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Watford, Dec. 10, 1880.

Guide-News

JAMES C. TYE, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR

WATFORD, ONT., DECEMBER 24 1880.

LOCAL NEWS.—We shall be happy to receive, at all times, from any part of the Riding, items of local news, such as accidents, or any interesting incident whatever, from any of our subscribers or readers generally, for the purpose of publication.

THE OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE COUNTY.—The Guide and News is the best Local paper in the East Riding of Lambton, and enjoys the largest BONA FIDE Subscription List.

TOWN & COUNTY CONDIMENTS.

CALL on T. B. H. Taylor, Watford

Try R. T. Bodaly's long straw hair faced collars.

THE Dom. Tel. Co have hung out a new shingle,

John Cook has purchased McKellar Bros. brain.

Cross cut saws from 45 cts. to $1 per foot, at P. Dodd's cheap cash store.

If you wish good health keep your carpets clean, and to save labor, call at W. F. Philips for the Ladie's Friend Carpet Sweeper.

Doctor Lindsay requests the settlement before the 25th inst. of all accounts due him. After the above date all over-due accounts will be placed in other hands for collection. 3-w

THE Watford Shield Temple, I. O. G. T. received on Tuesday last per express, a magnificent set of new regalia from the noted factory of Mr. White Hamilton.

Mr. John Hannah has been engaged to teach in S. S. No 11, Brooke, in place of Mr. H. J. Forester, who takes charge of the Courtright School.

D HOWDEN'S is the place to purchase your family groceries. He has just received an immense consignment of teas, sugars and new fruit; also a large stock of China and Cructs, which he will sell cheaper than the cheapest. Highest cash price paid for hides and skins.

WHILE passing down Front St. we observed the towering form of a derrick projecting above the roofs of the domicile, and on closer acquaintance we found Mr. John Anderson hard at work penetrating the mother earth in search of the aqueous element, on the property of Bole and Stickle Manufacturing Co. The old well in the foundry is in a dilapidated condition, and of late, has not been yielding much water, it was therefore considered necessary to sink another in order to control a more adequate supply.

At a regular meeting of Queen's own O. Y. B. Lodge No. 245, held in the Orange hall, Wanstead, on Friday evening, Dec. 17th, the following officers were duly elected and installed for the coming year:

W. Master.....Bro. A. Carson, Jr.
D. Master.....Bro. Wm Curtis.
Sec'y.....Bro. W. Johnston.
Treas.....Bro. Austin Armstrong.
Chap.....Bro. Albert Johnston.
Master of Cer.....Bro. Geo. Hicks.
Committee .....Bro. A. Johnson. .....Bro. J. Hartly. .....Bro. Thos. Peacock. .....Bro. J. Medcalf. .....Bro. Jos. Richards.
Inside Tyler.....Bro. Geo. James
Outside Tyler.....Bro. W. H. Simpson.

Watford L. O. L. No. 505 of B.N.H met in their Hall on the evening of Dec. 10th, when the following officers were duly elected, and each installed in his respective office:

Bro. Neble Howden R. M.....
Bro. Geo. Stotts.....D. M.
Bro. Thos. Woods.....T.
Bro. Jno. Tulloch.....S.
Bro. Wm. Crone.....1st C. M.
Bro. Jno. Brownlee.....2nd "
Bro. Jos. Hume.....3rd "
Bro. Jno. Newell.....4th "
Bro. Thos. Healy.....5th "
Bro. Thos. Leacock.....C.
Bro. Joshua Saunders.....D. C.

JOSEPH HAYDOCK, of New York, having for a considerable time manufactured spurious imitations of "Holloway's Pills and Ointment," and largly circulated the same in the United States, South America, the West Indian Islands, Canada and other parts as the genuine Medicines of Thomas Holloway, of 533 Oxford Street, London, whose Agent he falsely represented himself to be, *A Perpetual Injunction* was granted by Supreme Court of New York, on the 8th October, 1880, restraining the said Joseph Haydock from so using the name of Holloway in any way whatever to his prejudice. He was condemned in all costs of action together with such damages as a referee may award.

Holloway's Pills and Ointment are only Manufactured at 533, Oxford St. London, there is no agent for the sale of the same man in any part of the United States.

A little daughter of Mr. Rich Roche had her collar bone broken by falling from a high chair while at the tea-table.

A number of candidates from Watford Public School wrote at the High School examination in Sarnia on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Divine Services will be held in the R. C. Church of this place on Christmas morning, at half past ten by Rev. Jos. Molphy of Strathroy.

NOTICE.—All parties indebted to Willoughby & Saunders will please call and settle before the New Year, and save costs.

If Vennor would shake out a little more snow and a little less cold, perhaps human satisfaction would be more universal.

Leap year will soon end and the ladies had better take advantage of their leap year previliges before it is to late. Several Waford bachelors are open to offers matrimonial.

Miss Carswell of Alvinston had her foot injured last summer by a plank falling on it. It grew slowly worse and on Wednesday Dr's Harvey & Stanley found it necessary to amputate it.

Harry the rifle-gallery man has planted his cabouse back of the Western after a tour through the country in the vain endeavor to seek more agreeable winter quarters.

A tonsorial artist hailing from Chatham intends opening out south of the Western, where he will practice his usual vocation of removing the capillary substance that vegetes on the summits of the cranium.

Owing to the icy state of the roads on Monday, considerable equnial force was expended in attempts to move an old locomotive boiler from the G. W. R. depot en route for Sylvan. After successive futile efforts the project was abandoned.

The man who, this weather, sprinkles a little sand on the sidewalk, in front of his premises, may not be the friend of the doctor or newspaper reporter, but all the same he saves more people from falling" than any minister in the city.

Hurrah! boys for Davidsons. Let us go and buy a watch from him. He sells the cheapest goods ever in Watford Watches Clock's and jewelly repaired. Gold rings made to order, Gold and Silver plating done. A large assortment of Spectacles. Next to Watt's Part of Symmington's C. N. Davidson.

The retail trade has never been so brisk during the Christmas week as now. The improved conditon of the people and the effects of judicious advertising have had a wonderful influence in bringing about this result. As a consequence, the financial condition is easy and the people feel glad.

Our carrier boy will shortly present our villagers and patrons with his annual address. Notwithstanding wind and storm he has promptly delivered the best local paper in the county at your doors; then shove your hand into your pocket until you reach your holiday horde and remember him in a substancial manner.

THE meeting of the Watford Literary Society to be held on Tuesday, was postponed owing to the Trinity Church Christmas tree being held on the same ev'g. The "debate resolved that capital punishment should be abolished" will be held over for two weeks and the usual programmes taken up at their next meeting.

The quarterly meeting of our village Schools took place yesterday. A large number of parents an interested partics were present and expressed themselves highly gratified with the general proficiency of the pupils. The School under the able management of Mr. Thos White is taking a high rank, among the educational institutions of the county and many teachers can point to it as their Alma Mater.

NOMINATION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEES.—The annual nomination of candidates for the office of Public School Trustees will be held in the Town Hall, Village of Watford, at the hour of twelve o'clock, noon, on Wednesday Dec 29th '80 AND WHEREAS the Public School Board at its last meeting, and in accordance with the law, appointed a returning officer, public notice is hereby given of said nomination, and in this case if a poll is demanded said polling to take place in the Town Hall on the first Wednesday in January 1881 at the hour of ten o,clock in the forenoon, John Reid, Returning Officer.

As we were about going to press, Mr, Richard Fuggle, at present of this place, laid before us the plan of a most ingenious system of farm requirements in the way of barns, cowstables &c. Although our forms were nearly made up, we have managed to make room for a description of it, which if not very elucid will pardon when the brief time allowed us is considered. The buildings are to be situated no lot 21, 4th con. Warwick, facing south. The barn, the main building, has a frontage of 35ft. stretching north 60ft, while on the west is lane. Seperated from the barn by a driveway used as an exit, is a driving shed of one story, and at right angles to this on the east is a cattle shed 100x26 ft. These buildings are to be of brick foundation, and 18ft dressed siding, battened and painted red, is to be used in their construction. Thus sheltered by the barns and sheds from the storms and winds of the north, is an opened yard bounded on the south and east by a high board fence, and subdivided into four compartments, (each allowed to contain ten head of cattle) by open board fences, with gates, where, in the winter cattle are allowed to air and feed. This brief account will convey but a vague idea of the completeness of the arrangement, and no doubt in our hurry we have omitted many important points.

A Seasonable time for Improvement.

What the Guide-News intends doing in this direction.

NEW TYPE, AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS.

With the advent of the New Year we intend to give our readers a paper of which we may feel ourselves justly proud. We have always issued a good local paper, but we intend to make such changes as will render it still more attractive, and in every sense a good family journal—the best in the Riding. Having ordered a new heading and purchased a large quantity of new type, we propose coming out in an entively new dress. We have no doubt our friends, who have so nobly stood by us in the past, will not fail us in our improved circumstances, but by renewing their own and securing new subscriptions, lend the enterprise a helping hand. Our circulation having largely increased and is still increasing, we can offer to our business men unrivalled inducements to give us their patronage, as our paper has a very large circulation amongst the class who are their best supporters, they will consult their own interest by advertising in our columns. We have the latest improvements for the execution of Job Work, and can guarantee in this line workmanship unsurpassed in the county. From our usual prompt attention to business, we feel confident of the support of the general public, and of our business men in particular. **We will publish no paper next week, on account of getting ready for our New Dress.**

CHRISTMAS.

What a charm there is in the word Christmas! Throughout the civilized world, there is no one word, except, it may be, that other charming word *home*, that carries with it so much to awaken grateful thoughts and feelings of joy. The coming of Christmas now so close at hand, will, we trust, diffuse its happy cheerfulness through every Canadian home, from the palace of the rich to the humble dwelling of the poor.

The sacred festival of Christendom will this year, we trust, be celebrated in our own land, with hearts overflowing with gratitude towards the giver of all good for the bountiful harvest which has been vouchsafed, and which has enchanced so much the prosperity of our country; nor should it be forgotten by any professing christian, whilst enjoying the festive season, that although there is a marked improvement in Monetary affairs, just now, that there are, indeed, too many, who from infirmities of old age, or their own improvidence or misfortune, are absolutely friendless and destitute of the means to make this season enjoyable, and such, as in former years, they were wont to enjoy. In almost every circle, such may be found, and will, we hope, be the recipients of christian generosity. We need make no appeal, we trust, in behalf of the worthy poor, and the suffering little ones, and they will not be overlooked by the generous-hearted and free handed Santa Claus, and that this Christmas eve, and during this festive season, the old friend will be more than usually liberal with his welcome presents. Let our readers remember, the *poor*, and the lesson of the master, who said, "the poor ye have always with you," and the thoughtfulness of the kind one for them should become ours. As we were able to state last year, we have peace in our borders. We have a good government, and while other nations are cursed by war and intestine strife, no war sound has greeted our ears. Our commodities command a good price, wages well up, and work plentiful. Let us be thankful.

Light and life are triumphing over darkness and death; millions of hearts throughout the world are thrilling with the same common joy at this blessed Christmas time. Though the years grow old and fade away into the hoary past, Xmas comes as green and fresh as ever, and appears even brighter and fresher than in the past. So it will be, as we find ourselves coming more into likeness with the master, who went about doing good, and "who was rich, yet for our sakes become poor, that we thro' His poverty might be made rich." Let us "do good as we have opportunity," and give a practical exemplification of the true spirit of this happy season of bestowing upon those who need the proper share of the bounties of a kind Providence, and thus gladden the poor and make the "widow's heart to sing for joy." We sincerely wish all our readers and patrons a Merry Christmas and many returns of the most blessed and happiest of all festivals.

Watford Markets.

Wool	0 27	@	0 28
Fall Wheat, White, ℔ bush	1 02	@	$1 03
Fall Wheat, red, ℔ bush	1 02	@	1 03
Spring Wheat Fife, ℔ bush	1 00	@	1 02
Barley, ℔ bush	0 50	@	0 60
Oats, ℔ bush	0 27	@	0 28
Peas, ℔ bush	0 50	@	0 60
Flour (Spring)	3 00	@	3 00
Corn Meal	1 50	@	1 50
Corn, ℔ bush	0 50	@	0 55

THE ARTFUL DODGER.

We were lead last week to give through the columns of the GUIDE AND NEWS a local as an article of news, that the Manager of the *Advocate* had tendered his resignation. Our information on the subject came through the *Advocate-Adviser*, which we deemed correct, and do so still, nothwithstanding this, what would seem a denial by an adept "in tricks that are vain."

"There is not the slightest elemens of truth in the statement that W. W. Buchanan has resigned his position as manager of the Eeast Lambton Printing Company, and editor of the *Advocate-Adviser*. No desire for such a change has ever been expressed either by manager or Company."

We never stated that he had resigned. Of all virtues he is possessed of, resignation is not one of them. No! not till the last spark of vitality is drawn from the young and fresh life of this Printing Co., will W. W. resign. But that he tendered his resignation is beyond a doubt. That is one of the *dogers* ruses to get the Company more impressed with his importance. This was done after stating that *one* of the Company objected to his management, said stockholder having intimated that W. W. used the *shears* more than the pen. This small comedy was probably arranged with the other *partner* in the affair beforehand, who with commendable promptitude and a melodramatic wave of the hand backwards, "take that back," and William consented. We are curious to know what such men as J. D. Eccles and C. J. Kingston Esq'rs., who are the pink of honor, think of such duplicity. Will either of them deny over their own signature the truth or falsity of the above allegation.

What the Guide-News Would Like To See.

A reduction in the price of kerosene

The village merchants do a good trade during the festive months.

The Pacific Railway built as soon as possible.

And a good many other things that are as yet in the dim vista of the future.

Those of our residents who are prostrated with sickness, speedily recover.

A small portion of the eleven and a half feet of snow as prognosticated by Vennor.

A little more interest manifested in municipal matters. Election day approaches.

The individual who will compute the amount of hot stuff imbibed between this and election day.

A Bill passed at the County Council for the establishment of a House of Refuge, near some cential place like Watford.

Some other bird than the turkey substituted for holiday consumption. If the present drain upon this, the monarch of the poultry be continued, it may become extinct.

A new era arise in the esculent world, and epicures provide a more frugal bill of fare. We would then see a more healthy race of people and less indigest on, gout and even consumption complained of.

The G. W. R. provide more cars for our grain merchant, so that the market would be kept open and the farmers profit by an immediate fluctuation that may arise in the price of bread stuff.

SPECIAL MEETING OF BROOKE COUNCIL.

Alvinston Dec. 22nd '80 Members all present.

Moved by Mr. Kelly seconded by Mr. Ausley that a By-law be introduced to authorize the sale of Lot Nov 5, East River St. Brannns Survey, being the lot on which the Town Hall is situated. Carried.

The by-law was then introduced and read, authorizing the sale of the town hall and the lot on which situated, subjects to the interests of the Masonic Society in the hall above the town hall, and of the County Council in the lockup. Sale to be on the 31st day of Dec., 1880, at 2 o'clock p.m.

Moved by Mr. Hand, seconded by Mr. McLean, that the By-law be read a third time and passed. Carried.

Council adjourned till next regular meeting.

W. G. Willoughby, Clerk.

ROBBERY AT FLORENCE.

A Treasure's Safe Blown Open and Robbed of $6.000.

A REWARD OF $200 OFFERED FOR THE CAPTURE OF THE THIEVES.

Florence, Ont., Dec. 18.—A bold robbery was committed here last night. The burglars effected an entrance into Mr. Alexander Drake's store by cutting a place in the back door and raising the bar which fastened it inside. They must have opened the safe by means of a key made to fit the lock as neither safe or lock was damaged in the least. They were rewarded by making a haul of about $6,000. The safe was the property of Robert Gunne, Township Treasurer, who had $3,000 of township money in it, which he had drawn from the Bank in Chatham on Tuesday, and deposited it in the safe. There was $1,200 taken which belonged to Wm Clark who put it there for safety. Also about $90 and $400 which was folded up in a paper, and was found on the floor near the safe. There is no clue to the parties. They must have been well acquainted with the premises, and knew all about how matters stood. It has caused quite an excitement in our quite village.

Sarnia Dec 18.—Word was received while the County Council were in session here today of the robbery of the sum of $5,000 from the Treasury of Euphemia. The Council passed a resolution offering a reward of $200 for the apprehension of the thieves.

Turkeys and the rest of the feathered tribe are beginning to work again. You see the reason is they know not when or how soon their end cometh.

MEETINGS & ENTERTAINENTS

Present, Past and Future.

BREAKING UP ENTERTAINMENT.

The pupils of S. S. Nos. 7 and 9 Warwick and Brooke, gave on Wednesday evening an enjoyable entertainment to the parents and those interested, consisting of Readings, Recitations, Music &c. Santa Claus appeared in character and distributed gifts to the children.

THE GOSPEL TEMPERANCE CLUB.

The Sunday afternoon temperance meeting in the Town Hall was, in every way, a grand success. The audience was large; the interest remarkable. Earnest addresses were delivered by Rev. Mr. Colwell, and Mr. Haining, also remarks by the President, Dr. Harvey, and Messrs J. Bole and J. Fuller. 56 persons signed the pledge. The meeting was opened and closed by prayer, and interspersed with singing.

The Temperance Club is now firmly established and as the members appreciats the power of music, an organ will have been procured by next Sunday.

LAST BUT NOT LEAST!

The members and adherents of the Congregational Church, Watford, have decided to hold a festival on New Year's Eve, Friday 31st inst., for the benefit of the Sunday School. The grand feature of the entertainment will be a "Leap Year" tree, also a fine literary programme, consisting of readings, recitations, choice music and addresses. All who are friendly, are cordially invited to send in contributions for the tree to either J. D. Eccles, Esq., or Rev. Mr. Colwell. Doors open at 7 commence at 7:30 p. m. Admission 15 cents, children not connected with the school 10 cts. As it will be the last day in the year, also of Leap Year, we hope all will improve the opportunity by coming. Come and welcome.

THE CONCERT OF THE SEASON.

We again take pleasure in announcing the Firemen's Annual Concert, which is to be held in the Town Hall on Wednesday 29th. The programmes are before us, and as we glance on the long array of local and foreign talent secured for the evening, we feel confident of the results. It will certainly "eclipse conception" although the Firemen's Concerts of former seasons have been marvels of success. It is hardly necessary for us to appeal to the public to countenance the boys' in their efforts to cater to their literary tastes, for as we sit at our sanctum table our thoughts reverts to the recent holocaust and we think, had it not been for the noble intrepidity displayed on that occasion in keeping the fire confined to the Baker House, we ourselves might at this moment have been homeless. Give them a bumper house!

OPENING OF NEW ORANGE HALL.

A very successful tea-meeting was held on Tuesday 16th inst., in connection with the dedication of the Orange Hall erected on the 12th line of Brooke. Addresses were delivered by Rev's Messrs Colwell, Hyland, Ferguson of Watford, and Softley of Alvinston, Music by Miss Watson, and Messrs Softley, W. H. Stewart, and John F. Watson. The last named giving each a song. A recitation was given by M. Taylor in excellent style. There was a perfect jam of people, and many were obliged to go way without gaining admission. A social was held on Friday ev'g, which was also very successful. The amount realized at the two meetings amounted to the handsome sum of $140. Addresses were delivered at the Social on Friday ev'g, by Dr. Stanley, Messrs H. Slater and George Shirley, Kingston and Watson. Another good recitation was given by Mr. Taylor.

ANNIVERSARY C. M. CHURCH WATFORD

One the ev'g, of Monday 20th inst., our friends of the above church celebrated the anniversary of the erection of their brick edifice by an unusually large teameeting. The resident ministers of every denomination as well as Rev. Chapman of London, and Sparling of Kerwood, added interest to the meeting by their presence and cheerful addresses. The chair was very efficiently filled by Mr. T. White the successful principal of our Public School. To discriminate as to the speakers would be insidious, many very pleasant and instructive things being said. The musical portion of the entertainment was particularly striking, especially the beautiful solo "one day nearer" by Miss Coulter of Kerwood. This young lady is endowed with a wonderfully clear and sweet voice and appeared as much at home in sailing "the high o's" as in the lower notes, and in regard to the edibles we must state that the ladies of this church must handle the rolling pin very dexterously (in its natural use). We enjoyed them and I am sure the large congregation must have done. The proceeds were large, and were applied on current expenses of the church.

TRINITY CHURCH CANTATA AND CARISTMAS TREE.

The Cantata and Christmas Tree held in the Town Hall on Tuesday evening, in connection with Trinity Church Sunday School, was a grand success. The building was crowded to its utmost capacity by an enthusiastic audience. The crowd was so intense that even standing room was inaccessible to some who arrived rather late, were forced to return sorrowingly homeward. The Cantata was brilliant, the acting would have done credit to an amateur stage. The leading character, that of Santa Claus, was personated by Mr. Ed. Mitchell, while the *role* of fairies was assumed by Mrs. Fawcett and Misses Ellen Long and Libby Hyland. The latter of whom we were especially pleased to see, as this is her first debut since her recovery from a severe attack of Typhoid Fever. The minor characters were played by other members of the school. Miss Haining presided very acceptably at the organ. The next position of the programme, and the distribution of the presents by his highness, Santa Claus, was then carried out to the entire satisfaction of all concerned. The meeting terminated at an early hour.

LAST evening, the C. M. Church, was the theatre of a very happy entertainment. The principal feature of the occasion, the raising of a "Monument of Truth" by a number of the pupils. Readings, recitations and dialogues were given by the children, in fine style, and addresses were delivered by resident clergymen, conspicuous among whom we noticed the towering form of G. W. Dean, formerly on this circuit. The music furnished by the choir, was very acceptable, and greatly tended to enliven the proceedings. The entertainment was an unqualified success, and every person seemed well pleased; but we have neglected an important part of the programme, viz:—hash was served during the evening.

What the Guide-News is Pleased to See.

That our shops have donned their festive garb of the holidays.

Our village meat markets garnished so substantially with Christmas beef.

The number of entertainments and Christmas trees past, present and future, for the enjoyment of the young during the holidays.

That the pleasure of the pedestrian is greatly enhanced by the new sidewalks, laid down in front of the new buildings on either side of Main street.

The large crop of dearies, patent medicines, almanacs and good resolutions, already in the market.

Some of our hotels, meat markets and resturants providing for the sultry days of summer by laying in a large quantity of the 'cool.'

That the Quarter Session at Sarnia last week, was a brief one. It shows crime is on the decrease.

That the number of horses clipped' is less than on former seasons.

Press-mens Licentious Carousal at Alvinston.

As Graphically described by a Guide-News Correspondent.

A couple of country editors on a holiday tour, recently dropped off at Alvinston, and proceeded to an hotel, where they intended to remain for the night. But after disposing of a hearty meal and imbibing in a number of drinks, (as editors generally do,) they fell in with a friend, who very cordially invited the quill slingers to visit him at his residence. Several other acquaintances were also invited, and by ten o'clock the little party was complete. The jovial host had in the meantime laid in a bountiful supply of the luscious bivalve, as well as Old Rye. The scribes were extremely felicitous, being thus regaled with (to their own mind) the principal of earthly luxuries, and at once commenced putting away the beverage in a manner marvellous to the rest of the guests—one of whom, about two o'clock, began to think he was not having his fair share, and remonstrated with editor number one, to the effect, that if his libations were not drawn a little milder, his journal would probably appear in mourning next week, and his personal property would be taken care of by an alien. Knight of the quill gently insinuated that he was not endowed with sufficient bodily strength, to perform that muscular feat. Whereupon the guest, being considerably ried, at once laid hands upon the diminutive form of the editor, and, instead of administering a blessing, sent him with great velocity toward the front gate, on which after diligently searching for and finding his *grey overcoat* hat, gloves and spectacles he sat placidly awaiting the arrival of his boon companion and murmuring in plaintive tone, "no one to love me no one to to bless." While the above scene was being enacted Editor No. 2, all unconscious of the approaching storm his licentious frivolities at end, lay upon a couch wrapt in the embrace of Morphens, but being awakened by the disturbance was just in the midst of a stirring ovation, couched in the most flowery diction, expostulating upon the present time in comparison with that of years gone by, when whiskey was but twenty-five cents a gallon; and censuring the perfidy of the late government for heavily taxing his favorite beverage, when he was gently raised by the coat collar by the returning guest and escorted to the door where striking arguments were used to induce him to leave, which he did in an extraordinary manner, shooting into mid air and descending like an erolite upon his friend's cranium, who, knocked from his elevated position, shared the pleasures of the gutter with his friend. After vowing vengeance upon the dastardly miscreant, who had so rudely terminated their pleasure, the unfortunate newsmen commenced their march to the hotel, but the road being too narrow, or their heads too much disturbed with the bug juice they had imbibed, we do not know, but certain it is, that it took them just forty minutes to walk a distance of twenty-five yards, and after knocking for a considerable time they were taken in by the landlord to bed. We ourselves thought this a most inhuman outrage and heartily sympathise with the unfortunate fellows, and hope if they ever visit our town again they will meet with more civility than on the last occasion, also advsie them that when next they start out for a "picnic" they will drink out of a glass instead of a two gallon can. They can more nearly guage the amount they take and consequently not go away with not only their own share of the grog but the rest of the guests also.

The Annual meeting at East Lambton Ag. Society, to be held at Warwick Village, has been postponed from the 3rd to the 19th prox.

A RCOMMENDATION.

Warwick Dec 2nd 1880

Mr. Doherty, Watford. Sir, The combination thresher that I got from you, works well, and those that I have threshed for says it did the best work for them they ever had done, and one of them is an old thresher from London Township. The machine runs light and threshes fast and cleans the grain well. Threshed on Nov. 3rd 206 bushels of wheat 110 of Barley and 386 of oats making a total of 702 bushels and set the machine twice and was done before sundown. I would recommend it to all threshers in want of a new threshing machine.

Yours Truly, JNO NAPPER,

What Guide-News Says!

Hark ye to "Observer" on church entertainments in another column.

A stocking was never made too small to hang up.

After to-day, the days will begin to lengthen.

"Tourist" is the laztest slang euphonism for "tramp"

All walking seems to be done on the defensive now-a-days.

Sleighing is much wanted now. Very litle snow would do it.

There will be a partial eclipse of the sun on the last morning of the old year.

Santa Claus is stocking up lively these days, preparatory to his yearly advent on to-morrow.

According to its size, Watford does a larger business than any place in the West.

Watford contains more enterprising business men than any town in the West.

Toronto Girls look to Santa Claus to fill their stockings. They cannot do it themselves, as the contract would necessitate the formation of a Syndicate.

If you see a man suddenly measure his length on the sidewalk, don't think he is commissioner of public works. It's all owing to the slippery state of the sidewalks.

Should your sweetheart show a movement
that is odd, eccentric, queer;
Should she describe a a sudden curving,
With a rapid "scoot" to rear,
Should she kick with little pedals,
As if heels were coming loose;
Making queries about the weather
In a manner most obtuse—
Do not think her head is turning
That she poses on such gaits;
She's longing for the rink to open,
And she yearns to try her skates.

Do all that lies in your power to add to the happiness of your friends to-day. Even though it be but little, neglect it not. Do not wait until next year, or next month, or next week, nor even until to-morrow, thinking you will be more able; for they may not be here then. Though it be but a flower by the wayside, if it have beauty and fragrance, pluck it and hand it to your fellow-traveller; for if you wait to do great things for him he may have fallen from your side and disappeared forever before you will have done aught to gladden his heart.

WARWICK ITEMS.

To the Editor of the Guide-News.

SIR,—Since my last the weather has been cold, but in the absence of snow, it has not been so pleasant to travel. We are waiting anxiously for Vennor's 18 inches of the beautiful to make sleighing to Christmas.

FUNERAL,

There has been more than the usual number of funerals at the English Church Cemetery lately. A Mr. Penny from Forest, Mr. Tait, from Plympton, and lately Mr. John Shannon, Ser. of Warwick, having been buried there. The last named was a very old man, having reached the age of 96 years, he was father of Mrs. Bently, of Warwick Village. Robert Shannon, of Muskoka, and John and William Shannon, of Warwick.

ENTERTAINMENTS

Are numerous. The Christmas tree and other amusements in the Methodist Church, last Tuesday evening, was well patronized, and the young people who got it up, well pleased with their venture.

On Thursday night of next week, there is going to be the Cantata of "Santa Claus," rendered in the Town Hall, for the benefit of English Church Sunday School.

Mr. J. F. Elliot, Township Collector, gave the Councillors and Township officers an oyster supper on Manday night, we understand it was a very pleasant affair, and a general wish of the guests for many returns of the same.

QUILL.

Warwick, Dec. 23rd, 1880.

PERSONALS.

Jas. Bole, Esq., has just returned from Hamilton, on a purchasing tour for the firm

Col. Campbell, Reeve of this village, was entertained by the members of the County Council, at a supper in the Belcamber House, Sarnia, on Thursday evening last.

Alex. Glendenning, post of Widder Glen, is preparing a poem on New Year's for the GUIDE-NEWS.

A. D. Elliot, Esq., is billed for a song and dance at the firemen's concert on 29th inst.

Mrs. George Zavitz, Brooke, who was very ill from erysipelas, is, we are happy to say, recovering.

Rev. Mr. Chapman, of London, occupied the C. M. pulpit very acceptably, morning and evening, on Sunday last.

Mr. John Minhinnick, gentlemanly clerk of the Baker house, is at present prostrated with a severe attack of inflamatory rheumatism.

Mr. W. R. Clark is home from St. Thomas Collegiate Institute, for the holidays. He looks hale and hearty.

Alex. Forbes, Esq., the famous war correspondent, lectures in London, 30th inst.

At the Presbyterian Church on Friday evening, Mr. W. P. McLaren was made the recipient of a handsome silver water pitcher by the Sunday School, as an acknowledgement of his valuable services as superintendent.

Messrs. Fred Hughes and William Waters have returned unharmed from Lucan, where they were engaged in painting. Their peaceful occupation probably accounts for their safety.

Mr. Andrew Gordon, tailor, left for Detroit yesterday, having secured a situation in one of the leading clothing houses of that city. We wish him success.

Mr. James McDowell, agent of the Ontario Mutual Life Insurance Co., London, dropped into our sanctum yesterday.