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W. S. FULLER, Clerk.

ARKONA

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ng Peter, the Prisoner of Hope,the subject of Rev. C. King'snorning sermon in the Baptistthe Lord's Supper with the rightellowship to new members willed at the close. A full attendarnestly desired in view of thisorward Movement, now undernning subject, "Gideon, Ready".rsday evening the choir will be in the special Service of Interand Friday the Sunday Schoolwill take the meeting in hand.ly is cordially invited.

big wind storm of SaturdayRichard Wilson lost his finelence by fire. It is thought am one of the chimneys whiched out early in the evening wast for the blaze. Mr. and Mrs.id their little son had retiredght when neighbor Martin gave, but, with the gale on at theas too late to save the building.the contents of the building,was salvaged by the big volunl of neighbors who were promptspot to land a hand. Alll fruit, vegetables, etc., in thellar was destroyed, and thewas only partially insured.mpathy is expressed for theortunately, the wind was inirection of Mr. Wilson's barnsuildings in town would haves smoke.

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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.

TUESDAY'S thaw was of short duration.

Revival meetings commence next Sunday in the Armory.

Final meeting of the 1919 Council next Monday night.

SKATES, hockey sticks, pucks, straps, etc., at right prices at HOWDEN'S.

LOCAL nimrods are bagging a large number of rabbits this week.

LAMBTON'S 149, I.O.D.E., will give a dance in the Armory, Christmas week.

A U. F. O. convention will be held in Toronto next week, beginning on Tuesday.

CHRISTMAS tie special at 75c and $1.00, other values up to $3.50.—A. BROWN & Co.

THE neighborhood prayer meetings being held this week are being well attended.

THE Rev. S. P. Irwin attended a special meeting of the Synod of the Diocese of Huron at London this week.

THE County Court is being held this week at Sarnia before Judge MacWatt. There are six cases on the docket.

TECUMSEH, I. O. D. E., shipped this week a barrel of canned fruit, jam and pickles to the Soldiers' Ward, Byron Sanitorium.

HOLEPROOF HOSIERY for ladies in silk $1.50 and $2.00 per pair.—SWIFT, SONS & Co.

WHEN you are renewing for the Guide-Advocate we can forward your subscription to the Toronto or London daily papers for you.

THE Board of Education of the town of Trento. has decided to dissolve the union board into High School and Public School Boards.

COURT LORNE No. 17, C. O. F. Monday evening, Dec. 15th. A full attendance is requested. Election of officers and a lot of other important business.

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

THE marriage took place recently of Miss Ila Bawden of Clinton to Mr. W. J. McDonald of Leamington. The bride's many friends in Watford extend congratulations.

THERE will be a special meeting of L. O. L. No. 505 on Friday evening, Dec. 12th, at which Bro. Alex. Hall, of Toronto, will speak. All brethren are cordially invited to attend.

REGARDING memorial crosses a recent regulation provides that a cross will be issued by the Department of Militia to the deceased soldier's widow and also one to his mother.

THE Guide-Advocate news columns are crowded this week owing to the pressure of the Christmas advertising. Read every announcement of the investment suggesters and do your buying early.

CHRISTMAS Sale of Ladies Coats. One quarter off.—A BROWN & Co.

Now that you have paid your taxes, as we hope all have, you can blow in the rest of your roll on Christmas gifts. With the advent of the new year you can begin to gather together a few dollars to pay the coal bill.

AT the Friday afternoon session of the County Council, ex-Warden J. B. Woodhall of Thedford was appointed to succeed Mr. H. Ingram as county Treasurer, the latter having recently resigned on account of ill health.

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

THE dance given by the Junior Progress Club in the Armory, Tuesday evening, was a huge success and immensely enjoyed by the large number of young people who attended. The Kineto orchestra supplied the music which was good.

TESTING for water for the proposed water works system of the town is now going on at the old Lawrence factory property. Mr. B Huffman, the contractor, has a drilling rig at work and definite information regarding the supply of water obtainable may be looked for soon.

DENT'S Xmas Gloves—big range in ladies' and men's.—SWIFT, SONS & Co.

CAPT. JOE LAWSON, famous as the champion recruiter of Toronto, will conduct the services in the Congregational church, Watford, on Sunday, under the auspices of the Christian Men's Brotherhood Federation of Canada. Every returned man should hear Capt. Lawson. Everybody welcome.

THE best Christmas gift you can make to a friend at a distance is a year's subscription to The Guide-Advocate— a gift that is welcomed and appreciated every week in the year. New subscribers receive the balance of this year free. td

WOULD those who wish to contribute towards the Christmas parcels to be sent to soldiers in London Military Hospital, kindly leave their gifts at J. W. McLaren's Drug Store on or before Dec. 17. Apples, home-made candy, Christmas cake or cigarettes are specially asked for —Lambton's 149 I.O.D.E.

HAVE you got all your Christmas presents ready?

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

CARR'S Mackinaw Coats for men or boys.—A. BROWN & Co.

NURSING SISTER CLARA TYE, Toronto, is visiting at her home here.

GEORGE MEADE, London, was a visitor at W. E. Fitzgerald's this week.

MRS. C. E. PURDY, Toronto, spent last week at the home of her mother, Mrs. Tye.

SPECIAL range of fancy hand towels for Xmas selling.—SWIFT, SONS & Co.

THE trouble with the numerous directions given for the econmic feeding of furnaces is that they all call for coal.

THE public school will close for the Christmas holidays on Friday next, Dec. 19th and reopen on January 5th, 1920.

HYDRO service in Watford has been cut down 50 horsepower as a result of recent orders received from the commission.

ROGERS and Community silverplate in Old Colony, Patrician and Adam designs A piece of silver makes a pleasing and lasting gift.—HOWDEN EST.

"WHEN an automobile smokes it is consuming expensive fuel unnecessarily." As the W. C. T. U. would say, how like a man.

SOME folks figguhs dey's hurtin' de church wen dey gits mad and quits, but dey's wrong 'bout dat,—hit don' nevuh hurt de tree fur de rotten apples t' fall off.

IT WAS necessary to hunt up the snow shovel on Saturday, about three inches of the beautiful covering the walks by night. A thaw Tuesday took most of it away.

WOODS' Boston Coffee, 60c and 70c a pound. Our black and green teas at 70c are exceptional values in the present market.—N. B. HOWDEN EST.

Returned soldiers who are now in receipt of gratuities will probably receive these somewhat earlier this month than is usual in order to enable them to do their Christmas shopping early.

TO THE question, "Tell what you know about Dickens' nom de plume," a Fredericton high school student answered: "It was written in prose. I have read it, and enjoyed it very much"

A GIFT for every week in the year—a subscription to the home paper, the Guide-Advocate. Nothing that you can send to a distant son or daughter will give more satisfaction.

THE Watford High School Commencement exercises will be held in the Lyceum this (Thursday) evening. An excellent program will be given under the direction of Prof. Howard Gordon.

SPECIAL NOTICE—It is my privilege to express my sincere gratitude to all who either directly or indirectly so splendidly helped me to win a trip in the Battlefield Tour Campaign.—VERA A. M. FULLER.

AN EXTRACT from a letter lately received from a Canadian lady in England says:—"You will understand how scarce food is when I tell you each person per week gets one ounce of butter, six ounces of sugar, fifty lbs. of coal, milk is 24 cents a quart, condensed milk 30 cents a tin. Canada for ours after Christmas, where if you have the price you can get the food."

COMING! The NEW FORD, with one man top, Ventilating windshield, better and deeper upholstering, wider and more comfortable seats, demountable rims, Non-skid tires, tire carrier, roller bearing in front wheels, improved steering gear, all at the same price. Surely it will pay you to see this car before purchasing.—RAY MORNINGSTAR. tf

THE piece of road south of the railway bridge which has been constructed recently under the Good Roads System was inspected on Thursday by Mr. John McCallum, County Inspector and Mr. Walter Cornell, Government Inspector. They report the work entirely satisfactory and more in conformity with what the government expects than any they have heretofore inspected. This should be satisfactory to the council and also to the ratepayers.

AT a meeting called by Mr. Fred G. Poole, district secretary of the National Council of Young Men's Christian Associations, held in the public library board room on Monday evening, it was decided to start a branch of the Y.M.C.A. in Watford. Mr. Poole was present and explained the objects and workings of the Association. A committee consisting of Messrs. Bate, Hicks, Sawers and Aylesworth was named to work out the details necessary for a branch here.

MEN'S Shirts for Xmas, splendid range at SWIFT, SONS & Co.

A SUBSCIBER of the Guide-Advocate living in the far west writes:—"I wonder how many people in the old home town and district ever think what a pleasure it is to get the Guide-Advocate when one is in a strange community, and thus learn what is better than a letter from home as far as news is concerned. It is interesting from first page to last, I even read all the advertisements." One has to be away from home to fully appreciate the home paper. Send the Guide-Advocate to your absent friends for a Christmas box. They will appreciate it. Don't stop there, but see that the editor gets every item of interest that you know. Make this paper a genuine "letter from home" to our former residents.

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

PERSONAL Greeting Christmas Cards are being printed at The Guide-Advocate. Call and see samples. td

WE have a nice assortment of English Jardiniers and Casseroles suitable for Christmas gifts, all prices.—N. B. HOWDEN, EST.

NINETEEN years ago we took out a twenty-year endowment policy, says an exchange. When it matures, next year, the face of the policy will buy us a pair of shoes, ten gallons of gasoline, a cord tire and a pair of theatre tickets. Twenty years ago we thought it would buy us a house, a new bicycle, a meerchaum pipe, a corduroy waistcoat and a trip around the world.

SEE SWIFT, SONS & Co.'s Ladies' Blouse Dept. This week some dainty models are on display for Xmas selling and prices are very moderate. A special line in chic crepe de chine in four shades. These come at $6.50, other ranges up to $15.50.

THE December meeting of Lambton's 149 I.O.D.E. was held at the home of Mrs. R. H. Stapleford on Tuesday afternoon, sixteen members being present. The members decided to send Christmas parcels to soldiers in London Military Hospital, and a request is made that everyone donate some article. Three bags were received from the Navy League to be filled and sent to Halifax before Christmas. This was left in the hands of a committee. The Chapter is arranging to hold a dance during Christmas week. Mrs. Niven of London was nominated for the War Memorial committee. Mrs. Fuller rendered a piano solo, after which the meeting came to a close by singing "God Save The King." Luncheon was served by the hostess. The January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Pritchett.

THE year 1920 will be leap year, consequently February will have 29 days. Spring will commence March 20, Summer on June 21, autumn, Sept. 23, and winter, Dec. 21st. There will be four eclipses, two of the sun and two of the moon. Two of them will be visible in Canada, one of the moon on May 2nd and partial eclipse of the sun on Nov. 10th, hence the smoked glass business won't boom much. New Years day and Christmas day will come on Thursday and Saturday respectively. Easter Sunday falls on April 4th and Dominion day on Thursday. To give the people a good chance to get to church, February, May, August and October will have five Sundays each. Weather probabilities enkindles hope for dealers in umbrellas, waterproofs and rubbers. Many marriages are assured as the ladies do the proposing and get the man or a silk dress. Perhaps both.

CHRISTMAS cake ingredients are scarce and high but we have them with the same old quality and a finely pared price. Leave us your order.—N. B. HOWDEN EST.

MRS. VERA A. M. FULLER was successful in winning second place in District No. 2 in the European Battlefield Campaign of the London Free Press which closed on Saturday. The nine winners in the district together with four from the city of London and two chaperons will take a 44 days' trip to Europe, starting next July, to view the scenes of the late struggle and visit many other points of interest. Mrs. Fuller obtained 766,921 votes, being only about 75,000 below the winner of first place. She is to be congratulated on her success which was richly deserved as she worked faithfully and continuously since the opening of the campaign. Wishing to visit the resting places of her heroic husband and brother, who gave their lives in the cause of freedom in the early days of the conflict, was her chief reason for entering the subscription contest in which she came so close to heading the list. The Guide-Advocate joins with her many friends in sincere congratulations on her success, and all hope she may derive much satisfaction from the trip.

Union Special Services

Many will remember with very much pleasure the meetings held in the Armory here two years ago and will be interested to know that the churches are again uniting for a similar campaign. These services will commence next Sunday with a prayer meeting in the armory following the regular evening services in the churches. It will commence at 8.15 o'clock and will be led by Rev. Mr. Sawers. Then throughout the week following commencing at 8 o'clock each evening, Rev. Mr. Woodside, of Brantford, will have charge and will preach at each service. We are expecting a full turn out of the various choirs and others who formerly assisted. All singers are invited to join the union choir which for the first week will be led by Rev. Rayner.

Mr. Woodside has been in Watford before and any who then heard him are looking forward with great expectation to his coming. His dates are from Monday the 15th to Friday the 19th inclusive. Then following the Christmas week's holiday and commencing with Sunday, Dec. 28, Rev. H. T. Crossley and his associate as leader of song, Mr. Leonard, are coming for a three weeks campaign.

The song book used in all these meetings is to be "Songs for Service" the same one as used two years ago. It is hoped that all who can, will come from the very first, and in the meantime be much in prayer.

Watford Hockey Club

The Watford Hockey Club has organized for the season with the following officers:—

President—P. J. Dodds.
Vice-President—A. D. Elliot.
Sec.-Treas.—A. L. Johnston.
Managing Committee—F. W. Rogers, F. O. McIlveen, F. A. MacLean.
Advertising Committee—S Rogers, A. McKercher, C. H. Butler.

BROOKE

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

Mr. Samuel Johnston who is in Victoria hospital, London, where he went last week to undergo an operation for appendicitis, is reported to be doing nicely.

Mrs. Mary McGregor passed away on Monday last in her 91st year. The funeral was held on Tuesday from the family residence, con. 10, to Alvinston cemetery. Obituary next week.

Christ Church Sunday School, Sutorville, purpose holding their entertainment and Xmas tree on Wednesday evening, Dec. 17th, in the school house. A good program is being prepared. Come and hear a treat and enjoy the "Sutorville Orchestra." Mr. Farrell, chairman. Admission 35 and 15 cents.

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WARWICK.

Messrs. Donald McLeay and Jas. McIlroy are each nursing a broken arm the effects of a backfire while cranking their autos.

Miss Olive Corney wishes to thank her many friends who so kindly gave her their votes in the recent contest at the Lyceum.

Mrs. G. A. Westgate and little girls Dorothy and Myrtle left Friday to visit her sister, Mr. R. A. Dennis, Shawville, Quebec.

An entertainment under the auspices of Grace Church Sunday School, 4th line, will be held in the School House, on Friday, Dec. 19th. Admission, adults 25c, children 10c. all are invited. 28-4t.

Mr. John Caughlin who underwent a serious operation for appendicitis in St. Joseph's Hospital, London, on Monday, is improving niceiy at last report. His sister, Miss Sara, R. N., is attending him.

Capt. Joe Lawson, of Toronto, will conduct the service in Zion Congregational Church, on Sunday afternoon at 2.45 p. m. under the auspices of The Christian Men's Brotherhood Federation of Canada.

Does anything ever happen in your district? It so send it to the Guide-Advocate office and help keep your neighborhood on the map. It helps your district to let others know of your movements. News items placed in an envelope, left unsealed and mailed to the Guide-Advocate office are carried in the mail for a one cent stamp.

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KNOX Presbyterian Church, Warwick, purposes celebrating the 50th anniversary of its opening on the first Sunday in January. The Rev. Hugh Cameron, minister from 1884—1888, and Rev. Robt. Haddow, D.D., minister from 1897—1900, have kindly accepted the invitation to be present and will not only conduct the services on Sunday, Jan. 4th, but will remain over to speak at the anniversary entertainment on Monday evening. Miss Jean Walker, of London, Elocutionist; and H. T. Bronson, baritone soloist, of London, have also been secured for this entertainment.

The annual meeting of Pioneer L.O.L. No. 516, Warwick, was held on Tuesday evening, Dec. 2nd. The Grand Lodge Organizer, Bro. Alex. Hall, of Toronto, was present and addressed the brethern. The auditors report showed a very creditable balance on hand. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered the retiring Master, Bro. G. H. Holbrook, for the able manner in which he filled the office for the past two years. The election of officers resulted as follows, after which lunch was served: W. M.—Bro. G. A. Smith; D. M.—John Kirvelle; Chap.—Rev. Bro. W. M. Shore; Rec.-Sec.—Eric Smith, Fin. Sec.—Henry Bartley; Treas.—Chas. Hawkins; Dir. of Cer.—Wm. Blunt; Lecturer—G. H. Holbrook; Comm.—B. B. Dann, T. Brush, J. Steward, S. Barnes, C. Blunt; Auditors—D. R. Fallon, R. Cope. Tylers—T. Waller, K. Cope.

President Halbert of the U. F. O. won the federal by-election in North Ontario on Tuesday.

Strathroy is up against an inadequate water supply, as the ten wells have failed to give the quantity required.

Crossley and Leonaad Coming to Watford

The following is an extract from a personal letter written by T. B. Holtley, manager of the Merchants Bank and a prominent layman of the City of St. Thomas, concerning Rev. H. T. Crossley.

"Mr. Crossley is in the second week of his campaign in First Methodist Church, St. Thomas, his "Home Town." We are delighted, yes, we are delighted with his work and are expecting grand results. I understand you purpose having him for a campaign and I am sure he will give you splendid service."

Rev. Mr. Crossley, several years ago in company with the late Rev. J. E. Hunter conducted a series of special services in this town. His many friends and admirers will be interested and pleased to know that he comes again on Sunday, Dec. 28th, to commence another campaign in which the Presbyterians, Congregationalists, Baptists and Methodists unite. Mr. Crossley has associated with him Mr. Leonard. They come very highly recommended having just passed through very successful campaigns in New Liskeard, Fenwick and Hamilton. At persent they ar... ... Thomas.

Presbyterian Anniversary Services

The anniversary services in the Watford Presbyterian church last Sunday were well attended, the church being filled in the morning and overflowing at night.

The unveiling of the memorial tablet to our fallen heroes, Sergt. Clayton O. Fuller, Gunner Russell H. Trenouth and Pte. Thomas Lamb, was a very impressive ceremony. A brief address was given by the pastor in which he pointed out the duty of remembering those who have rendered us so great service. The congregation stood and after the flag veiling the tablet had been drawn aside by Lance Corp. Jeffrey C. Trenouth, the congregation sang God Save The King, and two verses of the hymn as often sung by the soldiers at nightfall.

Abide with me! fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.
I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness;
Where is death's string? where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still if Thou abide with me.

The large audiences listened with deepest interest to two most spiritual and able sermons by the preacher of the day Rev. James MacKay, of St. James church, London. The address in the morning was on "Mary's breaking the alabaster box of ointment on our Lord," and in the evening on John 15. "The Vine and the branches." Mr. MacKay will always be welcomed back by the people of Watford.

CHOP STUFF

There is a case of sleeping sickness in Pt. Edward.

Wm Lambert and Jack Milner, of Petrolia have gone to Persia.

Neil Paterson, at one time Alvinston's policeman, died in Detroit last month.

Jack Ironsides of Camlachie fell off a veranda Monday breaking his arm at the wrist.

J. J. Mathews has been appointed fuel controller for Petrolia. His duty will be to find out the needs of the town and see that citizens can get a little fuel when in need.

Fred Lester of Brigden dropped a .22 rifle cartridge into the stove which immediately exploded striking him in the right eye. He will probably loose the sight of both eyes.

A fine portrait of Strathroy's veteran schoolmaster, Thomas Dunsmore, has been placed in St. John's parish hall in that town. Mr. Dunsmore presided over the school for over forty years.

Sarnia won the O. R. F. U. title on Saturday beating Toronto with a score of 11-2. The game was played in a blinding snow storm, the ground covered three inches deep with snow.

The death occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Shaw, of Glencoe, on Thursday, Nov. 27, of Ophelia E. Webster Wilson, widow of the late Dr. Thomas Wilson. Mrs. Wilson was organist in the Glencoe Methodist Church for some time and was very highly esteemed in the community.

The County Council passed a by-law to borrow $20,000 to spend in building and maintaining goods roads in the County of Lambton. The department of public works will also be requested to send a man to the county to look the roads over in certain parts. Stone crushers may be bought and everything possible done to make the roads the best in Canada. Every effort will be made through out the winter months to prepare for immediate and active work with the first sign of spring. The following resolution was passed and forwarded to Premier Drury:—"As the County of Lambton has spent time and money of show to the late Government that the Longwood road from London to Windsor should be designated as the Provincial highway, we, the Lambton County Councillors, would ever pray that your honorable body would designate the said road as the Provincial."