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## LOCAL HAPPENINGS

THE GUIDE-ADVOCATE welcomes all items of interest for this column. Call Phone 11, send by mail or drop item in GUIDE-ADVOCATE Letter Box.

**POULTRY** is slumping. Mild weather for December. NEW XMAS GOODS are all ready.—SWIFTS.

DEALERS predict low prices for turkeys and other fowl for Christmas.

MAJOR BEATTIE, London, died on Wednesday after a paralytic stroke.

MISS CARRIE MARTIN, Sarnia, was the guest of Mrs. Wm. Doan over Sunday.

LADIES' silk waists opened this week.—A. BROWN & CO.

MR. NEIL MCDONOUGH, I. P. S., spent Wednesday afternoon at the Watford school.

MUNICIPAL NOMINATIONS will be held on Monday, Dec. 28th this year, and the elections Jan. 4th.

TWO girls' coats for the price of one.—SWIFTS' coat sale.

GET READY to do your Christmas shopping. Do it early and buy "made in Canada" goods.

READ the advertisements in this issue. Patronize the merchant who is courteous enough to ask for your trade.

MRS. W. E. FITZGERALD on Wednesday visited Mrs. (Col.) Campbell, who is very ill at her son's residence in Petrolia.

LADIES! Those are new nifty coats at half price.—SWIFTS'.

MISS WILLIAMS will clear out the balance of her winter millinery at reduced prices, in order to make room for her Christmas goods which she is now opening out.

THE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE would like the ladies from the country to know that the rest room is open each afternoon during the week and is also free for them to come and rest while waiting.

ANY children who have toys and picture books that they would like to send to the Belgian children will kindly leave them at the armory here not later than Saturday noon of this week.

PLACE your order for dried fruits with P. DODDS & SON. All kinds of dried fruit and candied peels received fresh each week. You get them right when you buy from P. DODDS & SON.

THE regular meeting of the Watford Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. P. J. Dodds on Wednesday evening Dec. 9th. Roll-call will be answered by Christmas clippings. Visitors welcome.—Sec.

DIVISION orders by Col. W. E. Hodgins announce that Captain W. M. McVicar, of 33rd Huron Regiment, who now resides in Sarnia, becomes a major in the 27th Lambton Regiment succeeding Major A. E. Mullin, retired.

CHILDREN'S white bear coats, clearing at \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50.—A. BROWN & CO.

THE Magdalen Islands is one place where there is no occasion for a "go-to-church" movement. The war news is received once a week and is given out at the church on Sunday. The attendance has been remarkably good.

THE HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT exercises held in the Lyceum Wednesday evening drew a large crowd. The entertainment was an excellent one and deserves more than a passing notice. An extended report will be given next week.

A nice ten dollar ladies' suit sale. Smart styles. Navy, brown, mixed tweeds, sizes 34, 36, 38.—SWIFTS'.

DON'T do your Christmas shopping for yourself and friends until you visit the bazaar held by the ladies of the Methodist church on Friday and Saturday, Dec. 11th and 12th, in the store recently vacated by S. H. Mitchell. Many beautiful and useful articles will be placed on sale at prices more moderate than to be got elsewhere.

MISS NESBITT will have her display of Christmas goods in Harper Bros.' store and will open Saturday, Dec. 5th. Novelties in all new and original designs, all handmade and hand-decorated. Pictures as a gift give lasting pleasure, and I will have many suitable subjects which will find a welcome place in any home. I kindly invite your inspection. n27 5t

THE counterpane to be given by the Watford Chapter, I. O. D. E., to the boys of the 27th regt. now at the front, is on exhibition in A. Brown & Co.'s window. The design is neat and the names of members of the Chapter since its formation are in festoons which are formed into a circle. The work is in Indian ink and was done by Miss Nesbitt.

SPECIAL ORDERS for Christmas goods should reach us this week.—SWIFTS'.

MR. AND MRS. DUNLOP and family left last week to take up their residence in Chatham. A few nights before their departure the ladies of the Methodist church met at the home of Mrs. T. Fortune and presented Mrs. Dunlop with a bible and Miss Rena with a set of brass. The day they left Mr. Dunlop's friends met at Mr. White's home and, after reading an address expressing sorrow at their departure and good wishes for their future, gave him a handsome clubbag.

LOOK OUT for spurious American silver dollars dated 1881.

SPECIALS in men's sweater coats at \$2.00, \$2.50 and \$3.00.—A. BROWN & CO.

ABOUT three thousand dollars is the amount collected so far in Sarnia for the Belgian Relief Fund.

GERMANY has a big Krupp gun called Martha. What Kipling would call the female of the species.

SECRETARIES of societies are requested to furnish the Guide-Advocate with list of officers elected for 1915.

FURS! What you need. Largest stock west of London.—SWIFTS'.

PARTIES having accounts against the Corporation of Watford are requested to hand them in to the Clerk.

THE Home Guard will be a strong one. Every able-bodied man over 25 able to stand the strain should join.

EVERYONE is interested in an item of local news. If you know of any local happening that is not generally known, communicate the fact to this office.

REV. F. G. ROBINSON occupied the pulpit of the Methodist church at both services in Strathroy on Sunday last in the interests of the missionary cause.

THE new Xmas blouses are nifty.—SWIFTS' Xmas styles.

THE Children's Aid Society have a boy of ten years and a bright little girl of six years for whom they wish homes. Apply to JOHN WILKINSON, City Hall, Sarnia.

NEXT SUNDAY being the first Sunday in the month there will be morning service and Holy Communion in Trinity church. The sermon will be specially for young people.

RUBBERS and overshoes of all sizes always in stock. Also rubber boots and a full line of stylish and new shoes for men, women and children. A fine line of Christmas slippers.—P. DODDS & SON.

FOREST Free Press:—"Mr. Kincaid, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. McEachern, of Alvington, and Miss McLeay, of Watford, autoed over to Forest and spent Sunday with their aunt, Mrs. Ross, Albert St."

By order-in-council it has been made a criminal offence to circulate in Canada or have in one's possession copies of the pro-German papers—Staats Zeitung, Truth About Germany, The Vital Issue and Der Vaterland.

TIGER BRAND and Penman's underwear, made in Canada, none better.—SWIFTS'.

THIRTY-NINE dollars and eighty cents was the amount realized out of the potatoes, etc., that were brought to the armory too late for shipment, and this amount was sent to the Belgian Consul at Ottawa and duly acknowledged.

GREAT BRITAIN proposes to distribute guns captured from the Germans among the towns in the United Kingdom which supply the greatest number of recruits, presumably on a basis in proportion to population. Watford ought to get in on this.

On Sunday next, Dec. 6th, Mr. W. L. Clark, of Toronto, an orator of international reputation, will speak at both services in the Lyceum. At 11 a.m. his subject will be "Father and Mother," and at 7 p.m., "Son and Daughter." No one should miss these addresses. Mr. Clark will also speak at Zion church, 2nd line, at 2.30.

LADIES' one dollar Xmas gloves are fine.—SWIFTS'.

THE Dominion government trade and commerce department is issuing a warning to Canadian consumers to be on guard against quantities of "storage" eggs from Pennsylvania with which an attempt is being made to flood Canada. They are being bought by speculators, and, if released for domestic trade would be condemned as unfit for use.

WHAT is the latest date at which friends can send Christmas parcels to the Canadian soldiers now on Salisbury Plains? To this question the following answer is given by the postal authorities:—"Under normal conditions, parcels to reach Salisbury Plain by the latest mail leaving here, would have to leave about Dec. 10th, but if there is no change from the present conditions it would be safer to mail them during the previous week."

WE have a large assortment of new dinner and tea sets in china and semi-porcelain, also fancy china of every description. Some choice designs for Christmas presents.—P. DODDS & SON.

OWING to the great reduction in traffic on its lines this year, the Grand Trunk railway has decided to take off many of its trains on its branch lines, and a new service went into effect Sunday, the 29th instant. The change does not affect the main lines, but the branches have their service curtailed considerably. The only change affecting this district is that No. 1 now leaves here at 9.09 instead of 9.22, and No. 111 leaves at 2.55 instead of 2.45.

ABOUT forty members of the Masonic Lodge assembled in the rooms of Havelock Lodge on Tuesday night, the occasion being the official visit of R. W. Bro. W. J. McCormick, of Sarnia, D. G. M. of the district. A number of visitors were present from Arkona, also several from other lodges. E. A. Brown, master of the lodge, raised a candidate in almost perfect manner and was well supported by his officers. After the business of the evening was concluded an excellent hot lunch was served and a pleasant hour spent socially.

OUR \$20.00 ordered suit should please you.—SWIFTS'.

THE Rev. J. A. Baldwin, at one time a resident of Watford, died in Pentwater, Mich., on Monday, in his 77th year. Deceased, who had been living with his son, W. F. Baldwin, Arkona, left about three weeks to visit his daughter, Mrs. (Dr.) Frank Lambe, at Pentwater, where he fell ill and passed away in the hospital there on Monday. The funeral took place on Thursday afternoon from the residence of his son, W. F. Baldwin, Arkona, to the Arkona cemetery. Service was held in the Baptist church.

WATSON'S UNDERWEAR for women and children.—SWIFTS'.

MR. ROSS, Post Office Superintendent for Canada, has asked that special intimation be given throughout the Province that Christmas Seals must be used on the back only of all mail matter. This is specially stipulated by the Postmaster General at Ottawa. No mail having seals on the face can be forwarded to destination. All such mail will be held back as contrary to regulations. Thousands of people throughout the Province are already using Christmas Seals. To any one of these the above may be a vital matter as important mail matter may not reach destination if Postmaster General's order is not adhered to.

WHY do statesmen read the Weekly Sun of Toronto? Because it is a paper with a reputation that is unquestioned. It is the farmers' business paper, and is watched by farmers' interests all the time. Aside, even, from its market reports, which are acknowledged to be the best in the Dominion, it is a paper of weight. You should have it come to your home every week. All through the long winter nights it will furnish a wealth of interesting reading material of a thoroughly reliable character. This paper has special clubbing arrangements with the Sun. Let us have your renewal and add the Sun to your list of papers for 1915.

MEN'S chinchilla overcoats, smart new styles.—SWIFTS' Xmas coats.

A MOVEMENT is on the wing in many towns for the organization of the Order of Spugs, a society for the Prevention of Useless Giving at Christmas. The Spug will oblige herself to put the money she would spend in useless presents to more commendable purposes. The giving at Christmas of a big proportion of senseless, useless and unnecessary reminders of the season, has become, in many instances, a serious financial undertaking, and not in a few cases, socially compulsory. The money and services given in this way could be more worthily and profitably expended. The abuse of Christmas giving is found in every walk of life, from the granddad to the prattling youngster, and the worst of it is that some can ill afford the expense of it. The Spugs have established themselves in many centres in the United States and they are working towards getting people to see the uselessness of much of their kindly holiday endeavors. Give by all means if you can afford it, and make the granddad and youngster happy over your remembrances. But, in needless gifts and useless reminders, there is much reason for reformation.

THE collectors for the Watford Branch of the Canadian Patriotic Fund made report on Monday evening, and although there are a few people yet to see to the subscriptions now total \$862.10. This exceeds the amount estimated at the previous meeting and was considered by all present to be quite satisfactory. It is expected that the even thousand dollars will be reached when all parties have had the opportunity to subscribe. As soon as the officers of the branch get the list of donors in shape it will be published, in the meantime any who have not already subscribed can hand their donation to the collectors for the division in which they reside. In division No. 3 W. J. Howden took the place of T. B. Taylor as partner of Dr. Hicks. The amounts subscribed in the different divisions are as follows:—

Division No. 1..... \$ 17 00  
" 2..... 186 85  
" 3..... 270 25  
" 4..... 76 00  
" 5..... 266 00  
" 6..... 46 00  
Total..... \$ 862 10

Of this amount \$547.25 has been paid in cash, the balance being in subsequent payments.

The names of Col. Kenward, Dr. Hicks, Rev. T. M. Mead and W. J. Howden were added to the Relief Committee, and W. H. Shrapnell was made auditor. The meeting adjourned until next Monday evening.

Officers of Defiance Fire Co.

At the annual meeting of the above company, held on Tuesday evening, the following officers were elected for 1915:—  
Chief—R. E. Johnston.  
Ass't Chief—Jas. Willoughby.  
Captain—F. W. Rogers.  
1st Lieut.—John Kersey.  
2nd Lieut.—J. Sharp.  
Secretary—D. Brown.  
Treasurer—P. J. Dodds.  
1st Branchman—D. Cameron.  
2nd Branchman—D. Roberts.  
Caretaker—W. Scott.  
1st Hose—W. Phair.  
2nd Hose—N. Hawn.  
Auditors—Class and Mitchell.  
Suction Hose—S. Smith and W. Doan.  
Flagmen—Williams and Shaw.

## PATRIOTISM

—AND—  
POCKETBOOKS

Be Loyal to Your Own Community

MAKE YOUR MONEY MOVE IN A CIRCLE AND KEEP IT BUSY

When you buy Made-in-Canada goods you show your patriotism and help your pocketbook. When you buy these goods in your home town you show a proper community spirit and help your neighbor. Your money stays at home. It enables Canadian factories and merchants to continue doing business on normal profits without advancing their prices, to employ their regular help. In this way endless chains of families through all classes and occupations are affected, prosperity is made permanent and the benefit comes back to you.

When you buy foreign goods you hurt the Empire by assisting her competitors. When you buy these foreign goods you send your money abroad, decrease Canada's output, and deprive Canadian workmen of employment to which they are entitled. When you buy your goods outside of Watford you interfere seriously with the prosperity of your fellow citizens, you make it difficult for merchants to find employment for their help, Canadian manufacturers to secure markets for their goods, and for our town to do its share in the nation's work.

Every dollar spent in Watford for Canadian goods gives employment to Canadian labor, and STARTS YOUR MONEY ON THE ROAD BACK TO YOU.

We are not patriotic because of what we get out of it, but

PATRIOTISM ALWAYS PAYS

Be Loyal To Your Own Community

Home Guard for Watford

After the Canadian Patriotic Fund meeting in the armory on Monday night it was decided to organize a company for home defence. Over a dozen names were at once signed to the service roll and Col. Kenward elected commander of the guard. Recruiting is now in order. All those desiring to give their services for home protection are requested to meet in the armory this (Friday) evening at 8 o'clock sharp, when the other officers of the guard will be appointed and the Company organized for drill. Any man over 25 years of age is eligible for membership in this home guard.

Explanation of Patriotic Fund

The object of this fund is to provide relief for the dependents of our boys who have gone to the front.

To have a just claim on this fund it must be shown that at the time of reporting for duty the soldier was a resident of Canada, and was supporting the wife, family or relative who now applies for aid.

Aid can be granted only while the soldier is on active service.

The local relief committee will investigate all claims for aid, determine the amount of assistance which in each case may reasonably be given, and exercise a close oversight over all monies paid out.

Funds, locally raised, may be transmitted to the Minister of Finance, Ottawa, or placed to the credit of the Canadian Patriotic Fund in a local bank.

All monies raised here will be deposited in a local bank, and will be used for the purpose intended only, as there are no officers receiving salaries.

F. KENWARD, W. H. SHRAPNELL, President, Secretary.

Origin of Watfordites

Vol. 2 of the Census of Canada gives the origin of the population of Watford as follows:—

English..... 409  
Irish..... 362  
Scottish..... 276  
German..... 32  
Other nations..... 13  
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Mr. W. J. Ryder, of the Hotel Vendome, Sarnia, suffered a severe stroke of paralysis on Saturday, and his condition is such as to cause very serious apprehension.

## The Canadian Patriotic Fund

The local collectors for this worthy object have about completed their work and have met with fair success. Nearly everyone approached gave willingly but, as usual in such canvasses, met with several rebuffs.

"Charity Begins at Home!" Such was the utterance of one man when asked to contribute. This Fund, as we have said before, is NOT a charity, and it passes all comprehension that anyone with ordinary intelligence and who is able to read should make this mistake with regard to a subject that has had the nationwide publicity of this Fund and its objects. The person who so represents it is either unconsciously or maliciously misrepresenting the facts.

Much as we would prefer to, we cannot forget the war. It is a grim reality, more forcibly brought before us each day goes by. Soon our own Ontario troops will be fighting in the trenches, then the awful tragedy of war may strike ruthlessly our own fireside, or our neighbors', day after day. It is just for this reason that all patriotic citizens resent unfavorable references to the Canadian Patriotic Fund.

The object of the organization of a local branch of the Fund is well known to the reading people of the district, but for the benefit of a few, evidently yet in the dark, we will again repeat:

The funds collected locally are to provide assistance for the wives and other dependents of soldiers of the Watford district who answer the Empire's call and either go to the front or to the winter recruiting camp to be trained for active service to fill the ranks as necessity requires. Out of the monies collected here, regular monthly allowances will be paid to these dependents. If sufficient for these needs is not forthcoming locally it will be supplied from outside branches, but notwithstanding the narrow views expressed by some few we believe that the patriotic people of Watford will provide sufficient to look after the dependents of our local volunteers and arise to the occasion of assisting other less fortunate districts if the call for help is sounded, even though "this is not a rich community."

WARWICK.

Chopping Tuesdays and Fridays at the Warwick mill. n20-3t

Several persons from this district will attend the winter fair in Toronto next week.

The Women's Patriotic League will meet in the Forester's Hall, Warwick Village, for work on Friday afternoon Dec. 4th, at 2 o'clock.

Divine service will be conducted by Rev. R. Stevenson in Kingscourt school-house next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Everybody made welcome.

Fred Williams has a half-bred Jersey cow, weighing about 900 lbs., which presented him with a strong healthy calf, weighing 116 lbs., the other day.

Mr. George Stillwell, Warwick Village, returned from a trip to Edmonton and other western points on Monday. He reports matters very quiet in the West.

The Women's Institute will meet in the Forester's Hall on Thursday, Dec. 10th. Subject for discussion "Christmas Giving"—Roll-Call. "Christmas Greetings."

On Sunday next, Dec. 6th, the monthly evening service will be held in Zion Congregational church at 7.30 p.m. The Rev. R. Stevenson will preach on the subject, "Five Fair Brides." A hearty invitation is extended to all.

Mrs. Bryan O'Neil, of the 4th line, S.E.R., passed away on Friday last in her 88th year. The funeral took place on Monday morning to the R. C. cemetery, Adelaide Village. An extended notice of the life of Mrs. O'Neil, who was one of the real pioneers of the township, is being prepared and will appear later.

The Annual Banquet of the Warwick branch of the Layman's Missionary Movement was held in the Orange Hall, Warwick, on Wednesday evening, Nov. 25th. Splendid addresses were given by Rev. Mr. Simpson, of Camlachie, and Mr. R. W. Allan, of the Educational Dept. of M. S. C. C. Toronto. The music was kindly furnished by Messrs. Marsh, Potter, Pentland and Robinson, of Watford. Over one hundred men were present. The ladies of the Zenana Mission provided the banquet, the proceeds going to that cause.

Alex. Reid, a noted horseman, died in Leamington Sunday aged 75 years.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hunter, a former resident of Strathroy, died in Kalamazoo, Mich., on Monday, Nov. 16, at the advanced age of 99 years.

Simcoe County Council voted \$25,000 for patriotic purposes, and the Council of Durham and Northumberland voted \$500 a month to the Patriotic Fund.

The death occurred on Tuesday in Poplar Hill on the place where she was born, of Miss Mary McKay, a life-long resident of the village, in her 75th year.

Enos Scouler, a Forest painter, slipped under a train when returning from Theford Saturday night. His right leg was so badly crushed that it had to be amputated.

At a sale at Leamington for the benefit of the patriotic fund the first chicken put up sold for \$5.00; the bird was then presented by the buyer to the association and resold at a good figure.

RIOR HOME

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NOW IS THE TIME TO BUY

LAREN Store