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LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

THE GUIDE-ADVOCATE welcomes all items of interest for this column. Call Phone 11, send by mail or drop item in GUIDE-ADVOCATE Letter Box.

If your bill is not paid at Swift's, why? THE Ontario Legislature will meet on February 4th.

THE January thaw seems to be a repeater this year.

ABOUT the worst old woman on the face of the earth is the old bachelor.

WM. G. ROCKEFELLER is unable to speak, but his money will talk for him.

THE average woman knows more about some other woman than she knows about herself.

GIRLS' coats, a table, for a dollar each.—SWIFT'S.

THERE is a man in our town who is so vulgarly rich that he has bought two turkeys this winter.

THE self-made man is unable to see where he could have made any improvement on his work.

LADIES' Sample Gloves worth up to 50c, sale price 10c.—A. BROWN & CO.

ACCOUNTS due to E. Dowding if not paid by 1st of February, will be placed in court for collection. 410-31

A CHICAGO woman paid \$5000 for a dog. If it was a "hot dog" the cost of living must be enormous in that city.

THERE was a big crowd in town Saturday and it kept the merchants and their clerks busy supplying the needs of their customers.

NEW goods in sight. We must sell a big raft in the next 12 days. Big discount.—SWIFT'S SALE.

THE ladies' dresses can't be blamed for the high cost of living. The amount of material used in them is as small as possible.

LOCAL millinery palaces will undoubtedly have a busy time of it this year, with Easter coming earlier than for 182 years past.

NEVER too late to mend. Never mind if you are a year or so in arrears; just drop in and pay up till the end of 1913 and all will be forgiven.

NEW Prints, Gingham, Laces and Embroideries.—A. BROWN & CO.

THE Record of 1912 will be published next week if space will permit. Owing to the press of advertising it was impossible to publish it earlier this year.

UNITED STATES subscribers will please bear in mind that the subscription price in that country is \$1.50. When \$1.00 is sent only 6 months' credit will be given.

PILES of winter goods going at sale prices.—SWIFT'S.

A GOOD motto for the new town council to observe during its deliberations throughout this year would be "What is worth doing is worth doing right away."

THERE will be a meeting of Watford Tent K. O. T. M. at the Guide-Advocate office this (Friday) evening at 7.30 o'clock for the election of officers and other business.

JOSEPH E. ARMSTRONG, M. P. for East Lambton, left for Ottawa on Tuesday to look after the interests of his constituents and help in the governing of the Dominion.

BIG girls' coats, \$2.50, all on one table.—SWIFT'S SALE.

REEVE STAPLEFORD entertained Mr. Joseph E. Armstrong, M. P., and a number of prominent local Conservatives at dinner at his residence on Ontario street on Monday evening.

"YOUR face looks quite swelled up," she said.

He replied, "I'm feeling rocky, that Cockney guy he struck me head, Thursday night at hockey."

THE Provincial Secretary's department at Toronto is issuing to automobile owners, blank application forms for licenses to operate their cars in 1913. The regulation blank numbers are on a yellow background. Last year the markers had black numbers on a white background, and in 1911 white numbers on blue.

Now that the holidays and elections are over let's get squared away for a good year. Praise your town, boom it up, if you are making your living here speak well of it and not run it down. Let us all join together in making 1913 one of the most prosperous years in the history of Watford.

MEN'S heavy fleeced shirts and drawers 28c per garment.—SWIFT'S.

DR. ECCLES, of London, will lecture on "The Holy Land," in the Watford Methodist church on Thursday evening, 23rd inst. The name, Dr. Eccles, is a guarantee to the people of this community that none who hear this lecture will be disappointed. Everybody invited to attend. Lecture at 8 o'clock, sharp. Admission 15c.

THE annual meeting of Watford Camp No. 23, Woodmen of the World, will be held on Tuesday evening next, the 21st inst. when the Head Counsel Commander, Dr. W. S. Harrison, of Toronto, will install the officers for the current year, followed by a banquet at the Taylor House. All members with their ladies are cordially invited to be present.—S. W. Louks, Clerk.

SEE our men's overcoats at \$6.00 and \$7.50.—SWIFT'S SALE.

HOGS \$8.10 this week.

TWEED pants, a dollar.—SWIFT'S SALE.

HOCKEY concert this (Friday) evening.

DR. K. SIMPSON, of Glencoe, has gone to China as a medical missionary.

MISS WILLIAMS has leased her farm, corner 4th line, to Mr. J. F. Parker.

ONE quarter off all Furs at A. Brown & Co's January Sale.

WATFORD MARKETS—Butter 25c, eggs 26c, pork 11c, wheat 87c, potatoes \$1.00.

OUR Oysters are sanitary, shipped and come direct to us from the coast.—LOVELL'S.

AGRICULTURAL meeting, Saturday at 2 p. m. Attend and get Fair matters in shape early this year.

MRS. SHEPHERD is having the house on Main St. she purchased from Mrs. Harrower, raised and moved further back on the lot.

MISS FANNIE FOX, the second victim of the Strathroy fire, died Wednesday. She will be buried the same time as her mother.

BROOKE Council, McManus-McKinnon wedding, and Brooke debating society report arrived too late for this issue. A number of other important items also crowded out.

W. W. EDWARDS shipped two cars of hogs and one of cattle to Toronto this week. During the past 12 months he paid out over \$250,000 for stock shipped from the Watford station.

THERE were three hundred registered as members at the Watford Public Library for the year 1912. Of the above number, one hundred and twenty-five were from the country.

LADIES' Dress Skirts in black or blue, worth \$2.50, January price \$1.85.—A. BROWN & CO.

MR. JOHN FARRELL, before leaving for England, secured the sheaves of John Hunter, of Plympton, on which he received rewards at Ottawa. Mr. Farrell will exhibit them in Great Britain.

THE case of Chapman vs Cuddy has been settled out of Court. Plaintiff is to get \$40 more in addition to the proceeds of the sale of the personal effects of the late James Cuddy, and defendant paid all costs of Court. W. E. Fitzgerald for plaintiff and Ross & Bixel for defendants.

THE marriage took place on Wednesday, at the residence of the bride's parents, of Miss Pearl Mary Galloway, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. T. Galloway, of Adelaide, to Mr. Arthur J. King, of Regina, son of Mr. James King, Watford. The Guide-Advocate joins with their many friends in congratulations.

POSTMASTERS are frequently asked concerning the annual cost of a rural mail box. There is no annual fee to pay for a rural mail box. The first charge is \$3. This is the only charge, and boxes are served free of cost for all time, or at least as long as the present regulations are in force. The carrier is paid by the government \$1 a year for each box he serves, in addition to the amount of the mail contract.

THE regular meeting of the Watford Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Dr. Hicks on Wednesday evening, January 8th, the President presiding. Meeting opened by singing "The Maple Leaf Forever." After the usual business the program as follows:—Miss M. Wessing gave an excellent paper on our Canadian authors, and Mrs. D. G. Parker gave one on Cheerfulness. Both were good papers. A solo was also sung by Mrs. Bennett. Meeting closed by singing "God Save the King." Next meeting at the home of Mrs. J. Humphries.

A HEARTY invitation is extended to all to attend the opening of the new Calvary Baptist Church on Sunday next, Rev. Dr. Trotter, of MacMaster University, will be the special preacher both morning and evening. The offerings will go towards the building fund. On Monday evening a bowl supper will be served in the basement of the church from 6 to 8 o'clock, after which a sacred concert will be given in the church. Mrs. Workman, leading soprano of St. Andrew's church, Sarnia, and Professor Workman, organist of the same church, assisted by local talent, will give the musical programme, and the local ministers will give short addresses. Admission, adults 50c, children 25c.

JANUARY MEETING of Tecumseh Chapter I. O. O. E. was held at the home of Mrs. T. G. Mitchell. There were fifteen members and seven visitors present. The Chapter decided to give a tea on or about the 14th of February, in aid of the hospital for tubercular children now being erected at Weston. Mrs. Lawrence kindly offered the use of her home for the occasion. Members suggested many improvements for our town in 1913. Among them were: All night telephone service; morning electric light service; the paving of Main St. by our city fathers; more electric lights on our side streets; an elastic mantle of charity warranted to fit every citizen; curfew, etc., etc. Miss Baird read Nellie McClung's "New Year's Wish for Women."—Mrs. Brown extracts from King George's speeches. Miss Alma Glass sang two very pleasing solos. The "Study of the Life Work of General Booth" given by Mrs. Newell, was an excellent and instructive paper. Luncheon was served and meeting closed in the usual manner. Next meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. T. Harris. Review of the year's work and election of officers.

WATFORD COUNCIL.

Watford, Jan. 13th, 1913.

Reeve and Council met at Council Chamber at eleven o'clock a.m., taking and subscribing to their declarations and qualifications of office before the Clerk, Reeve, Sanford Stapleford, Councillors, Jacob Fowler, John McKecher, William Doan and Nelson Hawn.

Doan—Doan that we adjourn until eight o'clock p.m. for regular business.—Carried.

Council met pursuant to adjournment. Present—Reeve, Fowler, McKecher, Doan and Hawn.

McKecher—Fowler, that Commissioners' divisions be as follows—Reeve, all of Main street; Doan, all east of Main street north of Ontario street to north boundary; McKecher, all east of Main street including Ontario street to south boundary; Fowler, all west of Main street, north of Erie street to north boundary; Hawn, all west of Main street including Erie street south to south boundary.

Hawn—Doan, in amendment, that Divisions be—Reeve, Main street; Doan east of Main street and all north of Ontario street; McKecher, Doan, Main street south of and including Ontario street; Fowler, west of Main street south and including Erie street; Hawn, west of Main street and north of Ontario street.

Amendment lost, original motion carried.

Doan—McKecher, that Reeve and Council be Committees on Fire, Water, board of works, relief and cemetery.—Carried.

Stapleford—Fowler, that committee on Finance printing be composed of Fowler, McKecher, Doan and Hawn.—Carried.

Fowler—Stapleford, that by-law No. 1, appointing officers be read first time.—Carried, and by-law read.

Hawn—Doan, that by-law No. 1 be read second time and filed in.—Carried and by-law read and filed.

Fowler—McKecher, that W. H. Shrapnell and David Watt be appointed auditors for 1913. Salary \$100.00 each.—Carried.

Hawn—McKecher, that Wm. McLeay be appointed Treasurer, salary \$80.00 with the usual bonds.—Carried.

Fowler—Hawn, that W. J. Howden be appointed assessor, salary \$40.00.—Carried. Yes, Fowler, Doan, Hawn and Stapleford. Yes, McKecher.

McKecher—Fowler, that Mrs. G. G. Mitchell be appointed Clerk at former salary, payable quarterly.—Carried.

McKecher—Fowler, that John Cowan, K.C., be appointed solicitor.—Carried.

McKecher—Fowler, that Alex. Cameron be appointed assessor, salary \$35.00 with the usual bonds.—Carried.

Fowler—Stapleford, that John Wiley be appointed a member of Board of Health for three years.—Carried.

McKecher—Fowler, that R. G. C. Kelly, M.D., be appointed Medical Health Officer.—Carried.

Doan—Hawn, that Mrs. F. G. Mitchell be re-appointed a member of the Library Board.—Carried.

McKecher—Fowler, that W. D. Cameron be appointed pound keeper.—Carried.

Hawn—Stapleford, that Samuel Mitchell, Thos. Roche and J. P. Elliot be appointed fence viewers.—Carried.

McKecher—Doan, that John McGillicuddy, John Bryson and Elmer Brown be appointed sheep inspectors.—Carried.

Fowler—McKecher, that by-law No. 1, be read third time and passed.—Carried and by-law read and passed.

Hawn—Doan, that we accept tender of Guide-Advocate for printing being \$80.00.—Carried.

McKecher—Fowler, that we transfer the Municipal bank accounts to the Merchants Bank of Canada on present terms and conditions.—Carried.

Fowler—McKecher, that the Reeve and Clerk take what action they deem necessary in the interest of the Corporation towards securing the Post Office site.—Carried.

McKecher—Hawn, that we appoint Nelson Chantance constable for 1913 at the same salary as formerly.—Carried.

Finance Committee examined accounts and recommended payment.—

Treas. Board of Education, Public School \$275 00

J. W. McLaren, advertising debentures..... 7 20

Chatham Planet, per Clerk for Treas. books 6 75

S. Rivers, Tle..... 50

Clayton Fuller, poll clerk..... 2 00

Wm. Williamson..... 2 00

Ben. Craig, deputy returning officer..... 3 00

Alex. Cameron..... 3 00

Bell Telephone Co., conversation..... 3 00

Municipal World, pr. Clerk supplies..... 6 90

Thos. Kersey, wood..... 3 25

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W. S. Fuller, express, postage, supplies..... 2 25

A. F. Weight, cleaning hall..... 1 25

Fowler—McKecher, that accounts be passed and Reeve grant his order.—Carried.

Fowler—McKecher, that we adjourn.—Carried.

W. S. FULLER, Clerk.

PERSONAL.

R. D. Swift is in Toronto this week.

Fred Rogers visited relatives in Detroit last week.

Arthur J. King and bride left for their home in Regina Tuesday.

Miss Lulu Howden, Detroit, is visiting at her sister's, Mrs. D. Hamilton's.

Mrs. Thos. Howden, Wyoming, was the guest of Watford relatives this week.

Mr. S. A. G. Barnes, Edmonton, paid a flying visit to relatives here on Wednesday.

Miss Vera Swift has resumed her studies at Bishop Strachan School, Toronto.

Dr. Stanley was the guest of Mrs. Hastings, Front street, during his visit in town.

Miss Ethel Virgo, Sarnia, left on Tuesday for China, to resume her work as a missionary.

Mrs. Kenward returned Tuesday from a month's visit with her son Charles in Hobart, Indiana.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm McNichol, of Watford, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Klump last week.—Atwood Bee.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Fitzpatrick, Rouleau, Sask., are visiting Mr. Fitzpatrick's sisters, Mrs. J. Lovell and Mrs. A. Mitchell.

Miss Gertrude Tanner, Regina, who has been spending her holidays here, returned to Alma College, St. Thomas, last week.

F. H. Mackenzie, Regina, called on old friends and acquaintances in Watford this week. "Fin" is looking well and is enthusiastic about the West.

The New Post Office

New developments are to hand regarding the proposed Government buildings to be erected in Watford. The Reeve has in his possession, a letter addressed to Mr. J. E. Armstrong, M. P., signed by Hon. R. Rogers, Minister of Public Works, which states that an item of \$20,000 has been placed in the estimates for 1913-14, to provide for the erection of a post office at Watford.

It is expected that the Government will use out of this appropriation the sum necessary to purchase the land, the balance being used for the building and for beautifying the grounds, thus relieving the town of the expensive arrangement of buying the site.

It is now proposed to place the armory in rear of the post office, provided that the property can be secured at a reasonable figure, the grounds around the buildings to be beautified and used as a small park, where possibly the band stand could be placed, thus making the spot a pleasant one to spend a summer evening.

If this arrangement is carried out, it means that the Government will spend about \$30,000 on the corner indicated, without any cost to the corporation, and it is to be hoped that the citizens will work harmoniously together to secure this handsome gift, and that no stumbling block will be placed in the way.

One thing is certain, the Government will erect both post office and armory here, and if the desired property cannot be secured at a reasonable figure the buildings may be placed in some out of the way place. Let all work together for the public welfare.

C. O. F. Social Evening.

The C. O. F. Hall was well filled with Foresters and their lady friends on Monday evening last, it being the occasion of their installation of officers, and annual social evening. Dr. U. M. Stanley, Brantford, chairman of the Medical Board of the Order, assisted by Bro. Wm. McLeay, did the installing. After the installation Bro. Ben. Smith, C. R., of Court Lorne, took charge of the programme. A number of the brethren gave short addresses, all speaking in the highest terms of the C. O. F. Miss Millie Barnes gave a reading in splendid style, which was well received by a large audience present. Bro. Kenward had his gramophone with him and entertained the gathering between speeches and at intervals during the evening with splendid music. Bro. Frank Lovell served a very nice lunch in his well-known style. After lunch Dr. Stanley was called to the platform for an address, which was given in his usual fluent and pleasant manner. He expressed much pleasure in being able once more to visit the old town and more especially to visit old Court Lorne, he being a charter member of the court. The Doctor spoke for about an hour reviewing the order from the day the four hundred and ninety members succeeded from the American Independent Order, to the present day. His address was full of information concerning the Order and the benefits derived from life insurance. He claimed first place for the C. O. F. among fraternal societies to-day, and backed up every statement by an unlimited amount of figures. A very hearty vote of thanks was tendered him at the conclusion of his address. After the singing of the National Anthem (which took place just before the lights went out) all left for their homes well pleased with the evening's entertainment.

T. E. Gough, 4th line, has sold nineteen acres of land in Adelaide Twp., known as the old Thomas Lightfoot home, to Charles Hollingsworth, of Metcalfe Township, for \$3,000.

HOCKEY.

London 18—Watford 7

The first local O. H. A. game of the season was played on Fowler's rink on Thursday evening between London and Watford and resulted in a score of 18-7 in favor of London. At the close of the first half the score stood 5-1 in London's favor, and during the second half goals were scored very rapidly. The playing of the locals was fair, but their opponents being so much heavier our boys had little chance of winning from the first. There was a fair sized crowd present to witness the sport and when the locals took the first goal the fans were delighted. During the game rover Lamb got an ugly knock on the head and was forced to retire. The veteran referee, F. W. Rogers, handled the game to the satisfaction of all. The line-up:

London	Watford
Haskett..... goal.....	Wright
Rogers..... point.....	Acheson
T. Dodds..... cover.....	Ross
Lamb..... rover.....	Morenz
Prentice..... centre.....	Slater
Brown..... left.....	Betteridge
Hicks..... right.....	Moore

Woodstock—Watford

This game played at Woodstock Monday night, proved disastrous for Watford, their opponents being heavier and in better shape. Watford boys claim the score is 11-4. The line-up:

Woodstock	Goal	French	point	Sutherland	cover	Timms	rover	Smith	centre	Sandercock	right	Jones	left	Jones
Watford	Goal	Trenouth	point	Rogers	cover	Leigh	rover	Lamb	centre	Dunlop	right	Dodds	left	Brown
Referee	Lorne Fraser	Paris												

WARWICK.

Walter Woolvitt, of Biggar, Sask., is renewing old acquaintances on 2nd line, north, before returning to his future home.

A meeting of the Warwick Liberal Association will be held in the town hall, Warwick Village, on Wednesday next, Jan. 22nd. A full attendance is requested.

Mrs. Chas. Eddy and little daughter, Grace, returned to their home on Wednesday, after spending a few weeks with their uncle, Mr. Chas. Mansfield, 2nd line.

Last Sunday the Rev. Mr. Shore thanked the congregation of St. Paul's church, Wisbeach, for filling his oat bin with a bountiful supply of oats, kindly brought by Mr. Walter Wilson and Mr. George Brison.

Mr. Ben Williamson, one of the old members of Watford Rifle Club, shot a fine specimen of the Arctic or snowy owl, measuring 5 feet, 7 inches, from tip to tip of wings. Several of the former natives of our land were after him for several days, but failed to get him.

Arthur Eames, who lived alone at Warwick Village, was found dead in bed on Wednesday night and had probably been dead for some time when found. He was 58 years old. The funeral took place on Friday from the residence of Stewart Smith to the English church cemetery, the service being conducted by Rev. W. M. Shore, the rector. The pall-bearers were T. Brush, J. Long, T. F. Wordsworth, R. McKenzie, Alf. Cox and A. Menery. Mr. D. Eames, of Brantford, a brother of deceased, attended the funeral.

Iva May, the fifteen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Clarke, 6th line, passed peacefully away on Sunday last at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Tickner, Adelaide. Deceased had been delicate health for some months. About Christmas time she went to visit her grandmother, and death claimed her before she could return home. The funeral was held on Tuesday from the family residence, lot 16, con. 6, S.E.R., to the Watford cemetery, Rev. S. P. Irwin conducting the service.

The special evangelistic services in connection with the Methodist church, Warwick Village, are still in progress and are being well attended. The church itself has become greatly awakened and a number have already made a decision for Christ. The meetings will continue next Sunday and over into the following week. Mr. J. C. Blake, a strong, interesting lay speaker from Springfield, Ont., will speak at the Young People's meeting on Sunday morning and again on the Sunday evening and also for a few nights following. A cordial invitation is extended to the general public. Don't forget the Decision Day service on Sunday morning for the Sabbath School and young people in general. There will be special music and song service.

The Warwick Branch of the Women's Institute held their regular monthly meeting on Jan. 9th, at the home of Mrs. H. M. Morningstar. The meeting opened by singing "The Maple Leaf Forever," after which the President led in prayer. The roll call was answered by New Year quotations, after which those present enjoyed the following program:—Misses Maude and Eunice Kimball sang a duet; Miss Mary Gavigan gave a paper on "How to Spend Winter Evenings in the Country"; the girls present sang a chorus; Mrs. J. H. Robinson gave a paper, and Mrs. Falloon gave a paper on "Thoughts for the New Year"; Mrs. W. A. Minelli gave a reading. After the closing anthem a dainty lunch was served. There were twenty-five present.

Merchants Bank Annual Report

An examination of the Merchants Bank report for the year ended the 30th November, 1912, shows that progress was made in every department of the bank's activities. The net earnings amount to \$1,338,000 or \$150,000 more than the previous year. The rate earned on the bank's capital was 20.6 per cent, an increase of 1 per cent over the previous year. The paid up capital gained by nearly 3/4 of a million dollars, and now stands at \$6,747,000. This reserve fund has been increased by over \$1,000,000 and is now \$6,410,000.

These figures show better than any lengthy statement can, the progress made by the bank during the year. The Merchants Bank is one of our strongest financial institutions.

Death of George Wright.

A despatch from Seattle to the Vancouver World, dated Dec. 28th, says:—"George Wright, president of the Yakima Sheep Company, and who was known to sheep and cattle raisers throughout the nation, died at North Yakima on Friday, aged 77. He left a large fortune."

Mr. Wright will be remembered by many of the older residents of Watford and vicinity. He was an Englishman by birth and came to Canada when quite young. During the sixties and early seventies he was a farmer and cattle buyer in Brooke township, and at one time owned what is known as the McClure farm. Afterwards he moved into Watford and lived on the south-east corner of the 4th line and Main street. He dealt extensively in cattle and poultry and was a large exporter of cattle to the Old Country and poultry to New York and other large cities. In 1874 he built the Rogers House, Watford, which was then known as the Metropolitan Hotel. In 1877 he sold the property to Mr. W. H. Rogers and shortly afterwards left for the Western States where he has since been engaged in sheep and cattle raising on an extensive scale. One son, Fred, of Seattle, survives him.

A big table of boys' overcoats and suits at sale prices.—SWIFT'S.

MOTHERHOOD SUGGESTIONS

Advice to Expectant Mothers

The experience of Motherhood is a trying one to most women and marks distinctly an epoch in their lives. Not one woman in a hundred is prepared or understands how to properly care for herself. Of course nearly every woman nowadays has medical treatment at such times, but many approach the experience with an organism unfitted for the trial of strength, and when it is over her system has received a shock from which it is hard to recover. Following right upon this comes the nervous strain of caring for the child, and a distinct change in the mother results.

There is nothing more charming than a happy and healthy mother of children, and indeed child-birth under the right conditions need be no hazard to health or beauty. The unexplainable thing is that, with all the evidence of shattered nerves and broken health resulting from an unprepared condition, and with ample time in which to prepare, women will persist in going blindly to the trial.

Every woman at this time should rely upon Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, a most valuable tonic and invigorator of the female organism.

In many homes once childless there are now children because of the fact that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound makes women normal, healthy and strong.

If you want special advice write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential) Lynn, Mass. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman and held in strict confidence.



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One fourth column	22¢	12¢	7¢

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Advertisers will be allowed a change of matter every two weeks. Weekly changes can be had at a slight extra cost. Copy of change must be in printer's hands by Tuesday afternoon.

LEGAL ADVERTISING—First insertion per line, 10 cents; subsequent insertions 4 cents each time per line. A large number 14 lines to the inch.

BUSINESS CARDS—One inch and under, per year \$6.00.

AUCTIONEERS CARDS—\$5.00 a year.

LOCALS—10¢ per line each insertion. Minimum charge 25 cents.

Advertisements without specific directions will be inserted till forbid and charged accordingly.

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WATFORD, JANUARY 17, 1913.

NOTE AND COMMENT.

The end of the Balkan war was about due anyway. The jokes on the Turkish rugs and cigarettes have about served their purpose.

During the year the Canadian Northern Railway has constructed 463 miles of railroad grade, has laid 362 miles of track, and has given employment to 1,700 teams and 5,000 men in the Province of Alberta.

The Harvard students spend \$75,000 a year for tobacco and \$73,000 a year for books. Since there are only about 6000 students at Harvard this works out at more than \$12 apiece for books.

They are dealing with cheap trashy novels in Germany in a very effective way. A decree has been issued for the confiscation of the entire lot and the prohibition of any further publication of them. If all the dime novels in the rest of the world were confiscated and burned it would indeed be a blessing.

Married couples would be happier

Every Woman
is interested and should know
MARVEL Whirling Spray
The new Vaginal Spray. Best
—most convenient. It cleans
instantly. Ask your
Druggist for
It is correct apply the
MARVEL, except to other,
but need spray for cleaning
pouch—washed. It gives full
cleans and directions, available in bottles.
WINDSOR SUPPLY CO.,
Windsor, Ont. General Agents for Canada.

if home troubles were kept within the four walls of the home; if each would remember that the other was a human being, and not an angel, and if husbands and wives would sometimes remember that they were once sweethearts and lovers and should be so always.

Germany will adopt a law against dime novels and sensational literature. The measure will provide a heavy penalty for the display and sale of such stuff and for the confiscation of all copies. A similar law should be adopted in Canada. There was never more need for it than at the present time, and conditions are becoming worse every year.

To use a common expression, Canada swims in prosperity. Commerce has advanced with giant strides, manufacturers cannot fill their orders, mines are making millionaires by the dozen, the lumber trade pays more than ever, banks overflow with money, railway construction goes on at a tremendous pace. This industrial development, without a precedent in our history, and the accumulation of wealth and capital which naturally follows, encourage people to go into colossal speculations, which, a couple of decades ago, would have been placed in the domain of dreams and fantasy.

On the new transcontinental train passengers are to be embalmed in luxuries. The air in the cars is automatically washed and cooled. All the cinders are removed in the washing. If you are interested in the stock market the latest quotations are supplied, being telegraphed to the train from Chicago. If you want your clothes pressed there is a tailor to press them for you. If you want a shave, there is a train valet—they don't call them barbers, not on the train. If your wife has to have her dress hooked, you don't have to hook it. A maid attends to that. If you need a manicure, a manicure is provided. If you want a stenographer, they provide one. She takes your dictation, stamps the envelope and mails the letter. All you have to do is to look like a millionaire and take things easy. What a transformation has been wrought in travel across the plains since the days of the "bull team," and savage Indians thrown in for full measure of danger and discomfort.

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The late Shah of Persia possessed a dagger which, according to tradition, would make invincible whoever concealed it about his clothing, but if once used the person using it would die by it. It is said that this dagger is one of the oldest in the Orient and has been "used" but five times in history—always justifying the prophecy that it would likewise cause the death of the user.

In 1906 a business man in St. Petersburg acquired at an auction sale a collar for which he paid \$10,000. It had been made 120 years earlier by a Parisian jeweler at the order of the unfortunate Louis XVI. Every member of the royal family who had worn this collar perished in the French Revolution and the man who first purchased it fled to Brussels and sold it in that city to get money for his sojourn in exile. Subsequently it changed ownership frequently, always bringing misfortune to its possessor.

Finally it was sold to a Russian prince for \$20,000 and he gave it to the dancer Tsukki. The dancer lost her health and was compelled to part with it and it passed into the collection of Linievitch. This man died suddenly at Monte Carlo and his heir lost the collar and everything else he possessed in play. The man who then purchased the collar (in 1906) lived in the greatest harmony with his wife and family, but almost at once developed acute mania and ended by killing his wife.

One very surprising thing was some years ago vouched for by M. Mace, at one time at the head of the Paris police. He said that at different times five dead bodies had been brought to the morgue, each one of which had a ring with this inscription: "All who have worn this ring have died miserably like me."

Could Read Faces.

"Yes, sir," went on Prof. X. to a gentleman to whom he had recently been introduced. "I have given some attention to the study of human nature, and I rarely fail to read a face correctly. Now, there is a lady," he continued, pointing across the room, "the lines of whose countenance are as clear to me as type. The chin shows firmness of disposition amounting to obstinacy, the sharp-pointed nose a vicious temperament, the large mouth, volubility, the eyes a dryness of soul, the"

"Wonderful, professor, wonderful!"

"You know something of the lady, then?" said the professor complacently.

"Yes—a little. She's my wife."

His Confidence.

"Well, George," she called from the top of the stairs at 1 a.m., "what was it this time? Did your lodge meet, or was it necessary for you to stay in town to discuss business with somebody who had to catch a midnight train, or did you drop in at the club and get into a friendly little game with some of the boys, or was it an extra rush of work at the office?"

He clung to the newel post for a moment and, blinking, looked up at her. Then he endeavored to moisten his lips and said:

"Mary, if I didn't have confidensh in you I'd think you were shuspicious of me—hones' I would."

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COWAN & TOWERS, Watford, Administratrix.

Solicitors for Eliza A. Davis, Administratrix.

Dated at Watford this 27th day of December, 1912.

NOTICE!

In order that I may be enabled to close up the estate of my late husband, A. J. Davis, all accounts owing to the estate will require to be paid to me on or before the end of February next, after which all accounts unpaid will be placed in hands of my Solicitors for collection.

ELIZA A. DAVIS, Administratrix.

Dec. 28th, 1912.

Application to Parliament

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the Application to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, at the next ensuing Session thereof, for a Special Act authorizing the Municipal Council of the said Village of Watford to purchase a site for a Post Office therein, and to borrow money to pay for the same, and to pass a by-law providing for the issue of Debentures, for the payment of the purchase price of said site.

DATED at Watford, this Fourteenth day of December, A. D. 1912.

COWAN & TOWERS, Solicitors for the Corporation of Watford, 27-6

Flour and lard are getting so high that bakers have found it necessary to reduce the size of the hole in the doughnut.

A mosquito lays forty eggs a day. It might be well to let a few run with your head for breeding purposes.

Cannibals must have easily-satisfied palates.

An optimist is a man who believes two can live as cheaply as one.

Are you a sufferer with corns? If you are, get a bottle of Holloway's Corn Cure. It has never been known to fail.

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Paid-up Capital.....	\$6,000,000
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183 BRANCHES IN CANADA
General Banking Business transacted. SAVINGS DEPARTMENT at all Branches. Deposits of \$1.00 and upwards received and interest allowed at best current rates.

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EQUIPMENT.

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been secured for the schools in Lambton County, however, has not suffered nearly as much from this scarcity of teachers as many other counties have. The trustees of Lambton County acted wisely in advancing salaries, and thereby have been able to secure for nearly all of the schools competent and qualified teachers. In East Lambton there were only some six or eight temporary certificates asked for during the year 1911, whereas in several inspectorates where salaries are lower, a much larger number of temporary certificates had to be granted. According to the latest report of the Minister of Education the advance in salaries of school teachers in 1911, in

Bad Blood

is the direct and inevitable result of irregular or constipated bowels and clogged-up kidneys and skin. The undigested food and other waste matter which is allowed to accumulate poisons the blood and the whole system. Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills act directly on the bowels, regulating them—on the kidneys, giving them ease and strength to properly filter the blood—and on the skin, opening up the pores. For pure blood and good health take

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WATFORD, JAN. 17, 1913

WISBEACH

Miss Ella Watson is visiting friends in Strathroy.

Mr. Richard Williams made a business trip to Sarnia last Tuesday.

Miss Lola Ross returned to London after spending Christmas vacation with her mother.

"East Lawn," Sarnia Township, the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Burden, was the scene of a very pretty wedding on Christmas Day, when their youngest daughter, Clara Ethel, was united in marriage with James A. S. Watson, of Wisbeach. At high noon the bridal party entered the drawing room to the strains of the wedding march, played by Miss Flora Mann, and took their place under an arch of evergreen and white. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Walden, of Point Edward. The bride, who was unattended, was given away by her father, and looked lovely in a gown of cream embroidered net over cream silk, with satin and pearl trimming, and carried a bouquet of white carnations and maiden's hair fern. After the signing of the register the guests numbering about forty, assembled in the dining-room where a sumptuous dinner was served. The tables were prettily decorated with pink carnations and myrtle. The house was decorated throughout with Christmas colors. The bride and groom left amid showers of rice and confetti, for London, St. Thomas and other Eastern points, the bride travelling in a blue silk dress and blue hat with a white plume. Guests were present from Winnipeg, Toronto, Watford, Sarnia and Wilkesport.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

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Present—Col. Kenward, Chairman; E. D. Swift, P. J. Dodds, Dr. Newell, S. W. Louks and Dr. Hicks.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Principal Shrapnell's report of public school attendance for December, 1912, was read.

Dodds—Newell, and carried, that the principal's report be received and filed.

Louks—Hicks, and carried, that the following High School account be paid: Geo. Chambers, coal, \$137.92; and T. B. Taylor & Son, supplies, \$41.85.

The public school inspector's report for 1912 was read.

Dodds—Louks, and carried, that the inspector's very excellent report for 1912 be received and filed.

Dodds—Newell, and carried, that Ruth Davis be refunded \$1.00 due her from last year's High School Department Exams.

Dodds—Louks, and carried, that these minutes be accepted as read.

Dodds—Hicks, and carried, that we adjourn.

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The Secretary, D. Watt, took the chair.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—E. D. Swift, Chairman; D. Watt, Secretary, at same salary; Wm. McLeay, Treasurer, same salary.

Repairs and Supplies—Dr. Hicks, Col. Kenward, P. J. Dodds.

School Management—Wm. Harper, Sam W. Louks.

Finance—Dr. Newell, J. W. McLaren, D. A. Maxwell.

Newell—Kenward, and carried, that principal Robt. J. Campbell, Petrolia, be our representative on Entrance Board.

Hicks—Louks, and carried, that we meet on the first Friday in each month at 7 p. m. in the Board room.

Hicks—Dodds, and carried, that W. E. Fitzgerald be appointed a member of the Public Library Board.

Newell—Hicks, and carried, that we request the Council to supply our Treasurer with \$275.00 by 30th of January for Public School requirements.

Kenward—Dodds, and carried, that High School supplies be purchased from J. W. McLaren, and Public School from T. B. Taylor & Son, and that dustless chalk be used.

Board adjourned.

D. WATT, Secretary.

BORN

In Kerwood, on Sunday, Jan. 12th, 1913, to Mr. and Mrs. Ern. Denning, a daughter—Laura Frances.

In Watford, on Monday, Dec. 6, 1912, to Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Bindner, a son.

MARRIED

At the bride's home, Brooke township, on Wednesday, December 25, 1912, by Rev. C. F. Logan, Earl Routley to Mary, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. McVicar.

At the Methodist parsonage, Strathroy, on Dec. 26th, by the Rev. W. H. Graham, Frank Whiting, of North Caradoc, to Miss Pearl Ramey, youngest daughter of Wm. Ramey, of Glen Oak.

In Adelaide, on Wednesday, Jan. 8th, 1913, Pearl Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Galloway, to Arthur J. King, of Regina, Sask.

DIED

In Strathroy on January 5, 1913, Laura Goodsell, beloved wife of John D. Ronald.

In Strathroy, on Friday afternoon, Jan. 3, 1913, Margaret Ellen Head, daughter of Mrs. Mary Patterson.

In East Highlands, Cal., Jan. 5th, William Robinson, of Sarnia.

In Adelaide, on Sunday, Jan. 12th, 1913, Iva May, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. George Clarke, of Warwick, aged 14 years, 9 months, 23 days.

Suddenly, in Brooke, on January 4th, 1913, William, only son of Mr. and Mrs. James Smillie, in his 25th year.

At the 800, on December 26th, 1912, Alexander, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. George McIntosh, of Kniskillen, aged 26 years.

W. of W. Officers

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Junior High School Entrance and Fifth Class examinations were held at the usual centres—Petrolia, Watford, Alvinston, Oil Springs, Arkona and Florence, 264 entrance candidates wrote and of these 147 were successful.

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Four extra good roan bull calves from good milking strain. Also two heifer calves. A few lambs of both sexes left.

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KERWOOD, ONTARIO.

MOTHERHOOD SUGGESTIONS

Advice to Expectant Mothers

The experience of Motherhood is a trying one to most women and marks distinctly an epoch in their lives. Not one woman in a hundred is prepared or understands how to properly care for herself. Of course nearly every woman nowadays has medical treatment at such times, but many approach the experience with an organism unfitted for the trial of strength, and when it is over her system has received a shock from which it is hard to recover. Following right upon this comes the nervous strain of caring for the child, and a distinct change in the mother results.

There is nothing more charming than a happy and healthy mother of children, and indeed child-birth under the right conditions need be no hazard to health or beauty. The unexplainable thing is that, with all the evidence of shattered nerves and broken health resulting from an unprepared condition, and with ample time in which to prepare, women will persist in going blindly to the trial.

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NOTE AND COMMENT.

The end of the Balkan war was about due anyway. The jokes on the Turkish rugs and cigarettes have about served their purpose.

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The Harvard students spend \$75,000 a year for tobacco and \$73,000 a year for books. Since there are only about 6000 students at Harvard this works out at more than \$12 apiece for books.

They are dealing with cheap trashy novels in Germany in a very effective way. A decree has been issued for the confiscation of the entire lot and the prohibition of any further publication of them. If all the dime novels in the rest of the world were confiscated and burned it would indeed be a blessing.

Married couples would be happier

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THE SCHOOLS OF LAMBTON

Report of N. McDougall, Inspector of Schools.

Inspector's Office, Petrolia, June 5.

To the Warden and County Council of the County of Lambton.
Gentlemen—I have the honor to submit for your consideration my Annual Report, since I became Provincial Inspector for East Lambton. This report is for the year ending December 31st, 1911, and is given in the following heads:

Accommodation, equipment, miscellaneous, teachers, pupils, financial general.

Accommodations—There are rural schools in East Lambton, three which have two classrooms. In addition with each of these 87 rural schools there are thirteen items of accommodation which are to be graded by Inspector at each visit. The grades range from I, the highest, to IV, the lowest. The following is my grading of some of the more important items:

Water closets—Grade I, 6 schools; Grade II, 47 schools; Grade III, 2 schools; Grade IV, 7 schools.

Water supply—Grade I, 32 schools; Grade II, 19 schools. No water supply 26 schools.

School Grounds—Grade I, 19 schools; Grade II, 47 schools; Grade III, 2 schools; Grade IV, 2 schools.

School Buildings—Grade I, 7 schools; Grade II, 53 schools; Grade III, 13 schools; Grade IV, 3 schools.

Class Rooms—Grade I, 24 schools; Grade II, 38 schools; Grade III, 13 schools; Grade IV, 4 schools.

Desks—Grade I, 3 schools; Grade II, 26 schools; Grade III, 42 schools; Grade IV, 6 schools.

Lighting—Grade I, 2 schools; Grade II, 81 schools; Grade III, 4 schools; Grade IV, no schools.

Heating and Ventilation—Grade I, 1 school; Grade II, 4 schools. No proved heating and ventilating systems 88 schools.

When the grading of the accommodations is summed up in this way, it comes quite evident where improvement is most urgently needed. Grades II, III, and IV, indicate that conditions conform to the requirements of the regulation are reasonably satisfactory; while grades III, and IV, indicate that conditions more or less unsatisfactory and require improvement. In fact, Grade IV, indicates that improvement is very necessary as 88 schools have not yet provided an improved heating and ventilation system, while 36 schools have adequate water supply on the premises and about 40 have seats entirely unsuitable to the comfort and convenience of pupils, we can readily see along these lines improvement is most required, the interests of economy, as well as health and comfort of pupils and teachers. I hope to see every school provided, early date, with an approved heating and ventilation system.

Four new schools were built during the year, viz., No. 13, Bunniskillen; No. 7 and 11, Brooke and Euphemia; No. 1 and No. 8, Euphemia. There still a few sections in the inspector where a new school is badly needed, I am well pleased with the gratifying progress that has been made in the improvement of school buildings. I please also to notice a greater interest manifested in the care of school grounds. "Show me your school premises," said a shrewd farmer. "They will tell me more about your section than I can learn any other way." True, the past year reads the history of the committee the appearance of the school and its surroundings. In S.S. No. 1, Euphemia, about a dozen members of the Women's Institute worked all Arbor Day assisting the teacher and pupils to beautify school grounds. I would commend to militant suffragettes as better environment than window smudging. When school garden idea, which is growing in Ontario, becomes generally adopted many unattractive school grounds are transformed into Eden of beauty. The interest on home surroundings is no less apparent. I may say three or four schools in my division started school gardens and have no the education department that

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THE SCHOOLS OF LAMBTON

Report of N. McDougall, Inspector of Public Schools.

Inspector's Office, Petrolia, June 5, 1912.

To the Warden and County Councillors of the County of Lambton.

Gentlemen:—I have the honor to submit for your consideration my Fifth Annual Report, since I became Public School Inspector for East Lambton.

This report is for the year ending December 31st, 1911, and is given under the following heads:

Accommodation, equipment, miscellaneous, teachers, pupils, financial and general.

Accommodations—There are 87 rural schools in East Lambton, three of which have two classrooms. In connection with each of these 87 rural schools there are thirteen items of accommodation which are to be graded by the Inspector at each visit. The grading ranges from I, the highest, to IV, the lowest. The following is my grading of some of the more important items:

Water closets—Grade I, 6 schools; Grade II, 47 schools; Grade III, 27 schools; Grade IV, 7 schools.

Water Supply—Grade I, 32 schools; Grade II, 15 schools. No water supply, 26 schools.

School Grounds—Grade I, 19 schools; Grade II, 47 schools; Grade III, 19 schools; Grade IV, 2 schools.

School Buildings—Grade I, 7 schools; Grade II, 53 schools; Grade III, 22 schools; Grade IV, 5 schools.

Class Rooms—Grade I, 24 schools; Grade II, 38 schools; Grade III, 21 schools; Grade IV, 4 schools.

Desks—Grade I, 3 schools; Grade II, 26 schools; Grade III, 42 schools; Grade IV, 6 schools.

Lighting—Grade I, 2 schools; Grade II, 81 schools; Grade III, 4 schools; Grade IV, no schools.

Heating and Ventilation—Grade I, 25 schools; Grade II, 4 schools. No approved heating and ventilating system, 58 schools.

When the grading of the accommodations is summed up in this way, it becomes quite evident where improvement is most urgently needed. Grades I, II, III, or IV indicate that conditions conform to the requirements of the regulations or are reasonably satisfactory; while grades III, IV, and V indicate that conditions are more or less unsatisfactory and require improvement. In fact, Grade IV suggests that improvement is very necessary.

Inasmuch as 58 schools have not yet provided an improved heating and ventilation system, while 36 schools have no adequate water supply on the premises, and about 40 have seats entirely unsuited to the comfort and convenience of the pupils, we can readily see along what lines improvement is most required. In the interests of economy, as well as the health and comfort of pupils and teachers, I hope to see every school provided, at an early date, with an approved heating and ventilation system.

Four new schools were built during the year, viz., No. 13, Enniskillen; No. 7 and 11, Brooke and Euphemia; No. 13 Brooke and No. 8 Euphemia. There are still a few sections in the inspectorate where a new school is badly needed, but I am well pleased with the gratifying progress that has been made in the improvement of school buildings. I am pleased also to notice a greater interest manifested in the care of school grounds.

"Show me your school premises," said a shrewd farmer. "They will tell me more about your section than I can learn in any other way." True, the passer-by reads the history of the community in the appearance of the school and its surroundings. In S. S. No. 1 Euphemia about a dozen members of the Women's Institute worked all Arbor Day assisting the teacher and pupils to beautify the school grounds. I would commend this to militant suffragettes as better employment than window smashing. When the school garden idea, which is growing in Ontario, becomes generally adopted, many unattractive school grounds will be transformed into Edens of beauty, while the interest in home surroundings will be no less apparent. I may say that three or four schools in my division have started school gardens and have notified the education department that they

intend to conduct this work in such a manner as to earn the school garden grant.

EQUIPMENT.

According to regulations of the Education Department the necessary equipment for every school is as follows:—Maps, globe, library, dictionary, gazetteer or atlas, set of weights and measures, a supply for Form III of history, geography and hygiene readers, also suitable supplementary readers for all the forms.

With the exception of the weights and measures which cost about \$10, practically all the prescribed equipment has been provided in 99 per cent. of the schools of East Lambton.

I might add that the Form III readers already mentioned are very interesting books and form a splendid introduction to the more detailed study of history, geography, and hygiene in Form IV. The increase in value of equipment in five years is \$4500.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Under this heading I wish simply to discuss briefly the caretaker's work. This is to be taken into consideration in grading the classroom. Until a few years ago the teachers performed the duties of caretaker as well as their professional duties. At present it is difficult in some cases, to get a person who can be relied upon to do the work of caretaker as it should be done. I attach a great deal of importance to having clean, bright and attractive schoolrooms. Children are very susceptible to the influence of their surroundings. The ideals they will carry with them through life are formed in the schoolroom. I have therefore persistently urged upon trustees, teachers and pupils the desirability and absolute necessity of having the schoolroom kept clean and sanitary. In one instance I refused to grade a classroom because of lack of cleanliness, while in a few other instances I lowered the grading for similar reasons. I am pleased, however, to note a very marked improvement in the neatness, cleanliness and attractiveness of the majority of schoolrooms in my inspectorate.

TEACHERS

Comfortable, attractive and well equipped schools may be provided; but unless good teachers are placed in charge, the results will be disappointing. Some one has calculated that the efficiency of schoolwork depends upon physical equipment to the extent of only ten per cent. and upon the personality of the teacher for the other ninety per cent. The motto I have endeavored to keep before trustees is this: "Seek first good teachers and then all other things shall be added unto you." I find that wherever an enthusiastic, cultured, forceful teacher is in charge it is very easy to secure all necessary improvements in accommodations and equipment.

Owing to a shortage of teachers in the province, it has been somewhat difficult, in the last few years to secure legally qualified teachers for all schools. Lamb-

ton County, however, has not suffered nearly as much from this scarcity of teachers as many other counties have. The trustees of Lambton County acted wisely in advancing salaries, and thereby have been able to secure for nearly all of the schools competent and qualified teachers. In East Lambton there were only some six or eight temporary certificates asked for during the year 1911, whereas in several inspectorates where salaries are lower, a much larger number of temporary certificates had to be granted. According to the latest report of the Minister of Education the advance in salaries of rural school teachers in 1911, in the County of Lambton, exceeded that of any other county in the province. As a result we have in Lambton County a staff of teachers equalled by few counties and excelled by none. The school life of the average child consists of about seven years, and it is very important to the individual, the community and the state that none of these years shall be unprofitable. The trustees are therefore right in concluding that it is far more profitable to pay a liberal salary and get good returns, than to pay a smaller salary and incur the risk of subjecting the pupils to the enormous loss that any school in charge of a weak or incompetent teacher, must sustain through misjudged and misdirected teaching.

During the last half of year 1911, in East Lambton, 9 teachers held first-class certificates, 95 second-class, 18 third-class, 2 temporary.

PUPILS' PROGRESS AND PROFICIENCY

During my visits to the various schools I was pleased to note a marked improvement in writing, history and geography. The writing of the high school entrance candidates at the 1911 examination was the best I have seen in fifteen years. In arithmetic more attention is being paid to accuracy and neatness. Reading in Third and Fourth Classes is as a rule poor. This is largely due to the fact that many of the teachers are not good readers, and therefore cannot entice the pupils to become proficient in that subject. The number of pupils successful at the annual midsummer promotion examination indicates satisfaction in practicality all of the schools.

ATTENDANCE AND CLASSIFICATION

4900 pupils were enrolled during the year, a decrease of 84 as compared with 1910, and a decrease of 851 as compared with 1905. The percentage of daily attendance was 65, the same as for 1910. I still find a few cases of parents and guardians violating the compulsory clause of the school act by failing to send children between the ages of 8 and fourteen regularly to school. I am doing all I can with the co-operation of trustees and teachers to prevent as far as possible any violation of this kind.

The classification of the pupils for the year was as follows: Primer, 951; First Book, 637; Second Book, 710; Third Book, 1036; Fourth Book, 882; Beyond Fourth Book, 84. This classification does not include those in the continuation schools.

FINANCIAL

GRANTS TO RURAL SCHOOLS

Municipality	On Salary	On Certificate	Accommodation & Equipment	On Library	Total Grant	County Grant
Brooke	\$1,575.10	\$332.50	\$236.60	\$22.40	\$2,144.20	\$228.79
Dawn	1,318.00	195.00	229.21	22.40	1,754.71	207.93
Enniskillen	1,731.92	275.00	263.78		2,270.70	263.78
Euphemia	928.63	157.00	108.78	17.17	1,232.28	129.48
Warwick	1,170.90	242.50	196.83		1,610.23	196.83
Totals	\$6,724.55	\$1,202.00	\$1,056.00	\$39.57	\$9,012.12	\$1,026.81

Note—S. S. No. 5, Euphemia, (Florence) received a Government Grant for 5th Class work of \$88.16, and an equivalent County Grant of \$88.16; also a supplementary County Grant of \$75.00.

GRANT TO URBAN SCHOOLS

Municipality	Gov. Grant	County Grant for Continuation Work
Petrolia	\$528.58	
Watford	226.50	
*Oil Springs	580.85	508.85
*Alvinston	679.90	696.40
*Arkona	339.25	309.25

*The Government grants in case of Oil Springs, Alvinston and Arkona include the grants for both public school and continuation work. The County Grant in each of these cases is for Continuation work and includes the equivalent of the legislative grant which the county is obliged to pay, together with a supplementary grant of \$150 each to Oil Springs and Alvinston, and \$100 to Arkona.

Both the Legislative and County Grants have been very liberal, and have aided very materially in increasing the efficiency of the schools.

Municipality	Receipts	Expenditures	Average cost per pupil	Average male salary	Average female salary
Brooke	\$23,356.42	\$16,915.20	\$28.09	\$525	\$512.89
Dawn	12,375.44	11,466.81	16.83	517	331.60
Enniskillen	28,255.36	17,016.81	19.27	586	513.95
Euphemia	15,425.05	10,453.05	27.15	600	522.00
Warwick	12,895.59	10,200.66	22.45	537	498.12
*Arkona	2,096.72	2,086.51	24.26	550	500.00
*Alvinston	2,465.22	1,364.87	11.09		466.66
*Oil Springs	2,232.38	2,138.64	15.06	775	437.50
Watford	2,769.71	2,559.07	12.54		425.00
Petrolia	10,201.72	10,196.25	14.36	950	440.00
Totals	\$112,053.61	\$84,456.47	\$19.11	\$630	\$484.77

*Does not include Continuation Departments. This is reported separately to the Minister of Education.

As compared with 1910 the average cost per pupil increased 69 cents; the average male salary increased \$47.20 and the average female salary increased \$12.86. The increase of salaries in the rural schools was greater than in the urban schools. The average cost per pupil for the province in 1910 was \$20.50 as compared with \$18.42 for East Lambton for the same year.

GENERAL

The usual teachers' institute meeting

was held in Petrolia on September 28th and 29th and was attended by nearly all the teachers. Mr. Emery of the Stratford Normal School staff gave three very interesting and instructive addresses on Geography and Nature Study. The remainder of the program was given by the teachers and inspector. We endeavor to make the program of the institute meeting as interesting and inspiring as possible in order to entice the teachers for the year's work.

The usual promotion examinations were held throughout the inspectorate in June and such supplementary examinations as were necessary in December. The midsummer promotions are based on tests set by the Inspector; while the Christmas Supplementary Examinations are based on tests set by the teachers and approved by the Inspector. Our desire is to have all promotions as far as possible, take place at Midsummer, on uniform tests.

Junior High School Entrance and Fifth Class examinations were held at the usual centres—Petrolia, Watford, Alvinston, Oil Springs, Arkona and Florence, 264 entrance candidates wrote and of these 147 were successful. 28

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candidates wrote on the County Fifth Class examination and of these 22 were successful.

The Education Department have now arranged for a Junior and Senior Fifth Class examination along the same lines as we have been conducting the County Fifth Class examination for the last two or three years. The examiner's fee to be paid by the County is \$1.25 per candidate for the Junior Examination. Each candidate, however, is to be charged an examination fee of \$3.00 which should be almost sufficient to defray all expenses in connection with the examination.

In conclusion I may say that I visited every one of the 124 schools and departments in my Inspectorate twice in the year and in a few cases made supplementary visits as well. In fact I exceeded the number and length of visits required by Regulations. Inspectors are required to spend 120 days in visiting schools, whereas my visits aggregated 122 days.

I must express my sincere appreciation of the hearty co-operation on the part of teachers, trustees and public in general which I have everywhere received; and also wish to thank the members of the County Council for the very generous and enthusiastic manner in which they have supported the educational interests of the County.

Yours most respectfully,
N. McDOUGALL,
Inspector No. 2 Div., East Lambton.

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ARKONA

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 Mr. Herbert Spillane has returned to Toledo.
 Mr. Harold Fair left for London on Tuesday.
 Mr. Milton Herrington spent a few days in Flint, Mich.
 Mr. Fair, of Winnipeg, is visiting his uncle, Rev. Fair, here.
 Mr. Stephenson, of Saskatchewan, is visiting relatives in Arkona.
 Mr. Russell Baird, of Sarnia, visited at R. H. Wilson's.
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Donation and Surprise.

There was a very pleasant evening spent on January 1st at the home Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McLean, 4th line east, when over seventy of the neighbors and patrons of the Kerwood cheese factory gathered in on a surprise. The evening was spent in dancing and games. The ladies provided the lunch and after it was served Jacob Cline called Mr. McLean to the front and an address was read by Bernard Anderson. Mr. James Craig presented the purse.

Wm. McLean, Esq.,
 Warwick, Ont.
 Dear Friend:—
 A few of my many friends who have been obliged and accommodated by you beyond measure, by your untiring efforts to assist us, while engaged in your own arduous duties, feel it the very least we could do to express ourselves in a tangible way for this accommodation. You have, we know, been put to considerable bother in conveying our mail, groceries, and, in short, every thing we might require. This has proven a very great convenience to us, though we are fully aware that it has been a great inconvenience and annoyance to you. We are aware you are too big-hearted to accept any remuneration for these services, so we have taken the opportunity of presenting you with this little purse as a token of our gratitude for these accommodations. Will you please accept this very humble gift from your friends in the spirit in which it is given, and we only hope you may long be spared to carry messages and commands in the future as in the past for the friends you have so long and faithfully served.

(Signed) JAMES CRAIG,
 WILLIAM PIER,
 ANDREW MORAN,
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 Warwick, Jan. 1st, 1913.

REPLY.
 "Not knowing what way to express my feelings and gratitude to my many friends and neighbors who have gathered here to give me this kind offering, which I feel I did not deserve, as they had served me in many ways to make my route worth while. I hope any one of you will not be afraid to ask of me to do the same as I have done in the past as I thank you all as friends and neighbors,

MERCHANTS' BANK OF CANADA

Proceedings at the Forty-ninth Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

The forty-ninth annual meeting of shareholders of the Merchants' Bank of Canada took place at the head offices of the Bank on Wednesday, December 18th. Among those present were the following: Sir H. Montagu Allan, Messrs. K. W. Blackwell, Thomas Long, A. Barret, C. C. Ballantyne, A. J. Dawes, F. Howard Wilson, J. Patterson, E. Plé, J. Piddington, D. A. Lewis, R. Campbell-McNeil, W. A. Dillon, C. R. Black, T. R. Merrett, A. D. Fraser, R. Shaw, H. B. Loucks, D. C. Macarow, W. R. Miller, J. M. Kilbourn and A. Dingwall.
 The President of the Bank, Sir H. Montagu Allan, was asked to take the chair, and Mr. J. M. Kilbourn was appointed secretary to the meeting. The notice calling the meeting was read.
 The minutes of the last annual meeting were presented and taken as read.

THE DIRECTORS' REPORT.

The President then read the annual report of the Directors and the Profit and Loss and General Statement of the Bank covering operations for the past twelve months.
 "On an average paid-up Capital of \$6,498,332, there has been earned the sum of \$1,338,844.82. Adding the balance brought forward from last year, there is \$1,697,722.50 to be disposed of. This has been done as follows:—Dividend of 107 on the paid-up Capital, \$648,004; written off Bank Premises, \$100,000; contributed to the Officers' Pension Fund, \$50,000, and added to Reserve Fund, \$450,000, enabling us to carry forward \$148,718.27 in the Profit and Loss Account. Your Directors consider this a favourable showing.
 "Our Reserve Fund this year has been further augmented by the premium on new stock (issued at 175), amounting to \$500,760, bringing it up to \$6,410,700, or a fraction over 95% of the paid-up Capital.
 "During the past year we have opened offices at the following points, viz:—
 "In Alberta: Delburne, Alberta Avenue (Edmonton), Hanna, Rughenden, Redcliff, and Walsh; in Saskatchewan: Battleford; in Ontario: Brantford, Guelph, and Walkerville; in Quebec: Centre Street (Montreal) and St. Jovite.
 "We have not closed any agencies. All the offices of the Bank have been inspected during the year.
 "During the year we have lost two of our esteemed Directors, one by death and one by retirement,—Mr. Charles M. Hays, whose death we greatly deplored and whose loss was national, and, later on in the year, our valued colleague, Mr. Jonathan Hodgson, resigned, on account of advanced age. Mr. Hodgson has served on the Board of this Bank for over thirty-five years, and his advice at the Board's councils was very highly esteemed. During the last ten years he was our Vice-President. We hope Mr. Hodgson, in retirement, may enjoy many years yet of health and happiness.
 "These vacancies on the Board have been filled by the appointment of Messrs. Andrew J. Dawes and F. Howard Wilson.
 "Your Directors and the General Manager had under consideration for some time the advisability of asking your permission to change the termination of the financial year from the 30th November to the 30th April, as the general conditions in this country, in the Spring, are not so congested as in the Autumn, when the pressure on the resources of Canadian Banks is at its height. With this end in view, an amendment to the By-Law will be submitted for your consideration, changing the end of the financial year to the 30th April, and changing the date of the Annual Meeting from the third Wednesday in the month of December to the third Wednesday in the month of May.
 "The Board of Directors of the Bank has hitherto consisted of nine members, and we have decided to ask you to increase the number to twelve. The necessary change in the By-Law will be submitted to you for your assent.
 "Another By-Law increasing the amount of the Directors' remuneration to \$25,000 per annum, will also be submitted to you.
 "Supplementing this report, I would like to say I visited most of the Western Branches during the past summer, accompanied by the Vice-President and Mr. Long, where we acquired a great deal of additional information bearing upon our business and met a great many of the customers of the Bank and the staff. I may say that the trip was full of instruction, and we returned with a very much better knowledge of and acquaintance with your extensive interests in the West than we have had heretofore. We think we are safe in saying that the business of the Bank is on a sound basis throughout the country. We were impressed with the fact that the Bank is well represented at all points, and the business is being capably handled.
 "We have much pleasure in testifying to the continued excellent work of the staff, in recognition of which, and in view of the satisfactory results of the business for the past year and the strong representations of the General Manager, the Board have decided to depart from the policy hitherto followed and have granted a bonus to the staff.
 "All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. MONTAGU ALLAN, President

Statement of the Result of the Business of the Bank for the Year ending 30th November, 1912.

The Net Profits of the year, after payment of charges, rebate on discounts, interest on deposits, and making full provision for bad and doubtful debts, have amounted to	\$1,338,844.82	This has been disposed of as follows:	
Premium on New Stock	500,760.00	Dividend No. 98, at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum	\$151,902.63
The balance brought forward from 30th November, 1911, was	58,878.18	Dividend No. 99, at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum	162,685.12
Making a total of	\$1,958,482.80	Dividend No. 100, at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum	166,530.50
		Dividend No. 101, at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum	167,886.28
		Transferred to Reserve Fund from Profit and Loss Account	450,000.00
		Transferred to Reserve Fund from Premium on New Stock	500,760.00
		Written off Bank Premises Account	100,000.00
		Contribution to Officers' Pension Fund ..	50,000.00
		Balance carried forward	148,718.27
			\$1,958,482.80

Statement of Liabilities and Assets at 30th November, 1912.

LIABILITIES.	ASSETS.	
1. To the Public.	Gold and Silver Coin on hand	\$2,346,728.79
Notes in Circulation	Dominion Notes on hand	4,529,797.75
Deposits not bearing interest	Notes and Cheques of other Banks	5,267,083.20
Deposits bearing interest	Balances due by other Banks in Canada ..	3,046.32
Deposits by other Banks in Canada	Balances due by Banks and Agents in the United States	534,944.20
783,596.72	Call and Short Loans on Bonds and Stocks in Canada	\$5,209,327.05
62,446,479.12	Call and Short Loans on Bonds and Stocks elsewhere than in Canada	4,002,969.67
Balances due to Agents in Great Britain ..	Government, Municipal Railway and other Bonds and Debentures	5,733,698.74
1,051,632.51	Current Loans and Discounts (less Rebate of Interest reserved)	\$27,627,440.72
Balances due to Agents in the United States and elsewhere	Loans and Discounts overdue (less fully provided for)	53,374,824.64
279,828.49	Deposit with Dominion Government for security of Note Circulation	306,000.00
Dividend No. 101	Mortgages and other Securities, the property of the Bank	118,816.17
167,886.28	Real Estate	27,998.26
2,526.84	Bank Premises and Furniture	2,427,331.06
\$70,809,749.24	Other Assets	60,206.12
2. To the Stockholders.		\$84,116,907.51
Capital paid up		
Reserve Fund		
Balance of profits carried forward		
\$6,410,700.00		
148,718.27		
13,307,158.27		
\$84,116,907.51		

E. F. HEBDEN, General Manager.

It was then moved by the President, Sir H. Montagu Allan, and seconded by the Vice-President, Mr. K. W. Blackwell, that the report of the Directors as submitted, be and is hereby adopted, and ordered to be printed for distribution amongst the shareholders.
 In making the motion, the President said:—"I think you will all agree with me that this is a very satisfactory report. This statement of the result of the Bank's business for the year is better than at any time during the history of the Bank. You all know that no matter who the Board of Directors may be, or how clever they may be, there is very little that can be done by them except through the assistance of the Staff, and I may say that our General Manager has proved himself not only on this occasion but on various other occasions one of the best, and one who has devoted himself entirely to your interests. I have great pleasure in testifying to the energy and zeal of the whole Staff.
 "We travelled through the West this summer, the Vice-president, Mr. Long, and myself. We had an enjoyable trip with beautiful weather. We travelled as comfortably as we could, but we had work to do, all the same. We stopped at twenty-one places in twenty-six days, and we went over the business of the Bank in these places and discussed matters with the Managers. We found everywhere that the enthusiasm was tremendous, and that all were profoundly impressed with the prosperity of the country and with the prosperity of the Bank, and that all were entirely devoted to the interests of the Bank, which was a very satisfactory state of affairs, indeed."
 The General Manager, Mr. E. F. Hebben, made a few remarks in regard to the report and the business of the Bank.
 The following by-laws were then taken up and considered and the amendments passed unanimously:
 By-law No. I. That the Annual General Meeting should be held on the third Wednesday in the month of May in every year.
 By-law No. III. Increasing the number of directors to twelve.
 By-law No. VI. Providing for the remuneration of the directors.
 In reply to a question by Mr. Patterson as to the period to be covered by the next statement, the Vice-President said that it would cover five months and then the regular annual statements.
 Messrs. A. Piddington and J. Patterson were appointed scrutineers, and one ballot was cast electing the following directors: Sir H. Montagu Allan, K. W. Blackwell, Thomas Long, Alex. Barr, F. Orr, Lewis, Andrew A. Allan, C. C. Ballantyne, Andrew J. Dawes, F. Howard Wilson, Farquhar Robertson, George L. Cams, A. B. Evans.
 On motion of Mr. C. R. Black, seconded by Mr. A. Piddington, a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the President, Vice-President and Board of Directors.
 It was also moved and seconded by the same gentlemen that an expression of warm appreciation of their services be tendered the General Manager and the staff. Passed unanimously.
 The President then declared the meeting closed.
 At a subsequent meeting of Directors, which followed immediately after, Sir H. Montagu Allan and Mr. K. W. Blackwell were re-elected President and Vice-President respectively.



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INWOOD.

Mrs. Minnie Stevens and two children of Watford, are visiting at the home of Mr. George Stevens.
 Mrs. H. F. Aylesworth spent two days last week with her daughter in London.
 Mr. Norman Parr, late of the firm of Vance & Brown, left last Friday to take a position in Mimico.
 Dr. Reece Thomas and bride, of Edmonton, Alta., spent last Thursday with relatives here.
 Mr. and Mrs. Robert McKenzie, Warwick, visited the latter's brother, Mr. Joshua Thomas, last week.

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CONDUCTOR NO. 77

They All Took a Lesson in Common Sense

By CLARISSA MACKIE

Helen Blair signaled the suburban car and boarded it at the corner. She was tired after a long day of shopping and walked up the aisle to the front seat, which proved to be empty. At the next stop three people got on, who completely filled the short cross seat in front of her.

"Fares, please!" Helen's heart leaped as she heard the conductor's voice, and she felt a vague sense of irritation because a mere trolley car conductor should possess a voice exactly like Ralph Fairlee's deep tones. She turned her head and stole a glance at the approaching conductor. Her heart leaped again when she discovered that the back of his shapely dark head was exactly like that of Ralph's and that the swing of his broad shoulders as he turned might have belonged to Ralph.

Her head turned face about, and she compressed her lips. "What a— a bother!" she murmured to herself.

It was more than a "bother" to be reminded of Ralph Fairlee at that moment. It was positive pain to the girl who had been engaged to Ralph for three happy months. Of course the engagement was a thing of the past or it would not have caused Helen Blair any pain to be reminded of its previous existence.

At last the conductor came to the front of the car once more, set back the indicator and began to collect fares for the second stage of the trip.

"Fare, please!" he boomed in front of Helen, and again her heart leaped as she flashed out a nickel and gave it to him.

Then under the brim of her drooping velvet hat she permitted her face to relax its cold hauteur, while she fell to dreaming about Ralph Fairlee, who had taken their quarrel seriously and left the city to seek work elsewhere.

Ralph's father was a rich man, and old Mr. Fairlee had queer ideas about rich men's sons. He believed that these same sons should demonstrate their ability to earn money and prove themselves capable of taking care of money already earned. Ralph had different ideas and wanted to begin at the top of the ladder. He had quarreled with his father on this point. He had quarreled with Helen on another matter and, estranged from both, must be very lonely now. Helen's heart was breaking for love and pity of him.

"Clang, clang, clang—rush, clatter, clang! Starting and stopping, whizzing and curving and rocking, the "car of destiny" went on its way into the open country.

"Fares, please," said the conductor as he stood before her once more with hand stretched out.

Helen fumbled in the gold meshed bag and impatiently emptied its contents into her lap in search of a coin. She was positive that she had plenty of change left. There was a crumpled lace handkerchief with an elusive fragrance of violets about it; there was an inner golden meshed purse that was quite empty, a couple of matinee tickets, a vial of smelling salts, a pencilled memorandum, but there was not a coin to be found!

"Oh, dear!" Helen was embarrassed as her eyes sought the stern face of the young conductor. "I'm sorry, but—" She had to stop then, for that unruly heart of hers was beating faster than any triphammer could hope to rival. The stern face of the conductor was set like a white mask as he turned away.

"Fares, please," he was saying to the woman who sat behind her.

Frankly Helen searched her golden bag, but in vain. She was quite penniless and still ten miles from her station. She bit her lip angrily, because she must explain these matters to a conductor who had the effrontery to have a voice identical with that of Ralph Fairlee and to have a face so much like Ralph's that she had nearly swooned away when she looked at him. But of course it was not Ralph Fairlee. Ralph would have spoken to her at once—gently, she knew that. And, besides, Ralph Fairlee was as brown as a berry, and this conductor, a very common person, no doubt, was quite pale. How presumptuous for a trolley car conductor to speak, look and act just like Ralph Fairlee!

But how very humiliating to be under obligations to this man, a perfect stranger! Again she searched through her bag and shook out her handkerchief. This time there was a clink as a coin flew to the floor.

Helen stooped to pick it up just as the conductor came to her aid. Together they bent over, and together they searched for the lost coin. Helen's big hat brushed the conductor's cap from his head, and there was added embarrassment. At last the man arose with something between his fingers and held it out.

"You lost this?" he inquired coldly. "Yes," said Helen, reddening. "Really, I thought it was more. I must have lost my change and—"

The conductor thrust the shining penny in his vest pocket and rang up a fare.

"Please give me your number," said Helen eagerly.

"No. 77," he said gravely, and with a lift of his cap he went back to his station on the rear platform.

Clang, clang, clatter, went the car, while Helen's agitated thoughts kept company to the beating of her heart and the throbbing of the motor.

An elderly gentleman sitting opposite to Helen peered at her over his gold spectacles. She noticed that he looked keenly after the young conductor who had so stoically rung up her fare after receiving from her hands the meager penny that she could find. She wondered if the old gentleman would be apt to report the conductor for negligence in not putting her off the car.

The idea of being under obligations to the conductor, who looked so much like Ralph Fairlee, became so repugnant that Helen finally arose and walked down the rapidly moving car toward the rear. She was determined to alight then and there and walk the remaining distance, whatever it might be, to her home; also she would take the conductor's number and send him 4 cents the next day.

Her slender form swayed down the aisle, while close behind her staggered the white bearded old gentleman who had watched her so keenly. The conductor was leaning against the door, gazing idly at the dark shadows of the fitting scenery. He did not see Helen or the old gentleman so close behind her until the car lurched over some little obstruction and came to a standstill.

The violent jerk sent Helen forward straight into the arms of conductor No. 77, who also braced himself to receive the form of the old gentleman. Then the car jerked again, and the three fell in an agonizing heap on the floor of the car, while the motorman rang his gong frantically for some answering signal from the conductor.

"Hello, hello!" sputtered the old gentleman wrathfully, as, being on top, he was first to extricate himself from the heap. "This comes of meddling in a business you don't understand in the least, young man. I hope the young lady isn't hurt."

Helen moaned faintly as conductor No. 77 lifted her to a seat.

"It's her ankle," announced the conductor as the contact of her foot with the floor brought forth another cry of pain.

The motorman jerked open the front door and glared into the car.

"See here, Smith," he snarled, "what do you think this is anyway—a hospital or a D. L. J. suburban trolley? We're four minutes late as it is."

"You will wait here four hours if necessary," snapped the old gentleman, breaking into the conversation before the conductor could frame a reply to the motorman's remarks. As a matter of fact, the conductor was gazing down at Helen's face, which was whiter than ever now through the heavy meshes of her shawl and veil. She was leaning back against the seat with closed eyes, the conductor stood watching her with grimy clinched fists on his hips. Neither girl nor conductor appeared to hear the conversation between the motorman and the aggressive old man.

"You will wait here four hours if necessary," the old gentleman had snapped.

"Will, eh? By whose orders?" The motorman was dancing with excitement down the aisle.

"By the orders of the president of the company!" yelled the old gentleman, flashing a card before the bewildered eyes of the motorman.

"By gosh! You don't say—of course—yes, Mr. Fairlee, of course!" The motorman danced back to the platform and closed the door upon his chagrin and mortification.

"Smith!" thundered Mr. Fairlee at the conductor.

Conductor No. 77 was chafing the wrists of Helen Blair, passenger, and did not even turn his head. It would appear that the name was an unfamiliar one to him. He did not respond when it was repeated several times, louder and louder.

"Ralph!" thundered Mr. Fairlee in the conductor's ear.

"Well, father, what is it?" Conductor No. 77 turned a sullen face toward his father.

"Are you going to give up this nonsense and come home with me?" demanded his father, his old voice quaking with an uncontrollable anxiety, which he strove to conceal with an unnatural stiffness.

"I'm on duty here. Do you advise me to shirk that?" parried Ralph. "You can finish this run, of course. But will you come home to me to-night? I've lost a lot of my fool notions, and—"

But Ralph was as generous as his father. "No, you needn't take back a word of what you have said in the past, dad. You were right about it. But I have shown you that I can get a job without influence of any sort and that I can keep it for months. Oh, dad, it's Helen here! She's off with me, and there isn't the slightest use in my ever trying to be much without her. I don't blame her, but—"

"Ralph Fairlee, you goose!" cried Helen's voice from behind as she threw her arms around Ralph and his father. "I knew you from the first, but you looked so much like yourself that I didn't dare!"

She broke into sobs, and as old Mr. Fairlee turned away and blew his nose vigorously she whispered the remainder into Ralph's ear.

When the down car clanged close at hand the motorman peered timidly through a crack in the front door. What he saw caused his eyes to bulge.

Conductor No. 77 was embracing the form of the pretty girl passenger, and the president of the trolley company, "Good Lord! He's crazy!" growled the motorman. And then Conductor No. 77 gave the signal to go ahead.

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It happened that Oglesby could play the violin well. A man came along with one under his arm, and Oglesby asked if he might borrow it for the evening. The man consented, and Oglesby commenced playing in order to draw the crowd away from Robinson's meeting. He succeeded. One by one the men came out of the courthouse, and when Oglesby swung into a lively dance measure the crowd responded with an impromptu "ho-down."

Robinson, seeing his audience dwindling, stopped speaking and came out himself. Taking in the situation at a glance, he pulled off his shoes and began the most enthusiastic participant, dancing first with one and then with another of his late hearers. The crowd was delighted, and Robinson had the satisfaction of completely turning the tables on his adroit opponent.—Shelby M. Cullom in "Fifty Years of Public Service."

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Any Fur or Fur Set in the Store at 25 per cent. off Regular Price. This means a Big Saving for those who have put off Fur Buying till January. Remember, We Carry Only Dependable and Guaranteed Furs.

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\$16.00 Overcoats for \$12.00
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 \$10.00 Overcoats for \$7.75

Boys' Overcoats

\$8.00 Values for \$6.00
 \$6.00 " for \$4.50
 \$5.00 " for \$3.75

VERY SPECIAL Sale of Odd Lots of Overcoats and Suits for Men and Boys. These are values up to \$12.00. First Come First Served—your choice for \$2.95.

SPECIALS

One Lot Heavy Caps—Values up to 50c., for 20c.
 One Lot Heavy Calf Mitts—Regular 50c., for 25c.
 5 Doz. Bradley Mufflers, Regular 50c., for 25c.
 \$3.00 and \$3.50 Grey Lamb Wedges, for \$1.75.
 Men's Sweater Coats, Regular \$1.50, for \$1.00.
 One Lot Boys' Fancy Overcoats—Regular up to \$4.50, for \$2.95.

from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Obituary

The late William Smith, of Warwick, whose death occurred January 3rd, 1913, and whose parents emigrated from Dundee, Scotland, in the year 1832, and settled on Long Island, N. Y., was born there April 14th, 1835, and when a boy of nine years came to Canada with his parents who settled on lot 14, in the 4th concession of Warwick, in that town where he resided with the exception of five years when he resided in Detroit, Mich. Mr. Smith was the eldest of a family of three, Mrs. Harrower of St. Catharines, Ontario, who survives him, and the late Mrs. Rae, of Bedford. When living in Detroit, he was united in marriage by Rev. Dr. Milligan, now of Toronto, Ont., to Mary E. Sayles of that city, who predeceased Mr. Smith on December 24th, 1884. There was born to this union, two sons, William A. on the homestead, and Allan K., of Imperial, Sask.; Mrs. W. J. Howden, of Warwick, Mrs. Geo. Gardner, of Bangor, Pa., Mrs. George Vance, of Springfield, Ohio, Mrs. George Melkie, Kelowna, B. C., and Mrs. Robert Hume, of Arkona. As will be seen, Mr. Smith was of the early pioneers of Warwick, and while with the family were hewing out the home in the dense wilderness, encountered all the hardships and privations incidental to pioneer life, which he bravely overcame as worthily led one of a race that is fast passing. Being of a social disposition and a pleasure in his own life, his friends were cheery and his hospitality was extended to friend and stranger alike, and neither ever found the lachrymose, pulled in. He was a close student of current events and took a deep interest in the moral and social conditions of the community in which he lived. Being a great reader he possessed a fund of useful information on all matters relating to the early history of this country. It was his wish, he expressed many times to the writer of this sketch, that some one should write the history of the early days in Warwick and when told that he would be better able to do it than himself, would reply that such a work would be a pleasure to him. Mr. Smith could recollect when there was not a mile of railway on this continent, and the fastest means of travel on land was the mail coach making its ten miles an hour. Thousands of inventions from the lightning express, the ocean greyhound and the wireless telegraph, down to the self binder, the telephone, the bicycle, and the automobile, he could remember during his lifetime. He could claim the distinction of having lived under four reigning crowned heads, George III, Queen Victoria, King Edward VII, and the present King George, the Sovereign of the Empire. He held his own in politics, Liberal, and while never aspiring to office it was his pleasure to be intimately acquainted with the leaders on all shades of political opinion, the late Hon. Alexander MacKenzie being a warm personal friend with his worthy partner, the late Mrs. Smith, united with every household in the knowledge of the pastorate of the Rev. Dr. Milligan, and when he returned to Canada, affiliated with the Watford church, of which he remained a consistent supporter until his death, and was always found in his seat at all the services, and while he was loyal to his own church, he was not insensible to his duty towards his brethren in other denominations. It was his privilege to enjoy the friendship of that pioneer Methodist, Joe Little, of whom it is a matter of pride to speak in terms of highest admiration of that grand old worthy whose name is cherished in every household in the neighborhood, which took place to the Watford cemetery, was largely attended by friends and neighbors, the services being conducted by Rev. J. C. Forster, pastor of the church, assisted by Rev. R. Stevenson of the Congregational Church, and the pall bearers were five cousins and son-in-law respectively, William H., John and Peter Kingston, William McLean, David Hamilton, and George Hume. The following lines express his last wish:

Safely, safely gathered in,
 Free from sorrow, free from sin,
 Passed beyond all grief and pain,
 Death for thee is truest gain,
 God Himself the soul will keep,
 Giving His beloved sleep.—Com.

COMMUNICATIONS.

(We do not hold ourselves responsible for opinions expressed by correspondents.)

The Editor of the Guide-Advocate:—I take exception to a local in your last week's paper respecting the election for Reeve of Watford for this year. You say the two candidates who were again in the field this year appear to be the only two citizens who are anxious for the job and it looks as if the ratepayers intended to give them their year and year about in the position. No doubt you inserted this local believing it was correct and not knowing the facts. Such is not the case however with respect to myself in any event. I cannot say as to Mr. Stapleford. At no time during the different years I have been Reeve have I personally sought the office and it was only after nomination that I told certain of the business men who wished me to run, and they will verify what I say, that I did not want to run this year, that from a personal and business standpoint it was better for me to be without it, but that I was willing, as all good citizens should be, to sacrifice my time and certain of my business interests if the citizens wanted me. I did not even agree to this until after I refused to run but as many of the business men and other prominent ratepayers of the town insisted that I should run in order to carry out what things I had undertaken or was undertaking, I at last consented and I am satisfied that almost all the business men in Watford voted for me and supported me for which I thank them notwithstanding I was defeated. Another prominent man in Watford told me that he would have considered running for Reeve this year but he said I had the right to finish out what I had started and he would not think of putting himself forward under the circumstances and there were a couple of others who were also anxious to run. I am satisfied yet had all my friends come out to vote that I would have been elected this year, and that I have yet the majority of electors in Watford in my favor. A number of my friends would have voted but from over confidence and thinking I was going to be elected stayed at home, telling me they did not think I would need their votes. Furthermore, I lost a number of those who formerly voted for me because I enforced the law and others I lost because of the improvements and privileges that were made and obtained last year, which occasioned the taxes to be slightly raised. Some people will oppose any man who wishes to see the town improved and progressing and you cannot get improvements without paying for them. I consider I have done my duty and accomplished something for our municipality that I am not ashamed of, and am still willing as a public spirited citizen, whether in or out of office, to do all I can to advance the welfare of the town. Again thanking those who supported me and showed their appreciation for what I have done and thanking you for the space it is necessary for me to take up in your valuable paper in order to correct any wrong impression that might have been made by your local, I remain your sincere friend,
 W. E. FITZGERALD.
 Dated January 15th, 1913.

Farmer's Institute Meetings.

The regular meetings of the East Lambton Farmer's Institute for 1913 will be held as follows:—
 Thedford—Friday, Jan. 24, King Edward Hall.
 Arkona—Saturday, Jan. 25, Town Hall.
 Utterson—Monday, Jan. 27, Town

Those cousins out west—or back east—you don't hear from them as often now. You each have new friends, new interests. But after all, blood is thicker than water and your picture and the pictures of your family would be welcomed by them—especially at this time of the year.

MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO-DAY.

Innesworth's Art Studio.
 WATFORD.

Hall, Camlachie—Tuesday, Jan. 28, Macca-bees' Hall.
 Mr. W. C. Shearer, of Bright, will address the meetings on agricultural subjects.
 Mr. G. S. Peart, of Burlington, is a special delegate sent to discuss fruit growing subjects.
 Afternoon sessions, 2 o'clock; evening sessions, 8 o'clock. Ladies and children especially invited to evening sessions as splendid addresses relating to the home will be given.
 Supplementary district representative meetings will be held at other points at a later date.
 East Lambton has had the largest attendance of any institute district in the province for the past two years. Let us continue the record. All meetings free.
 E. F. AUGUSTINE, Secretary, Cairo.

L. O. L. Officers
 At the regular meeting of L. O. L. 505 Watford, the following officers were elected:—W. M. Joshua Saunders; Dep. M. William Davidson; Chaplain, John Bryson; Rec. Sec., Geo. Chambers; Fin. Sec., David Skillen; Treas., John Down; Dir. Ceremonies, Gunn Newell; Lecturer, L. Pyke; Committeemen, Bro. Stillwell, Pyke, Spaulding, Westgate, Henderson; Auditors, S. Rivers, Joshua Saunders.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

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MUD.
 MARBLES.
 ILLINERY.
 MAPLE MOLASSES.
 CLEAN UP your yard.
 CROMPTON new model corset, \$1.00 \$2.50.—SWIFT'S.

WINDMILL agents will do a land of business this spring.
 The poor may be often tired, but they never have tire troubles.
 BEFORE buying seeds, call at Haskett and get prices, all government inspected.
 TALK about equinoctial gales, but the last Friday made former ones look like gentle zephyrs.

GIRLS with skipping ropes, boys playing marbles, and maple trees budding are sure signs of spring.
 LADIES' classy spring coats, \$7.00 \$10.00. See ad.—SWIFT'S.
 WITH the new Easter hat a man wearing a lady can tell whether he knows it without stooping down to look under quite an improvement.

AT the cattle sale of J. W. Haw Brooke, on Monday, Auctioneer J. Elliot sold eighteen grade cows at average of \$71.50 each.
 REV. C. A. PARSON has resigned the pastorate of the Alvinston and Brook Baptist churches on account of failing health. He will move to Bradford.

If you need floor rugs in large small size you should see our stock, import direct.—SWIFT'S.
 THERE will be a special meeting Court Lorne C. O. F. on Tuesday next April 1st, to finish initiating the bunch candidates that are joining the Court. Members please attend.

You are invited to attend the church opening dinner in the school room, Trinity Church next Monday evening. Tickets 50 cents. Sacred concert in the church after the dinner.
 WHEN you houseclean you will find some of the rooms need papering. Let us supply you. We have all the new designs and patterns. Let us show them to you.—P. DODDS & SON.

EXPECT everything in spring clothing for young men. We have the correct styles or can make or order them. SWIFT'S clothing dept.
 THE Cameron and Brown properties have been transferred to the Government. The titles of the Elliot and Lawrence properties are being searched. W. E. Fitzgerald is doing the work of the crown.

TWELVE young people from Watford attended the ball given by the gentlemen of Forest, Easter Monday. They got home some time Tuesday forenoon well pleased with the night's entertainment.

MR. CHAMBERS informs us that electric light wires were found cut at the West side of the town. This is a criminal offence and also very dangerous. The penalty for interfering with electric wires is severe.

GOING out of business. Big sale of boots and shoes, going at cost, at Haskett's.
 OUR black silks have few equals, of sales this season prove it.—SWIFT'S silk dept.

WHETHER LORE says the kind weather prevailing on March 21st will represent the kind of weather we may expect for the next two months. We hope not. We had enough wind on the 21st to last for two years.

THE Watford Board of Trade is now good working order and would be pleased to welcome any new members who care to join in the good work of upbuilding the town. Men in any line, either men or women, will be welcomed as members.

HAVING heard that I am backing up Mr. Fitzgerald in the case of Fitzgerald vs. Stapleford now going on, I wish to state that I have nothing whatever to do with the case or have been asked to do so.—(Signed) P. J. DODDS, Watford, March 27th, 1913.

TORNADO and flood have been responsible for the loss of several thousand lives in the central United States this week. In the city of Dayton, Ohio alone it is estimated that 3000 lives were lost and that 30,000 people are homeless on account of the flood.

YES, young men, the glaciers of life are hard to climb, and you will never make the trip without a guide. The name of the guide is "Work." Tie your self to him, young man, and he will pull you through all right. He is rough and rugged, as all mountaineers are, but don't despise him on that account. Don't despise his homely garments, he is a brave, true-hearted fellow who has led thousands safely through, and will do the same by you if you will trust him.

Two and three button sack suits, 4 sample Art clothes.—SWIFT'S order dept.
 HASKETT'S for All bread flour, \$2 per hundred, Ogilvie's, McLeod's special Five Roses.