

Guide-Advocate

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WATFORD, DECEMBER 21, 1917
CHRISTMAS DAY

Christmas Day is one of the world's great assets. It is an important factor in human life and progress. For at least one day each year men rise above the ordinary levels and see clearer the higher things of life; Brotherly Love is lifted up; the Home Life is exalted; the good of others is considered. The world would be poorer in a thousand different ways if the influence of Christmas Day should fade away.

Thank God, the story of the Christ-child has lost none of its power as the years pass by—the story of a little child, of a winter's night, in a humble village among the hills, in the garb of poverty, with no pomp or splendour save that the skies were lit up for a few moments near the place where He was born, and shepherds heard music above them, like songs from a better world than this—IS STILL the world's most fascinating story. And this bleeding world needs more than ever to hear the angel's message "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will to men." It is a proclamation from the King of Kings, to every soul and every nation. God offers peace, He does not force it. He gives it upon the condition that we accept Him as our King and His righteousness as our Law.

The existence of war, such as the present, reveals what humanity led astray can be guilty of, and it also reveals what humanity in its purpose is to be loyal to the teaching and example of the Christ-child is willing to suffer and endure—and so we realize a better day is coming, for "Peace, perfect peace in this dark world of sin, The Blood of Jesus whispers 'Peace within.'"

"Peace, perfect peace, with loved ones far away, In Jesus' keeping we are safe and they."

—S. P. IRWIN.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE.

Next Tuesday the Christian world will commemorate the birth of Christ. It is over nineteen hundred years since the first Christmas Day dawned upon this earth but even before that the same message of love and good fellowship was spoken to the world. The Creator of all things saw to it that no age of people was without a Christmas message. True, it was not known by such a name but since time began this same message has been ringing down the ages though men have been very slow to hear. Not until the Christmas message was made clear and plain that night at Bethlehem was it possible for men to understand the fullness of its truth. Not until then did men realize that it was a message that sooths the sorrows of a broken heart, and creates new faith and hope to lead us on to our appointed destiny according to the plan of God. At this time each one of us has his Christmas message, not for himself but for others; for friends and relatives, for the stranger, and especially for our noble boys who are defending our homes and loved ones in France and other European war theatres.

May the message of the angel song which vibrated on the midnight air over the fields where Ruth gleaned and David cared for his ewes, may the message of peace on earth and good-will towards men find fruition in your hearts this Christmas Day and in the days to come. May you see to it that your peace is with God, and with your neighbor and yourself

Sale Register

Stock sale at Roche House, Watford, Saturday, Dec. 22nd, at 2 o'clock. 32 dairy cows, steers and heifers. 8 months credit. Wm. Sangster, proprietor. J. F. Elliot, Auctioneer.

Dominion Canners have definitely decided not to rebuild in Strathroy next spring.

TEACHER WANTED

For Union Section 7 and 2, Warwick and Brooke. Fully qualified. State salary and experience. Duties to commence after the holidays. Apply to ALEX. BRYCE, Secretary-Treasurer, R. R. 3, Watford



THE LAST CALL For Christmas Goods

Read Every Item. Visit Our Holiday Store. Make it the Happiest Season of the Year, When We Are All Thinking of Others. This Store is Filled With Such a Spirit of Happy Helpfulness to its Patrons. —SWIFT, SONS & CO.

CHRISTMAS COLLARS Three times a week—fresh from the hands of Fashion. All the new Jabots.....50c to \$2.00 White Cream Black	This week we put on a Special CHRISTMAS COAT SALE at a big saving in price. We have a fine stock, all sizes and shades.	LOVELY BLOUSES No two alike—in silk, georgette crepe. The new crepe de chine Blouses, pearl trimmed, in Christmas style. New designs.....\$3.50 to \$6.50
A Fine Stock of FURS with new shipments every week. Styles and prices right. Look through.	SILK SWEATER COATS at \$6.50 to \$12.50 Brushed Wool from \$4.50 to \$7.50 Good shades. Silk Motor Caps to match. Silk Scarfs \$1 to \$3.25	DENTS' GLOVES in all the new shades. In Kid and English Goat, \$1.75 to \$2.25 Buy Dents' and you get the best. They cost no more.
We have a fine stock of BLACK AND COLORED SILKS from \$1.00 a yard up. 36 inches wide. All the new styles for blouses.	MEN'S NECKWEAR in endless variety from 25c to 75c All in stock, with a few \$1.00 lines to come next week. Our 3-for-a-Dollar Ties will please you.	Don't forget we have a nice range of Hand-knit Polka Jackets for the Wee Babies 2 to 15 months old from 75c to \$2.50 Also mitts, booties, veils, leggings, "sleepers."
HANDKERCHIEFS Men's Irish Linen...25c, 35c. Bought a year ago. Plain, hemstitched and initialled. We have a large stock—put up in doz. to the box.	Get in your Christmas orders—large or small—EARLY. We will do the rest. Special Phone Orders carefully filled. Ring us up any time—store or house. —E. D. SWIFT	OUR TOWEL DISPLAY as usual is fine—from \$1.00 a pair up. Special showing in Fancy Towels. See what we are making in Canada—35c to \$1.00 each.
Special shipment of LADIES' FUR-LINED COATS next week. Prices from.....\$45.00 to \$65.00 Best value in the trade.	THE NEW CHRISTMAS COLLARS for Men. THE VIMY and THE SOMME 2 for 35c 3 for 50c 20c each	MEN'S HOUSE OR SMOKING COATS All the new styles at prices from.....\$5.00 to \$7.50. Also coats made to order from.....\$6.00 to \$10.00
MEN'S SWEATER COATS from \$1.75 to \$7.50 Boys'.....\$1.00 to \$3.50 Caps to match...50c to \$1.00	MEN'S CHRISTMAS GLOVES in Greys and Tans, Mode and Browns. Sizes 7½ to 10. Priced at.....\$1.75 to \$2.75	Silk Embroidered Linen Pieces They are a new feature this season. All sorts and styles of useful bags and cushion tops.

WE WISH YOU ONE AND ALL
A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS.
SWIFT, SONS & CO.



Why give him or her a trinket? Give something sensible. A nice pair of shoes would be more appreciated than a cheap ring or other gew-gaw. If you don't know the size worn guess at it and we can change the shoes afterwards. We will enclose a note to that effect with the gift.

We have shoes at all prices to suit all ages in all the latest fashionable styles.

- Some specials:
- FELT SLIPPERS
 - FELT SHOES
 - LEGGINGS
 - HOCKEY SHOES

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KERWOOD
Mrs. Vener is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Laundowngh.
Mr. Loftus Early, of California, is visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Early.
Mr. Alfred Richardson, of Alberta, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Richardson.
The patriotic circle met at the home of

Mrs. Drymond. The ladies made pillow slips, trench caps and slippers. The circle has sent away one hundred and fifty pairs of socks in the last two months. The circle gratefully acknowledges the following donations:—\$5.00 from Mr. J. J. Foster; \$5.00 from Mrs. Seymour Langford; \$1.00 from Mrs. H. Brogan.
The Caradoc potato crop is said to be moving slowly at \$2 per bag.

The acetylene generator in rear of the Howell House, Theford, exploded Sunday of last week. Not a brick of the gas building was left standing, and the damage to surrounding buildings will amount to a large sum. It is estimated that \$300 worth of glass alone was broken.
There is a growing disposition to have as many acclamations as possible in the municipal elections this year to avoid unnecessary war-time expenditure.

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Sir Robert Borden, whose Union government has been returned to power with a large majority.

UNION GOVERNMENT RETURNED

Unionists Sweep Ontario and the West. Quebec and Prince Edward Island Solid for Laurier.

RESULTS BY PROVINCES

ONTARIO	
Unionist	71
Opposition	9
Independent Opposition	2
QUEBEC	
Unionist	3
Opposition	62
NOVA SCOTIA	
Unionist	5
Opposition	9
NEW BRUNSWICK	
Unionist	7
Opposition	4
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	
Unionist	0
Opposition	4

MANITOBA	
Unionist	13
Opposition	1
Deferred	1
SASKATCHEWAN	
Unionist	16
Opposition	0
ALBERTA	
Unionist	9
Opposition	1
To hear from	2
BRITISH COLUMBIA	
Unionist	12
Opposition	1

So far as Ontario is concerned election day passed off with few disturbances. There was some trouble in Kitchener owing to the celebration of the Laurier party of their victory in the riding, threatening to rush the Union Committee rooms, and another case of disturbance is reported from Nipissing, where two Unionist scrutineers were badly beaten by a French-Canadian mob. The Union government will have a good working majority. The West went largely for the Government while Quebec and Prince Edward Island went almost solid for Laurier. In Ontario only 11 Laurierites were returned to 71 Unionists. With the exception of the two French-

Canadian ministers. Hon. T. E. Blondin and Hon. A. Sevigny, both of whom ran in two constituencies and were defeated, all the ministers were returned. In King's, Nova Scotia, Sir Robert Borden had a majority of more than 1000. Sir Wilfrid Laurier was defeated in Ottawa by A. E. Frupp, who had more than 500 majority. In Quebec east, however, Sir Wilfrid rolled up a majority of 6000. When the soldiers' vote is counted the government's majority will be increased about 10, it is claimed. Three seats in Alberta are still in doubt.



J. E. Armstrong, M. P. for East Lambton

EAST LAMBTON

Mr. Jos. E. Armstrong Elected by a Large Majority. The contest in East Lambton resulted in the re-election of Mr. Armstrong by a big majority over Mr. McDougall. The figures for the several polling sub-divisions that are to hand are incomplete, consequently we reserve the details until after the official count on Wednesday next.

Mr. McDougall has submitted the following figures, which he claims are correct.

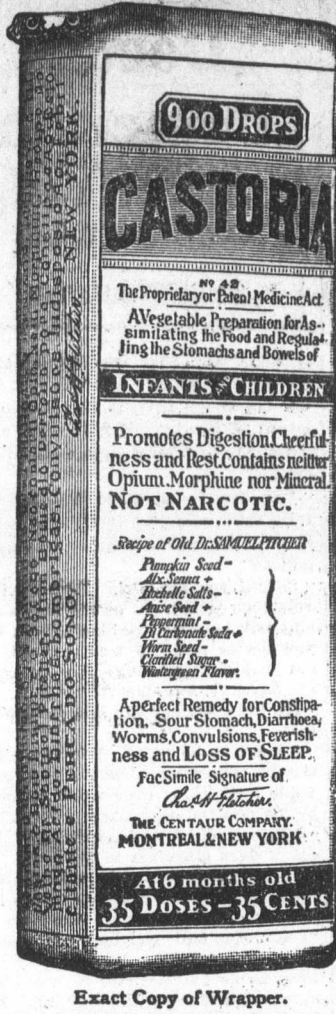
Maj. for Armstrong	
Alvinston	6
Arkona	9
Bosquet	9
Bothwell	17
Brooke	47
Camden	1
Dresden	154
Enniskillen	62
Euphemia	72
Forest	62
Oil Springs	222
Petrolia	62
Thamesville	29
Watford	60
Zone	22
737	
Maj. for McDougall	
Alvinston	9
Arkona	6
Bosquet	9
Bothwell	9
Brooke	47
Camden	50
Dresden	154
Enniskillen	100
Euphemia	110
Forest	73
Oil Springs	62
Petrolia	222
Thamesville	29
Watford	61
Zone	21
851	
Majority for Armstrong .. 196	
Majority for McDougall .. 655	

WARWICK COUNCIL

The Council met on December 15th as per statutes. Members all present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

The following accounts were passed :-

John Harper, refund dog tax	2 00
John Maher	1 00
A. Logan	1 00
Wm. McLean, gravel furnished	11 70
J. Coultis	15 40
Wm. Stutt	2 70
H. Stutt	90
W. Hyde	90
Clark Smith	9 00
J. Taylor	34 50
Andrew Hes	45 25
R. Robertson, statute labor ret. un.	9 00
Fred Wynne	9 00
M. Kilmer	6 00
John O'Neil	6 00
W. F. Tanner	18 00
C. A. Jones, survey Beacom drain	57 90
Taylor-Wilcox	29 50
Zavitz	88 00
McManus	32 50
A. S. Code, Catt	52 10
Treas. Halifax Fund, grant	100 00
Jno. Long, lighting and heating hall for produce meeting	1 00
D. F. MacWatt, services re Wynne Award appeal	33 50
A. Hobbs, telephoning	3 40
A. Higgins	3 00
D.D. Brodie, serving bylaws Catt dr	2 00
N. Herbert, extra services, Lester, Attwood and Stewart drains	3 00
S. Karr, pt. salary as collector	40 00
A. Cox, repairing tp. scraper	1 50



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Make it the liking of Others. Helpfulness to its

VELVET BLOUSES
alike—in silk, georgette The new crepe de chine pearl trimmed, in Christ... New designs..... \$3.50 to \$6.50

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Embroidered Linen Pieces are a new feature this n. All sorts and styles eful bags and cushion tops.



THE STERLING BANK OF CANADA

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CAPITAL AND REST OVER - \$14,000,000.00

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Times may change and work become less plentiful for you with advancing years and you will have no such help anywhere as your nice little few hundred dollars saved in some sound Canadian Bank.

Begin now with only one dollar. Make a hobby of it. See how far behind you can leave trouble and hard times. Above all things do not look backward in your run to the harbor of comfort.

WATFORD, ONT., BRANCH - F. A. MacLEAN, Manager.

D. Hay, services as sheep inspector	2 50
Chester Orr, "	3 00
S. Morris, "	2 00
tile across road	1 20
W. Bowden, ser. as weed inspector	1 50
M. Kilmer, "	3 00
A. Hobbs, " Reeve	65 00
W. E. Parker, " Councillor	55 00
D. D. Brodie, "	55 00
W. Percy, "	55 00
A. Higgins, "	55 00
N. Herbert, " clerk	110 00
C. E. James, " treasurer	100 00
Miss Long, " janitor	20 00
H. A. Edwards, damage to buggy	6 00
L. Basterbrook, rep. Birchall dr.	1 00
Wm. R. Waun, ditching on 18 SR	18 75
Wm. Hall, " 24 SR	22 00
Guide-Advocate, printing and supplies	23 00
John Cowan, legal services	45 17
Miss Morgan, grant for Red Cross	15 00

Bylaw No. 10, was passed in the usual way appointing Fred Wynne, John Cameron, Albert Hawkins, Wm. Elker, C. E. Smith, Truman Eastman and Geo. Richardson, Deputy Returning Officers. Brodie-Parker, that the minutes be taken as read.—Carried.

OBITUARY

The death of the late Mrs. Richard Morris took place at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. E. Kearney, 12th line, Brooke, in her 89th year. On October 30th she broke her right leg, caused by a fall on the woodshed floor. The bone knit and it was hoped she would soon be well again, but the shock was too much for her poor weak heart. Care and attention could not save her, and on Wednesday, Nov. 28th, she left us for the better land. Deceased maiden name was Catharine Wiley. At the age of sixteen she married Richard Morris, a blacksmith, who predeceased her 28 years ago. Together they passed through many joys, trials and hardships, incident to a pioneer life. There were ten children born to them and five survive. Mrs. Morris was remarkably active, kindly natured and of a bright disposition, and had many firm friends. She was a woman of saintly memory, never turned anyone away hungry from her door and was always ready to lend a helping hand to those in trouble. Her old home and neighbors were very dear to her, so in accordance with her last wishes, she was taken there on Friday, all her family being present, also a nephew, Mr. James Wiley, of Detroit, and Mr. Underwood, of Sarnia. The funeral was held on Saturday to the Watford cemetery. She was a life-long Methodist and the Rev. Tiffin preached a very impressive sermon. She had also chosen her pallbearers and many gathered to pay a last tribute to one they loved most dearly. Mrs. Morris had nine grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

WANT COLUMN.

FOR SALE—One wood turning lathe, nearly new. Apply to H. McNALLY, Watford. s28-tf

LOST on Saturday 8th inst. between home and Watford, one auto tire chain. Finder please advise W. G. WILLOUGHBY. 2t.

WORN OUT HORSES and tallen animals of any kind bought.—LETT BROS., fur ranchers, lot 18, con. 13, Brooke; Rural phone 4821. Watford P. O. Phone messages at our expense. tf

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THIS IS THE AGE OF REASON

Isn't it better at the first sign of failing vision to have your eyes attended to, than to put it off until perhaps your Optician can not do for you as much and as well as he could have done on the start? Reason it out. Think about this and let us know. Our service is at your bidding.

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ARKONA

We have a calendar for you, call and get it.—Brown Bros.

The Public Library will be open every Tuesday evening instead of Wednesday evening, also on Saturday evenings.

Don't miss the entertainment in the Methodist church on Christmas night. A splendid program.

No trouble to make a selection of toys for the kiddies. Pay a visit to toy land.—Brown Bros.

Mrs. Lucas is spending a few days in London.

Mrs. Oakes and daughter Lena, spent the week end in Sarnia.

Mr. Lloyd Jackson, of Toronto, is spending a few weeks at his home here.

Headquarters for the hand-painted china, 1847 and Old City silverware.—Brown Bros.

Mr. W. S. Barnette, of the Aviation Corps, Toronto, spent the week end in town.

A man's wife may lay down the law to her husbands, but she is always willing to let him lay down the carpets.

Mrs. Robt Culley, an old resident of Forest, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. David White, Plympton, last week.

