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SCISSORS

ARKONA

Arkona Municipal nominations are being held Dec. 26th, 2 to 3 p.m.

Mr. Geo. Miller is home from Toronto for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Samuel Rivers is attending County Council in Sarnia this week.

Miss Flosse Johnson is spending a few days at her home before leaving for Toronto.

The Methodist church is holding its annual Christmas concert on Monday evening, Dec. 26th.

Dr. Muma and family of Alvington have moved into town and he has opened his veterinary practice.

Mrs. David Johnson is spending the Christmas holidays with her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Porter of Niagara Falls.

KERWOOD

Mr. Geo. Evoy of Strathroy visited relatives in the village recently.

Miss M. Barnes left last week for a visit to Nova Scotia. She will also visit friends at Toronto.

Mrs. Wm. McLachlan spent the past week with friends in Sarnia.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Richardson of Petrolia spent the weekend with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Richardson.

Rev. J. C. Moorehouse will preach next Sunday. In the morning will be the special Christmas message and in the evening they will again have the fifteen minute song service and the pastor will have a special message to the young people. All are welcome.

A great many were disappointed on Sunday morning the weather being so unfavorable, the anniversary service at Bethesda was withdrawn but a good number turned out to the evening service, and we are pleased to state that at the Christmas concert on Monday night the collection amounted to \$40.00.

Kerwood Board of Trade met on Wednesday evening with a fairly good attendance, it being the annual election. The officers are as follows: President—Mr. Meredith Morgan, 1st vice—Mr. J. J. Foster, Secretary—Mr. H. Kerr, Treasurer—Mr. J. Taylor. Let the live citizens of our village all turn out to these meetings.

The Women's Missionary Society met at the home of Mrs. Geo. Johnson with a good attendance. Mrs. J. H. Richardson read the scripture lesson and an excellent paper on "The Value of Prayer in Our Society" was given by Mrs. Frank Hull. Mrs. Moorhouse gave a paper on "What If They Had Quit" and Mrs. A. Edgar sang a solo entitled "The Holy Night". The ladies are planning to hold an open meeting in January in the basement of the church.

The Ladies' Aid of St. Paul's church met at the home of Mrs. Cliff Freer and the following officers were elected. President—Mrs. Ern Den-

ning, 1st vice—Mrs. de Gex, Sec.—Treas.—Mrs. H. Eastbrook, Auditors—Mrs. R. Denning, Miss M. Barnes, Buying Com.—Mrs. R. Denning, Mrs. Geo. Freer and Miss M. Barnes. Visiting com.—Miss Josie Buchanan, Mrs. Dymond, Mrs. Cliff Freer, Mrs. Rogers. The next meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. Groveners.

A very enjoyable meeting of the Women's Institute was held at the home of Miss Jessie Callaghan last week with a good attendance. After the business part of the program, a paper was given by Mrs. de Gex, "Should the wife receive an allowance," this was followed by a lively discussion. The ladies were in favor of equal rights. Another pleasing feature was the community singing which was heartily entered into by all present. Miss Jean Sullivan and Mrs. de Gex gave some piano solos which were very much enjoyed. A dainty luncheon was served. The next meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. H. Kerr.

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(Extract from The Montreal Star of 17th December, 1921)

Complete assurance for depositors' money in the Merchants Bank of Canada is given by both Sir Hugh Montagu Allan, president of that bank, and by Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, general manager of the Bank of Montreal.

Sir Montagu told The Star that the money in the Merchants Bank is as safe as if it were in the Bank of England.

Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor said: "You have my authority to say that I, Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor, general manager of the Bank of Montreal, consider that the deposits held by the Merchants Bank of Canada are indeed safe beyond all doubt."

Neither banker would discuss any matter presented in the morning in the statement issued by the president of the Merchants Bank. Sir Montagu referred The Star to a prominent official of the bank.

Business as usual.

The latter explained that today the Merchants Bank would carry on exactly as yesterday. Business would be transacted in the name of the Merchants Bank, the only change being that H. B. Mackenzie, who was yesterday appointed acting general manager of the Merchants Bank, and Major S. O. Nornworthy, similarly appointed acting assistant general manager, would take complete control of the bank's affairs. He emphasized that deposits would be absolutely safe.

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