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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Renew! Renew!
All fancy china at cost to clear.—
P. J. Dodds.
Schools will reopen on Tuesday, Jan. 3rd.
Smart styles in New Skirts for 1922.—**Swift's.**
Service as usual in the Watford Baptist church next Sunday, Jan. 1, at 7 p.m.
The Guide-Advocate will renew your London or Toronto daily papers for you but we do not handle any other papers.

The editor and publisher extend heartiest good wishes for the New Year season to all the readers of the Guide-Advocate.

Closing books 1st Jan., please have your account settled by that date.—**Swift, Sons & Co.**

All accounts due T. Dodds & Son not paid by Monday, Jan. 2nd, 1922, will be placed into court for collection. Last notice.

The engine chokes when the car goes too slow. What we need is an appliance to choke the driver when he goes too fast.

Fancy Linens—½ off—while they last.—**Swift's.**

W. E. Fitzgerald respectfully solicits your vote and influence for reelection as a member of the Bd. of Education.

The Christmas services in the local churches were of an inspiring character on Sunday and the music suitable for the occasion. Good congregations were present.

Heavy fleeced Shirts and Drawers, 88 cents.—**Swift's.**

A Fordson tractor equipped with a revolving brush attached to the front end, is being used to sweep snow off sidewalks in Detroit. Here is a tip for Watford.

Mr. Wm. Dormer, Sault Ste Marie has the editor's thanks for late Soo papers. He purposes visiting friends in Watford and Warwick early in the new year.

Men's Fur Coats, Sheep-lined Coats, Heavy Rancher Coats.—**Swift's Year End Sale.**

Attend the auction sale at T. Dodds' residence, Saturday, Jan. 7, at 1 o'clock sharp. Terms: Cash for household goods; 6 months' credit on Ford car.

The Methodist Sunday school children enjoyed themselves very much at the entertainment in the Lyceum on Thursday evening. An attractive program was given and Santa Claus was on hand with presents for the kiddies.

Heavy Underwear, Gloves and Mitts.—**Swift's.**

Mrs. Jane Foster is in a critical condition at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Thompson, John st., where she is suffering from a stroke since Wednesday morning. Her son Dr. T. Foster, of Detroit, is with her at present.

Special New Year's services in the Cong'l church on Sunday, with appropriate messages from the pastor, Rev. T. DeCourcy Rayner. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will follow the evening service. Begin the New Year well by worshipping God in His House. Services 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

10 Ladies' Coats at \$15.00—half Price.—**Swift's Year End Sale.**

Wilson—Steadman—The marriage of Miss Adeline Steadman and Mr. John C. Wilson, was solemnized on Dec. 26th, at "Stead Holme", Petrolia. The ceremony was performed by Rev. T. A. Steadman, brother of Wilbur and Mrs. Steadman was baptized the same afternoon.

Remember when you go to the polls vote for E. D. Swift on the Board of Education. Thanks.

The members of the Watford Hockey Club motored to Forest on Wednesday evening to have their first stretch of the season on Forest rink. They play the first game of the season in Alvinston tonight (Friday). Watford's new rink is now being flooded and it is expected good ice will be had for the first game here on Tuesday, Jan. 10th.

6 dozen Men's Heavy Mitts 39c.—**Swift's.**

Boys' Mitts 25 cents—**Swift's.**

The reason our forefathers made this a great country was because they didn't sit around and wait for someone to offer them an easy job or big pay. They did what was needed and ran the chance of their reward.

You have no enemies? Then you have never dared to stand up for right against wrong; you have never protected the weak against the bully; you have never defended your own rights against oppression; you have never been a candidate for municipal or parliamentary honors, and last but not least, by any means, you have never been an editor. The man who knows no enemies should be ashamed of it.

We thank you for a splendid Christmas trade and wish you all a very Prosperous New Year.—**Swift, Sons & Co.**

The Sarnia paper says that word has been received in that city "that Petrolia and Watford high schools will comprise a grouping in the Western Ontario interscholastic basketball race this winter, though no confirmation has been received from the two places concerned. The winners of this grouping would play off with the survivor of the Sarnia Strathroy district in the first game of the elimination series." For the benefit of outside teams we would mention that Watford has an excellent place to play, the Army being fitted up for basketball games.

10 dozen Men's Fur-band Caps \$1.50 each.—**Swift's Year End Sale.**

On Monday the ratepayers are voting on a bylaw to raise \$14,000 to complete the payments on the waterworks system. The total cost of the system is approximately \$69,000.

\$4,000 of this was paid in 1920 out of the taxes; \$51,210 was raised by the sale of debentures, which leaves a balance of approximately \$14,000.

This money must be raised either by the sale of debentures or taken from the general taxes. If the bylaw is carried the \$14,000 can be raised by the sale of debentures and thus spread over a term of 20 years. If the bylaw is defeated the whole amount must come out of the taxes, which would be a burden on the village.

The ratepayers are therefore requested to vote for the bylaw. This debt was not incurred by the present council. It must be paid by the village and our present council believes that the easiest way to pay it is to spread the payments over a period of twenty years.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Fuller, London, spent Christmas with his parents Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Fuller.

Mrs. A. K. Wanless, Ypsilanti, Mich., is spending New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. Carl A. Class.

Mrs. Eugene Fisher, Bucyrus, O., is spending the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. M. Auld.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Stirling Saunders spent the holidays in London with Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Moulton.

Mr. E. McFadden, Windsor, and Mr. and Mrs. McFadden, London, spent Christmas Day at the Rectory.

Mr. and Mrs. Add. Fisher, Port Huron, spent Christmas with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Dodds.

Mr. R. J. Trenouth, Toronto, spent the Christmas holiday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Trenouth.

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Miss Jean Torrence, Miss Janet McRorie, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Bodaly and son Jack, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Bodaly and son Fred, London, and Mr. J. E. Bodaly, missionary Portuguese West Africa, spent Christmas at the home of Mrs. J. Bodaly, Front St.

LYCEUM, FRIDAY, JAN. 6th, 1922

Constance Talmadge Special, and "Bringing Up Father" Comedy. Watch for advertisement in next week's Guide-Advocate.

PERSONAL

Mrs. Baker is visiting relatives in Toronto.

Miss Jessie Jackson was a London visitor Saturday.

Miss E. Isabel Harris, Welland, home for the holidays.

Miss C. J. McRae spent Christmas at her home in Sarnia.

Mr. Robt. Graham is spending the holiday at his home in Sarnia.

Miss Gladys Shrapnell is spending the holidays at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Monroe spent Christmas with relatives in Toronto.

Mr. R. H. McCormick, Sarnia, spent the holidays at his home here.

W. B. Vail, Copetown, spent the Christmas holidays at his home here.

Miss Marion Mintely of Detroit spent the holiday with relatives here.

Mr. F. K. Mathews, Toronto, spent Christmas Day here with his mother.

Misses Ella Pierce and Jessie Jackson spent Monday with relatives in Sarnia.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Aylesworth spent Christmas with relatives in Petrolia.

The Misses Tanner, St. Thomas, are spending the holidays at their home here.

Mrs. Gordon Staley, Aylmer, returned home after a visit with her aunt, Mrs. S. J. Saunders.

Col. and Mrs. Kenward spent Christmas in London with the Colonel's sister, Mrs. Clegg.

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BROOKE

Service in Christ church, Sutorville, on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

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The church service on Sunday next, New Year's Day will be held in St. James' church, Brooke, at three o'clock in the afternoon.

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WARWICK

Re-elect HIGGINS as Deputy-Reeve.

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Special New Year's service in Zion Congregational church on Sunday afternoon at 2.30 p.m. The pastor, the Rev. T. DeCourcy Rayner, will preach The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will follow the service. Begin the New Year well by worshipping God in His House.

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The public school at Kingscourt held their annual Christmas entertainment in the school on Thursday last when a splendid program was given by the children trained by their teacher, Miss McKay. The Rev. S. P. Irwin acted as chairman and at the close was presented with an address of appreciation and a well-filled purse for his week night services held in the school room during the past year.

Sincere sympathy is felt for Mr. and Mrs. William C. Harper, fourth line, N.E.R., on the death of their second son, Charles Floyd, which occurred on Monday after two days' illness with pneumonia, at the age of four years, 3 months and 28 days. The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon to Bethel cemetery, service being held at the home, lot 13.

PUBLIC SCHOOL CLOSING DAY

Closing Day was observed on Thursday afternoon last, in the Public School. Two or three mass concerts were held. The smaller children enjoyed themselves immensely with the new Victrola, presented by the Women's Institute, and with songs, recitations and dialogues.

In the upper forms in addition to the concert given by the pupils, addresses were delivered by Revs. Irwin, Rayner, Workman and Hagar. A pleasing feature of the closing exercises was the presentation of medals to Frances Lovell and George Tait, won by their essays on Fire Prevention, and the presentation of a fountain pen to Beverly Dodds from his class as a token of remembrance.

THE WATFORD TICKET

Reeve
George L. Harper (Acclamation)

Councillors
Philip E. Fuller.

H. Hollingsworth.

W. G. Connolly.

J. R. McCormick.

Paul Kingston.

John W. Doar.

Board of Education
Charles W. Vail.

J. W. McLaren.

E. D. Swift.

W. E. Fitzgerald.

Hydro and Water Commission
P. J. Dodds (by acclamation.)

"AROUND THE MANGER"

Christmas Cantata in the Congregational Church

The choir of the Congregational Church scored a great success on Sunday evening in their rendition of the Christmas Cantata "Around the Manger" by E. S. Lorenz. The church was crowded, and that the large audience enjoyed to the full the musical treat provided for them, was evidenced by the congratulatory remarks made at the close. Some visitors from Arkona and other distant points declaring that the Cantata was well worth the long journey they took to hear it. As one keen musical critic expressed it "The choir gave evidence of careful and thorough training, the parts being very well balanced".

The various parts of the Cantata were: Introduction—Part I—Waiting For The King. Part II—The Nativity. Part III—Morning Joy. Part IV—The Adoration, in all twelve musical numbers interspersed

with readings given by Thomas McCormick.

A feature of the Cantata was the Male Quartette, consisting of Rev. T. DeCourcy Rayner, A. Rumford, S. Welch, and W. G. Connolly, which sang two of the numbers. The first "Wondrous Night" being a duet for tenor and baritone, taken by Rev. Mr. Rayner and S. Welch, with chorus by the quartette; the other number being a quartette "To Thee, O Blessed King."

Special mention should be made of the splendid work of the pianist, Miss Estelle Craig.

The Rev. Mr. Hagar gave a short address in which he congratulated the choir on their work and expressed the thanks of the audience for the musical treat they were enjoying.

The choir, which was trained by the pastor, Rev. T. DeCourcy Rayner, consisted of the following:—Sopranos: Misses Maude Marwick, Myrtle Harrower, Elsie Brown, Alma Morris, Beatrice McNally, Mildred Duncan and Jean Williamson. Contraltos: Mrs. T. DeCourcy Rayner, Misses Jean McCormick and Daisy McNally. Tenors and Basses: T. McCormick, R. Duncan, A. Rumford, Rev. Rayner, S. Welch and W. G. Connolly.

An offering was taken for the Manse Furnace Fund.

CHOP STUFF

Petrolia has six butcher shops.

Strathroy is now entitled to a deputy-reeve.

Edward Q. Nicholson, a life-long resident of Strathroy, died last week. Glencoe's 15 year pavement debentures for \$14,500 at 6½ per cent. sold at 103½.

Thos. J. Rapley, formerly of Adelaide and Strathroy, died at Yale, Mich., on Dec. 15, aged 65 years.

As a result of farm labor going to the city, the State of Michigan has 18,323 idle farms and 30,000 vacant farm buildings.

A plebiscite will be taken in the village of Arkona at the municipal elections in regard to granting local licenses to pool-rooms.

Geo. W. George, second concession Adelaide, died in Victoria Hospital, London, on Thursday of last week from sleeping sickness.

The official count of the federal vote in West Middlesex gives J. D. Drummond (Progressive) a plurality of 1,539 over Duncan C. Ross, (Liberal), George A. Elliott (Conservative) running third.

The Township of Adelaide ends its financial year with no liabilities and nearly three thousand in cash in the bank. Adelaide's assessment is better than the two million mark, and it collected this year \$40,627.14 in taxes.

An Oxford county man went out to the barn to start his gasoline engine. Somehow or other his arm got caught in the machine and was badly bruised. It was pulled out of joint at the shoulder and the ligaments were badly torn.

Strathroy lost another veteran citizen on Tuesday in the death of Robert Anderson Ballantyne, a continuous resident for upwards of half a century. The deceased was in his 86th year, was born in Milton, and went to Strathroy in the early days.

John Rawlings, formerly of Forest, is now at Green Bay, Wis., where he is superintending the feeding of 3000 head of cattle for the Blaney Land & Cattle Co. He has a barn 650x32 feet in size, and feeds his cattle on beet pulp, corn and alfalfa hay.

The death of David Whitehead, occurred in Oil Springs on Friday, Dec. 9th, in his 84th year. Deceased was born in Blenheim township, Oxford county, and was a resident of Oil Springs for about forty years. In religion he was a Presbyterian and in politics a Liberal.

The Middlesex county council granted \$300 to all county high schools and a special grant of \$100 to Wardsville school. A grant of 72 per cent of the amount of the government grant will be made to continuation schools over and above the county equivalent.