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## LOCAL HAPPENINGS

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**KEEP THE DOLLAR AT HOME.**  
ORDER your spring suit at SWIFTS'.  
KNIT a pair of socks for the soldier boys.  
J. DANIELS, of Alvinston, is now engaged at Chambers' factory here.  
It is expected that the Watford Methodist Church will be reopened on Sunday, Feb. 28th.  
MR. B. ANDERSON, who has been laid up for about a month with broken ribs, is improving nicely.  
THE Arrow and Regal spring shirts are here—the finest \$1.00 shirt we have ever shown.—A. BROWN & CO.  
REV. ARTHUR CARLISLE, of Windsor, has been appointed Chaplain of the 18th Battalion, now training at London.  
SEVERAL of the men from this vicinity belonging to the 18th battalion stationed at London, were home on pass for over Sunday.  
THE J. S. Club handed \$17 to the Treasurer of the Patriotic Fund, the surplus of proceeds of dance given in the Armory.  
NEW val. lace and embroideries.—SWIFTS'.  
OFFICIAL notice has been received by the Prime Minister that the whole of the first Canadian contingent have safely crossed over to France.  
WE notice that Miss Helena Roche, daughter of Mr. John Roche, graduated as a trained nurse at St. Joseph's Hospital, London, last week.  
SUBSCRIBERS wishing to avail themselves of our clubbing offer should do so without delay as the reduced rate for weekly papers will expire shortly.  
MILL, and towelling.—SWIFTS'.  
MRS. T. HOWDEN, Wyoming, was called to Ottawa last week on account of the serious illness of his daughter-in-law, Mrs. (Dr.) Walter Howden, of that place.  
LYCEUM THEATRE, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 19-20. Allie Gayles Comedy Co., a two-hour show, change each night. Full of harmony singing, dancing and many laughs. Don't fail to see this show.  
The conclusion of 100 years of peace between the United States and Canada was celebrated with special prayers and commented on in the local churches on Sunday. The prayers were in the nature of a thanksgiving for the freedom of war for such a lengthy period.  
THE largest and finest spring stock that we have ever shown and all purchased before the recent sharp tariff advances.—A. BROWN & CO.  
A RECORD was kept for three days of the number of calls at the Watford branch of the Bell Telephone Company. Notwithstanding the dull season the number of connections made in the three days was 2103, an average of 700 a day. No wonder that "Line's Busy," is fired at subscribers occasionally.  
ONLY 1 ladies' and 4 men's fur coats left at SWIFTS'.  
MR. GEORGE F. STRANGWAY, many years ago a resident of Watford, died at Windsor, on Sunday last, aged 60 years. The funeral was held on Tuesday at Sarnia. Deceased was a brother-in-law to Mrs. Carl A. Class, of Watford. He leaves a widow, three sons, Guy, Wilfred and Walter, and one daughter, Mrs. Walter Frank, of Medicine Hat.  
ON Tuesday evening, Feb. 16th, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob E. Fowler, Simcoe street, Watford, the marriage took place of Mr. Ross B. Lucham, son of Postmaster Lucham and Miss Winnifred May Fowler. The wedding was a quiet one, only the immediate relatives of the contracting parties being present. Rev. J. C. Forster performed the ceremony.  
THE aeroplanes which set Ottawa and Brockville all a single Sunday night turned out to be toy fire balloons sent up from Morrisburg in connection with the celebration of 100 years of peace between Canada and the U. S. The balloons were heart-shaped, and the day being the feast of St. Valentine the loving missives were sent by the U. S. border youths to the fair daughters of Canada without a thought of making them as excited as if they had received a matrimonial proposal, and keeping the rest of the family up all night expecting a Zeppelin raid. It is strange how some people hear the whirr of a motor every time an unusual light appears on the horizon.  
UNDER the new law letters will cost three cents and postcards two cents. The regular stamp will be affixed and an additional war stamp of one cent. The tax on telegraph and cable messages will affect press as well as commercial messages. These stamp taxes, as well as those on cheques, receipts, bills of lading, etc., it is expected, will come into effect about the fifteenth of March. The stamp on cheque is to be placed on each cheque by the sender. Otherwise the banks will refuse to cash the cheques. Stamps will be on sale by collectors of inland revenue, postmasters, banks, etc. The administration of the whole of the stamp tax will be in the hands of the Department of Inland Revenue.

## NEW FLOOR RUGS AT SWIFTS'.

EIGHTY PER CENT. of deaths in this war are due to disease and only twenty per cent. to wounds.

EVER notice that the people who are willing to share their last dollar with you never have a dollar?

PREACHERS ought not to be better than other men ought to be, but they ought to be better than other men are.

THOSE new 20th Century models are the last word, and the tartan effects are correct.—A. BROWN & CO., Sole Agents.

THE Germans will have a lot more submarines as soon as the British navy gets through with their grand fleet. Get it?

THE afternoon edition of the London Advertiser has been added to the number of daily papers taken at the Public Library.

THE men who are not at the front owe a duty to the men who are. Every effort should be made to sustain the Red Cross supply of necessities.

PILES of new prints and gingham.—SWIFTS'.

JOSEPH RIEL, a brother of Louis Riel, was fined ten dollars in a Winnipeg court the other day. Seems to be a Riel troublesome family.

If the British Government decides to grant a subsidy to British dye works it may increase the number who are willing to dye for their country.

THE interior of Howden's grocery has been repainted and grained. N. Thorne did the work and made an excellent job. The dark graining is attractive.

THE death occurred at Souris, Man., on Wednesday morning, Feb. 10th, of Miss Roena Weedmark, formerly of Watford, aged 47 years. The funeral was held Friday afternoon.

LADIES' man-tailored garments, made to special measure. The new style books and fabrics are here. Satisfaction guaranteed.—A. BROWN & CO.

GERMANY insists she has a perfect "right" to sink every ship in British waters. At the same time, Great Britain is landing 30,000 troops a week in France. What's the answer?

AN eminent physician says there are 5,000,000 children in the United States with lateral curvature of the spine. There are other indications, too, that the great American backbone needs stiffening.

MR. J. DANIELS, Alvinston, has been engaged as a machine hand at Chambers' factory. Mr. Daniels needs no recommendation, as he is an A1 mechanic and has served several former years at the same place.

NEW caps, shirts and neckwear.—SWIFTS'.

A RURAL mail carrier, after driving through farming districts in Kansas and doing a lot of observing and thinking, finally reports the reason so many boys leave the farm is that "Willie's calf grows up to be dad's cow."

SOME people seem to be capable of being duped all the time; but the great majority sooner or later get wise to the duping business, decline always to be credulous, and refuse to be carried away by religious trickery. And so it comes to pass that "Pastor" Russell is not at present enjoying such palmy days as he once did.

PRIVATE R. S. PATTI, regimental postman of the 18th Battalion, London, is missing, with an accumulation of registered mail, several letters in which are known to contain between \$200 and \$300. In addition his haul includes letters with checks for various amounts, the largest of which was one for \$150, directed to Capt. Shuttleworth, of the base company. The matter is now in the hands of the military authorities and of Col. Fisher, postoffice inspector in this district.

THE County Council grant this year to the Women's Institutes of Lambton will be made to the branches, separately, the amount being \$5 each. The East Lambton branches are—Aberdeen, Alvinston, Arkona, Aughrim, Brooke, Florence, Forest, Inwood, Jericho, Sheldahl, Theford, Uttoxeter, Warwick and Watford. Previously the grant was made to the district, and the money was expended in carrying on the work throughout the district, as required. The grant last year was increased from \$25 to \$50.

THE monthly meeting of the Woman's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. J. McKeercher, on Wednesday evening, Feb. 10th, the president presiding. 17 members and eight visitors present, roll call answered by valentine quotations. A solo was sung by Miss Richardson, which was good; Miss Irene Wilson a recitation, and Miss Esther McKeercher an instrumental, both were good. Mrs. J. Fulcher read a paper on the work of the Institute since the war. Mrs. Bambridge also read a poem on our motto, "For Home and Country." The Institute have also decided to do Red Cross work in sewing for hospital supplies. Meeting closed by singing God Save the King.—SEC.

THE Ontario Legislature was opened on Tuesday. The speech from the throne made special mention of the calling of the members in a moment of unusual crisis. Attention was drawn to the necessity of increased production; financial conditions arising out of the war; operation of the Workmen's Compensation Act; extension of the hydro-electric system and improvement of highways in the province. Several measures affecting the revenue, the question of mortgage foreclosure, liquor license law and boiler inspection were also foreshadowed.

WHAT a splendid world this would be if everyone paid spot cash. It would help some of pay our coal bills.

THE Ontario Government is considering a proposal to place all liquor licenses under a Provincial commission.

OPENED this week—a complete range of all the new spring models of the celebrated La Diva non-rustable corsets.—A. BROWN & CO.

THE heavy thaw of last week took off most of the snow, and spoiled the sleighing. The snow roads have been excellent since before Christmas, which is an unusually long season of continuous sleighing for this climate.

THE re-opening and dedicatory services in connection with the Watford Methodist church will be held on Sunday, Feb. 28th, when Rev. H. D. Moyer, of Peterborough, chairman of the Strathroy District, will preach at both services. On the Monday evening following supper will be served in the basement and a select program given in the auditorium.

THE efforts put forth to send home-made soap to the boys at the front has been quite successful, the people responding liberally. So far 47 pairs of these home-made soap have been handed in to Mr. E. D. Swift, who looks after the sending, thus relieving the donors of all trouble. Let the good work go on. Socks are needed more than anything else by the boys at the front, who fully appreciate the kindness of the donors.

SPECIAL snaps on every counter.—SWIFTS'.

THE second advertisement in connection with the "Patriotism and Production" campaign inaugurated by the Dominion Department of Agriculture, appears on page eight of this issue. It directs attention primarily to the following topics: (1) The necessity for using the right kind of seed, and (2) The Farm Labor Problem. These topics are both dealt with in the Agricultural War Book. The article on Seed, by the Seed Commissioner, treats the subject in a comprehensive manner. An article by Prof. Zavitz, of the O.A.C., deals with the production on Canadian-grown root seed to take the place of seed formerly imported. There is also an interesting article dealing with the labor problem in relation to the farm. Cut the coupon from the advertisement and send to the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, for this and other valuable publications which are supplied free.

2 ROBES left at SWIFTS'. Do you want one?

THE charge against the Jefferson Club of running a pool room without a license came up before A. G. Brown, J.P., on Saturday morning in the fire hall. The Jefferson Club was represented by E. Meredith, Jr., of London, and the Corporation counsel, John Cowan, K.C., looked after the interests of the town.

MR. R. B. McKay, local manager of the Club, was called and willingly placed the charter, by-laws, rules and regulations of the Club before the Court for inspection. From the consideration of these it appeared that the Club was in no way evading the law, the charter granted by the provincial government giving the Jefferson Club of Hamilton power to do business in any part of the province. As this course seems at variance with the spirit of the municipal law, the magistrate reserved decision for one week, and in the meantime will look fully into the matter. If it is proved that the Club's contention is right and the law in this case takes the power of regulating the matter out of the municipalities' hands, steps will be taken at the present sitting of the Legislature to have the matter remedied and give municipalities full power to govern all such matters within their own boundaries.

## PERSONAL.

Mrs. T. Roche is in Forest visiting her sister.

Miss B. Dodds is visiting friends in Brantford and Hamilton.

Mr. W. H. Bodman, Sterling Bank Inspector, was here last week.

Miss Wales, Toronto, is relieving at the High School for Miss McCaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Mansfield are home, after a lengthy visit with friends in Warwick.

Mrs. Henry Conn, Sarnia, called on Watford relatives and friends on Saturday last.

Miss Thomson, New York, is visiting her brother, Mr. W. J. Thomson, Simcoe street.

Mrs. J. W. McLaren is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Kelly, Sarnia.

Mrs. H. A. Cook, Toronto, spent several days this week with her sister, Mrs. Shepherd, and other relatives.

Mr. C. A. Class attended the funeral of his brother-in-law, the late George F. Strangway, at Sarnia on Tuesday.

W. E. Fitzgerald attended the funeral of his cousin C. E. Stephens in London Township on Wednesday of this week.

Miss Mary Mansfield, of the Normal school, London, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Mansfield.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Beare, formerly of Watford, spent a short honeymoon with relatives in Sarnia, Watford and Wisbeach, before going to Toronto, where they will remain for some time prior to taking their departure for their home in the west. Friends join in wishing the young couple success.

## Special Lenten Services

The solemn season of Lent commenced on Wednesday last, 17th inst. It has been kept from the earliest Christian times and is intended as a period of repentance and of waiting upon God, so that there may result permanent growth in the Christian churches. In Trinity Church there will be special services and special preachers as follows:—

Thursday, Feb. 25th—The Rev. Charles Owen, Rector of Glencoe.

Thursday, March 4th—The Rev. C. O. Pherrill, B. A., rector of Alvinston.

Thursday, March 11th—The Rev. Canon Davis, M. A., Rector of St. George's Church, Sarnia.

Thursday, March 18th—The Rev. Murton Shore, Rector of Warwick.

Thursday, March 25th—The Rev. F. C. Newton, Rector of St. John's Church, Sarnia.

Wednesday, March 31st—The Rev. J. C. McCracken, Rector of Wyoming.

Good Friday, April 2nd—The Rector, Easter Day, April 4th—Holy Communion 8 a.m. and 9.15 a.m. Evening Service 7 p.m.

On Sunday evenings the Rector will preach a course of sermons on Scripture Characters. Week night services at 8 o'clock. Sunday services at 7. Everybody is welcome.

## Native of Watford Killed in Action

The daily papers of Tuesday contained the following:—

Killed in action, February 3.—Sergeant Frank S. Brown, at St. Eloi. Next of kin Rev. S. G. Brown, of Almonte, Ont. Enlisted at Ottawa.

Sgt. Brown is the man who wrote that excellent poem "Letters," which appeared in our last issue. As mentioned last week he was a native of Watford. Many residents of the town who have pleasurable memories of his parents join with the Guide-Advocate in extending deepest sympathy to them. He leaves a widow and one daughter.

## Re Miss Mitchell's Resignation

EDITOR, GUIDE-ADVOCATE:—

Dear Sir:—Would you kindly reinstate a motion passed by the Board of Education at their meeting, Feb. 3rd, 1915, with reference to Miss Mitchell's resignation, with an amendment put but lost at same time.

Moved by Dr. Newell, seconded by John White, that Miss Mitchell's resignation be accepted with regret.

Moved in amendment by R. C. McLeay, seconded by Wm. Harper, that Miss Mitchell's resignation will not be accepted by this Board but that the Board grant Miss Mitchell leave of absence until midsummer.

Motion carried.

D. WATT, Secretary.

## L. O. B. A. Supper and Entertainment

The oyster supper given by the ladies of the L. O. B. A. in the Orange Hall, Watford, on Tuesday evening, Feb. 16th, was well attended. Mr. Richard Brock occupied the chair and interested and amused everyone with his abundance of Irish wit and humor. The orchestra gave a plentiful supply of choice music, which was much enjoyed by all. Musical selections were also given by Mr. Frank Esson and Miss L. Patterson, both of whom were heartily encored. Little six-year-old Meryl Kerston also gave a nice selection. Reeve Kenward gave an interesting address, saying that he was in sympathy with Orangemen, although not one himself. Mrs. Seeds, the worthy mistress of L. O. B. A. No. 927, Wallaceburg, gave an eloquent address on "Patriotism—The hand that rocks the cradle." An address by Mrs. J. Bryson, The Society Ball, showed what true Christian love for each other does. Rev. Mr. Pentland made a speech on the war which was also very interesting. Short addresses were given by Mr. J. D. Brown, W. H. Harper and Mr. Harper, Sr., and the orchestra played the Russian national anthem. A vote of thanks was tendered to the ladies for providing such a splendid entertainment and the evening's enjoyment was brought to a close by singing the national anthem. The spread provided by the ladies was an excellent one served in faultless manner.

## WARWICK.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Mansfield spent last week visiting with friends in London.

Miss Rachel Mitchell, Strathroy, spent a few days last week with her friend, Mrs. G. A. Westgate, 4th line.

The smallpox quarantine has been lifted and all affected places thoroughly fumigated by the Medical Health Officer.

We are sorry to hear that Mr. Chas. Joynt, 15 Sideroad, is ill and confined to his bed at time of writing.

Miss Allie McRorie returned on Friday of last week after an extended visit with relatives and friends in London and Brantford.

An excellent lantern entertainment will be given in the Orange Hall, Warwick, on Wednesday evening, Feb. 24th. Rev. H. F. Kennedy will speak on "Airships and Boy Scouts," showing a number of beautiful slides on these subjects, as well as songs and humorous

stories. Admission 10 cents.

On Tuesday last Mr. John McKenzie, 6th line, had the misfortune to fall out of an apple tree and is now suffering from a slight concussion of the brain and a laceration over the eyes. Dr. Kelly is in attendance and at time of writing Mr. McKenzie was doing as well as could be expected.

All members of the Warwick Women's Institute are specially invited to attend a demonstration of "Wear-Ever" aluminum cooking utensils to be given under their auspices in Warwick, on Saturday, Feb. 20th, at 3 o'clock. Free aluminum sauce pail given to every family represented at the demonstration.

Miss Galbraith, of Kerwood, and Mrs. Peter Lamont and children, of Lobo, are visiting at the home of Mr. Donald McGugan.

The social evening given by the ladies of St. James' church, Brooke, at the home of Mr. Dan Kelly on Monday evening was well attended. The offering amounted to \$20.00. A very dainty lunch was served.

Mr. Wilson Stewart, who some 14 years ago lived in Brooke, but who is now farming near Billings Ridge, in the Ottawa district, was here last week visiting relatives in Brooke and Warwick, and hunting up friends and acquaintances of former days.

The young people of Salem Methodist church will give an entertainment in the church, 12th line, on the evening of Friday, Feb. 26th. The program will consist of the laughable character sketch, "The Minister's Bride," music, readings, recitations, &c. Admission 25c and 10c.

A serious accident happened to Mr. Arch. Wiley, 14th con., on Saturday last. While taking some cattle from one farm to another a heifer he was leading turned on him and struck him a severe blow in the face with its horn, breaking his jaw bone. A peculiar thing about the accident is that the bone on the opposite side of the face from which he was struck is the one broken. At last reports he was progressing nicely.

The East Brooke-Farmer's Club, held their usual meeting on Tuesday evening, Feb. 16th. There was a packed house to hear the debate, "Resolved that books are more educative than travel." The debate took a little different form than usual, it being an open debate. The affirmative leader was Miss McIntyre, and the negative side was led by Miss Fisher, but in the absence of Miss Fisher the negative leader's paper was given by Miss Kingston. The debate was a good one, and the judges took some time in deciding, but the decision was given in favor of the affirmative. The judges of the debate were Mrs. Ernest Powell, Mrs. Russell Powell and Russell Woods. The members of the club were very pleased to have Rev. Eason, of Napier, present to give an address. The meeting closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

The East Brooke Farmers' Club spent an exceedingly pleasant evening at the home of Mr. Fred Acheson, 12th line, on Wednesday, 3rd inst. About ninety were present and enjoyed a sumptuous and nicely served oyster supper and an excellent program, embracing violin solos by James Demay; recitations by Miss Kate McLachlan; readings by Miss Becky Pollock and Mrs. Ernest Powell; song by Russell Woods; duet by Mrs. Sherman Hair and Miss Eva Watson; speeches by L. McLachlan, Jas. Hair, Arch. Fisher, D. Fisher and Fred Acheson. Sherman Hair occupied the chair and helped to make the evening a social success. At a late hour the enjoyment was brought to a close by singing "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow," and all left for home highly pleased with the evening's entertainment.

The ladies of the Brooke Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Richard Seaton on Thursday afternoon, Feb. 11th. Fifty ladies were present and a very successful meeting was held. "The Maple Leaf" was sung as an opening chorus, after which the general business was dealt with. A motion was made, regarding the proceeds of the patriotic concert. It was decided to send \$15.00 in cash to the Red Cross Society and the balance of the money to be used in purchasing supplies and comforts for the soldiers. The new member contest, of which Misses Eva Watson and Minnie Willoughby, were captains, was closed. Both captains are to be congratulated for their efforts. However, Miss Watson succeeded in being the winner. In all, forty-three new members were added to the roll. A question drawer followed. Several questions were discussed, which brought out some good ideas. Splendid papers on "Bee Culture and Financial Profits from Products" by Mrs. S. Hair, and "Home and Its Influence," by Mrs. Minnie Willoughby. Both papers were excellent. Miss Merle Steadman gave a violin selection, with piano accompaniment, played by Miss Hazel Easterbrook. Readings by Miss Katie McLachlan and Miss Ella Clothier were much enjoyed, also an instrumental solo by Miss King, after which Miss Irene Easterbrook sang two very sweet "The Song You Hear in Every Cavalry," "God Save the King" was then sung, after which the hostess served a fine luncheon.

Sixteen Windsor and North Essex hotelmen were fined \$1,245 last week for the violation of the Liquor License act.

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