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## SQUIBOGRAPHS.

Everytime Rockefeller advances the price of oil our light bill seems to grow heavier.

Two bills appear to be taking up the time of the House at Ottawa, Labor Bill and Bill McLean.

Holders of Silver Bird stock are reminded that this is the moulting season in the Cobalt district.

An Ohio woman, who is the mother of eight pairs of twins, is entitled to a handsome present from W. J. Bryan, who is an eloquent advocate of 16 to 1.

No flags will float, no bands will play Upon this year's St. Patrick's Day, But if you come of Irish stock On Sunday next wear green Shamrock.

The boastful talk that there is plenty of room in this country for everybody is all nonsense. There is not a vacant cell in the Central Prison at present.

Judging from the Insurance Commission report the policy holders took more risks than the agents.

"No dogs or evidence without muzzles allowed in this court room," would be an appropriate placard on the entrance door of the New York Criminal Court during the Thaw trial.

The Toronto malsters threaten to go out on strike. The trouble has been brewing for some time.

A Chicago professor proposes to establish a College of Courtship where Bachelors of Arts can be converted into artless bachelors.

The late Supreme Chief of the Foresters leaves a name, that anyone who has ever tried to spell it, will not soon forget.

The Toronto malsters threaten to go out on strike. The trouble has been brewing for some time. You cough and sneeze Far worse than grip They give you pip.

The hockey season being over the ambulance corps are now being drilled in first aid to the injured in the football fields.

A Boston scientist has been investigating the weight of the human soul and figures it out at one ounce. Corporations have no souls, and there are any number of men who would not require a set of Ray scales to weigh in.

Proprietor Dowie is dead. On account of financial difficulties his mantle is in a pawn shop at present, and the courts will have to decide who is entitled to the garment.

"When the Robbies meet again," is a popular ditty in Manitoba since the recent election.

A brand new comet is said to be heading direct for this old earth swishing its gaseous tail right and left. What's the use of getting out the sap buckets when you are liable to be swiped into space without a moment's notice?

At Cobalt they don't do a thing But talk of mines and Nippising The dividends are rather fine But that don't worry Guggenheim.

There is nothing very brave about the Easter hat. It is always the first to show the white feather.

A Hamilton dairyman was fined this week for selling watered milk. He explained that the presence of Burlington juice was caused by pouring hot water in the can to thaw out the ice, but the judge thought the ice was too near the bottom of the can.

## SCHOOL REPORTS

Report of S. S. No. 11, Brooke, for February. Names in order of merit. Class 4, Sr.—Archie Fisher, Chas. Hick, Ethel Hick, Leslie Duffy, Fred Fisher, Jr.—Abraham Dempsey, Will Duffy. Class III—John Brown, Florence Hick, Gertrude Brown. P. II—Lena Smith, Alex. Fisher, Willie Lett. Class I—Lizzie.—G. M. WILLOUGHBY, Teacher.

## LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

NEXT Sunday is St. Patrick's Day. RRAL, bargains in china, at Taylor's. SPECIAL, Easter requirements at Swift Bros.

ED. FLETCHER has been elected Chief of the Petrolia Fire Brigade.

THERE was a light run of sap in favorably situated sugar bushes Monday.

LETTUCE, onions and radishes at Howden's on Saturday. Order early.

THE dog poisoner is getting in his work again. S. Stapleford lost a valuable Irish terrier last week.

C. P. R. SURVEYORS have been looking over the route of the plank road for an entrance to Sarnia.

FEW city stores can show a finer stock.—SWIFT BROS.

A LIST of the new books recently received at the Public Library appears on an inside page.

C. HOWDEN has disposed of his house and lot, corner St. Clair and McGregor streets, to John R. Hastings.

POLICE Magistrate Duncan, of Petrolia, has resigned. Mr. Duncan purposes removing to the West.

OUR 25c tea always pleases and is the best advertisement we have. Drop in and try a pound.—EST. N. B. HOWDEN.

JOHN MATHEWS has sold his new brick residence and lot on Erie street, west side, to Jas. McManus for \$2,000.

A MEETING of the Western District Pairs Association will be held in Petrolia on Friday, March 15th at 11 a.m.

If you need a milk can this spring let us show you Kemp's patent roll bottom, it is the heaviest can made. Milk pans, creamers, and all dairy goods at Howden's.

The glad news flashes far and wide, All up and down the town, Since to this fact we point with pride, "Fresh eggs is going down."

A FEW of the fraternity from Watford attended the Masonic Lodge of Instruction held in Sarnia on Tuesday afternoon and evening.

OUR mail order department. Have you tried what we can do if you cannot call.—SWIFT BROS.

A MEETING of the directors of the Lambton Farmers' Mutual Fire Ins. Co. was held at the Roche House on Thursday afternoon.

KEEP your weather eye open for the announcement of the final meeting of the High School Literary Society. It will be published next week.

F. DODDS & SON have secured the sole agency for the celebrated Cinderella shoe, which they now have in stock.

JAS. MCKER, proprietor of the Kerwood hotel, was kicked in the face by a horse on Thursday night of last week. He was seriously hurt but is improving.

GENTS Easter hats, Shirts, ties, collars and cuffs.—SWIFT BROS.

A MAPLE sugar social will be held in Caldwell's Hall, Friday, March 22nd, under the auspices of the Presbyterian church. Watch for particulars next week.

OUR grocery department is filled with the best we can buy and we are more determined than ever to handle only the most reliable goods. Your money back on anything not satisfactory.—EST. N. B. HOWDEN.

ABOUT thirty couples enjoyed an informal hop in Caldwell's hall Monday evening. Tony Cortese's, London Harpers furnished excellent music and all present enjoyed the program of the evening.

THIS (Friday) evening the Rev. Roger Howard, M. A., of London, will present a beautiful series of views, illustrating the great events in the history of St. Paul, in Trinity Church, at 8 p. m. Admission free. Silver offering.

THERE was another big crowd at Caldwell's music store opening Saturday morning and evening and many complimentary remarks were passed about the handsome new establishment. The London Harpers gave a program of popular airs.

LOVELY floor rugs, north window.—SWIFT BROS.

In a clay pigeon shooting contest for the championship of 18 side road between I. P. Taylor and T. W. Stewart, of London, shot on Monday, Mr. Stewart was an easy winner. It was a 25 bird event. Mr. Stewart securing 17 and I. P. half a dozen.

THE Provincial Government plans to increase its grant of \$7,000 to the Salvation Army for immigration purposes to \$10,000. The \$3,000 increase is believed to be the matter to which the Prime Minister alluded in his address at Massey Hall Monday.

WALL paper remnants, cheap, at Taylor's.

D. G. PARKER offers his entire stock of boots, shoes, grocers, and shop fixtures for sale. Offers will be taken for whole or part of stock on terms to suit the purchaser, stock to be removed from premises. If not sold before March 25th will be sold on premises, which can be leased at a reasonable rate. A snap for quick buyer.

WE are in a position to offer special inducements on builder's hardware, glass, paints, etc., and will be glad to furnish estimates to anybody. Ravetroughing and all kinds of tinwork done on shortest notice by competent men.—EST. N. B. HOWDEN.

A SPECIAL freight jumped the track at Strathroy at 1 p. m. Wednesday blocking the west bound traffic for several hours.

THE masquerade carnival announced for Wednesday night has been postponed to this (Friday) night on account of the mild weather. If the ice is in shape a good evening's sport is assured.

If you have any idea of purchasing a watch it will be worth your while to drop in and have a look over Dowding's stock. A splendid range of gold, silver and nickel watches to select from. He can fill your watch requirements.

SIX of the members of the Building Committee of the proposed new Trinity Church drove over to Glencoe Friday to inspect St. John's Anglican Church in that town. They were very favorably impressed with the beauty and design of the Glencoe edifice, and were accorded every courtesy and information by the officers of St. John's.

ELLIOTT G. STREVENSON, the Detroit man who has been chosen to succeed Dr. Oronhyatkeha as head of the Independent Order of Foresters, is a native of Middlesex county, and attended school in London, Ont. He is 50 years old. He studied law with the late O'Brien J. Atkinson in Port Huron.

CARPETS, portiers, rugs, lace curtains.—SWIFT BROS.

THE automobilists who scour the country for pleasure are getting rather chasty, when they demand that cattle shall carry lights when traveling along the roads, so as to avoid collisions. This is almost up to the fellow who tried to cross some bees with lightning bugs so they could work at night.

WITH the opening of spring those who patronize our merchants will find better stocks to select from than were ever shown in this place. Our business men have been making a study of the wants of our citizens and they will have that for which you are looking. Give them a chance on everything you buy this season.

SCOTCH tweeds direct from Glasgow, it will do you good to see them. Suits \$16.00 to \$20.00.—SWIFT BROS.

AT the big poultry show in Ottawa last week S. Stapleford's famous pen of B. R. games carried off all the honors in their class. Mr. S. was awarded first on cock, first and third on hen, 1st on chick and first on pullet. Mr. Stapleford is conceded to have the best pen of games in Ontario, taking prizes wherever exhibited.

THE exodus of prospective settlers for the Northwest from various points in Ontario continued Tuesday, when the second excursion went out on the regular 1:45 p. m. express from Toronto on the G. T. R. So great was the number of those desiring accommodation that the train had to be sent out in two sections.

CAMPBELL'S Varnish Stains are the original Varnish Stains. The manufacturers offer \$100 to anyone who can beat their plant in good shape, the recent extensive additions to the machinery and equipment places them in a position to handle all orders in a prompt and satisfactory way and from this time forward the factory will be one of the busiest places in the west.

HOUSE cleaning time is near and we are prepared with a full stock of S. W. P. floor stains, varnishes, etc. This line may cost a trifle more than some others, but it pays to buy the best, and once a customer is always a customer.—EST. N. B. HOWDEN.

INSPECTOR ELLIOT, of the Lambton Mutual, was in Sarnia township on Tuesday estimating the loss sustained by Henry West, lot 41, con. 9, who had his dwelling house burnt down Saturday morning and building contents were a total loss. A defective chimney was the cause of the fire. Partially insured in the Lambton.

AN automobile ran over a man and killed him. The magistrate at the coroner's inquest asked the doctor where the man was struck by the auto. The doctor replied "At the junction of the dorsal and cervical vertebrae." The magistrate pointed to a map of Ontario on the wall with the request "Show me the location of that place."

P. DODDS & SON now have a large assortment of men's, women's and children's heavy shoes in stock. Something special for the wet and mud.

AN Irishman one time thought he would spare enough money for a chicken dinner. So he hid himself to the nearest restaurant and proceeded to order his dinner. "O'il have chicken?" said Pat to the waiter. "Would you like it smothered in onions?" said the waiter. At this Pat, with a crash of his fist on the table, exclaimed, "No be jabbers! Give the poor devil a chance. Wring its neck!"

IRISH linens, direct from the Belfast looms.—SWIFT BROS.

THE new steamer, City of Cleveland, of the D. & C. line, is the first steamer in the world to have a steam steering bow rudder. There is an extra wheel in the pilot house especially for the bow rudder, and a wheel at the rear of the boat by which this rudder may be steered. The

rudder is 12 feet two inches in width and over seven feet in height. It will greatly facilitate the handling of the ship in narrow waters and she can be backed at full speed under perfect control.

THE Grand Trunk authorities are rejoicing in the fine weather of the last few days. "A few more days like this," said Chief Despatcher Goodwin yesterday morning, "and we will be able to get our delayed freight on the move again. We have nearly 700 freight cars stalled at Point Edward, and want to move them as soon as we can. The engines can haul one-third as many more cars a day like today than on a cold day, and if it stays mild for a few days the embargo will be lifted.

A MEETING, in which all engaged in fruit raising will be interested, will be held in Caldwell's hall on Wednesday, March 27th at 7 p. m. Mr. Ross, of Chatham, will speak on cultivation, spraying, grafting, etc., and Mr. Carey, of Ottawa, will discuss co-operation, etc. This is an important matter to the fruit growers of this district and it is hoped a large turnout will be present to hear experienced men give their views. Keep the date in mind.

WASH goods and muslins are here. Have you seen them? Hundreds of pieces.—SWIFT BROS.

A YOUNG boy named Thomas Meadworth who arrived at Sarnia a few days ago with his feet frozen from walking from Strathroy, turns out to be a boy named Williams, who ran away from his home at Brussels and has been widely sought. His relations are in good circumstances. He ran away from home to shoot Indians in the West, and has been missing for several months. He is still at the hospital and his relatives have undertaken to pay the bills and arrange for his return home.

MAYOR J. W. SMITH, of Regina, is associated with a big wholesale hardware concern now being organized. The company will be capitalized at \$250,000 the stock being subscribed by western men. There is no doubt that Mayor Smith will be president of the company and W. O. Lott will be associated with him probably in the same capacity as he served with the Smith & Ferguson Hardware Co. This is an important matter to the retail trade possibilities of this western country and with the prestige of the two men we have mentioned this concern will be a success from the go-in. Regina is fortunate that this organization is to be established there within the year.

YOUR order placed with us for spring suits and overcoat, you are sure of first place in cut, style and finish.—SWIFT BROS.

AN increase in the price of standard books and the better class of school books is expected by the Toronto dealers. Bindings have gone up, paper has taken a jump, and the cost of printing is advancing, one publisher pointed out last night. Books of fiction are not expected to be affected, as it is claimed the retail price of this class of reading is now altogether too high. Paper manufacturers of the United States are reported to have recently made a business arrangement raising prices. This increase in price has already been felt over here by dealers placing orders. The demand in the United States for all lines of paper is very heavy.

At a recent meeting of the Lambton Medical Society a resolution was carried to appoint a delegation of the members, consisting of Drs. Hubbard, Martyn, W. D. Newell, Bentley and Calder, to wait upon the County Council to secure an appropriation to furnish literature for dispensation regarding the cure of advanced cases of tuberculosis and to provide a suitable place for their maintenance in the county. Our county legislators cannot err in making a generous appropriation for this worthy cause. The prevention of the spread of the white plague of the day and if a tenth of the money frittered away in unnecessary and useless schemes were devoted to this object the country would be the gainer.

MR. ALF. WIGHT, of this place, has in his possession two rare copies of old Canadian newspapers. One is the Commercial Messenger and Canadian Literary Gazette, published at Montreal, dated Oct. 11th, 1841. The other is the Palladium of British America, published at Toronto, dated May 11th, 1839. The Palladium was published by Charles Forbes Fothergill at five dollars per annum. The paper contains four pages printed in English style, even the market quotations being given in English money. Wheat is quoted at 6 and 6 d, oats 1 and 6 d, eggs 8 d, butter 11 d, pork 35 s per cwt., and flour 32 and 6 d. The news is largely a reproduction of what had appeared in late English papers, including a description of the then youthful Queen Victoria.

NIGHT Watchman Mathers had an experience early on Sunday morning that reminded him of old times in Dawson. While patrolling the south side of Ontario St. he heard a noise on the opposite side in the alley adjoining Willoughby's blacksmith shop. Turning his flash light in that direction he was greeted with a shot from a revolver. Mr. Mathers dived his light and took a flying shot at two men, who ran past the post office and disappeared in the darkness. It is supposed that they were going through the blacksmith shop in search of tools, to commit a burglary, when they were interrupted. The night watchman at the factory heard the shooting and ran out to see what the trouble was, but no further trace of the marauders could be found.

## REUNION NOTES.

Will McWaters promises that Hamilton will come home strong.

Dr. W. W. Hay, of Wallaceburg, will be in line in August next.

Mrs. E. J. Griffith and son, E. J. W., London, are enthusiastic over the Reunion and will be on hand for the big days.

W. G. Gilfillan, manager of the Sterling Bank, Sebringville, has pleasant memories of the old town and will be on deck.

J. M. Robertson, Toronto, one of Watford's former merchants, will be here if he is within a thousand miles of the old town.

A meeting of all committees is called for Monday March 18th in the Council Chamber at 8 p. m. Members will please accept this as official notice.

W. J. Ward, now a prominent baker in Sarnia, was a resident of Watford thirty years ago, and hopes to meet many old friends at the Reunion.

George Andrew Lewis, of Detroit, whose school for Strammerers has a world wide fame, is an old Watford boy and will be here. Mr. Lewis may bring over his entire class, over 200 in number, accompanied by a band, and will shake the old town up. Come on George, the town is yours.

## LIST NO. 13.

W. J. Ward, Sarnia.

J. M. Robertson, Toronto.

Mrs. J. M. Robertson, "

Will McWaters, Hamilton.

W. J. Simpson, "

W. G. Gilfillan, Sebringville.

Mrs. E. J. Griffith, London.

Edward J. W. Griffith, "

A. Cundick, Sombra.

R. James, Warwick.

Dr. W. W. Hay, Wallaceburg.

## PERSONAL.

T. Roche is in Rodney this week.

Miss Edith Hughes, Kerwood, visited Watford friends Friday.

Miss May Down, Appin, visited at J. Livingstone's last week.

Dr. Kenward returned Tuesday from a business trip to Toronto.

J. E. Aitken and two daughters have returned from Los Angeles.

Mr. D. A. Patterson, Appin, was a guest at J. Livingstone's last week.

Mrs. Charles Edgar, Chicago, is the guest of W. J. Thompson, Ontario, St.

Miss Agnes Williams has secured a position in Toronto for the millinery season.

Frank O'Dwyer, Edmonton, spent Tuesday with his friend, F. P. McDonnell.

George Rivers is attending Provincial Grand Orange Lodge at Oranville this week.

R. Upton and M. Brock, Adelaide, visited friends in Watford on Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. J. Baker is confined to the house with a severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism.

Miss Florence Lovell left Saturday for Grand Bend, where she has taken a position as milliner, with Mr. Amos.

Miss Hazel J. Joplin, Petrolia, has been engaged as head milliner at Miss Williams' for the spring season.

R. J. Campbell, a Watford old boy, has the honor of being the first Principal of Petrolia's handsome new school, the finest and best equipped in the county.

Harold Howden, who has been attending the Berlin Business College for the past five months, has accepted a good position in the office of the Interior Hardware Company of that town.

Mrs. W. T. Stewart is visiting at the Taylor House, but purposes leaving for the West shortly where Mr. Stewart has been appointed Western representative for the Geo. Kelly cigar factory of London.

Mr. Benj. Richardson, called on old friends in Fergus Friday on his way to Glencoe. Mr. Richardson noted many changes since his last visit fifty-two years ago, particularly in regard to the roads.

Rev. Mr. Connolly and Mrs. Connolly returned Wednesday from their eastern trip, and are stopping at the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Thompson, Ontario St.

FIREMAN Oliver Durdin, of the Grand Trunk, had a narrow escape from death Monday. He was sent out with Engineer Hunter to Komoko to assist a couple of big moguls to bring a heavy freight train into London, the train having been twenty-seven hours coming from the tunnel and being unable to proceed further without assistance. Engineer Hunter coupled his engine next to the train, which consisted of forty loaded cars. The two big locomotives hitched on ahead and the struggle commenced. Fireman Durdin had just put in a fire and had barely stepped from the iron plate covering the small space between the engine and tender, when the strain parted the coupling. If the break had occurred a second sooner Durdin would have had his life crushed out beneath the wheels of the tender. The break was repaired and the train crawled into London.

Councillor McGillip, of Forest, has resigned. A hundred pipers in "a", but Mack refuses to "blaw."