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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.

SEE STAPLEFORD & SON'S cream ad. The back yard will soon be coming to the front.
FORD TIRES at \$15.00 and up.—R. MORNINGSTAR.
DON'T swear at the coal dealer; he has his troubles.
A SCRIPTURAL ORATORIA is being prepared to be given Easter Day. Particulars later.
LONDON NEWSPAPERS will raise their subscription price another dollar on the first of April.
SPRING overcoats, new styles.—SWIFT'S.

WORD has been received that Mr. T. M. Mead, formerly of Watford, is ill in a hospital in France.
YES, it cost something this year for fuel, but think how beautifully everyone economized on ice.
THERE will be school fair and thrift exhibit held in the Armory next fall similar to the one held last year.
LADIES' Spring Coats. Newest models opened this week.—A. BROWN & CO.
THE slippery and lumpy condition of the sidewalks Saturday night and Sunday made walking disagreeable and dangerous.

J. J. SPACKMAN and family move to Stratford next week. On Saturday he will have a clearing sale of his household goods.
A ST. THOMAS man named Boose is accused of stealing cigars. "Boose" will steal your wits if you get too familiar with it.
ON SUNDAY EVENING next, in the Congregational church, Rev. E. M. Stevenson will preach on the subject, "Hell."

COATMAKERS wanted at SWIFT'S TAILORING DEPT. Apply to Mr. Leatherland.
MISS WILLIAMS' MILLINERY STORE will be opened March 25th. Call and see the bargains in hats and other lines of fancy goods.
A CHAIN PRAYER for peace is on the rounds. Break the chain whenever you get a chance. All chain arrangements are fakes, whether a prayer for peace or not.

FARMERS are being urged by the markets branch of the Ontario Department of Agriculture to put in their claims through their district agricultural representatives for seed wheat at once.
"DECISION" will be the subject of Rev. S. P. Irwin's sermon in Trinity Church next Sunday evening. The text will be Joshua 24:15. This is the fifth sermon of the course.
ARROW silk collars are correct.—A. BROWN & CO.
REV. R. M. STEVENSON sold three Nubian milch goats last week and received for them \$25.00. One went for \$60, another for \$75, and the third for \$100. Who says that it does not pay to keep goats?

IF you have a copy of "The Finished Mystery" in your possession it would be wise to destroy it at once. The censor having ruled it pro-German, a heavy fine will result if the book is found in your possession.
We are here to publish the news. If you know of any event of interest transpiring in your locality you would confer a favor by letting us know. Our personal columns are always at your command.
HEAVY OVERALLS—a fine tweed a \$1.85.—SWIFT'S.

MR. JOHN FARRELL reports that he is still in touch with some labor in the United States that wishes to come to Ontario farms. He would be glad to keep in touch with any of his old friends needing help.
We have a complete line of tires, accessories and lenses and carry nothing but what our experience tells us is good. Buy your car wants at this garage and get our experience along with our service. Also free air.—R. MORNINGSTAR.
SEVEN members of Tecumseh Chapter I.O.D.E. will give a Shamrock Tea at the home of Mrs. Fitzgerald on Monday, March 18th, from 4 to 7.30 p.m. All are cordially invited. Admission 17c. Every 17th person entertained free.
KING and BORSALINO Hats for men.—A. BROWN & CO.
OUR SPRING STOCK of footwear has arrived, and comprises all styles for men, women, and the little folks. Dressy boots in dongola kid, gunmetal, patent colt and calf leathers. Call and let us show you. The prices are reasonable.—P. DODDS & SON.

"PEGGIE MR DARLINT" COMING HERE.—Tom Marks' company will appear in the Lyceum Theatre, Watford, Friday, March 15th, presenting the sweetest play written, "Peggie Mr Darlint," with Arlie Marks as "Peggie" and her dog Patsy. New and refined vaudeville between acts. Prices 50c and 35c, children under 12 years 25c. Seats now on sale at Taylor's drug store.

MILLINERY APPRENTICES WANTED.

A. BROWN & CO.
MR. ROBERT McNAUGHTON, 4th line, Warwick, has purchased the residence of Mr. J. J. Spackman, Ontario street.

THE LADIES AID of the Methodist church held an enjoyable tea at the home of Mrs. Atchison, John street.

A CAR OF COAL which arrived Saturday morning proved to be of the "soft" variety and was returned by the dealers.

A SUIT of clothes sells for \$500 in Petrograd. A lot of people will have to get back to nature if this rate continues.

THE fuel scarcity seems to be about over. Nearly everyone in town has enough coal on hand to last several weeks of this kind of weather.

DON'T wait a day if you want to buy clothing.—SWIFT'S.

Q. P. COLLECTION on Saturday, March 16th. Be sure to have your papers ready as there will be only a few more collections before the shipment is made.

THE storm on Saturday put the Hydro out of commission for a time. The service was started, however, about eight o'clock but went out several times during the evening and also soon after ten o'clock Sunday night.

THE rector of Alvinston, Rev. A. E. DuPlan, will be the special preacher at Trinity Church Lenten service this (Thursday) evening. On March 21st the Rev. Murton Shore will preach. All welcome to these services.

OUR SPRING SHIPMENT of wall paper is here, comprising suitable patterns for every room in the house, English, Canadian, and American papers with borders to match, all shades, cut out and ordinary. Get your paper early while the stock is complete.—P. DODDS & SON.

SEE our Ladies' Suits, smart styles, \$18.00 to \$24.00.—SWIFT'S.

FOLLOWING the bright and comparatively mild weather of last week a snow storm arrived on Saturday and the weather turned decidedly chilly. This was followed during the evening by sleet, thunder and lightning and a howling blizzard which did considerable damage in some localities.

CARD of THANKS—We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to the neighbors for the valuable assistance rendered and their many kind deeds at the time of the fire at our home. Without their assistance our loss would have been much heavier, and their ready help and sympathy will never be forgotten by us.—ROBERT JOHNSTON AND FAMILY.

BARGAIN SALES still continuing at MISS WILLIAMS' millinery store. Spring hats \$1.00. Flowers, feathers, ribbons, fancy silks, etc. Fancy chiffons for blouses 25c per yd., Berlin wools 10c oz., crocheted cottons 8c a spool, B.P.C. 3 spools for 25c, Cortecille silks 3 packages for 10c, and many other articles too numerous to mention. Call and get a bargain while the goods last.

MRS. T. GAFFNEY, of Qualicum Beach, B.C., in renewing her subscription to the Guide-Advocate says: "We surely appreciate the paper, as it comes so promptly and gives us all the news of interest of our old friends in the East. Sorry you have had such a severe winter. We haven't had one cold day, and there isn't the slightest shortage of fuel, nor of food apparently. We are all well and business is good."

WANTED—Two assistant milliners. Good salary. Apply at once.—A. BROWN & CO.

THE MASONIC SUN of February refers to a well-known former resident of this district as follows:—"The first meeting of St. John's Lodge, Toronto, in the new Temple was marked by an overflow attendance of the brethren, and by the delivery of a brilliant and patriotic address by W. Bro. W. H. Sutherland, of Ionic Lodge, Napier, Ont., his subject being 'Great Britain as a Trustee of the World's Power.'"

A FORMER highly-esteemed resident of Watford passed away in Detroit on Tuesday, March 6th, at the home of his daughter, in the person of Mr. Thomas Robinson, aged 77 years. Mr. Robinson was a grain dealer in Watford some thirty odd years ago. He was a prominent member of the Church of England and held the position of Warden in Trinity church for several years. Besides his widow he leaves three children, Mrs. John T. Crone, J. Arthur Robinson and T. Frank Robinson.

WHEN a man is nearly frozen from a ten-mile drive on a cold winter day, he will hardly stop to read a plank advertisement. But at home in his arm chair with his legs crossed before a cheerful fire, he reads his local paper, and while he is feeling good and has plenty of time he picks out the live business men of the town from the advertisements in the paper and makes up his mind where he will trade on his next trip to town.

HEAVY CUTTER work shirts, 75c. to 85c.—SWIFT'S.

THERE have been several petty burglaries lately. A few weeks ago W. J. Trenouth's store was entered and the till rifled, as was also the butcher shop. Last Friday night someone entered Howden's grocery by taking out a pane of glass in the basement window. After taking part of the loose change in the cash registers the thief made his exit by way of the back door. The suspected parties are being closely watched and will surely be caught if they make another attempt.

GROCCERS will be compelled to pay a license after May 1st.

It may be all right to give credit where credit is due, but spot cash is always preferable.

THE new Middies for High School students.—SWIFT'S.

A CLOSED MAIL for Sarnia and points west now goes on the 1.16 train. It closes at 12.45.

THE statement of Mr. Neil McDougall's expenses in the recent election for members of the Commons will be found in the advertising columns.

BRISON BROS., of Calgary have opened a business as Manufacturers' Agents in Vancouver to handle reinforced steel and other builders supplies, and have moved to that city.

A NUMBER of the sugar maple shade trees on our streets have been decorated with tin cans, saucers, pails, or anything that will hold sap. It keeps some of the young fry busy gathering the juice on warm days.

FARMERS requiring help and who wish to make application for same through the Ontario Government Public Employment Bureau, can obtain application card on applying at the Merchants Bank, Watford.

ODD COATS for school boys, sizes 22 to 34, small sizes at 75c and up.—SWIFT'S.

CAPT. BAILY who accused the brave Canadian soldiers at the front of being drunk Christmas day, was sentenced to three months on the jail farm for making such derogatory statements. He is now out on \$5000 bail pending appeal.

THE MARRIAGE is announced of Miss Anna Agnes Lingelbach, of Tavistock, to Mr. Addison N. Weber, of Maple Shade farm, Heidelberg. The ceremony took place at the home of the bride's father, Mr. J. W. Lingelbach, Tavistock, on Wednesday, March 6th. The newly married couple will be at home after May 15th. Watford friends of the bride extend congratulations.

Boy's school pants, 15 pairs, straight style, \$1.00 a pair. A bargain at SWIFT'S.

GOOD WARM CLOTHING to the value of \$70.25 was packed at the home of Mrs. Fitzgerald on Wednesday, to be sent to the French Relief Society recently formed at London, Ont. There was clothing sent in for men, women, boys and girls, but only one little baby's dress. The appeal for infants' clothing was most urgent and if any one wishes at any time to help the poor French babies contributions may be sent to Mrs. Allan McLean, Room 113, Royal Bank Building, London, Ont.

THE Bell Telephone Co., Detroit, is starting a new service system which will meet with the hearty approval of business men, but will be hard on those who use the line for gossiping and visiting. Metre service is to be installed, and you pay for your phone on that basis. And after all, this is the most equitable and just system of selling phone service. Pay for what you get and no more, same as with electric lights and gas. The new order should prove an unmixed blessing. Whether the Company will maintain a similar system in Canada remains to be seen.

THE CHIEF ANALYST of the Inland Revenue Department, Ont., has drawn attention to the fact that a number of articles, which are essentially nothing more than baking powders, are offered for sale under names which involve the use of the word "egg." These articles, so far as they have been analyzed, contain a yellow dye evidently intended to suggest the presence of egg yolk, and some of them also contain small amounts of powdered desiccated egg, casein or gelatin, but in no case is the quantity so great as to justify their being offered as egg substitute or egg powders.

A NEW Pinch-back suit or Trench style for young men. Sizes 33 to 36.—SWIFT'S.

ON SUNDAY last, Rev. R. M. Stevenson, F.R.G.S., tendered his resignation to the Watford and Zion Congregational churches. He will preach his farewell sermon on March 31st, after which he will go to Halifax for a time. On April 19th, he will sail by Royal Mail Steam Packet for his new sphere of labor in British Guiana, where he will devote his life as a missionary amongst the aborigines. His resignation was accepted with much regret by the members of both congregations. During the last seven years Mr. Stevenson has made many friends, and not a few enemies, through his able, fearless and straightforward preaching of the Gospel; and the churches over which he is pastor were never in their history in better condition, financially or otherwise, than at present. Last year was the record year for finances and attendance. Mr. Stevenson will be missed when he leaves Watford, and his place will be difficult to fill. His many friends wish him God-speed on his new venture and trust that he may be the means of accomplishing a good work in the Foreign Mission field.

FOR the first time this winter the fire alarm was rung on Monday morning about eleven o'clock when it was found that the two-storey frame residence of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnston, at the south end of the town, was on fire. The firemen responded to the call promptly and in a very few minutes had a stream of water on the building. When they arrived on the scene it looked as if the building was doomed, as flames were issuing from several places, but by care-

ful and well-directed efforts they soon had the blaze under control. The fire apparently originated from a defective chimney and had made considerable headway among the rafters before being noticed. The neighbors did good work with pails before the arrival of the firemen, also in removing the contents from the building. Mrs. Johnston, who has been critically ill for some time, was removed to a neighbor's. Considerable damage was done by both fire and water and the family's loss will be a heavy one. The building and contents are insured in the Mercantile Insurance Co.

WHEN YOU WANT SHOES let us show you what we can do for you. Our spring shipment is here and comprises handsome, stylish shoes, well built, of fine quality and varied styles. Every pair an unusual value. A big assortment for ladies, men and children, and the price is right.—P. J. DODDS, the exclusive shoe store.

Anniversary Services

The services in connection with the anniversary of the re-opening of the Methodist church will be held next Sunday. The pastor will preach special sermons appropriate to the occasion, both morning and evening. The splendid choir, recently much enlarged, will render special music and the Male Quartette will also sing. You are invited to worship here on this occasion.

Lambton's 149 I. O. D. E.

Lambton's 149 I. O. D. E. held their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Adams. There were 18 members and 3 visitors present.

The knitting committee have sent 16 parcels, each containing 3 pairs socks, tobacco and other comforts to Watford men in France.

The Entertainment Committee reported that a Scriptural Oratorio was being prepared to be rendered Easter Sunday.

The Chapter voted \$10 to provide comforts for the returned soldiers at Gravenhurst Sanatorium.

The Chapter has purchased \$100.00 worth of yarn.

The meeting closed by singing the National Anthem. Next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Connolly.

Thrift Exhibit

The Teachers of our High and Public Schools, a committee from Tecumseh Chapter I. O. D. E., and some business men met on Friday last and organized for a "Bigger and Better" Thrift Exhibit and School Fair for 1915.

Committees were appointed to look up vacant lots for cultivation, to revise prize list, secure special prizes, etc. The following prizes will remain as for last year.

Best vegetable garden 10 ft. square, boy or girl of Watford Public School, 1st prize \$3, 2nd \$2, 3rd \$1. Same prizes for best garden in which work was done by a lady and also same for man.

A special prize of 50c. is offered for the best slogan or motto to be used in connection with the Exhibit which is suggested by a pupil of Watford Public School. Also same amount for best poster, the work of a High School pupil, illustrating the aims of the exhibit. These posters will be judged as to Artistic Merit, originality of design, etc., and will be used to keep the fair before the public. Both slogans and posters to be handed in by April 1st. Prizes for these are donated by a business man of Watford.—SEC'y.

PERSONAL

Miss M. Nicol, Port Perry, is visiting Mrs. Angus Dodds.

Mrs. Angus McCallum returned this week from a visit to the West.

Mr. M. J. Roche, of Forest, is here this week shipping horses and stock to Saskatoon.

Rev. S. P. Irwin attended a meeting of the executive committee of the Synod of Huron at London this week.

Capt. Ernest Lawrence, whose furlough expires April 18th, left last Saturday for Toronto and will shortly sail for England.

Miss Holmes, of Petrolia, has been engaged as milliner by A. Brown & Co., and is now at work on the new spring models.

Miss Mamie Fuller, who has spent the winter with relatives in this vicinity, returned to her home in Saskatoon on Thursday.

Mr. F. L. Reed, Toronto, Ontario manager of the Campbell-MacLaurin Lumber Co., Montreal, is in town this week taking stock for the G. Chambers Est.

St. Marys Argus.—Miss Kathleen V. Stock has finished her course at Stratford Business College and has taken a position in the office of the Andrews Wire Works, Watford.

Mrs. Jos. Cook left on Monday for Coronation, Alberta, to visit her son Oscar. She was accompanied by her son Arthur, who has been spending the winter with her.

Dr. John Frederick Fox, B.A., Toronto University 1902, M. B. 1908, cancer specialist of New York, has gone overseas with the R.A.M.C. Dr. Fox is a nephew of Mr. T. G. Mitchell, Watford.

WARWICK

See Stapleford & Son's cream ad.

The Invincible Red Cross Society acknowledge with thanks a cheque for \$40 from the Warwick Council.

The auditors' report of the township has been printed. Copies can be had from Mr. Herbert, township clerk.

Mrs. Louis Shepherd returned home after three weeks' visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Bryson, of Warwick.

Let us show you our new spring stock of shoes. We have the goods that will please you.—P. J. DODDS' Exclusive Shoe Store, Watford.

Pte. J. Richard Williamson wishes to thank his many friends and neighbors of Kingscourt for the wrist watch given to him by them before his departure for overseas.

Pte. Fred Astell, brother of Miss Lottie Astell, of Warwick, who was reported missing in these columns last week, is now reported from France as killed in action.

Don't fail to attend the entertainment given under the auspices of the Red Cross Workers' Union, 6th line east, in S. S. No. 1 and 13, Brooke and Warwick, on March 15th. A good program is being prepared.

Mr. William Richardson wishes to thank his many friends who favored him with beautiful birthday cards and their kind wishes for my future happiness and prosperity. Total number of cards received 134.

A meeting of the Women's Patriotic League was held at the home of Mrs. Shore, the Rectory, on Wednesday, March 6th. It was decided to hold a meeting once a month during the summer, first meeting to be held on Tuesday, May 14th, in the Orange Hall. Since the annual meeting the following articles have been sent to Hyman Hall:—129 shirts, 110 pyjama suits, 57 towels, 70 pillow slips, value \$479.32. 237 pairs of socks have been knitted. The bale sent after the meeting contained the following articles:—20 shirts, 15 pyjama suits, 2 towels; value \$66.66. Donations \$25.00.

THE new hats and neckwear for Easter.—SWIFT'S.

Between 8 and 9 o'clock on Saturday evening, during the severe electrical storm which passed over this locality, Mr. Robert N. Sutton, of Kingscourt, had the misfortune to lose eleven head of fine cattle and four pigs, killed by the lightning. The animals were in the barn at the time. The lightning entered the building at the north end, taking its exit at the south. Some of the stalls containing cattle were missed and the animals not injured. The building, which was rodded, did not take fire. Mr. Sutton's loss is a heavy one as the insurance carried was small. In the house Mr. Sutton and his daughter were stunned by the flash and some of the windows were broken. Mr. Sutton and family have the sympathy of the community in their heavy financial loss.

The Women's Patriotic League has received a letter from headquarters urging them to send in more work. The need is great, not only to keep up an adequate supply for present use, but also to be well equipped for all emergencies. When we think of the extraordinary conditions under which our Canadian army of over 400,000 men are laboring, it is a great satisfaction to all workers to hear of the wonderfully small percentage of loss in the handling and transit of all the Red Cross supplies. That socks are still very greatly in demand the following quotation assures us:—

IT'S RAINING SOCKS!

There have been so many circles and clubs of Red Cross workers who have conducted sock showers and sock competitions throughout the winter that the results are arriving at Hyman Hall in a veritable downpour. Long may it rain! We want floods and washouts and cloudbursts and deluges of socks. Please keep it up, dear knitters. Don't stop for breath. When one competition is over dash on your stitches for another, and knit until the folks at Hyman Hall have to move out into the street. The sock committee won't mind a bit. And there are sore, weary, wet-footed, chilled, overworked boys over there on the firing line who will bless the knitters.

See STAPLEFORD & SON'S cream ad.

Mr. Foster Coristine returned to his home in Elston, Sask., on Monday.

Mrs. S. Cudney (nee Myrtle Copeland) is visiting her aunt, Mrs. George Kelly, 6th line Warwick, and other relatives in Brooke.

Complete line of Spring Shoes at P. J. DODDS' shoe store. All the new styles in leading makes. Substantial, handsome goods at right prices.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. David Lucas, of Brooke, passed away on Saturday last and was buried in St. James' Church cemetery, the service being conducted by the Rev. S. P. Irwin.

The Red Cross Workers' Union will give an entertainment in S. S. No. 1 and 13, Brooke and Warwick, on Friday, March 15th, at 8 p.m. A good program consisting of readings, solos, instrumental and a playlet, "A Perplexing Situation," will be given. Everybody welcome. Admission, adults 25c., children 15c.