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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.

THE sugar bowl is back on the table. Mrs. Wm. Palmer died suddenly at Forest on Monday.

IRISH Linens, Towels, Napkins, Handkerchiefs, open to day.—SWIFT'S.

THE annual poultry show at Sarnia will be held on January 14, 15, 16.

Port Huron has gone back to central time, one hour behind Ontario time.

TOYS, games and picture books, for the Kiddies' stockings.—MCLAREN'S.

The Parkhill apple evaporator will be converted into a turnip evaporator and employ 32 persons.

Improvements are being made on the Doherty stove works at Sarnia for the benefit of the employees.

SWIFT'S TAILORING DEPT.—at your service.

The Imperial Oil Co.'s 1255 employees at Sarnia subscribed \$145,650 to the recent Victory Loan.

\$50,000.00 PRIVATE FUNDS to loan at six per cent on farm mortgages.—COWAN, TOWERS & COWAN.

ANYONE desiring any of Miss Nesbit's work, Mrs. Brent will be pleased to show them at her residence, Main street.

A KANTLEREK Hot Water Bottle would make an appropriate Xmas gift, guaranteed at MCLAREN'S.

WHAT do you wish for Christmas? Ask the Shopper at SWIFT'S. Ring 4.

An auto truck and G. T. R. engine collided at Sarnia on Monday and Bert Batty driver of the truck had several ribs broken.

The Theford Fruit Growers Association has given up business and will sell their packing house and supplies by auction.

RUBBERS for wet, snowy weather. We have them in all styles and sizes for the whole family. Not high priced, either—cheaper than cold cures. We have yours ready for you, call and get them now.—P. DODDS & SON.

THE Honor Flag won by the county of Lambton in the recent Victory Loan campaign was presented to Warden W. A. Annett on Friday last at the County buildings.

THE sale of the J. D. Brown barber shop was completed and transfer made on Friday last to Basil Richardson who had the business for a short time some years ago.

WASHING MACHINES, Vacuum Cleaners, Carpet Sweepers and O-Cedar Mops are very acceptable gifts. Let us show you.—T. DODDS & SON.

JUST THINK OF IT. Five hundred Flint business men reduced the prices of their wares without being asked to do so. There seems to be a few men left who have souls.

The Sarnia Indians it is said will sell a portion of their reserve land to the Imperial Oil Co. Some of the six thousand acres reserved for the Indians is badly needed for city extension.

NOT a Ladies' Coat in any of the wholesales. We have a fine stock, prices right. Come this week.—SWIFT'S.

Two Thamesville young people were joined in wedlock at the Brooke parsonage last week in the persons of William Reginald Robinson and Althea Irene Everett. The Rev. J. T. Fortner tied the knot.

ROCKWELL'S "Sunny South" Co. is billed for the Lyceum on Friday, Dec. 20th. The company is composed entirely of colored people and when here some years ago gave an excellent entertainment.

RUBBERS AND SOCKS for the out-door workers. Also strong waterproof shoes. Perhaps you prefer Rubber Boots. It makes no difference, we have them all. Compare our prices.—P. DODDS & SON.

In the Ridgetown district the exceedingly mild fall has caused the wheat to grow so fast that some farmers have turned stock in to keep it down. Some have even put the mowers on the fields to cut the top of the wheat off.

MOTHER would appreciate a new copper tea kettle, tea pot or coffee pot, or if you have a little more money to spend an electric iron or toaster is useful 365 days in the year.—T. DODDS & SON.

THIS idea of a uniform rate for all users of hydro-electric, advocated by the Goddard Board of Trade, is a fair and reasonable proposition. There are 111 municipalities in Ontario using the power and the rates vary from \$11 to \$78 per horsepower. The waters of the Niagara river and other streams in Ontario are a valuable asset to the province and a uniform rate to all users of the power is a reasonable proposition and one that would place small towns on a more even footing with the larger places when endeavoring to induce manufacturing firms to locate in their midst.

FRENCH Ivory and Genuine Ebony Xmas at MCLAREN'S.

ANYONE desiring to purchase Victory Loan Bonds of any denomination can secure them by applying to Jos. H. HUME, Watford.

KODAKS for Xmas, \$3.00 and upwards at MCLAREN'S.

READ S. H. Mitchell's sale ad. on page 5.

It has been found necessary to postpone the tea which the members of Tecumseh Chapter had planned for the knitters in the recent contest.

OUR Xmas Shirts for men, one, two or three in a box, French Cuffs, double wear \$1.25 to \$2.50 each.—SWIFT'S.

REV. JAMES HAMILTON of London will preach in the Watford Congregational Church on Sunday morning next and in Zion church in the evening. There will be no service in the afternoon.

A SENSIBLE CHRISTMAS GIFT—a pair of high-grade Shoes. Come and see the newest models. Compare our prices with the city stores.—P. DODDS & SON, the shoe store for all the family.

HAVING taken over the business recently owned by S. H. Mitchell, I wish to ask the public for their continued patronage, and promise to give first class goods, and my prompt attention to all orders.—J. B. COWAN.

When planning Xmas gifts for your friends why not include a year's ticket for the Public Library in the list. The cost is only 50c and it is a gift which will bring pleasure and profit until Xmas comes again. The Public Library deserves your support.

THE death is reported from Chelsea Military Hospital, England, on Nov. 4th, of pneumonia, of Lieut. R. Stewart White of E. C. M., Kingston, Ont., eldest son of Bishop and Mrs. White, of Hontan, China, in his 20th year. Lieut. White was a grandson of Mrs. Pethybridge, of Watford.

LADIES' or Gents Silk Hose one or two pairs in a box, assorted shades.—SWIFT'S Xmas Store.

Two classes of 1918 Victory bonds are now available to subscribers who paid cash. These are: Registered coupon bonds and bearer bonds. The two classes have been forwarded to the banks where subscribers may receive them. Fully registered bonds, on which dividends are payable by check, will be available to subscribers shortly.

As a business proposition, there is no comparison between the value you receive from a year's subscription for The Farmers' Weekly Sun and that of any other farm paper, considering its accuracy, market forecasts and reports. The Sisters' page doubles the value. It is a woman's page with life in every line. No increase in price, One dollar per year.

GILLETTE, Auto-Strop, Gem and Ever-Ready Safety Razors as well as the old style. Also shaving brushes and razor strops in abundance.—T. DODDS & SON.

REGARDING the fuel situation, Fuel Controller Magrath says:—"It cannot be emphasized too much or too often, that unless the public will avail themselves largely of this safety fuel supply now available, soft coal, it is certain that great hardship will inevitably result. Dealers also, in spite of the most positive counsel from the fuel administration have in many cases been slow about laying in stocks of bituminous coal suitable for domestic needs for sale to domestic consumers."

THERE is nothing nicer for a Christmas present than a piece of Fancy China. We have a handsome collection which includes various designs of hand-painted goods of the choicest kind. Let us show them to you. Prices only half that charged by city stores.—P. DODDS & SON.

The grand jury at the Lambton fall assizes brought in the following recommendation:—"We desire, through your lordship, knowing the high and honorable position you occupy, to convey to the Dominion Government our memorial that they take every means within their power to bring to justice those responsible for this world war, and the terrible crimes committed." Justice Meredith replied with a few well-chosen words and thanked the jury for the business-like manner in which they had presented their report.

LADIES' needling Coats should come this week. Special Christmas prices.—SWIFT'S.

It is stated the demobilization of the Canadian army involves the immediate return to Canada of over fifty thousand dependent women and children of Canadian soldiers. Marriages in the Canadian army average nearly one thousand monthly; the aggregate being nearly twenty thousand since the first contingent landed in England. Three thousand widows who never saw Canada will draw pensions from the Canadian Government, who may not journey to this country, but other dependents of Canadian soldiers must return as ordered.

THE influenza scourge has not improved much this week. Several new cases have developed in town and in the country districts there does not seem to be any improvement. In Brooke township the Board of Health thought it wise to put the ban on entertainments for a month or more, but schools will not be closed except in effected districts. The Watford Board held a meeting Saturday but did not consider the situation in town warranted curtailing the liberties of the citizens. The public school attendance has fallen off some and will not likely pick up again until after the Christmas holidays. Two of the High School teachers being ill and the attendance small the school was closed Tuesday, but will open again on Monday next.

MARKETS.—Oats 70c.

ONTARIO'S No. 1 Baldwin apples are selling in England for \$18 a barrel.

THE Chautauqua course which Lambton Chapter I. O. D. E. purposed putting on this winter has been cancelled.

GOOD BUYING—Penman's Heavy Shirts and Drawers, \$1.50 a garment. Size 36 to 44.—SWIFT'S.

MR. ED. DEGEX, Kerwood, returned Friday from Chicago, where he attended the big cattle show and the annual meeting of Lincoln sheep breeders.

"I CAN'T see why the Republicans are making such a huller about Wilson's trip to Europe," remarked the southern visitor. "What was the war for but to make the world safe for Democrats."

THE boy's or girl's gift—Skates—and Automobile ones at that. Priced the same as the other makes but quality higher.—T. DODDS & SON.

THE Red Cross Societies have been requested to continue their good work during the year 1919 as the conditions of the Belgians and French during the reconstruction period needs all the help in food, clothing, etc., that can be given them, for which they will be surely in need until placed in a position to again become self-supporting.

LAMBTON County Council went on record as favoring the Longwood Road route of the proposed new national highway. A strong feeling pervaded the council chamber that the whole county council should journey to Toronto and place its resolution before the Government, but this was voted down, and a committee of ten members was appointed to place the resolution into the proper hands.

FOR the Christmas trade we have made a special reduction in the prices of dinner sets. These goods are exquisite in quality and pattern, guaranteed to be of the finest wear, well burnt, and at a price that can never be duplicated. The wise shopper will buy now.—P. DODDS & SON.

THE sympathy of the entire community is extended to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Harper, Provost, Alta. in their recent sad bereavement also to Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Harper, Provost Alta., having lost their infant daughters within two short months.

ORDER your Christmas Suits and Overcoats. We will get them out on time.—SWIFT'S Tailoring Dept.

HISTORY repeats itself. The kids of to-day never dreamed when learning British history that they would live through an interdict almost as rigid as that which clapped on England in King John's time, when public funerals were forbidden, all churches closed, no masses said for six years. The interdict at that time was punishment of the Pope for King John's wickedness and rebellion against the church authorities; today the epidemic sweeping over the land may be a punishment for national sins against morals and sanitation. Many are hazarding guesses as to the cause, but none know for sure.

WE stock Old Colony pattern in Roger Bros. 1847 ware, Adam pattern in Community Plate and Primrose pattern in Par Plate, in sets or individual pieces. Read our ad. on page 5.—T. DODDS & SON.

## PERSONAL

Mrs. F. A. MacLean and babe are spending a few weeks in Acton.

After being seven weeks confined to his bed Mr. Jas. Craig is still unable to be up.

Mrs. Alex. Kelly and niece Miss Helen Cowan spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McLaren.

Miss Bessie MacLean, Windsor, was the guest of her brother, Mr. F. A. MacLean, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Styles spent the week end in London with Mr. Styles' brother Ishah, who is ill.

Mr. W. H. Strappell was in Petrolia on Saturday attending a meeting of the executive of the East Lambton Teachers' Association.

## WARWICK

Mr. Russell Duncan and sister, Miss Mildred, spent a week with relatives in Crosswell, Mich.

Washing machines, Vacuum Cleaners, Carpet Sweepers and O-Cedar Mops are very acceptable gifts. Let us show you.—T. DODDS & SON.

The Rev. Dr. T. B. R. Westgate arrived at his mother's home, 4th line, on Friday night and his wife and children joined him on Tuesday.

On December 3rd the Great Shepherd summoned another of his little lambs to the Eternal Fold in the person of little Florence Mae Harper, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Harper, Provost, Alta. She was always healthy and beautiful and was just at the age when her life was sweetest. She had, been suffering with whooping cough and before she had completely regained her strength she developed influenza which caused her death.

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The annual meeting of the Warwick Women's League was held at the Rectory

Tuesday, Dec. 6th. Owing to the prevailing epidemic the meeting was for business only. Last year's officers were re-elected. The value of the bales which have been sent to Hyman Hall every two weeks is \$1,458.40 for the year ending Nov. 1918, and the collections and donations for the year were \$1012.24. The President, Mrs. W. M. Shore, gave an excellent address in which the members were urged to continue financial and personal help. A brief account of the four year's work was also given. The bale sent to Hyman Hall for Nov. was valued at \$117.25 and the collection at the annual meeting was \$16.20.

If you don't know just what to give for Xmas—a look through MCLAREN'S may help you out, come in and look around anyway.

Gillette, Auto-Strop, Gem and Ever-Ready safety razors as well as the old style. Also shaving brushes and razor strops in abundance.—T. DODDS & SON.

Mr. William Karr for many years a coal merchant in St. Thomas, died in the House of Providence in London on Sat., December 7th. He had been in poor health for some time and was receiving treatment in London. He was 78 years of age. The remains were brought to the home of his nephew, Mr. George Mathews, lot 4, con 2, N. E. R., from where the funeral was held on Monday afternoon in the Church of England cemetery, Warwick Village. Service was held at the house at 1.30, conducted by Rev. W. M. Shore. Deceased was survived by two brothers, John of Warwick and George of Forest. The pallbearers were Robert, John, Edward and George Karr, John Rose and D. Sitter.

THE boy's or girl's gift—Skates—and Automobile ones at that. Priced the same as other makes but quality much higher.—T. DODDS & SON.

## BROOKE

The farm of Mark Ansley, part of lot 12, con. 10, advertised in last week's paper has been sold to John Edgar, same line.

On Wednesday last week, Dec. 4th, Miss Gertrude Sisson of Brooke was united in marriage with Mr. Gordon F. Cameron of Saskatoon Sask. The ceremony was performed at the Brooke parsonage by the Rev. S. J. T. Fortner. We stock Old Colony pattern in Roger Bros. 1847 ware, Adam pattern in Community Plate and Primrose pattern in Par Plate, in sets or individual pieces. Read our ad. on page 5.—T. DODDS & SON.

Residents of the township will notice by an advertisement elsewhere in this issue that the Brooke Board of Health forbids the holding of entertainments within the township until after January 20th next, also that all meetings for other purposes should be postponed. Read the ad.

The death occurred at Toronto, on Friday, Dec. 6th of Matilda, relict of the late late William Hume, of Brooke, aged 71 years. The funeral was held from the family residence, lot 24, con. 14 on Tuesday afternoon to St. James' Cemetery and was private. A more extended notice will be published next week.

PART of a shipment of Belfast Linens for Xmas trade, shipped the day after the armistice was signed, on sale at SWIFT'S Quick work.

It is our painful duty to record the death of Geo. T. Grant, which took place at the Winnipeg Hospital, on Nov. 21st, after a long illness with pneumonia following influenza. Mr. Grant was born in London, Ont., in the year 1881. His parents died when he was quite young. He then made his home with Mr. and Mrs. Thos. A. Logan of this place, he being their nephew, until his marriage to Miss Jessie E. Willis of Exeter in the year 1905, who mourns the loss of a loving husband. Four children and one sister, Mrs. W. C. Smith of New Ontario also survive. Mrs. Grant and two children were in the hospital at the same time with the "flu" but are improving. Mr. Grant was in the grocery business extensively since going west and by his kind and cheerful disposition made many friends both here and in the west, who will hear of his death with deep regret.

## NOTICE

To Residents of the Township of Brooke

Owing to the prevalence of Influenza the local Board of Health of the Township hereby forbids, until after January 20th next, the holding of any public gathering for the purpose of amusement or entertainment.

Until this date meetings for other purposes should be postponed, if possible, churches and schools in infected communities should close, schools in communities having only isolated cases of the disease need not close, but children from infected homes must not attend school until two weeks after the recovery of all members of the family.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH  
C. L. TAYLOR, M. O. H.

Miss Lizzie Avery, of Vancouver, formerly of Petrolia, died of pneumonia last month. She was a niece of J. Hoskin, of London, well known in this district and some years ago a resident of Watford.

## The J. C. Rockwell "Sunny South" Company

When that uncommonly strong combination of colored talent, known as the J. C. Rockwell "Sunny South" company—the show that never disappoints, the one that never misrepresents, makes its appearance in the Lyceum, Watford, Friday evening, December 20th, local theatre-goers will have an opportunity of judging for themselves just what a first-class colored organization really is. This is a colored company throughout, numbering about twenty-five persons, including some of the cleverest and most versatile performers, in their respective lines, at present before the public.

Comedy is all that is aimed at and nothing else is reached bar some very clever singing, dancing and entertaining specialties, of the better class, which will make the audience sit up and take notice. It is a musical show, wedded to the most tuneful music one would care to listen to, full of ginger and life, with not a dull moment from beginning to end. Dating from the opening scene until the final fall of the curtain there is not a moment when some of the numerous cast are not occupied rendering matters pleasing to the audience. The real fun begins as the curtain goes up and doesn't relax for a moment, until you find yourself on the sidewalk, after two and a half hours of incessant merriment. You'll be whistling the song hits for days to come and quietly tittering at the many funny jokes that you cannot forget. There is nothing offensive in the performance, quite the contrary, there are many features which would provoke laughs in the most circumspect and gladden the hearts of the most solemn.

The organization is accompanied by an excellent solo concert band and a superb orchestra. The Kootown parade takes place at the noon hour.

Prices of admission have been placed at 35, 50 and 75 cents including tax. Seats can be secured at Taylor's Drug Store.

## Lambton's 149 I. O. D. E.

The regular meeting of Lambton's 149 I. O. D. E. was held at the home of Miss Ella McLeay on Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. There were 16 members present. After opening prayer, the minutes of last meeting were read and approved. The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$133.80. The convener of the sox committee reported 22 pairs of sox on hand.

Appeals were read from Belgian Relief Fund, also Canadian Serbian Relief Committee, for clothes for refugees. The Chapter plans to help with these early in the new year.

An interesting letter was read from Miss Reed, Sister-in-charge of the Guelph Military Hospital. It was decided to send 25 Xmas bags to Miss Reed for distribution among her patients. The sum of \$25 was voted by extra for these bags, which will contain sox as well and be packed at the home of Mrs. Dodds on Friday afternoon of this week.

A letter was read from the secretary of the local branch of the Women's Institute informing the chapter that a two weeks' Domestic Science class would be organized in January. The members were much in sympathy with this and several signified their intention of joining the class.

Under the instruction of Professor H. Gordon, the Chapter will organize a Choral Society early in January. The meeting closed with the singing of God Save Our King. January meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Morningstar.

## Patterson—MacIvor

A very quiet wedding took place at Detroit, Saturday, November twenty-third, when Edna W. daughter of Mrs. Margaret MacIvor, became the wife of Mr. Walter M. Patterson. The ceremony was performed at eight o'clock at the manse by Dr. W. H. Jamieson of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, after which a wedding dinner was served at the home of the bride's mother to the immediate relatives only.

Mr. and Mrs. Patterson have taken an apartment for the winter at 39 Palmer Ave. West, and will be at home to their friends after January 1st, 1919.

## The Christmas Spirit Manifested in the Stores

Local merchants are now preparing for the Christmas trade. Decorations are going up and the stores begin to breathe the spirit of Christmas. With the ending of the war and prosperity prevailing, there will be a greater disposition to indulge more generously in the festivities of this glad season than for the past four years. Merchants are prepared to meet the demands of the Christmas trade with all that heart or mind may desire. Our readers should bear this in mind and study the advertising columns of the Guide-Advocate, where all up-to-date merchants make their announcements, which contain all the worth while information regarding Christmas goods. The prices quoted compare favorably with those in the cities and therefore speak for themselves.



## THE MAKING OF A FAMOUS MEDICINE

How Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is Prepared For Woman's Use.

A visit to the laboratory where this successful remedy is made impresses even the casual looker-on with the reliability, accuracy, skill and cleanliness which attend the making of this great medicine for woman's ills.

Over 350,000 pounds of various herbs are used annually and all have to be gathered at the season of the year when their natural juices and medicinal substances are at their best.

The most successful solvents are used to extract the medicinal properties from these herbs.

Every utensil and tank that comes in contact with the medicine is sterilized and as a final precaution in cleanliness the medicine is pasteurized and sealed in sterile bottles.

It is the wonderful combination of roots and herbs, together with the skill and care used in its preparation which has made this famous medicine so successful in the treatment of female ills.

The letters from women who have been restored to health by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound which we are continually publishing attest to its virtue.

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### ADVERTISING RATES.

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175 inches 8 cents per inch.  
1000 inches 9 cents per inch.  
500 inches 10 cents per inch.  
Shorter periods 12 cents per running inch.  
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 noon.  
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BUSINESS CARDS—One inch and under, per year \$3.00.  
ACTIONABLE CARDS—\$5.00 a year.  
LOCALS—10c. per line each insertion. Minimum Charge 20 cents.  
Advertisements without specific directions will be inserted till forbid and charged accordingly.  
W. C. AYLESWORTH, Publisher.  
T. HARRIS, Editor.

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### NOTE AND COMMENT

It is no longer a question of licking the Hun, but of keeping him licked, says the Washington Herald.

I see by the Popular Science Monthly that a snake "moves along the ground in undulating curves produced by the contraction of the longitudinal system of the body." Freely translated, this means that when a snake makes tracks he humps himself.

Japanese newspapers are suggesting that Japan and China raise the race question at the forthcoming peace conference, with the object of seeking an agreement to the effect that in the future there shall be no racial discrimination throughout the world.

Wholesale houses in most lines in Toronto are considering the advisability of calling in their travellers. Since the signing of the armistice business has been very dull in country centres, mainly because, while the war lasted, storekeepers were keeping up their stocks, and are at present full up. With the stoppage of work in munition factories, they

### Catarrah Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure catarrah deafness, and that is by a constitutional remedy. Catarrah deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a running sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result. Unless the inflammation can be reduced and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever. Many cases of deafness are caused by catarrah, which is an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrah Medicine acts thru the blood on the mucous surface of the system.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Catarrah Deafness that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrah Medicine. Circulars free. All Druggists, 75c.  
P. J. CHERNEY & Co., Toledo O.

fear sales are likely to drop off.

The churches of Canada are seriously considering the use of paid-for display advertising in the newspapers to promote their objectives. The churches are beginning to perceive the value of buying space at commercial rates in the newspapers to set before the public their meetings, programs, places, etc.

One of the interesting incidents narrated by Hon. H. J. Cody, concerning his trip overseas, relates to a dinner given to American journalists by Gen. Smuts (pronounced, by the acquainted, Smoots). One of the guests a distinguished British officer, who, in the course of the evening, told how, in the South African war, he had had the opportunity of taking good aim at one of the Boer leaders—and had missed him. That Boer leader was his present host, Smuts.

The total American losses in the war are reported at 236,117, of whom 36,154 were killed or died of wounds and 17,015 died from disease and other causes. About 2,000 of the total were prisoners, who will be restored. When we compare our blood sacrifice with the British loss of 3,049,991, of whom 658,665 were killed, and realize that the French losses must have been fully and the Italian proportionately as great, we must lose all temptation to speak lightly of the work of any of our Allies. With great thankfulness that we have been able to come out of the conflict so lightly, we must appreciate the fearful load which others have borne and the courage with which they endured it.—New York Times.

The British War Office has decided that general demobilization soldiers' discharge certificates will no longer include what is generally known as assessment of character, and the Canadian Government will conform to this practice. In other words, character certificates will not be issued to members of the Canadian Expeditionary Force on discharge. Under army regulations assessment of a soldier's character is based on his conduct sheet, which contains a record of offences which are considered serious in the army, but would not be so regarded in civil life, and ought not to constitute a bar to civil employment. Under these circumstances it is felt that the issue of such character certificates might work a hardship on many men seeking employment.

### Unwise to Speculate With Victory Bonds.

Unprecedented success has again attended Canada's Victory Loan. The number of individual subscribers is a credit to Canada, but the investment of savings in this way may lead to many heartburnings unless the people are fully warned of the dangers of speculation and of fake investments to which they will be exposed. Many bonds were purchased from patriotic motives; many, however, were taken for the higher interest they offered, 5½ per cent, as compared with 3 per cent from the banks. This increased earning capacity of their money may make holders of bonds susceptible to the temptation of promoters and organizers. Advertisements are appearing offering to accept Victory Bonds in payment for real estate. In the United States many owners of Liberty Bonds have been robbed by being induced to exchange them for worthless securities supposed to carry a much higher rate of interest.

Monsieur Choquette, at the annual meeting of the Commission of Conservation in 1916, speaking on this subject of speculation, said: "Few days pass when farmers, young and old, are not asked to take part in financial concerns, in speculations which dangle untold riches before their longing eyes. The agents are clever and persevering. They have a thousand strings to their bow. Town lots, mining claims, natural gas and oil wells, patents, are all means of enticement, all the more alluring since the risk which accompanies them is hidden more or less honestly under the name of some master of finance, or by an advertisement cleverly inserted in a conspicuous place in a newspaper of wide circulation. It is a veritable scourge, a plague. One must live in the country and hear the wails of the victims to grasp the whole situation. I do not think that I exaggerate when I declare

that in the one county where I live \$100,000 and more have simply been thrown away by our farmers. Some if these, seized by a fatal frenzy, have not hesitated to sell their beautiful farms, the heritage received from their forefathers, in order to barter the value for a scrap of paper which guaranteed them the ownership neither of an inch of land nor an ounce of silver.

"Can this evil not be remedied? Is it necessary to leave the farmer to learn wisdom at his own expense by becoming the prey of greedy plunderers?"

The Canadian Government strongly advises holders of Victory Bonds to keep them. They are a receipt for duty well done on the part of the owner, and should only change hands when it is absolutely necessary for the owner to sell them to secure their value in cash.

### When Santa Claus First Started on the Job

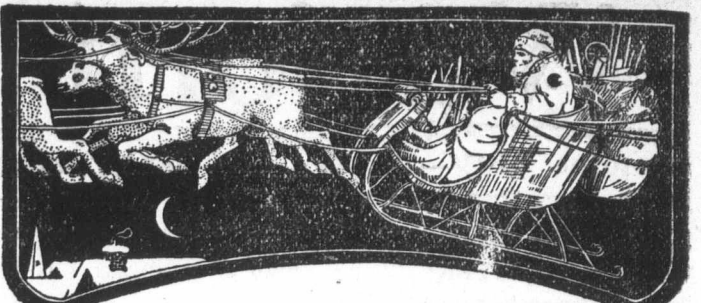
Santa Claus the patron saint of children is the man who is most in the limelight to-day. In every home in the country where children's stockings are hung up empty Christmas eve and are found full next morning he is held in profoundest veneration and affection. It is probably on account of the universal affection in which he is held that the nickname of Santa Claus has been conferred upon him, for his real name is Saint Nicholas, and he is one of the principal saints of the Greek church. He was Bishop of Myra in Asia Minor about the beginning of the fourth century.

His benevolence began as far as legend tells us, when he returned to earth to save the three daughters of an impoverished nobleman in his old diocese. Their father was unable to provide them with dowries and without dowries they could not expect to find husbands. He told them there was nothing for them but a life of degradation. The eldest daughter besought Saint Nicholas for aid and a purse of gold large enough for a dowry was dropped in her lap. In the morning she told her second sister and she also appealed to the saint for help. A second purse of gold was her portion. They told their youngest sister and she announced her intention of invoking the kindness of the saint that night. Her father heard her and determined to watch for developments. He waited outside her window while she prayed and saw a man drop a purse and turn to go. The father confronted him and found he was the famous saint whose picture adorned the walls of the church. The saint forgave him on his promising not to reveal the secret. Human nature was weak; however, and the nobleman broke his promise with the result that the good saint was pestered with numerous requests for gifts. He found that if he expected to get anything done he would have to restrict his gifts to arduous humans to one day in the year, and he fixed on December 6, Saint Nicholas day. The change in the calendar threw the date back to Dec. 18th and for some reason or another the saint changed the day of his visit to earth to one week later, and now he is due on Christmas morning. Although children and maidens have the first claim on St. Nicholas, he is claimed as patron saint by Russians, thieves and sea faring men as well.

### Thrift And Industry

By thrift and industry the French people paid over the huge war indemnity of 1870 to Germany in an incredibly short space of time. The same thrift and industry, if exercised by Canadians now, will reconstruct and make Canada a prosperous country. To achieve this end there must be individual vigilance. Watch food advertisements. There is always a best and cheapest place to buy any commodity. By watching the advertisements of foodstuffs in local papers much can be accomplished. Merchants do not advertise unless the price and quality of the goods are attractive; they know they cannot retain the business of the public unless they "make good." Help the most progressive merchant in your locality by following his advertised prices and patronize him. Competition does more to regulate prices than anything else.

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Is always appreciated by young and old, and don't cost you any more than many other kinds if you figure it out. Anyway it is mighty handy when the unexpected guest drops in.

Seedless Raisins.....20c lb.  
Seeded Raisins.....18c lb.  
Currants.....35c lb.  
Citron Peel.....60c lb.  
Mixed Peel.....60c lb.  
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## ROLL OF HONOR

Men From Watford and Vicinity Served and Wounded in the Empire

27TH REGT.—1ST BATTALION  
Thos L. Swift, reported missing 15th, 1915  
Richard H. Bury C Binks  
Arthur Ow L. Gonn Newell, killed in action  
F. C. N. Newell, E.C.M. T. War  
Aif Woodward, killed in action  
Sid Welsh M. Cunniff  
R. W. Bailey A. L. Johnston  
R. A. Johnston G. Mathew  
C. Manning W. Glenn J.  
F. Phelps H. F. Small  
E. W. Smith C. Toop  
J. Ward, killed in action C. Ward  
F. Wakelin, D.C.M., killed in action  
T. Wakelin, wounded and missing  
I. Whitsitt B. Hardy

PRINCESS PATRICIA'S C. I.  
Gerald H. Brown

18TH BATTALION  
C. A. Barnes Geo. Ferris  
Edmund Watson G. Shanks  
J. Burns F. Burns  
C. Blunt Wm. Autter  
S. P. Shanks Walter Wo

2ND DIVISIONAL CAVALRY  
Lorne Lucas Frank Veri  
Chas. Potter

33RD BATTALION  
Percy Mitchell, died of wounds Oct 1918  
Lloyd Howden  
Geo. Fountain killed in action Sep 1918  
Gordon H. Patterson, died in Hospital, London

34TH BATTALION  
E. C. Crohn S. Newell  
Macklin Hagle, missing since Oct 1918  
Stanley Rogers Wm. Manni  
Henry Holmes, killed in action 1915  
Leonard L. C. Jamieson

29TH BATTERY  
Wm. Mitchell John Hows

70TH BATTALION  
Ernest Lawrence, killed in action 1918  
Alfred Egan  
C. H. Loveday A. Banks  
S. R. Whalton, killed in action Oct 1918  
Thos. Meyers Jos. M. Ward  
Vern Brown Al. Bullough  
Sid Brown, killed in action Sept 1918

28TH BATTALION  
Thomas Lamb, killed in action MOUNTED RIFLES

Fred A. Taylor

PIONEERS  
Wm. Macnally W. F. Goodt

ENGINEERS  
J. Tomlin  
Basil Saunders Cecil McNe

ARMY MEDICAL CORPS  
T. A. Brandon, M. D. W. J. McKee  
Norman McKenzie Jerrold W.  
Allen W. Edwards Wm. McCa  
Basil Gault Capt. R. M.

135TH BATTALION  
Nichol McLachlin, killed in action 6th, 1917

3RD RESERVE BATTERY, C  
Alfred Levi

116TH BATTALION  
Clayton O. Fuller, killed in action 18th, 1917

196TH BATTALION  
R. R. Annett

70TH BATTERY  
R. H. Trenouth, killed in action 8th, 1917  
Murray M. Forster V. W. Willou  
Ambrose Gavigan

142ND BATTALION  
Lieut. Gerald I. Taylor, killed in action Oct. 16, 1918.  
Austin Potter

GUNNER  
Russ G. Clark

R. N. C. V. R. T. A. C.  
John J. Brown 1st Class Petty Officers.

ROYAL NAVY  
Surgeon Frederick H. Haskett  
ARMY DENTAL CORPS  
Elgin D. Hicks H. D. Taylor  
Capt. L. V. Jakes

ARMY SERVICE CORPS  
Frank Elliot R. H. Acton  
Arthur McKercher  
Henry Thorpe, Mech. Transport

98TH BATTALION  
Roy E. Acton, killed in action Nov 6th BATTERY

C. F. Luckham Harold D. R.  
Romo Auld Clifford L.

63RD BATTERY  
Walter A. Restorick George W.  
Clare Fuller Ed. Gibbs

67TH BATTERY  
Edgar Prentiss

69TH BATTERY  
Chester W. Cook

ROYAL AIR FORCE  
Lieut. M. R. James Cadet D. V.  
Lieut. Leonard Crone, killed in July 1, 1918.  
J. C. Hill, mechanic  
Lieut. J. B. Tiffin Cadet E. C.

1ST DEPOT BATTALION  
WESTERN ONTARIO REGIMENT  
Reginald J. Leach Leon R. Palm  
James Phair Fred Birch  
Russell McCormick John F. Cree  
Leo De'as Fred Just  
John Stapleford Geo. Moore  
Mel. McCormick Bert Lucas  
Tom Dodds Alvin Copel  
Wellington Higgins Herman Ca  
Lloyd Cook William B.  
J. Richard Williamson, died of Oct. 11, 1918.



## ROLL OF HONOR

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 G Mathews  
 W Glenn Nichol  
 C Manning  
 H F Small  
 F Phelps  
 C Toop  
 E W Smith  
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 S P Shanks  
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 Frank Yerks  
 Chas Potter

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 Geo Fountain, killed in action Sept. 16, 1916  
 Gordon H Patterson, died in Victoria Hospital, London

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

29TH BATTERY  
 Wm Mitchell  
 John Howard

70TH BATTALION  
 Ernest Lawrence, killed in action, Oct. 1, 1918  
 Alfred Emmerson  
 C H Lovelady  
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 Thos Meyers  
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116TH BATTALION  
 Clayton O Fuller, killed in action April 18th, 1917

196TH BATTALION  
 R R Annett

70TH BATTERY  
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## LETTER FROM ESTON FOWLER

France, Nov. 14th, 1918.  
 Dear Mother and All.—  
 Just a line to let you know I am well. Have received no mail from you yet this week but maybe there will be some to-night. Well, I suppose there is great rejoicing in Canada now to think the end is so near. It certainly seems hard to realize over here that the fighting is done, but it had to come some time. I guess the censor won't be so strict now so I can tell you a little more than I have been. We are billeted in Valenciennes and we certainly have dandy places. We came through here the day the Canadians captured it and we followed Fritz quite a way farther and then came back here for a rest. It certainly was some sight when we first entered it. The civilians were nearly crazy with joy because Fritz has been holding the place for about four years. When we first came through one of the Canadian Bands played the French National Anthem and the civies formed a parade behind them with flags and everybody singing. They sure were tickled. We were in the Cambria scrap too but didn't have much to do. We are going to leave here tomorrow for Mons so I will have a chance to see where the first real fight took place and from there I guess we will get a look at Germany. We will just be doing patrols, I expect, so we will not be there very long after the Peace Terms have been signed. Well, I guess I will be back for my next birthday alright and long before that but I don't expect we will get away before Spring. We have been having some lovely weather here these last few days and I hope it keeps that way for a while. Well I guess this is all the news so will close for this time. Write soon.  
 Love to all,  
 ESTON.

## OUR GALLANT SONS

The gallant lads of Canada,  
 Who bravely went to war,  
 Have writ her name on hist'ry's page  
 And spread her fame afar.

For ages past the world had known  
 The wideness of our land,  
 But now she knows Canadian men  
 And that for right they stand.

From farm and village forth they came,  
 From city great or small,  
 The gallant sons of Canada  
 Answered to Freedom's call.

'Twas said that peace had made us weak—  
 We'd sold our soul for gold;  
 To that base lie make this reply  
 And make it proud and bold:

At Ypres and famed St. Julien,  
 At St. Eloi, at Loos,  
 At Passchendaele, at River Somme,  
 At Vimy Ridge, at Hooge.

The gallant sons of Canada  
 There met the brutish Hun—  
 Hist'ry's page for many an age  
 Shall tell of vict'ries won.

It is in Demand.—So great is the demand for Dr. Thomas Electric Oil that a large factory is kept continuously busy making and bottling it. To be in demand shows popular appreciation of this preparation, which stands at the head of proprietary compounds as the leading oil in the market, and it is deserving of the lead.

## Punkin Pie

By A. C. Wood, Author of "Old Days on the Farm."

When we talk o' things fer eatin'  
 I speak right in to actin'  
 In language ne'er a mortal may deny;  
 It's but truth that I'm a-tellin'  
 An' my words are easy spellin'—  
 There's nothin' here on earth beats  
 punkin pie.

Cake with some folk is a habit,  
 An' some rave about Welsh rabbit,  
 Some fer mushrooms an' beefsteak ever sigh,  
 But there's food that has these beaten,  
 Finest grub that's ever eaten  
 Is juicy homemade luscious punkin pie.

There's no lines that's e'er been written,  
 Er kind words that seem quite fittin'  
 To pay the tribute due, so I won't try—  
 But I want to state it clearly  
 That I love it—love it dearly—  
 That spicy, toothsome, coxin' punkin pie.

There's a gal on our concession,  
 Has a very rich possession,  
 Its knowledge and fine art you couldn't buy;  
 Never heard o' Mona Lisa  
 Or Leaning Tower o' Pisa,  
 But she skilfully composes punkin pie.

There's the lad who weds fer riches,  
 Or fer looks in wedlock bitches  
 At the lure of a laughin' pair o' eyes;  
 But yer Uncle Dudley's waitin'  
 Fer a chance to go a-matin',  
 With the gal that heads the class fer  
 punkin pies.

## Get Government Feed

Re-cleaned Elevator Screenings, Corn and Linsseed Oil Cake Meal Can Be Had.  
 Government feed at reasonable prices may be secured by farmers and live stock men through the Feed Division of the Live Stock Branch of the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, which has established reserves at different distributing centres as follows:  
 Re-cleaned elevator screenings, \$36.00 per ton, bulk car load lots Fort William. There is an export embargo on this class of feed.  
 Feed corn \$1.40 per bushel F. O. B. Tiffin, Ont.  
 Linsseed oil cake meal \$64.00 per ton, Toronto, and \$66.00 per ton F. O. B. Montreal in car load lots, packed in 200 pound sacks.  
 It would be well for farmers to get together and order car load lots of above feeds before winter conditions affect transportation. Address orders for corn, screenings and oil cake meal to the Feed Division, Live Stock Branch, Ottawa.

## BRAN AND SHORTS

Bran and shorts upon which there is an absolute export embargo, are sold through the regular trade at fixed prices of \$31.00 per ton for bran and \$36.00 per ton for shorts, Fort William, plus freight and \$42.00 per ton net cash Montreal, including sacks in each case. Freight will be deducted or added to this price according to distance east or west of Montreal respectively.

## DRIED BEET PULP

There is also a supply of dried beet pulp or sugar beet meal accumulated at the sugar refineries in Western Ontario, selling at \$35.00 per ton F. O. B. Chatham, Wallaceburg and Kitchener, plus a charge of \$5.00 per ton for bags, which amount is refunded on return of bags. Farmers within a reasonable radius of these points should look into the advantages of this feed, as it is desirable to use it up in Canada.

## Japan and Cherry Blossoms.

"No flower has entered Japanese history, literature, arts and religious thoughts longer or more richly than our sakura or Japanese cherry," says the Tokio Herald of Asia. "It was only natural, therefore, that foreign visitors to this country began to call it the land of cherry blossoms and that we have chosen sakura as our national flower by common consent. Our army has adopted the blossom as its insignia as an expression of the national ideal of always being ready to die for a cause, after the manner of sakura which falls in the height of natural glory and human admiration without the slightest desire to linger in the sordid world."

## Another "Scrap of Paper."

Twenty-seven years ago settlers at Olympia, Wash., made a treaty with the Indians allowing them to fish anywhere and at any time, says Commerce and Finance. Now the state game laws prohibit them from the sport during the closed season.

Saluskin, big chief of the Yakimas, with a number of other Indians, after protesting in vain to the local game wardens, went to the city to protest against the violation of their rights.

Imagine a chieftain, 90 years old, straight as an arrow, yet half blind and enfeebled, entering a court room in a modern city. This man had seen the victory of civilization in its struggle against the wilderness. He had seen his race pass control of the land to the white race. Still believing in the honor of the white man, he came to protest against the infringement of a treaty made a quarter of a century before.

Saluskin was informed by an interpreter that the district attorney could not change the state game laws. "Hoh!" was his only comment.

## Can't Even Have "Near-Beer."

Germany's brewers hoped this year to produce a beer substitute that should really resemble beer, but the Prussian minister of finance has issued a decree that puts an end to the dream of the foaming stein.

A new process has been patented by which near-beer was to be made from beetroot, hops, yeast and water. Many breweries had already installed machinery required under the patent.

The minister of finance has decided that the sugar of the beetroot, upon which the substitute depends for alcohol, cannot be spared for beer. Beets, he says, are badly needed for manufacture of sugar, dilution of jam and making of coffee substitutes.

## Woman Frozen to Ground.

During a cold snap last winter Mrs. John Baker of Downsville took a bucket of hot water and went into the yard to clean the concrete pavement. She splashed the water around and used the broom vigorously, when suddenly she realized she could not move. She made determined efforts to move her feet, and experienced a fearful cold chill as thoughts of paralysis flashed into her mind. She screamed loudly for help, and her husband, who came running, found her shoes were frozen to the pavement.

With a vigorous jerk he yanked her loose, almost pulling her out of her shoes. It was a thankful wife he led into the house to warm her feet.

## CONSTANT PAIN AFTER EATING

### The Tortures of Dyspepsia Corrected by "Fruit-a-tives"

ST. MARTIN'S, N.B.

"For two years, I suffered tortures from Severe Dyspepsia. I had constant pains after eating; pains down the sides and back; and horrible bitter stuff often came up in my mouth.

I tried doctors, but they did not help me. But as soon as I started taking 'Fruit-a-tives', I began to improve and this medicine, made of fruit juices, relieved me when everything else failed."

MRS. HUDSON MARSHBANK.  
 50c. a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size 25c.  
 At all dealers or sent postpaid by Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa.

## Care of House Plants.

In caring for house plants it should be borne in mind that they are of two classes and that such plants as ferns, palms and the rubber plant will do better in those parts of the room where the light is limited, while flowering plants, such as geraniums, tulips, narcissi and cyclamen, must have as much light as possible. Plants are more like human beings than like bric-a-brac and if grown to brighten the home during dull winter months they must not be left to take care of themselves or they will soon fail to fulfil the purpose of their presence.

There are not a large number of successful house plants and those which experience has shown are best suited for the purpose demand certain definite conditions. The fundamental condition relates to the atmosphere of the room. If this is suitable even the soil is of secondary importance. The atmosphere must be kept at a suitable temperature and also, for success, must contain plenty of moisture. A dry atmosphere, even when plants are well watered, is fatal to good growth. Regular watering is another important factor to good growth. Regular watering is another important factor for success.

Plants will grow better in houses heated with hot water than they will in those heated by hot air or steam. The latter systems absorb the moisture from the atmosphere with the result that the plant either loses some of its leaves by withering or fails to make healthy growth. Pans of water stood on the radiators to give off moisture always improve the conditions for plants. The blooms will last longer when the atmosphere is kept somewhat cool and moist. The ideal temperature ranges from about 50 degrees to 70. Higher temperatures necessitate more frequent waterings. Some plants need to be watered daily, others not more than two or three times a week. A pot which rings hollow when tapped with the knuckle needs water. Over watering is bad for plants and only one or two varieties, like the spirea, will succeed if the pots are allowed to stand in water. All pots should be supplied with good drainage in the form of broken crocks filled in at the bottom of the pot when the plants are potted.

Fresh air is always beneficial, but not in the form of direct draughts. A temperature of 40 degrees or lower will often seriously affect the tender house plants. Palms and ferns are the better for sponging once or twice a month. Never water a sickly plant too freely; it more often requires to be repotted. Most plants will be benefited by a yearly repotting. Healthy plants and plants in flower require much more water than those which are sickly. Soil should not be watered so often that it becomes soggy and always cold. A plant with cold feet and a hot head soon dies.

## TIME TABLE

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 Chicago Express, 13 ..... 1 16 p.m.  
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GOING EAST  
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**Europe Asks For Meat**

"I see a real danger," said B. M. Heide, Secretary of the International Live Stock Show, Chicago. "Farmers throughout the country have been working to raise grains. They have neglected their cattle. Now they pay the penalty."

"Europe is asking for meat, and will continue to do so for some time. South American cattle raisers have lost stock through foot and mouth diseases and drought. A big demand for beef products is approaching—how will it be satisfied?"

"The only remedy is for farmers at once to turn their energies to raising more cattle. There is ample grain to feed them, and transportation facilities will probably be adequate for all immediate needs."

**CHOP STUFF**

Glencoe hockey club has organized for the winter. J. C. Elliott, M.P.P. is honorary president and J. A. Jones secretary-treasurer.

Middlesex Orangemen have decided to hold a big demonstration in Strathroy on July 12th next.

At Brussels extra hours are being put in at the schools to make up for time lost by them being closed by the board of health.

The members of the Forest Ministerial Association and their wives were banqueted at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Murray.

**BORN**

In Warwick, on Friday, Dec. 6th, to Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Fleming, a daughter.

**MARRIED**

At the Brooke Parsonage, Watford, on Wednesday, Dec. 4th, 1918, by the Rev. S. J. T. Fortner, Miss Gertrude Sisson of Brooke to Mr. Gordon F. Cameron, of Saskatoon, Sask.

At the Brooke Parsonage, Watford, on Wednesday, Dec. 4th, 1918, by the Rev. S. J. T. Fortner, Miss Althea Irene Everitt to Mr. Wm. Reginald Robinson, both of Thamesville.

In Detroit, on Saturday, Nov. 29th, 1918, by the Rev. W. H. Jamieson, D.D., pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, Miss Edna W. MacIvor to Mr. Walter M. Patterson, all of Detroit.

At the manse, Watford, on Thursday, Dec. 5th, 1918, by the Rev. J. C. Foster, Franklin E. Auld to Leila V. Thompson, both of Warwick.

**DIED**

In the House of Providence, London, on Saturday, December 7th, 1918, William Karr, aged 78 years.

In Winnipeg, on Thursday, Nov. 21st, 1918, George T. Grant, formerly of Brooke, aged 37 years.

In Toronto, on Friday, December 6th, 1918, Matilda, relict of the late Wm. Hume, of Brooke, aged 71 years.

In Forest on Friday, Nov. 29th, Thomas Brush, in his 98th year.

In Bosanquet, on Monday, December 2, James H. Brand, aged 31 years.

In Detroit, on Tuesday, December 3rd, Bridget, relict of the late Michael Hallisey, of Forest, in her 85th year.

In Warwick, on Thursday, Nov. 28th, 1918, Olive May Langstroth, beloved wife of Arthur G. Goldsmith, aged 28 years.

On Nov. 4th, of pneumonia, at Chelsea Military Hospital, Eng., Lieut. R. Stewart White, of R.M.C., Kingston, Ont., elder son of Bishop and Mrs W. C. White of Honan, China, in his 20th year.

In Provost, Alta., Dec. 3rd, Florence Mae, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Harper, age 1 year, 9 months and 22 days.

**T. B. TAYLOR & SON**

Have had a very busy and strenuous time this fall handing out and compounding drugs and medicines—largely due to the Influenza epidemic which is now fast abating—and we will now, we are pleased to say, have more time to look after our

**Christmas and Holiday Goods**

Despite the scarcity of many of the old familiar lines you will find our stock wonderfully complete and at prices very reasonable.

In Drugs and Medicines you will find our stock fresh and reliable. Throat and Lung Balm, Stomach and Liver Cure, Cream of Roses, and English Rheumatic Cure are our specials and are guaranteed.

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**Sock Song**

Dear boy of mine, far off in France, I'm sending you to-day  
Four pairs of socks just finished, and this little note to say  
I've knitted into every row some happy thought to you,  
And all the funny little things you used to say and do.  
I've knitted in some laughter at your halting schoolboy French  
(Also a mental picture of you shaving in a trench!)  
I've knitted in your childish face all berry stained and brown,  
Your little ankles scratched with thorns, one trouser leg 'way down—  
I've tucked away down by the toe a mother's sinist' prayer—  
Please, God, protect my boy to-night and guard him Over There!

**From Old Subscribers**

Daniel Rundle, Invermay, Sask.:—Find enclosed \$1.50 for the ever looked-for which comes once a week as regular as the clock goes round if you do not forget to wind it. We have had a fine fall here. Had our first snow on Dec. 2nd. Wishing the Guide and all its readers a Merry Christmas.

Mrs. W. A. House, Pt. Dalhousie, Ont.:—Do so enjoy reading the paper. It is just like a letter from the old home town.

C. P. Vanauken, Hackensack, N. J.:—Please find check enclosed for my subscription to the Guide. Keep it coming. It is a real welcome letter each week.

**School Reports**

Report of S. S. No. 11, Brooke, for the month of November.

Class IV—(pass)—\*Leta Temple, Dorothy Clothier, Cecil Duffy.

Class III—Sr.—pass—Beatrice Clothier, Jean Duffy, \*Bert McGregor.

Class III—Jr.—pass—Marguerite Fisher, \*Ethel Temple.

Class II—honors—Mac Fisher, George Fisher; pass—Olive McGregor.

Class I—Cameron Clothier, Primer—Melville Clothier.

Those marked with an asterisk missed the examinations.

F. M. Hick, Teacher.

Henry Crocker, a former Sarnia boy, now of Washington, has gone with President Wilson to the Peace Conference.

Miss Verona Munro, of Parkhill, who has been doing her bit driving a car for the C.A.P. for some time, has returned home.

The Daily Herald of Montreal, which was founded 108 years ago, has gone into the hands of the receiver.

The town of Bothwell subscribed \$50,200 to the Victory Loan and the township of Zone \$12,000.

**Toronto Markets**

Baby Beeves are selling at from \$16 to \$20 per cwt. in strong demand. All choice cattle can be depended upon to bring big returns during the next ten days or two weeks.

All grades advanced on Monday. Few canners are selling below \$5.50 per cwt.

Higher prices are now in effect than have been paid during the past four months.

The offerings are heavy but not too heavy so long as the percentage of choice stuff keeps high.

Hog prices are unsettled. The abattoirs are trying to bring about a decline.

Few milkers are selling at present. Stockers and feeders are not selling quite as fast as last week.

The Calf trade is strong, especially for the best veals.

Lambs are uncertain, and the offerings are very heavy.

**WANT COLUMN.**

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred African Geese and Ganders.—Apply to THOMAS WILLIAMS, R. R. No. 2, Watford. 2t

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Smart Christmas Overcoats for Young Men. Trench and Belted styles.

The New Wool Sets for Young Ladies and Girls. Smart unusual styles. Buy now and we will hold till Christmas.

Dents' Gloves in Kid, Cape, Duplex, Mocha, Pinella Kid, Lisle and Silk. Buy Dent's Gloves for Christmas.

Linens Direct from Ireland. All that is wanted. Shipment left on November 15th for Christmas in Watford.

Housecoats and Bathrobes for the Men. Nothing nicer and more comfortable.

Men's Neckwear the newest on the market. Good Silks; smart patterns for Christmas.

Ladies' Fancy Lined Coats For Christmas—and at a big saving in price.

Big Money Saving in Ladies' Coats. Come quick and get a Xmas coat.

Chic Neckwear from Paris. A bevy of charming new Collars, Jabots and Vests, showing much that is new and smart.

Our Showing of Furs are very nice. All the new styles in Muffs and Scarfs \$10.00 to \$75.00 per set.

New Collars for Men. Ask to see the new soft collars for Xmas. The New Shirts are here now.

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Christmas Umbrellas. Best of handles and good frames. Splendid gifts for Xmas.

For the Wee Baby. We have a big showing. Ask to see it.

New Novelties for Christmas. Our Xmas Store will please you. Drop in early and often.

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New model in and rubber heel... Women's Felt Ladies' and Boys' Christmas Slippers

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Annual Meeting of Kerch U... The annual meeting of K Branch 95, United Farmers was held on Tuesday, Dec. when officers for the coming elected. The officers for 1919 are: Mr. Robt. Hart, Vice-pres., Gains; Sec.-Treas., Archie V. directors, E. B. Donnelly, Iamson and Robert Smith. The secretary-treasurer's re... ed the Club is in good standi... to membership and finance... Hodgens was appointed dele... annual meeting of the U.F.O... in Toronto between dates c... 20th December of this year.



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**Why give Him or Her a Trinket ?**

Give Something Sensible. A nice pair of Shoes would be more appreciated. If you don't know the size worn guess at it and we can change the shoes afterwards. We will enclose a note to that effect with the gift.

- New model in Ladies'—Tony Red with Neolin sole and rubber heel.....\$6.50
- Women's Felt Shoes from.....\$2.50 to \$3.40
- Ladies' and Boys' Hockey Boots.....\$3.25 to \$3.75
- Christmas Slippers for all the family.....35c to \$2.00

**P. Dodds & Son**  
"The Christmas Store."

**ARKONA**

Ready for the Xmas trade, fresh raisins, currants, peels, dates, figs and nuts.—Brown Bros.

Mrs. H. Rook, left on Saturday to spend a few weeks with her daughter Mrs. C. Porter, Toronto.

Miss Edith Waterman, spent last week with her sister Mrs. I. J. Lucas, Alvinston.

Mrs. F. C. Eastman, spent last week in Sarnia.

Toy town in display this week—bring the kiddies.—Brown Bros.

Miss Adele Mellor spent a few days last week with her sister Mrs. Doan, Belmont.

Mr. Lloyd Jackson of Toronto spent the week end at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Dotzert of Forest spent Sunday with relatives in town.

Mr. Henry Rivers of Strathroy was an Arkona visitor on Sunday.

Mrs. Alex Thoman is spending a few days with her daughter Mrs. Blackburn, Sarnia.

Rev. C. W. King of Arkona will take part in the program of the quarterly conference of the Baptist ministers of Middlesex and Lambton, which meets in the Egerton street Baptist church, London, Tuesday and Wednesday. Rev. Patrick Dennison is the Tuesday evening preacher.

Orville Stoner is in Parkhill with his brother, Cecil, where he will remain for the Christmas season.

Miss Orelle Fitzsimons of the Strathroy High School has returned to the parental home, owing to the closing of the school under the ban.

An interesting trophy in the shape of a Prussian spiked helmet decorates the window of Fuller Bros.

J. F. Dickson was in Toronto last week attending the manufacturers' convention.

Billy Sunday's new Canadian edition of "Awakening Songs," used by Crossley and Leonard in their meetings, is much appreciated by song lovers.

Evangelist Crossley addresses a meeting of young folks Saturday afternoon in the Methodist church under the auspices of the Mission Band to which all boys and girls are invited. See the bulletins.

Miss Tully of the Continuation Classes has resigned, accepted a school near her own home in January.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Clifford Holmes took place Sunday afternoon with an open air service at the cemetery, conducted by Rev. C. W. King. Mrs. Holmes resided in Sarnia with her husband and three little children, all of whom with her had the Spanish influenza.

The series of union services for the deepening of spiritual life are showing gratifying results. A goodly number have openly confessed their saving faith in the Redeemer, while others, not a few, have indicated in various ways their consecration to the Divine Master's service. Every night of last week witnessed such decisions. "Seven Royal Proclamations" was Evangelist Crossley's theme for last Sunday evening, and it was a masterly and convincing address. The Methodist Church where the service was held was well filled with eager listeners and the song service under the direction of J. H. Leonard and his union choir was most hearty and inspiring. The closing meetings will be held in the Baptist church Thursday at 7.45 p.m., the last song sermon entitled "A Wonderful Assurance"; Friday's theme, "Great Big Blunders." Sunday morning in the Methodist Church at 10.30 on "Practical Suggestions", evening in the Baptist church, the parting message, "Man's Highest Title." In all probability this will be Arkona's last opportunity of hearing this great evangelist. A cordial invitation to all.

A beautiful life ends not in death. This was never more true than in the case of Miss Annie Shrier, who peacefully passed away to her eternal rest on Sunday morning, Dec. 1, at the home of her brother, George Shrier, Strathroy. Miss Shrier was born in Adelaide township on the farm now owned by her brother, Simon Shrier, and spent most of her life there.

After the death of her parents, the late Jacob and Mary Shrier, she lived in Arkona for a few years but since then lived in Strathroy. Although a severe sufferer for a number of years, the bright light of her Christian life never grew dim. In her early years she joined the West Adelaide Presbyterian Church and continued a member until her death. Of a large family of brothers and sisters, only five remain, viz: Mrs. George Palmer, of Brown City, Mich.; Henry, of Brown City; Gilbert and Simon of Adelaide, and George, of Strathroy. The funeral services were conducted on Tuesday afternoon by Rev. J. D. McLachlan, of Strathroy, and interment was made in Arkona Cemetery. The following acted as pallbearers: S. Waite, A. Davis, T. Wilson, J. Shields, Miles Currie and C. Baker. Among those from a distance who attended the funeral were Mrs. Henry Humphries of Watford; Henry Shrier and daughter, Mrs. Robt. Scott of Brown City, City, Mich., and Sergt. Emerson Shrier, of London.

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**Clearing Sale**

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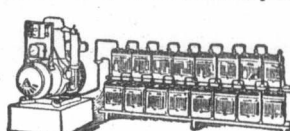
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Alvinston R. R. No. 7,  
Lot 8, con. 10, Brooke. d13-4f

Pte. W. Penfound, Oil Springs, is reported gassed in Monday's casualty list.

Mr. John Gibbon of Sarnia is being urged to become a candidate for mayor of that city for 1919. He has considerable municipal experience and would fill the position with credit.

**Annual Meeting of Kertch U.F.O. Club**

The annual meeting of Kertch Club, branch 85, United Farmers of Ontario, was held on Tuesday, December 3rd, when officers for the coming year were elected.

The officers for 1919 are:—President, Mr. Robt. Hart; Vice-pres., Calvin Hodgins; Sec.-Treas., Archie Williamson; directors, E. B. Donnelly, Albert Williamson and Robert Smith.

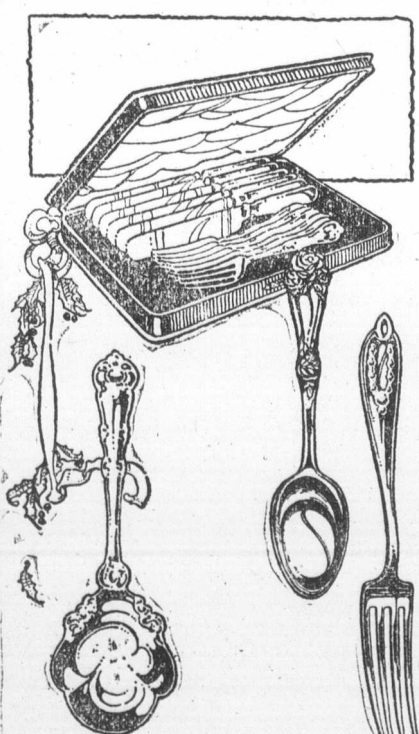
The secretary-treasurer's report showed the Club is in good standing, both as to membership and finances. Mr. C. Hodgins was appointed delegate to the annual meeting of the U.F.O. to be held in Toronto between dates of 17th and 20th December of this year.

**THE "FLU"**

The Spanish influenza is still with us and many homes in this district are affected.

**A PRAYER**

O Almighty God who in olden time didst send a plague upon thine own people in the wilderness have pity on us miserable sinners, who are now visited with great sickness and mortality; that like as Thou didst then accept an atonement, and didst command the destroying angel to cease from punishing, so it may now please Thee to withdraw from us this plague and grievous sickness through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



Silverware is Always Welcome

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**Gift Suggestions**

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Let us show you our Silverware, our flat ware, our cutlery, the various electric appliances and the household helps which save time and labor for the housewife. Let us suggest a gift for the man of the house or substantial fun-giving things for the kiddies.

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### PATRIOTISM.

"Breathes there a man with soul so dead Who never to himself hath said, 'This is my own, my native land.'"

Thousands upon thousands of men have met untimely deaths during the past four years; never has the love of home and country called for such a sacrifice. Patriotism does not begin nor end with war. We cannot all serve on the battlefield—but we can be as truly patriotic in looking after the welfare of our countrymen here at home.

There is an enemy in our midst—consumption. Lurking in unsuspected places, it seeks but a foothold to drag its victims down to death. Surely it is a true test of love of country to devote our energies and our means towards exterminating such a foe.

We have just learned of a family, once quite comfortable, now in the grip of poverty and misery. The father developed consumption; after a lingering illness that exhausted their savings, he died, leaving the mother and four little ones penniless—worse still, all the children have contracted the same disease. This case is not exceptional, family after family is suffering a similar fate.

The Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives—the pioneer in the war against the Great White Plague—needs your active help to carry on its work. Consumption can be cured if taken in time. Must the fight be lost for lack of funds?

Gifts may be sent to Sir William J. Gage, 84 Spadina Avenue, Toronto, or to George A. Reid, Secretary-Treasurer, Gage Institute, 223 College Street, Toronto.

## FREE IN CRITICISM

Marginal Notes Upon Books Are Sometimes Severe.

Readers' Estimates of the Works in a Circulating Library Apt to Be Irritating to Author, if He Saw Them.

Not only is the battered condition of certain works of fiction in circulating libraries a sure proof of their popularity, but one may even gather details from the marginal notes made by feminine readers. It is not sufficient for the commentative pencil to underscore admired passages, observes a writer in the New Orleans Times-Picayune; adjectives of praise also are freely if not always discriminatingly bestowed.

On the closing page of some favorite novel may often be read: "Fine!" "Splendid!" "Lovely!" or—highest commendation of all—"Grand!" One notemaker undertook the large order, "I would read every single word she writes," and another avowed, with more justice than she knew, "You don't often find a book like this."

On the other hand, these unprofessional critics can be terribly severe. A novel which takes them out of their depth is denounced as "A great big bore," or, with rude terseness, "Rot!" or even, in one case of evident exasperation, "You think you know it all." A vigorous commentator on one of Mary Cholmondeley's novels did not wait for the last, but on the first page warned away possible readers with the word, "Punk," and three exclamatory points. The sprawling, unformed hand pursued the author with inveterate scorn throughout the book, manifesting that strange sense of superiority which frequently characterizes ignorance.

A verse of French poetry evoked the impatient query, "Why not write Greek?" while above another was scribbled, "Aw, piffle! We are not all French, you know." Observe that no intellectual curiosity was kindled in that thick brain to know what the French words meant, nor any realization awakened that we enrich ourselves by knowledge of another language.

The author's humorous touches were clearly taken as serious by this outraged reader who, after one passage, wrote mockingly, "My hero!" When a masculine character says something "hoarsely" it is asked with biting sarcasm, "Did he have a cold?" The hero conducts the heroine through a dark room, "knocking her carefully against pieces of furniture," as usually happens when one person tries to pilot another through obscurity, but this merciless critic demands, "Wasn't he chivalrous?"

Of a tastelessly arranged room the author said, "The furniture was not of the kind that expresses only one idea, and that a bad one," which calls forth the comment, "Like this book." The sun is not permitted to shine "bravely" without the jeer, "The sun ought to have a medal."

Finally the cup of the author's iniquities, so far as the captious reader is concerned, quite overflows, and on the last page we find the verdict, "This book is the biggest ever."

### Gunner's Mats Wins Praise.

Frederick Peterson Yost, chief gunner's mate, United States navy, has received a letter commending him for the excellent work of the armed guard of which he was in charge on a cargo ship attacked by a submarine. The promptness with which the submarine was picked up and fired upon and the accuracy of aim proved the efficiency of the gun crew. Yost enlisted in the navy at Philadelphia, Pa., October 3, 1907, and gave as his next of kin his father, Albert John Yost, Centerville, R. I. Here is a characteristic report from this gunner: "Night and fog when a sub was sighted, port bow. Ship started to swing when enemy crossed port bow, giving the appearance of craft from 200 to 300 feet. Showed one gun astern. We fired three shots, one striking conning tower and exploding, while the third shot, fired as the sub got broad off the ship's beam, hit abaft conning tower. Crew of sub taken by surprise, as there were no return shots. We fired still another shot while sub was going under, striking near conning tower. Firing was heard following this attack from a distance, it being learned later that another ship had been attacked and sunk."

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## DOING GOOD WORK IN WAR

English Church Army Has Accomplished Much for the Men in the Field, Says Message.

"The English church army is doing a noble work in the war," was the message received in this country by the Episcopal church from the Church of England. "Fully equipped recreation huts, open to men of all creeds, have been established in all training camps in England and Wales. On the French front huts, tents and temporary churches are provided. In all more than 800 of these huts and tents are in use; some in remote places in the north for the men of the navy; others in Malta, Egypt, Palestine, Macedonia, Mesopotamia, East Africa and even in India. Frequently 'last letters' have been written from these huts, bearing the heading, 'Church Army Hut'—letters now treasured by those at home. The bill for writing paper alone is over \$60,000 a year.

"Close to the front line trenches the church army keeps several 'kitchen cars' to supply the men with hot coffee. In England hotels having all the advantages of a club are being maintained, where men are cared for during their furloughs. Prisoners in the hands of the Germans are also cared for by the church army." Recently General Pershing addressed an appreciative letter to Probenary Carille, head of the church army, thanking him for the help the army had been to American soldiers passing through England. It is proposed to maintain a hut to be known as the "General Pershing Hut." The cost of one of these huts equipped, is \$2,500.

## ENDS ONE NOISE OF CITIES

Invention of Philadelphia Man Does Away With Racket When Cars Cross Intersection.

The problem of suppressing the noise and shock of the street car in passing over an intersection has been attacked in a novel manner by a Philadelphia inventor, Samuel B. Meeker, who accomplishes the object without the use of any of the moving and interlocking parts which characterize most of the inventions for this purpose, and without making any great changes in the design of the crossing itself. The latter is constructed in one piece or unit, and at a point slightly in advance of the intersection of the rail sections.

Each rail section is formed with the face of the rail cut away in an incline which allows the weight of the vehicle to pass from the base of the wheel to the flange on which it continues for a few feet, until the wheels have passed entirely over the intersection, when the weight of the car again passes to the base of the wheel. This change is so gradually accomplished that it is not noticeable to the passengers and the car passes over the crossing without jolt or noise. The latter is a matter of great importance to persons living in the vicinity of such intersections, for the pounding of the cars over them at night comprises a serious annoyance.

### America's First Steel Rails.

In 1865, as an experiment, the North Chicago Rolling Mill company manufactured six Bessemer steel rails from steel produced at Wyandotte, Mich. They were the first made in America, the modest beginning of a great industry. A New York mill, using material turned out at Troy, made further experiments, and in 1867 the Cambria company began to roll Bessemer steel rails as a regular business, says an exchange. The first rails of this type were made and used in England. They were introduced into America by the Pennsylvania railroad, which, in 1855, imported and put into service 100 tons of steel rails. The price paid was \$150 gold per ton, equivalent in Civil War times to \$200 in American currency. These rails were made of crucible steel and contained a high percentage of carbon, rendering them brittle. For this reason many broke during the next winter, but despite this fact the railway company placed orders for large quantities in Great Britain, paying from \$135 to \$162.50 gold per ton.

### Conserve Surplus Food.

Increased planting of vegetables this year almost certainly will mean an unprecedented yield of all kinds of fresh vegetables.

This will mean plentiful supplies for summer tables and a large surplus.

This surplus, to be useful to America, must be conserved.

It must be canned, dried, brined or stored in the homes of America.

Home-conserved food means that the home will be more nearly self-sustaining and that the burden on transportation will be lightened.

Women who have never canned should now learn how; women who know how should prepare to do more.

—United States Department of Agriculture.

### Rather Risky Proceeding.

The government's efforts to cure the mule of the braying habit reminds the Liberty Tribune that the same problem was up during the Civil war. "Lien, says the Tribune, a Colonel Garland of the Confederate army, afterward attorney general of the United States, asserted that the mule could be made brayless by tying a brick to its tail, as it was impossible for a mule to bray unless it raised its tail and released the clutch on its vocal cord. But wouldn't it be far less dangerous to operate on a mule than so to attach a brick?—Kansas City Times.

### Spinach Puff.

With all the other things which the reserve man power of the nation has to worry about at this very peak and crisis, why should the household editor devise an alleged comestible known as spinach puff and spread the plans and specifications just where the noble womankind of the nation will be sure to see them and pounce eagerly upon them?—Ohio State Journal.

### Winnipeg Statue Has Close Call.

The fine bronze statue of a winged Mercury carrying a sheaf of grain, which is to be the crowning jewel surmounting Manitoba's new Parliament building, narrowly escaped destruction by a German shell in Paris last month. The building in which it had just been cast was partially destroyed.

### Elephant Eats Too Much.

The Food Control Board in Winnipeg has been advised by a Saskatchewan clergyman that a baby elephant visiting his town with a travelling menagerie should be sacrificed as it consumes 250 pounds of wheat, milk and eggs per week. Ottawa will be asked to pronounce judgment.

### Newfoundland's Contribution.

The ancient colony of Newfoundland raised \$2,000,000 toward the Victory Loan in three short weeks.

The Terror of Asthma comes like a thief in the night with its dreadful throbbing, robbing its victim of breath. It seems beyond the power of human aid to relieve until one trial is made of that remarkable preparation, Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma remedy. Then relief comes with a rush. Life becomes worth living, and, if the remedy be used persistently, the disease is put permanently to rout. Take no substitute.

### Wrist Watches Afloat.

Wrist watches at sea, with their luminous dials, are at once a convenience, a safeguard and a pearl. You can tell the time without tearing your clothes to pieces or going to a light. When you walk along the deck at night you can hold your forearm so that the dial glows in the sight of all who are passing along the deck and thus prevent collisions. If you don't play up your wrist watch, you are supposed to whistle "sweet and low" in the dark as you pass along. But if you are not passing along the deck, only lingering along the deck rail, and are fortunate in having one of the few women who are crossing as your companion in that lingering, your luminous dial at rest on the deck rail is apt to wreck the wonderful sense of seduction that darkened decks give these war times. One heartless patrol a trip or two ago stepped to the rail and asked a dismayed subaltern not to have his wrist watch "quite so far around," whatever that meant, because it might be detected by a submarine.—Nelson Collins in the Century Magazine.

### "The Fool Hath Said."

This is a message from one who knows—Coningsby Dawson—to those who do not realize. It is a message direct from the trenches in France by a soldier and writer to us behind the lines. He says:

"Life has swung back to a primitive decision since the war commenced. The decision is the same for both men and nations. They can choose the world or achieve their own souls. They can cast mercenary lots for the raiment of a crucified righteousness or take up their martyrdom as disciples. Those men and nations who have been disciples together can scarcely fail to remain friends when the tragedy is ended. What the fool says in his heart at this present moment is not of any lasting importance."—Red Cross Magazine.

### Italy's Greatest Harvest.

Italy's soil, which has been cultivated continuously for thousands of years, promises this year to produce the greatest harvest of wheat ever reaped in that country. An Italian professor, a member of a university delegation which visited London recently as guests of the ministry of information, announced that owing to the abundant harvest expected in 1918, he had reason to believe that Italy would be for the first time self-supporting in the matter of grain.

Recognized as the leading specific for the destruction of worms, Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator has proved a boon to suffering children everywhere. It seldom fails.

## HOW TO FIGHT SPANISH INFLUENZA

BY DR. L. W. BOWERS.

Avoid crowds, coughs and crows, but fear neither germs nor Germans! Keep the system in good order, take plenty of exercise in the fresh air and practice cleanliness. Remember a clean mouth, a clean skin, and clean bowels are a protecting armour against disease. To keep the liver and bowels regular and to carry away the poisons within, it is best to take a vegetable pill every other day, made up of May-apple, aloes, jalap, and sugar-coated, to be had at most drug stores, known as Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets. If there is a sudden onset of what appears like a hard cold, one should go to bed, wrap warm, take a hot mustard foot-bath and drink copiously of hot lemonade. If pain develops in head or back, ask the druggist for Anuric (anti-uric) tablets. These will flush the bladder and kidneys and carry off poisonous germs. To control the pains and aches take one Anuric tablet every two hours, with frequent drinks of lemonade. The pneumonia appears in a most treacherous way, when the influenza victim is apparently recovering and anxious to leave his bed. In recovering from a bad attack of influenza or pneumonia the system should be built up with a good herbal tonic, such as Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, made without alcohol from the roots and barks of American forest trees, or his Ironie (iron tonic) tablets, which can be obtained at most drug stores, or send 10c. to Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., for trial package.

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## The Hospital for Sick

TORONTO War Laid Heavy Hand on Charity.

Dear Mr. Editor:—The annual report of the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto new record, despite the handicap the war placed upon the youngsters of this year.

The task of ministering to the youngsters of this year is a light one in view of the splendid response to the 25 doctors and 43 nurse forces have seen service.

Yet the number of patients is 5,048, or 1,398 more than these in-patients, 759 266 places outside of Toronto.

The tireless efforts of the staff made possible also a reduction in the average length of stay in the little patients from 1914 to 14 this year.

These results show that the hospital has again paid for its rich dividends of health and vested kindness of its staff. There has been careful of the funds entrusted to it. There has been savings—albeit—in every direction it would prevent the hospital from suffering or the sickness of one child. The operation was held at point which would still children entrusted to the get the best medicine and care.

And yet so high has risen every item in the Hospital's labor, in fuel, in food, in medical supplies—the minimum expense of taking child for one day has risen back in 1914 to \$3.21% that, \$1.66%—the amount per day that the official grants do not cover—must be made up by voluntary contributions.

During the past four years were incurred to the extent of \$100,000, which the Trustees would be wiped out by the war, and the war drew to it these heavy demands. It has been made upon the of the loyal people of the time has now come necessary to make known the dire need of financial assistance.

If this 43rd Christmas to rally the friends of the hospital, it will be a mortgage its land, building. By the bounty of the late Robertson that property he cleared of debt for the first time. His ministry of the little children have hearted friend, and the noble benefactor. It is to decide whether his life be shadowed with a mort less than a year of his p

What think you? Send your answer as sible to the Secretary-Tre of Toronto. Meanwhile the "Carry on" trusting in you IRVING E. ROBE Chairman of Appeal

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**The Hospital for Sick Children**  
TORONTO

War Laid Heavy Hand on Children's Charity.

Dear Mr. Editor:—  
The annual report of the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, marks a new record, despite the heavy handicap the war placed upon its work.

The task of ministering to the suffering youngsters of this province was no light one in view of the Hospital's splendid response to the national call 25 doctors and 43 nurses from its forces have seen service overseas.

Yet the number of patients treated is 6,048, or 1,308 more than last year. Of these in-patients, 759 were from 266 places outside of Toronto.

The tireless efforts of the staff made possible also a reduction in the average length of stay necessary for the little patients from 24 days in 1914 to 14 this year.

These results show that the Hospital has again paid to the children rich dividends of health upon the invested kindness of its supporters.

There has been careful stewardship of the funds entrusted to the Hospital. There has been saving—almost scrupulous—in every direction except where it would prevent the Hospital's soothing of the suffering or shortening the sickness of one child. The daily cost of operation was held at the lowest point which would still allow the children entrusted to the Hospital to get the best medicine and the best of care.

And yet so high has risen the cost of every item in the Hospital's budget—in labor, in fuel, in food, and, above all, in medical supplies—that the minimum expense of taking care of one child for one day has risen from \$2.34 back in 1914 to \$3.21 in 1918. Of that, \$1.66%—the amount per patient per day that the official Government grants do not cover—must come from voluntary contributions.

During the past four years debts were incurred to the extent of \$100,000, which the Trustees felt assured would be wiped out by the public as soon as the war drew to its close, and these heavy demands cease which have been made upon the generosity of the loyal people of this province. The time has now come when it is necessary to make known the Hospital's dire need of financial assistance.

If this 43rd Christmas appeal fails to rally the friends of this Charity to its support, it will be necessary to mortgage its land, buildings and plant. By the bounty of the late John Ross Robertson that property has just been cleared of debt for the first time since it began its ministry of healing mercy.

Little children have lost a big-hearted friend, and the province a noble benefactor. It is for the public to decide whether his life-work shall be shadowed with a mortgage within less than a year of his passing.

What think you?  
Send your answer as soon as possible to the Secretary-Treasurer, Hospital for Sick Children, College Street, Toronto. Meanwhile the charity will "carry on" trusting in your support.

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WRITE FOR RATES

Rev. J. D. McLachlan, Baptist minister at Strathroy, has accepted a call to Watford.

Miss Annie Christina Motts, who taught school for a time near Copleston, died of influenza last week.

Only the unweakened endure the agony of corns. The knowing ones apply Holway's Corn Cure and get relief.

**MACHINES SAVE LABOR**

**Work of Efficient Gas Engine in House and Barn.**

How Early Winter Pruning May Be Done Without Injury — Winter Rhubarb Is Delicious and May Be Grown by All.

(Contributed by Ontario Department of Agriculture, Toronto.)

**S**AVING labor in stable and home, by the use of machinery, is one of the great economic problems engaging the attention of farmers to-day. Through the use of machinery they can produce even more, at less cost, than in years past, when labor was plentiful, and tolerably cheap.

Probably never before in the history of the farming world have so many farm problems been solved by a single piece of machinery as has now been accomplished by the gasoline engine. In the stable it can be employed to advantage in grinding feed for the stock. It can cut feed and ensilage. It can pump water for the house and stable whenever one pleases; a hydrant on the lawn, and in the stock yards to which a hose may be attached for washing the buggy, sprinkling the lawn, flushing pens and stable and for other purposes, is a source of much satisfaction, pleasure and comfort.

By means of a line shaft a gas engine may operate many labor-saving machines at the same time. It can run the grindstone, root pulper, fanning mill, cream separator, churn, sheep shearer, horse clippers, rotary curry-comb and the milking machine, with which it is possible to milk two cows in about six minutes, including the time required for changing and setting. Further assistance may be had by attaching the power for refrigeration and for circulating milk over a cooling surface—a practical necessity.

No longer need the preparation of whitewash and its application with a brush be consigned to warmer regions, for the engine can pump the mixture through a hose attached to a spray-out outfit. It is possible to pump it two hundred feet. When the job is done the hose should be cleaned out by having fresh water pumped through it.

The gasoline engine solves for the farmer the problems of comfort in the house, safety in the stables, and a great deal of drudgery generally.—Prof. John Evans, O. A. College, Guelph.

**Light Fall Pruning Is Safe.**

Light pruning in fall is permissible, but heavy pruning is dangerous and likely to result in serious damage from winter killing, especially if the succeeding winter is severe. The injury is caused by drying out of the cut area and may be prevented by covering all wounds of any size with a good covering of paint made from pure lead and oil. Do not use prepared paints as these contain injurious benzine or turpentine driers. To make an effective covering it will be necessary to give not less than two coats, because one coat will not prevent checking and drying of green wood. Coal tar makes an excellent winter covering and is easily applied.

This matter of covering wounds made in fall or early winter is frequently slighted by orchard men, but the writer has seen such serious damage result from neglect of this precaution that he feels justified in warning fruit growers with regard to the practice. In experimental trials in the college apple orchard, varieties so hardy as Duchess of Oldenburg, Wolf River, Snow and Scott's Winter have suffered very serious injury following November pruning with the cuts left unprotected. The wounds dry out around the edges and by spring the dead area is greatly enlarged, frequently extending down the trunk or branch for a foot or more. The dead bark comes away later, leaving a large dead area, detrimental to the parts above and certain also to decay later.—Prof. J. W. Crow, O. A. College, Guelph.

**How Winter Rhubarb Is Produced.**

The production of rhubarb in winter has become of considerable value among gardeners. It is easy to do if certain methods are followed. If one is making a permanent business of rhubarb forcing, it is necessary, each year to set out a new bed, as plants once forced are of no further value. In the spring large roots should be dug, split in one bud sections and replaced in rich moist ground. During the growing season they are kept cultivated and free from weeds. In the fall they are covered with manure. Next spring a second bed is planted as before. That fall a large part of the first bed is taken up, leaving sufficient to replant another bed the next spring. The roots are taken up the last thing in the fall before the hard freezing weather comes and are placed in piles in a shed where they can easily be got at during the winter but will remain frozen. Early in December take in a sufficient number of roots, place these beds side up on the floor of a warm cellar—about 58 degrees or 22

degrees—and cover with an iron or sand. Be sure to fill in all inter-space. Keep this sand moist. About a week later the buds will begin to swell and in from four to six weeks, depending upon the heat of the room—the cooler and slower growth starts—you should have rhubarb ready. After these roots are exhausted throw them away and put in more. If a constant supply is required make a new bed every two or three weeks during the winter. Be sure to keep all the front dimmed. Put burlaps of brown paper over the windows to give the bright pink color so much desired.—A. H. MacLennan, B.S.A., Ontario Vegetable Specialist.

**Young Poet Killed in France**

**S**ERGEANT JOYCE KILMER, of the 165th Infantry of the Rainbow Division, New York, has been killed in France. He was 31 years old.

Sergt. Kilmer was for many years a well-known American newspaper man and writer of verse, his poem on the sinking of the Lusitania, which was published immediately following the torpedoing, having been copied in all parts of the United States, Great Britain, and the British colonies. That poem, a close friend of the dead soldier said, expressed the deep-seated conviction of Sergt. Kilmer regarding the great war, a conviction on which he acted when, seventeen days after Congress declared war, he enlisted as a private in the 7th Infantry, from which in the August following he was transferred to the Headquarters Company of the 165th Infantry.

Mr. Kilmer was born in New Brunswick, N.J., where his parents still live, Dec. 6, 1886. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Barnett Kilmer, and was a graduate of Rutgers College, 1904, and of Columbia University, 1908. His wife, who, with four little children, survives him, was Miss Allie Murray, of Norfolk, Va., a stepdaughter of Henry Mills Arden, the editor of Harper's Weekly.

Sergt. Kilmer joined the staff of the Sunday Magazine of the New York Times in May, 1913. Prior to that time he had been Latin Master of the Morristown High School and a member of the editorial staff of the Standard Dictionary.

"The White Ships and the Red," the poem which Sergt. Kilmer wrote following the destruction of the Lusitania, appeared in the Times of May 16, 1915. The last three verses read:

I went not forth to battle,  
I carried friendly men,  
The children played about my decks,  
The women sang—and then—  
And then—the sun blushed scarlet,  
And heaven hid its face  
The world that God created,  
Became a shameful place.

My wrong cries out for vengeance  
The blow that sent me here  
Was aimed in Hell. My dying scream  
Has reached Jehovah's ear.  
Not all the seven oceans  
Shall wash away the stain;  
Upon a brow that wears a crown  
I am the brand of Cain.

When God's great voice assembles  
The feet on Judgment Day,  
The ghosts of ruined ships will rise  
In sea and strait and bay.  
Though they have lain for ages  
Beneath the changeless flood,  
They shall be white as silver  
But one—shall be like blood.

In his last year with the Times Sergt. Kilmer was lecturer on the technique of verse in the department of journalism at New York University. His published works included "Trees and Other Poems," "Literature in the Making," "Main Street and Other Poems," "Summer of Love," and "The Circus and Other Essays."

Sergt. Kilmer was transferred from the 107th Infantry at Camp Wadsworth, S.C., to the 165th Infantry a short time before the Rainbow Division sailed for France. He was in the thick of the Marne fighting from the day the great Allied offensive began until he was mortally wounded on August 1. In the Evening Sun of August 8 a correspondent mentioned Kilmer.

"During the fighting on the edge of Coles Wood," the story read, "someone wearing an American uniform appeared shouting 'withdraw.' A party composed of Major Donovan, Joyce Kilmer, John Kales, and the Major's 'Admirable Crichton,' and an orderly reconnoitered and found that he was a boche dressed in captured clothing."

Sergt. Kilmer was a member of the Delta Upsilon Fraternity, the Poetry Society of America, the Dickens Fellowship, the Columbia University Club, the Authors' Club, and the Vagabonds. His home when he entered the service was at Larchmont.

**Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA**

Read the Guide-Advocate "Want Column" on page 4.

**Japan and China.**

Now that the terms of the Chinese-Japanese military agreement are definitely known, Chinese confidence in the good will of Japan is largely restored throughout North China; but the Tokio Asahi reports dissatisfaction in the southern provinces, which are still in a state of revolution. The editor says the motive of opposition is the same as that which developed when China joined the Allies against the Central Powers of Europe. South China sees in the agreement a measure to increase the military strength of the north. The monopolization of China's military and foreign policy by the Peking Government, the editor thinks, is what the south objects to, and this protest is quite natural since the south does not recognize the Tuan Ministry as a lawful government. The new agreement goes into effect only when the supposed German menace results in actual military operations by the two countries.

**Nature of Fatigue.**

Fatigue is the presence in the blood of poisonous bye-products of life combustion. While we are awake the poisons accumulate faster than the system can remove them. When we are asleep, when the life combustion is slowed down, the system removes them faster than they accumulate. It is as though ashes accumulate in a stove at such a rate that the fire had to be put out every so often to allow a chance to remove them.

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**FROM PALACE OF PHARAOH**

University of Pennsylvania to Have Pillar That Once Adorned Ruler's Throneroom.

The first word in a long time from the Eckley B. Coxe expedition to Egypt has been received at the University of Pennsylvania museum from Dr. Clarence S. Fisher, its leader. Doctor Fisher reported excellent success during the winter explorations at Denderah, the ancient capital of Egypt, up the Nile.

In April he returned to Memphis and continued his work of uncovering the palace of Merenpthah, who is identified by many Biblical scholars as the Pharaoh of the Oppression, whose stubbornness brought on the plagues. If this is correct, the great hall and throneroom of the palace, which has now been completely uncovered, was the scene of the appearance of Moses and Aaron before Pharaoh, and where the signs and wonders were performed. The throne is said to be in good condition, but Egypt will not permit it to come to this country.

Fortunately, Doctor Fisher has worked over the pieces of the 12 colossal pillars which upheld the roof and has recovered enough to make one complete pillar, which will be brought to the university museum and set up. It will be the most notable specimen of Egyptian architecture in this country. The pillars were six feet in diameter, 80 feet high, covered with inscriptions and pictures inlaid with gold. Much of the paneling of the room and the lintels of the doors also were inlaid with gold, and these will be brought here.

The natives of Egypt, it is said, call the palace "The Temple of Moses," as they have an idea that is where he was reared.

**ITALY HAD FIRST PAWNSHOP**

From That Country the System Gradually Spread Over the Rest of the Civilized World.

The French call them monts-de-piété, but no satisfactory explanation for this nomenclature is forthcoming. The establishment of municipal pawnshops in France was attended with more difficulty than was the case in other countries.

It is from Italy that the idea of municipal pawnshops spread over the rest of Europe. A municipal pawnshop was set up in Madrid in the year 1705, when a priest with very little capital opened up as an "uncle." The system was tried at Avignon in 1577, but it was not until the year 1777 that Paris itself was provided with a mont-de-piété. The national assembly upset the monopoly and the business passed into private hands. The extortions of the pawnbrokers in time led, however, to a demand for the re-establishment of the governmental institutions. In 1806 Napoleon re-established the monopoly, regulating it by laws that are still in force: The interest charged amounts to about 7 per cent.

In Paris the mont-de-piété is in effect a department of the administration, but in the provinces it is a municipal monopoly.

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Habutai, Shantung, Messaline and Tartans, all shades, yard wide, at.....\$1.25 to \$2.50

### Christmas Handkerchiefs

Plain and fancy linen, lawn and silkine.....5c to 50c  
Khaki handkerchiefs at 15c, 20c, 25c

Fancy Tea Aprons.....35c, 50c, 75c  
Fancy Linens, Doilies, Centrepieces and Runners.....25c to \$4.50  
Fancy Ribbons from 3c to 75c per yd.

### What Men Would Like For Christmas

Silk Mufflers at \$1.25, \$1.50, \$2 and \$3  
Silk Socks in black, white, tan or gray at.....75c  
Kid Gloves, unlined or silk-lined, in gray or tan.....\$1.50 to \$3.00  
Kid Gloves, wool lined..\$1.50 to \$2.50  
Heather Knit Gloves at..75c to \$1.00  
Fur Driving Gauntlets, \$3.00 to \$6.00  
Sweater Coats, all wool, in plain or fancy shades.....\$5.00 to \$10.00  
Pull-over Sweaters, all wool, \$3.75 to \$5  
Fine Shirts, silks, crepes and percales.....\$1.25 to \$3.75  
Caps—Eastern brand, Kling-Klose lined.....\$1.25 to \$2.50  
Men's Ties—choice Christmas patterns.....60c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50  
King and Borsalino Hats..\$2.50 to \$6

### For Boys

Sweater Coats.....\$1.40 to \$5.00  
Pull-over Sweaters.....\$1.00 to \$2.00  
Hockey Gauntlets.....50c to \$1.75  
Knitted Toques.....50c to 75c  
Wool or Leather Mitts...25c to \$1.50

### Millinery at Half Price

A Two Weeks' Clearing Sale of Millinery. Trimmed and untrimmed hats at half price.

## A. Brown & Co.

"THE STORE THAT SATISFIES"  
PHONE 24.

**Watford Branch Bible Society**  
Following is the report of the receipts of the Society for the year 1917—  
CR.  
Collected at public meeting.....\$13 70  
Collected at Sunday night meeting, 30 85  
Watford East, collected by Mrs. S. Brown and Miss Jean Cameron... 45 00  
Watford West, collected by Mrs. J. Osborne and Miss M. Dodds... 34 38  
4th line West, collected by Miss J. McCormick and Miss S. Craig... 18 00  
4th line East, collected by Miss C. Cameron and Miss L. Morgan... 7 70  
2nd line East, collected by Miss B. Edwards and Miss M. Robinson... 9 40  
6th line West, collected by Miss F. Clark... 2 15  
6th line East, collected by Miss V. Shea and Miss P. Moffatt... 7 08  
6th line West, collected by Miss A. Cran and Miss V. Lang... 9 40  
12th line West, collected by Miss B. Holbrook... 7 00  
12th line East, collected by Miss N. Kelly... 6 10  
12th line East, collected by Mrs. R. McLean and Miss K. McLachlan 10 00  
\$200 76  
DR.  
Draft sent to Elias Rogers, treas. Upper Canada Bible Society, Toronto, Dec. 31, 1917.....\$200 76  
J. W. McLAREN  
Treasurer Watford Branch.  
The two Brantford daily newspapers have advanced their prices to \$5.00 a year.  
Miss Grace Symington, of Sarnia, was married Saturday last to Harry F. Beresford, deputy registrar M.S.A. in military district No. 1.  
A number of local men have formed a company for the promotion of a weekly picture show for Parkhill.

**Death of Mrs. A. Goldsmith**  
A very sad death occurred on Thursday Nov. 28th on the 6th line north of Watford, when Olive May Langstroth beloved wife of Arthur G. Goldsmith, passed away from pneumonia following the flu.  
She was the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. Langstroth of Forest, formerly of Seaford. She was born in Seaford 28 years ago, and lived there until 10 years ago, when the family moved to Arkona, where she was married five years ago to A. G. Goldsmith of Warwick.  
The funeral took place from her late residence on Saturday at Arkona Cemetery, where a large number of friends gathered to pay their last respects. The services were conducted by Rev. Muxworthy of Forest, and Rev. Ball of Arkona, the pallbearers being Ed. White, Clayton White, Herbert Lewitt, George Smith, Gordon Vance and Wm. Capes.  
Besides her husband and little son she is survived by her father and mother and three sisters, Mrs. J. F. Beattie of St. Catharines, Mrs. Alex. Gillatly and Mrs. Geo. Wade of Stratford and one brother Will of Forest.  
Her husband who is just recovering from the flu was unable to attend the funeral.  
**Notice to Lincoln Sheep Breeders**  
At the annual meeting recently held in Chicago a resolution was passed that "on and after January 1st, 1919, all sheep sold must be transferred or their progeny will not be accepted for registration"; also, "after November 1st, 1919, all sheep must carry the breeder's private ear label and number must be on application form." These changes were found necessary to comply with other record boards' regulations.  
ED. DE GEX,  
Chantry Farm, Kerwood.

**Death of James H. Brand**  
The sad death of James H. Brand, occurred at his late residence, lot 75, lake road, on Monday, Dec. 2nd, after a few days illness from pneumonia, brought on by the influenza. Deceased who was 31 years of age was born in this township, where he has lived all his life. In July 1915, he married Miss Julia Watson of Forest, who with three small children survive. His mother, two brothers, Capt. Will Brand of England and Frank of Swift Current, Sask., and one sister, Mrs. Arthur Catt of Warwick, also survive. The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon at Beechwood Cemetery, a short service being conducted at the house by Rev. Muxworthy. The bearers were Arthur Vance, Earl and Thomas Brand, Richard Skinner, Verne Wellington and George Buchanan.  
**Memorial For Fallen Heroes**  
The grand jury at Sarnia recommended that the city and council of the county get together and erect a fitting and lasting memorial to Lambton's fallen soldiers. The jury suggested an isolation hospital or a Y.M.C.A. as being much needed. During their inspection of the county buildings they found everything running in a proper manner and congratulated the superintendent in charge of the various buildings.  
Regarding a memorial for the soldier boys of the county who lost their lives fighting for the Empire the county council seemed divided. It was thought each municipality throughout the county should build a memorial. The city of Sarnia intends building a memorial, and it was thought the county council might co-operate and help build a large memorial that would be a credit to the county as a whole. Nothing definite was done in the matter, it being referred to the finance committee.

### BOSANQUET COUNCIL

Council met on the 2nd. All the members present. Minutes of last meeting confirmed, a by-law was passed fixing King Edward Hall, Thedford, as the place for holding the ensuing municipal elections and appointing Jas. Lean, Wm. Hawkins, R. Stephenson, Wm. Mason, R. J. Ross, Chas. Rogers and Jas. Patterson Deputy Returning officers, and Wm. Nutt, Frank Wight, Jas. Leonard, J. H. Pawcett, Robt. Lithgow, Adam Duffus and Bruce Bossenberry, poll clerks.  
The Reeve with Messrs. Thomson and McDonald were appointed a committee and act with a committee of the Thedford council to welcome the soldiers on their return.  
Mrs. Maria Gill was given permission to cut down a tree in front of her lot on Huron St., Brewster.  
The following orders were given:—C. Medcoff \$100 for work on Mud Creek drain G. Harrower \$5.00 for use of plank and use of spile driver, G. Monkhouse \$1.25 unloading tile for Hilborn drain; Damos Stebbins \$2 refund of Jas. Wilson's dog tax he being non-resident; Vernon Stephenson \$2 refund dog tax being error in assessment; R. J. Stewardson \$38.55 for gravel; W. N. Ironside \$12 Bosanquet's share of hall rent for Division

Court; G. Coultis & Son \$24 for plank; Ed. Zavitz \$5; H. Monkhouse \$5 and Lagate Bros. \$2 drawing tile for Hilborn drain; Jacob Fuller \$12.90 for gravel; John Davidson \$18; Allan McDonald \$22.40; H. B. Clark \$10.50 and John Sitter \$12.30 for gravel; R. N. Tidball \$8.50 expenses taking Harry Taylor to House of Refuge; Mrs. Oliver \$1.65 supplies for H. Taylor; John Coultis \$50. for work on drain; Frank Lamb \$23.40 for gravel; Chas. Clark \$5 fees as weed inspector; G. B. Faulds \$9.60 for gravel; B. Tidball \$9.90 A. McInnis \$9.60 fees as members of Bd. of Health; Dr. Grant \$33.00 M. H. Officer and G. Sutherland \$9.20 Sect'y of Bd of Health.  
The Municipal Ward \$15.00 for cash book and A. J. Clark \$22.50 fees as fruit pest inspector.  
Council adjourned to meet on Monday, the 16th at 9 a.m.  
Geo. Sutherland, Clerk.

Forest High School opened again Monday.  
Mrs. Dan. Murphy, who recently removed from Wyoming to Sarnia, is in a serious condition the result of having fallen down the cellar steps. When her husband returned from work he found her in a pool of blood and unconscious.

## BOOKS

Now is a good time to make your selection of Books for Christmas.

We have a great array of Toy Books for the Kiddies, Linen Picture Books, Painting Books, Nursery Rhymes, etc.

### Books for Older Boys and Girls

Including Alger, Henty, Chapman, Webster, Mead, Elsie and many others.

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ON } "The Martial Adventures of Henry and Me" by Allen White  
SALE } "Foe Farrell" by Quiller-Couch

New Books by Robert Service and Ralph Connor expected shortly.

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### LOCAL HAPPENINGS

THE GUIDE-ADVOCATE welcomes items of interest for this column. Phone 24, send by mail or by item in GUIDE-ADVOCATE Letter Box.

READ the Want Column on page Do not put off till tomorrow the pig you can do to-day.

THE Watford shop windows present very attractive appearance this week. SHIPMENT of Holeproof Hose Xmas selling.—SWIFT'S.

HAVE you renewed your subscription the Guide-Advocate?

SCHOOLS close for the Christmas days to day and will reopen Jan. 6. HOCKEY skates, Sticks, Pucks, HOWDEN'S. The old quality and TO ALL—A Merry Christmas BROWN & CO.

ANYONE desiring any of Miss N work, Mrs. Brent will be pleased to them at her residence, Main street.

IT LOOKS at present as if the municipal candidates will be smart no one can say what the 30th ins bring forth.

THERE will be a celebration of Holy Communion on Christmas m in Trinity church at 8.30, also a and celebration at 10.30 a. m.

FOR the men who smoke, there is no better place to buy them than H. LOVRI'S. Small boxes at 70c.

WASHING MACHINES, Vacuum grs, Carpet Sweepers and Q-Cedar are very acceptable gifts. Let us you.—T. DODDS & SON.

SPECIAL Christmas services will held in the Methodist church next day. The pastor, Rev. A. C. Tiffin be in charge. Every body welcome, mas music.

REGULAR meeting of Court C. O. F., on Monday evening next p.m. for the election of officers and important business. Every member can possibly attend is requested to

BLOUSES A LA MODE for Christmas georgette crepe, habutai silk and de chine, at SWIFT'S Xmas Store.

MR. P. E. FULLER received from Saskatoon on Tuesday, Dec. 10, a letter from Mrs. W. T. Fuller brother's wife, died at her home on that day from pneumonia.

CITIZENS are cautioned against drains for soapy or dirty water. Ref to council proceeding will show private drains tapping municipal must be used only for surface water

ORANGES 50c to 50c, mixed nut candy 25 to 40c, bananas, raisins, Christmas cats at HOWDEN'S.

THE retiring members of the B Education are Dr. Hicks, Dr. H. W. H. Harper, and Dr. Siddall. McKercher's term also expires this He is an appointee of the county

CHRISTMAS phone orders will most careful attention.—A. BRC Co., Phone 24.

THE new one-cent coin about coined will, it is claimed, be of convenience to the meat market other businesses where almost purchase runs into the odd cents.

BRIGHTEN up for Xmas with We have bulbs from 10 watt to 100 —T. DODDS & SON.

IT is noticed that in many of the towns of Ontario, Government advertised at from 11 to 13 cent pound. Why is Watford not in this cheap food sale?

CORP. M. T. MEAD, of Thames now in the military hospital at C His son George now has the use eye, but cannot open the other of He is still in an English hospital.

A SPECIAL hat silk blouse for girls, \$3.00. Sizes 34 to 40, —S Christmas Store.

THE Presbyteries of Chatham Stratford last week passed resolutions which practically mean that no ag any society can use the pulpits Presbytery without special permission the Presbytery.

OVERCOATS for boys and young the smart belted styles.—A. BRC Co.

Few people in this vicinity will on turkey this Christmas unless it drops. At the present price it take more than a year's interest \$100 Victory bond to buy a decent bird.

MOTHER would appreciate copper tea kettle, tea pot or coffee if you have a little more money spend an electric iron or toaster in 365 days in the year.—T. DODDS

THE enterprising advertisers of are doing a large share of the of the Guide-Advocate. Thus we they are doing it well. Their advertisements are the most important in this season and our subscribers read with pleasure and profit.

FOR the Christmas trade we have a special reduction in the prices of sets. These goods are exquisite quality and pattern, guaranteed the finest work, well burnished, an price that can never be duplicated wise shopper will buy now.—P. D. SON.