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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

The McKercher Family are holidaying at Hillsboro Beach. They are occupying Mrs. Chambers' cottage.

Service will be held in the Watford Baptist church next Sunday, August 26th, at 3 p.m., R. J. Campbell, pastor.

Dishes for Threshing—Call and see the special prices we have on all lines. A few dinner sets real cheap. —P. Dodds. a24-3t

Grocer—"Did that watermelon I sold you do for the whole family?" Customer—"Very nearly. The doctor is still calling.

Do you know that we would look to be more up-to-date if some of those old posters about town were pulled down?

Don't forget to be at Zion Methodist church nxet Sunday afternoon at 2.30 and hear Mrs. (Rev.) J. Jones of Wyoming.

Some cracks that had appeared in the Main street pavement were filled this week with tarvia to prevent their spreading.

When a widower marries a milliner or a dressmaker he is probably figuring on getting back part of what his first wife spent.

Service will be held in Presbyterian School room on next Sunday, Aug. 26th, morning and evening and at Knox church in the afternoon.

Mr. J. H. Mahon, late principal of the Watford public school, has been engaged by the Port Stanley school board as head of the public school in that place.

Around the circle—rags makes paper, paper makes money, money makes banks, banks makes loans, loans make poverty and poverty makes rags.

The rain showers on Monday and Tuesday were very welcome to those householders who were short of soft water but were a little too late to be of much benefit to the gardens.

Sir William R. Meredith, Chief Justice of Ontario, who fell ill at Scarboro Beach, Maine, where he was holidaying, died at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, on Tuesday in his 84th year.

Fannie Hurst's superb new cosmopolitan picture "The Nth Commandment" a big human story with tremendous heart appeal by the author of "Humoresque" will be presented at the Lyceum To-night.

Our Grocry Department is stocked with the best goods money can buy and you can always rely on them being fresh on account of our large turnover. Give us a trial order and be convinced for quality and price.—P. Dodds. a24-3t

Jones arrived home unexpectedly one morning and found his wife's Irish washerwoman the only occupant of the house. "Do you know anything about my wife's whereabouts?" he asked the queen of the tub. "Faith, an Oih don't Misther Jones," she replied. "There's nary a soign of them in the wash this week.'

You've never seen anything funnier or more exciting than Jack Holt's new comedy drama "A Gentleman of Leisure" all about an adventurous young club man who turns burglar on a wager and wins the bet and a beautiful girl to boot. Don't miss it at the Lyceum next Thursday.

The members of the maintenance of way of the C.N.R., their wives and families picnicked at Springbank Park on Saturday. The day was somewhat marred by rain, but nevertheless a very enjoyable day was spent. About 2000 were present. Those from Watford returned on the 6.51 p.m. train well pleased with the day's outing.

There will be a school for postmasters and postmistresses in the new International Building at the Canadian National Exhibition, conducted by the Postal authorities under instructions from Hon. Chas. Murphy, B.A., K.C., Postmaster-General. The public will find much to interest them in this exhibit.

The Guide-Advocate appreciates the kindly interest of its readers who forward items for publication, but must request that these be posted early in the week to ensure their being received in time for current issues. Some contributions are received each week at press hour which have to be held over until the following week or cancelled entirely if by that time they have become out-of-date.

The rule of Three—Three things to wish for—health, friends and a cheerful spirit. Three things to delight in—frankness, freedom and beauty. Three things to admire—power, gracefulness and dignity. Three things to avoid—idleness, loquacity and flippant jesting. Three things to govern—temper, tongue and conduct. Three things to hate—cruelty, arrogance and affectation. Three things to love—purity, truthfulness and honor. Three things to be—brave, gentle and loving.

John Farrell, supervisor of immigration has received word from the department of colonization, Toronto, to the effct that it has been decided to keep the London immigration office open until November. Ordinarily the office is closed each year by the end if July. Mr. Farrel was further informed that during the three-month extended period the department would make a thorough investigation as to the need of a permanent official the year round. If it is found necessary Mr. Farrell will, of course, receive the appointment.

The following interesting and ingenious inscription is alleged to have been found some years ago in Devon, England, inscribed on a curiously shaped stone of black basalt. It natually aroused quite a bit of interest amongst antiquarians:

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A Field Day for the Young People's Leagues of Strathroy districts will be held at the Waterworks Park, Watford, on Wednesday next, August 29. The sports will begin at one o'clock and will consist of boys' and girls' relay races, a basket ball game between Uttoxeter and Bethesda, five innings of soft-ball between Cairngorm and Arkona, and group games. Old fashioned picnic supper at six o'clock. The evening program at 7.30 will comprise a song. service led by the Watford choir and other musical selections; the final debate in the district tournament, Appin vs. Kerwood; and the presentation to winning leagues.

THE LUCKHAM FAMILY PICNIC

On Wednesday of last week, Aug. 15th, a reunion of the Luckham family was held at the old homestead, now the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Vance. Mrs. Vance is a daughter of the late Nicholas Luckham, who lived all his life on the place. A very pleasant afternoon was spent in various games by the younger folk and a walk around the old farm by the older ones, recalling old experiences and old landmarks. Supper was served on the spacious lawn, after which an impromptu but very enjoyable program was carried out. Mr. Friend Luckham, Watford's postmaster, presided, and called upon his father, the oldest member present, who is now in his 92nd year, to open the program. He responded by giving us a very interesting talk, reminiscent of the early days and "We love to hear the old Pioneer tell of the days of yore."

He was followed by Mr. John Thomas who told of his early recollections of the Luckham family and of his youthful impressions. We were next favored by a very felicitous and instructive address by Dr. Maxwell of Kingsville. Mr. Wm. Luckham, who was raised on the homestead, now of Winnipeg, spoke to us of the West and Western homesteads, which now compared very favorably with ours. The program was interspersed with songs by W. H. Luckham and Mr. Friend Luckham, lastly Mr. Wm. Luckham sang, his fine voice very slightly impaired, notwithstanding his years, "Thou thinkest Lord of me," his daughter, Mrs. Maxwell accompanying him. Then just as the sun set all joined in singing "Shall We Gather at the River" when the company broke up, all feeling 'twas good to have been there.

BORN

In Warwick, on Sunday, Aug. 12th, 1923, to Mr. and Mrs. John Learn, a son.

IN MEMORIAM

Kersey—In Loving memory of our dear daughter and sister, Mrs. Freeman Kersey, who departed this life four years ago to-day, Aug. 23rd.

"Gone but not forgotten."
—Father, Sisters, Brothers.

PERSONAL

Helen Nixon is visiting old friends in Port Stanley.

Mrs. F. B. Doan and family are spending a few days in Warwick.

Miss Jean Fitzgerald spent the weekend visiting friends in Sarnia.

Mrs. Thos. Collins and daughter, Marguerite, are visiting friends in Toronto.

Mrs. Ella Taylor of Long Branch, Cal., visited Mrs. Keller over the weekend.

Mrs. H. McNally, Wallaceburg, spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. Burch.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Brown are on a visit with relatives in Sault Ste Marie, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Dillon of Detroit are visiting at the home of Mr. Jas. Coke this week.

Mrs. John Knapton, London, was the guest of her cousin, W. E. Fitzgerald, last week.

Miss Laura Doan is spending her holidays with her aunt, Mrs. George Cull of Strathroy.

Mrs. John Gumb, London, spent a few days last week visiting her nephew, W. E. Fitzgerald.

Alberta Lovell is spending her holidays in Kingsville with Elaine Irwin at the Rectory.

Dr. and Mrs. Vern L. Newell, Detroit, spent Sunday here with Dr. and Mrs. James Newell.

Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Holts, of Toledo, O., visited their cousin, Mrs. F. J. Hughes, over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Procunier, Belmont, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Louks for the weekend.

Miss Eleanor McIntosh spent several days this week with her cousin, Miss Rubie E. Phillips, Sarnia.

Albert Gillett, London, is spending part of his holidays with his uncle, Mr. W. C. Aylesworth.

Dr. and Mrs. Clutterbuck, Toronto, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Fitzgerald while in town last week.

Audrey Hayward, Wyoming, spent the past week at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Hayward, St. Clair street.

Mr. and Mrs. David White, Toronto, visited friends and relatives in Watford and vicinity last week and this week.

Miss Jessie Thomson has returned to Duart after spending a couple of weeks with her friend, Miss Jessie McKercher.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Shrier, Strathroy spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Spalding.

Miss McGillicuddy, Miss Florence Edwards and Miss Annie Cran spent several days at Port Stanley this week.

Mrs. A. J. Weight and daughter, Edith, have returned after spending several weeks in Detroit.

Miss Minielly is in Toronto this week visiting friends. While there she will attend the fall millinery openings.

Mrs. (Capt.) Beresford, Master John G. Beresford and Miss Helen Beck of London were visitors at Mr. Jas. Coke's on Monday.

Mrs. J. R. Hastings, Windsor, spent the weekend with her brother and sister, A. W. Spalding and Mrs. S. Harris, Rachel street.

Mrs. A. E. Smith and Miss Elsie Weight are holidaying with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Weight.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Pritchett are motoring to Toronto, Brighton and Belleville and other points east and will return by Niagara Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Shearing and family have been holidaying for the past two weeks at the home of their mother, Mrs. Wm. Mitchell, Front st.

Mrs. H. W. McConnell, Winnipeg, who is spending the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Taylor, London, spent a few days in Watford last week.

Mr. W. J. Spalding, Mr. and Mrs. Brand and the Misses Brand, Detroit, spent Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Spalding.

Dr. and Mrs. G. Howden, Mr. M. Cameron, Miss Cameron, and Mr. W. O. Erb returned Monday from a most enjoyable motor trip to Ottawa and the Thousand Islands.

Mrs. E.D. Fitzsimons, Port Huron, who was the guest of her brother, Mr. David Morgan and sisters, on her way home from visiting relatives in St. Marys, Thorndale and London left Thursday for her home accompanied by her sister Mrs. J. McIllmurray.

WARWICK

The Vance families held a picnic at Hillsboro last Saturday.

Mrs. J. H. Robinson is holidaying for a month with relatives in Toronto.

Mr. Peter Ferguson, Main road, has gone to Carleton Place to see his brother who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Boddy and family of Detroit visited at Mr. Arthur Higgins' last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris Wilson, London, were visitors last week with their uncle Mr. John Smith.

Mrs. Hazel Bowie and Mrs. Alex. Fleming and family are holidaying at Bright's Grove.

Miss Hill of Woodstock is a guest at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. A. Goodhand, 15 sideroad.

The McCormick picnic was held at Hillsboro last Saturday, a good number of relatives and friends being in attendance.

Mrs. Turville (nee Annie Vance), Pt. Stanley, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vance and other relatives last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Boddy and family, Misses Ula and May Higgins and Mr. Roy Higgins motored to Drumbo last Friday.

Mrs. Patten and three children, Windsor, were guests at the home of the Misses Jennie and Sarah Vance, 4th line, a few days last week.

Miss Millie McGee, Woodstock, who was a guest last week with her friend, Miss Amy Luckham, returned home on Tuesday of this week.

Rev. W. R. Vance and Mrs. Vance Ilderton, visited at his old home on the 4th line, and picnicked with the Vance relatives at Hillsboro on Saturday.

Mrs. (Dr.) Reece Thomas and son, Lee, who have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vance for the past two months returned to their home near Seattle on Monday of this week.

Zion Methodist W. M. S. will hold a public meeting in the church, 2nd line, next Sunday, Aug. 26th, at 2.30 p.m., when Mrs. (Rev.) J. Jones, of Wyoming, will be the speaker. Everybody welcome.

Dr. and Mrs. Maxwell, Kingsville, and her father, Mr. William Luckham, Sarnia, were guests last week with Warwick relatives and left on Saturday for home visiting friends enroute.

The Brent-Mellor picnic was held at Kettle Point last Thursday in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mellor and daughter, Patsy, of Detroit, who left for their home last Saturday, after a two week's visit with his sister, Mrs. Brent.

Many friends heard with regret of the death of Rev. Hugh J. Fair at his home in Toronto last Thursday. Mr. Fair was a popular pastor of the Arkona and Bethel churches a few years ago. Interment took place at London on Saturday where Mrs. Fair and a son are buried.

Hugh, the five-year-old son of Mr. Neil Fair, 18 sideroad, had the misfortune to break his leg above the knee on Sunday. He was playing around a lumber wagon and got the leg caught on the reach with the above result. The accident will confine the little fellow to the house for some time.

A former resident of Warwick, Mr. Theodore Smith, passed away at the Ontario Hospital, Woodstock, on Sunday, Aug. 19th, aged 62 years. He was unmarried. The body was brought to the home of his brother, Mr. C. E. Smith, second line north, and the funeral took place from there on Wednesday afternoon to Bethel cemetery, Rev. W. K. Hager Methodist minister, conducting the service.

Zion W. M. S. held their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. W. E. Parker, Aug. 9th. Quite a number of visitors were present from West Adelaide Presbyterian W.M.S. The meeting opened in the usual way by the president. After roll call Mrs. S. C. Reycraft gave us the news from China, Miss Laura Wynne from the Indians, and Mrs. Joseph Parker from Japan. Mrs. H. A. McKenzie read the Devotional Leaflet, Mrs. J. F. Parker a paper on "Prohibition as it affects women", and Mrs. T.H. Fuller on "Prohibition as it affects children". Arrangements were made to have Mrs. (Rev.) J. Jones of Wyoming, give an address at the public meeting to be held in Zion Methodist church next Sunday Aug. 26th, at 2.30 p.m. Further arrangements were made as to bale, and the meeting closed with a special closing exercise. Interchange of thought and a splendid social time was then enjoyed by all while the hostess served lunch. Next meeting at the home of Mrs. Joseph Parker.

BASKET BALL

The Young Peoples' League of the Kerwood Methodist church spent a social evening with the Watford Leaguers Monday night. The special feature being a basketball game between the Kerwood and Watford girls, the visitors winning a 13-7 victory. The lineup:

Kerwood		Watford
M. Dowding	forwards	G. Manders
G. Morgan		Sadie Harper
V. Wright	defense	F. Lovell
J. Rogers		J. Rapson
R. Carroll	centre	W. Harper
M. Wright		D. Fowler

BROOKE

Donald Hume spent a few days with his cousin, Harold Edgar.

Miss Vera Edgar visited with her aunt a few days, Miss Elsie Brown, Watford.

John W. McNeil returned home after visiting his cousin, John Dempsey Mt. Brydges.

Erwin Dempsey returned home Monday after spending a week with his cousin at Lambeth.

Mrs. H. Williams and her mother, Mrs. Brown, of Watford, visited with Mrs. Geo. Edgar one day last week.

Miss Mabel Hicks returned home on Sunday after visiting with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. J. McNeil.

Miss Phoebe McNeil returned home on Wednesday after spending a week at the Hillis summer resort, Lake Huron.

Ethel and Doris Dempsey returned home Sunday after a two weeks' visit with their grandmother, Mrs. Thos. Hastings.

Mrs. A. C. Culverson and children, Trenton, are spending a few weeks with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Lucas.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. W. Griffith and daughters, Olive and Ellen, of Windsor, are the house guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Griffith, 10th line.

Mr. and Mrs. Trestain, Detroit, spent the weekend with Mrs. McLellan who returned with them Tuesday and will spend a couple of weeks in the City of the Straits.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Durham, Detroit, Mich., spent the weekend with relatives at Walnut. Miss Florence Lucas and her little nieces Vera and Nina, and nephew, Edward Durham, returned with them after spending their vacation with relatives here.

The meeting of the Brooke Women's Institute was held recently with an attendance of 30. The program was given by the girls. An interesting contest was put on by the hostess, Mrs. L. McLean, which caused much merriment in which Miss C. Ferguson won the prize of a box of chocolates. Papers were then given by Miss Cassie McLean on "Hot Lunches in the Rural School" and by Miss Rato Clark on "Nation Building in the Home." A pleasing instrumental by Miss Amy Hair, also a delightful solo by Marguerite Utter of Arkona entitled "In the garden of your heart." Alice McDonald also favored the ladies with a recitation. Refreshments were served by the hostess, after which a social half-hour was spent.

The regular meeting of the W.M.S. of Chalmers Presbyterian church was held at the home of Mrs. James Gilroy, on Thursday, Aug. 2nd. There were seventeen ladies present. The president, Mrs. A. C. Walker, presided. The third chapter on "The Life of Dr. Margaret McKellar" was read by Miss Margaret McIntyre and was much enjoyed by all present. A very interesting and instructive paper on "The Moslems in China", was read by Miss Ethel Annett. Next meeting at the home of Mrs. Colin Walker on Thursday, Sept. 6th. Mrs. Jas. Gilroy, Mrs. D. McGugan, Mrs. Ray Smith, to prepare papers for next meeting. All the ladies are cordially invited to be present. At the close of the meeting the hostess served lunch.

The High Pressure Oil & Gas Co., of which W. J. Hyatt is vice-president and managing director, have definitely decided to abandon the well drilled at Arkona after reaching a depth of 2800 feet, as their fishing for tools in the hole for the past six months failed to bring results. The well, Mr. Hyatt says, was easily good for a barrel of oil a day of 44 gravity. A new hole has been started 150 feet from the old one, the drillers, Gib Brown and Thos. Knapp, being down 100 feet.