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INWOOD

W. R. Dawson was in Toronto and London on business last week.

Miss Hayward, of Bridgen, spent the week end at the manse.

Mrs. Naulty and Mrs. Joseph Brewer, are visiting at Albert Atkin's.

Mrs. J. W. Johnston has been on the sick list all last week.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will hold a bazaar in W. R. Dawson's store, on March 14th. Sale in the afternoon and tea will be served from four to seven.

John Dudley went to Windsor on Friday to see his son, Uri, who is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Rutherford are visiting relatives in and around Alvinston.

Mr. Wesley Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. James Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hill attended the hockey match at Sarnia, last Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Graham and little son of Sarnia, spent a few days at the home of Wm. Chapman last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Atkin gave a very successful 500 party last Tuesday evening, eight tables and all report a good time.

Mr. Clayton Johnston is in Sarnia attending the assizes this week.

Mrs. Alice Medcalf, of Petrolia, spent a few days at Wesley Tait's and L. D. Brown's last week.

Mrs. Elliott and son of Dawn, were Sunday visitors at the home of Richard Dawson.

The Ladies Guild met at the home of Mrs. Wm. Chapman on Thursday, with a large attendance.

Mrs. Fred Cummings and cousins, Miss Mary and Jean Frayne, were recent visitors at the home of Otto Lehrbas.

Dr. P. R. Urie was in London on Friday.

We are glad to report that Mrs. George Phillips and Mr. Wellington Griffith, who were operated on at London last week, are both doing nicely.

Dr. E. J. Bannister, wife and family, were in Forest on Sunday.

A pleasant evening was spent at the home of James Smith at a progressive euchre party on Friday evening. There were five tables. All report a good time.

Rev. P. H. Streater was at Wm. Graham's on Sunday.

Miss Louise Gardener is spending some time at the home of Mrs. Carroll, who is ill.

Mrs. L. A. Riley is visiting in Toronto.

Alvinston Fair Reverts to Two-Day Show

At the annual meeting of the Brooke and Alvinston Agricultural Society, held in the council chamber, Alvinston, on Saturday, January 31st, it was decided by the Directors to revert to the two-day fair of former years, after they had come to the conclusion that a two-day fair is quite sufficient for a place the size of Alvinston. The three-day event has been tried out for the past two years, with the Township School Fair occupying the second day.

The various Committees were appointed as follows, the first named on each committee to be chairman:—

Heavy Horses—L. W. Oke, John McEachern and Jas. McCallum.

Light Horses—Jas. H. Johnston, Gordon I. Smith.

Cattle—H. Darville, Jas. Hand.

Sheep and Pigs—N. McVicar and N. A. McLean.

Poultry—W. J. Reader and H. Wilcox.

Grain and Seeds—John McCallum, and H. Wilcox.

Roots and Vegetables—W. J. Weed and Jas. H. Johnston.

Home Manufacture and Fancy Work—G. H. C. Norsworthy, H. A. Gilroy and Jas. Hand.

Pine Arts—H. Darville and D. McKinlay.

Dairy Products—L. W. Oke, N. McVicar, John McEachern.

Horticulture—James McCallum, D. McKinlay, N. A. McLean and G. Smith.

Grounds—N. A. McLean, John McCallum, W. J. Weed, A. D. McIntyre, H. A. Gilroy and D. A. McIntyre.

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School Fair—D. A. McIntyre, Jas. McCallum, H. A. Gilroy, W. J. Weed, G. H. C. Norsworthy, Gordon Smith, President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Finance—Nevin McVicar, H. Wilcox, Jas. H. Johnston.

The committee appointed to revize the Prize List will comprise the chairman of each standing committee.

The Field Crop Competition in Corn and Oats will be continued this year and L. W. Oke, James Hand and D. A. McIntyre were appointed a committee to solicit entries for this event.

The sum of \$400. was appropriated to the School Fair, and the President and John McCallum were chosen to interview the Brooke and Alvinston councils for a donation.

The committee to revize the Prize List will meet in Alvinston on Saturday, February 21st; and the Directors on Saturday, March 21st.

Orange Officers

Warwick Scarlet Chapter. Warwick Scarlet Chapter met in Johnston L. O. Hall on Jan. 14, 1925, for their election of officers, Wor. Com. Elton Freer in the chair for the election, which resulted as follows:

Wor. Com.—Everest Cox.
Dept. Com.—Basil Johnston.
Chaplain—Stewart Gardiner.
Scribe—Ben Atchinson.
Lect.—Gordon Smith.
2nd Lect.—Wm. Swan.
Marshal—John McClung.
Treas.—Thos. Freer.
Herald—Stanley Lucas.
Sentinel—George Pike.

Com. Gordon Smith took the chair for the installation. After the officers were duly installed refreshments were served and the Chapter was closed.

District of Warwick. District of Warwick L.O.L. met in Warwick Union Orange Hall on Jan. 13, 1925, with Dist. Master Stanley Lucas in the chair. After all general business was transacted the election of officers resulted as follows:

Dist. Master—Elton Freer.
Dep. Dist. Master—Roy Heaton.
Dist. Chaplain—Clifford Lucas.
Dist. Rec. Sec.—W. A. Lucas.
Dist. Fin. Sec.—Basil Johnston.
Dist. Treas.—J. E. Wallis.
Dist. Lect.—Thos. H. Higgins.
Dist. Dep. Lect.—Arthur Higgins.
Dist. Dir. of Ceremonies—Russell Barber.

County Master George Pike took the chair for the installation. After the officers were duly installed a social hour was spent.

East Lambton. East Lambton County Orange Lodge met in Watford Orange Hall on Feb. 3, 1925, with Co. Master Geo. Pike in the chair. After all general business was transacted the election of officers resulted as follows:

Co. Master—D. Falloon, L.O.L. 516.
Dep. Co. Master—W. Swan, L.O.L. 831.
Chaplain—Rev. H. Hosford, L.O.L. 506.
Co. Rec. Sec.—E. Freer, L.O.L. 831.
Co. Fin. Sec.—B. Johnston, L.O.L. 831.
Co. Treas.—F. W. Smith, L.O.L. 831.
Co. Lect.—W. A. Lucas, L.O.L. 831.
Dep. Co. Lect.—E. Dobbie, L.O.L. 819.
Co. Dir. of Cer.—G. Smith, L.O.L. 516.

Past County Master Bro. Archie Dewar then took the chair for the installation of officers. After the officers were duly installed refreshments were served and the County Lodge was closed until 1926 when all will meet in Uttoxeter.

Offsetting Competition

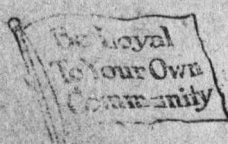
THE thing for the merchants of this community to do in their own interests is to advertise faithfully, and to make their printed announcements interesting and helpful to those whose trade and favor are desired.

The serious competitors of the retailers of this community are the big stores of the big cities—those that send out catalogues and have mail-order departments.

The poorest way to offset this competition is for our local merchants to remain silent. For them not to "speak up" is to give the mail-order houses a better chance to get business from this community.

A Word to the Public

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A young man, anxious to learn to ride horseback, asked a friend to provide him with a mount.

"You know," he said, "I've never ridden a horse."

"Then I've got just the animal you want," said his friend. "He's never been ridden before, so you can make a start together."

"I say, Bob," said an acquaintance "why did the foreman sack you yesterday?" "Well, you know," was the reply, "a foreman is one who stands around and watches his gang work."

"I know; but what's that got to do with it?" "Why, he got jealous of me! People thought I was the foreman!"

Mr. Mulligan was lying upon his death bed. Mrs. Mulligan was seated at his side, giving him what small consolation she could offer in the circumstances. "Sure, and Mike," said she, "Is there in anything I cud do fer ye before yuh lave us?" "Margaret, smell the odor of roasting pork. I believe I could eat a bit of it." "I'm sorry, Mike," said she, "but I can't cut into that pork roast; we're savin' it fer the wake."

A Long Lane
"It's an extended corridor that has no termination," mused the absent-minded professor, as he patiently plodded around the revolving doorway.

A Wild Life
A small, hen-pecked, worried-looking man was about to take an examination for life insurance.

"You don't dissipate, do you?" asked the physician, as he made ready for tests. "Not a fast liver, or anything of that sort?"

The little man hesitated a moment, looked a bit frightened, then replied, in a small piping voice: "I sometimes chew a little gum."

Sanitary
Doctor—Have you taken every precaution to prevent spread of contagion in the family?

Rastus—Absolutely, doctah, we've eben bought a sanitary cup, an' we all drink from it.

The young bride went to the grocery store to do her marketing. She was determined that the grocer should not take advantage of her youth and inexperience.

"These eggs are dreadfully small," she criticized.

"I know it," he answered. "But that's the kind the farmer brings me. They are just fresh from the country this morning."

"Yes," said the bride, "and that's the trouble with those farmers. They are so anxious to get their eggs sold that they take them off the nest too soon!"

Doubtful Honor.
A negro preacher down near San Pedro owns a mule with a highly effective pair of heels and a loud but not musical voice. One Sunday morning, while the preacher was delivering the sermon, the mule persisted in putting his head through the window and braying loudly.

The parson finally said: "Breddern and sistern, is dar one among you all who knows how to keep dat mule quiet?"

"Parson," replied a man, "If you will just tie a stone to dat mule's tail he sho will keep quiet."

"Breddern an' sistern," said the preacher, "let him who is widdout sin tie de fust stone."

Asserting His Prerogative.
Man (in the barber-chair)—Be careful not to cut my hair too short, people will take me for my wife.

Willie—That man walks the straight and narrow path.

Billie—A Sunday school teacher?

Willie—No, a tight-rope walker.

Critic.
The new play was wretchedly bad, but despite the disapproving noises from the rest of the audience, a young man in the stalls sat quietly through two acts of it.

"Why don't you hiss too?" asked his neighbor, during the interval.

"I can't very well do that," explained the other. You see, I'm here on a free ticket; but, by George, if this next act isn't any better I'll go out and buy myself a seat so that I can join in with you."

Two alien women were recently arrested in the middle of the Detroit River while trying to run the immigration gauntlet across the ice. As in the case of Eliza in "Uncle Tom's Cabin," they were pursued by the bloodhounds of the law.

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