

ALVINSTON

An enjoyable time was spent in Dolbear's School on Friday evening, when they held their regular literary meeting. Mrs. Bert Gray took charge of the meeting and gave a short but interesting address. Miss Catharine Forman delighted the large audience present with a recitation, as also did Gertrude Percal, who recited in an able manner. Mrs. H. A. Ghroy and Robert Morrison gave two vocal duets, which were much enjoyed, after which G. A. Anderson gave one of his usual good numbers. Thomas H. Myers played an acceptable violin selection, after which Robert Morrison sang a solo, followed by a vocal selection by Berthena Oke. At the close of the meeting refreshments were served, during which a social hour was spent.

The Ladies' Aid of Guthrie Presbyterian church held a very successful bazaar and sale of home-made baking on Saturday. Many pretty and useful articles were offered for sale and many purchasers were found despite the disagreeable weather.

The four-act comedy entitled "Between Two Lives" presented by the Sutherland Dramatic Club under the auspices of the local Women's Institute, was held in the parish hall on Thursday evening and was well attended.

Mrs. James White held a successful sale of farm stock and implements on Thursday. Mrs. White and daughter, Margaret, intend moving to town in the very near future, having sold their farm to Neil McCalum, of Brooke.

Kenneth McEachern of London spent the week-end at his home here.

Mrs. Robert Oliver, of Motherwell spent a few days last week as the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Jessie Martyn.

James Reader, of Chatham Business College, spent the week-end at his home here.

INWOOD

Mrs. H. McLean and Raymond were in Alvinston on Tuesday.

Mrs. Clarence Atkin returned home from Lapeer after spending a few days with relatives there.

The W. I. met at the home of Mrs. J. Warner on Tuesday. Mrs. Thowhill presided in the absence of Mrs. Richardson. Miss Matilda Lehrbass gave a paper on "Does Active Middle Age Surpass Youth in the Joy of Life." The prizes were won for the contest by Mrs. Crawford, Mrs. Urie and Miss B. McAuslan. The April meeting will be held at the Presbyterian Sunday school room the last Tuesday of the month.

Mr. Dan Rundle of Rama, Sask., is spending a week with his mother, Mrs. John Rundle.

Mrs. Bannister was in Forest on Tuesday.

Mrs. C. Johnston and Mrs. Lloyd spent a few days last week with friends at Brigidon.

Mrs. Edward Oke and daughter, Betty, of Detroit, are visiting relations in these parts.

The play "Aunt Susan" put on at the hall by the Alvinston choir on Tuesday night was well attended.

Mr. Bert Barber is spending a few days with his brother, Mr. Percy Barber.

Mrs. Hands returned to her home at Detroit after attending the funeral of her uncle, the late John Rundle.

Mr. and Mrs. Robinson and family are visiting at the home of Mr. C. Atkin.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Richardson returned home on Friday from Hamilton.

A number from here attended the party held at Mr. Lorne Elliott's at Sunnyside last Wednesday evening.

A Father and Son banquet will be held at the Presbyterian school room next Wednesday evening.

Miss Maggie Armstrong of Detroit is visiting her parents here.

Great gloom was cast over the

community on Sunday morning when it became known that Mrs. Thomas Cathers had passed away at her home a mile north of the village. The sorrowing family have the sympathy of a host of friends in their sad bereavement. Mrs. Cathers took a stroke on Thursday.

Mr. W. Munro was in Petrolia on Thursday last.

OBITUARY

CHARLES PHILLIPS

Another old resident of Petrolia passed away at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. A. H. Hyndman, in Chicago, with whom he had made his home since last November, in the person of Charles Phillips, in his 79th year. Mr. Phillips was born in Warwick township on April 17, 1845 and came to Petrolia in 1872 having been attracted here by the oil boom. He was a carpenter by trade at which calling he worked for the J. & J. Kerr Company from the time he came to Petrolia until about ten years ago, when he retired to devote his time to his bee colony. He lent a hand in building most of the houses in Petrolia as well as the Archer Block and the old Iroquois Hotel. Deceased was a quiet disposition and was highly respected by all who knew him. Mr. Phillips married Mary Jane Brush in 1872, who predeceased him seven years ago. The surviving members of the family are William; Mrs. A. H. Hyndman and Samuel W. Chicago, and Alfred E. of Port William. A brother, William, resides in Sarnia and a sister, Mrs. Emily Jones, on the old homestead in Warwick. The body was brought to Petrolia and the funeral service was conducted on Saturday by Rev. A. M. Stuart. Interment was made in Hilsdale cemetery. The pall bearers were Messrs. John McLeod, James Scott, E. Preston, Jas. Hamilton, Oliver Douglas and E. Maginn.—Petrolia Advertiser Topic.

Among those from this district who attended the funeral were—Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Tenner, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Barnes, Mr. Will Tanner, Mrs. R. Jones, Mr. John Y. Williams, Mr. Eugene Williams, Mrs. George Lies, Mr. Joseph Williams, of Warwick twp. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Shrapnell and James O. Brush, of Watford.

PETROLIA

Petrolia Council passed a by-law last week requiring all gasoline pump owners to deposit \$1,000 Bond to protect the town from damages. Also prohibiting car owners from receiving gasoline unless their motors are shut off.

The pea seed which the Canadian Farmers have ordered for their acreage in this district has arrived.

Three farm laborers from Holland arrived in Petrolia to-day, making a total of 11 this year, all of whom have been placed by W. P. McDonald, agricultural representative for the County of Lambton, on farms in the vicinity. So far these men have been excellent type and have given good satisfaction.

P. & E. Agricultural Society directors met on Saturday to revise the fall prize list. The horse class was entirely revised, the 4th and 5th prizes are eliminated and the three-year-old class struck out. In cattle, the boy's class is cut off. It was left to the ladies to revise the fancy work and to W. P. MacDonald the boys' class.

A photo-gravure of Miss Kathleen Jenkins and a write-up of the ladies' floor of the King Edward Hotel, Toronto, over which Miss Jenkins presides as social hostess, appeared in the last issue of the Toronto Star Weekly.

The prompt methods adopted to stamp out smallpox in Petrolia have apparently been successful as no other case but that of Mr. Ed. Chambers' nephew has been reported. The patient, who is the innocent cause or several sore arms and legs in town from vaccination, is progressing favorably.

Mr. Thos. Johnston has made arrangements with a Chemical Company in Niagara Falls, N. Y. for the treatment of ten wells here at their own expense with the idea of clearing up paraffine and sediment from oil rock in an expectation of materially increasing the flow. The company have been operating in the Pennsylvania field for the past three years and claim to have increased production from 50 to 100 per cent. The material which will be used has been forwarded to Petrolia and Dr. Gilbert, the Company's chief chemist will arrive about the first of April.

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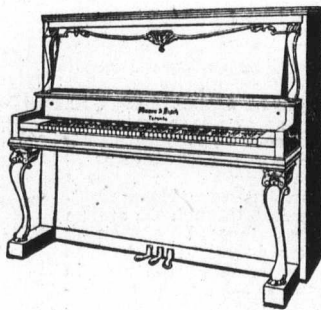
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