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Prizes to be Awarded in a Writing Competition
Sixty prizes to be awarded in a writing competition by the Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. The best letters describing the benefits of the pills will be selected by the Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. The prizes are as follows: One grand prize of \$100.00, one first prize of \$50.00, one second prize of \$25.00, one third prize of \$10.00, one fourth prize of \$5.00, one fifth prize of \$2.00, one sixth prize of \$1.00, one seventh prize of \$0.50, one eighth prize of \$0.25, one ninth prize of \$0.10, one tenth prize of \$0.05. The competition is open to all persons of legal age. The prizes will be awarded on or about the 1st day of February, 1919. The names of the winners will be published in the Watford Guide-Advocate. The competition is open to all persons of legal age. The prizes will be awarded on or about the 1st day of February, 1919. The names of the winners will be published in the Watford Guide-Advocate.

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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 Letter Box.

SWIFT'S TAILORING DEPARTMENT.
HAVE your coat your maple syrup yet? Sap is running.

THE price of hogs dropped over three dollars in ten days.

EGGS are selling in London, England, at \$2.16 a dozen, and good apples at \$1 a pound.

MR. W. N. FLETHAM, Burlington, has purchased the barbers business of the late Bert Fulcher.

LEAVE your order NOW at Morningstar's Garage for spring and summer tractor plowing. ja17-3m

THE adjourned meeting of the shareholders of the Andrews Wire Works will be held on Thursday, Jan. 30th.

ALEX. ZIMMERMAN, who formerly owned the Assembly Billiard Parlor here, has purchased the Metropole Cafe, London.

A FULL line of Felt Shoes, all styles, at low prices.—P. DODDS & SON.

THE EPWORTH LEAGUE in the Methodist church will meet at 8 o'clock on Friday evening instead of 7.30. All young people are welcome.

THE anti-loafing law has been rescinded. A chap can now have a violent attack of spring fever and not be liable to get into trouble.

HARVET Harwood, relict of the late Rev. Geo. Blackwell, Petrolia, died recently. She had been a resident of Petrolia for 40 years.

HOMES wanted for a bright, healthy boy, fine and manly, 9 years old, and for a boy 9 months old. Apply to John Wilkinson, City Hall, Sarnia.

FOR the first time in many years, Mr. John Farrell was not present at the annual meeting of the East Lambton Agricultural Society held last Saturday.

REV. R. M. STEVENSON has accepted a call from the Watford and Zion Congregational Churches and will commence his duties as pastor as soon as health permits.

ANDREW McLENNAN who had a dental office in Watford some thirty years ago, died in Toronto recently in his 79th year. He was practising at the time of his death.

A BOY'S OVERCOAT at January sale price.—SWIFT'S.

THIS is a good one from the Fisherman Advance: "Some folks don't worry half as much about what the Lord thinks of them as they do about what their neighbors say about them."

SOME interesting war trophies in the shape of German and French helmets are on exhibition in W. J. Trenouth's window. They were sent to Mr. Trenouth from France by his son Jeff.

CASEY was sick, and the doctor prescribed an emetic for him. "Sure, doctor," said Casey, "an emetic will do me no good—for Oi have taken several an' could never keep w'ave on me stomach."

OUR Spring Shoes are here. Have a look at the new styles.—P. DODDS & SON.

THE offerings of the different Sunday Schools on behalf of the famine stricken Armenia and Syria were taken last Sunday and were very generous which is evidence of a fine Christian Spirit.

THE mill weather has created a problem for these who usually put in a supply of ice during January. No doubt February will provide some snappy weather so that there will be no lack of good ice for all purposes.

WHEN renewing her subscription Mrs. James Saunders of Moose Jaw says:—"We always look forward to every week for the home paper and could not get along without it."

THE UNION SERVICES next Sunday and the prayer meeting this Thursday will convene in the Methodist church. Both these congregations will observe unitedly the sacrament of the Lord's supper on Sunday, Feb. 2nd, in the Presbyterian church at the morning service. This will be an unique occasion and all members of both churches are urged to be present.

LADIES get in your orders for early spring suits. We have orders now waiting for the new ladies coming this week.—SWIFT'S LADIES' TAILORING.

PROF. HOWARD GORDON of Stratroy, who is training the Watford high and public school students in singing and also getting up a choral society under the auspices of Lambton's O. D. E., received a letter last week from Harry Lauder, the world's greatest comedian, who is touring America. In it, Mr. Lauder expressed a desire to see his old friend again and give him the glad handshake.

THE Annual Meeting of the Lambton Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company will be held in the Town Hall, in the Village of Wyoming, on Thursday, the 30th day of January, 1919, to open at about 1.30 p. m. Detailed reports of the Company's business will be given and two Directors and two Auditors elected. All parties interested in the Company, or in Mutual Fire Insurance, are cordially invited to attend.

RING UP the shopper at SWIFT'S, if you need any information on dry goods. THE NEW SPRING GOODS are coming after 1st February.—SWIFT'S.

BUTTER, eggs, pork, oats and barley, have all taken a drop this week.

An interior article is often camouflaged by a superior wrapper.

THE Dominion parliament has been called to meet on Thursday, Feb. 20.

THOSE who do not despise the "flying bowl" in the shape of native wine will be allowed to tap the supply until April 30, 1919.

EVERYONE has enjoyed the spring-like weather we have been favored with this month. Dandelions are in bloom and the boys are playing marbles.

Two more returned soldiers are expected, Chas. Haskett and W. Brain are reported to have arrived on the Empress of Britain, at Halifax, on Wednesday, Mr. L. Dewar, Plympton, will arrive at the same time.

NOTICE is hereby given that the annual meeting of the shareholders called for October 28th was adjourned through lack of quorum to Thursday, Jan. 30th.—ANDREWS WIRE WORKS OF CANADA LIMITED.

If any of the boys have returned from overseas, and the fact has not been published in our paper, it is because we did not know the particulars. If friends or relatives will give us the news we will be pleased to publish it.

THE DOMESTIC SCIENCE COURSE of instruction being held in the Library basement is being well patronized and a bevy of interested ladies spend each afternoon learning from Miss Rae Black, of Hawkestone, government instructor, a graduate of McDonald College, the food value of vegetables and meats, of daily consumption and other culinary mysteries. Indigestion will be a thing of the past when the ladies finish this scientific course. Instruction in sewing is being given in the evening.

SIR EDWARD KEMP, speaking about the many thousands of English women who have become wives of Canadian soldiers and will now see the Dominion for the first time, expressed the earnest hope that Canadian women as one additional war effort will establish in each city reception committees to extend to the newcomers a welcome which will leave no uncertainty in their minds concerning the position they expected to take in Canada's future life. Their welcome should be as cordial as the excitement to the men returning from the war.

ONE SEES some curious announcements in some of the Weekly papers this week. One paper offers "the balance of this year free to subscribers for next year." An advertiser says "Now is the time to select Christmas presents," while another states that his store will be open every night until Christmas," and other Yuletide announcements. No wonder some men claim advertising does not pay. That kind certainly will not, but will prove disastrous. When the advertiser has some real attraction his statement will not be credited.

LOOK at our new Wall Paper for Spring. Very pretty patterns.—P. DODDS & SON.

THE funeral of the late S. B. Howden was held from the family residence, Erie street, on Thursday afternoon, to the Watford cemetery. All the local ministers took part in the service. The pallbearers were Jos. McCormick, John McCormick, Wm. Marwick, D. Hamilton, C. W. Howden and Dr. G. N. Howden. Floral tributes were sent by the business men of the town, the Freemasons and Oddfellows. Among those with a dismount who were present were Mrs. Somers, Waterford; Miss E. Howden, London, Miss L. Howden, Chicago, Mr. Harold Howden, Kitchener, Mr. Norman Howden, London, Mr. Lamond and son Gordon of St. Thomas.

MEN'S navy blue suits in Indigo blue worsteds, made to order at SWIFT'S TAILORING DEPT.

IN CASES where the sender is specially desirous that a letter relating to a parcel sent by post should reach the addressee at the same time as the parcel he may, if he so desires, after prepaying the letter at letter rate postage, attach to it the parcel prepaid at parcel post rates, on condition that he assumes any risk there may be of the letter being delayed in this way, or of it becoming detached and being lost in the parcel mails. A letter attached to a parcel must bear the same address as the parcel must refer solely to the contents of the parcel, and must be prepared at letter rate. This applies to parcels sent by post to places within Canada and the United States.

A WELCOME HOME was given three returned soldiers on Monday, when Corp. Geo. Matthews, Pte. James McClung and Pte. John Saunders returned from overseas, having crossed the Atlantic in the Olympic, which arrived at Halifax on Friday. McClung and Saunders both enlisted here with the 149th former having seen considerable active service in France. They have all seen strenuous days but return looking well. Corp. Geo. Matthews went to France with the 1st contingent and was wounded at Passchendaele. He went out to the home of Mr. W. H. Luckham, Warwick, with whom he was employed at the outbreak of the war. A reception committee met the boys at the G. T. R. station and gave them a welcome.

PERSONAL

Mr. D. G. Parker, Leamington, visited his parents here this week.

Dr. Mathews returned to Toronto Sunday, after a week's stay at his home here.

W. N. Young, Markdale, spent the week-end with his aunt, Mrs. W. E. Fitzgerald.

Mr. Russel McCormick, of the Sterling Bank, St. Catharines, spent Sunday with friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Mitchell have returned after a two weeks visit with friends in Toronto.

Mr. Jos. S. Williams' condition has not improved. He is gradually getting weaker, with little hope of recovery.

Mrs. Freeman Kersey, Georgetown, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Williamson, 4th line. Mrs. Kersey is slowly recovering from her late serious illness and operations.

Col. Kenward, who with Mrs. Kenward is spending the winter with relatives in Ohio, spent Friday and Saturday in Watford in order to attend the annual meeting of the East Lambton Agricultural Society.

It is your own fault if the names of visitors to or from homes in Watford do not appear in these columns. It is not reasonable to expect the editor to know all those unless he is told.

WARWICK.

The Invincible Red Cross Society acknowledges with thanks the sum of \$60 from Warwick Council.

Robt. Leach, Andrew Moffatt and Jas. B. Parker, attended the Guelph Fat Stock Show in December, and purchased some Hereford Stock of the Fairfax strain.

The annual meeting of the Warwick Creamery will be held in the Town Hall, Warwick Village, on Wednesday, January 29th, 1919, at 2 o'clock p. m., for the election of officers, receiving reports, and any other business that may come before it.—D. ROSS & SONS.

The revival services are still being carried on in Sharon Free Methodist church, 6th line, cor. 12. S. R., by the Pastor, Rev. J. H. Roberts. Interest is good. This Friday evening, Jan. 24th, Quarterly meeting will begin. Rev. E. A. DeMille, District Elder, of Sarnia, having charge. Services on Sat. at 7.30, Sunday love feast at 9.30, preaching at 11 a. m. In the evening at 7.30. All are welcome.

The Warwick Women's Institute held their meeting in the Forester's Hall on Tuesday, Jan. 14th. Sixteen ladies were present and spent a busy afternoon in quilting and sewing for Belgian refugees. They packed for Hyman Hall contained—10 grey flannel shirts, 5 quilts, 18 sheets, 27 pillow slips, 51 towels, 15 combination suits, 10 pair of stockings, 3 baby's night dresses, 5 pieces of girls' underwear, 2 pieces of ladies underwear, 1 skirt, 1 waist, 1 pair of men's bedroom slippers.

ARKONA

Rev. Radcliffe being indisposed, Rev. J. Ball preached his Sun day afternoon.

Rev. J. C. Reed, B.A., B.D., chairman of the district, has charge of the missionary services at Arkona and Bethel next Sabbath. The congregations are requested to be present in full strength.

The annual trustee meeting of the Methodist church was held on Monday. The finances were in a healthy condition, about \$125 in the treasury, with no outstanding debts. Wes Fuller was appointed church steward and treasurer. Mr. Crone, caretaker, and R. Wilson were elected a church trustee.

An accident occurred on Sunday of Marjorie A., wife of George C. Hall, of the 4th concession, Benanquet, of pneumonia, following an attack of influenza. She was 39 years old and was the eldest daughter of the late Duncan McNabb and Mrs. McNabb, of the 4th concession. The funeral was held on Tuesday to Arkona cemetery.

Given good weather, the 1919 wheat crop of this continent will be the greatest in history, with a possible harvest of 1,200,000,000 in the United States alone.

Geo. Thomas has purchased 100 acres of lot 4, con. 7 Bosanquet, known as the Thomas homestead, from A. E. McClellan, for \$5,000. Mr. McClellan will remain on the farm till spring.

Through the finding of a couple of receipts for taxes which have been missing for 38 years, William Hughson, at that time tax collector for the Township of Colchester South, has been able to remove the stigma connected with his name by a suspected shortage in his accounts. When in 1880 he resigned his civic position a shortage of \$600 was discovered, although he declared that every cent he had collected had been turned in to the treasury, he was obliged to make up the deficit which he did by mortgaging his farm. Only a few days ago the missing receipts were found in an old desk which Mr. Hughson had sold a short time before by public auction and other documents also came to light, showing that the "shortage" amounting to \$674 had been paid to two school sections. Mr. Hughson, it is said, will now demand that the township refund the \$600, together with the interest for 36 years.

Returned Soldiers to be Welcomed

A meeting of the Returned Soldiers Committee of Reception, composed of the Council, J. W. McLaren, E. A. Brown and T. Roche was held in the Council Chamber on Monday night, Jan. 20th, and the following resolutions were passed.

1.—That every soldier from the Village of Watford who has returned or does return from overseas, be presented with an engraved signet ring and parchment address and if the necessary grants can be secured from the councils of Brooke and Warwick that the above address and presentation include all returned soldiers originally from Watford and Brooke in the vicinity of Watford. A committee was appointed to take the matter up with the above mentioned township councils.

2.—That the Reeve be responsible for the ringing of the town bell at intervals covering a period of 15 minutes in order to inform the public of the arrival of returned men. On the ringing of the bell, the general public, high and public school pupils are kindly requested to turn out in mass, promptly, at the Armory where all presentations will be made by the Reeve. These presentations will take place as soon as possible after the arrival of the soldiers. It is hoped that all the citizens will turn out quickly and in large numbers and thus have all receptions as enthusiastic as possible. Business men, etc., are kindly requested to co-operate with the general public.

CAPT. R. H. STAPLEFORD,
Sec. R. S. R. Committee.

Mr. Edward Pearce Died Sunday

Still another young man has fallen a victim to the dread pneumonia following influenza. On Sunday morning, Jan. 19th, Edward Pearce passed away in his 42nd year after about ten days illness.

Deceased was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Pearl F. Edgar of Brooke, who predeceased him on March 4th of last year. He leaves behind one boy, George, about 8 years old, and one girl, Alice, about 4 years. The funeral took place on Monday afternoon from the residence of his parents to the Watford cemetery. The Rev. S. P. Irwin conducted the service and the funeral was private. The pallbearers were B. Doan, W. Styles, R. Moore and H. Pearce.

East Lambton Agricultural Society

The Annual Meeting of the above Society was held in the Council Chamber on Saturday, January 18th, with a fair attendance.

The Auditor's Report as follows, was read and adopted.

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To Government Grant.....	\$ 245 00
" " field crops.....	50 00
County Grant.....	100 00
Gate Receipts.....	800 75
Grand Stand Receipts.....	79 95
Entrance fee to races.....	42 00
" " field crops.....	44 00
Members' fees.....	44 00
Booth privileges.....	39 00
Donations.....	67 00
Members retained from 1917.....	65 00
" " 1918.....	65 00
	\$1586 20
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By Balance.....	\$ 28 41
Prizes, 1917.....	22 00
" 1918.....	840 20
" Field Crops.....	75 00
Judges.....	35 00
Delegates' expenses.....	10 50
Attractions.....	295 00
Salaries.....	42 00
Printing and postage.....	82 50
Work on grounds.....	29 00
Help at Fair.....	26 75
Interest.....	12 00
Sundry accounts.....	24 86
Balance on hand.....	62 98
	\$1586 20

It was unanimously decided to hold a field crop competition again this year and Messrs. Zavitz, James, J. B. Parker, Hair and Gilliland were appointed a committee to look after getting competitors. It was decided to employ the usual number of Department Judges and also to affiliate with the District Fairs Association and that Mr. John Farrell be the delegate to meeting of said Association. The officers elected for 1919 are:—

Hon. President—John Farrell.
President—John Zavitz.
1st Vice-President—E. A. Brown.
2nd " " —Dr. McGillicuddy.

Directors—S. Hair, J. Gilliland, W. Annett, C. E. James, W. E. Parker, W. D. McKenzie, J. F. Elliot, W. H. Harper, E. Pressy, D. Cameron, S. W. Edwards, R. J. McCormick, J. B. Parker.

Auditors—W. McLeay and D. Roche. At a meeting of the Board of Directors, held afterwards, Col. F. Kenward was appointed Secretary-Treasurer and President Zavitz elected delegate to the Western District Fairs Association.

A machine has been invented by a Scotchman that prepares flax for manufacture within a few hours after it has been pulled from the ground, instead of taking days or even weeks as usual.

Letters From Cecil J. McNaughton

The following is a letter received by Mrs. Robert McNaughton from her son Spr. Cecil J. McNaughton serving as cook at the Can. Engineers Officers Training Depot, Seaford, England.

Seaford, Eng., Dec. 23, 1918.

Dear Mother,—
Well Mother I received your letter of Dec. 2nd, and sure was glad to hear from you. I also got the box you sent with the three pairs of socks in it and everything was O. K. and thank you very much.

We had a Xmas dinner here on the 18th for the Officers and Cadets were going on leave. We had turkey and plum pudding, pie, cake, oranges, and everything O. K.

We are having a great time here now as there are only 4 officers to cook for and two of them are going away tomorrow.

I am making rhubarb pie to-day, (some cook I am). It is about 8 p.m. and Jack and I are writing letters while the meat is cooking so we can get it ready for breakfast before we go to bed. We are making Shepherd's pie for breakfast. I suppose you don't know what that is, ha ha!

We are having an awful rain storm here just now and it is awful dark out. I got a box from Miss Myrtle Saunders yesterday and it sure was a dandy. There was a nice pair of socks in it too. I had a letter from Basil yesterday, he is in Eastbourne Hospital but he said he was getting along fine now. I must write him a letter to-night.

Well, Mother, I guess I will close for this time for Jack has finished writing and we want to get the breakfast ready and go to bed. So bye-bye with love to all.
CECIL.

Following is another letter received by his sister.

Seaford, Eng. Dec. 25, 1918.

Dear Sister,—
Well, Viola, this is Xmas night 8.30 p. m. and there is nobody here but Jack Alderson and I and we are both writing letters so everything is pretty quiet.

We sure had some time to-day. There were only 5 cadets, 3 officers and Jack and I. I dressed and stuffed a 15 lb. turkey this morning while Jack was serving breakfast. I worked pretty hard to-day getting dinner ready. We had roast turkey, roast beef, French fried potatoes, white potatoes, turnips, plum pudding, oranges and apples. Oh! we had some time.

Our Lieutenant came in at noon and told us if we liked we could shut up the kitchen and we would not have to get supper ready and he gave all the boys mid-night passes who wanted to go out. I kind of hate to leave here but I am going on leave to Belfast, Ireland, on Dec. 30th. So I will be there for New Year's if everything goes my way as it is going now. We put the officer up such a good dinner to-day that he went over to Brigade Headquarters this afternoon and got us free transportation on our leave, saving me about £1, that is \$19.40.

We had the best day to-day since I came to England. The sun was shining nice and warm. We had an awful frost last night. I am sleeping in the kitchen now in one of the bed rooms. This has been the first day since I joined the army that I wished I was home. Not that I was homesick or anything like that but just that it was my first Xmas away from my home folks. But this is some life believe me.

I got the box you sent on Nov. 23. Say I was tickled near to death when I saw that sweater. It just fits me fine and mother's socks were excellent and I must thank you very much for your kindness. I have got seven boxes this last two weeks and I hardly know where to put all the stuff. I have five pair of socks that I never had on my feet and I gave Jack a pair. Roy McKenzie was up the other night and I wanted him to take a pair but he wouldn't, he said he had a dozen pairs now.

I got a parcel from Sir William Hearst yesterday with three packets of Old Chus and 50 cigarettes so I must write to him soon. All the Ontario boys got the same. I have so much candy around here that I packed a big box full and I am sending it with Jack when he goes on leave to his brother's children. You can't get anything like that in this country.

Well, Viola, I think I have told you all the news for this time so will ring off. Wishing you a happy and prosperous New Year. So bye-bye from your loving brother.
CECIL.

Lambton County Council 1919

Alvinston...S. Lucas
Arkona...S. Rivers
Bosanquet...Robt. Tidball
Brooke...L. Lindsay, A. Sutton.
Courtright...J. W. James,
Dawn...H. W. Dawson
Euphemia...W. J. Davis
Enniskillen...Thos. Simpson, T. Wilson,
Forest...Geo. W. Beatty
Moore...R. J. White, J. E. Harris,
Oil Springs...J. T. Sproule,
Petrolia...Wm. Brown, T. K. Smith,
Point Edward...John Mara.
Plympton...R. W. McLaren, T. Burneley
Sarnia Tp...Peter Gerdner,
Sombrá...John Huey, F. Selman,
Thedford...Fred T. Jennings,
Warwick...W. E. Parker, Adam Higgins,
Watford...Robt. Johnston
Wyoming...J. W. Wilson.