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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.

LAST minute shopping.
SEND in the names of your Christmas visitors.

THE days have started to grow longer—just a minute or two.
ALVINSTON young men will hold a dance on New Year's Eve.

A DRAMATIC performance will be given by Inwood young people for the Patriotic Fund.

OLD KING CHRISTMAS and Old King Coal are commanding considerable attention just now.

TRENOUTH & Co.'s chopping and rolling mill will be in operation next week. See Want column.

AT Peace River Crossing, Alberta, potatoes are worth \$3 a bushel and are hard to get at that price.

COURT LORNE, C.O.F., will meet on Tuesday evening next instead of Monday. Election of officers and other important business.

How would you like to be the Kaiser this Christmas? "Peace on earth," and "Merry Christmas" would sound pretty flat coming from his lips.

ALL horses for the Militia Department will in future be purchased direct from the farmers, thus doing away with the middleman's commission.

OUR local puck-chasers are getting into shape and will give a good account of themselves before the season is over. There'll be no whitewash this year.

REMEMBER the concert for the Belgians on Christmas afternoon. A first-class program. Rev. J. C. Forster will preside. The Armory at 3 o'clock.

THE Christmas music, including the anthems, "Let us go unto Bethlehem," and "Sing and Rejoice," will be repeated in Trinity Church on Sunday evening.

MR. E. D. SWIFT received a cablegram from Dublin on Wednesday, from his son, Capt. T. L. Swift, stating that he was spending Christmas with relatives in Ireland.

A DAIRY or comfortable pair of house slippers would make a very appropriate Christmas gift for wife, husband or children. A bountiful array of styles at P. DODDS & Son's.

THERE will be no war news on Christmas day, the censors are taking a rest of 24 hours to keep Christmas and no war news will be forwarded from 2 o'clock on Thursday until 9 o'clock Christmas night.

THE Industrial Mortgage & Savings Company, Sarnia, Ont., has on hand a large amount of funds for investment in Farm Land Mortgages. Write the Company for particulars. dl8-4t

THANK GOODNESS. While eating Christmas dinner this year, we will not imagine that each mouthful of the fowl tastes of silver. First time in years that poultry could be had at a reasonable price.

THE past week has been a busy one with the Watford merchants and a splendid Christmas trade has been done. The large and attractive stocks carried here are big attraction to the purchasing public.

THE Junior Home Guard of Watford have sent out invitations for a dance to be held in the Armory on Friday evening Jan. 1st, 1915. Shook's orchestra, of Detroit, has been engaged to furnish the music.

THE village of Thamesville is entirely free from debt, the last \$2000 having been wiped out by this year's council. There will be no occasion for an election in that place. Acclamation of the old council would be the proper thing.

THE Women's Institute of Watford have engaged the Mack Concert Co., consisting of a violinist, Highland dancer, pianist, interpretive reader and pianist for a concert on Monday evening, January 11th. Proceeds for Red Cross funds. Particulars later.

THERE will be services in Trinity Church on Christmas Day at 8.30 a.m. and 10 a.m. The choir will be present at the 10 o'clock service, when the anthems will be sung. There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion at each service.

CAPT. C. S. TAMLIN on behalf of Sir Adam Beck, will purchase army remounts at Watford on Thursday next, Dec. 31st. Riding horses must be 5 to 9 years of age, 15 to 15.3 hands, weight 1000 to 1150 lbs. For artillery horses, 5 to 9 years, 15.1 to 15.3 hands, 1150 to 1300 lbs. No light greys or whites taken.

A NEW publication, published in Toronto, was placed before the public this week. It is called "The Canadian War," size, and sells at five cents. It is written and edited voluntarily and printed at the bare cost. All profits that are made go to the war funds. The sole object of this paper is to discuss the Canadian aspects of the war, as an aid to the means of explaining why we are in the conflict now and to the finish. The first number is devoted to the Belgians. Cross, Patriotic Fund and other aspects of Canada's share of the war.

RENEW.
GOOD sleighing for the Christmas rush. PRINCESS PAT'S PETS are now on the fighting line.

FIREWOOD is plentiful this season and low in price.
NOMINATIONS in the Lyceum next Monday night at 7.30.

BELGIAN RELIEF concert in the Armory Christmas afternoon at 3 o'clock.
P. DODDS & SON extend to all their customers the compliments of the season.

IT is many a year since choice poultry has been as plentiful in Watford as it is this week.

THE 24th of December, not the 21st of June, is the longest day in the year for the kiddies.

Those who have hens laying at the present time have something better than the majority of gold mines.

THE Kaiser is in for a sad, sad Christmas but then has he not brought sadness to tens of thousands of others?

NEXT Sunday, Dec. 27th, Rev. F. G. Robinson will occupy the pulpit of the Methodist Church, Forest, at both services.

ONE of the most artistic 1915 calendars seen this year is the one Wm. Williamson, the coal man, distributed to his customers.

THE children of Trinity Church Sunday School were given a Christmas feed on Tuesday evening by the teachers and parents.

TWO or three of "Pastor Russell's" students were at Embro giving phonograph lectures and lime light views, but got little patronage.

THE fact that advertising brings results was made clear to a St. Louis man who advertised for a wife with two children, and got one with seven.

CANADA will probably have to borrow \$100,000,000 a year while the war lasts, is the opinion of Hon. W. T. White, Dominion Minister of Finance.

AN American university professor has explained that German "kultur" means something very different from our culture. We had suspected as much.

MR. MANVILLE J. WILLIAMS, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. S. Williams, of Watford, has been elected Mayor of Kettle Falls, Wash., for the second time.

Following the request from the Sarnia merchants that the Customs regulations be more rigidly enforced, the business men of Pt. Huron are threatening to dismiss all Canadians in their employ.

THERE is nothing nicer for a Christmas present than a handsome piece of china. We have a varied assortment of single pieces and sets at remarkably low prices. Call and see.—P. DODDS & SON.

WHEN the old man remarked: "I see where the allies have attacked the Germans in the flank," his wife who was sitting by knitting replied, "I'm glad of it. I allus did say that the kaiser needed a good spanking."

AMONG the names mentioned by their friends as suitable candidates for municipal honors in Watford are Col. Kenward for Reeve, A. G. Brown, L. H. Cook, R. S. Saunders and W. H. Harper for Councilors. Messrs. Kenward and Harper are retiring members of the Board of Education this year.

THE Christmas number of the Farmer's Advocate, issued last week, is the best holiday publication yet to hand. It is replete with seasonable articles by some of the best Canadian writers, and is splendidly illustrated. Week in and week out the Advocate ranks with the best agricultural publications on the continent.

THE Rev. A. E. Moorehouse, of Forest, will preach in the Lyceum next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and 7 p.m. A special song service will be given, when the Christmas anthems will be repeated and the male quartette will sing. Rev. W. G. Connelly will give a short address and Dr. Geo. Hicks will preside.

MISS NESBITT will have her display of Christmas goods in Harper Bros.' store and will open Saturday, Dec. 5th. Novelty in all new and original designs, all handmade and hand-decorated. Pictures as a gift give lasting pleasure, and I will have many suitable subjects which will find a welcome place in any home. I kindly invite your inspection. n27.5t

THE October number of "The Teller," the neat little periodical published by the Sterling Bank for the benefit of its employees and others interested, is to hand. It is replete with terse information about banking and kindred subjects, and is always welcomed to our desk. The articles in the October issue are particularly interesting. It is published quarterly.

S. STAPLEFORD & SON had the contract this week to supply five hundred turkeys for Hiram Walker & Sons, distillers, Walkerville. The turkeys were packed in fancy boxes accompanied with Christmas greetings and were presented by the firm to their employees. The Walkers sent a man here to superintend the packing.

THE race for spending money needlessly and unprofitably in pleasure and other ways of extravagance has become a disease with too many young persons. Thousands of young persons are regularly spending more weekly in luxuries and what they call a good time than their parents spent in a similar way in a year. Then when the pinch comes, work falls off, or sickness overtakes them they are on their haunches at once.

The
Guide-Advocate
wishes All Its
Readers A
MERRY
CHRISTMAS

REMEMBER the poor.

DOAN & Co., butchers, have a fine display of Christmas beef and poultry.

JOHN MATHEWS wishes all his friends and customers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

WITH Christmas greetings and best wishes for a prosperous Happy New Year.—CARL A. CLASS.

THE local branch of the Sterling Bank is distributing a nice 1915 calendar to its customers. Ask for one.

IF you have anything to sell or want to buy something you cannot locate, try an ad in our Want Column.

ORANGES, candies, nuts, bananas and all the little trimmings you need for Christmas at P. DODDS & SON'S.

IF there is anything you have forgotten to get for Christmas the stores will be open until bedtime this (Thursday) eve.

THE roads are so bad with drifts in places that some of the rural route carriers had to go out with a team on Wednesday.

THE deputy returning officers for the local election are: Div. No. 1, John Bruce; No. 2, C. F. Abbott. Poll clerks, No. 1, F. J. Hughes; No. 2, B. Craig.

THE retiring members of the Board of Education are: Col. Kenward, E. D. Switt, Dr. Hicks, W. H. Harper and S. W. Louks, the latter being a County Council appointee.

MRS. JOHN BRYSON received word from Albany, Oregon, Dec. 23rd, of the death of her mother, widow of the late Wm. Gott, of Strathroy. Two sons and five daughters mourn the loss of a loving, christian mother.

THE Sarnia Observer issued a twenty-eight page Cityhood Commemoration edition this week which is highly creditable to the office and the city. It is profusely illustrated and brim full of valuable information.

THE 13th annual Winter Show of the Lambton Poultry Association will be held in Theford on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Jan. 20, 21 and 22, 1915. Entries must be in the hands of the Sec., A. E. Doan, not later than Jan. 12.

SETTING FIRE to the Christmas pudding dates back to pagan times, when fire worship formed the basis of the Briton's mid-winter festival. You can't do it now because the law prevents you from buying the brandy unless you take your pudding to the bar room and set fire to it there; so another old custom must go to the wall.

ONE of Sarnia's oldest residents in the person of "Jerry" Thatcher passed away Wednesday morning at the General hospital at the advanced age of 87 years and 5 months. Mr. Thatcher was one of the old-time hotelkeepers of Sarnia. He had been a resident of Sarnia for over half a century, and forty-eight years ago he in partnership with Thomas Smith conducted the International hotel, which was located on the property now occupied by St. Andrew's rink on Christina street.

LATER he gave up business and for a number of years was on the Sarnia police force, part of which time he held the office of chief of police. For some time past he had been in failing health, and resided at the General hospital. Mrs. Thatcher predeceased her husband several years ago.

PERSONAL.

Miss Loretta Roche, Parkdale, is home for Christmas.

Miss Reta Logan, Wanstead, is home for Christmas.

Miss Jessie Hume, Markdale, is home for the holidays.

Mr. C. O. Fuller, Saskatoon, is home for Christmas.

Miss Clara Carroll, Ingersoll, is home for the holidays.

Miss Flo Lovell, Clifford, is home for the holidays.

Miss Maud Marwick, Alvinston, is home for Christmas.

Miss Mary Glass, trained nurse, Toledo, is home for Christmas.

Mr. Burton Lucas is home from Toronto Faculty for Christmas.

Frank Lawr, Windsor, is spending Christmas in this vicinity.

Miss Rosa Brown, Arkona, is home for the Christmas holidays.

Burton Mitchell, College of Medicine, Toronto, is home for the holidays.

Miss E. Isabel Harris, Welland, is spending Christmas at her home here.

Mr. John R. Hastings, Petrolia, is visiting his brother, Isaac J. Hastings.

Mrs. (Dr.) Kelly and family are spending Christmas with relatives in Montreal.

Miss Verna Bambridge, teacher in the Wroxeter school, is home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Hyde, Colling, Mich., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Fowler.

Miss Lingelbach, milliner at A. Brown & Co.'s, has returned to her home at Tavistock.

Miss Grace Mead, Miss Jean McKercher and Miss Mary Mansfield are home from London Normal.

the graduation of her niece, Miss Gladys Block, at the Charlotte Englehart Hospital, Petrolia, last week.

Mr. Walter Bole, of the Bole Drug Co., Toronto, accompanied by Mrs. Bole, were visitors in town last week, the guests of Mrs. Hastings, Front street.

Mr. George Rogers, of Calgary, who was in business in Watford in the early days of the town, was here on Tuesday looking up old friends and acquaintances.

Group 10, Intermediate O. H. A.

A meeting was held at Rogers Hotel on Friday evening last when the following schedule was decided on.

Jan. 6—Alvinston at Watford.
Jan. 11—Watford at Sarnia.
Jan. 14—Alvinston at Sarnia.
Jan. 20—Watford at Alvinston.
Jan. 25—Sarnia at Watford.

Referees—W. Hern, Stratford; H. Batholomew, Alvinston; C. Dodds, Watford.

Woodmen Officers for 1915

At the last regular meeting of Watford Camp, No. 23, Woodmen of the World, the following officers were elected:

Past Consul Com. W. E. Fitzgerald
C. C. George H. Brain
Adviser Andrew Harrower
Clerk S. W. Louks
Banker E. Dowling
Escort G. H. Pearce
Watchman V. Lambert
Sentry Russel McCormick
Managers W. McLeay, Nichol
McNee and Absolom Lucas.

BROOKE

Miss Kate Anderson, is home from Toronto.

Miss Annie McDonald is home from Toronto Faculty, for the holidays.

Miss Ruth Davis, Sutorville, is home from Bishop Strachan's school, Toronto, for Christmas.

The Christmas service will be held in St. James' Church, Brooke, on Sunday morning next. The choir will sing appropriate music. There will be a celebration of the holy communion.

The service at Christ Church, Sutorville, next Sunday will be in keeping with the festive season of Christmas. The choir will render special music. There will be a celebration of the Holy Communion.

WARWICK.

Mr. Robert James, Toronto, is home for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Wm. F. Clark, Monticler, Ont., is spending Christmas with relatives here.

J. Elmer Thompson, student at Toronto Dental College, is home for Christmas.

F. L. Kingston and wife, Ford, Ont., are spending their Christmas holidays with friends on the 4th line.

The Sunday School Anniversary Services will be held at the Zion Methodist church, 2nd line, next Sunday, when Rev. A. E. Moorehouse, of Forest, will preach at 2.30 and 7 p.m.

Warwick Methodist Sunday School entertainment in the Orange Hall on Wednesday evening, Dec. 30th. A fine program including the cantata "What Happened to Santa Claus." Admission 15 cents. Everybody come.

The presentation of the long service medal to Pte. Charles Stewart has been postponed until some time next month when a social evening will be held by the Home Guard and an interesting program given.

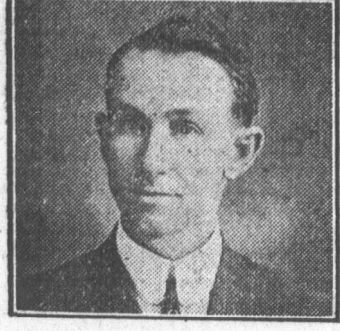
The Christmas tree and entertainment in connection with Zion Methodist Sunday school, 2nd line, was held on Tuesday evening and, despite disagreeable weather and rather poor sleighing, was a big success in every way. An excellent program was presented, varied in its character, and every number was well received. The Watford High School Dramatic Club gave the force, "When Your Wife's Away," in a manner that called forth eulogy from all present, each actor performing his or her part as if ever given at an entertainment in this district. The orchestra gave some good music, and at the close of the program Santa Claus made the hearts of the little ones glad with a profusion of presents.

The nomination meeting will be held on Monday at noon, in the town hall. Hopes are entertained that arrangements will be arrived at so that the Reeve and Council will be elected by acclamation. Council will be elected by acclamation. On account of the war this course is being followed in many municipalities. At the present time it is said that B. B. Dann will oppose W. G. Hall, the present Reeve. For the deputy Reeve's chair the only new name mentioned so far for Councilor is Wm. Parker. If the aspirants and their supporters would get together no doubt matters could be arranged to make an acclamation and the money thus saved could probably be used for patriotic purposes. The donated to the Council has given good satisfaction and there does not seem to be any demand on the part of the ratepayers at large for a change.

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Suffered Terribly for 15 Years Until He Tried "Fruit-a-tives"



D. A. WHITE, Esq.

21 WALLACE AVE., TORONTO, Dec. 22nd, 1913.

"Having been a great sufferer from Asthma for a period of fifteen years (sometimes having to sit up at night for weeks at a time) I began the use of 'Fruit-a-tives'. These wonderful tablets relieved me of indigestion, and through the continued use of same, I am no longer distressed with that terrible disease, Asthma, thanks to 'Fruit-a-tives' which are worth their weight in gold to anyone suffering as I did. I would heartily recommend them to all sufferers from Asthma, which I believe is caused or aggravated by indigestion."

For Asthma, for Hay Fever, for any trouble caused by excessive nervousness due to impure blood, faulty digestion or constipation, take 'Fruit-a-tives' 50c. a box, 6 for \$2.50, trial size, 25c. At all dealers or from Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa.

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Table with 4 columns: Space, One Year, Half Year, 3 Months. Rows for One column, Half column, One-fourth column, and Shorter periods.

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

Local Advertising—First insertion per line, 10 cents; subsequent insertions 4 cents each time per line. Advertisements 14 lines and under, per year \$5.00.

Advertisers—\$5.00 a year. Local—10c. per line each insertion. Minimum charge 20 cents.

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

HARRIS & CO. PROPRIETORS

Guide-Advocate

HARRIS & CO. PROPRIETORS. WATFORD, DECEMBER 25, 1914.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

Reverberating down through the ages of the past nineteen hundred years comes that sweet message which the Guide-Advocate to-day repeats most sincerely to its readers. And with the constant repetition of the words who can doubt but that the wish has grown stronger in strength and sincerity, and with its glad refrain the hearts of mankind have been softened, and made more fittingly the temple of the Holy Child, whose advent caused the utterance.

About this great Christmas festival there is something irresistibly appealing. People of all ages and climes, Christian and heathen alike, are carried away by the sublimity of its influence. It is the greatest educative power extant in the universe in the direction of better feeling and nobler impulses. It brings the agnostic down from the towering heights of his self-sufficiency, and it raises if only for a spell the sordid wretch in whom all the finer feelings, seemed blunted. Upon one common platform it places them together, where they can look afresh upon the glory of ideal existence.

Like the fragrant perfume of a flower, the influence of that day, and the life which opened in it at Bethlehem has crept out through the world, and all other odors are measured by its standard of sweetness.

there is a hand-clasp and a wish which links them all in some way with the man Christ Jesus, the hope of the world and the shadow of a great rock in a weary land. It is with glad hearts therefore that christian people can joyfully celebrate the great festival of Christmas. The forces which have done so much in the past to spread the "peace on earth" story are assuredly gathering impetus as never before. Whatever may be said of the dark places the army of light is advancing with enthusiasm to the time when everything that hath breath shall praise the Lord.

Therefore let us all be joyful; let us all be genuine and real in the wishing of A Merry Christmas. And in that wish The Guide-Advocate most sincerely joins. Merry Christmases you have had, dear reader; merrier ones may you have in the future.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Since the Czar abolished the liquor traffic, the savings banks in Russia show an increase of over \$3,000,000 in deposits for the month of September.

It is generally understood that when the Ontario Legislature meets next session liquor license legislation shortening the hours of sale and possibly the increasing of license fees will come up for consideration as war measures.

Niagara Falls students are happy now that the ban on the tango and kindred dances has been lifted. Properly danced, it is difficult to see any objection to the modern inventions of the ballroom, other than that they are too intricate to be performed successfully by the average person. When one witnesses a short stout man and a tall slim woman gliding or attempting to glide through the mazes of the Argentine tango, the maxine and other puzzlers, the effect, to say the least, is amusing.

Peterboro Examiner: Why not give the vote to married women who pay taxes and have a right to be represented? More; why not extend the franchise to all women on the same terms as to men under the manhood suffrage principles? No body of women voters could make worse use of the franchise—judging by results—than men now do. We couldn't have generally more inefficient municipal councils, if women had the vote than we have now with the "lords of creation," monopolizing the muddling of the situation.

The following from the Berlin Kreuz Zeitung seems a typical indication of the German attitude:—"Speaking frankly, and as true Germans, we would see every monument, every stone that tells the history of France, every picture, though it be a work of semi-divine conception, utterly destroyed rather than that the glorious work that has been given to the German race to perform in the world should be hindered by even so much as one hour's delay. The world can be revitalized, society ennobled and refined, only through the German spirit. The world must, for its own salvation, be Germanized."

Philadelphia Evening Ledger:—Only a few weeks ago Belgium was one of the happiest nations upon earth. Her population was industrious and frugal, her manufacturers were humming the song of prosperity, her homes were snug and happy. There was an air of contentment and a sane and healthy enjoyment in living such as few other communities might boast. Then the invader, the reek of blood, the glare of flaming cities, the desolation of ruined homes, with the unspeakable sequence of famine and despair. And all because the prosperous little land lay in path of the red-fanged demon of war. To-day the Belgians are the wards of the whole world. - If the brave men and women of other lands shall desert them now it will be fouler even than the atrocities and barbarities of the war itself.

Asthma Can be Cured. Its suffering is as needless as it is terrible to endure. After its many years of relief of the most stubborn cures no sufferer can doubt the perfect effectiveness of Dr. J. D. Keillogg's Asthma Remedy. Comfort of body and peace of mind return with its use and nights of sound sleep come back for good. Ask your druggist; he can supply you.

The Renovation of Neglected Orchards

Bulletin Number 79 of the Experimental Farm is entitled "Renovation of the Neglected Orchards." It has been prepared by M. B. Davis, B. S. A., Assistant to the Dominion Horticulturist. Special attention is given to the following practices: Heading back old trees; thinning, scraping, cleaning and tree surgery; cultivation and cover crops; systems of cultivation; fertilization; spraying and thinning fruit. The bulletin is generously illustrated. It has been prepared with a view of showing how, by a reasonable amount of labour and care, profitless old orchards, which are a menace to the local orchard industry, may be made a remunerative part of the farm and a credit to the neighbourhood. Copies of this bulletin are available at the Publications Branch of the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.

Canada's Gallant Contingent

This excellent selection appeared in the Cheltenham, England, Echo, recently, and was received from that place by Mrs. Geo. H. Wilson, 2nd con., Bosanquet, from her father, Mr. Lewis.

God bless you, dear Canadians, We'll cheer you with a will; "It's a long way to Tipperary," But you've come farther still. You're ready to bear the hardships, You're ready to bear the brunt; You're ready to fight for Britain— You're going to the front.

We cheer you, brave Canadians, Now staying on Salisbury Plain. You, Dominion's gallant contingent, God send you home again. We'll pray for you in the churches, We'll help you to bear the brunt; Oh, God bless every one of you That's going to the front.

God bless you, strong Canadians, To fight hard, with a will; "It's a long way to Tipperary," But send Germans farther still. You're ready to bear the hardships, You're ready to bear the brunt, You're ready to fight for Britain— You're going to the front.

God speed you, true Canadians, And may you all come back; But fight those cowardly Germans, No matter how they attack. We'll cheer you as you're marching, Your work you will not shunt; God bless, help, and keep you — Canadians for the front.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven Catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only Constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address: F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

BOSANQUET COUNCIL

Council met on the 10th inst. All the following communications were received; from the Hospital Board of Petrolia inviting the Council to attend the graduating exercises of nurses on the evening of Friday, the 18th inst.; from the Provincial Entomologist advising receipt of the scale inspector's expense account; from the Stewart Award Drain enters his having dug a ditch on the road for water and got into a catchbasin, which drain, he says, has been filled in and that unless it is cleaned out he will build a drain along the fence to force the water down the road ditch. No action. The commissioners of the Grant Drain reported that the contractor be paid in full. The engineer's report for the repair of the Trick drain was read and adopted.

D. K. Stewart made application to have the Sloan-Russell drain repaired by putting tile into the drain from the point where the Stewart Award Drain enters it westerly so as to give a proper outlet to the Award Drain and the clerk was instructed to notify the engineer to examine the drain, make profile, report, etc. for the work. Council adjourned to meet on Tuesday, the 15th inst. GEO. SUTHERLAND, Clerk.

From Old Subscribers

T. H. Collier writes from Vancouver under date of Dec. 9th:—Enclosed find money order for annual subscription of the Watford Weekly Letter, the "Guide-Advocate," the fee is scarcely the price of the stamps required for an ordinary letter, and we would not want to be without the home sheet. I am sending you a couple of pansies which I just ran out and picked in the open garden on the west side of the house. It is like April weather here to-day.

Complete in itself, Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator does not require the assistance of any other medicine to make it effective. It does not fail to do its work.

Advertisement for Chamberlain's Tablets. Includes illustration of a family and text: "No more Dyspepsia for Us! There isn't a member of the family need suffer from indigestion, sick headaches, biliousness, fermented stomach, etc., if he or she will take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They cleanse the stomach and bowels and stimulate the liver to healthy activity and tone up the whole system. Take one at night and you're RIGHT in the morning. All druggists, 25c., or by mail from Chamberlain Medicine Company, Toronto. 16"

Advertisement for The Bell Telephone Co. of Canada. Includes illustration of a telephone and text: "Business is Waiting—Telephone for it. Business may be quieter than two years ago, yet there is no cause for depression. Crops are good and already business is waking up. Call your customers by long distance telephone. Dispel their gloom by the hearty spoken word. Keep both yourself and them posted on prices and general conditions, and there will be no slowing up in your business. The economy of telephone selling makes it a welcome aid to business just now. The long distance telephone is the proven ally of economical business. Every Bell Telephone is a Long Distance Station. The Bell Telephone Co. OF CANADA."

Advertisement for N. B. Howden Est. Christmas Buying. Includes text: "CHRISTMAS BUYING DO IT EARLY AND GET THE LARGEST CHOICE SILVERWARE Fruit Spoons, \$1.00 to \$2.00; Cold Meat Forks, \$1.00 to \$1.50; Butter Knives, 75c. and \$1.00; Table, Dessert and Tea Spoons, Cream Ladles, Baby Spoons, etc., in 'Old Colony' pattern. 1847 goods. CHINA A full assortment of French and English china bought at prices before the war raised importing costs. BRASS GOODS Hot Water Kettles, Fern Pots, Jardiniers, Trays, Smoking Sets, etc. Special prices on nickel-plated Trays. N. B. HOWDEN EST. WE are pleased to note that, during 1914, in our business relations, we have made many friends, to whom we are glad to express OUR MOST HEARTY GOOD WISHES FOR A Merry Christmas Watford Planing Mills and Electric Light Co. GEO. CHAMBERS PROPRIETOR"

Advertisement for Vapo-Cresolene. Includes text: "WHOOPING COUGH ASTHMA BRONCHITIS CATARRH OF THE THROAT Vapo-Cresolene EST. 1878 A simple, safe and effective treatment avoiding drugs. Vaporized Cresolene stops the spasms of Whooping Cough and relieves Spasmodic Croup at once. It is a boon to sufferers from Asthma. The air carrying the antiseptic vapor, inhaled with every breath, soothes the sore throat, loosens the cough, and is harmless to mothers and young children. Send us postal for descriptive booklet made by our own experts. VAPOR-CRESOLINE CO. 1111-1113 St. John St. Montreal, Que."

Advertisement for Carl Clas Jeweler. Includes text: "However; After all is said and done there is nothing that will take the place of good Glasses. One may move near the light or bring the light nearer to them, they may twist and turn the book or paper, they may do as they please, yet, if the eye need Glasses they must have them otherwise there is the inevitable eye strain, followed by headache. Why not avoid all this discomfort by coming to us. We are here to help eyes. CONSULTATIONS FREE CARL CLAS JEWELER ISSUER OF MARRIAGE LICENSE"

Advertisement for H. Schlem Piano. Includes text: "PIANO Bell, Gerhardt, Heintzman, M. Orme. Organs Sewing Machine White, Standard, and New Rotaries, Raymond and Williams. Kennew Standard Gasoline Start without cranking Kennew Standard Cream Seal Best by every test Gramophones, Records and of all kinds. H. Schlem"

Advertisement for Pills for Nerve. Includes text: "TO THE MOTHERS BRAVE VOLUNT Are These Lines Affectionate Like a low-sounding echo from afar Is the voice of our boys w to the war. In far-distant vision their hold In martial array and wit bold. For King and for country stand, Their loud-sounding praise over the land. With earnest ambition to join like men who are watching the day. The war still is raging, th The demand is urging bo the proud; From ocean to ocean the The ranks they are filli gade. The task it is mighty, bu done, The foe must be conqu be won, The day-star of freedom cease, While Britain remains, peace. 'Tis not for ourselves t But those who in weak has raged, Then down with the t ed must be free, The weak shall be a jubilee. The war will be over return, And if for the absmo mourn, With this consolation cheer'd, In the high cause memory endears (REV.) Pills for Nerve smach is the cen system, and when t Healthy action the 1 disturbances of the 1 persist, nervous det ment, may ensue. sation is to restore t action, and there 1 for this than Ferni Thousands can get pills in curing ner"

WHOOPING COUGH... Vapo-Cresolene... A simple, safe and effective treatment...

However; After all is said and done there is nothing that will take the place of good Glasses...

CARL CLASS JEWELER ISSUER OF MARRIAGE LICENSES

PIANOS Bell, Gerhardt, Heintzman, Marten Orme. Organs Sewing Machines...

H. Schlemmer

TO THE MOTHERS OF OUR BRAVE VOLUNTEERS Are These Lines Affectionately Dedicated Like a low-sounding echo which comes from afar...

Pills for Nervous Troubles.—The stomach is the centre of the nervous system...

BY-LAW NO. 16

A. By-Law to raise \$5,000 to pay for the construction of a vitrified tile drain in the north part of the Village of Watford.

being the aggregate amount for principal and interest to be paid in each year according to the statute in such case made and provided.

1. That the said work mentioned in the recitals hereto, be undertaken and constructed, and the expenses connected therewith, paid, and the debentures of the Municipality to be issued...

2. It shall be lawful for the Reeve of the said Municipality for the purposes aforesaid to borrow the sum of Five Thousand Dollars...

3. The said debentures shall be payable at the office of the Treasurer of the Village of Watford.

4. It shall be lawful for the Reeve of the said Municipality and he is hereby authorized and instructed to sign and cause to be signed...

5. The said debentures shall be payable on the Thirty-first day of December, in each of the Twenty years hereinafter mentioned.

PROVISIONALLY passed this seventh day of December, A. D. 1914. FINALLY passed this... day of January, A. D. 1915.

MILADY'S CHAPEAU

This Season Almost Any Attractive Style Will Pass Muster.

VELVET HATS PREDOMINATE.

Fancy Effects Are Favored, and Gold and Silver Braid and Tinsel Fabrics Are Popular Trimmings—Jet Devices Favor With Metallic Ornaments.

The present season is made more interesting by reason of the wide range of styles, says the Millinery Trade Review.

While black velvet seems to predominate, there are smart combinations of fine felts and velvet, as well as velour du nord, netters and heavy pile plushes.

For trimming ostrich is decidedly to the fore in popularity. Small tips, bands and fancy effects are leading in



ATTRACTIVE VELVET MODEL.

favor, a pink ostrich band being used effectively to trim a large black velvet picture hat.

Among the novelties introduced this season metallic ornaments of colored jet fill an important place. These are in the shape of birds, bands and innumerable fancy effects.

Some people complain that children nowadays are taught too many things—that they get a smattering of ever so many subjects and learn none of them properly...

Versatile Children.

Useful in Camp.—Explorers, surveyors, prospectors and hunters will find Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil very useful in camp.

will be able to take an intelligent interest in all these things, and, though they may not become millionaires, it is better to be versatile, intelligent, broad minded, evenly developed, happy men and women than to be only rich.

Gas When Cooking.

One of the simplest means of effecting a saving of gas is to plan to cook at the same time a number of dishes that require a long, slow fire, such as baked beans, brown bread or rice pudding.

Golfing Faults.

There are three main causes for golfing faults that I have noted in my experience with the game.

The first is "looking up," or moving the head.

The second is swaying or shifting the body in advance of the arms, thereby spoiling the timing of the swing.

The third is loss of confidence in making a shot, especially upon the putting green.

The first of these is a combination of the physical and the mental. More bad shots are made from "looking up"—not looking at the ball—than any other one factor.—Jerome D. Travers in American Magazine.

Abie Martin's Wise Sayings.

In the American Magazine Abie Martin says: "There's no congestion o' traffic on Easy street."

"A firm chin is helpless without a stiff upper lip."

"A loafer must feel funny when a holiday comes along."

"Tell Binkley found \$2 in a ole vest yesterday an' he can't think who he owes 'em to."

"It's nice t' live in a little town where you don't have t' give somebody a dime t' hold your overcoat."

"What's become o' th' ole fashioned girl that used t' say, 'Lips that touch wine shall never touch mine?'"

Carved by the Sea.

The great English channel is believed to be the product of sea erosion. Formerly the British Isles were firmly connected with the continent, but changes of level led to the formation of the southern part of the North sea, and then, as the geological writer has said, the North sea waves battered the chalky neck lying between what is now England and Europe, while simultaneously the Atlantic assailed it from the other side until the channel was "bored through," leaving the cliffs of Dover on one side and those of the French coast on the other.

But on both shores the assault is still going on, and the channel is slowly widening.—New York Journal.

Ireland's Stirring Song.

The origin of the unofficial anthem of Ireland, "St. Patrick's Day in the Morning," is most obscure. The earliest known copy appears in Rutherford's "Country Dances," published in 1743, but it is said to have been played by the Irish pipers at the battle of Fontenoy in 1745 and was probably current for some time before this.

The tune is found attached to various rollicking old English songs. The Cumberland song of faithless Barbary Bell, whose lover vows to wear a red coat for her sake, is sung to a version of "St. Patrick's Day," the words "Barbary Bell's my darling" being substituted in the chorus for "Patrick's day in the morning."—London Tatler.

LIFE'S PATH OF DUTY.

The true, plain path is well doing—not brilliant doing, but well doing the work of life with a willing mind, a loving heart, with both hands, earnestly—diligence in getting good, being good, doing good.

In this world all the grand prizes go to a few brilliant people. But what a blessing it is to us, the dim million, to know that God recognizes patient merit and that the grandest prizes of all are not kept for the brilliant, but for the faithful! —W. L. Watkinson.

Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills

are just the right medicine for the children. When they are constipated—when their kidneys are out of order—when over-indulgence in some favorite food gives them indigestion—Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills will quickly and surely put them right.

Will You Help The Hospital for Sick Children, the Great Provincial Charity?

Dear Mr. Editor:—Thanks for the privilege of appealing through your columns on behalf of the Hospital for Sick Children.

The Hospital takes care of sick and deformed children, not only in Toronto, but in the Province, outside of the city.

This coming year, of all the years in the Hospital's history, has a more serious outlook, as regards funds for maintenance, than any year that has passed its calendar.

So many calls are being made on the purses of the generous people of Toronto and Ontario, to help the soldiers of the Empire, that as I make my daily rounds through the wards of the Hospital, and see the suffering children in our cots and beds, the thought strikes me as to whether the people will as of old, with all the demands made upon them, answer our appeal and help to maintain the institution that is fighting in the never-ending battle with disease and death, in its endeavor to save the stricken little ones in the child-life of Ontario.

Last year there were 394 in-patients from 210 places outside of Toronto, and in the past twenty years there have been 7,000 from places in the Province other than Toronto.

It costs us \$2.34 per patient per day for maintenance. The municipalities pay for patients \$1 per patient per day; the Government allows 20 cents per patient per day; so, deducting \$1.20 from \$2.34, it leaves the Hospital with \$1.14 to pay out of subscriptions it receives from the people of Toronto and the Province. The shortage last year ran to \$18,000.

Since 1880 about 1,000 cases of club feet, bow legs and knock knees have been treated, and of these 900 had perfect correction. Nearly all these were from different parts of the Province outside of the city of Toronto.

Remember that every year is a war year with the Hospital; every day is a day of battle; every minute the Hospital needs money, not for its own sake, but for the children's sake. The Hospital is the battle-ground where the Armies of Life have grappled with the Hosts of Death, and the life or death of thousands of little children is the issue that is settled in that war.

Will you let the Hospital be driven from the field of its battle to save the lives of little children for the lack of money you can give and never miss?

Every dollar may prove itself a draught in the battle against death, a flagship in the fleet that fights for the lives of little children.

Remember that the door of the Hospital's mercy is the door of hope, and your dollar, kind reader, may be the key that opens the door for somebody's child.

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

FARM FOR SALE

WEST HALF OF LOT 3, CON. 4, S. E. R., Watford, 100 acres, all under cultivation. On the premises are a good frame house, frame barn with stable and granary, well fenced and tiled driveway. Two acres orchard, very best of home farm land, well watered by creek running through it. Situated in one of the best localities in the township for cultivation or grazing purposes. For further particulars apply to J. P. HILL, Watford, July 24th, 1914.

HARRY WILLIAMSON

Sleigh Manufacturer; Rippling, Turning, Planing, etc., and all kinds of general repairing will receive our best attention. ST. CLAIR ST. WATFORD (OLD SALVATION ARMY BARRACKS)

60 YEARS' EXPERIENCE PATENTS TRADE MARKS DESIGNING COPYRIGHTS &c. Useful in Camp.—Explorers, surveyors, prospectors and hunters will find Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil very useful in camp.

Guide-Advocate

HARRIS & CO. PROPRIETORS. WATFORD, DECEMBER 25, 1914.

"Doesn't Believe in War"

We know a farmer who would give nothing towards the Patriotic Fund "because he does not believe in war." When bugs attack his potatoes he does not hesitate to sprinkle Paris Green on the vines. He does not believe in bugs ravaging his potato patch and so he goes out to kill them. If the army worm arrived at his farm he would not hesitate to make trenches and dig holes that he might mobilize the enemy and then burn them. He does not believe in the army worm destroying his crops and so he would stop at nothing to destroy the army worm. But if an enemy came to attack himself personally, his family, his race or his nation, he would change his logic and tactics at once. He would say, "I don't believe in war, therefore, I shall not take a hand in or encourage it in any way. I shall not even help those who go out to fight for me." That is to say he will not do for himself what he would do for his potatoes or his wheat. He does not believe in potato bugs or the army worm and therefore he kills them to save his potatoes and grain. He does not believe in war, therefore he will not kill anyone to save himself and his country. Perhaps we are mistaken in saying he lacks logic. A man like that is not of as much use to his country as his potatoes and wheat are. They will help the saviors of our country and that is more than he will do. He "doesn't believe in war." Neither does Kitchener or Asquith or Joffre or the Czar of Russia. Neither does anyone else except the Nietzsche or Nietzsche and their disciples, who educated a generation or two of Germans to believe in it. It is the men who know most about it who believe least in it. They do not believe in potato bugs either, or the peaweevil or the army worm. It is because they do not believe in these things that they fight them.

CHOP STUFF.

Bread has dropped a cent in Amherstburg. Noah Edmunds, Petrolia, is dead, aged 79 years. Baldry and Ellis have been granted a pool and billiard license at Forest. Mr. Adam Armstrong, 6th line, Plympton, is dead. He was unmarried. Wyoming is to have a brass band under the leadership of O. E. McIntosh. The pupils of S. S. No. 2, Metcalfe, are making a quilt for the refugee Belgians. Eight Wheatley boys, 14 to 18, are under arrest for burglarizing a store in that town. D. N. Munroe, of Glencoe, sold a registered shorthorn to the Minister of Agriculture for Alberta. The Thamesville Herald appears in a new dress this week. Good to be able to afford this at the Christmas season. James and John Bennett have purchased the sale and feed stables of the Prangley House, Strathroy, from R. Gough. Mr. Peter McEwen, of Plympton, exhibited his herd of Berkshires at the Ontario Winter Fair and captured about a dozen prizes. The Donnelly Hotel at Appin is closed as a public house, and the village is now in need of a house of accommodation for the travelling public. Sarnia on New Year's Day will have its first city election, and at that time will cast aside its Reeves and have but a Mayor and twelve Aldermen. A vote will be taken at the municipal elections in Strathroy on the question—"Should married women be allowed to vote at the municipal elections?" Twenty boys in the town of Exeter collected \$29.63 in coppers. This money was spent in purchasing 120 pairs of stockings for the Belgian children. Dr. Andrew Wigle, of Kingsville, ran a knife blade right through his hand while working in his dental laboratory on Saturday. It bled profusely, but he suffered no serious injury other than being unable to carry on his work for some weeks. Wm. T. Gregory, of Leamington, has informed the officer commanding the 18th Batt., in camp at London, that when the Battalion leaves for the front he has a pair of 50c socks ready for each man, 1,100 pairs in all. There is one man at least in the county of Middlesex, who can say that his family is well represented on the battle line in Europe. He is Charles Rush, reeve of Newbury and a member of the county council. Mr. Rush has fifteen nephews and one brother-in-law with the Canadian expeditionary forces. Some of these are with the first contingent at Salisbury Plains. Others are "in the thick of it" with the allied forces at the front.

IT IS CHRISTMAS AGAIN

THE hour when the whirring machines will be hushed is drawing near; when the busy work-a-day world will lay down its tools, its cares and forget. Silently across the snows of memory—in the singing voices of little children—the little gusts that sift the snow in cottony drifts across the roof—in the crackle and snap of green logs—comes the spirit of Christmas, ages old. It has come to make us conscious of the Old Year's blessings, of a fate that has smiled so kindly upon us, a year that has been good. It brings us prospects of another year. It brings joy and gladness to our hearts—our homes and lives. It makes us feel better towards our fellow man. We are glad. We wish there was some medium through which we could send you the Good Will Thoughts as we think them ourselves—to make you feel the spirit of Christmas-tide as we feel it—and to give you your share of all goodthings of this Lovable Old Season. And so, good friends, amid the tinkle of bells, the hustling crowds and the smiling faces hurrying homeward, laden with kind thoughts for others and loving hearts and hands that wish you well, may our good wishes too, find you and make the occasion all the happier. Accept then our Bountiful Wishes. May they be harbingers of the Merriest Merry Christmas ever and the Happiest New Year you have known. Your Comrades in Good Cheer,

SWIFT, SONS & CO.

War Summary

Dec. 21.—The Germans have evacuated Dixmude. Retrograd claims also to have repulsed another attempted sortie from Przemysl and to have captured a large number of Austrians. Standing out prominently from among the claims and counterclaims of the Germans and Allies of successes won or attacks repulsed on the battle line in Flanders and France, is the German admission of the French assertion that the Germans have lost a trench some 180 feet in length to the southeast of Bethune. In Poland the Russians are preparing strong positions near Rawa and Nida. "We are attacking them everywhere," says the last German official report of the situation in the east. From Athens it is reported that the allied fleet had bombarded the interior forts of the Dardanelles but no details of the bombardment are given. Dec. 22.—Both German and French official statements clearly show that operations of great severity are in progress, but they differ with regard to the results achieved. The French claim advances all along the line, the capture by the British troops of trenches previously lost, and the repulse of attacks by the Germans aimed at the retaking of trenches which have fallen to the Allies during the last day or two. To the south of Novon, also, the French claimed to have gained a foothold in the first line of the German trenches. There is no mention made by the French of any repulse of the allied forces. The German official statement tells of the dislodgement in the neighborhood of the canal of La Bassee of the Anglo-Indian troops and a capture of their trenches, with the infliction of heavy losses and the capture of prisoners. To the northeast of Chalons, in the neighborhood of Souain, also, the Germans claim to have captured trenches from the French, who left many prisoners in their hands and a large number of dead in front of their positions. Dec. 23rd.—In the east, both in Poland and Galicia battles are still being fought, with few details being made public as to the outcome. Germany claims to have succeeded in getting troops across branches of the Buzra and Rawka rivers, while the Russian official statement describes fierce encounters along the left bank of the Vistula River, between its lower course and the Piiica, in all of which the Germans are reported to have been repulsed. A newspaper dispatch reports that nearly 1,000 Austrian troops have been killed or injured in a collision between two trains in Russian Poland. Lieut.-Commander Norman B. Holbrook, who commanded the British submarine B-11, which recently made its way through a series of mines guarding the Dardanelles and sank the Turkish battleship Mesudieh, has been awarded the Victoria Cross. Of nearly 500,000 wounded soldiers treated in French hospitals between September 15 and November 30, less than 21.2 per cent died. A German wireless dispatch says that another German aeroplane has flown over Dover, England, and dropped bombs. It also reconnoitered the position of the British fleet. Paris, Dec. 23.—The following official statement was issued this evening: "The progress of our attacks between the Meuse and the Forest of the Argonne has been almost entirely maintained. According to the latest news our front in

this region has reached the barbed wire entanglements of the enemy at the salient angle southwest of the wood of Forgen (east of Culey) and lined the road leading to the Forest of Bourelles. "There is no notable incident to report." Berlin, Dec. 23.—To-day's official statement said: "Attacks in the region of Lombaertzyde and to the south of Bixchoote have been easily repulsed by us. At Richebourg L'Avoue the English again were driven from their positions yesterday."

BORN.

In Brooke, on Saturday, Dec. 12th, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Beattie, a son. On December 13th to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Anderson, 2nd line Plympton, a son. On Dec. 11th to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Garnham, Wanstead, a daughter. In Brooke, on Monday, Dec. 14th, to Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Gilroy, a son. In Brooke, on Saturday, Dec. 12, to Mr. and Mrs. John Barrett, a son. In Brooke, on Sunday, Dec. 13, to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hansford, a son. In Brooke, on Thursday, Dec. 10, 1914 to Mr. and Mrs. W. Roland, a son. At Aberfeldy, on Wednesday, Dec. 9th, to Mr. and Mrs. Earl Routley, a daughter. In Warwick, on Friday, Dec. 11th, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. W. McKorie, a daughter. In Bosanquet, on Friday, Dec. 11th, to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Totten, a son. In Warwick, on Monday, Dec. 21st, to Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Aitken, a daughter.

MARRIED.

In the Congregational Church, Watford, on Wednesday, Dec. 23rd, 1914, by Rev. R. Stevenson, Mr. James Oliver Brush, of Warwick, to Miss Lucinda Jane Richardson, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Richardson, Warwick.

DIED.

In Warwick, on Tuesday Dec. 15th, Annie Young, relict of the late Thos. Marshall, in her 82nd year. In Petrolia, on Friday Dec. 11th, Noah Edmunds, in his 79th year. In Alvinston, on Thursday, Dec. 10th, Christiana Rickard, aged 76 years, 7 months and 8 days. At Marthaville, on Sunday, Dec. 13th, Robert Frazer, in his 72nd year.

The Ontario Cabinet

Prime minister and president of the executive council—Hon. W. H. Hearst. Attorney-general—Hon. I. B. Lucas. Minister of education—Hon. Dr. Pyne. Provincial secretary—Hon. W. J. Hanna. Minister of agriculture—Hon. James Duff. Minister of public works—Hon. Finlay Macdonald. Minister of lands, forests and mines—Hon. G. Howard Ferguson. Provincial treasurer—Hon. T. W. McGarry. Without portfolio—Hon. J. J. Foy and Hon. K. F. Preston. Trade in Watford and you will go home satisfied.

WANT COLUMN.

THE undersigned wishes a number of cattle to feed this winter.—HUGH R. CLARK, R. K. No. 2, Watford.

FOR SALE.—1 heifer, coming in in March; 3 yearlings, 4 calves.—Apply to JOHN BARTLEY, Watford.

CHARLEY GAY, from Windsor city, has bought out Tom Lee, and will do family or individual laundry at low rates. Best work guaranteed. All owing Tom Lee must pay at once as he is going to leave town. 023-8.

HAVING fitted up the old Salvation Army barracks with first-class machinery I am now prepared to do all kinds of repair work at a very reasonable figure. Also turning, planing, ripping and sleigh manufacturing.—HARRY WILLIAMSON, 023-8.

PRIVATE and other money to loan on farm property. Two 100-acre farms and two 50-acre farms near Watford and several other farms in this vicinity and some dwelling house properties and business properties in Watford for sale. Apply to W. E. FITZGERALD, Watford.

TO THE FARMING COMMUNITY.—After a long delay, through no fault of ours, we are again ready to chop and roll, commencing Monday, Dec. 28th. Thanking you for your patronage and hoping to still receive a share of your rolling and chopping, which will have our prompt attention. Wishing you the compliments of the season.—TRESOUTH & CO.

TICKETS will be issued by the G. T. R. for the holiday season as follows:—For Christmas, single fare going Dec. 24th and 25th good for return Dec. 26th; fare and a third, good going Dec. 22, 23, 24 and 25, good for return Dec. 28th. For New Year, single fare going Dec. 31 and Jan. 1st good for return Jan. 2nd, fare and one-third good going Dec. 30, 31 and Jan. 1st good for return Jan. 4th. Students tickets good from Dec. 1st to Jan. 1st good to return Jan. 31st at fare and one-third. Holders must have certificate.

It is estimated by Government inspectors that the hog cholera outbreak in Essex county has to-day cost the farmers over \$10,000. With a continuance of the cold weather, however, it is believed that the epidemic will soon be completely stamped out.

On the Sarnia market Saturday Health Inspector Crosbie stopped the sale of turkeys that had evidently suffered from disease before they were killed and marketed. A few days ago a pig was sold on the market, the flesh of which was not fit for human food.

That august body, known as Essex County Council, has opened its heart to the extent of \$6,000 which sum has been appropriated to the Patriotic funds. For downright niggardliness their act cannot be duplicated on the earth's surface, and the bunch responsible for this misrepenting and insulting the loyal citizens of this wealthy county should be relegated to municipal obscurity. Essex county should have given \$25,000 at least.—Leamington Post.

All the cats in Germany are to be killed to furnish fur linings for the coats of soldiers. As the Kaiser is reported to have said he was going to win, even if he had to enlist the cats and dogs of the country, isn't he beginning to use up his reserves in a rather extravagant manner.

Advertisement for 'The Quality Grocery' featuring 'Pure Fresh Goods' and 'Exceptional Values'. The ad includes illustrations of various grocery items like tea, coffee, and flour, and emphasizes 'Courteous Attention' and 'Prompt, Careful Delivery'.

YES—but it's more than the Quality Grocery, it has the lowest prices for the highest quality in this community. Here are the freshest goods—the most exceptional values. And at this store you get that courteous attention and prompt delivery of your purchases, that means pleasant quality in service.

You are cordially invited to prove every word of this. Call today and look over our extensive stock—or phone a trial order. Our quality and prices will positively cause you to give us your custom then—and always.

A few specials this week—quality in everything: NEW RAISINS AND CURRANTS AND PEELS. FRESH CELERY, CARROTS, TURNIPS AND ONIONS. TRY THE NEW CAKE FILLING AND ICING WITHOUT EGGS—SNOW MELLOW.

P. DODDS & SON

Advertisement for 'They'll A for C' and 'Family Gro'. It includes the text 'AND WHY' and 'taken that you ed for. It man —and while gether take a'. It also mentions 'Our studio w during the you can get phone at all' and 'Remember, to make Ph in our studio'. At the bottom, it says 'HADDEN'S ALVINSTON'.

Advertisement for 'ARKONA'. It features a 'SKETCH OF HIS CARE' and a story about Rev. J. A. Baldwin, who was County of Essex in Colchester in the year 1838. The text describes his life, his work, and his death, mentioning that he was 'killed to furnish fur linings for the coats of soldiers'.

Various small advertisements on the left margin, including 'WILLIAMSON' (listing Rippling, Turning, and all kinds of general work), 'FOR SALE' (listing a lot of land with a house and well), and '60 YEARS' EXPERIENCE' (listing various services).

They'll All Be Here for Christmas

AND WHY NOT HAVE THAT

Family Group Photograph

taken that you have so often wished for. It may be the last chance—and while the family is all together take advantage of it.

Our studio will be open every day during the holiday season, and you can get in touch with us by phone at all times by calling 27.

Remember, we go to your home to make Photographs as well as in our studios.

HADDEN'S ART STUDIOS

PHONE 27.

ALVINSTON and BRIGDEN

his perfect satisfaction in Christ was apparent. It was a benediction to be near him and witness the composure of a man of God as he neared the end of his journey. It was one of the most unexpected experiences and one of the most blessed of any life.

The funeral service, as planned by the pastor, choir and members of the Arkona Baptist church, was a suitable memorial of the character, life and teachings of the one who had lived and labored among them. The pastors of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches of Arkona, and Rev. Wm. Walker, of the London South Baptist church, and Rev. Mr. Mead, of the Watford Baptist church, were present, and contributed to the strength and beauty of the service. Many were present from Arkona, Forest and the surrounding towns to testify by their presence and love and sympathy to the sterling worth of one who had ministered to them in holy things. He fought a good life. He finished his course. He kept the faith once and for all delivered to the saints.

His surviving children are:—Rev. J. R. Baldwin, pastor of the Baptist church, Cornwall, Ont.; Mrs. McDonald, of Toronto; Mrs. Iler, of Detroit; Mrs. (Dr.) Lamb, of Pentwater, Mich., and William F., of Arkona.

“Asleep in Jesus. Blessed sleep from which none ever wake to weep, A calm and undisturbed repose, Unbroken by the last of foes.”

MARKETS

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GRAIN AND SEEDS—	
Wheat, fall, per bush	\$1 08 @ \$1 08
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Barley, per bush	55 60
Beans, per bush	1 50 2 50
Timothy	2 00 3 00
Clover Seed	7 00 12 00
Alsike	7 00 8 00
PROVISIONS—	
Butter, per pound	24 24
Lard, " "	18 18
Eggs, per doz.	30 30
Pork	9 00 10 00
Flour, per cwt.	2 90 3 75
Brar, per ton	25 00 26 00
Shorts, per ton	29 00 30 00
MISCELLANEOUS—	
Wood	2 00 2 50
Tallow	6 6
Hides	8 10
Wool	16 23
Hay, per ton	10 00 11 00
VEGETABLES AND FRUIT—	
Potatoes, per bag	50 60
POULTRY—	
Turkeys, per lb.	10 14
Chickens, per lb.	7 9
Fowl	6 8
Ducks	7 10
Geese	7 10

London

Wheat	\$ 1 05 to \$ 1 08
Oats, cwt.	1 50 to 1 53
Butter	24 to 25
Eggs	40 to 42
Pork	10 00 to 10 50

Toronto

Toronto, Dec. 22.—Receipts at the Union stockyards to-day were 31 cars, containing 171 cattle, 35 calves, 880 hogs and 375 sheep and lambs.

Business was small and the holiday feeling generally pervaded the market to-day. The run was very light and this gave a chance for a good clean-up of left-over stock. There were no choice nor extra choice butchers in the market, but the medium and light butcher sold steady from \$6.75 to \$7.25. Cannery and cutters were well taken care of by the packers at slightly firmer prices, good canners selling at \$4.25.

Choice lambs were slightly firmer, with the light offerings, a few nice lots selling at \$8.25.

Hogs steady at \$7.25, fed and watered, a few extra select hogs selling about 10c higher.

To-day's quotations:	
Extra prime steers	7 25 to 7 50
Butcher cattle, choice	6 00 to 6 25
do., good	6 00 to 6 25
do., medium	5 50 to 5 75
do., common	5 25 to 5 50
Butcher bulls, choice	6 35 to 6 50
do., good bulls	6 25 to 6 30
do., medium	5 75 to 6 00
Feeders	6 00 to 6 65
do., bulls	5 25 to 6 00
Stockers	5 75 to 6 00
do., medium	5 25 to 5 75
do., light	4 25 to 4 50
Canners	4 50 to 4 75
Cutters	4 00 to 4 25
Milkers, choice, each	60 00 to 90 00
do., com. and med.	40 00 to 65 00
Springers, each	50 00 to 95 00
Calves, veal	9 00 to 10 00
do., medium	7 00 to 9 00
do., common	2 00 to 5 00
Spring lambs	6 75 to 8 25
Bucks	5 75 to 6 00
Ewes	5 25 to 5 50
Sheep, heavy and bucks	3 50 to 4 50
Culls	2 00 to 2 50
Hogs, weighed off cars	7 25 to 7 30
do., fed and watered	7 25 to 7 30
do., f. o. b.	6 90 to 6 90

East Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Cattle—Receipts, 500; active and firm; prices unchanged. Veals—Receipts, 200 head; slow; \$4 to \$9.50. Hogs—Receipts, 16,000; slow and steady; heavy and mixed \$7 to \$7.10; yorkers, \$7.10 to \$7.50; pigs, \$7.50 to \$7.60; roughs, \$6 to \$6.25; stags, \$5 to \$5.75. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 10,000 head; slow; sheep steady; lambs, \$5 to \$8.25; yearlings, \$5 to \$7; wethers, \$5.50 to \$5.75; ewes, \$3.50 to \$5.25; sheep, mixed, \$5.25 to \$5.50.

Changes in Ontario Cabinet

Toronto, Dec. 22.—Important changes in the Ontario Cabinet were announced at noon to-day after the lieutenant-governor had duly sworn in T. W. McGarry, of Renfrew, as provincial treasurer and G. Howard Ferguson as minister of lands,

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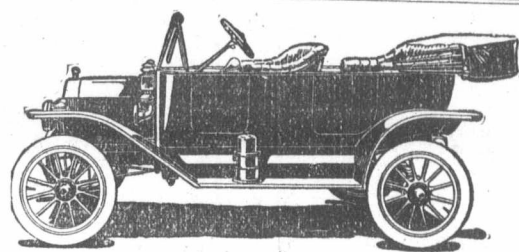
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Hon. W. J. Hanna, who was generally styled as successor of Hon. J. J. Foy as attorney-general, declined to change his portfolio and remains provincial secretary, while Hon. I. B. Lucas becomes attorney-general.

Hon. Mr. Foy resigns his portfolio on account of ill health, but remains a mem-

ber of the Cabinet without portfolio. Dr. David Jamieson (South Grey) is the Government's choice for the office of Speaker.

Stirley Tobias, of Petrolia, was one of the eighteen Canadians of the 1st overseas contingent who marched at Lord Roberts' funeral.

ARKONA

Miss Olive Oakes, who has been attending Normal in Stratford, returned home for the Christmas holidays on Saturday last.

The subject for Rev. Hare's sermon in the Methodist church next Sunday night will be "England and Her Greatness."

Miss Belle Knisley, Watford, is spending her vacation at her home here.

Mr. Lloyd Jackson, of Toronto, is spending the holidays at his home here.

To our many friends and customers we extend best wishes for a bright and joyful Christmas.—Brown Bros.

Mrs. Swan and daughter, Marguerite, of Mt. Pleasant, Mich., are visiting at Mr. Chas. Clifford.

From the very favorable comments that are being passed around by those who have heard the talent that has been secured for the entertainment in the Methodist church on Christmas night, the committee feel that they are going to give the public the best treat they have had for years.

Mr. Macklin, of Sarnia, spent a few days last week with Mr. Robt. Fitzsimmons.

Miss Brown, teacher of the primary classes, treated her scholars to a Christmas tree on Monday afternoon.

The Late Rev. J. A. Baldwin

SKETCH OF HIS CAREER

Rev. J. A. Baldwin was born in the County of Essex in Colchester township in the year 1838. His parents were members of the Colchester Methodist church and were devoted Christians who strove to lead their children to Christ. The death of his father in 1855 led to the conversion of the son. Shortly after this an incident led him to search the scriptures for light upon the subject of baptism.

Contrary to his own wishes he was convinced of the position of the Baptist church was correct. In the face of much opposition and persecution he joined the second Baptist church of Colchester, being baptized by the late Elder Fitch. As a young man he prepared himself for teaching and taught school for some time. When the call to the ministry first came to him he shrank from it, but the oft-repeated call prevailed and after much hesitation and many internal struggles he entered the ministry. He was licensed to preach in 1859 and ordained to the gospel ministry as pastor of the Colchester Baptist church in 1865. A revival broke out and the church experienced a splendid work of grace and many additions were made to the membership of the church during his ministry. In 1868 he resigned and entered Woodstock College, to prepare himself for the ministry. During his college days he supplied the two Dorchester churches. These two were built up and greatly enlarged by his work. Leaving Woodstock College in 1872 he accepted the pastorate of the Sarnia Township and Mendon

churches. These churches were blessed by his ministry and a parsonage was built in Sarnia Tp. during his stay of two years upon this field. In 1875 he moved to Forest and began work as a home missionary. In those days there were two small churches upon this field, one in Forest, the other in Warwick Village.

For six years he labored upon this field, enduring hardships as a good soldier of Jesus Christ, often working his way over logs through the swamps to keep his engagements when horses and rigs could go only part of the way and turn back. During those days the old Baptist church on Prince street in Forest was erected and dedicated, and the membership of the Forest church was increased fourfold.

Besides this he opened up work in Watford, Wyoming and other places. Two churches were organized and two buildings were erected and dedicated, outside of Forest, during those six years. When he left Forest he went to Watford, but the physical strain of working for the Watford, Alvinston and Brooke churches was too great for him, as his health had been impaired upon the Forest field. At the end of three months he resigned and went to Villa Nova Baptist church, which church he served very acceptably for four years. He went from there to the Fullerton Baptist church, where he remained about four years. During this pastorate the church experienced one of the greatest religious awakenings in its history. Practically the whole country around the village was swept into the Kingdom of God and many of the converts came into the Baptist church. In 1889 he returned to the Wyoming church to serve as its pastor the second time.

When he left this church later to accept the call of the Arkona and Thedford churches he left them in possession of a parsonage which had been erected during his second pastorate. Though he did not serve the Arkona and Thedford churches as vigorously as he did the Forest and Warwick churches he served them faithfully and well until a few years ago, when failing health compelled him to resign. The last few years of his life have been spent for the most part in and around Arkona and Forest where he seemed to feel most at home.

He was married three times and is survived by five out of eight children. His serious illness in Arkona some weeks ago, followed by his more serious illness and death in Michigan was due to the fact that the vital forces had been spent in loyal, long service for the Master, and he could no longer stand the strain. His end was peace. A quotation from a letter written after his death by his old friend and schoolmate and associate in the work, Rev. Ira Smith, pastor of the Muskegon, Mich., Baptist church, who was with him in his last hours, is fitting:—"I visited him again on Saturday afternoon, when I could see he was weaker and realized that the end was not very far off. His mind was clear and his assurance was strong, and in his own fervent manner he reiterated his unspoken faith in the covenant mercies of God. It was not many words he could speak, but

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A Conversion

A Story For Labor Day

By SARAH BAXTER

"Talk about the dignity of labor," said Helen Forsythe to her friend, Lois Gregory. "I don't see any dignity in it. No one can do manual labor without getting dirty hands, chapped hands, misshapen hands." "There are worse things than dirty hands," replied Miss Gregory. "What, for instance?" "A dirty soul. How many rich men's sons who have not the incentive to labor have become worthless and contemptible?" "I dare say, my dear, there is truth in what you say, but for me I would rather marry a poet than a mechanic." "Even a poet has his uses, but for me he is altogether too ethereal. I would prefer an engineer whose profession deals directly with labor. What is there more splendid than the spanning of a river by an enormous bridge, the building of a cathedral, the tunneling of a mountain?" "These are planned by one brain."



Helen watched him while he worked. Different. Helen Forsythe was disposed to begin where her father left off. When he had been experimenting in overalls she was too young to know much about what he was doing; now that he was living on the royalties he received from a machine he had contrived, with all the refinements a fine income brought, she had little sympathy with what had produced his good fortune. Lois Gregory, on the contrary, had never known either wealth or poverty. A laborer herself, she sympathized with the cause of labor. She made her living by teaching, and being accustomed to using her brain constantly it became stronger with exercise, and she was enabled to distinguish between what was of intrinsic and what was of fictitious value. She had come to the conclusion that the attaining was intrinsic, the attainment fictitious. In other words, there is no stimulus in an accomplished work except to produce something better. The country seat of the Forsythes was situated in a beautiful valley, through which ran a stream that afforded a fine water power. A mile below the place was a large factory. One day Helen Forsythe's automobile broke down, and a request was sent to the factory to send a man to fix it. He appeared in overalls with a bag of tools, and Helen took him to the car to show him the break. There was something about this man that arrested Miss Forsythe's attention. He was some twenty-two or three years old and strongly built, and character was plainly written in his face. Helen pointed out the break, though this was unnecessary, for the

young man was a skilled mechanic and took it in himself at once. Helen watched him while he worked, asking him questions about the trouble, how serious it was and how long a time would be required to make the repairs. She noticed a British intonation to his speech, but not the misuse of the letter "th" common with the English lower classes. "Do you like mechanical work?" she asked. "I certainly do. I was born with a taste for it," was the reply. "But don't you think it very dirty?" "Not as dirty as some other kinds of work."

"You mean shovelling earth, I suppose?" "Oh, no. I love to dig in the dirt." "You mean handling ashes?" "There's dirtier work than that. My brother does it every day." "Your brother?" "Yes. He's in politics." This quite took Miss Forsythe's breath away. Surely this young man was very odd. She presumed the brother he referred to was a political heeler in a district where the people were of the lowest class. "Tell me," she said presently, "what it is that interests you in mechanics." "I like to fashion things. The mechanic, if he is a good one, may always find a field in his labor for more or less use of the inventive faculty, and the mechanic is free to exercise it. Besides, there is an opportunity in mechanics for a man to climb the ladder that leads up to fortune without using dishonorable means. No man need be happier than the laborer who has all the work he can do. His mind is on what he is doing, and he has no time to worry about imaginary griefs. When he has finished his day's work he enjoys his leisure. How much better off he is than the man whose time is all leisure, who never experiences the comfort there is in rest because he is always at rest."

It was not long before some of the water pipes in the Forsythe home got out of order, and Miss Helen, being, on account of her father's absence and her mother's bad health, the director of the establishment, telephoned to the factory asking for a man to repair them and requesting it to send, if possible, the workman who had repaired her car. He came with his bag of tools, and Miss Forsythe, as before, showed him the break. She left him, but now and again returned to see how he was getting on. When noon came he had not finished, and she invited him to partake of a luncheon she ordered to be prepared for him. While he was eating she asked him: "How is it that you, who have never known what is called high life and have no experience as to the cares and disappointments it brings, are so well satisfied with your humble lot?" He had finished eating when this question was propounded and, rising, stood facing Miss Forsythe, looking at her intently. "You seem to be interested in this matter," he said, "and I am going to give you a confidence I have given no one else in America. I am the son of an English gentleman. My father designed me for the army or the church. My brother is in parliament. I have watched that silent revolution which is bringing labor to the front. We see it everywhere. People of refinement are sensible of it. Whereas a hundred years ago to make money in manufacture or trade was not considered respectable, now titled persons are going into both. "My preference is for a life in manufacture. I have no confidence in attaining success in manufacture without ever having been a manufacturer myself. I have preferred to begin as any other laborer begins. If any of them beat me in the race it will not trouble me. If I become a leader I prefer to know the feelings, the necessities, of the men I manage. As to wealth bringing me happiness if I attain it, I have no confidence that it will. My happiness is in my daily labor. I believe that I get the same pleasure in repairing the pipes in this house that the manager of a large factory derives from his more extended duties."

ter, but this man, who was born with a silver spoon in his mouth and had voluntarily stepped on the lowest rung of the ladder to climb or remain a fixture, as the case might be, was something more than she could at once understand. Nevertheless she was deeply impressed. It occurred to her to invite him to dinner to see how he would appear. He accepted the invitation and with clean hands. He was invited again and again, and a year after Miss Forsythe had first met him she wrote Miss Gregory that she had been converted to her friend's ideas as to the dignity of labor and had been induced to marry a laborer. The bride endeavored to persuade her husband to accept capital from her father with which to start a factory of his own, but he declined. He said that the happiness he derived from labor was in labor and not in management. Nevertheless he was rapidly promoted in the factory where he worked and made a manager in spite of himself. Each of the girls who conversed upon the subject of marriage failed to do in the matter what they said they would do. Miss Forsythe, who said she would marry an artist, married a laborer. Miss Gregory, who declared that she would prefer one who builds material structures, married a literary man.

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EFFICIENCY IN FARMING.

South Dakota Agriculturist Makes Plea Before Convention.

A plea for the application of business efficiency measures to farming was made in an address before the international dry farming congress held at Wichita, Kan., by Thomas Cooper, director of the South Dakota experiment station.

"The difference between the successful and unsuccessful farm is largely a question of applied efficiency in production and organization of the farm business," he said.

Mr. Cooper pointed out that it was necessary to develop systems of distribution of farm products that involve less loss and waste and assert that this is a problem of organization and co-operation.

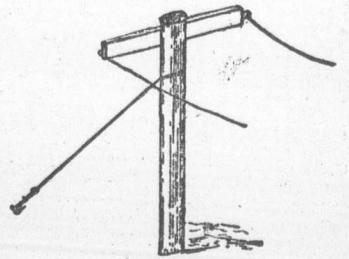
"Estimates indicate that the average farmer in this country receives 45 to 55 cents from each dollar expended by the consumer," he continued, "while farmers in most European countries receive 60 to 65 cents."

"In an investigation of groups of farms located in townships in Indiana, Illinois and Iowa it was found that one farmer out of every twenty-two received a labor income of more than \$2,000 a year, one of every three paid for the privilege of working—that is, after deducting 5 per cent interest on their investment they lost money by farming."

He said similar investigation in New York indicated that one-third of the farmers made less than hired men, one-third about the same as hired men and the rest more.

Clothesline Post.

A clothesline is a nuisance unless kept properly stretched at all times. The post illustrated is perhaps as efficient for a line as any other. The crossbar is about four feet long and is made strong enough to prevent bending.



If the posts are set in concrete and the "dead man" brace wire is also embedded in concrete the outfit is practically everlasting. For intermediate supports the same system is followed, but all posts can be made much lighter. By extending the crossbar three, four or more lines can be run between the same set of posts. It is advisable to use the brace wire as indicated, as a wooden brace on the inner side of the posts will be in the way of the clothes when they are placed on the line near the posts.

CHOP STUFF.

Sarnia sent \$3,185, collected from house to house, to the Belgians.

The Poultry Poultry Association will hold a show on Jan. 6, 7, 8.

Lambton is now represented on the O. H. A. executive by George B. Dawson, of Sarnia.

Dr. James Samson, the well-known Windsor practitioner, is retiring from the general practice of medicine after 46 years of practically unbroken activity. The doctor enjoys a wide reputation as a speaker and lecturer.

The management of the house of refuge, County of Huron, are leaders in onion cultivation of the Dutch sett variety and have every reason to congratulate themselves. On the three acres under cultivation they expended \$3.73 for seed and the crop realized \$2514.60, a profit of \$2510.87.

Warden Fairbank says, regarding the gift of grain to the Imperial government:—"We have to date sent over twelve thousand bushels of grain away and there is more to follow. It is really magnificent the way in which the farmers have responded to the call. Practically all of the oats have been donated." Warts will render the prettiest hands unsightly. Clear the excrescences away by using Holloway's Corn Cure, which acts thoroughly and painlessly.

The Simcoe patriotic calf sold so often that \$1,274 was realized for the Belgian Relief Fund. The funds were used to pay for a car of pork and beans, and there was a substantial balance to devote for some other purpose. The owners of the calf will take him round to other auction sales throughout Norfolk county.

After being unconscious for two weeks, suffering from a stroke of paralysis, J. W. Ryder, of the firm of Ryder & Hand, proprietors of the Hotel Vendome, died at Sarnia on Friday. Deceased was a well-known hotelman. He was very active in sports of all kinds, and excelled in all lines, being particularly interested in baseball, curling and lawn bowling. Prior to the opening of the Vendome, Mr. Ryder was connected with the St. Clair House, with Mr. Hand, and on the death of the latter he went into partnership with Mrs. Hand, building the Vendome.

While on her way to school alone the other morning, the little seven-year-old daughter of Wm. McCallum, of Mosa, was accosted by a tramp, who asked her for her lunch, which she was carrying. The little girl, badly frightened, took the cover of her lunch pail, threw some of the contents towards the man and ran as fast as she could to the school house, where she arrived in a highly nervous state of fright and excitement. It is about time some efforts were being made to remove all vagrants, unlicensed peddlers and agents and other suspicious strangers with which the country appears to be swarming these days.—Glencoe Transcript.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Reason

(From the Philadelphia Public Ledger) During a military review at Aldershot last summer one of the foreign attaches had made himself obnoxious to several staff officers by asking ridiculous and often impertinent questions. Turning to an old infantry officer, he said: "How is it, colonel, that your bugle call 'Advance' is so short, while the 'Retreat' is just the reverse?" "Because, sir," replied the veteran, "When a British soldier goes into action it only needs a little note from a bugle to make him advance anywhere, but it takes a whole brass band to make him retire."

STORING FURNITURE.

When Too Shabby For Use It May Be Set Aside Until It Can Be Renovated.

Divide the attic or storeroom into sections, placing trunks and various articles to the best advantage. For instance, if you have certain pieces of furniture which are really good and are worth preserving and which you hope some day to have "done over" and mended, arrange the larger pieces against the wall, the smaller ones stacked up in front so that they will be easy of access when they are needed.

Those pieces which are upholstered should be carefully brushed before they are taken to the attic, and then the upholstery should be liberally sprinkled with camphor balls, protected with several layers of paper and covered over with muslin.

The other wall space can be utilized for trunks—those which are empty and are held in readiness for a journey being more conveniently situated, others which are only used for packing away clothing once or twice a year being placed in the rear. The upper wall spaces should be used for shelves to hold boxes.

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