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WATFORD, ONT., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1914

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 LetterBox.

LAST minute shopping.

SEND in the names of your Christmas THE days have started to grow longer

ALVINSTON young men will hold a dance on New Year's Eve. A DRAMATIC performance will be given by Inwood young people for the Patriotic Fund.

OLD KING CHRISTMAS and Old King

Coal are commanding considerable at tention just now.

TRENOUTH & Co.'s chopping and rolling mill will be in operation next week. See Want column. AT Peace River Crossing, Alberta, otatoes are worth \$3 a bushel and are

hard to get at that price. COURT LORNE, C.O.F., will meet on Tuesday evening next instead of Monday. Election of officers and other important

How would you like to be the Kaiser this Christmas? "Peace on earth," and "Merry Christmas" would sound pretty flat coming from his lips.

All horses for the Militia Department will in future be purchased direct from the farmers, thus doing away with the middleman's commission.

OUR local puck-chasers are getting into shape and will give a good account of themselves before the season is over. There'll be no whitewash this year.

REMEMBER the concert for the Belgians on Christmas afternoon. A first-class program. Rev. J. C. Forster will preside. The Armory at 3 o'clock.

THE Christmas music, including the anthems, "Let us go unto Bethlehem," and "Sing and Rejoice," will be repeated in Trinity Church on Sunday evening.

Mr. E. D. Swift received a cablegram from Dublin on Wednesday, from his son, Capt. T. L. Swift, stating that he was spending Christmas with relatives in Ireland.

A DAINTY or comfortable pair of house A DAINTY of Committees part of Avantage Shippers would make a very appropriate Christmas gift for wife, husband or children. A bountiful array of styles at

P. Dodds' & Son's. THERE will be no war news on Christmas day, the censors are taking a rest of 31 hours to keep Christmas and no war news will be torwarded from 2 o'clock on

Thursday until 9 o'clock Christmas night. THE Industrial Mortgage & Savings Company, Sarnia, Ont., has on hand a large amount of funds for investment in Farm Land Mortgages. Write the Company for particulars. d18-4t

While eating THANK GOODNESS. While eating Christmas dinner this year, we will not imagine that each mouthful of the fowl tastes of silver. First time in years that poultry could be had at a reasonable

THE past week has been a busy one with the Watford merchants and a splendid Christmas trade has been done. The large and attractive stocks carried here are big attraction to the purchasing

THE Junior Home Guard of Watford have sent out invitations for a dance to be held in the Armory on Friday evening Jan. 1st, 1915. Shook's orchestra." of Detroit, has been engaged to furnish the

The village of Thamesville is entirely free from debt, the last \$2000 having been wiped out by this year's council. There will be no occasion for an election in that place. Acclamation of the old council would be the proper thing.

The Women's Institute of Watford have engaged the Mack Concert Co.

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have engaged the Mack Concert Co., consisting of a violinist, Highland dancer, vocalist, interpretive reader and pianist for a concert on Monday evening, January 11th. Proceeds for Red Cross funds. Particulars later.

THERE will be services in Trinity Church on Christmas Day at 8.30 a.m. and 10 a.m. The choir will be present at the 10 o'clock service, when the anthems will be sung. There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at each service. each service.

CAPT. C. S. TAMLIN on behalf of Sir Adam Beck, will purchase army remounts at Watford on Thursday next, Dec. 31st. Riding horses must be 5 to 9 years of age, 15 to 15.3 hands, weight 1000 to 1150 lbs. For artillery horses, 5 to 9 years, 15.1 to 15.3 hands, 1150 to 1300 lbs. No light greys or whites taken.

A NEW publication, published in Toronto, was placed before the public this week. It is called "The Canadian War," contains 32 pages and cover, magazine size, and sells at five cents. It is written and edited voluntarily and printed at the bare cost. All profits that are made go to the war funds. The sole object of this paper is to discuss the Canadian aspects of the war, as an aid to the patriotism of our own people and as a means of explaining why we are in the conflict now and to the finish. The first number is devoted to the Belgians. Future issues will deal with the Red Cross, Patriotic Fund and other aspects of Canada's share of the war. of Canada's share of the war.

GOOD sleighing for the Christmas rush. PRINCESS PAT'S PETS are now on the FIREWOOD is plentiful this season and

Nominations in the Lyceum next Monday night at 7.30.

BELGIAN RELIEF concert in the Armory Christmas afternoon at 3 o'clock. P. Dodds & Son extend to all their

customers the compliments of the season. It is many a year since choice poultry has been as plentiful in Watford as it is

THE 24th of December, not the 21st of une, is the longest day in the year for the kiddies.

Those who have hens laying at the present time have something better than the majority of gold mines.

THE Kaiser is in for a sad, sad Christmas but then has he not brought sadness to tens of thousands of others? NEXT Sunday, Dec. 27th, Rev. F. G. Robinson will occupy the pulpit of the Methodist Church, Forest, at both ser-

ONE of the most artistic 1915 calendars seen this year is the one Wm. William-son, the coal man, distributed to his customers.

THE children of Trinity Church Sunday School were given a Christmas feed on Tuesday evening by the teachers and parents.

Two or three of "Pastor Russell's" students were at Embro giving phonograph lectures and lime light views, but got little patronage.

THE fact that advertising brings results was made clear to a St. Louis man who advertised for a wife with two child-

ren, and got one with seven. CANADA will probably have to borrow \$100,000,000 a year while the war lasts, is the opinion of Hon. W. T. White, Dominion Minister of Finance.

An American university professor has explained that German "kultur" means something very different from our culture. We had suspected as much.

MR. MANVILLE J. WILLIAMS, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. S. Williams, of Wat-ford, has been elected Mayor of Kettle Falls, Wash., for the second time. Following the request from the Sarnia

merchants that the Customs regulations be more rigidly enforced, the business men of Pt. Huron are threatening to dismiss all Canadians in their employ.

THERE is nothing nicer for a Christmas present than a handsome piece of china. We have a varied assortment of single pieces and sets at rémarkably low prices. Call and see.—P. Dodds & Son. WHEN the old man remarked: "I see

when the old man remarked: "I see where the allies have attacked the Germans in the flank," his wife who was sitting by knitting replied, "I'm glad of it. I allus did say that the kaiser needed accel exacting." od spanking

AMONG the names mentioned by their friends as suitable candidates for municipal honors in Watford are Col. Kenward for Reeve, A. G. Brown, L. H. Cook, R. S. Saunders and W. H. Harper for Councillors. Messrs. Kenward and Harper are retiring members of the Board of Education this year.

THE Christmas number of the Farmer's Advocate, issued last week, is the best holiday publication yet to hand. It is replete with seasonable articles by some of the best Canadian writers, and is splendidly illustrated. Week in and week out the Advocate ranks with the best agricultural publications on the continent.

THE Rev. A. E. Moorehouse, of Forest, will preach in the Lyceum next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and 7 p.m. A special song service will be given, when the Christmas anthems will be repeated and the male quartette will sing. Rev. W. G. Connelly will give a short address and Dr. Geo. Hicks will preside.

MISS NESBITT will have her display of Miss Nessitt will have her display of Christmas goods in Harper Bros.' store and will open Saturday, Dec. 5th. Novelties in all new and original designs, all handmade and hand-decorated. Pictures as a gift give lasting pleasure, and I will have many suitable subjects which will have many suitable subjects which will find a welcome place in any home. kindly invite your inspection.

THE October number of "The Teller," the neat little periodical published by the Sterling Bank for the benefit of its employees and others interested, is to hand. It is replete with terse in formation about banking and kindred subjects, and is always welcomed to our desk. The articles in the October issue are particularly interesting. It is issue are particularly interesting. It is published quarterly.

S. STAPLEFORD & SON had the con tract this week to supply five hundred turkeys for Hiram Walker & Sons, distillers, Walkerville. The turkeys were packed in fancy boxes accompanied with Christmas greetings and were presented by the firm to their employees. The Walkers sent a man here to superintend the packing.

THE race for spending money need-lessly and unprofitably in pleasure and other ways of extravagance has become a disease with too many young persons. a disease with too many young persons. Thousands of young persons are regularly spending more weekly in luxuries and what they call a good time than their parents spent in a similar way in a year. Then when the pinch comes, work falls off, or sickness overtakes them they are on their faunches at once.

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Readers A





REMEMBER the poor.

DOAN & Co., butchers, have a fine display of Christmas beef and poultry. JOHN MATHEWS wishes all his friends and customers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

WITH Christmas greetings and best wishes for a prosperous Happy New Year.

-CARL A. CLASS.

THE local branch of the Sterling Bank is distributing a nice 1915 calendar to its customers. Ask for one.

IF you have anything to sell or want to buy something you cannot locate, try an ad in our Want Column.

Oranges, candies, nuts, bananas and all the little trimmings you need for Christmas at P. Dodds & Son's.

IF there is anything you have forgotten to get for Christmas the stores will be open until bedtime this (Thursday) eve. THE roads are so bad with drifts in places that some of the rural route carriers had to go out with a team on Wednesday. THE deputy returning officers for the

local election are: Div. No. 1, John Bruce; No. 2, C. F. Abbott. Poll clerks, No. 1, F. J. Hughes; No. 2, B. Craig. THE retiring members of the Board of Education are: Col. Kenward, E. D. Switt, Dr. Hicks, W. H. Harper and S. W. Louks, the latter being a County Council appointer.

Council appointee. MRS. JOHN BRYSON received word mrs. John Bryson received word from Albany, Oregon, Dec. 23rd, of the death of her mother, widow of the late Wm. Gott, of Strathroy. Two sons and five daughters mourn the loss of a loving, obsistion mother. christian mother.

THE Sarnia Observer issued a twenty eight page Cityhood Commeration edition this week which is highly creditable to the office and the city. It is profusely illustrated and brim full of valuable information. uable information.

THE 13th annual Winter Show of the Lambton Poultry Association will be held in Thedford on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Jan. 20, 21 and 22, 1915. Entries must be in the hands of the Sec., A. E. Doan, not later than Jan. 12.

SETTING FIRE to the Christmas pudd SETTING FIRE to the Christmas pudding dates back to pagan times, when fire worship formed the basis of the Briton's mid-winter festival. You can't do it now because the law prevents you from buying the brandy unless you take your pudding to the bar room and set fire to it there, so another old custom must go to the wall.

One of Sarnia's oldest residents in the person of "Jerry" Thatcher passed away Wednesday morning at the General hospital at the advanced age of 87 years and 5 months. Mr. Thatcher was one of the old-time hotelkeepers of Sarnia. He had been a resident of Sarnia for over half a been a resident of Sarnia for over half a century, and forty-eight years ago he in partnership with Thomas Smith conducted the International hotel, which was located on the property now occupied by St. Andrew's rink on Christina street. Later he gave up business and for a number of years was on the Sarnia police force, part of which time he held the office of chief of police. For some time past he had been in failing health, and resided at the General hospital. Mrs. Thatcher predeceased her husband sev-

## PERSONAL.

Miss Loretta Roche, Parkdale, is home Miss Reta Logan, Wanstead, is home

for Christmas Miss Jessie Hume, Markdale, is home for the holidays

Mr. C. O. Fuller, Saskatoon, is home for Christmas. Miss Clara Carroll, Ingersoll, is home

for the holidays. Miss Flo Lovell, Clifford, is home for the holidays.

Miss Maud Marwick, Alvinston, is home for Christmas. Miss Mary Glass, trained nurse, Toledo,

is home for Christmas. Mr. Burton Lucas is home from Toron-

to Faculty for Christmas. Frank Lawr, Windsor, is spending Christmas in this vicinity.

Miss Rosa Brown, Arkona, is home for the Christmas holidays. Burton Mitchell, College of Medicine,

Toronto, is home for the holidays. Miss E. Isabel Harris, Welland, is spending Christmas at her home here.

Mr. John R. Hastings, Petrolea, is visiting his brother, Isaac J. Hastings.

the graduation of her neice, Miss Gladys Brock, at the Charlotte Englehart Hos-

pital, Petrolea, last week. Mr. Walter Bole, of the Bole Drug Co., Toronto, accompanied by Mrs. Bole, were visitors in town last week, the guests of Mrs. Hastings, Front street.

Mr. George Rogers, of Calgary, who was in business in Watford in the early days of the town, was here on Tuesday looking up old friends and acquaintances.

## Group 10, Intermediate O. H. A.

A meeting was held at Rogers Hotel on Friday evening last when the follow-ing schedule was decided on.

Jan. 6—Alvinston at Watford. Jan. 11—Watford at Sarnia.

Jan. 14—Alvinston at Sarnia. Jan. 20—Watford at Alvinston Jan. 25—Sarnia at Watford, Jan. 29—Sarnia at Alvinston.

Referees— W. Hern, Stratford; H. Batholomew, Alvinston; C. Dodds, Wat-

Woodmen Officers for 1915

At the last regular meeting of Watford Camp, No. 23, Woodmen of the World, the following officers were elected:

Past Consul Com., W. E. Fitzgerald C. C. George H. Brain Adviser. Andrew Harrower Clerk S. W. Louks Banker E. Dowding Escort G. H. Pearce Watchman, V. Lambert Sentry Russel McCormick Managers W. McLeay, Nichol McNee and Absolon Lucas.

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BROOKE Miss Kate Anderson, is home from

Miss Annie McDonald is home from

oronto Faculty, for the holidays. Miss Ruth Davis, Sutorville, is home from Bishop Strachan's school, Toronto, for Christmas.

The Christmas.

The Christmas service will be held in St. James' Church, Brooke, on Sunday morning next. The choir will sing appropriate music. There will be a celebrate this beautiful to the choir will see a celebrate music. ration of the holy communion.

The service at Christ Church, Sutor-ville, next Sunday will be in keeping with the festival season of Christmas, The choir will render special music. There will be a celebration of the Holy

## WARWICK.

Mr. Robert James, Toronto," is home for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Wm. F. Clark, Montieth, Ont., is spending Christmas with relatives here.

J. Elmer Thompson, student at Tor-F. L. Kingston and wife, Ford, Out.,

are spending their Christmas holidays with friends on the 4th line. The Sunday School Anniversary Services will be held at the Zion Methodist church, 2nd line, next Sunday, when Rev. A. E. Moorehouse, of Forest, will preach at 2.30 and 7 p.m.

Warwick Methodist Sunday School Watwick including the Orange Hall on Wednesday evening, Dec. 30th. A fine program including the cantata "What Happened to Santa Claus." Admission

5 cents. Everybody come. The presentation of the long service medal to Pte. Charles Stewart has been postponed until some time next month when a social evening will be held by the Home Guard and an interesting program given.

The Christmas tree and entertainment in connection with Zion Methodist Sunday school, 2nd line, was held on Tuesday evening and, despite disagreeable weather and rather poor sleighing, was a big success in every way. An excellent program was presented, varied in its character, and every number was well received. The Watford High School Dramatic Club gave the førce, "When Your Wife's Away," in a manner that called forth eulogy from all present, each actor performing his or her part as if dramatic art was their daily avocation. The farce was one of the best attractions ever given at an entertainment in this district. The orchestra gave some good music, and at the close of the program Santa Claus made the hearts of the little ones glad with a profusion of presents. The Christmas tree and entertainment

Mr. John R. Hastings, Petrolea, is visiting his brother, Isaac J. Hastings.
Mrs. (Dr.) Kelly and family are spending Christmas with relatives in Montreal.
Miss Verna Bambridge, teacher in the Wroxeter school, is home for the holidays.
Mr. and Mrs. Hyde, Colling, Mich., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Fowler.
Miss Lingelbach, milliner at A. Brown & Co.'s, has returned to her home at Tavistock.
Miss Grace Mead, Miss Jean McKercher and Miss Mary Mansfield are home from London Normal.
Mr. and Mrs. D. IMcLachlan, Evart, Mich., are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Dodds.
Mr. John Roche, of St. Jerome College teaching staff, Berlin is spending the Christmas holidays at his home here.
Miss Clara Morgan, R. N., attended

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