condition, following a paralytic stroke on Saturday evening.

Mrs. Wm. Sutherland, Ekfrid, had the misfortune to fall while rising from her chair on Sunday evening, fracturing her hip.

The Glencoe Assembly Club will hold their second dance on the evening of January 1st. A Detroit orchestra will furnish the music.

A. B. McGregor, of Davidson, Sask., had his horse barns burned a few weeks ago and had a close call from having his entire buildings consumed.

The Sunday School of S. S. No. 5, Ekfrid, are preparing a good program for their entertainment on Friday evening, Jan. 12th. Admission 10 and 15 cents. 86-3

Chief Justice Murlock and Justices Teetzel and Clute have given judgment in the West Lorne local option appeal; the decision being that the by-law is sustained,

W. R. Sutherland, Ekfrid, last week received a pen of single comb White Leghorn fowl from Des Moines, Iowa. This breed is said to be good for 260 to 240 eggs a year each.

Fuller's minstrels, billed for the opera house last Thursday evening, failed to put in an appearance, and some debts contracted by their advance agent have not yet been met.

Mrs. W. A. Currie will open a studio at her millinery parlors on Symes street, and give lessons in oil painting during January and February. Call at millinery parlors for further particulars.

The marriage took place at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Macpherson, Aldborough, yesterday evening, of their daughter, Mabel Ella, to Dugald Keith Andrews, also of Aldborough.

At high noon on Wednesday, December 20th, Miss Annie Hardy, daughter of Robert Hardy, of Ekfrid, was united in marriage to Alfred E. Wilks, of Inwood. Rev. Geo. Baker, of Melbourne, performed the ceremony.

Rev. G. and Mrs. Weir and family attended a reunion of the Weir family at Eastwood on Christmas Day. The gathering was in the form of a farewell for Miss Jessie Weir, who left that night for New York, to sail on Dec. 27th for India.

The Presbyterian Sunday School Christmas entertainment, held on Thursday evening, was a decided success, the proceeds being over $18. The programme was admirably carried out, reflecting much credit on the scholars and those in charge.

The Sunday School entertainment of the Anglican church will be held in the basement of the church tomorrow evening (Thursday), at 7.30 o'clock. The usual children's programme will be given, with additions from others. Admission 10 and 5 cents. Children of the Sunday School free.

On Wednesday evening of last week St. John's church presented Miss Annie E. Siddall with an initialed travelling bag, to show their appreciation of her services as choir leader. Although much surprised, Miss Siddall thanked them for the very acceptable gift and their kindness in presenting it.

The Methodist Sunday School entertainment was held on Wednesday evening of last week, when Rev. M. A. Lindsay, of Newbury, gave his illustrated lecture on "Bunyan and his Times", which was much enjoyed by all present. At the close the usual treat was presented to the members of the Sunday School.

The anniversary services in connection with the Methodist church will be held on Sunday, January 7th, conducted by the pastor, Rev. S. W. Muxworthy. On the following Monday evening the usual tea will be served in the basement of the church, after which a first-class entertainment will be given. See bills.

William Hughes, of Appin, and Miss Winnifred Humphrey, of London, were quietly married at the home of the groom's cousin, Wilfrid Hughes, in that city on Wednesday, Dec. 20th. After their honeymoon trip the young couple will reside at Appin. Only the immediate friends of the couple were present at the ceremony.

Beginning with Monday evening, Jan. 1st, a week of prayer will be observed by the churches. Union services will be held in St. John's church on Monday evening; in the Methodist church Tuesday and Thursday, and the Presbyterian church Wednesday and Friday evenings. The meetings will be conducted by Rev. Dr. Macdonald, of Kilmartin, and the resident ministers.

The hotel bars and liquor stores all over the province were closed on Christmas day. This is the first time such a thing has happened. Two years ago the Provincial Legislature inserted a clause in the Liquor License Act forbidding intoxicants to be sold on Christmas Day. The holiday, however, fell on Sunday last year, and Monday, technically speaking, being not a holiday, the bars were allowed to be open.

Start the new year with a new piano. I am selling Canada's leading makes on easy monthly or yearly terms. You can turn your old instrument on a new one at its value as part payment. The self-playing piano is becoming popular in the home. If interested in a self-player we will mail you a catalogue and quote terms on same. Write for particulars to Dan H. McRae, Glencoe, Ont.

Archie McArthur, of Kelhoe, Man., is here for a few weeks seeing old friends, having accompanied his aged father-in-law, Mr. Webster, of Aldborough, home from the West, where he had been on a visit. Mr. McArthur left Ekfrid nearly thirty years ago and settled in Manitoba, where he has been engaged in farming ever since with more than the average success. This is his first visit to the old home.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

—Dick Singleton spent Christmas at Ingersoll.

—Miss Lillian Lee has returned from her vacation.

—Councillor A. B. Lee arrived home on Friday last.

—Tom Harris was home from Strathroy for Christmas.

—Russell Johnston is here from Detroit for the holidays.

—Fred Annett was home from Windsor for Christmas.

—Dr. Frank Elliott is here from the West to spend the winter.

—Mr. and Mrs. Peter L. Campbell spent Christmas in London.

—Hugh Currie, of Chicago, spent Christmas at W. A. Currie's.

—James McLean, of Maple Creek, Sask., is visiting friends here.

—Miss Agnes Fraser, of Ingersoll, is the guest of Miss Helen Hurst.

—Miss Edna Precious is home from South Cayuga for the holidays.

—Mrs. Lounsbury, of Hamilton, is a holiday visitor at Dr. Walker's.

—Mrs. Levi Smith and children are spending the holidays in Putnam.

—Mr. and Mrs. James Poole spent Christmas with friends in Detroit.

—Harold Bechill has arrived home from the West to spend the winter.

—Kenneth Ward, of Detroit, was a Christmas visitor at A. F. Ward's.

—Misses Irene and Georgie Smith are spending the holidays in Cayuga.

—John McCallum, of Swift Current, Sask., is visiting at his former home here.

—Robert Sutherland, of Galt, is spending a week at his mother's, in Ekfrid.

—Mrs. T. A. Edwards and daughter Nessie, of London, spent Christmas in Glencoe.

—Vivan Howard is home from McMaster University, Toronto, for the holidays.

—Miss Sadie Currie spent Christmas in Toronto, the guest of Miss Effie McFarlane.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. Clarke and little daughter spent Christmas at her home near London.

—Mr. and Mrs. Charles Towers, of Inadale, are on a trip to Nebraska to visit her relatives.

—Mr. Stuart, of McGill College, Montreal, is spending the holidays at J. A. McLachlan's.

—Mr. and Mrs. Edward Meggitt, of Brantford, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Lee.

—Peter and Hugh Munroe, of Swift Current, Sask., are visiting their mother, Mrs. Dan Munroe.

—Mr. and Mrs. F. C. McIlroy and children, of Hamilton, spent Christmas with Dr. and Mrs. Walker.

—Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Campbell, Mrs. Hutchison and Mrs. Taylor and son, Cecil, spent Christmas in Chatham.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Sexsmith and children, of Chatham, are spending the holidays with his parents, here.

—D. A. Hutchison and bride, of Franklin Park, Ill., visited Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Campbell the past week.

—Peter Ferguson and family, of Detroit, are spending Christmas at Gillies brothers', Diamond Crossing.

—Mrs. McTaggart and family, of St. Thomas; H. Pray, of Windsor, and Miss Alma Pray, of Toronto, spent Christmas at J. E. Hurst's.

—Mr. and Mrs. Williams and son Harley, of Berlin, and Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Hollingshead, of Winnipeg, spent Christmas at J. A. McLachlan's.

—S. C. Willis, of New Haven, Conn., and Mrs. J. Brown and daughter Pearl, of Havelock, were the Christmas visitors of Mr. and Mrs. R. Hicks.

—G. A. Oldreive spent Christmas at his home here on his return from Quebec, where he has been looking after his interests in the Mac Lumber Co.

—Stewart Finlayson, manager of the Traders Bank, Embro, and Archie Finlayson, of the Traders Bank staff at Tavistock, were home for Christmas.

—Archie McPherson, manager of the Petrolea Wagon Works, and wife; Ross McPherson, of Toronto, and Mr. and Mrs. Nichol and Miss Nichol, of London, were the Christmas visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Allan McPherson.

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50c. a box, 6 for $2.50, trial size, 25c. At dealers, or sent on receipt of price by Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa.

—Mrs. Wm. J. Henderson, and brother, of Minitonas, Man., are on a visit to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Stinson. Mrs. Henderson has been twelve years in the West.

Holloway's Corn Cure destroys all kinds of corns and warts, root and branch. Who, then, would endure them with such a cheap and effectual remedy within reach?

SPECIAL NOTICES.

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Booklets, Xmas cards, toys, to be got at store of A. B. Lee. 84-3

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Farm for sale or rent—lot 15, 2nd range south of Longwoods Road, Ekfrid, 105 acres. Apply to John A. Murray, Ekfrid. 88

Are you pondering how to give something in return for remembrances received? Photos fill the bill. Have a sitting at once at Boulton's.

Dr. Ovens, London, eye and ear surgeon, will be at the McKellar House, Glencoe, on Saturday, January 13th; hours, 2.30 to 6 p.m. Glasses properly fitted and cataract, squint, failing eyesight, deafness, nasal catarrh, &c., treated. Glass eyes furnished.

F. G. Humphries wishes to announce to the inhabitants of Glencoe and the surrounding districts that he has purchased the old established butcher business, carried on for many years by the Toon family, and takes possession in the new year. The business will be carried on the same as before—cleanliness, quality and punctuality being our motto. Prices will remain the same as before. He, therefore, solicits a continuance of your patronage and will endeavor to give perfect satisfaction. Orders punctually attended to and delivered. Phone 60. P. O. Box 269.

Medical inspection of the schools is recommended by the health officer to the Dunwich board of health.

William May has declined to close the bargain for the sale of his twenty-five acres in Dunwich to George Cook. Mr. Cook has made the purchase of Malcolm McIntyre's farm, composed of eighty acres and located in the first concession of Dunwich, the consideration being $2,500.

Some of the teachers-in-training from Western Ontario points who have been successful in qualifying for limited third-class certificates at the Provincial Model Schools are Lena Bourne, Alvinston; Irene Campbell, Wardsville; Agnes Duncan, Bothwell; Mary J. Jameison, Crinan; Agnes Lamont, Wardsville; Margaret McCallum, Glencoe.

Much distress and sickness in children is caused by worms. Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator gives relief by removing the cause. Give it a trial and be convinced.

STOCK EXCHANGE EXPRESSIONS

A Peep at the Bulls and Bears and Meaning of Shorts and Profits and Settling Day Accounts.

In "boom" times newspapers tell us that "Bulls" are having it all their own way. In bad times it appears that the "Bears" are getting an innings. What, then, are "Bulls" and "Bears."

Let us first glance at the customers to the Stock Exchange. There is the genuine investor, who is content with anything up to 4½ per cent. and sound security. Next comes a little more difficult man to satisfy. For he wants 5 per cent. on his money and a chance of capital appreciation in his stock or share. Lastly — and this is the client we are dealing with more particularly — there is the speculator who swarms in the mining, rubber, and oil share markets in active times. He pays but little regard to any of the questions that are all important to the other two classes. The speculator delights in possibilities, probabilities, rumours, prospects, in fact all the varied ingredients that go to make an appetising meal for a healthy, robust "Bull."

A Peep at the "Bulls" and "Bears"

A "Bull" is a speculator "for the rise," a purchaser who hopes to sell at a profit, if possible before the settling day comes round, and not one who intends to take the shares off the market. He is known as a "stale bull," when after waiting wearily for the rise that never seems to come he sells in disgust. The "Bear" is the speculator who comes along when he thinks money can be made by selling; he fattens, of course, on the stale bull. When a successful "Bull" sells he differs from the "Bear" in that he takes his profits or cuts his losses, whereas the "Bear" is only just setting out to make them. Thus a "Bull" taking his profits does so by selling at a higher price what he bought at a lower one. The "Bear" sells not because he has shares in his possession upon which he desires to realise a profit, but because he thinks he can sell you or me some shares now at, say, $15, which before setting day he can go into the market and secure at, say, $10; the difference between his selling and buying price is his profit. In effect he has sold us something at $15 which he has bought at $10. But he sold it first taking the risk of "covering" himself at a lower price before he is called upon to settle up. Settling days on the Stock Exchange come round every fortnight, when everybody, investors, speculators, "Bulls" and "Bears," settle their transactions.

WHY CHILDREN ASK QUESTIONS

One of the Most Interesting and Valuable of Our Instincts is Curiosity and This Feeling of Wonder is a Worthy Fact About Human Race.

The whole of the doing part of our nature depends, in the first place, upon a most important fact of our nature, which is that we possess instincts. All these instincts exist in order to serve our lives in one way or another, and their special business is to urge us to action. When we thus act under the influence of an instinct we commonly have a certain kind of feeling or emotion, which corresponds with the instinct that is at work.

One of the most interesting and valuable of our instincts is curiosity. In the history of the long line of beings who have produced us, curiosity is a high instinct and one that is late in appearing. We do not find it among the lowest animals, but it is conspicuous in the highest kinds of monkeys.

The particular kind of feeling or emotion that goes with the instinct of curiosity is what we call wonder. Thus, when we ask a question of ourselves, we often say: "I wonder why" so-and-so. And this instinct grows, as mankind grows, from the most trivial curiosity about trivial things until it leads men to devote their whole lives to the discovery of the laws and wonders of Nature.

Children, therefore, ask questions because they are human, and because the possession of the instinct of curiosity and the feeling of wonder is a very great and worthy fact about the human race. Without it we should not be driven on to learn and to know, and without knowing our place in the world would not be nearly so safe as it is. The trouble is that so many of us stop asking questions when we grow up.

Jumping Jack Tars

The rhythmic jumping of three hundred and fifty bluejackets saved H. M. S. Commonwealth from the fate of the Montague when she ran aground in a dangerous place.

The battleship Montague was abandoned as a hopeless wreck off the Cornish coast, but her sister ship, the Commonwealth, was safely got off by the muscular exertion of her crew.

The Commonwealth ran on to an uncharted rock when returning from target practice, and was badly damaged. She was so nicely balanced in her lodgment, however, that it was decided, after reversing the engines had failed to extricate her, to try the experiment of mustering all the available hands on the extreme aft, and setting them to jump in unison. The regular jumping of twenty-five tons of solidly-built seamen had the effect of making the huge vessel rock sea-saw fashion until she gradually floated off with the rising tide. In fifteen minutes she was afloat, and saved.

A Time of Change.

We are in one of the great crisis of the world's history; the era of transition is full upon us, and there is no people which is not rocking on its waves. International relations are changing, Empires are being broken up, immemorial systems are passing away, struggles are threatening that will involve half the human race.

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