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Don't Waste the Water and Avoid a Water Famine in Aylmer

ST. PAUL'S METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Wm. K. Hager, Pastor

NEXT SUNDAY

Junior League.
11:00 a.m.—Lessons from the Book of Numbers. "What Hath God Wrought."

3 p.m.—Sunday School.
3:30 p.m.—Men's League. There will be a union meeting of the Baptist and Methodist Men's classes in this church when Rev. T. J. Mitchell and R. H. Lindsay will give addresses.

7:00 p.m.—Steps unto Heaven—"Conversion."

Monday Evening
Epworth League at 8 o'clock.
Wednesday 8 p.m.—Prayer Meeting.

YOU are cordially invited to all these services.

Rev. Wm. K. Hager, Pastor.
Mr. Frank Weaver, Organist and Choirmaster.
Mr. C. S. Bridgman, Associate Leader.
Mr. Geo. Dunning, Choir President.

THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Thos. J. Mitchell, Pastor

NEXT SUNDAY

11 a.m.—The Pastor
1:00 p.m.—Men's Meeting.
7:00 p.m.—The Pastor
All Welcome.

Monday, 8 p.m.—Young People's Meeting.
Wednesday, 8 p.m.—Prayer Meeting.
You will be welcomed at all services.
Choir Rehearsal Friday evening.
Mrs. E. H. Smith, Organist.
Mr. E. C. Monteith, Choirmaster.

PIANO TUNING

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Morton Brown, of Simcoe
apply at the
WHITE DRUG STORE

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The Aylmer Branch of the East Elgin Women's Institute will meet in the Town Hall, Aylmer, on Wednesday night, Feb. 7th, at 8 o'clock. Mrs. A. W. Smith, President. Mrs. C. E. Monteith, Secretary.

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R. H. Lindsay, Wilson Pound,
R. R. No. 2 Aylmer, Aylmer, Ont.

Rubbers, mackinaws, Rubber Boots, Clark's Shoe Store.
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lodato spent Sunday with relatives in St. Thomas.

A splendid cantata entitled "The Story of the Pink Rose" will be given in the Copeland church on Tuesday evening February 12th. Admission, 10c and 20c.

Come Quick—Some snaps in second hand organs, old walnut cases in good repair, \$6, \$10, \$15, \$25 each. J. T. Rowe, piano manufacturer, John street, north.

A couple of young men were arrested here on Saturday on orders from the Chief of Police at Ingersoll, on a charge of stealing auto tires from a garage there. One was allowed to go and the other was taken to Ingersoll.

Eugene Soper, the Port Burwell man, who was to appear before Squire Hunt here on Monday of last week, on charges of being drunk and disorderly, but was lost in a snowbank en route, was brought before the magistrate last Friday afternoon and fined \$15 and costs, amounting to \$20 in all.

In a recent letter to the Express from Mr. R. J. Ellis, a former Malahide man, who now resides in San Diego, Cal., he says: "I often wish I could be in Aylmer and spend a few days in the winter, but when I read of the storms, I am glad I am in Southern California. We have had a fine winter here, as usual, had our first rain on the night of January 21, and we were all glad to see it. San Diego has a population of one hundred and seventy thousand exclusive of Camp Kearny (40,000) Navy base (10,000) and Roosevelt Field Aviation (1,400). Remember me to all friends in Aylmer."

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Notices in this column are One Cent per word each insertion. Minimum charge, 25c. for one insertion, or three insertions for 50c. Terms: Cash with order.

For Sale—A quantity of onions. Call at Arthur Harrett's, Luton.

Lost—A gold barette, on Sunday morning, Jan. 27th, between the Methodist church and Cedar street. Finder please leave at this office.

Wanted—Married man to work on a farm by the year. Good house and highest wages paid. Apply Box 338, this office.

Cows for Sale—Two Holsteins, extra good, to freshen in February and March. George Buck, Mt. Salem. Rural phone.

Cottage for Rent—4 rooms, on St. Andrew street, and garden. Possession at once. Apply to Benj. Hilliker, Aylmer.

Wanted—Mortgage loan of \$4,000 for five years on farm worth over three times that. Will pay five per cent. interest half yearly. Apply to box 338, Aylmer Express.

Wanted to Rent—50 acres with good buildings, must be good land on milk route. Address George E. Topping, 633 Richmond street, London, Ont.

For Sale—Two good 50 acre farms, near Aylmer, 100 acre square farm on Talbot street, on payment of \$500 down. Two 5 acre farms with good buildings, on main street. Apply to D. A. Stewart, Aylmer.

Would you like \$100 a day at home, knitting wool socks on auto knitters? Experience unnecessary. Send 3 cent stamp Department 105 C, Auto Knitter Company, College street, Toronto.

Farmers Look—It will be to the advantage of any farmer desirous of buying Silo Seed Corn or Seed Potatoes to see or communicate as soon as possible with W. F. Fairbrother or R. H. Lindsay, Aylmer.

For Sale—House and 10 lots, 54 South street, Aylmer, storey and a half, 7-roomed frame house, with gas, hard and soft water in house. Apply to Mrs. W. J. Sharpe, on the premises.

Farm for Sale—Fifty-four acres day loan, well tiled, close to school, cheese factory, condensed milk factory, 2 miles north and 1 mile west of Aylmer. 2-storey brick house, with furnace, telephone and rural mail. Barns, fair, deep well and windmill. Apply to Lewis Adams, Aylmer.

Read Christie's shoe sale advt.
Mr. Lorae McClelland was in Norwich on business last week.

Miss Myrtle Fisher spent the week end with her parents in London.

"Wasn't getting an egg. Fed Caughell's Poultry Food a week or so. We now get 5, 6 and 9 eggs a day." A score of people have told us that. 25 cents package at Caughell's.

Anniversary services will be held in Trinity Methodist church under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid on Feb. 17th and 18th. On Sunday the pastor will preach at 7:30 p.m., and on Monday evening, a choice interesting and humorous concert will be given, together with a pleasing and humorous lecture by Rev. A. L. Snyder, on the subject of "A Woman's Tongue." Doors open at 7:30 p.m., concert at 8 o'clock. Admission 25c, children 10c.

The Ontario Board of Agriculture will hold public meetings both afternoon and evening at the following places and on the following dates, to which all are cordially invited: Yarmouth Centre, Feb. 15th; Mapleton, Feb. 19th; Springfield, Feb. 20th; Luton, Feb. 21st, and Lakeview, Feb. 22nd. The speakers will be J. W. Clark of Kingsville, who is the largest breeder of poultry in Ontario, and who was for years instructor in the American State Agricultural College. The Ladies Institute will co-operate in these meetings and will have Miss Campbell, of Toronto to address them.

Travel Club and F. C. S. report for January: Sale of quilt, \$6.30; proceeds tea \$10.65; Mrs. A. Pierce \$5; Mrs. E. Wismer \$5; Mr. E. Laidlaw, Mrs. Hambridge, Mr. H. G. Hicks, Mrs. C. Timpany, \$2 each; Mrs. H. Prowse, Mrs. Jenkins, Mr. F. Wagner, \$1 each; Mrs. Showers, Mrs. Hicks, Mrs. Bowley, 50c each; Total cash receipts \$92.55. Expenditures for yarn \$8.35. Overseas shipment, 14 pairs socks, 2 sweaters, 3 towels. Donations: Mrs. Farthings, 5 yr. socks; Mrs. Treay, 1 pr. socks; Mrs. A. J. Anderson, 1 pr. socks; Chas. Caverly, 4 yrs. leather mitts. Marda yarn unpurchased for. Lakeview Patriotic League are now shipping direct from Pt. Burwell to Shorncliffe. Copenhagen also shipping box direct, so their socks are no longer included in the Travel Club reports for overseas shipment.

Trunks, suitcases, club bags, at Clark's Harness and Shoe Store.

Silverware, all prices. Rodgers 1874 Berry spoons, coldmeat forks, knives and forks at Lambert's Fair.

Ernest Morton, of Saskatchewan, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Chas. Kaiser, after an absence of many years.

Mrs. J. D. Smith has been the guest of Mrs. John Skinner, of the 5th concession.

Try Roy VanSlyke for your next job of shoe repairing at Eri Millard's Tire shop.

Mrs. W. W. White is visiting her sister, Mrs. McGibbon, at Penetanguishene.

Miss Irene Ramsay, of Port Burwell is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Blashill.

New lot of Fountain Pens, English make, \$1.50 up at Caughell's. Guaranteed.

Your films developed and printed in 24 hours. Leave your films to-day and get your prints to-morrow. prompt attention to mail orders. R. H. Usher. The Clarke Studio.

Notice appears in the Canada Gazette that the Independent Order of Foresters having complied with the requirements of the insurance act, have been granted a license to transact in Canada the business of life insurance.

Rev. T. J. Mitchell preached morning and evening in Centre street Baptist church, St. Thomas, last Sunday and Rev. Mr. Brown, of Springfield, supplied for Mr. Mitchell here in the morning and Rev. J. C. Dunlop, of this place, in the evening.

The Aylmer Canning Co. will be prepared on and after February 1st to contract for a large acreage of Peas, Corn, Beans and Pumpkins. Prices have been greatly increased. Those wishing to grow any of the above crops kindly call at the factory.

A day load of 45 cans of milk which was being brought to the Condenser here from Springfield one day last week, upset owing to the bad condition of the roads on the town line. A large portion of the milk, which was valued at \$800 was lost.

The Luton Farmers Co-operative Club, Ltd., will hold their annual meeting in the school house at Luton on Friday evening, February 8th, for the purpose of election of officers and other business. Every farmer interested in Co-operative problems especially invited.

Mr. Allan Brown and Miss Pearl Irene Mitchell, both of this place, were quietly married at the Methodist parsonage here, on Monday, February 4th, by Rev. W. K. Hager, pastor of St. Paul's church. Mr. and Mrs. Brown will make their home in Aylmer where Mr. Brown has a good position with the Aylmer Pump & Scale Co.

The gas pressure here has been extremely low during the past week, and householders have had to resort to all manner of means to secure enough wood and coal to keep their homes warm. It is not uncommon to see some of our citizens borrow an armful of wood from a neighbor, or secure a sottle of coal from some one who is more fortunate than they. Everybody is hoping for a warmer spell soon.

For children's shoes try Clark's.

Rehearsals are being held every night for the "New Minister," the entertainment to be given by local talent under the auspices of the Travel Club and Field Comforts Society, on the 14th and 15th of this month. The proceeds will be for patriotic purposes. The play promises to be one of the funniest and one of the best ever put on in Aylmer. Nothing like it has ever been witnessed here for more than sixty people are taking part. You will enjoy a good laugh. The reserved seat plan is at Richards' Drug store.

Valentine's Day is February 14th. Hundreds of Valentines at Caughell's.

The death occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ed. Barrow, Brantford, Ont. on Wednesday, Jan. 30th of Eleanor A. Burdick, relict of the late James Burdick in her 50th year. Deceased, who with her daughter, Miss Nellie Burdick, has been making her home in Sudbury, came to Brantford some two weeks ago to visit her daughter there. The railway journey was evidently too much for her and she failed very rapidly, at the first of the year she seemed to feel much better and decided to go to Brantford hoping the change would benefit her health. The late Mrs. Burdick for many years was an esteemed resident of this place where she leaves a host of friends who extend their sympathy to the bereaved daughters. Two daughters survive: Miss Nellie, of Sudbury, and Mrs. Barrow, of Brantford. The remains were brought to Aylmer and the funeral took place from the residence of J. M. Farthing, Talbot street east, on Saturday, Feb. 2nd at 11 o'clock a.m. Her remains were laid to rest in the family plot, beside those of her late husband, in the Aylmer cemetery.

Dr. Miller, Dentist

Wm. Boyd, of Inlay City, Mich., is visiting his brother, James Boyd.

Frank Fisher is able to again attend to his business of electrician, after his fall several weeks ago.

Mrs. S. F. Ball entertained a number of her friends on Thursday and Friday afternoon at her home here.

Paramount pictures at the Star Theatre, Aylmer, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, February 7, 8th, and 9.

Please have your contributions ready for the W. C. T. U. jewelry and trinket collectors, who will call on Tuesday morning, February 11th.

Mrs. Wm. Murdie, of Inlay City, Mich., has returned home after attending the funeral of the late Jos. Harp.

Miss Eula Bentley has resigned her position in the Rural Telephone office here, the vacancy being filled by Miss Beatrice Smith.

With eggs at 50 or 60 cents per dozen it pays to look after the hens. Caughell's advt. on back page tells how to "make 'em lay."

At a meeting of the Public School Board on Tuesday night, each teacher was granted an increase in salary of \$30 for the present year.

Born, to Rev. and Mrs. Horace Wright, at Rochester, N. Y., on Wednesday, January 30th, a daughter. Rev. Wright is a son of Mayor Wright.

For Sale—I utter, 1st single Bobleighs, set quarter cut oak dining room chair, new. H. Z. Bakomh.

A party of some thirty-five young people of St. Thomas, enjoyed a sleighride to Aylmer last Saturday afternoon, and spent the evening at the roller rink.

Enlargements and copies from old photographs a specialty. Don't give your valued pictures to travelling agents and risk their loss. R. H. Usher. The Clarke Studio.

Mr. Nelson Smith, of the Dominion Canners, of this place, has accepted a position with the same firm in Hamilton, for a few weeks, and left on Wednesday for that place.

At the meeting of the Town Council on Monday night, a motion was passed recommending that Aylmer business men close their stores at 6 o'clock p.m. and not open up until 8 a.m. as a means to help out the fuel shortage.

Coming February 14th and 15th. Musical comedy, "The New Minister," under direction of Mr. A. H. Francis, by local talent for patriotic purposes, under the auspices of the Travel Club and Field Comforts Society. Remember the date, Feb. 14th and 15th.

Twenty-five thousand factory workers are idle in Detroit as a result of the fuel shortage, and it was announced that many other factories would have to close unless fuel is obtained at once. There is little or no gas for domestic purposes.

We trust our readers will appreciate receiving the Express on time this week as it has been published under great difficulties. Owing to the lack of gas the past few days we have been unable to run our machines, excepting during the night, when the gas pressure is better, and therefore this paper was necessarily printed in the wee sma' hours.

Extra Shoe Bargains this week at Christie's.

Mrs. Wm. Fishleigh, of Sparta, passed away Friday afternoon, Feb. 1st, after a most severe illness of heart trouble, which she bore patiently. The deceased was a life long resident of Yarmouth and was in the 63rd year of her life. She leaves her husband, two step-children, Mrs. John Neill, of Dexter, and Herman Fishleigh of Littlewood. T. W. Littlejohn of Chicago, is a brother and Mrs. Blandie Havercroft, of St. Thomas and Mrs. Davis, of Detroit, are sisters. The funeral took place on Sunday to Sparta cemetery. The service at the residence at 2 p.m. was conducted by Rev. J. N. Gould.

Forhand made harness, both single and team, try Clark's.

We were pleased to learn from an exchange that Sergt. Arthur Youell was awarded the Military Medal last fall, at Passchendaele, the discovery having been made by his brother, Lieut. L. L. Youell, M.C., when they had the good fortune to have Christmas dinner together. No intimation has come from Arthur of it, but a recipient of a medal must wear the distinguishing ribbon of it when on duty. Mr. Youell intends, if possible, to get from England the particulars of the winning of the medals by his sons, as they are not inclined to tell of it themselves, probably fearing the work done might only increase anxiety for them. What the fighting at Passchendaele was like may be judged from the sketch in another column, "The Battle of the Mud," written by a New York Times correspondent.

Aylmer is Short of Water

Only One Day's Supply Available—Citizens Ordered to Conserve the Supply—Situation Critical—Don't Let the Taps Run.

On Tuesday, Dr. F. H. Miller, Chairman of the Utilities Commission, had cards posted in conspicuous places in town warning our citizens that they must conserve the water supply, as Aylmer is threatened with a water famine, there being but one day's supply available at present.

The shortage of water is caused by the extreme cold weather of the past week. The greater part of our supply is pumped from the reservoir at the Gaverly farm, which is filled with spring water from a small spring creek. This creek and pond are entirely frozen up and no water is coming into the reservoir. Therefore until it thaws sufficiently to open up the creek our water supply will be very limited.

It is absolutely necessary that every user of water save 90 per cent. of the ordinary consumption. Don't let the taps run to prevent freezing, and you can help out wonderfully by melting snow for washing dishes, doing the family washing, etc., etc.

On account of insurance it is absolutely necessary that a sufficient supply of water is constantly kept in the stand pipe, and unless our citizens conserve to the limit the service throughout the town will have to be cut off entirely. It is hoped, however, that if our citizens will conserve as much as possible this drastic measure will not be necessary.

3 Heatless Days Ordered

All Plants, Stores, Etc., to be Closed Saturday, Sunday & Monday
AYLMER MAY NOT BE EFFECTED

In accordance with the recommendation of the Fuel Controller, an order-in-council was issued by the Cabinet at Ottawa Tuesday morning, closing all Ontario and Quebec plants, for the three days, Feb. 9, 10 and 11, thus intimating that the scarcity of coal is a very serious matter.

The way the daily papers had it, and it was through them the pronouncement was made, the order was a sweeping one, including all manufacturing, wholesale and retail stores, in fact everything but food production plants, government offices drug stores, banks and doctors' and dentists' offices.

A meeting of Aylmer business men was held in the council chamber Tuesday afternoon, Mayor Wright

presiding. It was largely attended, and every man present, while recognizing what it meant to close his doors on Saturday and Monday, the two best business days of the week, in this agricultural town, felt that the order must have been absolutely necessary, and loyally accepted it.

Yesterday's papers, however, put a different construction upon the order, it being stated that those heating with electricity or wood were not effected. As Aylmer business places with but few exceptions are not heated by coal, but by wood or gas, it would look as if Aylmer were not effected. Mayor Wright tried all day yesterday to get advice from

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Christie's Sale saves shoe bills

Mrs. J. C. Blake has recovered from her recent illness.

Miss Amelia Sweet is suffering from a severe attack of inflammation of the eyes.

Mrs. R. Bowen spent a few days with her daughter, Mr. H. Teeple, at Jaffa, last week.

Mrs. L. Sackett, of Detroit, has been visiting her brothers, Messrs. George and John Harp, and other relatives in Aylmer and vicinity.

Collectors will be out in the near future. Have your cast off jewelry and silver plate ready to help provide hot coffee for the boys at the front.

The Aylmer branch of the Royal Bank received a visit from two of the bank's inspectors the latter part of last week.

Mr. A. J. Dalby, of this place, underwent an operation at Victoria Hospital, London, last week, and is recovering splendidly.

Mrs. (Dr.) Clark and W. Harold Barnum were in Ingersoll on Saturday attending the funeral of the former's sister-in-law, Mrs. (Dr.) Burch, of Greenwich, Ohio.

The Aylmer Canning Company very kindly loaned our power plant a carload of coal to tide them over until freight conditions are such that a car can be shipped here.

Messrs. Hanley & Fisher, evangelists, who conducted an evangelistic campaign here a year ago, will commence a campaign in Ridgeway about the 12th of February, in connection with the Methodist Baptist and Disciples churches.

If you want shoes that wear buy them at Clark's.

NOTICE

Owing to my flour and feed store being destroyed by fire I will continue my business at my warehouse at the G. T. R. station. All orders left or phoned here will receive the usual prompt attention.
A. W. Pierce

Nearly all the new wall papers are in at Caughell's.

Word was received here yesterday of the death in Buffalo, of William J. Walker, a former well-known Aylmer citizen after a few days illness from pneumonia, in his 63rd year. Deceased was born in Aylmer and for many years carried on an extensive hardware business in the store now occupied by E. Miller. He later moved to Detroit, and afterwards to Buffalo, where he resided until his death. Besides his widow he is survived by one son, Fred, overseas, and one daughter, Mrs. Wm. Helen, of Calgary. Also two sisters, Mrs. A. Love and Miss Charlotte Walker, both of Aylmer. The remains were brought here yesterday for interment.

Valentines—Lots of them at Caughell's.

David Marshall, M. P., is on a business trip to Vancouver.

Miss Keckum, who is attending school in St. Thomas, spent the week end at her home here.

Carving sets at the old prices. Just the thing for wedding presents at Lambert's Fair.

Mr. E. C. Maguire has sold the Evergreen farm at Yarmouth Centre, to G. Ball, of Dorchester.

Mr. John J. Carter has been visiting his sister-in-law, Mrs. Wm. Carter, at Talbotville, who is very ill.

Mr. Harry Kimber has sufficiently recovered from his long and serious illness, to be able to get around once more.

Mr. and Mrs. James Brooks and family have moved their household effects to Port Huron where in future they will reside.

The Aylmer Ministerial Association will meet in the Methodist church parlor here on Monday afternoon next, and will be addressed by Rev. Mr. Butt, of Lyons.

Mr. J. W. Hutchinson is in Toronto attending a meeting of the Marble Dealers' Association. Mr. Hutchinson gave an address yesterday on "Our Environments and their Effects on Our Business."

Reader! do you realize that at age 40, ninety seven per cent. of men meet with reverses and lose their entire accumulations? That after 50 but one man in 300 recovers his financial footing? That at age 60, ninety-five per cent. of men are dependent upon their daily earnings, or their children for support? These are facts you should know, and Bridgman, the Insurance man wants to tell you how to overcome the above mentioned circumstances.

A few bargains in wall paper remnants at Caughell's.

The death of Mary Copeland, relict of the late George Copeland, occurred at her home on John street south Aylmer, on Thursday, January 31st, in her 68th year. Deceased has been ill but a few days from pneumonia, contracted in trying to thaw out some pipes during the severe cold weather. The late Mr. Copeland has resided many years in Aylmer, where she owned considerable real estate, and was one of our best known citizens. She was an energetic worker in the Aylmer branch of the Women's Institute, and also a faithful member of the Baptist church, in which organizations she will be greatly missed. She is survived by one brother, Wm. Teeple, of the Ninth concession of Malahide. The funeral took place from her late residence on Saturday, the 2nd inst., at 2:30 o'clock and interment took place in the Aylmer cemetery.