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Local Happenings

Have you had the measles?
Next Sunday is Mother's Day. Don't forget your flower.

Read our add if you want clothing—Swifts.

Miss Ruby E. Brand of London, spent the week end with Miss E. F. Newell.

Congoleum Art Rug Bargain week Read ad for special prices—A. Brown & Co.

Wednesday Half-Holidays commence next week. Do your shopping in the morning.

Read Swifts add if you want Boys Suits.

Thirty varieties of Gladiolus, Twenty-five of Dahlias—All choice kinds—W. C. Caldwell.

Out Flowers for Mother's Day on sale Saturday A. M.—order early J. W. McLaren.

Miss Inez Steele, Sarnia spent the week end at the home of her aunt, Mrs. W. Cook, Sr.

Ladies Coats smart models, open Saturday 12.00 13.50 15.00 18.50, extra value.—Swifts.

Miss Florence Cook and Mrs. Lillian Colburn of Detroit, spent the week end at their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Anderson, of Strathroy, visited Watford friends on Wednesday.

Ladies and Misses Spring Coats—Clearing lines at \$12.95 A. Brown & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Whiting and daughter, Betty, spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. W. C. Aylesworth.

Real new coats at Swifts Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. A. H. Gillett and son Albert, of London spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Jessie Aylesworth.

This is congleum week special display and reduced prices—Swifts stock reducing sale.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt. Holmes and little daughter, Anna, of Sarnia, spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Arthur E. McKeocher.

"The Case of Becky" a picture that will thrill and mystify you. Constance Bing is featured in the dual star role at the Lyceum next—Thursday.

Porch dresses, 98 cts. to \$4.50—A. Brown & Co.

Miss Charlotte Dyke of Port Huron was a recent guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. Fred Kemp of Plimpton, also with her sister, Mrs. Hay, at Watford.

Headlight overalls and Combination Suits—The finest garments made—A. Brown & Co.

Toronto Globe—"Mr. and Mrs. David Roche, 397 Parkside Drive, announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Anna Marie, to Dr. Orland P. Sullivan, son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Sullivan, Orrville Ont., the marriage to take place the latter part of May."

Ladies coats, and young ladies check coats, the price starts at \$10.00 and up—Swifts.

The annual meeting of the Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. McCrae, on Wednesday evening, May 14th. Roll call: "How many meetings attended during the year." Renewal of membership. Election of officers. All members are requested to attend.

See our Mother Day candy specials—choice box assorted chocolates with Mother's Motto at \$1.00—others up to \$3.50—J. W. McLaren.

"The Case of Becky" featuring Constance Bing from David Belasco's famous play will be the picture attractions at the Lyceum next Thursday.

We have a dozen ladies Tailor Made Suits at stock reducing sale prices.—Swifts

The Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor of the Congregational Church of this village held its regular meeting on Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Viola McNaughton. The secretary, Miss Jean McCormick, presided over the first part of the meeting and Miss Maude Marwick read the scripture reading. An interesting paper was read by Mrs. Russell Duncan, and a brief address was given by the pastor, Rev. T. DeCourcy Rayner. A short item of missionary information on Africa was given by Miss Hilda Morris of the missionary committee. The president, Thomas McCormick, presided over the second half of the meeting.

Rubber stair treads 12½ cts each. Double curtain poles 20 cts. 4 yard wide linoleum, \$4.00 per yard—A. Brown & Co.

TENNIS CLUB DANCE IN THE ARMORY NEXT FRIDAY

Detroit Orchestra

Watford Tennis Club will give another of their delightful informal dances in The Armory next Friday evening, May 16th. Fizzell's Country Club six-piece Orchestra of Detroit, will furnish the music. Dancing 9 to 3. Luncheon. Tickets \$2.00 couple. Everyone welcome.

Mr. H. Rutherford, Toronto, spent the weekend at Mrs. Tye's.

Mrs. T. A. Adams, and the Misses K. C. Harris, E. Dodds, L. Dodde, M. Raynes, attended the official visit of the Worthy Grand Matron of the Order of Eastern Stars to Sarnia Chapter No. 6, at Sarnia last Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. George Tye and family, London, spent Sunday with the former's mother, Mrs. Tye.

The ladies of the Guild and W. A. have the pleasure in announcing that as a result of their tea and sale of work held at the Rectory last week, combined with several generous gifts, they have already the sum of \$122.00 towards the new Holy Table and will be very glad to receive any further donation from members of the church who have not already contributed. The above tea was very well attended, beautifully served and greatly appreciated by one and all.

Clara Tye, R.N., Toronto, visited at her home here last week.

As will be noticed in the council minutes appearing in another column, a street cleaning bylaw was passed at Monday night's meeting, providing for the season's maintenance under municipal supervision. Last year's arrangement was found unsatisfactory, insofar as some business men paid considerably more than their share into the fund, while others paid less. This year the Council supervises the work and levies the proportionate rate on the property-owners benefited. The estimated cost of the season's service is about \$3.00 per lot, but as most business houses occupy from one-half to one-third of a lot, it will be readily seen that it will be exceptionally cheap service.

Presbyterian Y. P. S. Stage Interesting Play

"Home Ties" Wins Approval With Large Audiences. Total Proceeds Over \$150

Watford Presbyterian Young People's Society upheld its past excellent records when its annual stage play, "Home Ties," was presented in the Lyceum on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of this week.

Large audiences greeted the members of the cast both nights and effectively demonstrated their appreciation of the efforts that have been put forth during the past several weeks to make this year's production the best yet. Total proceeds will amount to over \$150, which will enable the Y. P. S. to continue its estimable work.

The story of "Home Ties" is one of the usual melodrama type, the leading characters being a country girl who has listened to the call of the City; her father and aunt, who fear her fate would be the traditional "downfall" of country girls in large cities; her former friends and new-found City friends who pay a visit to the old home with her.

Like most plays, the action swiftly changes from uncertainties and paths to the richest of comedy emitting from two local characters, Josiah Tizzard, an umbrella mender, and Mrs. Poplin, a widow with a pension and apparently perpetual "symptoms" of every disorder known to medical science.

Cast of Characters:
Martin Winn, with memories of the past, L. H. Aylesworth
Leonard Everett, a son of the soil
D. J. McPhail
Harold Vincent, from New York
E. C. Lambert
Josiah Tizzard, an umbrella mender
Jack Kinnell
Ruth Winn, Martin's daughter
Kathleen Elliot
Alma Wayne, her friend from the city, Marie Harrison
Aunt Melissa, Martin's sister
Annabel Cran
Mrs. Poplin, widow with a pension and "symptoms" May Reid
Lindy Jane, who helps around
Anna McLean

Siddall Brothers Lose Mother By Sudden Death

Mrs. Mary Siddall, widow of the late John Siddall, of Lobo Township, died suddenly Monday night at the family residence, 463 Elizabeth St. London.

Deceased has enjoyed the best of health until that evening, when she was seized with a slight sickness. She retired early and her lifeless body was later found by members of the family. Deceased was born in Lobo Township and removed to this city 12 years ago.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Wm. Cochrane, of Ailsa Craig; Mrs. Wm. Smythe, of Montreal, and the Misses Violet and Florence, at home; four sons, Roy S. of Ailsa Craig; John of Poplar Hill, and Dr. W. G. and Howie, of Watford; three sisters Mrs. Wm. Parker, of Lexington, Mich., and Mrs. Bella McFarland, Ailsa Craig, and four brothers: Dr. James McClurg of Sault Ste. Marie; Henry McClurg, of Ailsa Craig; Arthur McClurg, of London; and Mr. Dave McClurg, of Detroit. Three brothers, Dr. John McClurg, of Bay City; William and Edward, of Lobo Township predeceased her.

Funeral services were conducted from the late residence on Thursday afternoon. Interment in Carlyle Cemetery, near Ailsa Craig.

Citizens of Watford and vicinity unite in extending sincere sympathy to the bereaved members of the family.

Watford Public School Report of March and April

Fourth Class
In order of merit.

Honors—Cecil Hollingsworth, Ross Kersey, Gladys Jones, Elizabeth Spalding.

Pass—Carl A. Class, Edith Weight, Fern Roberts, Ora Kersey, Marguerite Collins, Jean Sharpe, equal, Leslie McIntosh, Gordon Rayner, Harvey Stapleford, Frank Jackson, Mac McIntosh, L. J. Kersey, Jack Nixon, Frank McCrae, Bertha Durstan, Lyle McIntosh, Margaret Bayley, Doris Howden, Elizabeth Watson, Gordon Sargent, Bobby Bruce, Henry Newell, Carmen Spalding, Ariel Routley, Mark McTaggart, Allan Doolittle, Principal.

Third Class
Senior Class—Honors—Mary Hay, Margaret Edwards, Hanley Millar.

Pass—Bernice Brown, Avery Dadds, Dorothy Kersey, Elmer Doan.

Junior Class—Honors—Grant Lovell, Irene James, Allan Brown, Herbert Tait, Laird Stapleford, John Hollingsworth, Bertie Kersey.

Pass—Keith Hollingsworth, Margery Hicks, Margaret Sharpe, Helen Nixon, Ivan Caley, Ernest Phair, Marion Roberts, Kenneth Rayner.—E. Hume, Teacher.

Second Class
Honors—Helen Potter, Jessie Prangley, Earl James, Alexander McLaren, Donald Tait, George Kingston, Mabelle Spalding.

Pass—Fred Kelly, Jack Caley, Ruth Savers, Lloyd Roberts, Mons Stapleford, Lorne Hay, Helen Callahan, Laura Doan, Beatrice Spalding, Gladys Newell.—J. Hume, Teacher.

First Book
Honors—Bruce Hay, Margaret Jackson, Edith Savers, Phyllis Lovell, Catherine Howden, Mary Elliot, Freda Moon.

Pass—Florence MacKay, Jack Rogers, Doris Kersey, Frank Prangley, Dorothy Willoughby, Donald Harper, Clarence Moon, Kathleen Laird, Roy Roberts, Audrey James.—L. M. Cameron, Teacher.

Primary Room
Class I—Honors—Verne Williams, Anna Jean McLaren, Sidney Welch, Donald Aylesworth, (Edith Callahan and Jessie Delmage) equal, Glenn Siddall. Pass—(Grant Earley, Kenneth Kersey) equal, Wesley Hollingsworth.

Class II—Honors—Genevieve Borrowman, Ruth Rayner, Muriel McKay, (Beulah Fulcher, LaVerne Kersey) equal, Jimmie Moon, Alma Fulcher, Harper Spalding, Clare McIntosh, Kenneth Cooke, Carman Hollingsworth, Verne Routly.

Class III—Honors—Clarice Siddall, La Verne Earley, George Brush, Ross Hay, Billy Richardson, Clarence Jackson, Jack Colburn. Pass—George Roberts.—M. Reid, Teacher.

Watford Hydro-Electric Shows Fine Returns

From the report of the Ontario Hydro-Electric auditor of municipal accounts, Mr. R. C. McCallum, of Toronto, the following information is culled, which will no doubt be of interest to most of our town readers.

The values of equipment on hand are given as follows: Distribution system \$9,702.51; Line transformers \$3,196.65; Meters \$3,503.61; street lighting equipment \$597.42; miscellaneous equipment \$1,305.70; old plant \$657.44; the total value of the local system being \$18,963.33.

Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1923, \$2,678.14; credit note from Hydro-Electric Power Commission of \$1,951.77.

In the expenditures were: Power purchased \$4,176.27; Distributing system operation and maintenance \$303.02; street lighting operation and maintenance \$148.96; administration, salaries and general expense \$589.81; interest on debentures \$384.62; Debenture principal and sinking fund \$417.19; total operation \$6,019.87; depreciation \$400; which makes a total expenditure of \$6,419.87.

Receipts were as follows:—Revenue from Domestic light \$3,740.23; Commercial light \$2,856.12; Commercial Power \$2,727.08; Municipal power \$284.20; street lighting \$1,365.00; making a total revenue for the year from all sources of \$10,972.63.

Therefore, the net surplus on the year's operations is \$4,552.76.

From a comparison of Watford's standing with similar towns in this district, as has appeared in the various daily papers recently, it will be perceived that we make an exceptionally good showing, and that a further reduction in domestic rates, at least, can be looked for in the near future.

P. J. Dodds Buys McCrae Hardware

W. L. McCrae sold his hardware business here on Monday morning of this week to his next-door neighbor Peter J. Dodds. Thus the business which was established by the late Peter Dodds some seventy years ago, now reverts back to the original family. On the death of Peter Dodds Sr. his business was divided between two of his sons; the hardware department being conducted by Thomas Dodds and the grocery and shoe departments by Peter J.

Thomas Dodds sold the hardware about two years ago to W.L. McCrae and moved with his family to San Francisco. Mr. McCrae has as yet made no definite plans for the future.

After being closed Monday and Tuesday for stock-taking, the store was opened on Wednesday under the new management. Mr. Dodds has secured a well experienced manager for this department, Eric Graham, of London, and patrons of this old-established business will continue to receive the same intelligent, prompt service to which they have been accustomed under the former management. Connecting doorways have been cut between the two stores, the entire store is being re-organized and renovated, in preparation for summer business.

P. J. (as he is familiarly known) seems to be continually taking bigger strides to prove his business ability. Not being content with one of the most efficient groceries in the town, he several years ago succeeded in developing the boot and shoe department until it was recognized as the best stocked store between London and Sarnia. His activities in connection with the Watford Fruit Growers' Association are well known in this district. Although he has again made a heavy addition to his business developments, he will no doubt continue to have the same optimistic smile and words of greeting that have so familiarized him with an citizens of the town and the entire countryside.

BORN
In Brooke, on Friday April 25th, to Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Kinna, a son. (Glenn Edison).

DIED
In London, on Monday, May 5th, 1924, Mrs. Mary Siddall, (mother of Dr. W. G. and Howie Siddall, of Watford) in her 64th year.

Dr. Reid, Wyoming, Hurt in Auto Smash

Dr. Wm. Reid, of Wyoming, brother of Misses May and Effie Reid of Watford, and well known throughout the county, was seriously injured on Wednesday when his car was struck by an American auto at the London Road crossing of the Wyoming sideroad.

He was rushed to Petrofka hospital in an unconscious condition from injuries to the head and was attended by Drs. Hamilton, of Petrofka; Houston, of Wyoming; and Kenny of Sarnia.

Miss May Reid visited him Wednesday morning and found him suffering from abrasions on the face and a severe cut over the left eye. He is resting much easier, but will be confined to the institution for some days.

Dr. Reid told the physicians that he did not know just how the accident happened to him as it was all over so quickly.

BROOKE

Young men's suits 2 pair trousers Snappy Style—Swifts Stock Reducing Sale.

Many friends of Miss Maree I. MacLachlan will be pleased to learn that she has been made Superintendent and Principal of the Nurse's Training School of the Jane M. Case Hospital at Delaware Ohio.

The St. James Guild and W. A. met at the home of Miss Victoria Newell, April 30th, 1924. After the business part of the meeting, tea was served and a social hour spent. Next meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. B. Richardson, May 28th.

One day last week Mr. Clarence Lewis of the 12th line of Brooke, had an exciting experience when he was delivering one of his cattle which he had sold. The animal took fright and left him and was captured within a short distance of Napier.

But on returning home he grew quite wild; but on calling on Mr. Chester McLellan for a long rope it was soon taken care of and taken back to his own yard.

A surprise farewell gathering was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Weed, Brooke, on Friday evening, April 25th, when the neighbors and friends assembled to spend a pleasant time together and bid farewell to those who are leaving the community to reside in Alvington. The evening was spent in games and music, during which a short program was given, Mr. D. Maddock acting as chairman. Instrumentals were given by Miss Margaret Utter of Arkona, violin selections by Orville Shugg, duet by Mrs. Shugg and Elva Weed, addresses by Fraser McDougall, Alvin Zavit and Rev. Steadman. Mr. and Mrs. Weed and daughters, Alice and Elva, were then called forward and made the recipients of an address and gifts.

WARWICK

Mrs. Blomfield, Grosse Pointe Detroit, spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Kadey, 4th line.

Miss Lenda McIntosh nurse in training, Port Huron General Hospital, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McIntosh 18 sideroad.

Messrs. Charles, John, and Richard Williams of Wisbeach; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Williams of Watford; Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Kerston of Adelaide; Mrs. Fred Westgate and Mrs. Swanton Chambers of Warwick attended the funeral of the late Henry Williams of Harbour Beach Mich. on Wednesday.

Warwick court of Revision on Assessment Roll will be held in Warwick Village Town Hall on Monday, May 26th. See notice on page four.

William Bartley sold his farm being part of lot 14 conl N. E. R. Warwick Township, to Emerson Kilmer.

A Ford sedan, filled with an American family of tourists, was badly damaged when it swerved off the main road near 21 sideroad, and struck a tree last Wednesday afternoon. The driver looked around at his children in the back seat and apparently turned the wheel unconsciously. Although not travelling at an excessive speed, the car was badly damaged. None of the occupants were seriously injured, other than various cuts from the flying glass, bruises and a severe shaking up.