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## LOCAL HAPPENINGS

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### LENT.

LOOK for fish to go up in price.

ROLLING logs pay better than rolling gallettes.

THE new display of spring goods.—SWIFTS.

JAMES HOLT purchased the Kennedy property on Wall street.

TRY to set the pace but don't do it by falling on the icy sidewalk.

ALL the latest ideas in wall Paper decoration at McLAREN'S.

OWING to the blustering weather on Sunday, church congregations were small.

LONDON Sunday street cars carried 10,000 people last Sunday, the first day in operation.

FRESH frozen fish—Halibut 15c, Whitefish 15c, Haddock 15c, Fillets 17c.—THE HOWDEN EST.

A TORONTO man called in a doctor to treat him for nerve trouble and before he departed borrowed a dollar from him. Quick cure, that.

THERE is a good deal of sickness in both town and country just now, especially among old people. The doctors are kept busy day and night.

OUR suitings imported direct are correct in style and pattern and better value. SWIFT, SONS & CO.

THIS has been a fine winter for using autos. The professional men here have been using them all winter, and find them far ahead of buggy or cutter.

THE home merchants, even those who think they cannot afford to advertise, should be patronized in preference to the big mail order departmental stores.

SEE our wash goods display. The new styles are out. Start to make up.—SWIFTS.

MR. WM. MARWICK received a cablegram on Friday last, announcing the death of his mother, at Pursin, Erie, Orkney, Scotland, in her eighty-fourth year.

THE "Go to Church Sunday" idea is being taken up by a number of the surrounding towns. It is hardly necessary in Watford as nearly all the people here go to church every Sunday.

WHY pay five cents a pound for oatmeal in packages when we can sell you the goods in bulk at eight pounds for a quarter or \$2.60 per sack.—THE N. B. HOWDEN EST.

WHO stole the bottles of gasoline from the Guide-Advocate back yard? Probably the thief thought it was Walker's Imperial. You can't always tell what is in a bottle by the label.

A NUMBER of hockey fans went to Sarnia Tuesday night to see the semi-final Int. O. H. A. game, between Berlin and Sarnia. The game resulted in a victory for Berlin with a score of 7-3.

THE new hats and caps for spring.—SWIFTS.

SUNDAY next being the first Sunday in the month, morning service will be held in Trinity Church, with a sermon for children. Holy communion will be administered at close of the regular service.

### THE REVISED VERSION

Father, dear father,  
Come home with me now,  
With hydro electric  
They're milking the cow.

E. N. LEWIS M. P. may seek to introduce legislation to give the franchise to mothers. The Kincardine Review says, "His motto and the principle that will guide his bill will be "No babies, No ballots."

At the sale of the Dominion Linen Mfg. Co. held in Toronto, our buyer, Mr. E. D. Swift, was successful in getting a lot of cheap linens, on sale next week. See ad.—SWIFT, SONS & CO.

In answer to a correspondent, we think it is generally conceded that "Tam O' Shanter" and "The Cotter's Saturday Night" are the best of Robert Burns' poems. He was born at Alloway, Ayr, Scotland, in 1739, and died at the age of 37.

A NEW Bell Telephone Directory has been delivered to subscribers. We glean from it that Watford has now 98 local phones, 145 connections on the Brooke Municipal line and 6 on the McGillivuddy and Zavitz line,—a total of 249 free connections.

THE best work shirts and overalls made in Canada.—SWIFTS.

An exhibition game between the Intermediate O. H. A. teams of Alvinston and Watford was played in Fowler's rink on Thursday evening. The attendance was small, as little interest seems to be taken in the game here this season. The visitors were the victors by a score of 6-3.

THE Petrolia Advertiser says:—"Mr. Frank Yerkes, formerly employed by Robert Hunter of the Fletcher House Barber shop, and a first-class barber, has purchased a shop of his own in Watford. Frank will be a gain for the Masonic Fraternity of that town. His Petrolia friends wish him every success."

No change in local market prices.

SOME of our singers are now learning what a demi-semi-quaver is.

THE penalty for failing to report a case of infectious disease or for breaking quarantine is \$50.

OUR St. Patrick's Day Linen Sale starts March 7th, Saturday.—SWIFTS.

WM. WILLIAMSON, SR., had a stroke of paralysis on Saturday last and is still in a critical state.

REMEMBER there are a few other things in this world besides hockey, high balls and dude clothes.

MR. HENRY WAUGH had another paralytic stroke on Wednesday and is in a critical condition.

WE have arranged for a fresh shipment of select oysters every three days during Lent.—LOVELL'S.

A NUMBER of enthusiastic local Odd-fellows attended the Lodge of Instruction in Sarnia, on Tuesday.

THE Watford auditors' report for 1913 is out of the printers' hands. Copies can be had from the town clerk.

CUT FLOWER sale Saturday, Carnations, Daffodils, Tulips and Sweet Peas, special prices.—McLAREN'S Drug Store.

THE Homeseekers' fares to the Northwest come into effect March 3rd. Trains will leave each Tuesday in March and April.

THE regular monthly meeting of the I.O.D.E. will be held Tuesday, March 3rd, at the home of Mrs. E. D. Swift, Mrs. Thomson assisting hostess. Quotations from Sir Thomas Moore, the Irish poet, in honor of St. Patrick.

CHOICE oranges for marmalade 25 to 35c, large bananas 25c, lemons 25c, grape fruit 3 for 25c, lettuce, celery, etc., at HOWDEN'S.

THE ladies of the Watford Presbyterian church will give a social at the home of Mrs. John Miller, 4th line, on Friday evening, March 6th. A good program, also luncheon. Admission 15 cents. Rigs will leave the church and the P. O. corner at 7.45. Everyone invited.

MR. ALBERT H. GILLET, of London, was seriously injured on Thursday afternoon of last week, when a 300-lb. box of castings fell upon him, injuring him in the back and hips. He is still in a very critical condition. Mr. Gillet is a son-in-law of Mrs. H. F. Aylesworth, of this place.

PLACE your order now for sap pails, boiling pans, storage tanks, etc., and avoid the usual wait in the rush season.—THE HOWDEN EST.

ATTENTION is directed to the advertisement of the Hastings Wagon Co. on another page. This Co. is making a big cut in the prices of their popular sleighs for a couple of weeks and is offering them at prices that will pay to buy now if you don't use them for a couple of years. Read the ad.

MAJOR D. B. BENTLEY, of Sarnia, commander of the 14th Field Ambulance, was presented by the Duke of Connaught with the silver cup given by Col. Ryerson, of Toronto, for the best field ambulance work done during 1913. It was presented at the annual banquet of the Association of officers of the Medical Services held at Ottawa, Tuesday.

THE Watford Canadian Order of Chosen Friends held a meeting here on Tuesday evening. The feature of the evening was a debate on the question whether we are an improvement on our grandmothers, after which lunch was served. The debate was not concluded and is to be continued at the next regular meeting on the second Tuesday in March.

The new spring skirts are here.—SWIFTS.

THE mercury has not been above the freezing point since Feb. 7th, when it registered 37. For 19 days in succession steady cold has been experienced, the thermometer ranging from 13 below zero to 20 above. It is not known whether this constitutes a record or not. The temperature is now moderating and the outlook for warmer weather is encouraging.

THE Public Library Board at their regular meeting on Monday evening granted the Watford Women's Institute permission to use for a rest room the basement of the Library building, except the board room, on certain conditions for one year to begin with and if everything is favorable it is altogether likely that the rest room may be continued in the place mentioned.

A TELEGRAM was received here on Monday from Lansing, Mich., announcing the death from pneumonia of Donald Reid, youngest son of Mrs. John Reid, Watford's librarian. He leaves a wife and two small children, also a mother, one brother, Dr. Reid, of Wyoming, and two sisters, May and Effie, at home. The funeral was held on Wednesday, interment being made at Tecumseh, Mich.

An interesting three column article on Pioneer Days in Provo, Utah, appears in the Herald of that place, written by Mr. Albert Jones. Mr. Jones is the husband of Jane Park, whose parents Mr. and Mrs. John Park at one time owned the farm upon which the Watford Cemetery now stands. They with others emigrated to Utah in the year 1846, and suffered many privations. The article tells of the dangers from wild beasts and Indians they encountered in those early days, and other interesting experiences. Our own "Old Pioneer," Joe S. Williams, will be pleased to show the article to anyone interested.

SPECIAL dollar white waist sale, 8 doz. left.—SWIFTS.

THE father of a large family of children was trying hard to read The Guide-Advocate. "What's that terrible racket in the hall, Mary?" "One of the children just fell down-stairs" "Well," he replied, turning over another page of the paper, "you tell the children if they can't fall downstairs quietly, they'll have to stop it."

SPEAKING of things that have passed away, what's become of the copper-toed shoes? Not many years ago a boy wouldn't think of wearing a pair of shoes without these shiny armaments. There was no fear then in hitting a tin can a good sound kick. Possibly they are not made any more, because they lasted too long.

WE have been delighted at the prompt manner in which a very large number of our subscribers, both local and at outside points, have renewed for 1914. They have our thanks, both for their kind words of appreciation, and the substantial tokens of their sincerity. To those who have not yet paid we say, please "Do it now."

A TEACHER had been at great trouble to explain to her class the meaning of the word "notwithstanding," and on asking for a sentence in which the word occurred, was somewhat nonplussed to receive the following effort from a blushing maiden of eight: "Please, teacher, my little brother has a hole in the seat of his trousers, and it's notwithstanding."

"If twenty men reap a field in eight hours, how long will it take fifteen men to reap the same field?" a public school scholar was asked. He thought long before writing down the answer, and when he handed in his paper this is what his teacher read, "The field, having already been reaped by the twenty men, had not to be reaped a second time by the fifteen."

WELL, here we are into another Lenten season, and whether you are Protestant or Catholic, high churchman or low churchman, rich or poor, old or young, you will be better for the observation of the season in some form or other. There is not a single person who would not be the better for a little self-denial, the doing of some good, however small, during the forty days in which Christians commemorate the events leading to the greatest sacrifice in the world.

A CHORAL society has been organized in town under the leadership of Mr. M. T. Davis. Choruses from popular standard operas will be studied. The society will probably make its first appearance at the next entertainment given by the Army Progress Club. A good, well-balanced chorus is very pleasing to listen to, and the training obtained in a society of this kind is invaluable to the members. We wish Mr. Davis every success in his undertaking.

THERE is a treat in store for the Masons of this district, on Tuesday, March 10th, on which date the Rev. W. M. Kannawin, of Strathroy, Past Grand Chaplain of the order, will attend the meeting of Havelock Lodge and give an address on "The Symbolism of the First Degree." The rev. gentleman is an enthusiastic Mason, and a most pleasing platform speaker, and every Mason who can possibly attend the meeting should do so.

REV. R. STRENSON, of Watford, and Rev. H. D'Arcy Whitmore, of First Congregational Church, London, are attending the great International Prophetic Conference being held all this week in the Moody Bible Institute, Chicago. They are there as delegates from the Ontario Prophetic Conference, of which they are both prominent members. Many of the world's greatest and most prophetic study the Scripture will be present at this conference and every Christian denomination represented, and much light, it is expected, will be shed on certain perplexing problems which confront the world, as they are viewed in their relation to the holy Word of God. A similar conference will be held (D.V.) in the near future in London.

MAN comes into this world without his consent, and leaves it against his will. During his stay on earth, his life is spent in one continuous round of contraries and misunderstandings by his fellow beings. In his infancy he is an angel; in his boyhood days he is a devil; in his manhood he is everything from a lizard up; in his duties he is a fool; if he raises a family he's a chump; if he raises a small check he's a thief and then the law raises Cain with him; if he is a poor man he is a poor manager and has little sense; if he is rich he is dishonest but considered smart; if he is in politics you can't place him as he is an undesirable citizen; if he goes to church he is a hypocrite; if he stays away from church he is a sinner; if he donates to foreign missions he does it for show; if he doesn't he is stingy and a tightwad. When he first comes into the world everybody wants to kiss him; before he goes out they all want to kick him. If he dies young, there was a great future before him; if he lives to a ripe old age, he is in the way and living to save funeral expenses. This life is a funny road, but we all like to travel it just the same.

THE Petrolia Motor Car factory was destroyed by fire early Sunday afternoon. Seven cars ready for delivery were in the building. Loss \$20,000, with insurance of \$13,000.

George Rankin, aged 85, one of the pioneer farmers of Plympton, was found dead in his armchair at his home, on the 8th con., on Saturday morning. Death was due to heart failure.

## PERSONAL.

Miss Bessie Beacom spent Tuesday in London.

Miss Maude Marwick spent the week end at her home here.

Mr. E. D. Swift attended the big mill sale of linens at Toronto last week.

W. G. Nichol and Stan. Rogers took in the ice carnival at Forest Tuesday night.

Miss Mimiely is in Toronto at present attending the millinery openings.

Mat. Easton left this week for Alvinston where he will make his home in future.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Doan are visiting their son, Rev. A. E. Doan, at Luton, Ont.

Mrs. Alex. McPherson, Toronto, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Smith, John street, who has been ill for the past two weeks.

Mr. Thos. Dodds and daughter, Bernice, spent the week end in Toronto, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wyke-Smith.

Herb and Roy Smith, of Allan, Sask., who are spending the winter with their parents at Strathroy, called on Watford friends on Saturday.

Miss May Reid, town, and Dr. Reid, Wyoming, attended the funeral of their father, the late Donald Reid, at Tecumseh, Mich., this week. Miss Effie Reid was there when he died.

Court Watford, Independent Order of Foresters, had a public installation of officers on Wednesday evening at their hall here. There was a large attendance of the members and their lady friends present. The officers were installed by Very Rev. Dean Davis, of London, Ont., Past High Chief Ranger of the Order, etc. The ceremony was very impressive. After the officers were installed an interesting program was rendered, S. W. Louke, P. C. R., presiding, as follows: Selection, the orchestra; Chairman's address: solo, Miss Myrtle Richardson; instrumental, Miss Vera Swift; selection, the orchestra; short addresses by E. D. Swift and W. E. Fitzgerald; selection, the orchestra; address, Very Rev. Dean Davis. The Rev. gentleman gave one of the most eloquent and practical addresses ever delivered in Watford, on true fraternalism. He dealt very forcibly on the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, showing the duty we owe to each other and especially to those dependent on us, and the personal responsibility that each one of us should undertake for one another and that the true christian spirit should be our motive in joining fraternal societies and not from a selfish standpoint. Dean Davis further enlarged on the great benefits, fraternal societies were to the community at large and vividly described how so many widows and orphans had been assisted and had not to depend on the cold charity of the world. He showed how the I. O. F. was in the lead in taking care of the widows and orphans of deceased members and looking after those members who unfortunately contracted tuberculosis. Space will not permit us to give all of the many excellent virtues and privileges of fraternal societies which Dean Davis so well set forth. Any person who did not hear his address missed a very rare treat. Miss Richardson and Miss Harper sang an appropriate duet, "Abide With Me." Mrs. Dr. Hicks played the accompaniment on the piano. Several other selections were well rendered by the orchestra. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered to those who took part in the program. Lunch was then served. The meeting was brought to a close by singing the National Anthem. Every person present spent a very enjoyable time and all left for their homes thoroughly satisfied.

Mrs. George Patterson, is recovering after a severe illness.

Mr. N. Vance, 12 sideroad, spent a few days in Detroit this week.

The Misses McLaughlin, Muncie, are visiting their sister, Mrs. B. Faulds.

Mrs. John McCormick, Kingscourt, spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Jos. McCormick.

Mrs. Harvey, Bay City, is spending a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Alex. Fair, 18 sideroad.

Mr. Will Mathews and daughter, Irene, of Strathroy, spent a few days with relatives at Wisbeach.

Mrs. Albert Routley is spending a few days this week with her mother, Mrs. Wm. Ward, of the 4th con.

Mrs. Lowry has returned after spending two weeks with relatives in Brantford, Burford and Ingersoll.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Richardson, 4th line, spent the week end in Sarnia, with the latter's sister, Mrs. M. Dunlop.

Mr. Bruce Faulds, who was accompanied by Mr. Fred Eastman, Birnam, spent last week at his old home at Muncie.

Miss Ethel M. Hollingsworth was the guest of her friend, Miss Zella S. Routley, London road, for a few days last week.

Dr. V. G. Morris, of Schafer, North Dakota, was here last week to see his mother, who is confined to her bed with illness.

Mrs. Thomas Hume, Watford, spent a week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Smith, prior to leaving for the home of

her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hay, Caseville, Mich., where she will remain in future.

The monthly evening service will be held next Sunday in Zion Congregational Church at 7.30 p. m. Everybody made welcome.

Miss Ella McCormick, who has been visiting relatives here, left for London this week where she will spend some time with friends.

Mrs. Rich. Adams, Wisbeach, who has been ill for some time is at present in a very weak condition, with no signs of improvement.

Mrs. Mary Ann Harrower, relect of the late James Harrower, of Warwick, died last week in Winnipeg, aged 79 years. Particulars next week.

Miss Katie Ross, Pt. Arthur, who is a student at Alma College, spent the week end at the home of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. George Brent.

Patrons of the Birnam cheese and butter factory have been busy the last two weeks helping Mr. Joseph Doan, the proprietor, put in a good quantity of ice.

Mr. George Weedmark left last Tuesday for his home in Neelin, Man., after a two months visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Weedmark, Strathroy.

While sharpening the buzz saw in his house last Saturday evening, Mr. Wm. Tanton accidentally let it fall on his foot, making a nasty cut across the big toe.

Rev. Mr. Connolly had his lantern views on Japan at Bethel church last Monday evening. The audience was small, owing to the fact that there was no time to announce it. Those present found the evening most interesting and instructive.

Mrs. John Smith, who has been in London for the past two weeks with her son, Friend, who underwent an operation three weeks ago, at Victoria Hospital, returned home on Monday of this week. Mr. Smith went to London last Saturday intending to bring his son home on Monday but the doctors decided that he could not come till Wednesday.

The regular meeting of the Warwick Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. A. Cox on Thursday, Feb. 12th. The weather was very severe and the attendance smaller than usual. There were no papers. There was a very interesting discussion led by the president as to whether or not public schools needed medical supervision. This is a subject which is being much discussed. Roll call was answered by valentine quotations.

A sad death occurred in our midst on Saturday, 14th inst., in person of Gilbert C. Shepherd, of the 2nd con. Deceased, who was in the prime of life, aged 40 years, 7 months and 24 days, had made a brave fight against tuberculosis for several months, but of late had been gradually sinking. He was the fourth son of the late Thos. Shepherd, a twin brother of Samuel of Plympton. Nine years ago the 8th of March next he married Rebecca Attwood, who with two children, Carl aged 3 years, and Gladys aged 5 years, survive him. Also his mother, three brothers and one sister, namely, Roger of South Africa, Samuel of Plympton, Earnest on the homestead, and Mrs. W. Brush. The funeral took place Monday afternoon from the family residence to the Uttoxeter cemetery, service being held in the Uttoxeter Methodist church. The pallbearers were Messrs. Bert Cope, W. Rankin, W. McDougall, R. Garrett, D. Wilson and Geo. Dodge. The sympathy of the community goes out to the bereaved ones in their sad affliction.

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