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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

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APRIL

FRIDAY Bargains at SWIFTS'.
NEXT Sunday is Palm Sunday.

COUNCIL meeting next Monday evening.

EASTER millinery is right at BROWN'S.

SCHOOLS close for the Easter holidays next Thursday.

THE millinery display will be continued on Sunday, weather permitting.

ALL the newest things in wall papers at McLAREN'S.

BEFORE getting your Easter hat see Miss Williams' new styles just arrived.

YOUR Bell Telephone account is now due. Call at Central and get a receipt.

D. A. GRAHAM sold his 50-acre farm in the 2nd con. of Plympton Tp. to J. H. and M. C. Kerton.

Boys' bloomer pants, sizes 24 to 34, special Friday Bargain 69c and 89c.—SWIFTS'.

Now is the time when thoughtless teamsters drive over boulevards and lawns, doing untold damage.

HANDSOME new mail delivery rigs have been purchased from Reg. McIntosh by Messrs. Edwards and Thompson for routes 2 and 8.

NOTICE.—Parties who have placed ashes on the street during the winter must remove them forthwith.—N. CHATFIELD, Constable.

CHOICE sweet pea and nasturtium seed by the ounce at McLAREN'S.

MRS. ISABELLA LOWERY has sold I. J. Hastings the shop and lot now occupied by him on the northwest corner of Huron and Warwick streets.

SOME people imagine that to write a mean letter is an evidence of great ability. As a rule it is an evidence of dearth both of principle and intellect.

CHILDREN'S gingham and muslin dresses.—SWIFTS'.

S. B. HOWDEN'S spring stock of boots and shoes is now complete. Call early and get first choice, no trouble to show goods, cheaper than the cheapest.

Do your wall papering now. Our new patterns will please you both in design and price. Call in and see them. A few remnants left at your own price.—P. DODDS & SON.

REV. Mr. Darling, of Oil Springs, will occupy the Methodist pulpit here next Sunday, morning and evening. Mr. Curry takes educational anniversaries on the Oil Springs circuit.

ALEX. (HECK) JOHNSTON left Tuesday for St. Marys, where he has secured a good situation. Heck will be much missed by the boys as he was a good baseball and hockey player.

FOUNNES' Gloves for Easter, silk or kid.—A. BROWN & CO.

MR. N. McDOUGALL, P. S. I. will give an address in the Armory on Tuesday evening next, under the auspices of the Armory Progress Club. His subject will be "Democracy and its Perils."

THE Hockey Club will give a benefit concert on Wednesday evening, April 15. They have secured the services of the well-known comedian, Harry Bennett, and his company. Particulars next week.

ORDER your clothing—we are very busy.—SWIFTS' Tailoring Department.

HENRY CONN, B.A., of Sarnia, public school inspector for West Lambton, will give an address on "Elementary Agriculture" at the meeting of the Ontario Educational Association at Toronto Easter week.

WATFORD merchants have prepared for a big spring business and the live wires are already telling our readers about what is going on. Our advertising columns are money-makers for the business men and money-savers for their customers.

THE new hats, shirts, collars, ties.—SWIFTS' Easter Display.

ACCORDING to an answer given by the Secretary of State in the Commons, Victoria day will be celebrated this year on May 25th. The anniversary of Queen Victoria's birth comes on a Sunday, and, according to statute, the following day in such case becomes automatically a public holiday.

THE London Free Press report of the hydro-radial deputation to Ottawa says: "There was an early rush for seats in the Cabinet row and Reeve Stapleford, of Watford, held Premier Borden's seat before the hearing started. Dr. Fairbank, of Petrolia, had the honor of sitting in Sir Wilfrid Laurier's seat."

ARROW Collars, Reveal Shirts and American Tubular Ties for Easter.—A. BROWN & CO.

A PLEASANT event took place at the Methodist parsonage here one day lately when Mrs. Nora Kelley and George H. Cline, both of Strathroy, were united in marriage by Rev. H. E. Curry. After the ceremony the newly married couple took the evening train for a short visit among friends in Windsor and Detroit.

SPECIAL price Friday and Saturday on finest after dinner mints, 25c. per lb. at McLAREN'S.

THE Presbyterian church will be reopened next Sunday.

SWAT the terrible fly now and save a lot of trouble when summer comes.

PARTICULAR mep will wear a King hat on Easter day.—A. BROWN & CO.

SATURDAY was a glorious spring day and brought a large number of people to town.

TIME may be money, but one should not always be trying to pay one's debts with it.

LET us have a good baseball team this summer. Get together, boys, and get things in shape early.

A MAN is said to be as old as his arteries, but a woman is not always as young as her clothes indicate.

LADIES' and men's waterproof coats, direct from Glasgow.—SWIFT, SONS & CO.

AFTER a married life of six weeks a Thamesville man advertises a talking machine for sale cheap.

SEND in the list of your Easter visitors, or let us know if you are going to spend the holiday out of town.

THE Go-to-Church Sunday in Sarnia was a great success. Hundreds who seldom enter a sacred edifice turned out to one of the services.

WE have a number of wall paper patterns which we are clearing out below cost. See our display in our wall paper dept on the second floor.—McLAREN'S.

ON account of the reopening of the Presbyterian church next Sunday there will be no morning service in Trinity church on that day.

THE price, they say, of the Easter egg is coming down, and that helps some, but what about, we beg, the price of the Easter Hat?

New Waists, new skirts, new silks for Easter.—A. BROWN & CO.

KINGSVILLE council has engaged a man to take away the refuse from kitchens twice a week during the summer and once a week during the winter months.

ON Sunday evening next the Rev. S. P. Irwin will give the last of his series of sermons on Old Testament characters, Joshua being the subject of the discourse.

His Royal Highness, the Duke of Connaught will visit Sarnia on May 14th. Could not the Watford council get him to stop here for a short time when passing through.

THE new rugs are here from the Old Country.—SWIFT, SONS & CO.

WE understand that the local deputation to Ottawa will present a written report of the proceedings which will be laid before the Council on Monday night and embodied in the minutes.

HARRY WILLIAMSON is fitting up the old Salvation Army barracks, which he purchased from Joshua Saunders, for a planing mill and general wood working shop. Some of the machinery is being put in this week.

IF you want the latest in new shoes call and see our spring stock. Everything from the heavy working shoe to the finest pump. No need to pay a big price for your shoes while we are in a town.—P. DODDS & SON.

4 PIECES whitewear for \$1.00.—SWIFTS' Easter Display.

ON this (Thursday) evening Rev. W. T. Hill, M. A., rector of Petrolia, will preach at the mid-week Lenten service in Trinity. On Wednesday next, April 8th, the Rev. J. C. McCracken, rector of Wyoming, will be the special preacher.

MATHEMATICIANS who were with the hydro-radial party figured that the cost of getting the deputation to Ottawa was in the neighborhood of \$40,000, or nearly enough to subsidize six miles of radial railway at \$6,400 a mile, the amount asked for by the deputation.

CUT FLOWERS on sale Saturday a. m., carnations, violets, sweet peas and daffodils. Cut flowers are always advanced in price at Easter but we expect a good supply at the lowest possible price.—McLAREN'S.

EASTER display all this week.—SWIFTS'.

THE Swift Current issue of the Moose Jaw News has been received. It is an interesting 7 col., 16 page paper, profusely illustrated, and gives a good description of the rapid and substantial growth of the town of Swift Current, Sask. We are indebted to Postmaster White, of Swift Current, for the paper.

AN electric oven is set with a clock for so long. When that time is up the oven door opens automatically so that the dinner will not burn. When we get hydro-electric what gad-a-bouts the women will be! Some of them will put their dinner in the oven set it for twelve o'clock, and then find time to go down and vote without neglecting their families.

OUR Dollar Easter Bargains.—SWIFTS'.

THE advertiser while benefiting himself, helps his town. The town in which the business men advertise in the newspapers is always a live town. The merchants who use printer's ink are always the progressive spirits of the place, and deserve the patronage of the community they help support and push forward.

Two old women were discussing the meaning of the word, "tact." One remarked to the other that she did not know what it meant. "Weel," replied the other, "it's like this. Supposing you were to see and gang up the Heaven, and at the gate ye were to meet Peter, ye wadna speak tae him about cock-crawin', wad ye? Weel, that's tact."

ORDER your Easter lilies now. On Thursday a. m. the 9th inst. we will have Easter lilies, carnations, violets and sweet peas. Leave your orders now and you won't be disappointed.—McLAREN'S.

BEST dollar silk in Ontario, 36 in. wide, black and wanted shades.—SWIFTS'.

J. C. ELLIOT'S bill in the Ontario Legislature which proposed to extend the franchise to married women having property qualifications, was killed on the second reading by a vote of 53 to 17.

THE Epworth League of the Watford Methodist church will hold a home-made baking sale in Doan & Co.'s butcher shop on Saturday, April 18th from 2 o'clock. Remember the date.

MEN'S special shirts detached collars, 75c. and 1.00.—SWIFTS'.

At Birch Hills, Sask., on March 25th, Mr. Cecil Hone, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hone, St. Clair St., was united in marriage to Miss Geno Page, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Page, of St. Paul, Minn.

A. BROWN & Co's display of house-furnishings during their millinery opening was the subject of much favorable comment. Their new rug rack displaying 60 large rugs at one time was much admired and it would be very difficult to find a finer display outside the larger cities.

SHE was literary and he was not. He had spent a harrowing evening discussing authors of whom he knew nothing and their books of which he knew less. Presently the maiden asked archly: "Of course, you've read 'Romeo and Juliet'?" He floundered helplessly for a moment and then, having a brilliant thought, he turned and said happily: "I've read 'Romeo'!"

THANKS to a Kansas editor, we now know why men do not go to church. There are seven reasons, to wit: The Sunday newspaper, the automobile, tireless sermons, the collection basket, failure to reach the barber shop on time Saturday night, misplaced collar buttons and the lure of the Sunday morning nap. Almost anyone should be able to select an excuse from this list.

THE Grand Trunk announces its Easter rates as follows: Single fare, good going Friday, April 10th, valid to return date of issue only. Fare and one-third, good going Thursday, April 9th, to Sunday, April 12th, valid to return until Tuesday, April 14th. School teachers and scholars fare and one-third, good going three days before close of school, valid to return until Monday, April 27th.

2 PIECES whitewear for dollar.—SWIFTS' Easter display.

THE fifty-third annual meeting of the Ontario Educational Association will be held in the University of Toronto, on April 13, 14, 15 and 16th. An excellent program has been prepared for each section of the Association. If 300 delegates attend the railway fare will be single first-class plus 25c. If less than that number attend the rate will be fare and one-third plus 25c. Tickets good going April 9th to 15th; good for return up to and including April 20th. Standard certificate must be obtained when buying ticket.

FRIDAY, the first day of the spring millinery openings was a wet and disagreeable day and these conditions put a damper on the attendance. Saturday, however, was an ideal day, warm and bright, and the ladies turned out in force to see the new styles. A resplendent display of hats, flowers, ribbons and trimmings made the windows and show rooms a scene of beauty. The prevailing colors this season are Delph Blue, Olive Green, Tango and Mahogany, and the hats are prettier this season than for many years.

3 PIECES whitewear for \$1.00.—SWIFTS' Easter display.

THE Farmers Advocate recently published the following:—"Question: How much per horsepower does hydro cost farmers in sections that are using it around London? Also how much would the cost per light be per month? Answer:—Where hydro power is being used by the farmers in the vicinity of Woodstock and Ingersoll the charge is \$96.00 per year for a two horsepower current, and an additional charge when an excess is used. The lighting comes out of this current, and the whole is paid in one amount."

A WARWICK lady who got her Easter hat from the city by parcel post tried to return it because it was so badly crushed that it no more resembled the catalogue picture than a hay stack resembles a brick house. The mail sack containing the headgear had probably been under half a ton of other matter during transit. A similar hat could have been purchased in Watford 15 to 25 per cent. cheaper, and delivered in good condition. Needless to say the city people having the money for the hat in their possession failed to make good the loss.

Now that spring is nearly here, a municipal "clean up day" is in order. By getting the people enthused and adopting a system whereby householders would be responsible for their own premises on some certain day, while the town would look after the streets, alleys and its property, removing everything that accumulated throughout the winter, the old town would receive a cleaning up summer but be a great advantage in a sanitary way. Let us have a "clean up day."

SEE our Easter windows.—SWIFTS'.

THE regular meeting of the Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. Humphries on Wednesday evening, April 8th. Roll will be answered by a quotation on 'Easter.' There will also be two papers given, subjects, 'Systematic shopping' and 'How to be cheerful when shopping.' Members requested to be present. Visitors welcome.

A PARTY claiming to be a representative of a publishing firm in Grand Rapids Mich., is travelling through some of the nearby townships, interviewing the farmers, and getting answers to several questions, most of them regarding deaths in the family that may have occurred in the past 25 years. His object, he said, was to prepare a memorial chart, and those interviewed will probably be asked to pay for one of the charts in which their names were mentioned. It is just as well to deal only with responsible firms in our own country.

LADIES! Our suits, coats and separate skirts will please you.—SWIFTS'.

THE Presbyterian Church Watford, will hold special re-opening services next Sunday morning and evening at 11 and 7 o'clock. These services will be conducted by Rev. A. B. Winchester, minister of Knox Church, Toronto. A special freewill offering is asked for the repair fund. On Monday evening at 8 o'clock there will be a re-opening entertainment in the church. An attractive program has been prepared consisting of solos, quartettes and selections by the choir. Rev. Mr. Winchester will deliver his address on 'The Origin of Races.' As he is a gifted speaker and man of learning this address is bound to be a rare treat for all who hear it. There will be no admission fee to the entertainment but a liberal offering is asked for the repair fund.

ON Saturday evening at the Armory the signaling corps of the 27th Regt. presented Sergt.-Instructor May, signaling instructor of the first division, with a pair of solid gold cuff links, as a mark of appreciation of his painstaking interest in the corps and his thorough manner of instruction. Sergt. May has been here for six weeks and during that time gained not only the esteem of the corps but the respect of all who came in contact with him. The presentation took place in the officers' quarters, the address being made by Lieut.-Col. Kelly and the presentation by Lieut. F. C. Browne. Afterwards a luncheon was tendered Sergt. May in the quartermasters' room, and a pleasant hour spent, speeches being made by the Colonel and several of the officers present.

Miss Ethel Tye spent the weekend at her home here.

Mr. W. Halward, London, spent Sunday at Mrs. Tye's.

Mrs. Tye is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. E. Purdy, Stratford.

Miss Wilma Tye is visiting Mrs. C. Andrews, Rockford, Ill.

Mrs. F. W. Rogers and children, and Mrs. E. Clark were Sarnia visitors on Tuesday.

S. B. White left for Forest Wednesday, where he has secured a situation in the Free Press.

Reeve Stapleford was in Toronto Wednesday, with the hydro-radial deputation that waited on the Legislature.

Vern Brown, Sarnia, is spending a few days with his parents here before commencing his duties on the steamer Huronic.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fitzgerald and family, last Friday attended the funeral of Mrs. Richard Fitzgerald of West Nissouri Tp.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Swift, Miss Vera Swift, Thomas, George and Peter Dodds attended the funeral of their niece at Kerch last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Willoughby, their daughter Wilma, and son Basil, are spending the week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Willoughby, and other relatives.

Colonel Macdonnell of the divisional staff, London, is here today (Thursday) to examine the captains and field officers of the 27th Regt. stationed here. Those who are undergoing the examination are Lieut.-Col. Kelly and Captains T. L. Swift and W. C. Browne.

Daughters of the Empire

April meeting of 1914 was held at Spruce Crescent, home of Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Lowry assisting hostess. Meeting opened in the usual way, Mrs. Brown, Vice-Regent, in the chair. Minutes of March meeting read and confirmed. The Chapter has decided to give several prizes to pupils at the public school fair. Next meeting was appointed for the home of Mrs. T. G. Mitchell, Mrs. Shirley assisting hostess. Mrs. Swift gave a reading from "Sunshine sketches of a little town," introducing a number of amusing local hints. Mrs. Mitchell read from "Idle thoughts of an idle fellow." The Chapter sang "When You and I Were Young Maggie," also "The Maple Leaf," in their usual happy manner. Master Hallie Potter gave several selections on his mouth organ, and Miss Muriel Taylor an instrumental on the piano. The musical numbers were good and enjoyed by all present. Luncheon was served with novel Easter decorations and a pleasant meeting closed by the singing of the National Anthem.—SEC.

Reopening of Watford Presbyterian Church

The Watford Presbyterian church has been closed for several weeks while extensive alterations and improvements were being made, and will be reopened for public worship on Sunday next, April 5th, when the Rev. A. B. Winchester, pastor of Knox Church, Toronto, will officiate at both services.

The changes made have greatly improved the appearance of the interior of the building. The old plastered ceiling has been covered with beautiful Georgia pine ceiling material, which not only adds to the beauty of the building but also ensures more safety than the old plaster. The building has been rewired and the electric lights installed in a more modern way. On either side of the church are three wall brackets, and from the centre of the ceiling is suspended a handsome five-light electrolier. A portable reading lamp has been placed on the pulpit and the choir loft is lighted with a three-light cluster.

The walls have been redecorated and are noticeably pleasing, owing to the simplicity of the work, which seems appropriate for a sacred building.

New carpets replace the old ones and other minor changes made that add much to the improvement and comfort of the building.

The total expenditure for the improvements will be at least \$700. The work is being indirectly financed by the Ladies' Aid of the Church.

WARWICK.

Miss Amy Harper and her mother are spending the week with her sister Mrs. John S. Minutely, Warwick.

Mrs. John Long and Mrs. Will Brown, Petrolia, attended the funeral of the late Mrs. Adams, on Saturday.

Mrs. C. R. Rivers and little son Harold of Mooretown, are spending a couple of weeks at the former's home, 18 side-road.

Mr. Wm. Dormer of Sauld Ste. Marie, who underwent an operation at the General Hospital three weeks ago, was able to be moved to his home on Wednesday the 25th.

William Trotter, aged 73, passed away at his home on lot 15, sixth line south, on Tuesday morning. The funeral was held on Thursday, to the Strathroy cemetery.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Howden, Main road, born on Saturday last, passed away Monday morning and was buried at Wisbech cemetery on Monday afternoon, Rev. W. M. Shore taking the service.

The regular meeting of the Warwick Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. D. Falloon, Warwick, on Thursday April 8. Roll call will be answered by giving recipes for serving potatoes.

After an illness of several months Mrs. Richard Adams passed to her rest early on Friday morning last. She was the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Long, Brooke. The whole community deeply sympathizes with Mr. Adams and his two boys, also with Mr. and Mrs. Long and their family in this time of their bereavement. Mrs. Adams will be missed greatly by all who knew her, having been a woman of strong character and loving disposition. She bore her suffering with such patience and fortitude that those who waited on her in her illness counted it a privilege to minister unto her. Since her girlhood Mrs. Adams has been a member of the church, and as her last day drew near she only grew stronger and stronger in her faith in the unseen but almighty and loving Saviour. She passed away in peace, leaving those who mourn for her to sorrow not as others who have no hope.

CHOP STUFF.

Forests tax rate this year will be 30 mills.

Kerwood will have a children's fair this coming fall.

Bothwell people are talking of organizing a brass band.

The net debt of Glenoe on Dec. 31st last was \$21,662.82.

The Petrolia council will provide suits for their baseball aggregation.

Parkhill has an energetic Board of Trade with W. J. Stewart president.

Ennisville council has granted \$1,500 towards building a new school house for section 19.

The Strathroy Age will erect a new office building on the corner of Front and Caradoc streets.

Petrolia baseball players will open the season Saturday with a game between Wagon Works teams.

The old Grand Trunk station at Sarnia has been purchased by Mr. Brown, of the St. Clair Hotel, who will pull it down.

Since the striking of the Oil Springs gas gusher Petrolia hotels have been crowded every night with men going back and forward to the scene of excitement.

Larger boxes for the rural mail delivery route have been ordered by the post office department and will very shortly be supplied. The parcel post system has been taken up by the farmers and the demand for larger boxes is the result. The new boxes will be supplied in a short time and will, it is said, cost only \$1.50 more than those now in use.