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## LOCAL HAPPENINGS

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### A WORD OF GREETING

Just a word of greeting  
And of hearty cheer  
For a merry Christmas  
And a glad New Year.  
Have the days brought sadness,  
May they now yield gladness,  
Goodness and not badness,  
Sunny skies and clear.

FORD size guaranteed tires at \$15.00 up.  
—RAY MORNINGSTAR.

WATFORD merchants had the biggest Christmas trade in their history this year.

THE Christmas Day music will be repeated in Trinity Church on Sunday evening.

GOOD ROADS have helped to swell the number of people coming here to shop this week.

OCEAN freight rates have been reduced. Something queer about this when everything else is going up.

The total sales of the United Farmers Co-operative Co. for 1919 amounted to eight and one-half million dollars.

Did you go away for Christmas, or did you have visitors? Kindly let your friends know through the columns of the paper.

THE night before Christmas and the selection of a gift is still good. Get a box of Neilson's Chocolates at F. H. LOWELL'S.

ANOTHER false prophet must take a back seat. The old world is wagging along as usual and prices going up on everything but prophets.

ON Christmas morning holy communion service will be held in Trinity Church at 8.30 and 10 o'clock with sermon and music at the latter service.

A young woman of Edinburgh whose fingertip injured a man's eye and caused him to lose sight of it, offered as compensation to marry him. The offer was accepted.

THE Congregational Church Sunday school held its Christmas entertainment on Monday evening. There was a good program and lots of enjoyment for the little ones.

THE annual Christmas treat to the scholars of Trinity Church Sunday school was held in the schoolroom on Friday evening. There was a Christmas tree and plenty of home made candy.

THE Watford Farmers' Co-operative Association will hold their annual meeting in the Foresters' Hall, Watford Saturday, Jan. 3rd, at 10 o'clock. All club members cordially invited.—D. L. FISHER, Sec.

WHEN a Toronto man reaches Montreal his sleeve is searched for a vaccination mark. When a Montreal man reaches Toronto his hip pocket is searched for that which biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder.

SOME real bargains in used Ford and Chevrolet cars.—R. MORNINGSTAR, Watford Garage.

Lambton's I. O. D. E. will pack their box to be sent to London Military Hospital, on Monday, Dec. 29th, and are asking for contributions of fruit, home made candy, cigarettes, fruit cake, etc., to be left at McLaren's store on or before Saturday, Dec. 27th.

IN this issue will be found a charming original Christmas story from the facile pen of Miss Evelyn C. Fortner, the talented young daughter of Rev. S. J. T. Fortner of Watford. It is a pathetic narrative, full of true Christmas spirit and will give pleasure to all who peruse it. Don't fail to read it.

THE ERNIE MARKS STOCK COMPANY played "My Boy Jack" and "Mrs. Temple's Telegram" in the Lyceum on Monday and Tuesday evenings. The attendance was not as large as the excellence of the entertainments deserved. The hockey match and other counter attractions being responsible for the slim attendance.

ON MONDAY AFTERNOON Mrs. Matilda Hume, widow of Henry Hume, of Watford, passed away at the age of 74. Mrs. Hume suffered much during her last illness, but was sustained throughout by an unwavering faith in Christ as her Redeemer and Saviour. The funeral took place on Wednesday afternoon, at Watford cemetery, and was well attended.

AND now we are told that diamonds are going up in price. Thank goodness we don't have to buy diamonds to live.

THE Watford Farmers' Co-operative Association have moved into the store formerly occupied by Matthews & Co.

WE are now carrying a nice assortment of Chevrolet parts, which Chevrolet owners will appreciate.—RAY MORNINGSTAR.

THE GUIDE-ADVOCATE takes this opportunity to wish all its readers a joyous Christmas, and to the little people a Merry one.

SWIFT, SONS & Co. wish all their friends and patrons a very Merry Xmas and extend their thanks for the largest Xmas business on record.

REV. H. T. CROSSLEY the coming evangelist will preach in the Methodist church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. His subject will be "Three Questionable Treasures." Hear him.

MR. J. H. LEONARD, the leader of song in the Union Special Meetings will sing in the Presbyterian church at next Sunday morning service. Be sure you hear him.

THE next regular meeting of Court Watford, Independent Order of Foresters is to be held at the hall here this Wednesday evening, December 24th, at 8 o'clock p. m. Election of officers and other important business. Every member is kindly requested to be present.

THE services at the Congregational Church were well attended last Sunday and were of a special Christmas nature, a feature of the day being the splendid programme of Christmas music prepared by the choir, consisting of four Christmas anthems, and a tenor solo from the Christmas Cantata "The Light of Life." Next Sunday there will only be morning service in the church, the evening service being withdrawn on account of the anti-meetings conducted by Messrs. Crossley and Leonard in the Armory.

THE Congregational Sunday School held its Christmas Entertainment and Tree on Monday evening. A splendid programme was well rendered by the scholars under the direction of the pastor. The entrance of Santa Claus was greeted with ringing cheers, and each member of the school received a present as well as a bag of nuts and candy from the tree. The S. S. Superintendent, Mr. Loucks, was chairman of the gathering, and everyone present voted it a successful evening. This Sunday School is on the up grade.

Battery service station coming! We are installing a storage battery service station and will be able to overhaul any make of battery at the least notice. We will be carrying a stock of new Pres-O-Lite batteries on hand also will have service batteries to rent while your old one is in for recharge or repair. Pres-O-Lite are equipment on seventy-five per cent of cars made in Canada this season.—R. MORNINGSTAR.

FOR some time a project has been on foot to form a new school inspectorate, comprising adjacent parts of Huron, Middlesex and Lambton Counties, and was to have been shortly dealt with by a joint committee comprising the following members—Middlesex, J. S. Cousins and M. E. Clatworthy; Lambton, Warden Huey of Sombra and J. T. Sproule of Oil Springs; Huron, Warden Campbell and B. W. F. Beavers of Exeter. We understand, however, that at the recent session of Huron County Council the matter has been indefinitely laid over for the reason that the present Provincial Government may not agree with the formation of the new inspectorate.

LET us charge your storage battery this winter. We will keep it charged and filled for 50 cents per month.—RAY MORNINGSTAR.

NOMINATIONS for municipal officers for next year will take place Monday next, Dec. 29th. In the village no one has yet definitely announced himself a candidate, although it is expected that the present Council will be nominated for re-election. In Warwick township will stand for re-election and from present appearances will have no opposition. Throwing stones at public servants has been a popular sport with many and for this reason men do not seek public office. Most men, who are elected faithfully endeavor to guard the interests of all classes of citizens and they are deserving of more praise than they receive. It is up to the electors to select the very best men available and after they are elected, to give them every reasonable assistance. Increasing expenditures and problems of reconstruction demand good men in the several councils of 1920.

## PERSONAL

Frank Elliot is spending a few days at his home here before leaving for Moncton, N. B., with the T. Eaton Co., Ltd.

Mrs. E. Langan and Miss Loreta Roche, Toronto, are home for the holidays.

Mr. J. F. Roche, St. Jerome's College, Kitchener, is home for the holidays.

Dr. N. J. Roche, Chicago, is spending the holidays at his home.

Miss Ida Parker, Biggar, Sask., who has been attending business college in Sarnia for the past two months is spending her holidays with her grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Parker, Watford, and relatives on the 2nd line.

Miss Tiffin of Gordonville, is visiting at the Methodist parsonage.

Miss Bertha Oakes was in Inwood last week attending the funeral of an old neighbor, the late Mr. Arch. Lamont.

Mrs. Margaret Upton and Miss Mary McKenna are visiting at the home of Ed. Upton.

Dr. Vern L. Newell, Detroit, spent the week end with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. James Newell.

Miss Gladys Shrapnell, Ingersoll, is home for the holidays.

Miss Isabel Harris, Welland, is spending the holidays at her home here.

Miss Clara Carroll, Amherstburg, is home for Christmas.

Mrs. Tanner and daughters, Alice and Annie are home from St. Thomas for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Brown, Ottawa, are spending Christmas at Mr. A. G. Brown's.

Mrs. Neil McLean, Sarnia, is spending Christmas with her sister, Mrs. Neil Bennett.

Mr. Herbert Hume, Ottawa, attended the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Matilda Hume on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Cook and two children and Miss Etta McLeay, Vancouver, arrived here Monday evening to spend the Christmas holidays at the old home here.

Mr. J. McFadden of London, and Mr. B. McFadden, Windsor, are spending Christmas with their sister, Mrs. Irwin, at the rectory.

Mr. H. C. Taylor, Alseck, Sask., is spending the winter months with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Taylor.

Miss Eva M. Crummer of the C. I. staff, Sault Ste. Marie, is spending the holidays with friends in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Goodburn are spending Christmas with Mrs. M. Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Marwick, Merlin, are home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Taylor, Toronto, are spending the holidays with relatives in Watford and Brookes.

Mrs. Brent has returned from a visit with relatives in Chicago.

Mr. Ivan Hyland, Jr., son of Mr. Ivan Hyland, of Seattle, Wash., was the guest of Mr. E. D. Swift on Friday last, and while here called on a number of old friends of the family. He is the grandson of the late Rev. P. E. Hyland who was rector of Watford from 1879 to 1886.

Mr. C. Caldwell, Morrisburg, is a visitor at Mr. A. G. Brown's.

Miss Leona Harper, Sombra, is home for Christmas.

## BROOKE

Mrs. E. Davis has sold her residence at Sutorville to Mr. D. Whitehead.

Daniel and John Saunders will not do any sawing at Sutorville this season.

WE are now carrying a nice assortment of Chevrolet parts, which Chevrolet owners will appreciate.—RAY MORNINGSTAR.

A very pleasant and entertaining Christmas tree was held in the Walnut club on the evening of the 18th inst. The programme rendered was of high order, and listened to by a large and appreciative audience. The proceeds exceeded the expectations of the executive.

Miss Gladys Manders, of Warwick, who spent last week at the home Mr. John Zavitz, returned home on Saturday accompanied by her friend, Miss Myrtle Zavitz, of Walnut.

Mr. R. A. Higgins and daughter, May, are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Galbraith, of Drumbo.

Dick Williamson got the Mexicans to their home on Monday. He spent the

afternoon of that day in Juarez, Mex., seeing the sights and it is said was in jail with a bunch of Villa men. He is returning home via Denver, Col., to see his brother and expects to enjoy his Christmas dinner at home.

The annual Sunday school Christmas entertainment at Sutorville was a fine success. The Christmas tree was well loaded, all the children being well remembered by Santa Claus. The Rector and Mrs. Irwin were especially well remembered.

T. Gilliland and Ward Zavitz, who have been sailing on the upper lakes for the navigation season, returned home Friday last. They were out in the big blow of Nov. 29, but the staunch craft Ontario weathered the gale in fine shape. Intense cold was experienced on their last trip but that did not faze on the Brooke boys. Welcome home.

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## CHRISTMAS BANQUET AND ENTERTAINMENT

Andrews Wire Works of Canada, Ltd., Watford and Strathroy.

A Christmas Banquet and Entertainment was tendered the employees, with their wives and families, by the Andrews Wire Works of Canada, Limited, at the Lyceum, Strathroy, on Thursday evening last, Dec. 19. The Watford contingent went over on the afternoon train and was met at the station by a reception committee and conducted to the Lyceum where they were joined by the Strathroy company.

After mutual greetings and handshaking the company sat down to dinner during which community singing was indulged in and the popular songs "Smiles", "Blowing Bubbles", &c., acceptably assisted by the accompaniment of Meekison's Matchless Music Makers soon brought this popular pastime to an end.

Mr. J. Warren Bate, Sec. Treas. of the Canadian branches acted as toastmaster and in a concise manner explained the reason for such a gathering saying that dollars and cents should not be the sole object in life and quoting Markham who says: "My thoughts go to you, my friend, this happy Christmas time, wishing you joy in all your deeds and days, wishing you time for the task, wisdom for the freeds, love for the home." In enlarging on the theme of unity and co-operation and the get-together idea, he pointed out that this was the only remedy for the industrial restlessness so manifest at the present time.

Mr. G. M. Haldane responded for the Strathroy shop and after mentioning its advanced streets, splendid residences, well stocked stores and its position relative to the farming community. Mr. Dampier read a telegram from Mr. Chas. Andrews Jr., of Rockford, conveying greetings to the assembly and the best wishes of the season.

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Mr. Millar was next called upon and addressed as follows:

"I say, Mr. Millar, you've been a good pillar supporting our manager Bate. There's no use denying, you're always a-tryin' with all hands to co-operate. When a Millar is fishin' along with good hate he's sure to catch business from most every state. So stay in the harness and tighten the tug. And we'll all be as happy as bugs in a rug. Sure, we want you to stay right along with the game. And to show you we mean it, we'll give you a cane."

Mayor Dampier was also remembered with a cane and addressed as follows:

"Dear Mr. Mayor, you've been our mayor for a year you've been our mayor. Our town has climbed the golden stair. You've moved the blocks from off our streets. And in their stead laid concrete sheets. You built a grain mill up so high— Of all past mayors you take the pie. The traffic has become so large, Four more police are now to charge. There's one thing more that you must do— You must be our mayor this next year too! To help the Millar with his Bate, In Strathroy to consolidate. And that will be another gain— For which you too shall have a cane."

"The Christmas Message," was the subject of a neat address by Capt. Fred G. Poole, Y.M.C.A. secretary of London. He built up around the supreme words, "Peace on Earth, Goodwill toward men," a splendid objective backed by convincing argument and apt illustration making a lasting impression on his very attentive hearers.

A number of pleasing violin and piano duets were rendered by Mr. Kreitzer and Mr. Stead, of London, which were much enjoyed.

A Photo Play entitled "Sunshine Nan," in five acts was next on the programme. Several readings by Mr. Bert Hanna, B. A., of London, more Community singing with violin and piano accompaniment with Auld Lang Syne and God Save the King brought the meeting to a close and the assemblage dismissed, the Watford friends entraining at 9.50 for home. From start to finish the Christmas spirit was paramount and one and all speak highly of the treatment received from the Andrews Wire Works of Canada, Limited.

Mr. J. F. Burnett, the Western representative and Mr. E. W. Scott the Eastern representative attended the banquet and stopped over until Friday morning and visited the Strathroy works after which they proceeded to Watford enroute to their different spheres of activity.

A NUMBER of school reports, chop stuff and other interesting items unavoidably crowded out of this issue.

THE first hockey game of the season on the local rink was played Monday evening between Giencoe and Watford. The game was a strenuous one from start to finish and resulted in a score of 7-0 in favor of the visitors.

Mr. W. G. Videau disposed of his 100 acre farm on the 10th line, Enniskillen, on Tuesday to Charles Henry, of Sombra Village, for \$7,000. It is Mr. Videau's intention to return to his old trade of drilling.

Wheat weighing 67 pounds to the bushel, believed to be the heaviest ever inspected in Alberta, was examined by the Government Grain Inspector. This wheat was graded No. 1 hard. It was grown in Yankee Valley, about 7 miles east of Arvia and about 25 miles north-east of Calgary, and was of the Marquis variety.

Wearers of thick moustaches should take warning, for the dangers of appendicitis lurk in every hair. When the appendix of a patient operated on in a London hospital was opened 25 hairs corresponding with those of a man's moustache were found in a clump, forming a small brush. The man wore a moustache of the soap-straining species, but described as "Old Bill's." He said his moustache had been falling out, and there is not the slightest doubt, his doctor says, that moustache hairs adhered to his food and had found their way to his appendix.

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## THE GUIDE-ADVOCATE

### BORN

In Brooke, on Dec. 10th, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Peasley, a son.

In Brooke on Dec. 14th, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Carroll, a daughter.

### DIED

In Warwick, on Friday, Dec. 19th, 1919, Robert A. Reynolds, aged 45 years, 8 months, 21 days.

In Watford, on Sunday, Dec. 22nd, 1919, Mrs. Matilda Hume, widow of Henry Hume, aged 74 years. "With Christ, which is far better."