

## Guide-Advocate

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## NOTE AND COMMENT

It is high time that the neutral nations who have been growing wealthy under the protection of the British Navy and have taken the opportunity to sell food to Germany should at last be brought to book.

The question of a Federal measure for prohibition of the manufacture, sale and importation of liquor throughout the Dominion for the duration of the war, and for a three-year reconstruction period after peace is declared, is likely to come before Parliament at its present session. The Citizen's League which originated the movement, has mailed a request to all members of the House for a declaration as to their stand on the question.

The Parliamentary reporters in Canada, seem always to underestimate the intelligence of the reading public. Instead of giving the public the speeches as they are delivered, they seem to think it their duty to twist things a bit and give them a dab with the party paint brush. Similarly, the recitations that the Premier and the leader of the opposition get in the house can scarcely ever be fairly judged from reading one paper.—Thamesville Herald

Major General Sir Sam Hughes has inaugurated a democratic change in the manner of preparing and educating officers for military service. With a view to providing qualified officers and non-commissioned officers for the Canadian expeditionary force, an infantry school of instruction will be established at the headquarters of each military district, and members of the Canadian expeditionary force, of whatever rank of service, will be permitted to attend, provided that they are recommended by their commanding officers and there is room for them. Candidates or "probationers" will join in weekly batches, and they will undergo a progressive course of instruction. The duration of a probationer's course will depend on the progress he makes and on the rank for which he seeks to qualify.

The petitions in connection with the propaganda for nation-wide prohibition during the war, to be presented to parliament shortly, were circulated this week. There are two petitions, one for women and the other for parliamentary voters. There is no indication as yet that the government intends to bring down the desired legislation, although Sir George Foster has intimated that if an overwhelming majority of the Canadian people desire prohibition they will not be balked by their representatives in parliament. That the subject will come up for a prolonged debate in the house of commons is evident. It is quite possible that the government may answer the demand for nation-wide prohibition by saying that action should be taken in the first place by the provinces. The federal government has a great deal of money to raise, and prohibition would reduce the receipts of the inland revenue department by about \$15,000,000 a year, but it is not believed that the loss of revenue would prevent prohibitory legislation if public sentiment earnestly and overwhelmingly demanded the same.

Charles Barrett, head miller at Donaldson's flour mills, suffered several fractured ribs and a bad shaking up when he fell into the manhole of the chopper feeder Tuesday morning. The lights of the mill were not lit and he walked right into the hole. Dr. McDougall was summoned and attended the man's injuries. Had the mill been running it is likely Mr. Barrett would have been ground to pieces.

The oil fields at Bothwell are still producing considerable oil after being pumped almost continuously for the past 20 years or more. James McRitchie, who has a number of wells on his farm, stated to-day that between 300 and 400 wells are still producing oil and he estimated the value of the monthly output at \$12,000. He stated that the oil is obtained from the rock and not from small pockets as is the case in many boom fields and he expects that the wells will continue producing for many years.

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## CHOP STUFF

The Wyoming Enterprise is of age, having started on its 22nd year.

Milk at St. Thomas is 8 cents per quart and housewives there are buying condensed milk.

Mrs. T. W. Robinson, the oldest resident of Kent, died at Tupperville last week aged 99 years.

Mrs. James Smith, a Wyoming lady over 80 years old, has knitted 25 pairs of socks for the soldiers.

Miss Margaret McRobie for some years a teacher in the Petrolia Public School, died last Friday.

J. P. Gorman, of Wyoming, received a bad kick on the leg from a horse while straightening its blanket.

There were 925 cases tried at the Sarnia police court during 1915 and \$3545.00 collected in fines and costs.

Oil Springs had a fierce fire last week when Duggan's store was burnt. The bucket brigade saved the fire from spreading.

The death occurred in Basswood, Man., on January 13th, of Jesse Paine, an old resident of Boscawen, having lived on the 6th con.

Canada has only one beef animal per square mile of territory. What are you doing to increase the number of good cattle kept in your district?

Kingsville and Gosfield South contributed \$12,000 to the Patriotic and Red Cross Funds. \$10,000 was aimed at and that amount was over run by \$2,000.

Notices have been posted in the various church sheds in Forest requesting that the sheds be used only by persons who contribute towards their maintenance.

In a violent fit of sneezing which caused the rupture of a blood vessel in his head, J. A. Trembley, clerk of Tilbury North, suffered a stroke of paralysis Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bilton, of Euphemia, celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding day last week, when their sons presented them with two leather-cushioned easy chairs.

Gordon McGregor, manager of the Ford Motor Company of Canada, has given \$15,000 for the erection of a new wing to the Essex County Tuberculosis hospital at Union-on-the-Lake.

Application will be made to the Ontario Legislature at its next session to amend the act incorporating the municipality of Ojibway so that the present council may remain in office until December, 1921.

Lieut.-Col. Towers, C.O. 70th Battalion received a unique patriotic gift in the form of a pair of fine woolen socks into which has been knitted the pattern of the Union Jack. They are the work of Mrs. Russell Robinson, of Leamington.

David Frayn, aged 14, son of Eli Frayn, a Boscawen farmer, got his hand caught in a power cutting box last Friday. His thumb was lacerated and two fingers broken in several places. The doctors say the middle finger cannot be saved.

John Wilson, who resided on the 4th line, Adelaide township, just outside the corporation limits of Stratford, died rather unexpectedly on Sunday 10th inst., in his 78th year. He had not been in good health for some time although able to be about.

In the matter of costs incurred in the local option recount and scrutiny at Petrolia. County Judge McWatt has assessed one-half against the liquor interests that brought on the action and the other half against the Town of Petrolia, on account of the inefficiency of some of the deputy returning officers appointed by the town.

While sitting in school, Wright Ebooy, aged 16, heard the cries of Gray Andrews, a 10 year old boy, who had broken through the ice on the river at Oil Springs, and jumped from his desk, and running out, plunged into the icy water and brilliantly rescued the younger lad, who had gone down for the second time.

Thomas Archer, an employee of the Dymond Furniture Company is in a critical condition in Stratford Hospital as the result of an accident which occurred at the factory on Saturday. He was operating a planer, when a board flew back and struck him in the stomach. An operation was performed in the hope of saving the man's life, but he is not likely to recover.

A marriage of unusual interest was solemnized Saturday evening at the bride's residence, London road, when Mrs. James McLeish and James King, an elderly and highly respected couple, became man and wife. The bride is aged 68 years and the bridegroom 75 years, and have been near neighbors for many years. Rev. H. Williams of Camberley officiated. The couple have settled in the groom's home.

Sarnia citizens are considering an arrangement to furnish the soldiers of the 149th with a band. Major McKenzie states that the band would have its headquarters there and would be there two or three weeks at a time. It would also visit Forest, Watford, Brigid and all the other places at different times for a day or so. It would be a splendid thing for the battalion and would without doubt be a substantial aid in recruiting.

## Teutonic Contempt For America

Germany and Austria are as one. Each country tosses the administration a "great diplomatic victory" with one hand and flies a fatal torpedo with the other. It was so in the sinking of the Hesperian and the Arabic. It is so with the sinking of the Ville de la Ciotat, the Yassaka Maru and now the Persia. Even while merry-making was at its height the last-named ship, crowded with passengers, including an American Consul, was sunk. Of the eighty-seven women on board only seventeen are reported as saved. Therefore seventy women were killed or drowned. Of thirty-five children on board two are reported as saved.

## Stock Inventory 31st January

All departments of winter merchandise are this week bending every effort to close out stocks and be ready with a clean sheet for stock inventory on January 31st. This is a fine time when bargains are all over the store.—SWIFT SONS & CO.

**TWENTY LADIES' COATS**  
at \$2.50, \$3.50, \$5.00. Less than half price. The buttons cost more.

**LADIES' and GIRLS' FUR SETS**  
\$3.50, \$5.00, \$7.50. About half price. They will cost more next season.

**47 BOYS' OVERCOATS**  
Sizes 27 to 32, fine, well-made garments. \$3.50 to \$5.00. Great Bargains.

**38 MEN'S TWEED SUITS**  
\$7.50, \$8.50 and \$10.00. The cut, style and finish of the garments will surprise you.

**LADIES' SUITS**  
pushed out at \$5.00, \$6.50, \$7.50. Silk linings, good cloth, fine farmer satin linings, 34 to 38.

COME EARLY THIS WEEK IF POSSIBLE

INVENTORY SALE - SWIFT SONS &amp; CO. - DIRECT IMPORTERS

# Big Stock Taking Sale

## BARGAINS IN ALL DEPARTMENTS

### P. Dodds & Son

## Various Items of General Interest

Mrs. Mary Wilson, late proprietor of the Queen's Hotel, Watford, was fined \$20 and costs for permitting liquor to be taken off the premises in a bottle, and was found guilty of permitting the late Robert Hall, a prohibited person, to loiter on the premises.

North Bend, B. C., and district and Field, B. C., on Monday were in the grip of one of the worst blizzards of the winter, with a sixty-mile gale and twenty below at Field.

By February 1, if the present rate of recruiting is maintained, one man out of every six between the ages of 18 and 45 in Manitoba and Saskatchewan will be in khaki.

Miss Minnie B. Werner, a stenographer employed by The Railway Age Gazette, Chicago, plunged from the sixteenth floor of the Transportation Building, Dearborn street, but still lives. Her fall was broken by an auto truck loaded with paper boxes, but her skull was fractured and she was internally injured.

With his throat slashed and a razor lying beside him, John Curran, of Hamilton, was found dead in bed late Tuesday afternoon. It is believed that the fear of being forced to go to war as a conscript was the reason of Curran's rash act.

Model saloons have solved the drink problem in Warren County, Mo. A report of the grand jury to Circuit Judge Barnett, shows that the county has not been compelled to pay for a single jail prisoner in 14 months, and that there has been no occasion for a petit jury in a year. Investigators attribute this condition of affairs to the fact that owners of the 12 saloons in the county try to conduct their places upon "The Golden Rule Plan."

## WANT COLUMN.

WANTED, customers for the balance of our winter goods.—SWIFT.

Purebred bull calf for sale.—Apply to Walter Annett, lot 14, con. 12, Brooke, Watford P.O.

WE balance our books on 31st January and we want all bills paid by then.—SWIFT, SONS & CO.

CEGAR FENCE POSTS.—a car load will arrive this week. Leave your order and take them off the car.—W. WILLIAMSON.

CARD OF THANKS.—Mr. and Mrs. J. Livingstone wish to thank all friends for the many acts of kindness and sympathy shown at the time of the death of their eldest son, William Livingstone.

WORN OUT HORSES and fallen animals of any kind bought.—LETT BROS., fur ranchers, lot 18, con. 13, Brooke; Rural phone 4821. Watford P. O. Phone messages at our expense.

LOST—Some place in town about three or four days ago a good red and green plaid horse blanket. A suitable reward will be given when returned to our store.—T. DODDS & SON.

SEVERAL dwelling house properties and two business properties in Watford and a few farms in this vicinity for sale. Some private and other money to loan on farm property. Apply to W. E. FRIZGERALD, Barrister & Co., Watford.

SLEIGHTS—Isaac J. Hastings manufactures the same sleights as offered to the public years ago, and has some for sale at his shop on Warwick street. He makes these sleights himself and is not now connected with the Hastings Wagon Co.

A hired man enlisted and according to the Kincardine Review was asked why. "Well," he said, "I'd be a long time on the farm before I'd be ordered to stand at ease."

## A Company, 149th, To Make Long Journey

Sarnia, Jan. 25.—One hundred of "A" Company of the 149th Battalion will start on a route march to Courtwright and Somers to-morrow morning. The men will march very light, taking only a towel, soap, comb, brush and shaving outfit. At Courtwright they will be billeted in Stuart's Hall and at Somers at Sander-son's Hall. Their meals will be supplied by the residents of the towns. The rifles for the company arrived yesterday, but Major McKenzie has decided not to take them. This is the first route march of any length, and the boys are looking forward with anticipation to the event. The bugle band, which has improved greatly of late, will also accompany the boys on their trip.

The Methodist Church is free of debt.

## FARM FOR SALE

100 acres, being west half Lot 27, Con. 11, Brooke. This is a good pasture farm with eight (8) acres of bush, with plenty of water. If not sold it will be rented. For further particulars apply to

JOHN CAMPBELL, 123-24 Kerwood.

## FARM FOR SALE

100 acres, being Lot 24, Con. 1, Warwick. Soil a clay loam. On the premises are a two-story brick house, bank barn, good drive house, good hen house, two spring wells and a good wind mill; also a good fruit orchard. For further particulars apply to

CHARLES B. CLARK, R.R. 8, Watford.

## Lambton

## Kitcheners Men!

LAMBTON IS LOYAL

We are in the right, Fight, Fight, are going to win, b more men. As th Home, your Coun place is on the firn outraged Serbia, su civilization itself, cing the barbarous Central Europe, you to avenge their died in vain.

LAMBTON IS CALLING If you are loyal to Lam ENLIST TO-DAY

## ARKONA

Pte. Gordon Brown and Bessie spent Monday in London.

Mr. Joe Simmonds, of Sarnia, spent few days in town this week.

Mr. Carl Little, of Sarnia, spent day with friends in town.

Just arrived our new shipment of Crum's prints.—BROWN BROS.

Sergeant Ethan Bates of the 70th falion spent Sunday with his p here.

The old hand stand has been torn and in its place Mr. Otto Schmidt is building an automobile garage.

Messrs. J. L. Fuller and J. L. E. Rev. Fair and Rev. Moule atten convention in Park Hill on Thurs

Misses Alta and Stella Rook who been spending the past two we London returned home on Friday

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brown and Bessie Brown attended the funeral late Mr. Shillington in London on day.

The funeral of the late Mr. Sims of London, formerly of Arkona, wa on Monday, interment in the cemetery.

The Ladies' Aid of the Baptist Church purpose giving a dialogue entitled "Minister's Bride" on St. Vale night, February 14th. Rememb date.

The Arkona branch of the W. give an open meeting in the Church, Wednesday evening, Fe 2nd. A musical and literary p will be given, also a debate by six ladies, resolved "That the F mightier than the platform." A collection will be taken, proceeds to the Red Cross Fund. Everybo come.

FOR ADVANCE NOTICES in the Advocate of concerts, meetings, church entertainments or notices gathering where an admission charged, a collection taken up, or the object of the notice is financ to some person or organization, five per line will be charged for each tion. Minimum charge 25 cents words make a line.

John Symons died at Chelsey G Friday last, aged 90 years. The service was held on Monday morn in late residence and the remain brought to Arkona for internment were conducted by Rev. Hazen, of the Wellington Street dist Church, assisted by Rev. Courtney, Graham, Coupe and ( The funeral was largely attende pall-bearers were John Watson, W ferry, J. Mapleton, Jas. Luney, Jas glowe and Thomas Baty.

Andre Ruel a young Frenchma was employed in Sarnia when t broke out, has been wounded front for the fourth time. Lieut has been serving as an aviator w French army.

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