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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 them in Guide-Advocate Letter Box.

ONLY four days more to do your Christmas shopping. Get a move on. FORD size guaranteed tires at \$15.00 up. —RAY MORNINGSTAR.

E. P.—Your literary contribution received. Will be published when time permits.

MUNICIPAL candidates should make their announcements early. The early bidder gets the votes.

DECEMBER holiday shopping, municipal elections, church and school entertainments, etc. Too much crowded into one month.

RUBBERS, rubber boot, high and low overshoes, and all winter weather footwear at P. DODDS & SON.

SEVEN of Mr. Drury's cabinet were given acclamation Monday. Three more are yet to be returned, Premier Drury, W. E. Raney and Mr. Doherty.

If you have any guests for the holidays kindly send in their names for the Personal column. If you are going away for Christmas your friends would like to see the fact recorded.

A FRESH stock of Neilson's, Lowney's and Willard's Chocolates at lowest prices.—TAYLOR'S.

WE HAVE a few personal greeting cards left. These will be printed with your name and any greeting you desire in the latest style at this office, if you order at once. Call and see samples.

THE high cost of living is causing many Turks to buy more wives. Women are cheaper at fifteen cents than mules for labor purposes, says an official of the Near East Relief Organization at New York.

TO ADD to our special for Saturday (see advt) we have 2 doz. ladies white and cream silk waists, the line opened up beautifully, the price is \$4.50, all sizes.—SWIFT, SON & CO.

THE services in the Methodist church next Sunday will be in keeping with the Christmas thought and spirit. You are invited to worship there and will be heartily welcome.

EIGHT HOURS for sleep, eight hours for work, and eight hours to spend the money. The ancients divided the day into twelve hours for labor, two for prayer, two for refreshment and eight for sleep. Some difference, what!

POWERS gloves for men and women, unlined, silk or wool lined for Christmas gifts.—A. BROWN & CO.

IT is expected that there will be one or more women candidates in the field for municipal honors in Watford at the coming election. If so they will doubtless be elected. The ladies are coming to the front in many municipalities and will no doubt do good charge on School Boards or Councils.

LET us charge your storage battery this winter. We will keep it charged and filled for 50 cents per month.—RAY MORNINGSTAR.

TIME was when a woman boasted how cheap she could buy an article. Now she says nothing about her purchases unless she can stagger her neighbor by the amount she pays for them. It's grown fashionable to have expensive tastes. Makes no difference as to whether you can afford these or not.

WHEN seeking a suitable Christmas present for husband, father, mother, uncle, aunt, call and see our big assortment of slippers. Something to please all.—P. DODDS & SON.

At the O. H. A. executive meeting held at Toronto on Friday, Watford was placed in Intermediate Group No. 1 comprising London, Watford and Sarnia. The convener of the group is H. H. Ferguson of London. Strathroy has dropped out. The schedule will be found elsewhere.

REV. MR. WOODSIDE, of Brantford, is preaching every evening this week at the union services in the Armory. Song service commences at 7.45, regular service at 8 p.m. The building is brilliantly lighted, well heated and you will be very comfortable. Come and enjoy the meeting and share the inspiration.

SAFETY razors and fountain pens at TAYLOR'S in great variety.

THERE seems to be a lull in municipal politics in town. It is to be hoped that this does not presage a lack of interest in the approaching nominations. The many questions that arise during the year affecting the town's welfare and the heavy expenditure of money now made annually, should warrant a lively interest in the town's affairs by every ratepayer.

CARR'S genuine all-wool mackinaw coats for men and boys, make an ideal gift.—A. BROWN & CO., sole agents.

LAST Sunday morning Mr. J. H. Hume spoke as a minute man in the interests of the Methodist National Campaign and in the evening Mrs. Tiffin performed the same role. Each spoke but five minutes and to the satisfaction of the deeply interested congregations. In the Sunday school and bible Class this task was ably performed by Mrs. J. V. Humphries and Mrs. A. J. Hagle. This Methodist National Campaign is discovering and developing much latent talent in the laity of the church.

REMEMBER those in need at Christmas. ONLY four more days to do your Christmas shopping.

XMAS Delinators are here.—SWIFT, SON & CO.

SOME real bargains in used Ford and Chevrolet cars.—R. MORNINGSTAR, Watford Garage.

THE annual Christmas entertainment of Trinity Church Sunday School will be held this (Friday) evening in the school room. All welcome.

CHRISTMAS services will be conducted on the Brooke circuit next Sunday, Bethesda 10.30 a.m., Walnut 3 p.m., Salem 7 o'clock in the evening.

ANOTHER added special on sale Saturday morning (see our advt.) 10 doz. boys heavy rib wool stockings sizes 9, 9½, and 10, per pair 79c.—SWIFT, SON & CO.

MEMBERS of Tecumseh Chapter I.O.O.F. are reminded that the Christmas box for an absent member will be packed at the home of Mrs. N. B. Howden on Friday, Dec. 19th.

THE Croix de guerre has been awarded to Johnston McAdams of Sarnia who was connected with the 14th batt. Prior to taking up military service Mr. McAdams was editor of the Sarnia Canadian.

NO MORE useful Christmas present could be imagined than a comfortable pair of slippers. We have a variety of styles for men, women and children.—P. DODDS & SON.

NEATLY printed calling cards make a very suitable Christmas gift to a lady. You can get a box of them for \$1.00 at the Guide-Advocate office if you place your order early.

WHAT pleasanter surprise could you give to a friend than a year's ticket for the Public Library? If you wish to be gratefully remembered for the whole of 1920 in one or two in your list of Christmas gifts.

At a special meeting of the Strathroy town council a letter was received from the Andrews Wire Works concerning the proposition recently placed before them by the town. The company say they will eventually require upwards of two hundred girls, and they still fear they would not be able to secure that extent of help in a town this size, unless the corporation gave some guarantee. Their letter was filed.

THE popular gift, a Ladies or Gent's dressing case at TAYLOR'S.

THE Post Office Department invites attention to the postal rule which does not admit of the affixing of the face or address side of letters or other mail matter, of Christmas, charity, or other similar stamps. Such stamps, however, may be placed on the back of letters or other mail matter, as stickers, provided they do not resemble postage stamps in form and design, and do not bear numerals or indication of value.

XMAS HANDKERCHIEFS at popular prices in boxes, in Xmas cards, in special envelopes, in Japanese hand craft cartons, a big display for Xmas week.—SWIFT, SON & CO.

COMING! THE NEW FORD, with one man top, Ventilating windshield, better and deeper upholstery, wider and more comfortable seats, demountable rims, Non-skid tires, tire carrier, roller bearing in front wheels, improved steering gear, all at the same price. Surely it will pay you to see this car before purchasing.—RAY MORNINGSTAR.

THE automobile license plates for Ontario for 1920 will be a combination of blue and white both letters and figures being painted on a field of white. At least this was the plan of the Department of Public Highways before the change of government, and it is possible that the new plates were ordered some time ago. The Ontario Motor Vehicles Act requires that the new tags be fixed on January 1. Motorists are advised to do their license shopping early—as soon as the application blanks are issued.

THE big Ladies Coat Clearance Sale at SWIFT'S is in full swing, late coat buyers will be delighted at the saving. This offers real bargains.

The proposition made by Mr. Poole, of London, secretary of the V. M. C. A., who visited here recently, is that the committee named in Watford at the meeting be part of a county scheme to act in conjunction with Forest, Petrolia and Alvinston. A secretary would be employed with headquarters at Petrolia who would map out the year's program in each of the towns mentioned, and also be present as much as possible at each town to assist the local committee. The cost would be about \$4000.00 a year, the expense to be borne equally by each town. The money would be raised by popular subscription.

FRENCH IVORY in great variety at TAYLOR'S.

THE ERNIE MARKS STOCK COMPANY No. 2, headed by Miss Verna Warde, the popular American repertoire star, will open a two nights' engagement at the Lyceum next Monday night. This attraction unlike others is coming under the personal engagement of Mr. Taylor. The company has been playing all the large cities through Ontario and it is through a mistake in bookings that they had two nights open and decided to give Watford theatre goers a real treat. Monday night the Company will present "My Boy Jack," a comedy drama in 4 acts, with four big vaudeville specialties between the acts. Prices, Children 25c, Adults 35c. Reserved seats 50c. Plan now open at Taylor's Drug Store.

A REGIMENT of Dolls at TAYLOR'S. Glencoe school children have all been vaccinated.

SWIFT'S store will be open every evening until Christmas.

HOCKEY MATCH, Monday night, Watford vs Glencoe. Come and see the first game of the season.

Christmas Entertainment and Tree in the Cong'l Church, Watford, on Monday evening at 7.30 p.m. Good program. Admission 15c.

The drilling operations for water on Huron street resulted in a dry hole. An attempt will now be made to secure water in the town park.

A NEW RANGE of worsted and tweeds in our tailoring department, including the Prince of Wales check in a grey mixture, these cloths are the season's best.—SWIFT, SON & CO.

The pupils of the Strathroy public schools last week underwent a thorough medical inspection by a doctor and a school nurse sent out by the Ontario Government for this special business.

Christmas services, with special music by the choir, will be held in the Cong'l Church, Watford, on Sunday. The pastor, Rev. T. D. Rayner, will preach, his topics being: 11 a.m., "The Rising Star" and 7 p.m., "The Mistletoe of Bethlehem"

CHRISTMAS SALE of ladies coats—one quarter off.—A. BROWN & CO.

THE employees of the Andrew Wire Works here go to Strathroy this (Thursday) evening to partake of the annual dinner given by the firm to all its employees. Musical talent has been engaged from London to entertain the gathering.

A PIECE of handsome china makes an ideal gift for Christmas. We have a choice selection. Call and see, the prices will attract you.—P. DODDS & SON.

AN exhibition game of hockey was played in the Alvinston rink between Watford and Glencoe which resulted in a score of 7 to 5 in favor of Glencoe. The game was fast and rough at times. A return game will be played here the first of next week.

TAYLOR'S store, the Fairland for adults or children, every thing for a Christmas present.

THE best Christmas gift you can make to a friend at a distance is a year's subscription to The Guide-Advocate—a gift well welcomed and appreciated every week in the year. New subscribers receive the balance of this year free.

THE Commencement exercises of the Watford High School were held on Thursday evening, Dec. 18th, when the Lyceum was filled with students, their parents, and friends of the school. An excellent program was given, the musical part being under the direction of Prof. Howard Gordon. A pleasing feature of the entertainment was the tableaux by High School girls. Mr. Chas. Vail, chairman of the Board of Education presided.

We are now carrying a nice assortment of Chevrolet parts, which Chevrolet owners will appreciate.—RAY MORNINGSTAR.

PERSONAL

Miss George, milliner, has gone home for the holidays.

Miss Holmes, milliner for A. Brown & Co., has returned to her home in Petrolia.

Inspector McDougall, Petrolia, paid an official visit to the Watford public school last week.

Mr. Wm. Field and family have moved into Watford from Kerwood and are now domiciled on Front street.

Miss Lois Johnston, R. N. graduate of Harper Hospital, Detroit, is visiting her father, Mr. R. E. Johnston.

Mrs. H. F. Richardson, Harts Horn, Alberta, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Cameron and other relatives in this vicinity.

Mr. Wilbert Graham, Biggar, Sask., is spending a few days with his grandfather, Mr. D. A. Ross and other relatives prior to going to Ottawa.

O.H.A. FIRST GAME AT WATFORD

The Intermediate Series Opens on January 6th, Between Sarnia and Watford

Convener H. H. Ferguson, of Group No. 11, in the O. H. A. intermediate series, presided over a schedule meeting held at the Hermitage Club, Monday afternoon.

The following schedule was adopted: January 6—London at Watford. January 9—Sarnia at London. January 13—Sarnia at Watford. January 17—London at Sarnia. January 23—Watford at London. January 27—Watford at Sarnia.

The secretaries for the group teams are: Watford—A. L. Johnson. Sarnia—Bert Crouchman. London—J. A. Greer.

The referees named are: Sarnia—W. McCart, B. Crouchman, S. Simpson. London—J. A. Greer, M. H. Legg. Watford—F. W. Rogers, A. D. Elliott.

The local boys are getting down to business and expect to give a good account of themselves and do credit to the town. Make up your mind to see both games played here.

ONE DAY EARLIER

Owing to Christmas and New Years falling on our publication day the Guide-Advocate will go to press on Wednesday afternoon next week and the following week. Advertisers and correspondents are requested to send in their favors one day earlier.

WARWICK.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Barnes motored to London last Wednesday to attend the Barnes-Lindsay wedding.

Mrs. H. F. Richardson and son Cameron, of Hartshorn, Alberta, visited her sister, Mrs. W. G. MacKenzie.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Barnes and family motored to London on Wednesday, Dec. 19th, to attend the Barnes-Lindsay wedding.

D. R. Edwards has sold his 100-acre farm, west half 29, con. 1, to Wm. E. Parker. He held a successful sale recently when cows sold as high as \$150 and young cattle up to \$93.

An entertainment under the auspices of Grace Church Sunday School, 4th line, will be held in the School House, on Friday, Dec. 19th. Admission, adults 25c, children 10c. all invited. 28-41.

Mr. Thos. Kerr, 4th line, returned from Biggar, Sask., recently well pleased with his stay in the West. He did not come home empty-handed, his ventures there having proved profitable.

A special Christmas service will be held in Zion Cong'l church on Sunday afternoon at 2.45. The pastor, Rev. T. DeCourcy Rayner, will preach, his topic being "The Rising Star." Everybody welcome.

A Christmas tree and entertainment will be held in Zion Methodist Church, 2nd line, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 23. A good program will be presented. Admission, adults 25c, children free. All welcome.

Last Sunday afternoon the Zion Methodist Sunday School put on a splendid missionary program instead of the regular lesson for the day. It was much enjoyed by a splendid audience. They are having their Xmas entertainment, Tuesday 23rd.

Mrs. Elizabeth MacKenzie Lucas, wife of the late Francis Lucas, died on Dec. 3 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Carpenter, Flint, Michigan. She is survived by five daughters and four sons, one sister, Miss Margaret MacKenzie, of Wainwright, and one brother, Mr. W. G. MacKenzie, Warwick.

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The marriage took place at Sarnia on Wednesday, Nov. 26th, of Mr. Wilbert Robert Field, of Kerwood, to Miss Lottie Fuller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fuller, con. 6, N. E. R. After a short honeymoon the young couple settled down to housekeeping at the home of Mr. Field, lot 3, con. 8, Metcalfe.

Mr. T. A. Gault, spoke to the congregation of the Zion Methodist church last Sunday afternoon in the capacity of a minute man in the interests of the Methodist National Campaign. This will be a feature of each service for some time to come but each Sunday will produce a different minute man from the previous Sunday. Mr. Gault did splendidly.

Mr. S. A. G. Barnes, an old Warwick boy, son of the late S. D. Barnes, who has been in Edmonton for some years, made a good run in the election for Foresters Hall on Dec. 11th at 2.30. Meeting opened with the singing of the Maple Leaf followed by prayers. After the minutes were read and the general business was disposed of. Next meeting at the home of Mrs. Kervill on Jan. 8th, when Mrs. A. Auld, D. Ross and Miss L. Ross will take the meeting. Each member is requested to bring a friend.

The congregation of Knox church, Warwick, held their first service last Sunday since the church was newly decorated. The whole service was much brightened by the new surroundings, which are chaste and beautiful. The decorator, Mr. H. Durstan, deserves much credit for his fine workmanship. The committee has completed the historical sketch of the fifty years and more since the congregation was established and is now having it printed. This Golden Jubilee souvenir will be very attractive and no doubt will be of value even to many outside the congregation. Keep in mind the Jubilee dates, January 4th and 5th, 1920.

Municipal matters are very quiet in the township. The present reeve, deputy-reeve and councillors, we understand, are all in the field for re-election and we have not heard any new names mentioned as aspirants for office. The 1919 council seems to have given general satisfaction and it would not be surprising if they

were returned by acclamation. During the year about \$6,000 has been expended on bridge work, and through careful and economical management the debt of the township has been reduced to about \$5,000. There does not seem to be any call for a change and an acclamation of the present council would save considerable expense just at a time when it is necessary to make every dollar tell.

After an illness of about three months' duration Elizabeth James, relict of the late Robert Moore, passed away on Monday, Dec. 15th, aged 53 years and nine months. The funeral was held from the family residence, lot 2, Egremont road, on Thursday afternoon to the Watford cemetery where she was laid at rest beside her husband, who predeceased her September 18th, 1916. The Rev. W. M. Shore, rector of Warwick, conducted the service. Deceased was born in Watford and was a daughter of the late William James. Since her marriage she has resided on the Egremont road. She is survived by three sons, George, Robert and Francis, of Warwick, and three daughters, Mrs. J. T. Chambers, Broke; Mrs. Matthew West, Strathroy and Ida Pearl at home.

The annual meeting of Bear Creek Club was held at M. G. A. Smith's, on Friday evening, Dec. 12th, when the club was organized for the ensuing year and the following officers elected:—President, J. J. Cates; vice-pres., J. F. Smith; secretary, C. N. Richardson; treasurer, Geo. Brent; Delegate to annual meeting at Toronto, C. N. Richardson; Board of Directors, W. H. Lucking, Stanley Brent, John Cable, M. D. Campbell, Geo. Ridley, Mr. Albert Hare, manager of United Farmers' Co-operative Association, of Forest, was present and gave an interesting and instructive talk on the business done by Forest central, which the members appreciated very much and have every confidence in the business ability and honesty of their manager, Mr. Hare. The next meeting of the Club will be held at the home of Mr. L. H. Vance, January 8th, when their annual oyster supper and social evening will be held.

BROOKE

CHRISTMAS TIES and mufflers.—50c to \$5.00.—A. BROWN & CO.

Miss Hattie Zavitz left last week for Los Angeles, California.

We are now carrying a nice assortment of Chevrolet parts, which Chevrolet owners will appreciate.—RAY MORNINGSTAR.

The Christmas service will be held in St. James' church, Brooke, on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion.

An entertainment and Christmas tree will be held in School Section 10, Brooke, on Monday evening, Dec. 22nd. A good program will be presented. Admission 25c and 15c. All invited.

The Bethesda Methodist Sunday school will hold their Christmas tree entertainment on Tuesday evening next, Dec. 23. A good program will be presented. Admission, adults 35c, children 15c. All welcome. Come and enjoy yourself.

The Christmas service will be held in Christ church, Sutorville, on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock, the service will be in keeping with the joy of Xmas. There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion.

Chalmers Church, Brooke, annual Sunday school-entertainment will be held on the evening of Thursday, Dec. 23. A good program is being prepared by the young people of the congregation. Come and enjoy the evening with us. Admission 25c and 15c.

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Mr. Rich. Williamson left on Friday las. for El Paso, Texas, to see some 250 Mexicans who have been engaged in the beet sugar industry back to their homes. He did not go across the Rio Grande, deeming it safer to remain on U. S. soil. The Mexicans have a bad habit of shooting or jailing visitors from the north and we don't want to lose Richard from Sutorville yet awhile.

The congregation of Bethesda church had a narrow escape from losing their church by fire Sunday last. When Mr. Andrew Moffatt went into the building to put on the fire he found the floor in flames. Evidently the fire had caught from the stove as the blaze was in the spot where the stove stood, a hole being burnt through the floor through which the stove had fallen. Fortunately Mr. Moffatt was able to extinguish the blaze before extensive damage was done.

There passed peacefully away at her home on the 10th concession, Brooke, in her ninety-first year, Mary Hammond, beloved wife of the late John McGregor, on Monday, December 8th, 1919. Deceased was born in Westminster Township, in the year 1828 and in the year 1866 she was married to her late partner who predeceased her ten years ago. She was a member of the Methodist church of which she was a faithful worker since her childhood days. The funeral was held on Tuesday from her late residence at Alvinston cemetery. The pallbearers were her six nephews.

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Hospital for Sick Children
TORONTO

Upkeep of Big Charity Requires Fifty
Cents a Minute.

Dear Mr. Editor:
The 44th annual report of the
Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto,
shows a notable advance in every
department of its service to the suffer-
ing and crippled youngsters of this
province. The ward accommodation
has been taxed to its capacity, and
the summer annex, the Lakeside
Home, was opened for the first
time since the outbreak of war.
The daily average of cot patients
has increased during the year
from 192 to 223, including children
from practically every county in
Ontario. Even had the cost of sup-
plies and labor remained stationary,
the substantial increase in the num-
ber of patients would alone account
for the addition to the charity's debt,
which at the close of the fiscal year
was \$109,000. This debt has become
an embarrassing burden. Further
increase must threaten impairment
of an enviable efficiency.
The Hospital is in the forefront of
all institutions upon this continent
devoted to the care of sick children.
It cost \$335,299 to maintain last
year. This great sum not only puts
at the service of the children of
Ontario all the resources of medical
science, but, in addition, provides for
a training school for 120 nurses and
for unsurpassed clinical facilities
for the University students who are
preparing to engage in their profes-
sion throughout the province.
The income which must be forth-
coming to finance this absolutely
essential work figures out at seven
hundred dollars a day; and, as there
is no endowment fund, all but a
fraction of that amount has to be
derived from individual benevolence.
Therefore the Trustees are making
a Christmas appeal to every lover of
children to foot the bills for some
period of time, no matter how short
it may be. A minute of mercy costs
fifty cents.
For churches, societies, lodges,
etc., who have more ample funds
wherewith to assist the youngsters
to a fair start in life, the naming of
cots is suggested. A number of
memorial cots have been thus dedi-
cated in honor of the overseas ser-
vice of fellow-members. This priv-
ilege is extended, in recognition of
gifts of \$2,000 to the Main Hospital
or \$500 to the Lakeside Home, which
can be paid in annual instalments if
so desired.
Literature, illustrative of all
branches of the past year's work, to-
gether with any other information
desired, will be gladly furnished on
application to the Secretary, the
Hospital for Sick Children, College
street, Toronto. Contributions should
also be addressed to the secretary.
IRVING E. ROBERTSON,
Chairman of Appeal Committee.

While on his way to his home on Con
1, Zone, Saturday night of the big storm
Mr. Dawson Brooks was caught in a trap
He was driving along the road when a
tree fell in front of him, blocking further
progress. On turning round to go by
another road another tree tumbled over,
thus enclosing him between two barriers.
It is reported that he had to borrow an
axe to hew himself out.

How's This?
We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward
for any case of Catarrh that cannot be
cured by Hall's Catarrh Medicine.
Hall's Catarrh Medicine has been taken
by catarrh sufferers for the past thirty-five
years and has become known as the most
reliable remedy for Catarrh. Hall's Cat-
arrh Medicine acts through the Blood of
the Mucous surfaces, expelling the Poison
from the Blood and healing the diseased
spots.
After you have taken Hall's Catarrh
Medicine for a short time you will see a
great improvement in your general health.
Start taking Hall's Catarrh Medicine at
once and get rid of catarrh.
Send for testimonials, free.
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio.
Sold by all Druggists, 75c.



**Mr. A. H. Walker Becomes Sterling
Bank Director**

Mr. A. H. Walker, general manager of
the Sterling Bank, was yesterday appoint-
ed a director of that bank. Since 1913,
when Mr. Walker became general man-
ager, the bank's progress has been ex-
tremely satisfactory. The deposits and
assets have increased from \$6,500,000 and
\$9,099,000 respectively, to \$20,083,000
and \$23,441,000 at the present time.

Chevrolet 1920

The Chevrolet "Four-Ninety"
Has been tested and been tried,
It has been proven by the people,
It is an easy car to ride.
The nineteen-twenty model top,
Is the latest style out,
It is made of good material
And this without a doubt.
It will give more miles out of a gallon
Than any car of its size I know,
It is a little brick to run,
Through mud or snow.
The only argument,
That people had with me,
'Twas I had no service,
For the Chevrolet.
But this is now o'ercome,
By men of wit and skill
Who will give your car good service,
And not charge too large a bill,
So please don't pay attention,
To any gossips that you may hear,
For you will be sure of good service
For the coming year.
J. H. HUMPHRIES - DEALER.

A Standard Medicine.—Parmelee's
Vegetable Pills, compounded of entirely
vegetable substances known to have a re-
vitalizing and salutary effect upon the
digestive organs, have through years of
use attained so eminent a position that
they rank as a standard medicine. The
ailing should remember this. Simple in
their composition they can be assimilated
by the weakest stomach and are certain
to have a healthful and agreeable effect
on the sluggish digestive organs.

**Verses to Send With
Christmas Presents**

- With Embroidery or Any Needlework.**
May all your years be glad and bright,
Deep filled with pleasant days,
And all your hours know sweet delight
Of love that lives and stays!
With some such wishes, true and kind,
Each Christmas should begin.
While some of these must surely bind
Because they've been sewed in!
- With a Gift to a Smoker.**
When clouds of smoke around you float
Think sometimes of this loving (friend-
ly) cordial note.
When pictures in the smoke you see
Wait now and then a thought to me,
But though you never joys evoke,
Don't let our friendship "end in smoke."
- With a Box of Candy.**
"Sweets to the sweet," the wise old saw,
I quote because 'tis fitting.
And tribute pay unto the law
With gladness unremitting.
'Like unto like' is also true,
Therefore these candies haste to you.
- With Music or Musical Instrument.**
Because the very thought of you,
Makes music in my mind,
Pray let me share the music true,
'The sweetest (gayest) (brightest) I could
find.
- With a Laundry List or Bag.**
This gift is clean, as you may see,
So, every time you'd cleaner be
Just send a pleasant thought to me.
- To "Her," With a Pair of Gloves.**
O little thumbs, and fingers, too,
I can but wish that I were you,
Since you, unclad, may clasp her hand,
Toll her—but not she'll understand.
- With a Book.**
I cannot make new worlds for you
Yet the closed covers truly frame
A wondrous world of rapture true—
Be pleased to enter in my name!
- To a Lady, With Slippers.**
O pretty slippers, small and slight,
Be sure to lead her steps aright;
And when her dainty feet you hold,
Guard them alike from hurt and cold.
- With Shaving Materials.**
Should you cut yourself in shaving,
Don't—blame—me!
Small effect has bitter raving
When the wound one may not see.
But should your razor smoothly glide,
Include me in your smile so wide.
- With Picture of Some Rural Scene.**
If your thoughts of town are weary,
Rest your eyes and dream,
Gazing on this picture cheery
Of woodland (rural) (springtime) (ver-
nal) vale and stream;
Remember that had I my way,
Such joys would greet you every day.
- With Any Christmas Gift.**
Here's a thought of joyous cheer
For Christmas and for all the year!

KERWOOD

M. C. Morgan spent a few days in
Detroit recently.
The Methodist Sunday school will
hold their entertainment December 23rd.
Mr. B. J. Graham, of Brockville, is the
new teller in the Bank of Toronto here.
Mr. Brandreth, who has been spending
a few months with her daughter in East
Tawas, Mich., has returned home.
Mrs. J. J. Early, who fell from a chair
and fractured several ribs, is still very
ill. Her many friends hope for a speedy
recovery.
Mrs. John Morgan, mother of Mr. M.
C. Morgan, had the misfortune to fall
and hurt herself very badly. We are
pleased to say she is very much improved.
The Women's Missionary Society held
their last meeting at Mrs. William New-
ton's, with a large attendance. A very
interesting Christmas program was given.
The next meeting will be held at the
home of Mrs. John Richardson, Sr.
The bazaar held at the parsonage by
the Ladies' Aid was a decided success,
both socially and financially. By their
efforts the ladies realized \$85.00. Both
young and old joined heartily in the
sports and enjoyed the very pleasing
program. The candy booth and room
were especially attractive and well patron-
ized. The Ladies' Aid wish to thank all
those who so kindly donated and helped
toward the success of the bazaar; also
Dr. and Mrs. Brown for their kindness
and hospitality in giving their home.

ARKONA

Herbert George, of Ottawa, was home
over the week end.
"Minute men" in the Sunday services
reported on the Forward Movement as
well under way everywhere, explaining
also its methods and high aims.
COMING! The NEW FORD, with one
man top, Ventilating windshield, better
and deeper upholstery, wider and more
comfortable seats, demountable rims,
Non-skid tires, tire carrier, roller bearing
in front wheels, improved steering gear,
all at the same price. Surely it will pay
you to see this car before purchasing.—
RAY MORNINGSTAR.
Rev. and Mrs. C. W. King, Mr. and
Mrs. J. F. Dickson, Mr. and Mrs. W. A.
Butler, and Messrs. John McLeish, C.
Bartlett and B. Hobbs attended the For-
ward Movement convention in Talbot St.
Baptist church, London, Thursday 11th.
Mr. King was appointed chairman of the
Strathroy District Committee, also on
the Central Executive for Middlesex and
Lambton which he attended at London
Monday.
Good-bye to A. Jima. Persons suffer-
ing from that extremely trying trouble
known as asthma know what it is to long
with all their hearts for escape as from a
tyrant. Never do they know when an
attack may come and they know that to
struggle unaided is vain. With Dr. J. D.
Kellogg's Asthma Remedy at hand, how-
ever, they can say good-bye to their
enemy and enjoy life again. It helps at
once.

Read the Guide-Advocate Want Col-
umn on page 4.
Mr. Frank Harris, who resides on the
River Road, Howard township, had the
misfortune to have his limb broken the
other day. He was riding horseback
when his horse slipped on the icy road-
way and fell upon Mr. Harris' limb.

THE STERLING BANK
OF CANADA
"Ask Our Manager"
By making an intelligent study of outside financial matters
affecting farmers, you put yourself in line for larger profits.
The local manager of the Sterling Bank is capable of giving
you valuable advice. He is in touch with local and general
conditions affecting farmers. He will welcome a discussion
at any time.
Be sure and see him before extending your operations.
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Borrow to Buy Cattle
"Mixed Farming" is the big money-
maker today. Of course, grain and fruit
and vegetables pay well—but beef and
bacon, butter and cheese, are piling up the
profits for the farmer.
Milk more cows—fatten more cattle—
raise more hogs. If you need money to do
it, come to The Merchants Bank. We are
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**Lots of Fruit,
Candies and Nuts
makes Xmas worth while.**
WE CARRY A FULL LINE
Phone your order.
The People's Store, Arkona
W. A. WILLIAMS

FULLER BROS.
Arkona
Have just received a special assortment of
Christmas Gifts, including
**Watches, Wrist Watches,
Casseroles, Military Brushes,
Beads, Fountain Pens,
Rich Cut Glass,
etc., etc.**
We have also a nice selection of French
Ivory goods—Hand Mirrors, Fancy Bed-
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Sets, Dressing Combs, etc.
ALL THE ABOVE GOODS ARE OF THE BEST QUALITY
Pay a visit to our store before purchasing
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Have YOUR Car Overhauled NOW

Is your car in good order for all-winter running? Has it had a thorough overhauling to make sure everything is in perfect condition for the winter roads? If not, bring it in and we'll put it in "guaranteed" shape. We are established here for SERVICE—may we have the opportunity to serve you?

Come in and see us. If you do not know us already, we want to get acquainted.

STORAGE BATTERIES kept charged at 50c per month; \$2.00 for the winter season.

GENUINE FORD and CHEVROLET REPAIRS and Accessories always kept in stock.

We expect a new OVERLAND 4 in a few days.

Williams Bros.' Garage

WARWICK COUNCIL

Warwick, Dec. 15, 1919.
The council met to-day as per adjournment. Members all present.
The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.
The following accounts were passed:
Ed. Cundick, refund statute labor 1 25
Warren Bros., gravel furnished 4 20
John Brush, " " 108 50
Robert Hall, " " 7 20
Alex Bryce, " " 63 15
Jas. Butler, " " 1 20
Fred Cook, tp's share of dr 13 SR 15 00
N. Herbert, postage, catenary 27 66
Geo. Thompson, ref. statute labor 3 13
S. Morris, services as sheep inspector 3 00
E. O'Neil, drawing tile to Warwick Village 2 00
John Cooper, gravel furnished and work in pit 135 00
Robt. Hume, rep bridge on 9 S R 2 50
Robt. Gault, " " 24 SR 1 50
H. Holbrook, drawing tile for Kilmer drain 30 40
E. McKay, drawing tile Kilmer dr 38 05
D. Kilmer, " " 36 73
Basil York, " " 13 65
Ernie Lester, " " 41 85
J. Wilkinson, " " 16 13
H. Robinson, " " 3 00
Jos. Stewart, " " 3 00
H. C. Baird & Co, tile for Kilmer drain 644 95
Wm. Middleton, freight on tile for Kilmer drain 44 00
S. W. Edwards, lamb killed by dogs 20 00
Ed. Robertson, inspecting sheep 1 00
S. B. Chambers, grant to Petrolea Corn Show 25 00
Edward Hall, tp's share of tile drain on lot 17, con. 7 15 00
P. A. Wynne, work Edwards dr. 696 75
W. E. Parker, telephone expenses 3 65
Geo. Patterson, refund of dog tax 2 00
Arthur Kersey, assistance on survey of Birchall drain 4 00
Geo. Pike, assistance on survey of Birchall drain 4 00
L. Eastabrook, assistance on survey of Birchall drain 4 00
Fred Morgan, assistance on survey of Birchall drain 4 00
A. Morgan, assistance on survey of Birchall drain 4 00
Hy Williamson, assistance on survey of Birchall drain 4 00
John Cowan, legal services 23 00
H. O'Neil, refund of dog tax 2 00
Walter Percy, com. on Zavitz dr. 35 00
Geo. A. McCubbin, survey of Birchall drain 58 00
Geo. Prince, bal. of contract and Graham drain 485 00
M. D. Campbell, com. on Graham drain 25 00
J. Henderson, bal. contract on 27-28 side road 28 00
Hy Williamson, com. on 27-28 side road 15 00
W. Annett, to bal. acct on F.L.S. 228 81
Wm. Parker, services as Reeve 65 00
A. Higgins, " Dep. Reeve 55 00
M. D. Campbell, " Councillor 55 00
E. Muma, " " 55 00
H. Williamson, " " 150 00
N. Herbert, " Clerk 100 00
C. E. James, " Treasurer 100 00
Miss Long, " Janitor 20 00
W. Annett, Brooke Tel. Rates 1623 40
N. Sitter, error in dog tax 2 00
By-law No. 10 appointing Deputy Returning Officers was passed in the usual way.
Campbell—Higgins, that minutes be taken as read and that we now adjourn sine die.
N. HERBERT, Clerk.

BROOKE COUNCIL

Alvington, Dec. 15, 1919.
Council met pursuant to adjournment. Members all present. Minutes of former meeting read and on motion of Atkin—Sutton were adopted.
Petition received and signed by a majority in numbers, of the interested ratepayers asking to have the Watt Award drain repaired under the Municipal Drainage Act.
Campbell—Loosemore, that notice be entertained and Geo. A. McCubbin, O. L. S. & C. E., be requested to make an examination of the drain, submit a report, plan and specifications, and estimate and to make an assessment of the lands and roads liable for assessment under "The Municipal Drainage Act."—Carried.
Tenders for the construction of the Hustler drain received and opened.
Loosemore—Sutton, that the tender of John Barrett for \$800 be accepted, to do the work in accordance to specifications, no other tender having been received.—Carried.
Mr. Lindsay, chairman of the local Board of Health handed in report of same.
Sutton—Loosemore, that report be received and order issued for \$41 in remuneration of members and payments of expenses.—Carried.
Brooke Municipal Telephone system asked that \$360 be advanced for telephone purposes. Granted on motion of Atkin and Sutton.
Sutton—Campbell, that Ernest Zavitz be paid for 24 rods of 4 inch tile, 20 rods of tile drain, being about the centre of N $\frac{1}{2}$ lot 12, con. 9, and used as an outlet for the drainage of that portion of the 12 and 13 sideroad, and 4 rods across the 12 and 13 sideroad. The owner of $\frac{1}{2}$ lot 13 agreeing to put in the tile across the road.—Carried.
Sutton—Atkin, that complaint of Peter Campbell be referred to A. Loosemore with power to act.—Carried.
Loosemore—Campbell, that order be issued in favor of Cowan, Towers and Cowan for \$68.50 being retaining fee and other legal costs for the year 1919.—Carried.
The reeve thanked the Board for their able, efficient and courteous service during the year.
Sutton—Atkin, that council do now adjourn sine die.—Carried.
W. J. WEED, Clerk.

A FAMILY GIFT
The best gift for one's family, one well thought of during a whole year is a year's subscription to the Family Herald and Weekly Star of Montreal. It costs only \$1.25 if remitted for in December, and with it you get the very best portrait of the Prince of Wales ever taken. The portrait is 16x22 inches. It is said the Family Herald is overwhelmed with orders this season and no wonder, for it is the best value to be had. It is a great family and farm paper.

From Old Subscribers
D. Rundle, Invermay, Sask.:—Enclosed find renewal for the "ever welcome," which is always looked for every Tuesday. Crops were good here this year, wheat running up as high as 50 bush, to the acre and oats as high as 86. Good sleighing here.
L. J. Williams, school inspector, Medicine Hat:—We have had severe winter weather since the middle of October—something unique for this locality. This following the third successive crop failure

in this vicinity has hit the rural districts hard. The government has had to come to the rescue with loans to school districts and supplies of food and clothing.
COWS SHRINKING
should receive regular rations of Cane Mola. Cane Mola is 100% Pure Sugar Cane Treacle.
Mixed with old hay, straw, ensilage, corn stover, etc., it produces More Milk at less cost. Builds flesh faster and keeps stock in a healthy condition.
We have just received a shipment at our warehouse.
TRENOUTH & CO., Watford, Ont.

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children
In Use For Over 30 Years
Always bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*
Clarence Sifton of Metcalf had his turkeys stolen one evening recently while visiting at a neighbor's.

And Now Again comes Christmas

The Gift Useful

AGAIN we are faced with the importance of confining our Christmas giving to gifts that are practical. Again we must exhibit true economy in our choice of presents for father, mother, sister and brother. You should realize that the place to obtain this kind of gift is in a hardware store—for in our business nothing is placed in stock that is not a truly needed article. In *this* Hardware Shop you will find everything necessary from which to make your wise selection for the entire family.

To Make Some Woman Happy
As an instance of what we mean by "The Gift Useful" we would like you to consider the O-Cedar Polish Mop. For any woman who hasn't one or whose Mop is worn out, we can think of no more truly sensible gift than one of these splendid Mops. Such a Mop is an almost indispensable aid to good housekeeping. Give an O-Cedar Mop and she will appreciate your thoughtfulness—she will think far more of such a present than of any of the useless "trumpery" too many others will give her.
Note the two styles in Panel No. 1—either of these Mops at \$1.50.

Note these Helpful Suggestions:
"Community Plate" and "Old Colony" Silverware
Silverware makes the ideal gift—always in good taste and always appreciated. Come in and see our big display and make your selection early.

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WANT COLUMN.

Five lines and under, 25c.
Six words average one line.
Card of Thanks 50c.

FOR SALE—At a bargain, pulleys and beltings.—GEO. CHAMBERS EST.

FOR SALE—Soft coal, suitable for domestic use.—GEO. CHAMBERS EST.

LOST in the postoffice on Monday a \$5 bill. Finder please leave at this office.

CARD OF THANKS—Miss Jennie McGregor wishes to thank her many friends and neighbors for their kindness shown during her recent sad bereavement.

CARD OF THANKS—Mr. and Mrs. Richard Williamson wish to thank their friends and neighbors for their many kind acts and remembrances during their recent sickness and quarantine.

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

SHOE REPAIRING—As I have started shoe repairing at my residence, Erie St., Watford, I solicit the opportunity to serve you in this line. All work shall have the greatest care and attention, and prices reasonable.—B. H. PARKER. 19-4

If you need a new roof on any of your buildings nothing equals The Preston Safelock Shingles or Corrugated Iron, which is supplied in lengths to suit. I also handle all sundries made by that firm. Also about 15,000 3X wood shingles on hand.—GEO. O. STEVENSON.

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Apply at Residence, Erie St.,
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TEACHER WANTED

Fully qualified teacher wanted for Union School Section 1 and 13, Brooke and Warwick. Duties to commence after Christmas holidays. Applicants to state salary expected. Applications to be addressed to
E. A. COWAN, Sec.-Treas.
5-3 R. R. 7, Watford.

FARM FOR SALE

50 acres good clay loam; 30 acres seeded; 9 acres pasture; good orchard and strawberry patch; brick house with stone foundation; cellar 20x28; frame kitchen 16x18; barn 32x50; stable 18x30; two good wells; 4 miles from Theford; 3 miles from Arkona, 1/2 mile from school. Easy terms. Apply to WILBERT B. STAVENS, Theford, Ont., R. R. No. 2. d12-3t

CHOP STUFF

Bloss Pollard, formerly of Petrolea, died recently in California.

Theford school board raised the salaries of the teachers \$75 each.

A U. F. O. Club has been organized at Thamesville with 20 members.

Dr. Martyn, of Alvinston, has gone on an extended visit to western points.

Over two hundred derricks were blown down in the windstorm at Oil Springs.

There are 47 persons at present in the Lambton House of Refuge. The weekly maintenance cost per inmate is \$4.31.

Burns Masonic lodge, Wyoming, will fit up the store beneath their lodge rooms for a meeting place for the Eastern Stars.

A report made to the Middlesex county council shows that patients are kept in the poor house at Strathroy for 67.51 cents per day.

The town hall, Petrolea, caught fire Saturday of last week, supposedly from a cigar stub. About \$160 damage was done to the building and \$24 to the contents.

Twenty-five applications were received by the Petrolea school board for a vacancy on the teaching staff. Miss Broughton, of Sarnia tp., received the appointment.

In response to an advertisement in the daily papers Mr. Willis, a returned soldier, arrived in Parkhill last week and has been engaged as Band Master. Mr. Willis has formed a partnership with Bernard Steele and will sell electrical supplies and do wiring and repair work.

Russel Cook, formerly of Mount Brydges, has been acquitted of a charge of murder which had been laid against him in Saskatchewan. It appears that a body of a man was found in a well on the farm of the accused and that he was alleged to have had criminal knowledge of the death of the victim. The preliminary hearing, however, showed that Cook was absolutely innocent and the proceedings have been dropped.

The curfew bell that tolls the knell of parting day every evening at eight in Harrow, has worked wonders in clearing the streets of those children who heretofore have been responsible for many breaches of good conduct. Ezra McLean village policeman rings the bell regularly and within fifteen minutes every child is home, where it should be. Parents are very much pleased with the results of this innovation.

5 - Five Days - 5

FIVE MORE BIG, BRIGHT SHOPPING DAYS—and a whole flock of surprises for each day. For Every Day Remaining we have arranged a big Xmas selling in various departments at prices that will certainly appeal to the late hour shopper. Remember, the lines listed below are ticketed at 9 A.M. on the days stated and these prices hold good until we close on Xmas Eve.



FOR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19th.

14 Ladies' Pure Wool SERGE SKIRTS \$6.50 each	21 only LADIES' COATS at \$21.90 each Splendid heavy cloth, latest styles.	5 dozen WASH DRESSES 95c each
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FOR SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20th

12 only Extra Quality SMYRNA RUGS 58 x 29 \$7.00 each	Ladies' BOUDOIR CAPS silk, with net trimmings 69c each	Today every LADIES' COAT will have a Special Blue Ticket. Our whole stock at drastic reductions. Out they go—these beautiful garments at less than cost! Help yourselves, ladies!	5 dozen Men's MULE-HIDE MITTS wool lining 60c pair	TEA APRONS fine lawn; lace trimmed 50c 75c
		Beautifully made CAMISOLES in separate boxes Tub Silk \$1.25 \$1.50 \$2.25		Crepe de Chene \$2.75 \$3.00

FOR MONDAY, DECEMBER 22nd

Pure Liner Crash TOWELLING 40c per yd.	Fancy Huck Towels - 50c per pair	Boys' Worsted SWEATERS Rib Knit \$1.75 each
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FOR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 23rd

Men's Sheep-lined Coats \$11.75	10 dozen DAMASK TABLE NAPKINS, hemmed \$3.00 per dozen	Men's Lined Smocks \$3.25
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FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24th

UNBLEACHED DAMASK TABLING \$1.00 per yard	PURE LINEN SATIN DAMASK TABLING 72 inches wide \$3.00 per yard	INDIA LACE CENTRE-PIECES 17c 25c 40c
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Swift, Sons & Co.

WATFORD COUNCIL.

Watford, Dec. 15, 1919.
Council met pursuant to adjournment. Present, Reeve, Harper, Doan, Hollingsworth and Stapleford.

Stapleford—Harper, that the Council request Mr. B. Hoffman to discontinue drilling operations on Huron street property and move to the Village Park and commence drilling operation there under conditions of the original contract.—Carried.

Stapleford—Harper, that we request the Soldiers Aid Commission that in the event of their not collecting sufficient monies to warrant the erection of a Soldiers Monument in Watford, that the grant of \$248.00 made by the Council for rings be returned to the corporation.—Carried.

Finance Committee examined accounts and recommend payment.
Thames Quarry Co., for stone... \$321 80
Cowan, Towers & Cowan acct... 38 00
R. E. Johnston, to pay labor re stone... 248 65
H. Williamson, for gravel north st 10 00
J. F. Elliot, statutory allowance... 12 00
S. W. Louks, salary \$40.00, cards and stamps \$3.00... 43 00
Ed. Mackness, repairs, smoke stack at Fire Hall... 11 25
J. W. Doan, to pay tile Eric st dr 5 70
Guide-Advocate, printing acct... 26 50
W. C. Siddall, M. D., M. H. O... 25 00
Wm. McLeay, salary \$60.00, statutory allowance \$12.00, financial statement \$4.00, postage and stamps \$2.40... 78 40
Wm. McLeay, rent hall for Court 24 00
Harper—Stapleford, that accounts be passed and Reeve grant his order.—Carried.

Doan—Hollingsworth, that the minutes as read be adopted.—Carried.

Harper—Doan, that we do now adjourn sine die.—Carried.

W. S. FULLER, Clerk.

School Reports

Report of S. S. No. 10, Brooke, for the month of November.
Class IV—Margaret MacLean, Ruby Atchison, Charlie Miller, Elsie Hair, Helene Bowie.
Class III—Pearl Powell, Harold Hair, Howard Pittz, Johnnie Scott, Ervin Dempsey.
Class II—Pearl Miller, Mary Reid, Ralph Pittz.
Class I—Clarence Hair, Minnie MacLean, Johnnie MacLean.
F. A. COWAN, Teacher.

Wm. Watson, lake road, Bosanquet, took a load of turkeys to Forest for which he received \$599.20.

COMMUNICATIONS.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for opinions expressed by correspondents].

The Editor of the Guide-Advocate:

I notice in last week's issue of your paper a communication which appears to be signed by William Miller respecting the Division Court suit of Eastabrook and Thompson which was to have been tried at the last sittings of our Division Court here. I acted as solicitor for Mr. Eastabrook, the plaintiff, and Mr. J. M. McEvoy, of London, acted as solicitor for the defendants. I have seen Mr. Eastabrook and he has asked me to

give a correct statement of the facts. Mr. McEvoy, the defendants' solicitor, settled the case with me. He first offered me \$10.00 which was not accepted by Mr. Eastabrook, and then he offered me \$12.00 and each party to pay their own costs, and this was accepted and the matter disposed of in this way, and Mr. McEvoy also paid for telephoning the judge not to come down, and the case was only withdrawn when the defendant's solicitor paid the money, as stated. Mr. Miller says in his letter that Mr. Eastabrook has been telling that Mr. Thompson paid him \$12.00 which Mr. Miller says is a false statement. Mr. Thompson's solicitor paid me the \$12.00 which I think is just the same thing, as stated, and I

cannot see what difference it makes whether Mr. Thompson paid it or whether his solicitor paid it to me.

Yours sincerely,

W. E. FITZGERALD.

Dated December 17, 1919.

A quiet wedding took place in Wyomington, at 6.30 p.m., Wednesday, Dec. 10, when Miss Bernice, daughter of Mr. John C. and Mary Brooks, was married to Mr. Charles Dennis of that village. The bride was attended by Miss Lottie Lucas, and the groom by Mr. Oswald Brooks, brother of the bride. The Rev. J. P. McLeod read the wedding ceremony.

A Good Piece of China makes an ideal Christmas gift

Come in today and see our big display of Christmas China—in all the newest patterns and designs. We have been very fortunate in securing this splendid new stock, and we know that you will be pleased with both the fine quality and the price. What is more acceptable as a Christmas gift than a fine piece of Odd China or one of those beautiful pieces of Hand-painted goods. Perhaps "she" is collecting a set of some particular pattern. What would she appreciate more than a couple of pieces to help complete her set. Come in and see this display today.

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5 dozen
 WASH DRESSES
 95c each

5 dozen Men's
 CLOTH-HIDE MITTS
 Lining 60c pair

TEA APRONS
 lawn ; lace trimmed
 50c 75c

Boys' Worst
 SWEATERS
 Knit \$1.75 each

Men's Lined Smocks
 \$3.25

INDIA LACE
 ENTRE-PIECES
 7c 25c 40c

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Yours sincerely,
 W. E. FITZGERALD,
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**The Christmas Present
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THE Columbia Grafonola and Columbia Records will put real, heart-filling joy into your Christmas.

And they will carry the glad Christmas spirit on through all the year. For Columbia music is joyous music--new, sparkling dance records, the latest song hits, gems of grand opera, played by the world's greatest bands and orchestras.

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Come in and hear these wonderful instruments today.

BORN

In Watford, on Nov. 20, 1919, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCallum, of Alvinson, a daughter, (Helen Caroline).

MARRIED

Arkona, Dec. 6, Ernest Beck to Annie, daughter of the late A. W. Augustine and Mrs. Augustine.

At the Pastorium, Forest, on Wednesday, Dec. 10th, by the Rev. M. Nelson, Miss Grace Campbell, of Forest, to Mr. Victor Tall, of Plympton township.

At Christ Church, Forest, on Thursday, Dec. 4, by the Rev. D. J. Cornish, Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Myron Cole, of Forest, to Mr. Arthur J. Hill, of Bossanquet Township.

DIED

In Forest, on Friday, Dec. 5th, 1919, Hawken Hayes, aged 72 years, 8 months, 7 days.

In Warwick, on Saturday, Dec. 6th, 1919, Catherine Neff, relict of the late Wm. Tomlin, in her 88th year.

In Plympton, on Sunday, Dec. 7th, 1919, Margaret Smith, relict of the late Thos. Symington, in her 84th year.

In Strathroy, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 9, 1919, William Juton, aged 79 years, 2 months and 25 days.

In Warwick, on Monday, Dec. 15th, 1919, Elizabeth James, relict of the late Robert Moore, aged 53 years, 9 months.

IN MEMORIAM

In sad and loving memory of my dear husband Jas. Willoughby, who died one year ago Dec. 20, 1918.

It is one long year ago to-day,
 Since my dear husband passed away,
 We saw him suffer, and heard his sighs,
 With aching heart and weeping eyes,
 More and more each day we miss him,
 Friends may think the wound is healed,
 But they little know the sorrow,
 Lies within our hearts concealed,
 When the evening shades are falling,
 When we are sitting all alone,
 To our hearts there comes a longing--
 If he only could come home.
 Oft and oft our thoughts do wander
 To a grave not far away,
 Where we laid our darling loved one,
 Just one long year ago today.

Sadly missed by loving wife and son,
 Mrs. JAS. WILLOUGHBY,
 Sarnia, Dec. 16, 1919.

IN MEMORIAM
 December 23, 1918.

"We feared when we entered the cloud"

The Home is dark, the vital spark
 The Spark of Life is fled,
 Her soul went home, we're left alone,
 So silent with our dead,
 Twelve months to-day we laid away,
 Within the vault of blue,
 With tender care we hid her there,
 'Twas all that we could do,
 So calm, so sweet, yet fast asleep,
 We breathed a farewell prayer,
 "Then dust to dust," our sacred trust,
 Was left in God's great care,
 Until the day, the glad, glad day,
 The resurrection morn,
 Her soul shall claim that form again,
 Transfigured and reborn,
 Then soul of mine, cease to repine,
 His promise is so clear,
 His strong sweet call shall break the pall
 And all the dead appear,
 The fifth of John, the corner stone
 On which we base our hope,
 There's no mistake here twenty-eight,
 Is firmer than a rock,
 How short appears a thousand years,
 With such a hope as this,
 Our mortal fears soon disappears,
 And we enjoy the bliss,
 My personal cross, its pain and loss,
 I surely can afford,
 For God's decree reveals to me,
 That all shall be restored.

--W. B. LAWS.

At the municipal elections next month Strathroy electors will vote on a by-law to make the library a municipal institution and have it run free to all citizens in order that its privileges and advantages may be enjoyed to the fullest extent.

Charles King, the well known London Road farmer, is lying in the Sarnia Hospital, suffering from internal injury as a result of an auto accident by which he and Mr. Bert Wellington, 6th line, narrowly escaped instant death, last Monday.

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HIGH SCHOOL NOTES

The term examinations close this week. Each parent or guardian will receive a report of the entire Form in which he or she may be interested. It is required that these reports be signed and returned to the presiding teacher of the Form concerned.

The High School will close Friday, Dec. 19th, and re-open Jan. 5th. All courses are in process of readjustment by the Education Department. These changes will be announced in January.

Both the Education Department, the school law and Boards of Education empower the principal to either collect the fees of whatever nature or to check fees and to exclude students whose parents fail to pay the fees at the specified time. A note from a parent is required when the payment of the fee is not convenient at the time specified. This is all that has ever been required in the Watford High School. The fees are required to be paid at the beginning of the terms, September, January, and April \$4, \$3 and \$3 respectively. The Principals are not a target to be insulted on the public streets by parents who fail to conform to a simple and righteous requirement enforced by legality, especially by parents who have had students in the High School for 4 or 5 years and after a matter of two weeks has been given in the kindest manner. The Board of Education adopted the present system which is according to law and a column for fees is in every High School register. Neither the Board of Education nor the Principal of the High School will brook interference with the internal management of the school which has the highest grading in this regard under five inspections by the department.

The School Commencement would have been a high success had the audience given the students and the splendid excellence of their support a fair hearing. The Staff congratulate and thank the girls and boys for their work. Too much appreciation cannot be given to Mr. Gordon and his splendid talent who supported him.

The Principal's Office, Watford High School, Dec. 16th, 1919.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

School Examinations to be Held in June

Hereafter school examinations which for years past have been held in the hot days of July are to be held in June. The new calendar of the department of Education announced to-day by Hon. R. H. Grant, minister of education, fixes the dates for the various examinations which will begin on June 8, and ending during the last week of the month. The change will not only provide the students with more pleasant weather, but will enable them to get the full benefit of the summer vacation.

The senior High School entrance and the senior public school graduation examinations and the examinations for entrance into the model schools are to begin on June 8.

On June 9 the lower school examinations for entrance into the Normal schools and into the faculties of education and the pass honor and scholarship matriculation examinations will begin.

On June 16 the Normal School final examination for group two will begin, and on June 18 the model school examination for entrance to the Normal schools will begin on June 24, and the junior high school entrance on June 28.

The calendar sets the number of teaching days in the public schools in 1920 at 199, and in the high schools at 196. Following the Christmas vacation this year the schools will re-open on January 13. The Easter holidays will be held from April 2 to April 11, inclusive, and the midsummer holidays from June 20 to August 31 in the public schools, and until September 6 in the high schools.

Two Dwelling Houses Burnt

At 5 o'clock Monday morning the two-story brick residence of Mr. George Bowden, Bosanquet Tp., was totally destroyed with contents. The loss is \$4,000. Owing to the early hour there was no help available from neighbors, and nothing could be saved. Mr. Bowden had some difficulty in rescuing his invalid sister from the house, but smashed a window and got her out in that way, with no more serious injury than a hand cut by glass.

The frame dwelling of Frank Dodge, Uttoxeter, Plympton Tp., was burned to the ground about 8 o'clock, Monday. With the assistance of neighbors part of the contents of the ground floor were saved. Fifty bushels of potatoes and a quantity of vegetables were destroyed.

Officers Elected

L. O. L., No. 536, Uttoxeter, held their annual meeting on Dec. 1st, County Master Bro. Albert Hawkins conducted the election which is as follows:—

W. M.—Wm. Hicks.
D. M.—J. Falkner.
Chap.—S. Watson.
Rec. Sec.—J. Rankin.
Fin. Sec.—G. Goode.
Treasurer—F. Sherk.
D. of C.—D. Shea.
1st. Lec.—M. Hicks.
2nd. Lec.—Wm. Neil.
Com. mem. Bros. Wm. Lester, J. Sherk, C. Stevens, A. Shea and Wm. Black.
Auditors, Bros. J. Tremaine and A. Dewar.

Bro. Hall of Toronto, was present and gave a very interesting address after which lunch was served.

Tait—Campbell

In Forest, at high noon, Wednesday, December 10th, the marriage was solemnized of Grace W., daughter of the late James Campbell, of Forest, and Victor Tait, son of Alex. Tait, of Forest; the Rev. Mr. Neilson officiating.

After the ceremony dainty refreshments were served at the home of the bride's brother, Jack Campbell, of Warwick, and later the happy couple left for a short trip to Guelph, Hamilton and St. Catharines. The bride travelled in a becoming suit of blue silvertone with small taupe hat and black furs.

Mr. and Mrs. Tait will reside at Watford, where they will be at home to their many friends after January 1st.

Rivers—Wilson

At 2.30 o'clock on Monday afternoon, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilson, Albert street, Strathroy, was the scene of a pretty wedding when their daughter, Viola Pearl, was united to George Norman Rivers, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Rivers, of that town. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. A. Shaver, B. A., B. D. The couple were attended by Miss Wilha Eflingham and Mr. Arden Smith, little Margaret Wilson and Harold Rivers completing the bridal party. The bride was charmingly attired in white satin with overdress of silk net, and entered leaving on the arm of her father, while Miss Edna Dale, of London, played Lohengrin's wedding march. Immediately after the ceremony the bride's sister, Miss Ruby Wilson, sang "All Joy Be Thine." A dainty repast was served in the diningroom. The young couple left for western points, and on their return will take up their residence in Strathroy. Guests were present from London, Toronto, Galt, Kingscourt, Adelaide and Strathroy.

Barnes—Lindsay

A very pretty and quiet wedding was solemnized at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. C. Moore, 312 Hill St., London, on Wednesday, Dec. 10th, when Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. Lindsay, of Thorndale, was married to Mr. Clarence Alvin Barnes of Warwick. The Rev. C. R. Gunne was the officiating clergy. The bride charmingly gowned in navy georgette with pearl trimmings, entered the drawing-room leaning on the arm of her father, to the strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March played by Miss Millie Barnes, sister of the groom. Miss Frances Lindsay, Mr. Melvin Phillips and little Miss Margaret Moore completed the bridal party. After the ceremony a dainty buffet luncheon was served to guests numbering about 30. The popularity of the bride and groom was attested by the beautiful presents they received, many of which were presented at a miscellaneous shower given in honor of the bride a few days previous to the wedding by her young associates and friends. The happy young couple will make their future home in London.

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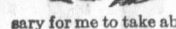
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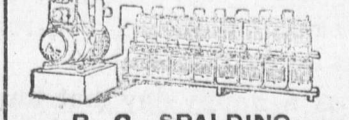
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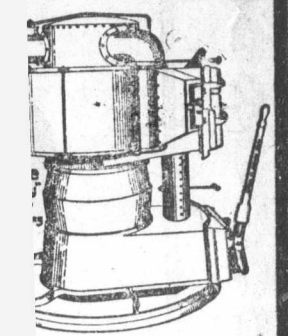
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ALMOST every year thousands of fruit trees are girdled and killed by mice. The species of mouse responsible is not the common house mouse, but the short-tailed field mouse, whose runways may be easily seen in spring in long grass, especially around fence corners. It is grassy fence corners, especially where snake fences are used, that afford the best hiding and breeding places for these mice, hence the sooner such fences can be replaced by wire fences or done away with entirely and the freer the orchard is kept from all sorts of rubbish the easier it will be to combat mice.

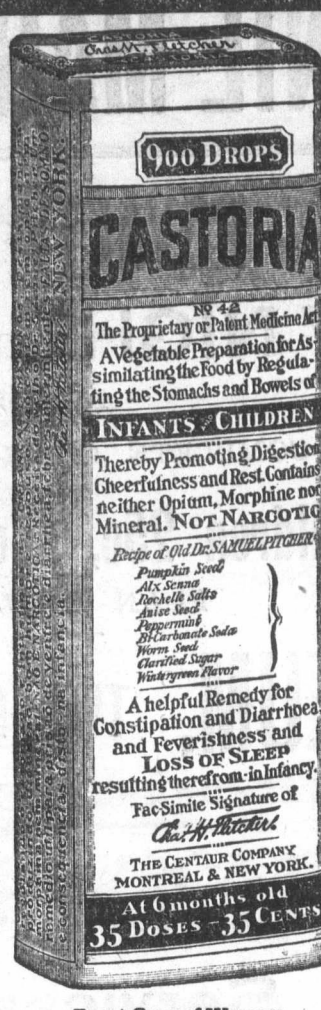
Control Measures.—There are several methods by which almost complete protection from injury may be secured. These are as follows:

1. In autumn remove the sod from around the trees for a distance of about two feet on every side and bank earth up against the trunks to a height of six to ten inches. In doing this do not leave a deep ditch around the tree in which the water may collect, as this would be injurious to the roots.
2. If the ground becomes frozen before the grass can be removed, mound the trees with coal ashes instead of earth, packing them down somewhat firmly so that there may be no runways leading through the grass beneath up to the tree.
3. After the snow has become a foot or so deep or after the first heavy snow storm in winter, tramp the snow firmly around the trunks of the trees. This will close the runways and prevent the mice from working their way to the tree. If a thaw follows and the snow becomes deep it will be necessary to repeat this operation.
4. A popular plan and a good one is to wrap common building paper around the trunk to a height of about twenty inches, or it would do no harm if it went to twenty-four inches or more, as this will also protect the base of the tree from rabbits and from sunscald. The building paper should be put on while the ground is still unfrozen and a little earth should be thrown up around the base to prevent the mice getting in beneath. The part above can be kept in place by fastening it with a common cord. Galvanized wire netting with a mesh of about a quarter of an inch is an excellent substitute for building paper and will last for several years, but the initial cost is much higher than for building paper. Tarpaper is often used, but is sometimes injurious to the trees and therefore cannot be recommended.
5. Occasionally, though very rarely in this province, resort is made to poison to destroy mice. The Washington Department of Agriculture recommends the following poison: "Mix thoroughly one ounce of powdered strychnine (alkaloid), one ounce powdered bicarbonate of soda, and one-eighth ounce (or less) of saccharine. Put the mixture in a tin pepper box (or any perforated tin) and sift it gradually over forty pounds of crushed oats in a metal tub or vessel, mixing the grain constantly so that the poison will be evenly distributed." Place not more than a teaspoonful of this at a place beside the trees, and, if possible, in the mouse runs. To avoid destroying birds the poison should always be covered by a small piece of board with a stone or chip underneath it to keep the board slightly raised from the ground; or it may be put into an old tin such as a tomato can and the edges bent nearly together to keep out birds but to let in mice. A small tile or a broken tile will serve the same purpose. Great caution must, of course, be taken in using such a deadly poison as strychnine.

Sometimes chopped alfalfa hay thoroughly moistened with a solution of the poison made by dissolving one ounce of strychnine (sulphate) in two gallons of hot water is used in place of the above poison. A little of this poisoned hay is placed close to the trunks of the trees late in the fall, and not more than a handful should go to each tree and should be placed down close to the crown so that the mice will be sure to find it. It is better to put a little piece of board on top of it, and under no circumstances should cattle be allowed into an orchard thus treated.

Transplanting Early Crops From the Hotbeds.

Two things are very necessary in this work: one, that the plants get as much air as possible and kept as cool as possible in this way getting them used to night temperature so that when set in the field they will be able to withstand a considerable degree of cold. The other is that of withholding water as much as pos-



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side; this has two direct effects on the plant. One that of enlarging the finer root system, the other that of stiffening the wall cells of the plant, making them more suited to withstand outside conditions. On many occasions it has been proved that a plant, which has only had the water required for its actual growth, the former came through a rather severe cold spell in good shape while the softer, more frequently watered specimen, froze.

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The mother and several other members of the family had died of consumption, and the plague had marked these two girls also for its own; but fortunately they were found in time.

One of them said: "I feel the Hospital has done me a great deal of good; everything is lovely, and I like it awful well." The other: "I have gained twelve pounds, and think I will be able to go home for good in six months."

Such is the work of the Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives. Thousands of grateful patients can testify to the help they have received therein. It costs a great deal of money to carry on the work. Will you help?

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In white, pink, maize, navy and black. These are very dainty and from our best Canadian makers. Sure to be a most acceptable gift. Priced from \$2.95 to \$14.75

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We have been appointed the sole agents for the celebrated Carr's Mackinaw—all-wool coats for men and boys. These are without doubt the finest of their kind in Canada. Boys like them for school or skating; men like them for walking or auto wear. Norfolk or belted style.....\$13.00 to \$18.00

Christmas Suggestions for "Him"

- Scotch Knit Wool Gloves or Mitts.....75c, \$1.00, \$1.50
- Initialed Handkerchiefs35c
- Other lines at.....15c, 20c, 25c, 40c, 50c
- Fownes' Kid Gloves, unlined, silk lined and wool lined.....\$2.00 to \$3.75
- Arm Bands, Hose Supporters, Suspenders, —all good quality elastic, in fancy gift boxes.
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- Silk or Wool Neck Scarfs
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- Piece of Ivory or Ebony Goods.....25c to \$3.50
- A Hymn Book, a Bible or a good Book.

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- Change Purses, Bill Folds, Wallets.....25c to 3.50
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- A Safety Razor.....\$5.00
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