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## SQUIBOGRAPHS.

The early gardener gets the early corn, on his digging foot.

The new speaker of the Ontario Legislature is an old drover, and any member caught making a bull will be promptly corralled.

The furnace that was burning low is now once more all in a glow.

We thought the winter was over quite but had to order anthracite.

Ladies who put moth balls in their furs, thinking the season was over, are now playing after the ball.

Since the recent thaw several varicose veins have been discovered in Cobalt.

The labor union sentiment is pretty strong in Toronto. Some of the bricklayers are objecting to the laymen taking part in church work.

The employees at the summer resorts are busily engaged scraping the ice off the electric fans.

There is only one thing the Grits and Tories agree on without any discussion, and that is a salary grab.

There is a discussion on in the U. S. as to what President Roosevelt should do when his present term expires. It has been suggested that he take the big stick and beat the Liar's Trust into pulp.

The Government has declined to issue a liquor license in Cobalt, but this will not interfere with options on mining propositions.

The big league baseball season opens this week, and the mayor of the home city will have the privilege of shying the first snow ball at the umpire.

The agitators who are advocating the secession of New Ontario had better have a care. Hon. Mr. Beck might take a motion to attach a nozzle to Niagara Falls and squirt cataract juice into their eyes.

President Hill, of the great Northern, states that his road will be extended farther north than any of the proposed Canadian lines. It is possible that the Arctic circle may yet be used as a round house.

After spending forty dollars in coal keeping a twenty-five cent geranium from freezing all winter, it is tough luck to have it nipped by an April frost.

Having sailed the troubled sea of politics for over a quarter of a century Sir Wilfrid should not have to shift his ballast crossing the Atlantic.

London was always a slow town. A man was sunstruck in that city last July and never felt the effects until the January thaw.

The Alberta Legislature contains one statesman who will never contract the hay fever. He introduced a measure to restrain grasshoppers from perching on the rails while trains were passing.

The Legislature has passed an appropriation of five thousand dollars to provide the public schools with Union Jacks. As heretofore the scholars will have to provide themselves with jackstones.

There is a difference between house cleaning and cleaning house. A frail woman with a scrub brush and a dust cloth can clean a house, while it takes three or four big policemen to clean out a thròge house.

## LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

CHILDREN'S corset waists for 25 cents, white.—SWIFT'S.

Go to R. Haskett's for your flour, corn, bran and oats.

The Thaw case went to the Jury Wednesday evening.

The recent cold snap has given seeding operations a set back.

J. MCKERCHER has bought out the harness stock of G. L. Bryce.

ANOTHER shipment of government inspected choice seed just in at R. Haskett's.

MRS. JAKE WILSON, of Wardsville, is dangerously ill, supposed to be caused by eating canned meat.

AN accident to the engine put the electric light out of service for a couple of hours Saturday evening.

P. DODDS & SON have opened two import crates of dinner, tea and toilet sets, choicest patterns, import prices.

THE Rev. S. W. Muxworthy and Rev. Mr. Conway, of Kerwood, exchanged pulpits on Sunday morning last.

THE steamer Huronic, which is being fitted out at the G. T. R. wharf, Sarnia, will sail for Lake Superior about April 22.

MR. MCINTOSH has taken a situation in the blacksmith shop at the wagon works and will remove from Rodney to Watford.

If you require any new dairy utensils, or if your o'd ones need repairing come and see us.—T. DODDS.

THE Star Line Steamer Owana is now making regular trips to Detroit, leaving Sarnia every morning except Monday at 7.30 Sarnia time.

MR. THOS. CRAWFORD, member for West Toronto, has been elected Speaker of the Ontario Legislature to succeed the late Mr. St. John.

THE bill to amend the Assessment Act provides for the taxation of mineral rights, where these have been reserved in the sale of lands.

WELLINGTON SMITH, one of the oldest and most popular conductors on the Grand Trunk system, died at Brantford, Ont., Thursday night from a stroke of paralysis.

BOY'S stockings for hard school wear, we have them.—SWIFT'S.

A MEETING to consider the organization of a bowling club will be held in the Fire Hall at 8 p. m. on Monday April 15th. All interested in this popular game are invited to attend.

THE weather for the past week has been cold and unseasonable. The roads are frozen hard and rough. Farmers fear that the weather will have a bad effect on the wheat crop.

OUR stock of general hardware is complete and we will be pleased to fill your wants for anything in this line.—T. DODDS.

THERE was good skating and a hockey match at the local rink Wednesday, April 10th. This is something unusual in this latitude and is probably a hockey record for Western Ontario.

In removing the large pane of glass in front of the Sterling Bank, which has been cracked for some time, the glass was badly shattered. An expert from London superintended the removal.

CHIEF SHAW celebrated his fifty-seventh birthday on Wednesday, he and General Booth having seen the light in the same day, but the General has twenty-one years the start of the chief.

SMALL boy's tweed suits, special price to clear \$1.00 to \$1.50, worth double the price.—SWIFT'S.

MRS. NEWELL pleasantly entertained her Sunday School class on Tuesday evening at a sugar party. After a feast of hot sugar a program of singing, music and recitations brought a pleasant evening to a close.

JOSEPH PHILLIPS, ex-President of the York Loan, has been assigned to the tailor shop in the penitentiary, and is at his work with needle and thread. Duncan, the Ayr bank manager, may go to the blacksmith shop.

OWING to a change in the ownership of the block in which their present hall is situated the members of Havelock Lodge, No. 238, A.F. & A.M., are looking for another location. The old hall is to be converted into a photo gallery.

E. DOWDING has a large and varied assortment of new jewelry in stock, and invites the public to view this handsome display. If there is anything in the jewelry line that you desire Dowding can supply you.

STOUT ladies' corsets, Crompton's, \$1.00 to \$2.50. Your money back if not satisfactory.—SWIFT'S.

At the High School entertainment in the Music Hall, this (Thursday) night, our talented local humorist, J. R. Jamieson, will entertain the program with the latest comedy hits. The orchestra will contribute several popular selections, and the program will be a first class throughout.

INVITATIONS have been issued for the marriage of Miss Kathleen Fleming to Reginald Vaughan Macdonald, the ceremony to take place at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Michael Fleming, 23rd, at 7.30 o'clock p.m.

A MEETING of the Watford curling club was held in the council chamber on Monday evening to wind up the business of the year. In order to dispose of some unfinished business, the meeting was adjourned to Friday evening in the same place at 8 p.m.

THE adjourned Easter vestry meeting of Trinity Church was held on Monday evening with a good attendance. The Rector was given a month's vacation with a grant of \$50. One hundred dollars surplus from the general fund was passed to the Building Fund.

OUR \$16.00 serge suits to order, best value in Ontario.—SWIFT'S.

HON. MR. MONTETH has made a change in the clauses relating to "speed trials" at agricultural fairs, by enacting that proceedings in which breaches of this law are charged, can only be taken against the societies by members for the current year and the year previous. This means that the question of racing at the fall fairs rests entirely with the societies themselves. If the members present and past agree that they like to see the ponies go, they may let them go without considering the opinions of outsiders.

SUMMER schools for instruction in nature study, natural training and household science for teachers and educationists will be held during the coming vacation. No fees will be charged. The principals of the Normal Schools at London, Ottawa, or Toronto will furnish particulars.

A MAN who does not take the local paper, sent a dollar for a "potato bug killer" and received two blocks of wood with the following directions—Take the block which is No. 1 in the right hand, place the bug on No. 2, and press them together, remove the unfortunate and proceed as before.

THE improving of its station properties by the Grand Trunk will be followed this year by greater activity than any previous year. It is intended to build twenty new stations, not including the proposed Union depots in Toronto and Ottawa. The total appropriation for the purpose being \$30,000.

OLD Noah hunted up a barrel stave and started off for the stern of the ark. "Where are you going?" asked Mrs. Noah. "I am going to whale that boy Ham," replied Noah with a frown.

"But, my dear, the lad is only playing on his banjo." "Yes, but it is the tune he is playing." "And what is the tune?" "Wait till the Sun Shines, Lizzie."

10 PIECES, \$80 yards Irish linen twelling, 4 yards for 25 cents.—SWIFT'S.

SARNIA and Petrolia automobile bus line will be ready for business in about a month. The new bus has arrived and has been tried. The company will also sell machines, having secured the exclusive agency for a well known make. They report that they have already secured buyers for four machines.

THE annual meeting of the East Lambton Teachers' Institute will be held in the town of Petrolia, on Thursday and Friday, May 9th and 10th. The Hon. Dr. Pyne, minister of education, is expected to deliver an address on the evening of the first day of the Institute. The evening meeting will be held in the opera house.

A RARE treat is assured all who attend the High School entertainment in the Music Hall this (Thursday) evening. It is some time since anything in the way of a drama has been attempted by local talent, and the presentation of the two act play "The Lost Loaf", by a capable company of amateurs will be of more than passing interest.

THE section men of the Grand Trunk railroad, located in Port Huron, have gone on a strike for higher wages. On March 21, they asked the company to give them an increase in wages from \$1.45 to \$1.75 a day. They gave the railroad ten days in which to decide, and when the company gave them no response to their demand they struck.

THE spring meeting of the Western Association of Congregational churches will be held in Brantford on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 16th and 17th. The officers of the association are: Rev. J. P. Gierri, B. A., president, Stratford; Rev. D. S. Hamilton, London, Secretary; Rev. W. H. A. Claris, London, Treasurer; and Rev. M. Kelly, Watford, H. M. representative.

ALF. WRIGHT, of this place, has shown us a curious souvenir of the Boer War. It is a copy of the "Mafeking Mail," published during the siege of that town dated January 15th, 1900. The Mail was printed on manilla paper and was issued daily "shells permitting."

The office was wrecked by a shell once and the editor announces that the staff is now in bomb proof quarters. The meat ration of the garrison was reduced to 3/4 lb. per week.

THE mayor of Toronto has received a letter from the Earl of Meath, 83 Lancaster Gate, London, England, addressed to the "Mayor of Ontario," suggesting that Empire day be observed municipally, and enclosing leaflets of the Empire day movement. The Earl of Meath should leave the Empire day movement alone and go to night school for the study of geography pertaining to the empire.—St. Thomas Times.

H. H. BREWER, terminal superintendent of the Grand Trunk at Toronto, has resigned to accept a position under F. H. McGuigan, now first vice-president of the Great Northern. He has been connected with the Toronto office since 1898. William McLeod, resident engineer of the Grand Trunk at Toronto, will be private secretary to Mr. McGuigan at a salary of \$3,000 a year. Mr. Kennedy, master mechanic of the Toronto terminals, it is said, is also considering a proposal from the Great Northern.

LAST week George Dale, of Wyoming, received a consignment of 180 live quail, imported from Kansas by the Ontario Government and forwarded through Mr. Graydon, Game Commissioner, London, with a view of re-stocking Western Ontario with those popular and once numerous game birds, which through various causes have become nearly extinct. Mr. Dale will liberate the birds in the most favorable localities in this vicinity for their protection and propagation and it is requested that the farmers or others upon whose property they may be found, will make every possible effort to prevent their destruction by sportsmen or otherwise, until they have increased in numbers to such an extent as to admit of a limited number being taken during the open season. The birds have been equally mated and we hope ere long to be again greeted with the once familiar note of "Bob White," throughout Lambton County.—Topic.

No change in the local markets this week.

S. STAPLEFORD handled 1400 doz. eggs on Saturday last, and they are coming in more numerous every day.

A MEETING to discuss local sporting matters for the season will be held at T. H. Willoughby's on (this) Friday night at 8 p. m. All interested are requested to attend.

WINNIFRED EVELYN, the two month's old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Edwards, died on Thursday morning. Funeral Saturday at 1 p. m. to the Watford Cemetery.

S. D. BARNES has reached Calgary on his way east from the coast. In company with Organizer Mallett they added 100 members to the Calgary Council of Chosen Friends.

MRS. CASEY (Saturday night)—"Give me yure wages." Mr. Casey—"B-but there may be some terrible microbes on it Norah." Mrs. Casey—"Faith, O!m not afeerd av thot. A microbe couldn't live on yure salary."

THE remains of the late Miss Martha McVoy, who died in Windsor on Tuesday, will arrive in Watford on the 3 p. m. train Thursday. Interment in the Watford Cemetery. Deceased was a former teacher in the Watford Public School, and a niece of Miss Jessie McVoy, of this place.

At Fingal on a recent Saturday night the church bell began to ring and some of the villagers rose from their beds, thinking it was a fire alarm. It was ringing for the janitor to get up and let the choir out as he had locked the church door while they were practicing for a concert, and were a little later than usual.

PEOPLE want a Varnish Stain that will stain and varnish furniture and woodwork without covering up or obscuring the grain of the wood. In these days of pigment varnish stains, which are in reality varnish paints, it is worth while to remember that Campbell's Varnish Stain gives a beautiful color and varnish effect without obscuring the handsome grain of natural woods. Sold by T. DODDS.

SECTION 134 of the liquor license act imposes special duties on local municipal officers, policemen, constables and inspectors, and provides a \$10 penalty in default in enforcing prosecutions. It reads as follows: "It shall be the duty of every policeman, constable or inspector in each municipality to see that the several provisions of this Act are duly observed, and to proceed by information and otherwise prosecute for the punishment of any offence against the provisions of this Act and in case of wilful neglect or default in so doing in any case, such officer, policeman, constable or inspector shall incur a penalty of \$10, besides costs, for each and every such neglect and default."

A NUMBER of clauses in the new education bill introduced in the Ontario Legislature are of special interest. One provides that the board of education in any municipality shall provide and pay for dental and medical inspection of the pupils. School boards may establish free evening lectures for the citizens at large and include the expenses in the estimate for the year. If a board estimates its expenditures for the year and a surplus is left, the city or town council shall credit this amount to the school board. Heretofore school boards have been forced to make their estimates according to the expenditures, and if any sum was left over it was placed in the next year's receipts.

## PERSONAL.

F. W. Shaw, Forest, was here on business Tuesday.

Miss Agnes Rogers, Sarnia, is visiting at the Taylor House.

Miss Boddy, Sarnia, is the guest of Mrs. Dan Ross this week.

James Hillis, who has been spending the winter with his daughter in Chicago, returned this week.

Fred Cowan, of the Bank of Montreal staff, Toronto, is spending a few days with relatives in this vicinity.

Rev. D. S. Hamilton, London, was in town Tuesday on his way to attend a business meeting of the Ebenezer Congregation on Tuesday afternoon.

W. Cairns, Hillsborough, junior student at the Ontario Veterinary College, is putting in his vacation until the opening of the fall term, in the office of Dr. McGillicuddy, V. S.

Mr. J. B. Wynne, manager of the Sterling Bank, is again confined to the house with a third attack of La Grippe. He has applied to the head office for a few weeks rest and expects Mr. Jeffrey to be here in a day or two to relieve him.

Geo. W. Suckles, Chicago, is visiting old friends in town after an absence of twenty years. Mr. Suckles is interested in a valuable gold mine in North Carolina, in connection with a number of leading Cleveland, London and Stratford capitalists.

Glencoe, April 10.—Mr. A. W. Deacon, manager of the Merchants Bank here, has resigned his position, and is going to Stratford to engage business with his brother. Mr. R. R. Randall, of Galt, will take the position vacated by Mr. Deacon.

Word was received in London late last night of the death at Redland, California, of Mr. William Bignell, the well-known stock exporter, of Delaware, Ont. No particulars have been received, other than that of the son of the deceased is leaving for Canada with the body.

## REUNION NOTES.

LIST NO. 17.

J. D. Williamson, Watford.  
Wm. Mitchell, Watford.  
A. J. Menerey, Laurium, Mich.  
J. T. Smith, Elkton, Mich.  
C. S. Wynne, Burlington, Ont.  
J. O'Leary, Flaudrean, N. Dakota.  
J. E. Fowler, Watford.  
Miss Cassie McPhee, Pt. Huron.  
Fred Rogers, Forest.  
H. Mee, Stratford.  
Alex. Graham, Duluth.  
J. E. Wright, Chicago.  
Mrs. J. E. Wright, Chicago.  
Miss M. Willoughby,  
Miss Flossie Willoughby,  
O. L. Stevens, Toronto.  
A. E. Edwards, Scranton, Iowa.

## SARNIA OLD BOYS FIRST IN LINE.

An enthusiastic meeting of the Watford Old Boys in Sarnia with K. E. LeSueur in the chair was held Wednesday evening and elected officers as follows:

Hon. Presidents.—Hon. W. J. Hanna, John Cowan, K. C. Thomas Doherty.  
President.—R. E. LeSueur.  
1st Vice Pres.—John Mavity.  
2nd " —John McGibbon.  
3rd " —Andrew Carson.  
Secretary.—Alex. Saunders.  
Treasurer.—John R. Logan.  
Entertainment Committee.—John Mavity, Alex. Kelly, J. O. Reed, and D. Thom.  
Membership Committee.—Dr. James, R. E. LeSueur, A. Carson, Alex. Kelly, Wm. Virgo, F. L. Reed, Geo. Wise, C. H. Smith, J. W. Roberts, and George Strangway.

## EARLY CLOSING.

The merchants on Main Street have signed an agreement to close their places of business at 6.30 p. m. commencing May 1st. During the months of June, July and August they will be open Wednesday and Saturday nights of every week. The closing bell will be rung at 6.30. This is a slight change from last year, but it is thought it will work more satisfactory.

## Sudden Death of Zina Williamson.

Zina Williamson, aged 45 years, a laborer, was found dead in the barn at the corner of Sixth and Union streets, which is owned by the Boyce Hardware Co. by Chief of Police Marks Thursday evening. Mr. Marks had been summoned because the man had been taken suddenly ill, but when he arrived Williamson was dead. Coroner Schwickert was summoned. Williamson had been in the employ of the Boyce Hardware Co. during the past winter, until a few days ago. He returned last night to get a rain coat which he had left in the barn. Al Rivers, who had taken Williamson's position, was in the barn when the latter came to the place. Williamson said that he felt dizzy and sat down on the barn stairs. Rivers went to supper and when he returned he found the man seriously ill and notified the police.

Coroner Schwickert decided upon a post mortem examination, and Friday morning Dr. Adams found that Williamson's death was caused by heat trouble.—Port Huron Times.

The remains were brought to Petrolia on Sunday and the funeral took place from the home of his cousin Mrs. Frank Wade, Wingfield St. on Monday at 2.30 p. m. and the remains were interred at Hillsdale cemetery.

Mr. Zina Williamson was a son of the late John Williamson of the East End. The deceased had a large circle of friends both in Port Huron and Petrolia, who will mourn his death. He is survived by his mother Mrs. John Williamson, Mrs. Wm. Churchill, Mrs. Wm. Crapper, Mr. Wilfred Williamson, of Chicago, Mrs. Wm. Robbins, of Port Huron and Albert Williamson, of London.

## Blizzard in Saskatchewan.

Regina, Sask., April 5.—Saskatchewan today is in the grip of what probably is the last blizzard of the longest winter on record. Traffic again is at a standstill.

Farmers are clamoring for their seeders and harrows. Most of this northern implement business is handled from Regina, where all the big houses have warehouses. Unless a spell of fine weather comes before the spring floods there is every prospect that northern traffic will be interrupted in the Qu'Appelle until after seeding operations.

## Live Cattle Trade.

London, April 8.—Councillor Hornby, of Manchester and Mr. W. J. Wade have just returned home from a visit to Canada, where they have been making arrangements to ship live cattle direct to Manchester. Mr. Hornby expressed a firm belief that substantial results would follow the work he and Mr. Wade had undertaken.

## Killed by Express.

Strathcona, April 10.—E. J. McMillan, a well-known citizen, whose parents and family reside at Stratford, Ont., was run over by the midnight express in front of the C. P. R. station last night. Both legs were cut off, and the unfortunate young man succumbed to his injuries a few hours later. He formerly was a medical student in Toronto University.