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F. A. MacLEAN, Manager.

matrimony to Clifford Leigh, of the 64th
battery. The pastor, Rev. Dr. Mac-
millivray, officiated. The petite bride
looked very smart in a suit of brown
cloth with brown hat to match and a
orange bouquet of roses. They were at-
ended by Sergt.-Major Sullivan of the
4th Battery and Mrs. Sullivan. The
appy couple left immediately after the
emony for a short honeymoon. The
ride was a popular employment. The
aff of J. D. McKee's drug store, and
eir host of friends in the city unite in
ishing them many years of happiness.

Papers Amalgamate

The Topic and The Advertiser of
strolia have amalgamated, the change-
king place Dec. 1st. The proprietors
the new company are Mr. A. W. Ellis
d Mr. G. G. Bramhill, the Dominion
an Expert. Since the war began five-
mbton papers have gone out of busi-
-ness—two in Sarala, one in Petrolia, one
Oil Springs and one in Courtright.
rest is now the only town in the
unity with two papers, and the sooner
ey get together the better for both the
wn and the owners. Running a local
er is a hazardous proposition these
ys, especially in a two paper town,
d Union in papers as in Governments
the order of the day. The editor of
Topic in his valedictory very tritely
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'But here goes—for better or worse.
e war is on—paper and ink are out of
ht, labor follows suit, and we venture
: opinion that ere many months have
sed more concerns than the Borden
verment and the Petrolia newspapers
l be seeking Union in order to con-
ve sufficient spondulix to enjoy
una's war menu, or raise a pig."
he Guide-Advocate wishes the new
a every success. The people of
olia will be better served with one
-partisan paper than two dyed-in-the-
l party organs.

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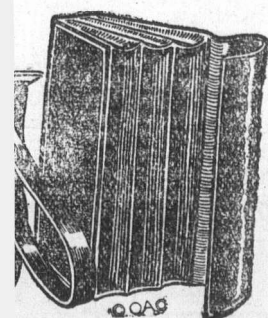
Dr. and Mrs. William J. Moore, of
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OF CANADA
CAPITAL AND REST OVER - \$14,000,000.00

LOOK TO THE FUTURE

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.

House and Household Furniture BY AUCTION

Undersigned has received instructions
from Mrs. Andrew McDougal to sell her
Beautiful Brick Residence on the corner
McGregor and Ontario streets on WED-
NESDAY, DEC. 19, 1917, at two o'clock.
Also the following goods:—3 bedroom
suits complete, 1 large bureau, 4 rocking
chairs, 2 large tables, 1 sheet iron heater,
a number of pictures, jars, flower pots,
chandeliers, 1 sofa, 1 couch, 2 sideboards,
3 small tables, kitchen range coal or
wood, 1 child's cutter, a quantity of
dishes, sealers, lamps, and other articles
too numerous to mention. The house
is a beautiful large brick building, two
stories, with new furnace, in the best
of repair. Two lots, corner, with shade
and fruit trees, hard and soft
water, small stable. Intending pur-
chasers are invited to inspect the
property. Also a vacant lot on Main
Street, next to D. Ross' residence.
Highest lot in town. Terms made known
day of sale. J. F. Elliot, Auctioneer.

Burglars got away with 21 pairs of
shoes and some loose change from a
Glencoe shoe store.
The Dresden I. O. E. voted \$100 to
the Halifax sufferers.

MR. McDUGALL'S MEETING.

A meeting in the interests of Liberal-
ism was held in the Lyceum on Friday
evening. The hall was filled, many hav-
ing to stand, and the speakers were at-
tentively listened to. There was a large
turnout of ladies. Mr. W. S. Fuller
was chairman.

The first speaker was Mr. McDougall,
the Independent Liberal candidate. He
said he had been out of politics for 20
years, but as there was no time in history
that such momentous questions were be-
fore the people as the present he had
consented to enter the contest. He
dealt with the record of the Borden
government and criticized the War
Elections Act, said it was not a fair one
and was framed to win the election and
not the war. He thought all the
women should have a vote and not only
soldiers' relatives. The U. S. soldiers'
vote also came in for censure. He said
he was not much of a coercionist but
he realized that there must be some
sacrifice, and that we must all take
high patriotic grounds in the
war. It was not only a matter of fight
but one of production as well. The
falling off in production was very seri-
ous. It was so serious that already a
quarter of a million of French and also
some British soldiers had been sent back
from the lines to help till the soil. If

Canada wants to win the war she must
produce to the limit. On the other
hand the boys at the front must be sup-
ported. A Union government had been
formed and the Military Service Act was
now law and should be entitled to our
respect. He said the Government's
record was not an enviable one and ad-
vised the electors to bury the record and
the government too. He claimed graft
in war contracts, horse buying, etc., and
condemned the government regarding
the use of the Ross rifle. He claimed
the Union Government was composed of
two-thirds Conservatives and one-third
Liberals, and that Sir Wilfrid Laurier
could not see his way clear to endorse
conscription so would not join the union.
He touched on the C. N. R. deal and
claimed it cost the people 25 millions in-
stead of ten. The political fight, he
said, was between the masses and the
classes, and the Union government fav-
ored the latter. He believed in the re-
duction of the tariff and if elected would
vote for what he considered in the in-
terests of the common people. He
would consider the calls of country be-
fore the calls of party. Was in favor of
conscription if men were con-
scripted.

Mr. Brackin, barrister, of Chatham,
followed. He came to talk politics and
kept the audience in a good humor for
about an hour. He is a ready speaker
and took up many of the issues of the
day in a fluent and interesting manner,
having a quick reply for all questions
asked.

The meeting closed with cheers for the
boys at the front, and the singing of the
National Anthem.

WANSTEAD

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Spearman spent a
few days in London recently.

The pupils of S. S. No. 5, Plympton,
collected \$6 for the Sick Children's
Hospital, Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Wark, who have
spent the past two weeks with friends on
the second line, Plympton, returned to
their home in Detroit on Tuesday.

Misses Edith Hayward and Blanche
Garunham returned Friday from a
pleasant visit with friends in Detroit.

THE A. BROWN & Co. advertisement
this week offers many timely suggestions
for those who are wondering what they
shall give.

THE STERLING BANK OF CANADA

SAVE, Because---

A carefully nurtured savings account
will be a comfort in old age.

To the Electors —OF— EAST LAMBTON

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

I am writing to ask your assistance
in electing me as your representative for
East Lambton.

Since I have had the honor of repre-
senting you at Ottawa, I have faithfully
attended to my duties and for the past
three years I have devoted my time to
assisting the soldiers and their depend-
ents irrespective of party, and have un-
tiringly endeavored to bring nearer the
victorious Home-Coming of "Our Boys."

I have visited the men overseas and in
the trenches, the aviators' camp and
arsenals, the glorious navy of Great
Britain, all of which has brought to me
a keen realization of our boys' needs.
I shall always endeavor to promote their
best interests.

My opponent has not announced his
position on the War Time Elections Act
or the Referendum, nor said that he is
willing to send men and money to help
win the war. He is the accepted candi-
date of Sir Wilfrid Laurier and will
receive all the soldiers' votes from
Lambton that are opposed to Union
Government.

Before voting it is well to recall what
is at stake in this war. This is a war
for Freedom and Liberty against the
World Dominators by brutal force of
the Germans. It is a war of Christian
against Pagan ideals. It is a war of
Right against Might, of Christianity and
Progress against Tyranny and Oppression.
We are fighting for our National
existence. If Great Britain is defeated,
Canada is defeated. Therefore we must
throw all our might on the side of
Britain. We did not go to war to save
England, we went to war to save our-
selves, to save our rights, to save all and
everything that a nation in honor prizes.

Which of the two men, Borden or
Laurier, can best be trusted in this
contest. The Laurier Quebec faction
would hand over the control of the
nation to an element utterly opposed to
the war, while on the other hand Borden
and his followers are prepared forthwith
to exert their whole power in men and
resources to win the war.

Remember, if Sir Wilfrid and his
followers should control the next
Parliament, the Military Service Act
would be suspended until a Referendum
has been submitted to the people and if
the Act is defeated he will resort to
voluntary enlistment, all of which means
delay for a year and the men now
secured under the Military Service Act
will not go forward.

In the meantime the Kaiser will not
suspend operations and our brave men
who have borne the burden of this war
will be left unaided.

These men have fought on many a
battlefield; many have died that Canada
might live—died that Desolation and
War might not enter our borders. Will
we desert and betray them?

Your men at the front are looking to
you for help, and Union Government
has given you the chance to help them.
They cannot win the war alone—they
look to you to vote solidly for reinforce-
ments.

If we do not carry compulsory service,
if we do not provide reinforcements, if

we do not keep faith with these men,
what shall we say on their return?

I can not believe that the loyal men
and women of Lambton will desert the
men in the hour of their greatest need.
You must either keep faith with the
living or desert the living and dishonor
the dead.

Every man, every woman, who marks
a ballot in the election on December 17th
will be in one camp or the other.

This election is not a contest between
persons—it is a question of whether you
are for the war or against the war. The
eyes of the world are upon Canada, for
the Issue is supreme. It is your national
duty to support the men you sent
forward to fight.

It is a matter of Life and Death. Shall
you break faith with those who died in
order that you might live? Shall you
dishonor the dead and discourage the
living by casting your ballot to withhold
help?

I, therefore, respectfully ask you to
vote for Union Government, which is
pledged to send assistance to the men
overseas.

Yours faithfully,
JOS. E. ARMSTRONG.

Petrolia, Ont., December 10, 1917.

Miss Jean Ross

The news that Jean Ross, of Port
Arthur, died this morning was received
with a feeling of horror by this popular
young lady's many friends in both cities.
Miss Ross died this morning at three
o'clock at the family residence, 29 Bal-
sam street, at the early age of twenty-two
years. For the past year she had had
more or less trouble with her nose and
throat, but up to three months ago she
was able to attend to her duties in the
office of the Fitzsimmons Fruit company,
Port Arthur. Last Saturday, however,
the illness assumed a more serious form
death occurring this morning at an early
hour. She was the eldest daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Ross, and was born
in Watford, Ont., removing to Port
Arthur with her parents seventeen years
ago. She is survived by her parents and
two sisters, Kate and Helen. Mr. Ross
is one of the best known agriculturists
in the district, having a large farm at
Six-Mile creek, which he has operated
successfully.

The funeral was held this afternoon,
amid every manifestation of sympathy
and regret. Rev. A. W. McIntosh, pas-
tor of St. Paul's Presbyterian church,
conducted the services both at the house
and at Riverside cemetery. The casket
was covered with beautiful flowers, sent
by relatives and friends. Miss Ross was
very prominent in Junior church circles,
and the presence of many members of
different societies at her funeral betokened
the friendships she had made.

The death of this young lady was
tragic in its suddenness. She had suc-
cessfully undergone what the doctors
promised her would be her last operation
and was doing well in convalescence.
Tuesday morning, in the early hours, she
was asked for a drink of water which was
brought to her, and then she asked for
the light to be turned out as she wished
to sleep. Her mother was alarmed at
her appearance, and called Mr. Ross,
who telephoned for the doctor, but in
a few minutes all was over. Dr. Eakins
was attending her. Only a few minutes
before her death her mother asked her
how she was feeling, and the reply came
that she "was all right".

Deceased was a granddaughter of Mr.
D. M. Ross of Watford.

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.

House and household furniture of Mrs.
Andrew McDonnell, Watford, Wednes-
day, Dec. 19. See ad.

SUPPORT UNION GOVERNMENT

Liberals and Conservatives are United!
The People Must Unite to
Win the War

A Laurier-Bourassa Victory means deserting our boys in the trenches
for over a year; throwing up our hands and quitting! Don't shout
"Kamerad" under the Referendum proposal. Come out and fight
for Union Government!

Make No Mistake

IF LAURIER WINS:

- (1) Canada will send no more reinforcements to the front, which practically means quitting the war and placing the country in the same class as Russia.
- (2) The French-Canadians who have shirked their duty in this war will be the dominating force in the Government of the country.

ARE THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING PEOPLE PREPARED TO STAND FOR THAT?

It is because the French-Canadians have not done their duty that Conscription had to be resorted to. The French-Canadians have made it perfectly clear that they do not like the war and are against Canada participating in it further. Some of them even go to the length of saying that the soldiers should be brought back from the front. The Nationalists are demanding that the men who have been enrolled under the Military Service Act be disbanded and sent back to their homes. To secure the Nationalist support Laurier-Liberal candidates in Quebec have signed the following pledge:—

"I, the undersigned, candidate in the Federal Elections, undertake by these presents; if I am elected, to demand the immediate suspension of the Military Service Act, 1917; and of all its effects until Canadian electors have pronounced by way of plebiscite; and should the majority of the electors condemn it, that it be considered as null from its origin and that in consequence all conscripts be disbanded."
"I also undertake to vote against any Government which should refuse to adopt the above enunciated policy."

This Advertisement is inserted by The Unionist Party Publicity Committee

I OWE MY HEALTH

To Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Washington Park, Ill.—"I am the mother of four children and have suffered with female trouble, headache, nervous spells and the blues. My children's loud talking and romping would make me so nervous I could just tear everything to pieces and I would ache all over and feel so sick that I would not want anyone to talk to me at times. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Liver Pills restored me to health and I want to thank you for the good they have done me. I have had quite a bit of trouble and worry but it does not affect my youthful looks. My friends say 'Why do you look so young and well?' I owe it all to the Lydia E. Pinkham remedies."—Mrs. ROBT. STOEZEL, Moore Avenue, Washington Park, Illinois.

We wish every woman who suffers from female troubles, nervousness, headache or the blues could see the letters written by women made well by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. If you have any symptom about which you would like to know write to the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., for helpful advice given free of charge.

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HARRIS & CO. PROPRIETORS.
WATFORD, DECEMBER 14, 1917

NOTE AND COMMENT

Brazilian coffee interests are much excited over the extraordinarily large crop this year. It means low prices, they say. That will not sadden the consumer at all.

Germany's peace overtures are as deadly as poison gas. They are no more friendly than submarine attacks. They have the same quality of treachery. The allies would be simple-minded fools if they should suspend for a single second their preparations to demolish Germany, in order to listen to her peace proposals. It is perfectly evident that the robber will not disgorge until forced to do so. The necessary force is now assembling. There is no escape from the avenging hand. Let it be raised in might, and let it strike home!

Prof. Snider, an American almanac maker, prophesies a hard winter, one of the severest ever experienced. He says: "The coming winter will be a long, hard, cold one, for driving sleet storms and heavy snow storms will occur over various sections of the country, followed by great cold waves turning into severe blizzards that will reach far into the south. December will be known as the sharpshooters' month for the cold waves will be so piercing. The coming Christmas will be a white one for many snow storms will occur, all to be followed by a sweeping cold wave that will make man and beast take notice."

War has its compensations as well as its awful sacrifices. Among others a distinguished scientist mentions the knowledge it has given of our physical condition: "The war has given us our first survey of the physical

condition of our young men in the examination of recruits and selected men. It has led to correction of hundreds of physical defects. It has brought about the immunization from typhoid of hundreds of thousands of young men who would otherwise have been carried off by the disease. It has led to the physical training and building up of hundreds of thousands of young men who, as a result, when peace comes, will make better husbands and fathers. It will lead to the training of untold thousands in the future, for this nation will never again permit itself to be unprepared for self-defense."

HALIFAX IS DEVASTATED BY FEARFUL EXPLOSION

Belgian Relief Ship Ioma Rams Munition Ship Mont Blanc, Which Explodes and Wipes Out Large Portion of Nova Scotia Capital, Thousands Being Killed and Injured

About nine o'clock Thursday morning Dec. 6th the munition steamer Mont Blanc was rammed in Halifax Harbor by the Belgian relief steamer Ioma. A quarter of an hour later the Mont Blanc's cargo exploded and a large part of the northern section of Halifax City, two square miles in extent, was laid in ruins, the killed being estimated in last advice at two thousand. Terrible destruction was created on the waterfront, where hundreds of longshoremen and sailors were killed. Two of the crew of H.M.C.S. Niobe and twelve soldiers lost their lives. Many scores of buildings were leveled in the city, occupants and passers-by being buried in the ruins. The blast of the destructive explosion was felt in some of the public schools, where the lives of many little children were snuffed out. Nearly all the dockyard buildings were destroyed, most of the waterfront premises, the railway station and many other public buildings, while the Town of Dartmouth, across the harbor, was also the scene of extensive damage. All Halifax hospitals and most of the existing public buildings are crowded with the injured, while scores of wagon loads of the dead are being brought into the morgues, many of which have been improvised for the sad occasion. The pilot of destroyed munition ship Mont Blanc says the collision was due to some confusion about the signal whistles.

\$100 Reward, \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and this is catarh. Catarh being greatly influenced by constitutional conditions requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarh Cure is taken internally and acts through the Blood on the Mucous Surfaces of the System thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in the curative powers of Hall's Catarh Cure that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.
Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by all Druggists, 75c.

One Man's Prayer

Out in Kansas there is a man named Homer McKee. He wrote a prayer and it was printed in the State Board of Health Bulletin. The Bulletin fails to identify Mr. McKee further than to publish his name, which is enough in a way, for the prayer speaks for the man, and sums up in a few words the attitude of happiness. The Guelph Herald quotes it as follows:

Teach me that sixty minutes make an hour, sixteen ounces one pound, and 100 cents \$1.

Help me to live that I can lie down at night with a clear conscience, without a gun under my pillow, and unhaunted by the faces of those to whom I have brought pain.

Grant, I beseech Thee, that I may earn my meal ticket on the square, and in doing thereby that I may not stick my gaff where it does not belong.

Blind me to the faults of the other fellow, but reveal to me my own.

Keep me young enough to laugh with my children, and to lose myself in their play.

And then, when comes the smell of flowers, and the tread of soft steps and the crunching of the hearse's wheels in the gravel out in front of my place, make the ceremony short and the epitaph simple.

New Era for Canada

One of the most distinguished living representatives of the British Empire said, in conversation not many months ago, that in his opinion the time will come when the British Empire will centre in Canada. Whether this be so or not, certain it is that in the new era, on the threshold of which our country now stands, Canada will be called upon to occupy a much more prominent place among the nations of the world. And the fundamental national essential in that new era for Canada will be—or, to speak more truly, is now—an enlightened, alert, patriotic public opinion, burning with the determination to have the right thing done. Thus only can Canada achieve the greatness that may be hers, and become a land in which human life will be at its best. And it is the duty of every true Canadian to give his life for his country if need be in peace time as in war time—to give his life in peace time by making his life help to the full measure of his ability towards the achievement of that ideal.

Texts For The Kaiser

It has often been said that the Kaiser is a person of deep, though perverted, religious sentiment. But when such arrogant declarations as his saying, when he began the war "I will wield the sword and show the nations what it means to provoke Germany!" are considered in connection with even the most pious-sounding of his utterances, it is difficult to see how he can have regarded the Omnipotent presence at the beginning of the war as anything but a frescoed palace ceiling, or a stage decoration of his own fancy, to enhance to supreme greatness of his All-Highest Hohenzollernism. He has in his time quoted rather extensively from the Bible. Here are some texts that might well claim his attention:

"Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? Nay, they were not at all ashamed, neither could they blush; therefore shall they fall among them that fall."

"For from the least of them unto the greatest of them every one is given unto covetousness; and from the prophet even to the priest, every one dealeth falsely. . . saying, Peace, Peace; when there is no peace. . . Destruction cometh; and there shall be none."

An Appeal to "Eat Less"

The Canadian Food Controller has called upon the people of Canada to eat less of those foods which are urgently needed for shipment overseas to the soldiers, and to substitute other foods which are no so suitable for export. Any attempt to burlesque this appeal can only serve to obscure this imperative need in Europe of more wheat, beef and bacon if the soldiers are to be given the support they must have. Those who today treat lightly the efforts of the Food Controller, and contend that there is an abundance of food, may have to go hungry before another harvest is gathered.

The United States Food Administration, in a colored poster which has been distributed widely, calls upon the people of that country to "EAT LESS wheat, meat, sugar and fats. TO SAVE FOR THE ARMY AND OUR ALLIES," and to "EAT MORE corn, oats and rye products, fish and poultry, fruits, vegetables and potatoes, baked, boiled and broiled food."

To ask the Canadian people to eat less of certain foods in order that the soldiers at the front may not go short is not a matter for ridicule, but one of intense seriousness.

Carrying Cash

It is interesting to note the various methods in which men of different nationalities carry their worldly wealth. The Englishman carries gold, silver and copper all loose in his trousers pocket, pulls out a handful of the mixture, and selects the coin he needs.

The American carries "his wad of bills" in a long, narrow pocketbook, in which the greenbacks lie flat. The Frenchman makes use of a leather purse, with no distinguishing characteristics. The capitalist from some torrid South American city carries his dollars in a belt with cunningly devised pockets to baffle



The low cost per cup

It is hard to believe that a cup of good, rich tea only costs about a fifth of a cent, but, you see, Red Rose consists chiefly of Assam teas—the richest, strongest teas in the world. Red Rose easily yields 250 cups to the pound. And it's a tea of rare economy and flavor.

Kept Good by the Sealed Package



the gentlemen with the light fingers.

The Italian of the poorer classes ties up his little fortune in a gaily-colored handkerchief, secured with many knots, which he secretes in some mysterious manner about his clothes. A similar course has charms for the Spaniards, while the lower-class Russian exhibits a preference for his boots or the lining of his clothes as a hiding place for his savings.

Command of the Sea

The loss of the old battleship Drake is a reminder to the navy that it is still possible for a German submarine to fulfil its original purpose and sink a warship. It was the first time for over a year that the Germans succeeded in sinking a warship, apart from one or two destroyers. The Drake was of the same type as the Good Hope, a very unsatisfactory class, so badly constructed for heavy weather that it could never make proper use of its gun power. The fact that she was able to reach shallow water before she sank, and that only one officer and 18 men were killed, shows what command of the seas means. The German submarine was unable to pursue her advantage further, and, of course, no German above-water boat could appear in the open sea to finish a lame duck.

Smokers and Fires

Carelessness in using cigars, cigarettes and smoking-pipes, according to an official report, was responsible for most of the fires that occurred in New York City last year, 1,606 fires being so caused. Next came carelessness in setting bonfires, burning rubbish, etc.—1,573 fires being caused in this way. Careless use of matches caused 1,475 fires; vapors of benzine, gasoline, etc., 545; defective chimneys and flues, 824; and kerosene oil used to start the kitchen range, 9. Seventy-five per cent. of all fires occurred in homes.

Worms feed on the vitality of children anger their lives. A simple and effective cure is Mother Graves' Worm Exterminators.

A friend in need is a surprise indeed.

When all is lost save honor some men get on their dignity.

Many a so-called self-made man is the handiwork of his wife.

Nearly all beautiful things are expensive, including women.

Trouble likes to avoid a man who is able to keep his mouth shut.

A man may convince a woman that she is in the wrong by agreeing with her.

Life wouldn't be worth the living if it were a continuous succession of padding and ice cream.

"Woman, lovely woman," seems to be proper, but "Man, lovely man," doesn't sound good to us.

Nothing gives the average woman more pleasure than to have the street car conductor miss her.

A considerate wife will not insist upon her husband's doing more than two-thirds of the housework.

Probably Delilah's hair was getting thin and she became enraged at Samson because he refused to name the brand of hair tonic he used.

To provide a new food product the United States bureau of fisheries will experiment with canning and corning seal meat.

Camphor production from leaves having passed the experimental stage in Formosa, the government has planted large areas in trees.

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For School Section No. 5, Warwick. Fully qualified. State experience. Duties to commence after Christmas holidays. Apply to JOHN HALL, Secretary-Treasurer, R. R. No. 8, Watford

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glue is quite the only thing necessary for the dressing. The little hat, suit and even the leggings can be made realistic.

Other realistically patriotic cards can be made from plain white bristol board by "tacking" on wee tin snubers, wooden guns, miniature tents and even a whole company of tin soldiers standing upright. Then, too, little silk flags might be draped on the cards with artistic effect.

Another charming thing to do with place cards is to press flowers and paste somewhere on the card.

"FUR SET" FILLS BIG NEED



All of the fair sex who look at huge fur coats, fur neck pieces and muffers and despair at their not being able to purchase such expensive articles, are in for a great surprise, and a pleasing one. The latest designed "fur pieces" are altogether just as pretty, perhaps not as warm, but very few women wear furs for the warmth they give, and their cost is negligible in comparison with the cost of the real thing. The set shown in the picture is made of Isaphan ribbon trimmed at the edges and with bands of fur running through. The stole, muff, hat, and even the purse are made of the same materials in the same way.

eases carried by rats, and the necessary expenditures in combating them. The foregoing figures are based on pre-war prices and are vastly greater under present valuations.

In Europe, about 1907, after careful investigation, the estimated average annual loss caused by each rat was computed to equal \$1.80 in Great Britain, \$1.20 in Denmark, and \$1 in France. On this continent the average is undoubtedly much larger than in any of the countries named, especially at present high prices of food and other merchandise.

There is no doubt that a very large number of rats subsist wholly on garbage and waste which is of no value, but the damage caused by rats in numerous places amounts to many dollars each year; probably \$5 a year would not be an overestimate for the average loss caused by each rat living in a dwelling, hotel, restaurant, or other place having ready access to food supplies.

Assuming, roughly speaking, that as estimated, the rat population on this continent is 50,000,000 for the cities and 150,000,000 for the rural districts, it will require the destruction of property by each rat of only a little more than one-fourth of a cent a year to make the aggregate of the great sum estimated as destroyed by these pests yearly in this country.

Taking the average yearly returns on a man's labor in agriculture, as shown by the census of 1910, it requires the continuous work of about 150,000 men, with farms, agricultural implements, and other equipment, to supply the foodstuffs destroyed annually by rats in America. In addition, rats destroy other property, mainly of agricultural origin, the production of which requires the work of about 50,000 men.

ALWAYS WITH DEPRESSION AND MELANCHOLY.—These two evils are the accompaniment of a disordered stomach and torpid liver and mean wretchedness to all whom they visit. The surest and speediest way to combat them is with Parnee's Vegetable Pills, which will restore the healthful action of the stomach and bring relief. They have proved their usefulness in thousands of cases and will continue to give relief to the suffering who are wise enough to use them.

THE QUEEN OF GEMS.

Flawless Emerald Most Valuable of Stones.

An emerald free from flaws would be the most precious of all stones, experts of the Smithsonian Institution maintain in a recently published bulletin.

Unfortunately it (the emerald) is seldom free from flaws, and were this not the case an emerald would be of greater value, carat for carat, than the diamond. To-day a good diamond is worth about \$250 to \$400 per carat, according to its purity and size, while an emerald varies in value from \$350 to \$500, increasing very rapidly with size. Flawless emeralds weighing more than four carats are among the rarest jewels; a perfect stone of four carats is practically priceless, whereas a diamond would bring only \$1,000 to \$2,000.

It is probable that all the emeralds of the ancients came from the so-called Cleopatra emerald mines in upper Egypt, worked as early as 1650 B. C., abandoned and lost sight of during the Middle Ages, but rediscovered early in the nineteenth century, when only cloudy stones of a light color were obtained.

Unlike some green stones, the emerald retains its color when heated and when subjected to artificial light, and in this connection Pliny is quoted as saying that neither sun, nor shade, nor yet the light of a candle, caused change in its color or lustre. It was supposed, in ancient times, to be good for the eyes, and Pliny also remarks, "There is not a gem or precious stone that so fully possesseth the eye, and yet never contenteth it with satiety. Nay, if the sight has been wearied and dimmed by intensive poring upon anything else, the beholding of this stone doth refresh and restore it again."

While beneficial to human eyes, it was believed to be fatal to the eyesight of serpents, in the words of the poet Moore: "Bibbed the serpents when they gaze upon the emerald's virgin blaze."

Many virtues were once ascribed to this stone; when worn it was held to be a preservative against epilepsy and other ailments. It was also valued as a charm against evil spirits; while taken internally, it was claimed to have great medicinal value.

The crystals are simple in form; merely hexagonal prisms attached at one end to the matrix, with usually a flat face at right angles to its axis on the other end. They are invariably flawed, so much so that "a flawless emerald" has become a proverbial expression for unattainable perfection. The largest single crystal, said to weigh 9 3/4 ounces, is in the possession of the Duke of Devonshire.

A HOUSEHOLD MEDICINE.—They that are acquainted with the sterling properties of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil in the treatment of many ailments would not be without it in the house. It is truly a household medicine and as it is effective in dealing with many ordinary complaints it is cheaper than a doctor. So, keep it at hand, as the call for it may come most unexpectedly.

FUR APPEARS ON ALL COATS

In Many Cases It Is Used as a Border Somewhere Around the Hem—White Trimming Popular.

Attention is focusing on coats of cloth, duvety and the like. Made in one of the charming ways in which they are variously being presented, they are all the most fastidious woman could either wish for or obtain.

In nearly all the new models an artistic tendency is very apparent. The lines are straight, yet full and loose; there are often large Oriental-shaped armholes, a kind of "sheepless shagreen" being cleverly imparted.

Another feature is that though the coat itself may not be of fur, fur of some kind enters prominently into its composition. There is, perhaps, a roll-back fur collar, fur cuffs or fur buttons. In many cases there is a border of fur somewhere around the hem, sometimes very narrow, sometimes extending to quite a considerable depth.

Golden-colored raccoon is being used very much in this way, and lynx cat also plays its own inimitable part, and there is no mistaking the tremendous liking existing for white fur trimmings. White fur is to be seen on coat after coat, sometimes some superior fur such as white fox or tailless ermine, sometimes some substitute, of which lapin is the fashionable name, but which is, frankly speaking, rabbit.

White or gray lapin, however, is by no manner of means to be despised. It is a fur with which marvels can be wrought. The soft "flax" surface is a delight, and one remarkably becoming.

SOME CLEVER PLACE CARDS

Patriotic Idea Can Be Carried Out by Use of Bits of Khaki, Navy Wool and White Duck.

It is the successful hostess who recognizes the artistic and conversational possibility of the place card. As a means of stimulating table talk really novel place cards will do it as nothing else will, declares a writer in the Washington Post. Designing and making one's own place cards is good sport. Cunning little things can be made from bits of khaki, navy wool and white duck. Wee soldiers and sailors might be cut out of cardboard mounted on stands, and dressed in their respective "stuffs." A bit of

THIS is no time to be practising false Economy. Don't imagine because you have a fire on that it is cheaper to bake your own Bread and Cakes. Remember, you must have extra heat, and you know the cost of wood and coal these days! So Save your Fuel and Buy your Bread and Cakes from **LOVELL'S**

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF THOMAS MATTHEWS, late of the Village of Watford, in the County of Lambton, Gentleman, deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Ontario, 1914, Chapter 121, against the estate of the above named Thomas Matthews, who died on or about the 6th day of May A. D. 1917, at the Village of Watford in the County of Lambton, are required, on or before the first day of January, A. D. 1918, to send by post prepaid or deliver to the undersigned Solicitor for John Hasell and Lewis Hugh Parney, said Thomas Matthews, their names and addresses and full particulars, in writing of their claims and a statement of their accounts and the duly verified upon oath. And take notice that Executors will proceed to distribute the assets thereof having regard only to the persons entitled which they shall not be liable for the claims of Executors will not be liable for the said assets, or any part thereof, to any person or persons whose claim notice shall not have been received at the time of such distribution.

VICTOR A. SINCLAIR,
Barrister, etc.,
Solicitor for the said Executors.
Dated at Tillsonburg this 29th day of November, A. D. 1917.

Mr. Wm. Wight, of Bosanquet had the misfortune to cut his hand badly while carrying turnips with a sickle. He is still carrying it in a bandage, but it is healing nicely.

Tom Jones, who managed the McAlpine House, Glencoe, has bought a farm near London.

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Many so-called remedies for anaemia are only so in name. Their makers are afraid to prove their claims by telling what their medicines contain. The only way to be honest with the people is to let them know what they are paying for. Here is the Vinol formula. When the doctor knows what a medicine contains, it ceases to be a "patent" medicine.

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- Pte. Richard Watson, Can. Engineer
- Pte. L. H. Aylesworth, Band.

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WATFORD, DECEMBER 14, 1917

Interdenomination Evangelism

For several weeks the ministers of the Presbyterian, Anglican, Baptist and Methodist Churches resident in Watford have been arranging for the observance of the week-of-prayer, in accordance with the King's proclamation, from January 6th to 11th, and have decided that the following be the order of the meetings: Monday and Tuesday in the Anglican, Wednesday in the Baptist, Thursday in the Methodist and Friday in the Presbyterian churches. The themes for consideration are Repentance, Prayer, Consecration, Service and Triumph, in the different churches in order named above. Detailed programs will be printed and distributed later.

By way of preparation for this week of meetings the town has been divided into five wards and there will be neighborhood prayer meetings held in the homes of the people to be arranged and announced in the different wards. These are interdenominational in the widest sense. All are invited and welcomed at the nearest prayer meeting. There will be held on Wednesday, December 26th, and Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 1st and 2nd.

Immediately following the week of prayer there will be a series of three weeks of special services in which the Presbyterian, Baptist and Methodist Churches unite and in which all people of all churches will be heartily welcome. The Army has been secured from the military authorities for the meetings. The building will be properly fitted and arranged. Three of the most prominent ministers of London have been secured to assist in this work for a week each, viz.: Rev. W. J. Ashton, B.D., of Wellington St. Methodist Church; Rev. James McKay, B.A., of New St. James Presbyterian Church, and Rev. H. H. Bingham, B.A., of Talbot St. Baptist Church. Mr. Baskerville, of Strathroy, has been secured as leader of song. A meeting to further plan for this work will be held in the Library on Friday evening of this week at 7.30 o'clock. All officials and other laymen interested are invited to attend.

WARWICK.

C. R. Williams returned from St. Joseph Hospital on Saturday, after an operation on his eyes.

Miss Frieda Wiley, Main Road, spent a few days last week with her friend Miss Leafa Gault, Second Line South.

C. F. Luckham son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Luckham has been invalidated home from England and arrived here last week.

Mrs. Fred T. Paul and daughter Jean, of Leatherhill, Sask., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John McCormick,

fourth line.

Christmas concert, S. S. No. 6, Warwick, Thursday Dec. 20th, consisting of songs, recitations, exercises and eight dialogues. Admission 15c. and 25c. Proceeds for Red Cross.

On Sunday evening next, at 7.30 p. m., divine service will be held in Zion Congregational church. Rev. R. M. Stevenson will preach on the subject: "Can a believer on the Lord Jesus Christ ever be lost?" A welcome extended to all.

L. O. L. No. 2336 held an Oyster Supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cable, the Brethren and their families being present. Also a number of brethren from L. O. L. 619. A very pleasant social evening was spent in playing games etc. The evening closed with all singing "He's a Jolly Good Fellow." All agreed having a splendid time.

Mr. Robert McCormick, ex-M. P. P., met with a nasty accident on Thursday of last week while in London. He was struck by the caboose of a freight train when returning from the hospital where he had been visiting his brother Richard. His hip was injured and he received a nasty cut on the temple. He was taken at once to the hospital and had his injuries attended to, and was brought home by auto the following day. It was a miraculous escape from death.

Farmers' Sons Not to be Drafted

Mr. Joseph McCormick received on Friday last the following telegram from the Deputy Minister of Agriculture, authorizing him to see that farmers' sons and men employed on farm are not drafted for military service:

"It has been brought to the attention of the Minister of Agriculture that in some cases tribunals appointed under the Military Service Act have selected farmers' sons and men employed as help on the farms whose services could not be spared and would be the means of causing a reduction in the production of food stuffs. In order that such results might not happen and as a protection to agriculture, the Minister has selected you to represent the Department of Agriculture and look into such cases in Lambton East, and take up same and communicate with the District Military Representative, Military Headquarters, London, and report to such Military Officer your objections and reasons why such person so selected should be relieved from military service in order that he may remain on the farm. Please arrange with Harry French, of Dresden, for division of territory. He has been appointed to act jointly with you."

Clanboy farmers are becoming greatly alarmed over an epidemic of blackleg among the young cattle. Considerable loss has already occurred. Many cattle have also died from the disease near Florence.

Rowdyism is so rampant in North Dresden that widows who live alone dread the night coming.

Getting Ready for Christmas

Think of the Last Two Days! Then Start Now.

Many have a lot of things laid away already.

USEFUL GIFTS PROFITABLE GIFTS

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Make every day a busy day at OUR store (or YOUR store)

Look over this list.

—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 1doz. 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.



Visit us early and often. We have what you need for Christmas.

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DIRECT IMPORTERS



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:

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If Coal Was \$6.75 Would You Pay \$11.00?

OF COURSE NOT! You would save the difference. That's just what we have to offer in this SPECIAL CHRISTMAS SALE of BRANTFORD CABINET PHONOGRAPHS. —\$150 Value for \$110; and lower prices at great saving.

Make the Whole Family Happy

It's an Essential—Not a Luxury

Is there anything in the world that will educate, bring more happiness, more enjoyment or more real entertainment for the whole family during the long winter evenings than one of these beautiful Cabinet Phonographs?

A Home is not worthy of the name without the refining influence of good music. Let us put one of these instruments in your home on trial now, while this Special Xmas offer lasts. Come in and see, hear and be convinced.

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WATFORD, ONT., FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1917

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WANT COLUMN.

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

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

FOR SALE, BRONZE Turkeys, also some choice lambs.—CHARLES TANNER, lot 26, con. 12, Ennskillen. R. R. 2, Petrolia Ont.

FOR SALE, good, reliable Hackney driver, with harness, buggy and cutter. Going cheap. Apply to REV. R. M. STEVENSON, Watford.

FRAME house on E 1/2 lot 20, Main Road, Watford, for sale. To be moved off the premises. Apply to R. E. McGILLICUDDY or Ed. Cundick.

FOR SALE—Hard coal baseburner, nickel top, dome and base, mica fireview, with small oven, nearly new. Also an extension table. Apply to Mrs. GEO. ANNETT.

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.

STRAYED—From lot 19, con. 3, S.E.R. Warwick, some time during the last two weeks, a red steer, weighing about 800 lbs. Is not dehorned. Send information of same to H. K. LAIRD, Watford R. R. No. 2.

FOR SALE—Good brick house with frame kitchen and woodshed, hard and soft water inside, fruit trees and stable on lot. Situated on St. Clair street, Watford. For particulars apply to MRS. GEO. ANNETT, at Roland J. King's, R. R. No. 3. Phone 4923-1.

Do you realize that you obtain twice the light with half the oil by using an Aladdin Lamp. Prove it yourself in your home by getting an Aladdin on free trial. It cost you nothing and puts you under no obligation. Do not fail to take advantage of this offer without delay.—C. M. FITZGERALD, Watford.

BORN

In Forest, on Sunday, Dec. 2nd, 1917, to Mr. and Mrs. Roger Sutherland, a son.

MARRIE

At Arkona, on Wednesday, November 21st, David Allan Reason, of Adelaide, to Mrs. Isla May Russell Riggs, of Arkona.

At the residence of the bride, Brooke, on Wednesday, Dec. 12th, 1917, by the Rev. S. F. Irwin, Mary B., daughter of Mrs. J. H. Lucas to Mr. Arnold Parker.

DIED

In Warwick, on Wednesday, Dec. 5, 1917, Margaret Henderson, widow of the late William Leach, in her 74th year. In Besanquet, on Dec. 3, Frances Aldred, relict of the late William Burr, of the 16th con. Besanquet, in her 83rd year. In Flint, Mich., on Dec. 4th, Mrs. John Branden, of the 6th con. Besanquet.

BROOKE

Archie McGugan won the Red Cross ball raffled by the Watford A. Y. P. A. He held ticket No. 136.

Squire Lucas returned Monday from St. Joseph's hospital, London, where he underwent surgical treatment, several weeks ago.

The Tipperary Red Cross circle has decided to hold a miscellaneous shower at their next meeting to be held at home of Mrs. R. J. Lucas, January 8th, 1918.

IRISH LINENS for Christmas—table cloths and naps.—SWIFT'S.

"She Stoops to Conquer" is the name of the play to be given in Walnut School in aid of Red Cross on Friday, Dec. 14th. Admission 35c. and 25c. Don't fail to go.

The Tipperary Red Cross circle has shipped to Hyman's Hall a bale containing 21 grey flannel shirts valued at \$40; 12 suits of pyjamas valued at \$21; 20 trench towels valued at \$3; 16 pillow cases valued at \$8.50; 1 pair socks valued at 75c. The circle has also sent 14 pair of hand knit socks to Mrs. McPhedran, Toronto.

School Reports

Report of S. S. 13 Brooke, for November 1917.

Class IV Sr.—Jean Lucas, Lottie Higgins, Jr.—Gordon Johnston, Velma Griffith.

Class III Sr.—John Lucas, Jimmie Burns, Sadie Fisher, Jr.—Edna Griffith, Harry Chalk.

Class II—Kathleen Burns.

Class I—Margaret Lucas, Lyda McDonald, Julius Van Den Bergh, Mary Lucas, Johnny Griffith.

Primer—Jimmie Chalk, Clarence Johnston, Fisher Burns.—A. M. COWAN, Teacher.

A CHRISTMAS waist—see our \$5.00 window. All the shades, in georgette crepe and crepe de chene.—SWIFT'S.

Final Appeal Judge Gives Ruling on Exemption of Farmers

Mr. Justice Duff (the Final Court of Appeal) Declares it is Essential that there shall be No Diminution in Agricultural Production.

(Published by authority of Director of Public Information, Ottawa.)

Hon. Mr. Justice Duff gave judgment on December 6th, in the first test case brought before him, as Central Appeal Judge (the final court of appeal), for the exemption of a farmer. The appeal was made by W. H. Rowntree in respect of his son, W. J. Rowntree, from the decision of Local Tribunal, Ontario, No. 421, which refused a claim for exemption. The son was stated to be an experienced farm hand, who had been working on the farm continuously for the past seven years, and ever since leaving school. He lives and works with his father, who owns a farm of 150 acres near Weston, Ontario. With the exception of a younger brother, he is the only male help of the father on the farm. The father is a man of advanced years.

In granting the man exemption "until he ceases to be employed in agricultural labor," Mr. Justice Duff said:

"The Military Service Act does not deal with the subject of the exemption of persons engaged in the agricultural industry; and the question which it is my duty to decide is whether the applicant being and having been, as above mentioned, habitually and effectively engaged in agricultural production, and in labor essential to the carrying on of agricultural production, ought to be exempted under the provisions of the Military Service Act.

"These two propositions are indisputable:

"(1) In order that the military power of the allies may be adequately sustained, it is essential that in this country and under the present conditions, there should be no diminution in agricultural production.

"(2) The supply of competent labor available for the purpose of agricultural production is not abundant, but actually is deficient.

"The proper conclusion appears to be that the applicant, a competent person, who had been habitually and effectively engaged in labor essential to such production, ought not to be withdrawn from it.

"It is perhaps unnecessary to say that such exemptions are not granted as concessions on account of personal hardship, still less as a favor to a class. The sole ground of them is that the national interest is the better served by keeping these men at home. The supreme necessity (upon the existence of which, as its preamble shows, this policy of the Military Service Act is founded) that leads the State to take men by compulsion and put them in the fighting line requires that men shall be kept at home who are engaged in work essential to enable the State to maintain the full efficiency of the combatant forces, and whose places cannot be taken by others not within the class called out."

Ottawa, Dec. 8, 1917.

Report of S. S. 12 Warwick, for November.

Class IV Sr.—Morgan Cameron, Ola Routley, Jr.—Irene Westgate, Verna Pyke, Percy Ward, Milton Williamson.

Class III Sr.—Melvin Williamson, Archie Cameron, Lorenzo McLean, Melvin Routley, Fred O'Neil, Nelson McLean, Amelia Pyke, Alfred Horne.

Class II.—Oscar Westgate, Gilbert Kersey, Orville Craig, Mac McIntosh.

Class I Sr.—Harold Westgate, Edna McIntosh, Jr.—Wilson Westgate, Robert Pyke, Lyle McIntosh.

Primer.—Robert Routley, Roy Craig, Ariel Routley, Fred Ward.—JERAN MCKECHERR, Teacher.

Report of S. S. No. 5 Brooke, for the month of November.

Class IV Sr.—Clifford Higgins, Maggie Watson, Leonard Annett, Jr.—Ethel

Watson, Rato Clarke, Merrilline Whitehead.

Class III—Alice Sutton, Allan Higgins, Harold Sutton.

Primer (a)—Aileen Sutton. Primer (b)—Bert Oakes.—V. BAMBURIDGE, Teacher.

S. S. 16 and 18 B. and W. November 30, 1917.

Class IV Arithmetic.—Edith Moffitt, Olive Leach, Ula Higgins, Sr.—Arithmetic—Gordon Higgins, Earl Moffitt, Jr.—Arithmetic—Roy Higgins, Lena Bryce, Cecil Hayward.

Class II—Arithmetic and Spelling—Andrew King, Stanley Hayward, Annie Higgins, Merton King, Grant Kelly.

Class I Sr.—Jack Kelly, Ethel Moffitt, Austin Kelly, Mary Moffitt.

Roll 18. Average 15.—A. W. KELLY, Teacher.

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.

EBONY and ivory goods at McLAREN'S Pt. Huron got 2000 tons of hard coal last week.

As soon as the election is over Santa Claus will get an inning.

Pte. Geo. Patterson of Liery, had his leg amputated above the knee. He has been moved to England.

NICK stock of Christmas things for wee kiddies.—SWIFT'S.

Strathroy women had a hair-pulling scrap over politics at a meeting there last week. O, the gentle six!

DON'T buy your Christmas presents until you read the announcements of the Watford merchants in this issue.

You will find things aplenty for the kiddies in our toy department up-stairs. J. W. McLAREN.

On Nov. 23 Mr. and Mrs. Hugh R. McAlphine of Moss celebrated their golden wedding and entertained 60 guests.

There died in Courtright on Tuesday, December 4th Lena, beloved wife of Laughlin McDonald, at the age of 66 years.

THE best silk scarfs for ladies and men made in Canada. They would be nice for Christmas.—SWIFT'S.

The staff of the Petrolia Topic presented Mr. Dowling, editor, with gold pin, cuff links, etc. on his retiring from the position.

E. C. Green, a farmer near Dresden, had 33 yearling sheep worried to death by dogs one night. He places his loss at \$900.

DISPITE the snow storm and the cold weather the tag day held by Lambton Chapter, I.O.D.E., on Saturday for the Navy League was a successful one.

YOU are invited to inspect our Xmas stock. Open every night.—J. W. McLAREN.

The plate for a page advertisement ordered for this issue has been delayed in transit from Toronto. The change in make-up was made to accommodate it.

The grand total of the Victory Loan drive in this county is now \$2,660,650. Of this amount Sarnia contributed almost half of the total with \$1,311,500.

A SUIT or Overcoat for Christmas. We have the goods and can make them.—SWIFT'S.

LAMBTON'S 149, I.O.D.E., is holding a patriotic "jitney" dance in the Armory New Year's night. Proceeds for yarn and soldiers' comforts. Particulars next week.

No, gentle reader, you will not find the news in the usual columns this week. It is here, there and all over on account of the election advertising. We hope to get back to our usual style next week.

A GOOD showing for Christmas of ladies' coats.—SWIFT'S.

The youngest child of Thomas Diamond, Glencoe, had his tongue badly cut and torn on Tuesday when the little daughter Dorothy was removing a small tin box which the child had put in its mouth.

Two hot heads got into a rough and tumble fight at the close of the political meeting Friday night. Keep cool, boys, you don't get any thanks for the blows. Spectacular carrying on does not help either party.

ORDER your cut flowers for Christmas now, the supply is limited.—J. W. McLAREN'S.

THE Watford Methodist S. S. will give an entertainment in the church next Tuesday evening, 18th inst., consisting of Illustrated Views of Belgium before and since the war. Over 100 illustrations. Admission 15c. The public cordially invited.

THE service in Trinity Church next Sunday evening will commence at a quarter to seven o'clock, in order to give the congregation an opportunity of hearing the Rev. R. J. Bowen's lecture in the Methodist Church later in the evening.

SPECIALS in Towels for Christmas. Irish linen and made-in-Canada goods.—SWIFT'S.

THE grand total of the Victory Loan for Canada amounts to \$408,475,400, contributed by 707,113 bond holders. \$190,450 of the above amount was written up in Watford, \$119,900 at the Merchants Bank and \$70,550 at the Sterling. This includes the amount subscribed through the canvassers.

THE Presbyterian S. S. Christmas Entertainment will be held in the Church on Thursday, Dec. 20th, at 8 o'clock. The program will comprise lantern views of recent events in the Great War, also miscellaneous views, interspersed with musical selections. Admission 15c., children of the Sunday School free.

D. B. Smith, Port Huron, lost \$1000 and he asked Chief Chambers to loan him the police department to help him find it. The money was in the shape of a \$500 Liberty Bond and two notes. Upon receiving no report on the success of the fortune hunt, the chief telephoned Mr. Smith. Yes, Mr. Smith had found

the money, he found it in his own back yard, snow covered but just as good as gold nevertheless.

COMFORTERS from \$2.50 to \$10.00. They are comfortable for Christmas.—SWIFT'S.

REV. R. J. BOWEN, district secretary of the Bible Society, will deliver an address at a mass meeting in the Methodist church next Sunday evening at 7.30, in the interests of Emergency Fund, \$150,000 extra being required this year owing to conditions arising out of the war, increased cost in price of leather, paper, production, etc. A liberal offering on this behalf is desired.

NEW Leather Goods—Ladies' Hand Bags 50c to \$8.00. Hand purses, gents' purses, wallets and bill folds—all styles at McLAREN'S.

THE regular meeting of Lambtons 149, I.O.D.E., was held at the home of Mrs. L. Miller, Tuesday afternoon, at three o'clock. In the absence of the Regent, Mrs. Adams, 1st vice-regent took the chair. Treasurer reported \$75 Saturday tag day receipts for the Navy League—sent to headquarters in Toronto. Sock committee reported having sent 22 pairs of socks to Capt. Allen for 149th boys. Meadames McLaren and Harper, that the Chapter form groups and make five quilts this week to be shipped with clothing to Halifax sufferers. A petition for the granting of furlough to the remnant of the First Contingent of the C.E.F., circulated by the I.O.D.E., was signed by all the members present. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. (Dr.) Howden.

NIPPY house coats and smoking jackets for Xmas.—SWIFT'S.

THERE were nineteen members and two visitors present at the December meeting of Tecumseh Chapter, I.O.D.E., held at Mrs. A. G. Brown's home. A letter was read from the Sanatorium for Soldiers at London saying that Trafalgar Chapter had already equipped their dispensary and suggesting that the society here supply a leather lounge for the living-room. It was decided to do this. Miss Marion Kelly, a life member of the Chapter, gave an interesting talk on the work being done for the Indians on the Reserve at Brocket, Alberta. Miss Mary Kelly, matron of the hospital, gave a description of the "Sun Dance." Miss Kelly also became a member of the Chapter. A committee was appointed to divide the membership into standing committees by way of systemizing the work, these to consist of a sock committee, a committee to pack and send boxes to soldiers, buying committee, sewing committee and entertainment committee. A pleasant meeting closed in the usual manner.

PERSONAL

Miss Maude Marwick, who underwent a critical operation in St. Joseph's Hospital last Thursday is reported out of danger.

Mr. W. K. Cook, Toronto, was a Watford visitor Wednesday.

Miss LeGalle, of Detroit, is visiting at the home of her cousin, Mrs. J. H. Humphries, Wall-St.

Nursing Sister Clarie Tye was sent to Halifax with a relief party of Military Nurses from Toronto.

Mr. Beverly Tiffin visited over Sunday with his parents at the Methodist parsonage.

Mr. D. McFarlane, Edmonton, called on Watford friends last Friday.

Mrs. F. A. MacLean is visiting friends in Acton and Toronto this week.

Help Halifax Sufferers

Will any friends who have warm second hand clothing of any kind in good condition or bedding to contribute to the bale Lambton's 149, I.O.D.E., is packing for the sufferers in the recent Halifax disaster please leave the same at Harper Bros.' store or at the home of the Regent, Mrs. Kelly, not later than Saturday, the 15th? As there is considerable rush in getting the bale ready and the need very urgent a special response will be heartily appreciated. Besides this, any donation of money and new clothing will be gratefully accepted.

WARWICK

A Christmas Tree and entertainment will be held under the auspices of the Sunday School of Grace Church, 4th line, Warwick, on Friday evening, Dec. 21st, in the schoolhouse. A good program will be rendered and a pleasurable evening is anticipated. Admission 25c and 15c.

Margaret Henderson, relict of the late Wm. Leach, passed away at the family residence, lot 10, con. 6, S. E. R., on Wednesday, Dec. 5th, in her 74th year. The funeral was held on Friday afternoon to St. James' cemetery, Brooke.

PLYMPTON

The marriage was performed at Brandon, Man., by Rev. Mr. Edmison, of M. Elsie Dewar, youngest daughter of Mrs. A. B. Dewar, London Road, to Wm. H. Richards, of Navina, Man. Mr. and Mrs. Richards visited the cities of Regina, Calgary and Edmonton and will be at home to their friends after Dec. 20th at Navina, Man.

For the traveler the best guide is a check book.

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Judicial Appeal Judge Gives Hint on

Disposition of Terms

The Hon. Mr. Justice Giesbrecht, in his judgment in the appeal from the decision of the Ontario Court of Appeal in the case of the Attorney General v. the Ontario Electric Railway Co., has given a hint as to the disposition of the terms of the judgment.

He has said that the terms of the judgment should be given effect, and that the Ontario Electric Railway Co. should be allowed to operate its lines as they are now operated.

He has also said that the Ontario Electric Railway Co. should be allowed to collect the same rates as it now collects.

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Is a United Quebec to Rule All Canada ?

This, the most tremendous question in Canada's history, is to be answered within ten days.

Our answer involves Canada's honour, her freedom and her future. Old-time party questions are being advanced to obscure the gravest issue ever placed before a nation. Canada is in real danger. The clouds that obscure her vision must be brushed aside so that the great issue stands forth clear and distinct.

"Is a United Quebec to Rule All Canada?"

To-day, in our national crisis, Quebec alone among all the provinces stands more united than ever before. She knows what she wants:

- (1) Withdrawal from the war.
- (2) Bilingual schools everywhere.
- (3) Weakening of the ties of British connection.
- (4) Political control of Canada.

From the Ottawa River to Labrador and the Gulf, a common purpose actuates Québec in her determination to profit by the factional divisions of Canada and to impose her will upon all the people of Canada.

Within the last few weeks, Quebec has mobilized all her forces to dominate Canada under the unified leadership of Bourassa and Laurier. Canada knows that these two men in their earlier days were personal friends and political associates. Canada knows how in recent times they gradually drew apart—until in 1911 Bourassa opposed Laurier and helped to bring about his defeat, at the polls. Canada knows that from that time forward, until a few weeks ago, the breach between them steadily widened until envy and hatred each toward the other became the possession of both. Bourassa and his followers were anathema to Laurier.

Should not the people of Canada ask themselves, before it is too late, why these two men have suddenly agreed to bury the past, why this sudden embrace each of the other? If we will but let the scales drop from our eyes the answer is obvious. The all-compelling influences of Quebec have combined to force the union of Laurier and Bourassa in the common purpose of French-Canadian domination.

We concede the right of French-Canadians to make common cause of anything they think it is in their interests so to do. This is a free country. But as the French-Canadians have already combined to assert their views, it is the duty of the hour that we English-speaking Canadians get together and present to Quebec a united front in the defence of our rights. This is imperative.

With sixty solid seats Quebec is about to accomplish her designs. Bourassa, the real master and idol of Quebec, is in sight of his goal.

To attain her purpose, Quebec has not scrupled to ignore British traditions and to suppress freedom of speech. So thoroughly organized is her campaign to prevent even the discussion

The Citizens' Union Committee, anxious for the maintenance of British ideals and traditions, views with alarm the menace of French-Canadian domination with its inevitable influence upon the home, the school and the state.

We, therefore, call upon all English-speaking men and women to realize that—Canada, divided by political factions and old-time party questions, is at the mercy of a united Quebec. Union Government alone can save Canada from the menace of French-Canadian domination.

The Citizens' Union Committee

A Non-Partisan War-Time Organization to Support Union Government

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Plympton Boys Died in France

The Winnipeg Free Press of a recent date contained a picture and following reference to two former Plympton boys who have given their lives in the cause of freedom:—

The names of these two young men, Pte. Lindsay H. W. Cairns and Pte. Garnet C. Cairns, have been inscribed on Canada's glorious roll of honor, both having made the supreme sacrifice on October 26, in France. That they were loyally willing and proud to do their bit for King and Country is evidenced by the patriotic emblems which surrounded their photograph. The sentiment connected with this picture of the young men is one of those human and patriotic touches of the war. It was received by their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cairns, of McGregor, Man., but a short time before news of their being killed in battle was received, accompanied by messages of courage and hope and determination to play their part manfully. They were good examples of those thousands of gallant sons that have been given by Canada for the great cause of human liberty and justice, whose fame will be undying. The brothers left Winnipeg with Lt. Col. Gillespie's battalion in October of last year. Another member of the Cairns family, Russel, offered his services three times and has finally been accepted. William Cairns, a well-known business man of Mc-

Gregor, is an uncle of these splendid lads.

Farm Workers Will Be Exempted From Military Service

Mr. Justice Duff's first judgment rendered as Central Appeal Judge for Canada on Dec. 7th, makes it quite clear that farm workers are entitled to exemption on the grounds that production must be maintained in order to sustain the military power of the Allies. This judgment of the Appeal Judge is binding as law upon appeal tribunals and local tribunals throughout the whole country.

Another judgment by Justice Duff shows that exemption is favored for men with all brothers already at the front or in service.

Call out First Draft January 3

Ottawa, Dec. 3.—The first draft of men under the Military Service Act will be called to the colors on January 3.

It was originally hoped, as stated in the proclamation calling upon the first class to register, to put the first draft on active service by December 10, but owing to the fact that a very large proportion of the men in the first class postponed reporting for service or claiming exemption until the last days of the time fixed by the proclamation of October 3 for compliance with the law, it

is found that the work of registrars and tribunals has not yet advanced sufficiently to make it practicable to call a draft to the colors on the date indicated.

It would probably be possible, it is pointed out here, to make a call about December 24 or 25, but it is felt that the members of the draft should be accorded the opportunity of spend the Christmas season with their families and friends.

It has therefore been decided to fix January 3 as the date upon which the first members of the draft will be requested to join the depot battalions. Notice will be sent in due course by registered mail to the men affected.

How many will actually be called to the colors on January 3 has not yet been determined. Between 20,000 and 25,000 have been generously indicated, and it is probably that this will be about the number. How the first draft will be selected from among the men in the class has also not been determined.

Lambton Appeal Tribunals

There will be two appeal tribunals in this County to hear appeals from local tribunals, under the Military Service Act.

Appeal tribunal No. 17, presided over by Judge Macwatt will meet in Forest on Tuesday, the 18th inst., at 9 a. m., and will hear appeals from Forest and Thedford tribunals. This appeal tribunal will also sit in Petrolia on the 20th inst., at 9 a. m., it will hear appeals from Petrolia, Wyoming and Dawn Centre tribunals.

Appeal tribunal No. 57, will be presided over by Judge Taylor. He will sit at Bridgen on Tuesday the 18th inst., at 9 a. m. and hear appeals from Bridgen, Wilkesport and Courtright tribunals, and will also sit at Alvinston on the 19th inst., 9 a. m. and hear appeals from Alvinston and Watford tribunals.

Men's Choir Song Service

The song service held in the Methodist Church last Sunday evening, conducted by the men's choir was much enjoyed by a large congregation, despite the cold and storm. There were eighteen men in the choir (with six or eight absent through sickness and the storm) and they sang to the delight of all. Mr. A. B. Steer, principal of the High School, presided at the piano, which was furnished by the kindness of Harper Bros. The pastor preached a very effective sermon to young men from the text, "Lest I mar mine own inheritance." The following is the order of service:

1. Chorus—"All Hail the Power,"
2. God Save the King.
3. Invocation.
4. Chorus—"Let the Lower Lights."
5. Hymn 746.
6. Prayer.
7. Chorus—"Oh, How Love I Thy Lesson."
8. Lesson. [Law.]
9. Chorus—"Dwelling in Beulah."
10. Hymn 933—"Eternal Father."
11. Announcements.
12. Chorus—"Send the Light."
13. Sermon.
14. Chorus—"The Church of the Wild-wood."
15. Offering. [wood.]
16. Chorus—"The Life Boat."
17. Doxology and Benediction.

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 Accommodation, 75..... 8 44 a.m.
 Chicago Express, 13..... 12 31 a.m.
 Accommodation, 83..... 6 44 p.m.
GOING EAST
 Accommodation, 80..... 7 48 a.m.
 New York Express, 6..... 11 16 a.m.
 New York Express, 2..... 3 05 p.m.
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Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S GASTORIA

The Social Ladder

It Was Successfully Climbed by a Mother and Daughter.

By ETHEL HOLMES

A stagecoach lumbered up a zigzag road in the Rocky mountains. On the outside seat behind the driver sat a gentleman whose eminently respectable traveling suit and his clean cut features indicated that he was to the manner born. Beside him sat a young man in the costume of the country. His shirt was flannel; his hat was a sombrero.

On the next seat back sat a lady, the aristocratic gentleman's wife, and beside her a girl of nineteen, their daughter. The man in the sombrero was telling them about the mountains and its people and pointing out the more prominent peaks, to which the travelers listened with great interest.

The sun was hot, the pace was slow, and the two combined tended to make the driver drowsy. When the coach reached an eminence and started down an incline, instead of being wide awake to the dangers of mountain travel he was nodding. He not only failed to put on the brake, but dropped the reins. He was awakened by the shouts of the passengers behind him, who saw a terrible death staring them in the face. The horses, unchecked, started down the slope and were soon going at a breakneck pace.

The driver basely abandoned his post and, putting his foot on the iron step beside him, swung himself to the ground. The young man who had been pointing out objects of interest let himself down over the footboard on to the tongue, gathered up the reins, quickly remounted to the box, put on the brake and managed to reduce the pace sufficiently to enable the coach to turn a curve without going over a precipice. Then after a further short descent he brought the horses to a standstill. The first sensation that came to him after it was all over was feeling the arms of the aristocratic gentleman about his neck.

One day a couple of years after this episode Mrs. Murphy and her daughter, while bowling along Ocean avenue at Newport, received a terrible shock. "Oh, heavens, mother, there's Barton Keith! Look the other way, quick!" Miss Murphy, pretending to see something to which she desired to call her mother's attention, pointed in the opposite direction from the young man, the carriage rolled by, and the women began to discuss the situation.

"What in the world could have brought him here?" exclaimed the mother.

"I would as soon have expected to see a Mississippi pilot."

"Bart has been a stage driver."

"He'll tell everybody here all about our antecedents."

"He won't know any one to tell."

"It seems hard to cut him after that affair you had with him."

"There have been changes since then. At that time father was building his little branch railroad. He hadn't got on to the main line."

"Well, I don't think there's much danger, considering that he can't have any time here. Heaven knows what a time we've had even to get in on the outer circle. How can Bart Keith with no money get in at all?"

"He may be prosperous. He's well enough dressed."

"Yes, he quite looked like one of the swells. I wonder why he's here?"

"That night there was a grand function at one of the 'cottages,' and the next morning Mary Murphy ran to her mother with a newspaper in her hand and her eyes wide open."

"For land's sake, mother, listen to this: 'Among those present at Mrs. Atherton's last night was Mr. Barton Keith.'"

"You don't mean it?"

"How in the name of conscience do you suppose he got in there?"

"I can't imagine. I know we couldn't get a bid."

"He must have a pull somewhere."

"Your father had a pull, but it didn't work. He offered Peter Jones a tip on the stock of our road if he'd get him an invitation to the Athertons'. But Pete said they were of the old New York blue blood and rich besides. These people who have both blood and money are the hardest of all to move."

"Oho! Here's the explanation!" and she read a social item:

"Mr. Barton Keith is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Forbes."

"Oh, my goodness gracious!" exclaimed the mother. "How in the world did he ever get in with them?"

There was a silence between the two, which Mary ended by saying:

"Mother, we're gone and done it!"



"So we have."

"We must find a way to take a back track."

"So we must."

"But we're entirely ignorant of the key to the position."

"What do you mean by that?"

"We don't know what reason the Forbes have for taking in Bart."

"Do you suppose they know what he's been?"

"Of course they do. Bart couldn't keep it if he wished. That's the singular part of it. The Forbes have been prominent in New York and Newport society for a hundred years. But one thing I have noticed in these old families—they're more independent about whom they take up than any other people. I can't imagine those Perkinses, who made their money in fertilizing material, having anything to do with Bart Keith. You know how they snubbed us."

"Yes, indeed I do, and I'm waiting for the time to come when I can get even with them."

"But, mother, how are we to fix it up with Bart?"

"I don't know, Mame, unless you have the same power you used to have over him."

Mame cast a glance in a mirror. Art had done a great deal for her since she waited on the railroad men her mother fed in their days of poverty. Nothing that money could buy was now denied her. But she knew Bart Keith well. He had loved her in calico, and to love her in costly fabrics must incite an entirely new sensation. Besides, he was in the swim at Newport, where he would meet the finest costumes in America, to say nothing of the women they incited. To make matters worse, she had cut him.

"Mother," she said, "I believe I'll write him a line saying I've heard of his being in Newport and telling him we're here. That'll look as if we hadn't seen him on the avenue."

"Do you think he'd tumble to it?"

The girl pondered awhile, then admitted that she knew very well he wouldn't; their eyes had met and there had been a mutual recognition. She dared not write the note.

But one morning she received a note from Keith. He told her that, having heard she was at Newport, he had come on from the west to find her. But time had made great changes for both of them and he did not doubt she was following a course which seemed inviting to her in her new sphere. He shrank from parting with her without letting her know that he had kept the boyish promises made years ago. He refrained from mentioning the cut she had given him, but it was evident it was this that had turned him from her. He closed his epistle with the word "farewell," and she knew that he had passed beyond recall.

For a time the Murphys heard that Keith was being introduced under the wing of the Forbeses. Then they began to hear his name mentioned among the people and in the society notes independently of his introducers, and it was not long before they learned that which travels on the wings of the wind. Keith was rich. He had become interested in certain western speculations with Mr. Forbes, and the two had made money together. Then came a rumor that Keith was to marry Miss Alice Forbes.

Up to this time the Murphys had merely wondered. Now they were astonished. And over Mary Murphy came a wave of regret. It was not for the loss of Barton Keith's wealth or position; it was for Keith himself. The prize they sought for and for which she had snubbed the lover of her young girlhood every day seemed farther from her grasp. Despite their millions the Murphys found it impossible to effect an entrance into Newport society. Mary had become accustomed to wealth, and it failed to satisfy her. She was hungry for the boyish love that had been hers in poverty, but she had thrown it away.

The report that Keith was to marry Miss Alice Forbes proved true. When the engagement was formally announced the Murphys read in the society columns of a New York newspaper a story concerning the contracting parties that gave them the key to the situation. It told how Mr. and Mrs. Forbes and their daughter were traveling in the Rocky mountains, how a stage driver fell asleep, how a young man who had been formerly a handler

of the ribbons saved the passengers from death, how Mr. Forbes had taken him up and enabled him to make a fortune. But the story did not tell the most important feature that had led to the union—a young girl seeing an act of cool bravery on the part of a young man.

The wedding of Barton Keith and Alice Forbes was not celebrated with that splendor usual to nuptials in the fashionable world. It was said that this was in deference to the wishes of the groom, who bore the reputation of being an extremely modest man. He devoted himself to business, his only recreation being driving four-in-hands, and this was supposed to be in memory of experiences of former days.

"Mother," said Mary Murphy one day, "I have a plan."

"What is it, Mame?"

"We can't break through the shell of this Newport egg. We must go elsewhere."

"Where shall we go?"

"To London."

"Good gracious, daughter! If we can't succeed here, how can we do so among the British nobility?"

"Others who have failed here have succeeded there. Leave it to me. Money, dear mother, is the power that opens doors wherever money is needed. These British nobles are getting poor. Our people are getting rich. Many here have always been rich, and some care nothing about becoming richer. In England commoners have been getting rich, while the nobles have been getting poor. Noblemen would prefer to marry an American to a commoner of their own country, there being no titles here. I shall go to London, marry a title and come back here for just long enough to snub those who have snubbed us."

Two years later Mary Murphy returned to Newport as the Countess of Munkennon. Her advent was heralded, and when she arrived invitations were piled on her table. Before looking for those she intended to accept she picked out those from certain people who had snubbed her as Miss Murphy and sent immediate "regrets."

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ROLL OF HONOR

Men From Watford and Vicinity Serving The Empire

37TH REGT.—1ST BATTALION
Thos. L. Swift, reported missing, since June 15, 1915, Rich. H. Stapleford, Bury C. Binks, L. Gunn Newell, killed in action, Arthur Owens, F. C. N. Newell, T. Ward, Sid Welsh, Alf Woodward, killed in action M. Cunningham, M. Blondel, W. Blun, R. W. Bailey, A. L. Johnston, R. A. Johnston, G. Mathews, C. Manning, W. G. Nichol, F. Phelps, H. F. Small, E. W. Smith, C. Toop, C. Ward, J. Ward, killed in action, F. Wakelin, D. C. M., killed in action, T. Wakelin, wounded—missing, H. Whitsitt, B. Hardy.

PRINCESS PATRICIA'S C.L.I.
Gerald H. Brown
18TH BATTALION
C. W. Barnes, Geo. Ferris, Edmund Watson, G. Shanks, J. Burns, F. Burns, C. Blunt, Wm. Austerson, S. P. Shanks, Pte. Walter Woolvett.

2ND DIVISIONAL CAVALRY
Lorne Lucas, Frank Yerks, Chas. Potter.
33RD BATTALION
Percy Mitchell, died from wounds Oct. 14th, 1916; Lloyd Howden, Geo. Fountain, killed in action Sept. 16, 1916, Gordon H. Patterson, died in Victoria Hospital, London.

34TH BATTALION
E. C. Crohn, S. Newell, Stanley Rogers, Macklin Hagle, missing since Oct. 8, 1916; Henry Holmes, killed in action Sept. 27, 1916, Wm. Manning, Leonard Lees, C. Jamieson.

29TH BATTERY
Wm. Mitchell, John Howard.
70TH BATTALION
Ernest Lawrence, Alfred Emmerson, C. H. Loveday, A. Banks, S. E. Whalton, killed in action Oct. 1916, Thos. Meyers, Jos. M. Wardman, Vern Brown, Sid Brown, killed in action Sept. 15, 1916, W. Al. Boughghy. C. F. A., Corp. V. W. Willoughby.

28TH BATTALION
Thomas Lamb, killed in action.
MOUNTED RIFLES
Fred A. Taylor
PIONEERS
Wm. Macnally, W. F. Goodman.

ENGINEERS
J. Tomlin
ARMY MEDICAL CORPS
T. A. Brandon, M. D., Capt. W. J. McKenzie, M. D., Norman McKenzie, Jerrold W. Snell, Allan W. Edwards, Wm. McCausland.

135TH BATTALION
N. McLachlan, killed in action July 6th, 1917.
3RD RESERVE BATTERY, C.F.A.
Alfred Levi
116TH BATTALION
Clayton O. Fuller, killed in action April 18th, 1917.

196TH BATT.
R. R. Annett.
70TH BATTERY
R. H. Trenouth, killed in action on May 8th, 1917; Murray M. Foster.

142ND BATTALION
Austin Potter.
GUNNER
Russ. G. Clark.
R. N. C. V. R.

John J. Brown
ARMY DENTAL CORPS
Elgin D. Hicks, H. D. Taylor.
ARMY SERVICE CORPS
Frank Elliot, R. H. Acton.
Arthur McKercher
98TH BATTALION
Roy E. Acton.
64TH BATTERY
C. F. Luckham.

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Capt. Thos. L. Swift
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Pte. Alfred Woodward
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Pte. Thos. Lamb
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Pte. Sid Brown
Pte. Gordon Patterson
Pte. F. Wakelin, D. C. M.
Pte. T. Wakelin
Pte. G. M. Fountain
Pte. H. Holmes
Pte. J. Stillwell
Pte. Macklin Hagle
Sergt. Clayton O. Fuller.
Gunner Russell Howard Trenouth.
Pte. Nichol McLachlan.
Corp. Clarence L. Gibson.
Signaller Roy E. Acton.

THE SAD STORY OF THE STRUGGLE FOR LIFE

is frequently revealed in these war times even in this well-to-do Province. Hard enough to be poor—still worse to be sick and poor.

The lot of the consumptive is a specially trying one. Only recently a family was discovered living in two small rooms over a store. At one time they had occupied a comfortable home but the father took sick and had to give up work. With the savings all gone, they were forced to sell the furniture to buy food. When the man was found to be a consumptive, this was the opportunity of the Muskoka Free Hospital to bring relief so that not only would the stricken husband have a winning chance for life, but more feasible still, the wife and children should be removed from danger of contracting the disease. Under skilful guidance the home was cleaned up and the family temporarily provided for. It is now reported that the patient is doing well, with every chance of recovery.

This is the great work carried on by the Muskoka Free Hospital which is now appealing for help.

Contributions may be sent to W. J. Torco, Chairman, 84 Spadina Avenue, Toronto, or Geo. A. Reid, Secretary-Treasurer, 223 College St., Toronto.

MAGIC OF "TANABATA"

Solace in the Midst of Woo is the Festival of July 7.

Perhaps the most interesting of the five important festivals of the Japanese year, Tanabata Matsuri, is celebrated on July 7th. In the bustling cities of Tokio and Osaka its observance is somewhat out of favor, but in the country districts even the word "Tanabata" brings heavenly solace to all minds distressed. It recalls primitive days when forebears of the present generation saw deities in stars and a good spirit in every blade of grass. Saito Man, the clever essayist of the Japan Advertiser, says of the day: "Tanabata Matsuri is sometimes called the 'festival of Stars' but its literal and proper significance is 'the festival of the weaving girl'—or wife's festival."

In the days of the gods there was a beautiful maiden who worked day in and day out at her tanabata or loom. She was a daughter of the heavenly god; none could surpass her in industry and modesty. The father married her to a handsome cowherd. Thenceforth the girl left off her work at the loom and devoted her whole care to her husband. The father seeing this got angry and dismissed her to the eastern bank of the River of Heaven (Milky Way). Only once a year, that is, on the seventh evening of the seventh moon, is she allowed to cross the Heavenly River to meet her husband. If unfortunately rain should fall, the water would flow over the banks, and make it impossible for the weaving girl to cross the river. Hence, the festival of Tanabatahime or Weaving Princess. It is a propitiation of the gods and goddesses for the sake of successful meeting of wife and husband.

It is a pity that the old custom of tanabata dancing was prohibited by a government ordinance issued in 1873. Up to that time young persons of both sexes were wont to enjoy an open air dancing under the starlit sky to the accompaniment of drum and singing. The officials returned from Europe saw signs of crass barbarism in this sort of thing, and interdicted it.

Had Experience.
Here is one of Mr. Pett Ridge's stories. It was in the early days of the advanced movement of woman suffrage, when by the magistrate's orders a number of "enthusiasts" went to Holloway jail. Among them was a most excellent charwoman who was employed at Clement's Inn. A sympathetic meeting was held on their release, at which the chairman spoke in eloquent terms. "Here you have," he remarked, "a body of delicately nurtured, earnest minded women who for some trifling infraction of the law find themselves condemned to prison, and there for the first time in their lives—" "Beg pardon, sir, for interrupting," said the charwoman, jumping up hastily, "but I think I ought to tell you that I did once get seven days for banging my old man on the nose!"

Losses Are Heavy.
The director of the British Meteorological Office states that bad weather costs farmers of the British Islands about twenty million pounds per annum.

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WORK OF THE CHICKADEE.

This Little Bird is a Formidable Foe of the Cankerworm.

In May the chickadees build their nests in the cavity of a decayed tree trunk or limb and line them with moss, plant down and feathers. From five to eight white eggs spotted with reddish brown are laid in each soft cradle. The chickadees eat in the summer many insects and their eggs. Farmers dread the cankerworm, which, unchecked, completely destroys apple orchards. At one meal this tiny bird will eat 250 eggs of the cankerworm and will have several meals a day.

During its migration in October the chickadee is more numerous in the New England states than in the summer. Throughout the greater part of its range, from Labrador to Maryland and in the Alleghenies southward to North Carolina, these merry midwinters are found at all seasons. But it is with the fall and winter that they are generally associated. No one need feel lonely when these little black and white birds are around. They are so friendly and tame and some of their notes sound so much like words that they seem to be talking. Besides the familiar "chick-a-dee" call they have a high, sweet whistle of two or three notes.

In the autumn the partridge berries are ripe, and upon them these birds have many a feast. And later the berries of the wintergreen, Solomon's seal, dogwood and Indian cucumber may be used as food.

Unexplored Quebec.

It is estimated that in the north of the province of Quebec there are still two hundred and fifty-nine thousand square miles of unexplored country, making, with the six hundred and forty-two thousand square miles in Western Canada, a total of nine hundred and one thousand square miles. In other words, twenty-eight per cent. of Canada is still unexplored. In the basin of the River Mackenzie there are believed to be great petroleum wells. Natives state that they have seen lakes at the Yukon, from sixty to seventy miles long, that have not been seen by white men. The Mackenzie Mountains no one, not even the Indians, knows anything of.

THE Hospital for Sick Children

College St., Toronto
ITS CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Dear Mr. Editor:—

Thanks for your kindness in allowing me the privilege of appealing to your readers this Christmas time on behalf of the Hospital for Sick Children, just as the "Sweetest of all Charities," which has as its mission the care of the helpless, the sick, the crippled and the deformed. There never was a year in the history of the Hospital when funds to carry on the work were more needed than now.

Your purse is the Hospital's Hope. Your money lights the candles of mercy on the Christmas trees of health that the Hospital plants along the troubled roadway of many a little life.

So I am asking you for aid, for the open purse of the Hospital's friend is the hope of the Hospital at Christmas, just as the open door of the Hospital's mercy is the hope of the little children throughout the year.

Calls on generous hearts are many in these times. Calls on the Hospital are many at all times, and especially when food and fuel and drugs and service costs are soaring high. YOU know the high cost of living. Do you know the high cost of healing—of helping the helpless to happiness? What you do to assist is the best investment you will ever make.

Do you realize what this charity is doing for sick children, not only of Toronto, but for all Ontario, for out of a total of 3,740 in-patients last year 648 came from 254 places outside of Toronto. The field of the Hospital's service covers the entire Province—from the Ottawa to the far-off Kenora—from the borders of the Great Lakes to the farthest northerly district.

The Hospital is doing a marvellous work. If you could see the children with crippled limbs, club feet, and other deformities, who have left the Hospital with straightened limbs and perfect correction, your response to our appeal would be instant. In the Orthopedic Departments last year a total of 330 in-patients were treated; and in the Out-Patient Department there were 1,946 attendances.

Let your money and the Hospital's mercy lift the burden of misery that curses the lives, cripples the limbs and saddens the mothers of the suffering little children.

Money mobilizes the powers of help and healing for the Hospital's drive day and night against the trenches where disease and pain and death assail the lives of the little ones.

Remember that every dollar given to the Hospital is a dollar subscribed to the Liberty Loan that opens the prisons of pain and the Bastilles of disease, and sets little children free to breathe the pure air, and to rejoice in the mercy of God's sunlight.

Will you send a dollar, or more if you can, to Douglas Davidson, Secretary-Treasurer, or J. ROSS ROBERTSON, Chairman of the Board of Trustees.



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BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Watford Board of Education held in the library board room on Monday Dec. 3rd, 1917 at 8 p.m.

Present—Dr. Hicks, W. E. Fitzgerald, C. W. Vail, Dr. Howden, Wm. Harper and John McKercher.
 Vail—Fitzgerald, and carried, that Dr. Hicks be chairman pro tem.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
 The public school report for November was read.

Harper—McKercher, and carried, that the principal's report be received and filed.

Fitzgerald—Howden, and carried, that following accounts be paid.
HIGH SCHOOL.
 A. Parker, work \$ 1 80

John McKercher, repairs..... 1 45
 Miss Mitchell, supplies..... 1 80
 Principal Steer, supplies..... 1 80
 N. B. Howden Est., supplies..... 44 22
 T. Dodds & Son, supplies..... 1 80

PUBLIC SCHOOL

W. Scott, repairs..... \$ 25
 Miss Reid, supplies..... 4 15
 N. B. Howden Est., supplies..... 9 30
 Taylor & Son, supplies..... 7 60

Howden—Fitzgerald, and carried, that we increase our Insurance on High School building \$2000 and contents \$700.
 Vail—Harper, and carried, that the resolution of the Lambton County Medical Society just read, be laid over for further consideration.

Harper—Howden, and carried, that we adjourn.
D. WAXT, Secretary.
 Mrs. Allan Duncan of Wyoming is dead.

KERWOOD

A very pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Routley, fourth line, on Wednesday last when about ninety of their friends and neighbors met to bid them goodbye prior to their departure to the sixth line, and presented them with two oak rockers.

The evening was spent in music and dancing. A number of speeches were made by the men. Mr. R. Waltham acting as chairman. An address was read by Mr. Alex. Westgate, to which Mr. Routley made a suitable reply. The address was signed on behalf of the community by Geo. Patterson and Wm. Callahan.

By a vote of 200 to 17, the people of Parkhill carried a by-law authorizing an expenditure of \$12,000 for the installation of hydro-electric power there.

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.

THE county councillors returned home on Saturday.
 JOHN IRWIN, brother of Rev. R. Fulton Irwin, Glencoe, died suddenly at Toronto last week.

WE have to put in extra licks these times on everything, but particularly on the new three-cent stamp.

THE Christmas store of the whole family.—A. BROWN & CO.

WATCHING the present campaign, one wonders where all the fellows have gone to who used to talk so loud about petty-coat government.

How quickly a man can change from saint to sinner by changing his allegiance to his political party. His old crimes soon go back on him.

Conserving food is very good. While this is true, What shall we do About our Christmas dinner.

THE Ontario Government farm tractors, seven in all, which have been doing fall plowing in Lambton county, have been laid up for the season. It is estimated that about 2,000 more acres have been added to the plowed area of Lambton county through their use.

LADIES' dainty collars and waists opened this week.—A. BROWN & CO.

LITTLE or no talk has been heard yet in connection with the approaching municipal election. Perhaps its importance has been overshadowed by the Dominion election. Good town government however, is also necessary and should not be lost sight of.

MAJOR-GENERAL Mewburn issued a statement setting forth the urgent need of infantry reinforcements, and said that the question of giving a furlough to the survivors of the first Division depends upon the success of the Military Service Act in providing reinforcements.

AN old lady advertised some time ago for a housemaid. Among the names of the applicants was one "Dei Gratia." Being struck by the name, she engaged her and when she questioned her as to her Christian name, she answered with some hesitation, "It was one of Queen Victoria's names, father found it on a coin."

LADIES' coats at January prices.—A. BROWN & CO.

THE little 22 rifle in the hands of the boys is a serious menace to bird life. Give a young lad one of these miniature rifles, and he is at once ambitious to test it out on killing something.

A HOWLING BLIZZARD from the northwest swept over this section Saturday night and Sunday. The thermometer sank below zero and remained only a few degrees above all day Sunday. Not in many years have Watford people suffered more from the cold, the condition being intensified by the shortage of fuel.

The high wind which accompanied the drop in temperature and snowfall searched out every crevice in the homes of citizens and it was with difficulty that houses were kept anything like comfortable.

THAT boy would like a good warm overcoat or a Mackinaw. We have his size.—A. BROWN & CO.

JUDGING from the political speeches this election the lady voters are usurping the foremost place from the horny-handed farmer.

THIS Christmas time election is not as popular as it might be at some other time. Union government may be alright but you can't effect a union between Santa Claus and politics. There is not enough "good will to men" in the composition of the politicians.

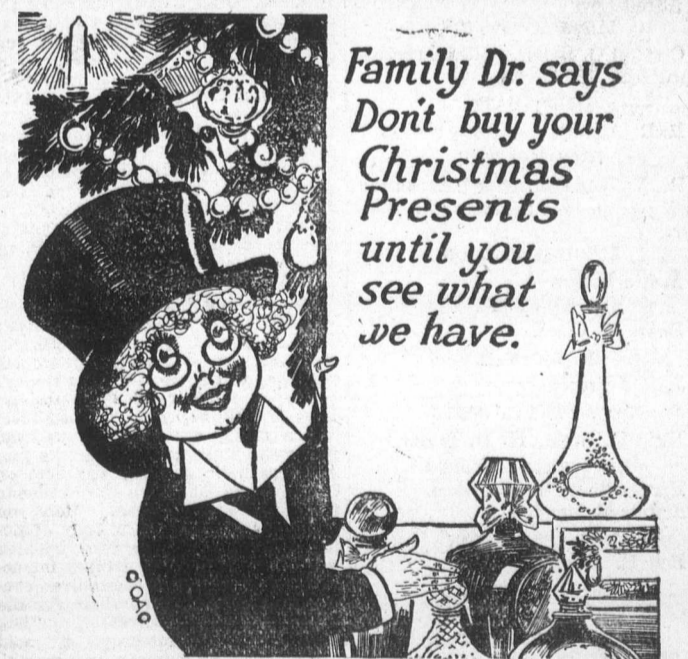
THE women who are in politics seem to be still "The Ladies." While we are talking about doing away with titles in Canada why not put this one in the scrap heap. They are the Women of Canada who have suffered and sacrificed. There is no higher title for women than the word Woman unless it be the word Mother. But thank heaven the women are not any more the "Ladies in the gallery" for whose benefit each speaker must tell some little story. They are at last "fellow-voters" and they sit side by side with their husbands in conducting the affairs of their country just as they do in conducting the affairs of their homes.

IT is estimated that the total number of people killed in the Halifax explosion will reach four thousand. The damage to property will run into forty or fifty million dollars. The Mayor of Halifax has made an appeal to the people of Canada for twenty-five million dollars. A calamity like this should touch the heart of all municipal councils, and the utmost liberality should be exercised. It is to be hoped that Watford will do its share. Let a meeting of the council be called at once and a substantial sum voted and forwarded without delay. There should not be a dissenting voice in the whole town.

MILLINERY hall-price.—A. BROWN & CO.

THE Watford Progress Club at their meeting on Monday evening were favored with the company of Mr. Washburn, of Worcester, Mass., the president of the Andrews Wire Company, of Watford, and also president of several other wire companies in the United States.

When called upon for a few remarks Mr. Washburn gave some very interesting information about the manufacture of wire goods, especially the lines made in Watford, and told of the advancement made by the firm since starting business in Watford. The extent of the business, the variety of articles made and the bright prospects of the Company was a revelation to most of those present. The greatest drawback that the Company is subject to is the shortage of help. If this can be overcome the extension of the already large business is a certainty, and Mr. Washburn assured his hearers that the output of the factory would be greatly increased if sufficient help were procurable. The members of the Club assured Mr. Washburn that they would give the Wire Co. every assistance in their power in helping them to secure the necessary workmen. The work is steady all the year round, with no slack time, the wages are liberal, the factory light, pleasant and sanitary, and in every way a desirable place to work.



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 candy, nuts, oran...
 gins, figs, Valencia...
 margarine.—ROG

ANONYMOUS ite...
 ed, so it is only w...
 riting them. Y...
 someone that way

"GERMAN'S S...
 Says a headlin...
 Well, her stoma...
 But her hand

LADIES' and C...
 chiefs, sheer Iris...
 stitched, 25c and...
 in a box.—SWIFT

THE pastor of...
 will preach Chr...
 Sunday and the...
 music. You are...
 there.

P. J. DODDS wis...
 customers a joy...
 Prosperous and H...

Two ministers i...
 their congregati...
 government, and...
 town talked to the...
 hall.

"WHERE was yo...
 "In the abattoir...
 "Where's that?"...
 "Don't know—s...
 I suppose."

RAYO hanging...
 lamps \$3.00, electr...
 \$4.50, carpet swee...
 carving sets \$1.00...
 Christmas goods.—

HEY, listen, M...
 split the kindlin'...
 swept the porch, f...
 wiped the dishes—...
 we can do, Ma?"

STORE open Th...
 day and Monday n...
 The editorial...
 page four will bear...
 is from the pen o...
 rector of Watford...
 written by request

HAVE you a son...
 from home? If so...
 their old home tow...
 Advocate, for a yea...
 message from hom...
 year.

FOWNES guarant...
 shades and all siz...
 A. BROWN & CO.

NELSON'S CHOC...
 Christmas gift. C...
 LOVELL.

THERE will be...
 Holy Communion a...
 Christmas Day. A...
 o'clock in the morn...
 be present at the...
 Christmas music wi...

HERE is a gift...
 spot—a smoking o...
 \$7.50.—SWIFT'S.

FOOD CONTROL...
 issue a dispensati...
 eat turkey, goose, r...
 kind of meat on the...
 and the first Tuesda...
 and New Year's D...
 days but the peopl...
 interference with th...
 join or no war.

WE the Christ...
 store now.