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## SQUIBOGRAPHS.

Many people can carve their destiny, but only a few can gracefully dissect a turkey.

The Christmas tree now boughs its wilted head.

The police had to be called in to quell a fight in the Jewish Synagogue in Toronto the other evening. The row started over one of the congregation hanging three balls on the Christmas tree.

The call of the wild—boisterous New Years rounders.

The Japs give their word that they will not overload Canada with immigrants, but what we want is a certified cheque.

New Year's resolutions  
Are good while they last,  
But you can never quench your thirst  
With the water that has passed.

The chaplain of the Oklahoma Legislature prayed that Bryan would be elected president, but many Republicans are of the opinion that W. J. is past praying for.

Mr. Santa Claus has returned to the north after a flying visit to friends in Kidland.

Ring in the old  
Ring in the new  
Some like them raw  
Give me a stew.

During 1908 the accident insurance companies are placing bachelors in the hazardous class.

The glad hand of the "municipal aspirant" is a finger post that points to office.

The G. T. R. has provided a pension fund for its employees, but we regret to notice that no provision has been made for replacing the missing thumbs and fingers of the brakemen.

On account of 1908 being leap year the January thaw was transferred to December.

He ate half a turkey  
Two pies and some plum duff  
The undertaker called for him  
He thought he'd had enough.

## LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

HAY is down.  
TURKEYS are up.  
MUNICIPAL nominations next week.  
ASK to see our prices in fur coats.—SWIFT BROS.  
THE wire works are closed down until after the holidays.  
RENEW your club subscriptions promptly and avoid missing any numbers.  
THE local post office staff report a record heavy mail during the holidays.  
THE financial statement for Wattford is out and copies can be had from the clerk.  
EVANGELIST RANTON commences a series of special services in Strathroy on Jan. 5th.  
On January 1st the Provincial government will discontinue the distribution of immigrants in Ontario.  
JNO. HUNTER has purchased from the late Joseph Osborne's estate the back 40 acres of the Osborne farm in Plympton adjoining Mr. Hunter's farm.  
THE home comers for Christmas were not quite as numerous as former years. So many were home during the Reunion that the interval was too short to repeat the trip.  
A FARMER on the Pelee Marsh this year made over \$300 off an acre of beans, another man had over 1200 bu. for his crop. These were mostly marketed in Nova Scotia.  
NEW printed stationery. It is much nicer than the common bare looking sheet. We will give you nicely printed letter heads, note heads and envelopes at lowest prices.  
A GOOD stock of ladies' coats, about half price, rather lose money than carry the lot over.—SWIFT BROS.  
FIRST Lorne and Rodney will be incorporated as villages, and thus escape operation of the local option law, which will be voted upon by Aldborough township next month.  
"PLEASE, mum," began the aged hero, in appealing tones, as he stood at the kitchen door on wash day, "I've lost my leg!" "Well, I ain't got it!" snapped the woman, slamming the door.  
THE holiday trade is reported a fair average by local business men. In some lines it was ahead, but on the whole was somewhat lighter. Buyers were more conservative in their purchasing and the cheaper class of goods had the preference.

REV. DR. SUTHERLAND has received a request from the board of management on the ground to send out 107 more men into the Chinese western mission field, entailing an extra charge of \$148,000.

THE final dividend to the depositors of the Atlas Loan Company, of St. Thomas, has just been paid. Depositors have now received 47 cents on the dollar, much more than was anticipated at the beginning.

THE toboggan slide on Ontario street is a popular resort for the young people evenings. It opened for the season on Christmas Eve. The chute is lighted up with colored lights and makes quite a show.

NEXT Monday is municipal nomination day. It is hoped that the silly custom of nominating a whole lot of candidates without their consent will be omitted as it is a source of annoyance to the nominee and a waste of time. Cut it out.

AFTER Xmas mid-week left overs, linen department, Swift Bros, special prices.

CHRISTMAS was quietly observed in town. A blustering snow storm in the morning made it unpleasant, but it faded up in the afternoon. The sleighing is fine and many availed themselves of an opportunity for a spin on the speedway.

THE last of the beets grown in the Alvinston section for the Mt. Clemens sugar factory were shipped from the Alvinston G. T. R. station last Wednesday. The crop required twenty-three cars averaging thirty tons to the car.

THE GUIDE-ADVOCATE carrier boy will present his annual address to town subscribers on New Years and hopes the so called stringency in the money market will not interfere with the customary, liberal donations.

THE dedication of the new Lodge room of Havelock Lodge No. 238, A.F. & A.M., announced for New Year's Eve has been postponed on account of the Grand Lodge officers being unable to attend on that date.

PAY up your account, don't let the new year find your name on our books.—SWIFT BROS.

A PRESENT that your relatives or friends away from home will appreciate as much as anything is a year's subscription to the GUIDE-ADVOCATE. It will remind them of the old home and associations every week.

"THEY say when you proposed your best girl gave you a short answer," remarked the bosom friend. "That's what she did," laughed the ardent suitor. "But you don't seem much worried?" "I should say not. The short answer was 'Yes.'"

THE second section of the International Limited, of the G. T. R., was delayed on Saturday at Oakville owing to the engine 437 getting out of steam. Engine 810 was sent out from the east and brought the train on to London.

THE GUIDE-ADVOCATE takes this opportunity of extending the season's greetings and expresses the wish that the incoming year will be one of abounding prosperity, peace and contentment among the large family of readers, who persevere its columns weekly.

It is reported in Toronto that Elliot G. Stevenson, of Detroit, supreme chief ranger of the Independent Order of Foresters, has resigned, and that Harry A. Collins, supreme treasurer of the order, has been appointed to the office of supreme chief ranger.

All single maids  
Do not despair;  
Your chances now  
Are more than fair;  
And happy days  
Are drawing near;  
For nineteen-eight  
Is a leap year!

THE Children's Aid Society, of Sarnia, would like a home for a baby boy one month old, also for a little boy two years old. This boy is now in the Shelter. He is fair, strong limbed, healthy and of a good disposition. Address John Wilkinson, Box 185, Sarnia. Office at Court House.

Two elections were held Monday for the Commons—in Ottawa and in Centre York—both vacancies being caused by the Government. The hottest kind of a fight was waged in the last named constituency and a government supporter was elected, the majority being only 23. Messrs. Coron at Ottawa, and McLean, Centre York, are the new members.

SIX PIECES of our new overcoatings made to order. This is a good time to have a coat made.—SWIFT BROS.

A FARMER from Lambton county, charged with having in his possession muskrat skins, trapped out of season, was summoned to appear before Police Magistrate Noble, Strathroy, for Monday last. The matter was settled out of court, accused paying costs. The party who trapped the muskrats cleared out, his whereabouts being unknown.

THE Grand Trunk officials do not appear willing to bear all the responsibility for the shortage of refrigerator cars for the shipment of apples. They claim that the shippers are making store houses of their cars. One prominent shipper is accused of holding 25 cars of apples for a week to ten days. Another is said to have several refrigerator cars in Toronto siding tied up with potatoes for twenty-four days. Of course the company gets \$1 per day, but this does not pay them. "These cars," say the officials, "could just as well be making several trips each during this time and thus greatly facilitate the handling of the apple crop."

WATFORD drovers who shipped lambs to the Buffalo market were stung.

THE Christmas entertainments by the local Sunday Schools were all well attended and the programs pleasing and entertaining. Space will not permit us to enumerate the many attractions presented.

ONE of the novelties produced this year for the assistance of the wrapping up of Christmas packages in red and green paper ribbon. It comes in rolls of twenty-five yards for ten cents; it is gummed on one side, easily dampened, and is put on and sealed with a Santa Claus and holly seal. It is much less expensive than the silk ribbon, and is quite gittygay looking.

It will probably be learned with some surprise that at the present moment there are engaged in railway construction work in Western Canada 28,000 men, and the work according to Bradstreet's report, is going forward rapidly. About 18,000 men are engaged on the Grand Trunk Pacific construction between Winnipeg and Moncton, and on the section west of Winnipeg there are about 20,000 men at work.

THE Montreal Gazette says: Mr. W. F. Maclean has before parliament bills to provide for railways paying demurrage to a shipper when he is not promptly provided with cars, also providing that the passenger tolls on railways shall not exceed two cents a mile. Neither is likely to be killed for that reason. Mr. Maclean has learned to be persistent.

This is said to be, so far, the healthiest winter in this end of the province in twenty-five years. There is very little typhoid, little or no pneumonia and though there have been here and there outbreaks of smallpox, it has been of a mild kind and easily controlled. The London Free Press says that there are twenty trained nurses at present out of employment in London on account of the scarcity of cases; an occurrence hitherto unknown.

THE elements of success in mercantile life seems to be these: First, have something that people want; second, stand ready to sell your goods at reasonable prices; and third, and most important of all, let the general public know what you have for sale and the price. A merchant may have the best goods in the world and stand ready to sell at prices actually below cost, and if no one knows about it his goods may grow fast to the counters. Newspaper advertising is the best method of communication between merchant and customer.

A QUESTION that is of immediate concern to the ratepayers of Wattford is the matter of better fire protection. It is well known that our present fire fighting apparatus is somewhat antiquated and is liable to collapse at a critical moment, possibly entailing a loss largely in excess of the cost of a new engine. This is a question that might well be discussed by candidates for municipal office as it is of much more importance to the business interests of the town than the distribution of a few loads of gravel or the construction of a culvert.

FARMERS attending the Winter Fair at Guelph who have gone extensively into the raising of high-class live stock, all agreed that there is much more money in raising the best stock than in raising the common class, whether it be cattle, hogs or sheep. They all state that they get better return for the feed and care given to the stock and that there is a great deal more pleasure in raising a first class animal of any kind than the ordinary kind, and that prevents the work from being a drudgery. This has been the experience of Essex county farmers also.

A MAN who is on the "Indian list" cannot loiter around an hotel. This was established in a conviction at London recently. A policeman noticed a man who was "on the list" loitering around the Grand Central hotel. He asked the bartender if he did not know this was against the law, and the bartender stated that he had warned the man to keep away several times. Finally the proprietor came along and ordered the "Indian" to keep away from the place. The latter was summoned, and he was fined ten dollars by Magistrate Love. This was the first conviction registered against a man for loitering about a barroom when he is "on the list."

## W.O.W. OFFICERS.

At the last regular meeting of Wattford Camp No. 21 Woodmen of the World, held on Dec. 17th the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:  
Consul Commander—G. W. Hull.  
Adv. Lieut.—A. Harrower.  
Banker—Dr. Hicks.  
Clerk—S. W. Louks, Physician—R. Gibson, M.D.  
Escort—Alex. Johnston.  
Watchmen—M. Moore.  
Sentry—T. W. Higgins.  
Managers—R. J. Lucas, W. E. Fitzgerald, Wm. Williamson.

LIBERAL CONVENTION.  
A Liberal Convention for the East Riding of Lambton will be held in the Music Hall, Watford, on Friday, January 10th at 1:30 p.m., when candidates to contest the riding for the Ontario and Dominion Legislatures will be selected. Meetings to select delegates will be held in the different sub-polling divisions on the evening before the Convention or such other date as may be convenient. It is expected that several prominent members of the party will be present and deliver addresses.

## PERSONAL.

Miss Mary Glenn is visiting her cousin, Miss Edith Brush, Forest.

Mrs. (Dr.) Eccles, London, was the guest of W. McLeay, Friday.

Rev. S. P. Irwin and Mrs. Irwin spent Christmas with relatives in London.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Thompson spent Christmas with relatives in Preston.

Roy J. Fuller, of the Markham H. S. staff, is home for the Christmas holidays.

Henry K. Laird, of the Toronto Star staff, spent a few days at home this week.

Dr. V. L. Newell, West Branch, Mich., arrived home on Sunday to spend Christmas.

Dr. B. C. H. Harvey, Chicago, spent Sunday with Dr. Newell en route to St. Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. Murch, Parkhill, called on Wattford friends Friday on their way to Glencoe.

Miss Margaret Robertson left for Toronto last week where she purposes making her home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rogers spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Fitzgerald, London.

Mr. and Mrs. D. O'Neil and family are spending the holidays with relatives in Wardsville and Bothwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Saunders, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Saunders, London, for Christmas.

Thos. Fortune and family are spending the Christmas holidays with G. T. R. Conductor Moore, of Sarnia.

Miss Isabel Harris, Kindergarten Directress, Welland, is spending the vacation at her home in town.

Levi Smith and Roy Smith, Carleton Place, returned from the West last week and will spend the winter at their home here.

Misses Annie and Florence Lovell left for Chesley Thursday to spend New Year's with their brother, Mr. Frank Lovell.

S. D. Barnes returned Tuesday from an extended trip through the Canadian West in the interests of the Canadian Order of Chosen Friends.

Miss Kate Willoughby, who has been in charge of a millinery store in Trenton for the season, is spending the holidays at her home here.

Mrs. J. A. Rice, Wyoming, was a Wattford visitor last Saturday. Her little granddaughter, Marta McLaughlan, accompanied her home to spend her Christmas holidays.

Miss Laura McPhedran has returned from Ingersoll where she was successful in passing the Model School examination. Miss McPhedran has been engaged as teacher in the fourth line east school for 1908.

L. J. Williams, B. A., of the Sault Ste. Marie, High School staff, is spending the holidays at his home here. The Soo High School Board gave Mr. Williams a substantial increase in salary for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Stewart, Moose Jaw, arrived home last week, and are guests at the Taylor House. Mrs. Stewart will remain at her old home for the winter, but Mr. Stewart expects to return in a few weeks.

## A POPULAR EMPLOYER.

Presentations to Mr. P. J. Dodds.  
A pleasing incident, evidencing the cordial relations that exist between employer and employe, took place at the store of Mr. P. J. Dodds on Christmas Eve, when the proprietor was called to the front and presented with the following address accompanied by a handsome umbrella:  
Dear Sir:—Another year has rolled around bringing with it all the joys, sorrows and perplexities of a business life, notwithstanding all of these we have always found you patient, courteous and obliging with us, your employes. No doubt we might have done more in assisting you in various ways, and while we feel we have not done what we might have done even then you have overlooked our shortcomings and ever used us as brothers and friends instead of employes. Now, as a slight token of our esteem and respect, we ask you to accept this umbrella, praying the One who rules and reigns over all may ever keep you and yours through the storms of life as well as the sunshine. We all join in wishing you and yours a merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

DAVID WATT,  
JOHN JOHNSTON,  
ED. NOEL,  
S. W. LOUKS,  
KITTY LOUKS,  
GROVER McLEAY.

SIGNED  
Dated at Wattford, this 24th day of Dec., 1907.

Mr. Dodds was quite taken by surprise, but made an apt reply expressing his appreciation of the faithful services of his staff, and the good feeling that had always existed between them.

Councillor D. S. Campbell, of Adelaide, is out for the reeve ship of that township against all comers.

## U. O. F. OFFICERS.

The annual election of the officers for Court Lorne, No. 17, U. O. F., was held on Monday evening. The list for 1908 is as below:  
C. R.—J. D. Williamson.  
V. C. R.—P. Speuce.  
Rec.-Sec.—J. H. Hume.  
Fin. Sec.—J. E. Collier.  
Treas.—F. Kenward.  
Chap.—P. J. Dodds.  
S. W.—H. Hume.  
J. W.—A. D. Hone.  
S. B.—John McKenzie.  
J. B.—Walter Scott.  
Physicians—Drs. Gibson and Kelly.  
Auditors—W. P. McLeay, Dr. Gibson.  
Trustees—Wm. McLeay, T. Harris, T. B. Taylor.  
Court Deputy—T. Harris.

## WARWICK.

Mrs. L. Kenzie is spending a week with friends in Forest.

Mr. Enoch Thomas spent a few days last week with friends in Inwood.

Mr. Kenzie, Forest, spent last week with his son, Mr. L. Kenzie, Birnam.

Miss Ethel Anderson is spending Christmas with her friend Miss Mabel Brock, Petrolia.

Will Thomas, Toronto, is spending the Christmas holidays at his home here on the 4th line.

Mrs. Snell and daughter, Mrs. Dines, of Toronto, are visiting relatives in this neighborhood.

Mrs. George Smith, 2nd line, left last Saturday on an extended visit to her sons in Caseville, Mich.

Miss Pearl McCormick, Alma College, St. Thomas, is spending the holidays at her home on the 2nd line.

Mrs. Amasa Hagie, who has been ill with inflammation of the lungs, is recovering and hopes soon to be out again.

Ebenezer Church purposes holding an old fashioned tea meeting just after the holidays. Particulars will be given later.

Bert Anderson, of the Woodstock Collegiate staff, is holidaying at the home of his father, Mr. Peter Anderson 18 S. R.

Scott Luckham, who was laid up a couple of weeks in Wattford with the mumps, was able to return to his home here last week.

Mrs. Eilene O'Neil and her brother, Herman, attended the wedding of their cousin, Miss Addie O'Neil, in Parkhill, on Christmas day.

Mrs. James Harper and little son, Blake 4th line, left on Monday of this week for a two weeks visit with friends in Bad Axe, Capac and other points in Michigan.

Bethel S. S. raised funds for their school by means of a collection and on Monday night of this week gave a free social instead of having their annual Christmas tree and entertainment.

James Duncan, Ogilvie, Man., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Duncan, 4th line, after an absence of twenty years. Mrs. Duncan is one of the oldest surviving settlers in the township, and is still quite bright for her advanced years.

Mr. Thomas McPherson, 18 S. R., had a sale of all his stock on Monday of this week. Mr. McPherson's many friends regret to hear that he is leaving the old home and that he purposes moving his family to California, where he has accepted a lucrative position.

The congregation of St. Paul's Church, Wisbeach, sent to the Rectory, Warwick Village, by the Warleys, Messrs. George Brisson and Oliver Tanner, a bountiful supply of oats, potatoes, and other vegetables. For these and similar favors Mr. Shore wishes to extend his hearty and sincere thanks.


The annual S. S. Entertainment in connection with Zion Methodist Church, 2nd line, was held on Friday evening. There was a good attendance present, and the program gave good satisfaction. The pastor, Rev. S. N. Muxworthy presided. The readings by Miss Norsworthy of St. Thomas, were exceptionally well given showing elocutionary ability to a high order. Solos by Miss Aggie Williams and Margaret Muxworthy and a quartette composed of Messrs. Prentis, Mitchell, Luckham and Stewart made an excellent musical program. The distribution of presents delighted the young people. The proceeds amounted to nearly forty dollars.

## INWOOD.

The contractors are now completing the addition to the hall.  
Robt. Lidden left Friday night to spend a few days in Port Huron.  
James McTaggart shipped a carload of live stock to Ingersoll yesterday.  
Miss Ethel Clements returned to her home in Detroit after a short visit.  
Mrs. C. R. Rogers, of Embro, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. O'rrange.  
Miss Edith Holmes left Friday to accept a position in the hospital, New Bedford, Mass.  
W. A. Turner, passenger brakeman, of Detroit, spent Thursday with friends in the village.  
Mrs. Winters left Friday to spend a few days with her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Turner, Detroit.  
Mr. and Mrs. Farr, of Newport, Kentucky, are visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas.



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Cresolene is a boon to Asthmatics  
Does it not seem more effective to breathe in a remedy to cure disease of the breathing organs than to take the remedy into the stomach?  
It cures because the air rendered strongly antiseptic is carried over the diseased surface with every breath, giving prolonged and constant treatment. It is invaluable to mothers with small children.  
Those of a consumptive tendency find immediate relief from coughs or inflamed conditions of the throat.  
Sold by druggists.  
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The Old Home Paper.

Has a fascination all its own. It does not give you the latest despatches from foreign lands, but it tells you of the happenings around the old fire-side and it touches every week some hidden spring which opens up a train of thought or brings to mind fond memories that have long since been forgotten. No other paper will ever take its place.

You read your Daily hurriedly in the office to cover the world's news, but in the quiet of the Home 'tis ever pleasant to pick up the only tie that binds you to the past with a mind free from the worries of the present, revert to the days of childhood as each page and column flashes some well known picture on the canvas.  
The GUIDE-ADVOCATE does this in many a distant land today—in fact in almost every state in the American Union and if the reader is not already a subscriber he is by this notice invited to join the old boys ranks and in vite his friends to do the same. One dollar pays to the end of 1908 to any post office in Great Britain or Canada and \$1.50 to any point in the United States.

**IN FIELDS FAR OFF**—Dr. Thomas' Electro Oil is known in Australia, South and Central America as well as in Canada and the United States, and its consumption increases each year. It has made its own way, and all that needs to be done is to keep its name before the public. Everyone knows that it is to be had at any store, for all merchants keep it.

**Why Refer to Doctors**  
Because we make medicines for them. We tell them all about Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and they prescribe it for coughs, colds, bronchitis, consumption. They trust it. Then you can afford to trust it. Ask your own doctor.  
The best kind of a testimonial—  
"Sold for over sixty years."  
Made by J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.  
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**Ayer's**  
SARSAPARILLA PILLS.  
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We have no secrets! We publish the formulae of all our medicines.  
Ayer's Pills greatly aid the Cherry Pectoral in breaking up a cold.

**Where Men Live the Longest.**  
From the London Tid-Bits.  
Although the scientists assure us that there is no psychological reason why the average healthy man or woman should not live to be 100, centenarians are so rare that most people have never seen one. A German statistician recently compiled figures showing that of the 58,000,000 people, or thereabouts, who inhabit the Kaiser's empire, fewer than 100 are more than 100 years old. The same authority reports 146 centenarians in England, 213 in France, and 410 in Spain. It would seem that where life is less strenuous longevity increases.  
The most astonishing figures come from that troublesome and turbulent region, the Balkan peninsula, where it might have been supposed that life is less secure than elsewhere in Europe. Serbia reports 573 people who are 100 years old or more; Roumania, 1,084; and Bulgaria no fewer than 3,880. In other words, Bulgaria boasts one centenarian to every 1,000 of its population.

**Is Your Chest "Wheezy"?**  
Tightness and wheezing means your trouble is deep-seated. To delay is dangerous. Inflammation must be drawn out at once. Rub the throat and chest with Nervine, and put on a Nervine Porous Plaster. Relief comes in an hour. The counter-irritant effect of the plaster relieves the tightness and strain, draws out the soreness, eases the pain. The penetrating qualities of Nervine enable it to reach the very core of the trouble, and you experience a feeling of warmth and relief that proves the danger is past. For weak chests, sore throat and tendency to colds, the Nervine Treatment beats all others, try it.

**IN MEMORY OF MRS. LESLIE A. LEUKIE (NEE ELIZA FAIR), DIED AUGUST 15TH, 1907.**

Now beneath the quiet sod sleeping  
Calmly lies the form we love  
Gentle sleep that knows no waking  
But that of heaven above.  
Months have passed, but still we miss her,  
And our hearts of joy are dead  
When we think of darling Eliza,  
Who no more we'll see on earth.  
Oh, sweet Eliza, when we meet thee  
In the joyous realms above,  
Gladly will we haste to greet thee  
Filling our hearts with love.  
Eliza she was our darling,  
Pride of our hearts at home,  
But the angels hovering high  
Came and whiskered Eliza, come.  
Gone to her home in that far off land,  
Where the cares of life are unknown,  
Where the angels of light in their garments  
Will give her a welcome home.  
Too frail to live in a world of sin,  
Too frail for its cares and strife,  
So the angels of light just bore her above  
And gave her eternal life.  
And oh, the friends that loved her so,  
God bless them one and all  
But may they ever ready be  
When Christ on them shall call.

**Are You Sleepless, Nervous?**  
Two horrors crowded into one life—the product of poor digestion and a poisoned system. There is just one cure for this terrible condition—plenty of food—but mind you, food properly digested; that's the difficulty, to improve the digestive power of the stomach. Get rich nutritious blood, strengthen the system and drive out poisons,—then comes vitality, endurance, power. Ferrozone does all this and more, it makes sick people well, weak people strong, changes "nerves" and insomnias into robust health. Take Ferrozone and health is yours. 50 cts. at all dealers.  
**Big Mill Fire at Forest Flax Factory Destroyed.**  
Forest, Dec. 19.—Fire this morning destroyed the big flax mill here owned by Mr. Howard Fraleigh. The loss will be between \$9,000 and \$10,000. The insurance amounts to only \$2,125, in the Waterloo Mutual. The cause of the blaze is unknown. The mill was of frame, but the engine and boiler room were of brick. Yesterday the employees worked as usual, and at night everything was apparently all right. Early this morning, however, the mill was observed to be on fire, and despite all efforts to save it, the main portion was totally destroyed. A few of the outbuildings are standing. Twenty-three men are thrown out of work but Mr. Fraleigh says he will rebuild at once.  
Yesterday the mill had 500 bales of flax ready to ship to Springfield, Mass., but the company could not secure a car from the railway, and the 500 bales were destroyed in the fire.  
Mr. Fraleigh, the druggist, of St. Marys, is a brother of the owner of the mill.

**How He Lost His Girl.**  
Waterbury, Conn., Dec. 18.—An anti-Christmas gift society, recently formed here, is on its last legs. It was started by a wealthy matron, who took exception to the large amount spent by her servants for Yuletide presents, and it soon had three hundred members, all of whom pledged themselves neither to give nor receive a Christmas gift. But when the young man told his fiancée that she need not expect a present from him he lost his job as her suitor. The club membership has since decreased rapidly and it is now composed mostly of grumpy old bachelors and antique spinsters.  
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Cough mixtures "dope" a cold—but don't cure. Above all else, keep the bowels regular and stimulate the eliminating organs. More valuable than any cough syrup are Dr. Hamilton's Pills. They clear the system of every trace of cold—the dull headache, aching limbs, and cough disappears. Take the pills before retiring, they work while you sleep, and by morning your cold is broken and passes quickly away. All dealers sell Dr. Hamilton's pills in 25ct. boxes.


**New Passenger Coaches for Grand Trunk.**

The Grand Trunk Railway System have added to their equipment twenty beautiful new passenger coaches of the most modern construction and convenience. The company are being commended by the travelling public for the exquisite workmanship and the superior accommodations they afford the public.  
The cars are exceedingly neat, spacious and in every respect and detail modern and first class. The merest detail has been given the most careful consideration by the mechanical department of the Grand Trunk Railway System. The management had in view the accommodations of the patrons of the road and wanted to afford them the best possible.

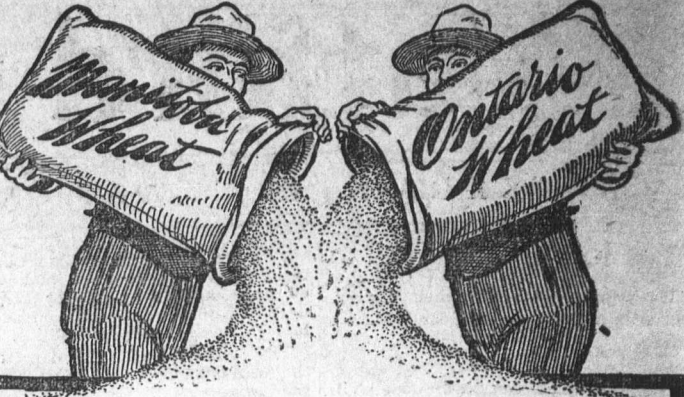
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**SPARE CHRISTMAS TREES.**  
Destruction of Thousands of Young Trees a Serious Loss.  
Albany, N. Y., Dec. 19.—Commissioner James S. Whipple, of the State Forest, Fish, and Game Commission, in a statement explains why he believes young evergreen trees ought not to be cut for Christmas trees, but that artificial trees be used as a substitute.  
"My suggestion," says Commissioner Whipple, "that young evergreen trees ought not to be cut for Christmas trees seems to me a proper suggestion along the line of the preservation of forest trees. The average Christmas tree has a growth of about seven or eight years. At that time the tree reaches a point in growth when the next ten years make it a very valuable tree. To destroy millions of these trees every year when we are in such need of more timber in this State, and especially the soft wood variety, seems very wasteful."



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 matter pertaining to the lives of our  
 public men, we publish herewith the  
 nationalities and birthplaces of the mem-  
 bers of Premier Laurier's Cabinet—  
 Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Premier—Born at  
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 of the oldest established French families  
 in the Province.  
 Hon. A. B. Aylesworth, Minister of  
 Justice—Born at Newburgh, Ont., family  
 of English extraction.  
 Hon. Wm. Patterson, Minister of Customs  
 —Born at Hamilton, Ont., family of  
 Scottish extraction.  
 Hon. W. S. Fielding, Minister of Finance  
 —Born in Halifax, N. S., family of  
 English descent.  
 Hon. Wm. Templeman, Minister of In-  
 land Revenue—Born at Pakenham, Ont.;  
 family of Scottish extraction.  
 Hon. Wm. Pugsley, Minister of Public  
 Works—Born at Sussex, N. B.; family of  
 English extraction.  
 Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux, Postmaster-  
 General and Minister of Labor—Born in  
 Montreal; family of French extraction.  
 Hon. G. P. Graham, Minister of Rail-  
 ways and Canals—Born in Canada; of  
 British blood.  
 Hon. Frank Oliver, Minister of the In-  
 terior—Born in the township of Chingua-  
 cousy, County of Peel, Ont.; of Irish-  
 English extraction.  
 Hon. R. W. Scott, Secretary of State—  
 Born at Prescott, Ont.; family of Irish  
 extraction.  
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 and Fisheries—Born at Beloeil, Quebec;  
 family one of the early ones of Quebec,  
 coming from France about the 16th cen-  
 tury.  
 Hon. Sydney Fisher, Minister of Agri-  
 culture—Born in Montreal; family of  
 Scottish extraction.  
 Sir Richard Cartright, Minister of  
 Trade and Commerce—Born at Kings-  
 ton, Ont.; family of United Empire  
 Loyalist stock.  
 Sir Frederick Borden, Minister of Mil-  
 itia—Born in Nova Scotia; of English  
 descent.  
 It will be seen that every member of the  
 Cabinet is Canadian by birth, and all  
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 residence in Canada.

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 by local applications, as they cannot reach  
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 only one way to cure deafness and that is  
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 caused by an inflamed condition of the mu-  
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**RURAL DELIVERY.**  
**Mr. J. E. Armstrong Moves Amend-  
 ment on the Subject.**  
 In the House of Commons on Monday,  
 9th inst., the debate on the address was  
 continued by Mr. Armstrong, who held the  
 floor when the House adjourned on Friday.  
 He concluded his argument for free rural  
 mail delivery, and offered an amendment to  
 the address calling for legislation upon this  
 important subject. Mr. Armstrong is thus  
 reported:  
 Mr. Armstrong (Lambton) resuming the  
 debate on the address, dealt with the state-  
 ment of the Minister of Agriculture regard-  
 ing rural free mail delivery, showing plainly  
 that his position on the subject was in  
 direct opposition to the establishment of  
 the service. Rural free delivery in its in-  
 ception was started over seven States, with  
 divergent conditions. It now covers two-  
 thirds of the districts in the United States,  
 where conditions permit its establishment.  
 He cited instances where Canadians along  
 the boundary line have purchased boxes  
 and received their mail delivery by United  
 States officials.

The improvement in road building was  
 very marked. In Pennsylvania the Penn-  
 sylvania people have passed laws declaring  
 that a route traversed by a Rural Free Deliv-  
 ery carrier is a public road, and provid-  
 ing penalties on the part of those in charge  
 to keep it in order.  
 In counties with a population and roads  
 suitable for covering the whole county, they  
 are carefully mapped out. All minor post-  
 offices are discontinued, along with each  
 mail route supplying them.  
 There were on the 30th June, this year,  
 653 counties in the United States, complete-  
 ly covered by Rural Free Delivery.  
 There were 3,000 minor postoffices discon-  
 tinued in the year 1906, showing a saving  
 to the department of \$300,000 per an-  
 num.  
 During the past six years there has been a  
 decrease of upwards of 10,000 postoffices  
 in the United States, notwithstanding the  
 fact that several thousand new postoffices  
 were established. While in 1901 there  
 were 77,000 postoffices, in 1906 there were  
 only 65,600 in operation.

**ENSURES SUFFICIENT REVENUE.**  
 The officials in Washington had assured  
 Mr. Armstrong that with the completion of a  
 rural service the volume of mail would  
 reach such proportions as to ensure suffi-  
 cient additional revenue to support the ser-  
 vice. He instanced Carroll County, Md.,  
 strictly an agricultural county, 75 per cent.  
 of the population 33,000 in all, residing  
 outside the small villages and cities, the  
 largest of which is Westminster, of 3,200.  
 The mail delivered in the county increased  
 21 per cent, in 1906, three years after its  
 establishment and the mail collected was  
 fourteen per cent. while money orders in-  
 creased 70 per cent. in one year. Fully 70  
 per cent. of the mail delivered in that  
 county originated outside its limits. Money  
 orders in general increased in the year 1902  
 over 50 per cent. in rural districts. Of the  
 35,666 carriers employed in 1906, over half  
 travel from 24 to 30 miles; of the remainder  
 7,536 are performing services on routes 20 to  
 24 miles in length. Carriers are compelled  
 to keep up an average rate of travelling of  
 4 miles per hour. The total number of  
 pieces of mail delivered in the United States  
 in 1904 by rural free delivery was 906,424,  
 121.

"There is hardly a limit to the possibili-  
 ties of rural free delivery," said Mr. Arm-  
 strong. "For instance, the Weather  
 Bureau finds the service a valuable aid in  
 the distribution of weather forecasts. At  
 many postoffices where proper information  
 can be obtained early enough signals are  
 shown. In this way the farmer by a glance  
 at the passing wagon knows just what the  
 weather probabilities are.  
 "Rural mail delivery is a child of modern  
 development. Sending news, getting news,  
 receiving telegrams and periodicals is the  
 greatest medium of advanced civilization."  
 One may send a letter from Ottawa to  
 Hong Kong, to Australia, to New Zealand,  
 to Ceylon, the Straits Settlement, and other  
 far off outposts of the British Empire at the  
 same postal charge as a letter home in On-  
 tario. There is no talk about this system  
 not paying. We pay subsidies to steamships  
 to carry mail to foreign shores—but the  
 farmer can wait for generations yet unborn  
 to bring him the happy day when rural free  
 delivery will become an established fact in  
 Canada."

**MOVES AMENDMENT.**  
 Mr. Armstrong explained the necessary  
 regulations in establishing a route, showing  
 the impossibility of there being any serious  
 loss to the department if reasonable care and  
 judgment were used at first.  
 He closed his remarks with an urgent ap-  
 peal to the government to deal out justice  
 to the rural districts, and to do it now,"  
 and offered the following amendment to the  
 address.  
 "We desire to express our regret that  
 more adequate reference has not been made  
 to a matter of public interest, alluded to in  
 your Excellency's gracious speech, and that  
 other matters of grave public concern have  
 altogether escaped mention therein.  
 "We also desire to express our regret  
 that your Excellency's speech contains no  
 allusion to the importance of inaugurating a  
 system of rural free delivery under which  
 our rural population may enjoy, so far as  
 Canada's resources will permit, the great  
 advantages in that respect which have been  
 secured to the rural communities of other  
 countries.

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 Why not cure it—eradicate it with Put-  
 nam's Corn Extractor? No pain or sore-  
 ness—"Putnam's" is a guaranteed success, try it.  
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 and Mrs. Benjamin Zavitz, Brooke, and  
 Mr. John T. Edward, of Aldergrove, B. C.,  
 formerly of Swinden, Eng., were united  
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## The Outlook.

The outlook in Canada continues to brighten all along the line, says the British Columbia Saturday Sun. While industrial activity cannot be said to have again resumed full swing, there is abundant reason for believing that the present stringency will be of short duration.

The wheat crop is now moving freely, and at present prices, the prairie farmers are obtaining for their wheat quite as much money as in former years. Retailers under pressure of their wholesalers, are enforcing the prompt payment of their accounts. Many of these have been outstanding for two or three years, the debtors in the meantime buying more land. The result will be that even more cash will likely be diverted from this year's crop, into commercial channels than in previous years. The speculation in land has almost ceased and the farmers are now paying their bills. This will have a beneficial effect right along the line.

The present situation has caused a heavy slackening in buying the result being an almost demoralized assortment of business. As a consequence stocks have accumulated on the jobbers' hands in Winnipeg, Toronto and Montreal. These are being moved out at any price they will bring. The only evil result from this condition, however, will be a loss of profit on all fall assorting business and possibly more cautious spring buying by dealers throughout the country. No great harm, will accrue to anyone from this fact. The dealers will now be able to clean up their stocks, collect their accounts and, if they are wise, will wipe out the credit system, and put their business on a cash basis.

Construction on the G. T. P., is now expected to begin on an active and large scale, in this province in the very near future. This will not only absorb any surplus of labor which now exists in British Columbia, but will create a demand for thousands more.

The Canadian banks are gradually withdrawing their call loans in New York, but find themselves paid in clearing certificates often than in specie. The flotation of the Vancouver bond issue in England last week is favorably commented upon in the East as indicating a diversion of the stream of British capital to Canada for these issues. Others will no doubtless be offered in England instead of to Canadian houses as has been the practice in the past.

## PLYMPTON.

Wm. McDougall, of Detroit, is spending Xmas with his brother John, con. 6.

Mr. Wm. Forester, of the G. T. R., Sarnia Tunnel, spent Christmas under the parental roof at Wanstead.

Mrs. (Dr.) Dewar and three daughters, Windsor, accompanied by Miss Nesbitt, are spending the Xmas holidays at Kertch.

Mrs. M. T. Donnelly, accompanied by Miss Donnelly, Kertch, left on Monday for Detroit to spend Xmas with Mr. and Mrs. John Donnelly.

Miss Esther Tait, of Petrolia, and Miss Louisa Tait, of London, are spending the Christmas holidays with their parents, 3rd con., Wanstead.

There is strong talk of John Forbes coming out as councillor. The temperance body would like to see opposition in the Council in order to give the question a fair trial.

The marriage of Miss Leach to Mr. Dan McKinley, of the 8th con., took place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leach, townline, Plympton and Enniskillen, on the 18th inst.

The Literary entertainment held in the School House No. 8, Kertch, on Friday evening, 20th inst., was a great success. The school was filled to its utmost capacity and many had to go away. The entertainment consisted of dialogues, recitations and readings, vocal and instrumental music. The principal feature of the evening's program was an address and a beautiful present to the teacher, Miss McFarlane, who leaves with the regret of all.

## BROOKE.

Miss Alice Scott Beattie is visiting friends in Brucefield and Seaforth.

D. Coristine and sister Lillian Coristine left Saturday to spend the Xmas holidays with their brother, J. H. Coristine teacher of the Storness public school.

Court Pearl No. 306, C. O. F. meets Tuesday night Dec. 31st. Members requested to be present. Election of officers and other important business. Come out and spend the last evening of the year in your Lodge room.

The death took place on Friday, of Mr. John H. Lucas, con. 12, after a long illness borne with true resignation. The funeral on Sunday afternoon was one of

the largest ever seen in the township, testifying to the high esteem in which deceased was held in the community. An extended obituary notice will appear in our next issue.

The death took place on Sunday after a lingering illness of Annie, beloved wife of Alex. Cran, con. 14. Deceased had been in failing health for some months. Deceased was highly esteemed in the community and her death is deeply regretted. The funeral took place on Tuesday afternoon and was largely attended. The Rev. E. B. Horne conducted the service. Mrs. Cran is survived by her husband and two young daughters, the eldest being 11 years of age.

The prize lists are now out and ready for distribution for the County Winter Poultry Show to be held at Inwood. Over a hundred dollars will be offered in cash prizes as well as a long list of silver cups, medals, etc., besides the regular cash prizes. The show will be held on the last three days of January 1908, and a large entry has already been promised. Mr. A. H. Graves, of Inwood, the secretary, reports a big call already for prize lists from points all over Western Ontario.

## ARKONA.

J. Hockin visited his son in Chicago this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Williamsou, Watford, spent Christmas at S. Waterman's.

Wm. and Miss Flossy Johnson, Arkona, spent Christmas with friends at Marlette, Mich.

C. W. Lucas attended the funeral of his brother, the late J. H. Lucas, of Sutorville, last week.

Rev. T. W. Charlesworth, of London, formerly of Arkona, will occupy the Baptist Church pulpit, Alvinston, during the winter months.

Reeve Jaynes and J. Jackson are probable candidates for the Reeveship. The contest is always close and the race for 1908 will be a hot one.

Thos. Oakes, Watford, spent Christmas with his brother, Alex. Oakes, Tommy, being from a small town, the sights of a great city dazzled his eyes.

The power plant is working smoothly and everybody is delighted. Many visitors have come from a distance to see the plant. There will be something doing when the electric railway gets under way. Arkona is it.

## CHOP STUFF.

Shield Bros., shipped nine carloads of lumber from the Alvinston G. T. R. station to the old country last week.

Edmund Weld, barrister, of London, has been appointed clerk of the crown for the county of Middlesex, to succeed the late Col. John Macbeth, who died some months ago.

The grand jury at Middlesex December sessions recommended a new bible and a closet for the jury room, and that the pay of jurors be increased from \$2 to \$3 a day on account of the raise in hotel rates.

The fact is not generally known that maple syrup can be made as well in the fall as in the spring. Martin Roberts, a farmer of London township, tapped 200 trees on December 9th and a good run of sap was the result.

A revolting story of cruelty comes from Stratford. It seems that a farmer took a 14-year-old girl from the Children's Aid Society and abused her in a shameful manner. The case is being investigated by Rev. C. A. Miller, agent for the society.

Jas. Aitkens, of Enniskillen, broke his arm Saturday while sitting in his chair in his home. He swung his arm around to scare the cat and struck it against the furniture in such away as to break the bone which was very brittle from age.

Phil. McKaig, formerly a photographer in Port Huron, now a mining engineer living at Auburn, Cal., was in that city last week calling on old friends. He was en route home after spending about a year in the Cobalt mining district of Ontario. —Port Huron Times. Mr. McKaig is an old Petrolia boy and his many friends hereabouts will be pleased to learn that he is enjoying a lucrative situation in California.

Last week Dr. Chalmers, assisted by Drs. McAlpine and C. O. Fairbank operated on S. G. Jackson and removed a common pin from his appendix. Mr. Jackson had swallowed the pin when he was only eight years old and it had remained in him for thirty-two years. It troubled him slightly occasionally but gave no serious trouble till about last April when it formed a large abscess. The abscess was removed but the healing did not progress satisfactorily, but as the cause of the trouble is now removed it is hoped that he will soon be in good health again.

## A New Trolley Line.

Stratford, Dec. 22.—One of the first direct results of the success of the Rock Glen power plant on the AuSable River, which is now in operation near Arkona, will be the construction of a trolley line from Arkona to Sarnia.

## Strongest Navy Supreme.

London, Dec. 22.—Wm. T. Stead, the editor of The Review of Reviews, in an article in The Daily Mail, justifying his recent advocacy of Great Britain's replying to the German's naval program by laying down two Dreadnaughts for every one of Germany's brands argues that Germany had weakened instead of strengthened her position in the world by building a fleet, because the whole German navy virtually is a hostage in the hands of a strong naval power.

"For any power to have a fleet on the high seas, says the writer, which is not the strongest fleet afloat, is an increase not of strength, but of vulnerability."

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Big Clear up of Holiday Goods  
This Week. No Goods Put  
Away. Everything Possible  
Sold Regardless of Cost.

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## TOWNSHIP OF WARWICK.

### STATEMENT

Of Receipts and Expenditures for the Year 1907 to December 15th

RECEIPTS	
Total Receipts from all sources	\$ 34671 92
EXPENDITURES.	
1907	
General Fund	10192 93
Div. No. 1, Jno. Ravecraft, commissioner	328 41
" 2, E. A. Edwards, "	681 69
" 3, Peter Graham, "	540 06
" 4, Wm. Hall, "	461 16
Salaries	788 83
Board of Health	11 50
Charities	259 45
The Drains	534 24
Local Drains	2061 35
School Sections	6806 31
Legislative Grant to Schools	1172 20
Sheep Killed by Dogs	36 01
Special Grant to Schools	105 90
County Rate	3000 00
School Debentures	2010 44
Total	\$28956 49

### ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

ASSETS.	
Due by collector, (about)	\$ 1060 30
Cash on hand, Dec. 16, 1907	6229 13
Total	\$7289 43
LIABILITIES.	
Due Schools	\$ 2592 32
Collector's salary	75 00
Peter Graham's salary	55 00
on County Rate (about)	1373 25
on Local Drains	735 86
Total	\$4831 43

R. AULD, Reeve. E. MCGILLICUDDY, Treasurer.

Warwick, Dec. 16th, 1907.

The year just past has been the most successful in the history of our firm. During the year to come we will maintain our high standard of quality, coupled with moderate prices, and will strive to merit a continuance of your highly esteemed patronage.

T. B. TAYLOR & SONS.

## BORN.

In Stratford, on Dec. 22nd, 1907, the wife of Edgar Kerton, of a daughter.

## MARRIED.

At Sykeston, on Wednesday, Dec. 4th, 1907 by the Rev. E. C. Currie, Alexander Kirk to Miss Mary Norwood, both of Moore Township.

In Dawn Township, on Dec. 11th, 1907, at the Methodist Parsonage by the Rev. Wm. Baugh, Mr. Robt. J. Reid, of Sarnia, to Miss Agnes Baker, of Dawn.

## DIED.

In Brooke, on Sunday, December 22nd, 1907, Annie, beloved wife of Alexander Cran, in her fortieth year.

In Brooke, on Friday, December 20th, 1907, John H. Lucas, aged 49 years, 13 days.

On Saturday, Dec 7th Leah Lucas, aged 90 years, at his home, corner of base line and 11th con. Chatham Tp.

On Sunday morning, Dec. 8th, 1907, at the home of his brother-in-law, Jas. Stinson, con. 5, Dawn Tp., Robt. McBrean, aged 56 years.

In Stratford, on Tuesday morning, December 24th, 1907, Silas Denray, aged 58 years and 3 days.

## SPECIAL NOTICES.

WANTED—Any quantity of basswood heading. Highest cash price paid.—M. A. LAWRENCE. d20-2t

COMFORTABLE rooms for two or four H. S. students. Apply to Mrs. E. Lambert, near the High School. d20-2t

DR. GIBSON needs money and respectfully requests parties indebted to him to settle their accounts before 1908.

WANTED—A middle aged woman to keep house for elderly gentleman. For particulars apply to "Ellwood Place" Queen's Ave., London.

LOST—Between Watford and Warwick on Monday evening a spring seat for a wagon. Finder please drop a card to Geo. Prince, Warwick P. O.

WANTED—Agents in every city for Canada's Humorous Weekly. Liberal commission.—THE WHITE LYRE, DERNEN BLDG., Toronto. d27-13

CARD OF THANKS.—The family of the late John H. Lucas, of Brooke, wish to express their heartfelt thanks for the many acts of kindness and sympathy shown during his long illness which will be gratefully remembered.

CUSTOM SAWING—The undersigned have purchased the McLeay saw mill and have fitted it up with a new boiler and engine. They are prepared to do custom sawing of all kinds in a prompt and satisfactory manner.—ROWLAND AND DORMAN. d20-2t

## Man Buried Alive.

Paris, Dec. 12.—Jean Lachiez, a shepherd, aged 65, of the village of Saint Aubin, near Dijon, was found in bed, to all appearances dead, guarded by two dogs, who would not at first allow anybody to approach.

A doctor pronounced the shepherd dead, and issued a burial certificate. The burial took place yesterday, but the coffin had scarcely been lowered into the grave when there was a loud knocking sound from it and stifled cries.

The coffin was immediately brought up again and opened, whereupon the old shepherd sat up. He was conveyed back to his home, but the shock was so great that he died during the night.

## T. E. Freight Business.

The freight business during the Christmas season this year has been heavier than it ever was before," said Freight Agent Gordon, of the G. T. R., Saturday. "Our rush is pretty well over just now and things will be quieter for a few days."

"London wholesale men have done an enormous business and are sending goods all over the country. Large quantities of goods have been received also, and as far as I have heard the merchants are all prosperous. Certainly none of the wholesalers are complaining." —Advertiser.



### WATFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL.

#### HONOR ROLL FOR DECEMBER.

Class IV, Sr.—Florence Johnston, Edna Scaman, George Restorick, Wm. Lloyd, Freddie Haskett, Gladys Craig, Mabel Williamson, Gordon Maine, Jr.—Rose Annett, Nora Weight, Reta Logan, Mansell James, Elsie Anderson, Willie Aylesworth, Bessie Weight, Alma Buchner, Fred McManus, Jean McKecher, Mattie Bryson, Kenneth Sedwick, Frank Elliott, Leila Fuller.—W. H. SHARPNEILL, Principal.

Class III, Sr.—Willie Bruce, Hattie Cook, Meryl Logan, Lily McCormick, Charlie Lamont, Muriel Taylor, Florence Sedwick, Verne Brown, Ida Fuller, John Stapleford, Katha Marwick, Tommy Forster, Gerlie Harrower, John McManus, June Buchner, Jr.—Willie Lamb, Bert Potter, Fred Mathers, Victor Willoughby, Elgen Hicks, Willie McTavish, Marie Roche, Florence Beech.—L. E. RICHARDSON, Teacher.

Class II, Sr.—Leo Sedwick, Edgar Prentiss, Melvin McCormick, Neil O'Neil, Gladys Lamb, John Lamb, Michael O'Meara, Ross Luckham, Orland Brooks, Mary Stanger, Sammie Dodds, Chester Cook, Jr.—Franklin Smith, Etta Fuller, Clarence Cook, Stella Williamson, Jean Cameron, Willie Wilson, Henry Rivers, Verne Johnston, Melville Buchner, Eva Thorne, Bessie McNece, Charlie Fitzgerald, Eston Fowler.—M. E. HARROWER, Teacher.

Pt. II, Sr.—Cecil Atchison, Victor Annett, (Richie Gibson, Valore Dodds), equal, Celestine McManus, Leafa Smith, Earl Morgan, Carlton Harrower, Lily Kelly, (Mary Watson, Jean Fisher) equal, Geraldine Elliot, Kathleen Elliot, John Bruce, Newell Hastings, Jr.—Teresa Logan, Mildred Fortune, Lena Nelson, Ada Spackman, Bertie Daws, Ross Restorick.—M. R. RID, Teacher.

Primary Room—Class I—Margaret Seaman, Ethel Sharp, Florence Roberts, Alfred Croucher, Roger Thorne, Evelyn Dodds, Earl Fuller, Willie Restorick. Class II—Merle Smith, Margaret Cameron, Jean McManus, Leila Parker, Orville Restorick, Mamie Moir, Erle Schlemmer, Ha Cook, George Chambers. Class III—Cyril Daws, Clifford Abbott, Deloise Dodds, Spense Bruce, Alvin Styles, Wilfred Jamieson. Class IV—Florence Cook, Mervyn Williamson, Jack Lloyd, Florence Kelly.—H. M. STAPLETON, Teacher.

#### Model School Examinations.

The Model School Examinations for the granting of teachers' certificates were completed last week and the following were awarded III class certificates.

#### SARNIA.

Stella Birket, Alletta Capes, Clara Carroll, Ellen R. Gilbert, Bessie McDonald, Lottie Miller, Martha Richardson, Beulah Spurr, Genieve Wise, John Bambridge, Ernest Broughton, Oliver M. Brown, Howard Havers, Colin Lennan, Leslie Menzie, Reginald Sauve, Wm. J. Squire, Wesley R. Stephenson, William Tew.

#### FOREST.

Frank Barnes, Wm. H. Logan, Robt. McKimley, Merrill Mollard, Stanley McGregor, Stanley Stewart, Wm. A. Stewardson, Elmer Thompson, Geo. Whitting, Norman Martin, Harriet L. Ford, Matilda Lehrbass, Jessie Miltken, Jessie Smith, Luella Redick, Lena Wallen, Agnes Pope, Donald Munro.

The following have also been successful but the certificates are withheld till they have completed the non-professional examination or reached the required age in accordance with the special regulations of the Minister of Education.—Myrtle Frost, John Wilkinson, Gladys Morris, Hulda Ticknor, Wm. Gordon, Fred Ferguson.

#### SCHOOL REPORTS.

Report of S. S. No. 6, Warwick for the month of December: Names in order of merit. Class IV—Lottie Kadey, Mabelle Manders. Class III, Sr.—Russell Duncan, Jr.—Walter Duncan, Russell Harrower, Bert Saunders, Cecil McNaughton, Lizzie Kerr. Class II—Alma Morris, Clifford Kadey. Class Pt. II—Herman McNaughton, Rhea McNaughton, Viola McNaughton, Orville Saunders. Class Pt. I, Sr.—Maggie Chambers, Clare Manders, Roger Miller, Willie Kerr, Jr.—Gladys Manders, Myrtle Harrower, Pearl Kayley, Mary Kerr, Gordon Bryce.—EVA M. CRUMMER, Teacher.

Honor roll for December, S. S. No. 1 Metcalfe: Class IV—E. Ferguson, V. Foster, J. Dymond, W. Brigham, R. Campbell. Class III—H. Eastabrook, K. Foster, E. deGex, F. deGex, G. Ferguson, C. Greer. Class II—L. Eastabrook, I. Campbell, A. Watson. Pt. II—Reita Greer, G. Foster. Pt. I—A. Dymond, M. Greer. Class A—G. Johnston, Class B—C. Ferguson.—M. E. MCKENZIE, Teacher.

#### Saved Child From Terrible Death.

A thrilling rescue, which made those who witnessed it shudder for a moment, took place at the Grand Trunk station London Saturday, when the first section of express No. 6 was pulling out.

Cornelius Paps, his wife and little son Thomas, Indians, living near Ingersoll, were intending to take the train.

Mr. Paps went into the waiting room for a moment, and the train started.

Mrs. Paps became greatly excited, and picking the little fellow up, attempted to shove him on the platform of the third car from the end.

In the excitement the little fellow lost his balance and fell on the platform and rolled toward the wheels.

Fortunately, Mr. Paps had seen the train start, and was following close behind.

In an instant he reached down and pulled his son from what looked like certain death.

After it was all over Mr. Paps was warmly congratulated by those who witnessed the affair.

The three Indians missed their train

but were very thankful that nothing worse had happened.

#### REYCRRAFT-MOFFATT.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Mogfitt, second line S. E. R. Warwick, was the scene of a happy event on Wednesday Dec. 18th., when their daughter, Miss Lizzie, was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. Swanton C. Reycraft. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. M. Shore, in the presence of about sixty invited guests. At 5 p. m. the bridal party entered the parlor to the strains of a bridal chorus from Lohengrin played by Miss Ena Moffatt, sister of the bride, and took their places before an arch of evergreen and holly. The bride, who was given away by her father, was handsomely attired in white silk colienne with lace and ribbon trimmings and carried a prayer book. The bridesmaid, Miss Lizzie Reycraft, of Glencoe, wore white organdie trimmed in Valenciennes and pink ribbon. The groom was assisted by Mr. Frank Moffatt. After hearty congratulations the guests repaired to the dining room where a sumptuous wedding repast awaited them. The bride was the recipient of many beautiful and useful presents, testifying to the esteem in which the young couple are held by their many friends.

#### THE G. T. R. PENSION FUND.

Employees Injured on Duty or Discharged Without Cause May Benefit.

One of the most important features of the Grand Trunk's new pension fund scheme, which is to take effect on January 1st, from the employer's standpoint, is the provision that any employee over 50 years of age, after fifteen years of service, if discharged without cause, at any time previous to reaching the pension age limit, becomes eligible to pension in proportion to the number of years of service up to date of discharge.

Although it was originally considered desirable to follow the general rules prevailing in Great Britain, of the formation of such a fund by mutual contribution from the company and employees, it has been finally decided to follow the practice of companies generally on this continent, of contributing entirely out of their own revenues the necessary funds for the pensioning of their aged and faithful employees.

The benefits of the fund will also apply to worthy employees who may have been injured in the service of the company, or who have suffered the loss of faculties which render them incapable of self-support, and employees having served the company the minimum period of 15 years—whether the age limit has been attained or not.

While the Grand Trunk established, a number of years ago, what is known as the "Superannuation and Provident Fund Association," which is still in existence, its membership is limited to the official and clerical staff throughout its lines in Canada only, whereas the new fund will apply to employees on all lines of the present system, and, as before stated, to all classes of employees.

#### TON OF PUDDING COMES BY MAIL.

Folks in England Send Plum Duff to Canada for Christmas Feast.

Toronto, Dec. 20.—More than a ton of plum duff—otherwise plum pudding. It arrived in this city yesterday from England, tied up in all kinds of parcels. And what an atmosphere permeated the whole general postoffice when the mail bags were opened: It made the clerks think of their Christmas dinner.

It is a yearly custom for the folks "at home" to send out the real article in the line of plum pudding, but this year they outdid themselves. The English mail yesterday weighed close to two tons, and most of it was "puddin'." It was put in crocks, tied up in paper bags, in towels, packed in boxes, in fact, there was every shape and size of parcel. Most of them were small, but one pudding will supply a Toronto with Christmas fare, except the sauce. This parcel weighs twelve pounds.

Most of the consignment is destined for Toronto homes, though some will go to outside points.

Yesterday's British mail was considerably heavier than that of the corresponding week of last year. It contained 2,700 parcels, or nearly 100 bags. Besides the pudding there were Christmas presents of every sort, handkerchiefs, braces, bracelets, brooches, watches, rings, shoes, hosiery; in a word, it contained samples from every counter of a department store.

The Toronto mail for Great Britain was considerably heavier this year also. It has already left, but another is yet to go, though it will not arrive on the other side in time for Christmas.

The only department of the postoffice which shows a falling off in the Christmas trade is between Canadian cities. Up to the present it is not up to last year's standard, but a rush is expected next week.

#### The National Live Stock Convention.

The Convention of the National Live Stock Association to be held in Ottawa on February 5th, 6th and 7th, 1908, promises to be a most important meeting. The programme prepared provides for the consideration of such national topics as the export, import, and interprovincial trade in breeding and commercial live stock. The relationship of transportation companies to the live stock industry will be dealt with by foremost authorities. The health, of Canadian live stock, proposed amendments of customs regulations and the Scottish premium system of hiring stallions will all be considered with a view to improving present conditions in Canada in regard to these matters.

Already an attendance of representative stock men from each of the several provinces is assured. Most of the Record and Provincial Live Stock Associations have fulfilled the requirements of affiliation. It is the privilege also of Agricultural Societies and exhibition associations which have paid in cash prizes for live

stock in 1907 a sum of \$500 or upwards to affiliate with the National Association by sending to the Live Stock Commissioner, Ottawa, for a list of its members. Societies affiliated in this way are entitled to representation at the Convention by its president or secretary.

#### COW TESTING ASSOCIATIONS.

##### Announcement for 1908.

It is now four years since the Department of Agriculture through the Dairy Division began an active campaign for the improvement of the dairy herds of Canada, by inaugurating a cow testing association at Cowansville, Quebec. The department provided all the equipment and loaned each member the scales and necessary outfit for taking and preserving the samples, furnishing requisite blank forms for keeping records, made all the tests and compiled the reports, without any charge.

In 1905 a series of 30 day tests were conducted at seven places, the department loaning the outfit and doing all the work without cost to the owners of the herds as in 1904. The object of this work was to call attention to the importance of the question and to create sufficient interest in the matter to induce dairymen to organize for the purpose of conducting a systematic test of the individual cows of their herds. The publication of these tests showed the great difference which is found in the yield of cows in the same herd, and of different herds in the same locality.

At the beginning of 1906, 16 associations were organized under the auspices of the department. Each member was required to provide his own outfit for weighing and taking samples, but the Department of Agriculture provided the blank forms and made the tests without charge. The work was continued on the same basis in 1907, with a total of 32 associations organized in the different provinces as follows: Quebec 27, Ontario 18, Nova Scotia 2, Prince Edward Island 1, British Columbia 4.

In addition to making the tests free of cost, the dairy division has compiled for each member a monthly and a yearly statement of the individual tests of his herd, and each member has also been furnished with a copy of the monthly summaries of all tests made for the other associations. Summaries of the monthly tests have been published in the agricultural and weekly press of Canada, so that every person who reads has thus had an opportunity of studying the results and judging of the importance of the work. The Honorable Mr. Fisher, Minister of Agriculture, has taken special interest in this work and is very desirous of having it continued. I am directed to say that the dairy division will again co-operate with associations of twenty or more members, or owners of not less than 200 cows for the season of 1908, by doing the testing, providing the necessary blank forms, and assisting in the organization as heretofore, but the Minister is of the opinion that the time has arrived when the members of the associations may reasonably be asked to contribute something towards the cost of the work. If it is worth anything to dairymen to know the relative value of his cows as milk producers, in order that he may improve his herd by a process of intelligent breeding and selection, it should be worth paying for, in part at least. If it is not worth anything to the owners of the herds it is certainly not worth anything to anyone else. I beg, therefore, to make the following announcement in connection with this work. For the season of 1908 the Department of Agriculture through the Dairy Division will co-operate with the cow testing associations on the following terms:—

(a) members must provide their own outfits and agree to take samples according to instruction.

(b) The members will be required to pay towards the cost of the testing at the rate of 20 cents per cow for the season, for under 5 cows and over. For herds of under 5 cows a minimum charge of \$1.00 per herd will be made.

(c) The association must arrange for a suitable place in which the testing may be done as in previous years without cost to the department.

(d) The Dairy Division will provide all the necessary blank forms, chemicals for testing, compile monthly and yearly records and forward them to each member without any charge except as mentioned in (b).

Note—the charge for testing will be based on the highest number of cows tested in any one month. A cow tested only once will be charged for the season.

J. A. RUDDICK,  
Dairy and Cold Storage Commissioner  
Ottawa, Ont., Nov. 28, 1907

#### FARM TO RENT.

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## A Vacation Episode.

By EDWARD GERRITSON.

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The girl first saw the man coming toward her out of the east in his canoe like a herald of the rising sun. Imagination transformed him to a yellow haired viking and his up to date canoe to a battle galley with a serpent's head prow.

The man saw the girl standing, straight as a birch sapling, on a huge brown rock, gazing out at him over the water. Fancy painted her a siren set to lure him to destruction on the rocks at her feet. Without a moment's hesitation he decided it would be pleasant to be lured. He arched his hand above his mouth.

"Ye-ho!" he called to her.

She mimicked his action.

"Ye-ho!" she answered back.

The next stroke of the paddle almost lifted the canoe from the water, and the girl meditated ignominious flight, yet, knowing who he was, she decided to remain.

"He certainly is all that rumor paints him in the way of strength," she soliloquized, as she watched, fascinated, the play of the muscles of his mighty arms.

When he was near enough for her to see she colored at the unstinted admiration in his eyes.

"You're glorious!" he cried impulsively as he deftly shot the canoe up to the rock.

"You're extremely bold," she retorted nervously.

He smiled irrepressibly.

"I've come for you—get in," he said peremptorily. "It needs only you, leaning against that forward thwart, to make the morning perfect."

"My goodness," she gasped, "you are a viking!"

"You're making fun of my hair," he said, simulating offense. "You shouldn't call me such a hard name simply because my hair is tow colored."

In a moment she was seated among the pillows.

He watched her trail her fingers in the brown water awhile and then:

"I'm Edric Stanford," he said abruptly. "And you?"

"Jeannette Harriman of Pittsburg," she answered, eying him furtively.

He stopped paddling for a moment and looked at her in amazement.

"Not Malcolm Harriman's daughter?" he blurted.

"Yes," she said simply.

"You know who I am?" he questioned.

She nodded affirmatively.

"And yet—and yet"—he floundered.

"Well," she queried, finding he did not seem inclined to continue, "and yet what?"

"Oh, nothing," he answered lamely and fell to paddling furiously.

After all, he thought, what did it matter? Only a vacation episode—it could be nothing more. He would carry it out in the spirit in which he had begun.

A morning of enchantment was theirs. They visited a spot where the sharp nosed pickered leaped with twinkling frequency. They slipped through an Eden of immense golden cupped water lilies wide open to the glory of the dawn. They glided stealthily along in the shadow of the shore fringe until presently they saw a stag with his soft eyed wives come down to the shore to drink. He brought her nearer to nature than she ever before had been.

"I shall come here the first thing tomorrow morning," he said as he helped her up the rock where he had found her. "Shall I find you here?"

"Perhaps," she answered, but there was a half promise in her manner when she waved him goodbye from the hilltop.

He was earlier than she next morning, but he had not long to wait. In a few moments she came smiling toward him down the hill.

"If you like," he said as he helped her to her seat, "we'll visit that eagle's nest on Bald mountain. I have been up to her aerial and seen her baby eagles."

Jeannette's eyes sparkled.

They started while the mists were still gray. Jeannette wore a short red coat in anticipation of the coolness of the air at the high altitude of the mountain. Shortly before noon, after a wearying climb, they gained a spot where it seemed advisable to eat their luncheon.

"We must wait here until Mrs. Eagle goes preying for the family dinner," Stanford informed his companion. "Then by hurrying we'll have time to climb and take a peep at the little eaglets and get away before the old bird returns."

In a few moments they saw the mother bird soar upward with great spread of wings and circle over the valley.

"Now is our time," said Stanford, springing up and leading the way, "but

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we must hurry."

A hard scramble over a series of ragged bowlders brought them to the crag where the eagle had built her nest. Four young eagles stretched out their featherless necks, their yellow beaks wide open for the expected dinner of blood warm flesh.

Suddenly Stanford gave a cry of dismay.

"Quick! Quick!" he shouted. "The old bird is coming back!" and grasping Jeannette by the arm he rushed her away from the nest.

But the eagle was coming with the rapidity of a rocket and was upon them before they had got very far. Attracted, probably, by her red coat, the enraged bird made straight for Jeannette. Stanford succeeded in only partially saving her from the onslaught. One of the huge wings struck her a glancing blow and knocked her down.

The eagle was carried far beyond them by the impetus of the rush, but dropping the rabbit it had brought for its young, it circled quickly and returned to renew the attack.

Stanford looked about for a weapon. He grasped a young scrub oak, struggling for growth in the barren soil, and tore it up by the roots. Swinging it in the air he brought it down on the eagle's head as the great bird poised over the prostrate girl to attack her with its talons.

The soil that had clung to the roots of the sapling mitigated the force of the blow, and the eagle lay but partially stunned, beating its wings on the ground, its beady eyes glaring venom and hate at its assailant.

With more time now to choose a weapon, Stanford picked up a heavy rock and stepped forward to dispatch the bird. But Jeannette, who had risen to her feet, stayed his arm with her hand.

"Don't," she said, choking back her emotion; "the young birds haven't had their dinner yet."

Stanford hurled the rock from him and, picking up Jeannette in his arms, made a hasty retreat from the dangerous locality. As he felt the girl's heart beating against his own, he decided that the "vacation episode" was carrying him beyond his depth.

When he reached the spot where luncheon had been eaten he stopped and looked down at her. Her face was crimson, but she was smiling at him.

"How strong you are," she whispered, "to tear that tree up by the roots. And you carry me as easily as if I was a child."

The temptation was too much for Stanford. He simply couldn't help it; he bent his head and kissed her.

"You belong to me!" he exclaimed fervently.

She hid her face on his shoulder, her hot cheek pressing against his neck, and although her assent was softly spoken he heard it.

"But—but," he stammered, "are you taking everything into consideration?"

"Yes," she answered seriously, "I am, and nothing counts but this."

"But you've known me such a short time."

"I've known you all my life—in my heart," she said quietly.

The next day Stanford received a telegram calling him back to the city, but he found time for a short call upon Jeannette at the farm where she was stopping with her aunt.

But the month that intervened before her return to town gave him much time for deliberation, and he decided that the affair must revert to what he had at first termed it—"a vacation episode."

Heavy hearted, he made his way to her home when he learned she had arrived. Jeannette came to him soon, and he felt his resolve weakening at the sight of her. She halted a pace or two from him when she saw the strained expression on his face.

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gloomily, in answer to her look of inquiry. "I should not have been so weak."

"As you like," she said coldly, elevating her chin a trifle; "but are you considering me at all?"

"I'm considering you wholly," he retorted. "Do you think I could let you sacrifice yourself so? Think! Think what I am! Down where the great cranes swing their molten loads and the clank of the rolling mill is never still; down in the dirt and dust and sweltering heat of the furnaces—there I find my level. Your life lies among such luxuries as these. You are Malcolm Harriman's daughter. I'm bitterly—am but the superintendent of his works!"

"You should remember first," said the girl softly, "that you are Edric Stanford. I understand enough about papa's business to know that he owes much of his success to your ingenuity. And I thought you brave."

She came a step nearer, and her approach sent a tremor through him. She leaned toward him tantalizingly.

"Ye-ho!" she called softly.

A smile struggled at the corners of his mouth.

"You're a viking," she taunted, "a viking and a bold, bold wooer. That day on the mountain when you carried me in your arms you—"

He swept her toward him passionately, and the scene on the mountain was re-enacted in a more conventional setting.

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