

WISBEACH.

Mrs. Ed. Thomson and children, have returned from London where they spent a week visiting friends.

Mr. Richard Adams and wife took New Years dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Birchard.

Mrs. Stewart has returned home from Detroit, where she spent the Christmas holidays.

Mr. Robert McGillicuddy lost a valuable pig last week.

Annual meeting of L. O. L. 626 was held on Dec. 16th and was well attended. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

W. M.—Fred Sanders.
D. M.—Robert Morgan.
Chap.—Ed. Hayward.
Rec. Sec.—Ed. Hayward.
Fin. Sec.—Russell Williamson.
Treas.—Russell Alexander.
D. C.—James Kerr.

Lect.—Fred Collins.
1st Com.—Geo. Hammond.
2nd Com.—John Alexander.
3rd Com.—John Williamson.
4th Com.—Dan. Kerr.
5th Com.—Gilbert Randall.

The officers were installed by Marshall Hicks, Uttoxeter.

PLYMPTON.

Another highly respected resident of this township passed peacefully away on the 30th ult., in the person of William J. Sparling, eldest son of Samuel Sparling, in his 53rd year. Deceased was born on the 10th con. of Plympton, and was there married in 1884 to Annie Pollock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Pollock, of Forest, who still survives him. He leaves besides his wife, three children, namely: Mrs. Sidney Dolan, of Forest; Norman R. and Maggie at home. Mrs. John Smith, of Wanstead, is the only sister of deceased. The funeral took place Sunday afternoon from the family residence to Beechwood cemetery, Forest, and was largely attended. Service was conducted at the house and grave by the Rev. H. G. Rice. The pall bearers were Robert and Angus McLaren, Daniel and Norman McKinlay, Dugald Pollock and J. N. Lausing. Deceased was a member of the Independent Foresters, of Forest, and a number of the members attended the funeral in a body. The bereaved family have the heartfelt sympathy of the whole community in their affliction, the removal of a devoted husband and father.

BORN.

In Warwick, on Friday, Jan. 6th, 1911, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clark, a daughter.

In Brooke, on Wednesday, Dec. 28th, 1910, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Johnston, a daughter.

In Brooke, on Thursday, Dec. 29th, 1910, to Mr. and Mrs. Prece, a daughter.

In Bousquet, on Friday, Dec. 30th, 1910, the wife of Mr. R. W. Stutt, of a daughter.

MARRIED.

At the home of the bride's father on con. 7, Brooke, on Wednesday, Dec. 28th, 1910, by the Rev. N. A. Campbell, John McTavish, to Annie Dell Lehrbass, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Franz Lehrbass, of Brooke.

On Wednesday, Jan. 4th, 1911, by the Rev. W. H. Barraclough, George Campbell to Miss Lella Barnes, both of Thedford.

In Toronto, on January 9th, 1911, by the Rev. Dr. Spiers, Mary Catharine, second daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Willoughby, of Watford, Ont., to Robert W. Duffin, of the firm of Duffin Bros.

DIED.

In Warwick, on Wednesday, Jan. 4th, 1911, Susanna, beloved wife of Patrick Gavigan, aged 49 years.

In Wyoming, on Tuesday, Jan. 2nd, 1911, Edward Pearce, aged 80 years.

In Plympton, on Sunday, Jan. 1st, 1911, Donald McMillan, aged 80 years and 3 months.

In Mossa, on Tuesday, Dec. 27th, 1910, Alexander McCahill, in his 79th year.

In London, on Monday, Dec. 19th, Christina, relict of the late William Auld, of Warwick, aged 70 years.

Moral and Social Reform.

(From the Montreal Herald, Jan. 10.)

"Recognizing the necessity of adapting its work to meet the rapidly changing conditions in large towns due to their phenomenal growth, the influx of foreigners, and to the congestion of populations to a degree hitherto unknown; the Presbyterian Board of Moral and Social Reform has been making a special study of town problems in large cities of Canada and of the United States, with a view, if possible, of arriving at some solution." So said the Rev. Mr. E. B. Horne of Watford, Ont., to the Herald this morning. "You may also say," he continued, "that a special committee composed of Rev. Dr. Shearer, formerly of the Yukon; Dr. A. S. Grant and myself held a conference last night with the leading Montreal ministers and laymen of the church with very satisfactory results, and that I believe, have far reaching consequences. Our committee is also to appear before the Montreal Presbytery, at present in session, and bring our work to their notice."

The Rev. Mr. Horne, who is chairman of this standing committee, has made a long study of slum problems, having had great experience in Chicago. He is at present looking into local conditions and will probably open the discussion at the Presbytery this afternoon.

WANT COLUMN.

A STRAW STACK to be fed on the place. also a quantity of hay for sale. Apply Lot 24, Con. 1, N.E.R., R. WILLOUGHBY. d30-3t

CARD OF THANKS.—Mr. Thos. McKay and family desire to return thanks to their friends and neighbors for the kindness shown them during their late bereavement.

DR. CORNELL, the well known, eye, ear, nose and throat specialist, of Port Huron, will be at the Franklin Hotel, Forest, on Friday, Feb. 24th. Glasses fitted and diseases of those organs treated. td

Warning.

We notice in The Family Herald and Weekly Star of Montreal the publishers are warning their readers whose subscriptions expire this month to renew at once. The renewal orders and new subscriptions pouring into that Office every day are a sight to behold. In their prospectus for 1911 the Publishers promise some wonderful improvements that will make the paper even greater value than ever before, although it has always been recognized as the greatest dollar's worth to be had. Every home in Canada will be the better of the Family Herald and Weekly Star as a regular weekly visitor during 1911.

ARKONA

The Women's Institute meet next Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at the home of Mrs. Jas. Jackson. All are welcome.

Mr. Eldrid Presey is spending a few weeks visiting friends in Ingersoll and Vienna.

Mr. W. Thomas, accompanied by his family, are spending a couple of weeks with friends in Peck, Mich.

We are sorry to report that T. W. Showler is seriously ill.

Miss E. M. Irwin is visiting friends in Jura.

Mr. Fred Johnston started to draw his saw-mill machinery back to the Ark.

Miss Kate Dowling, of Sarnia, is spending a few days at home here.

Odd lines of corsets on sale, \$1.00 for 63c, 50c for 35c.—Brown Bros.

Mr. Geo N. Brown, Manager Standard Bank, Elmvalle, spent Saturday and Sunday at his home here.

Arkona citizens are assured of a rare treat in hearing Harold Jarvis and Mrs. Shafer here Wednesday, Jan. 25th.

Mr. Pete Schier, who has been spending the past two weeks with friends here, left for his home in Dunnville, Monday.

Miss Eric Presey is on the sick list being unable to teach school.

A rumor says we are to have our woolen industry back here in the spring.

Stock taking this month, odd lines and short ends at clearing prices.—Brown Bros.

Report for December, Arkona Public School. Literature, History, Geography. Total—300 marks. Class III, Jr. and Sr.—A. Temple 233, B. Baldwin 224, B. Copeland 219, F. Thoman 217, L. Richter 203, O. Huntley 197, L. Gilbert 193, G. Fuller 186, E. Cooper 184, C. Smith 174, R. Smith 174, M. Cleland 170, S. Cornell 157, B. Rutter 157, L. Jackson 155, J. Meadows 147, C. White 141, F. Dowling 141, C. Millar 140, E. Smith 138, M. Stephenson 137, R. Edmund 118, N. Knisley 117, O. Thoman 102, M. King 69.

Class II, Sr.—T. Smith 160, E. Thompson 150, B. Oakes 118, L. Smith 100, B. Smith 79. W. D. COUZENS, Principal.

David Parker, Bothwell, died on Saturday, aged 77 years.

The local option by-law in Plympton carried by a majority of 252.

There were 451 poultry entries at the Kingston Canine and Poultry Show.

Mr. and Mrs. R. McIntosh, Thedford, celebrated their golden wedding on Jan. 2nd.

Amherstburg has a number of cases of mumps and pink eye among the school children.

The roof of the Thedford skating rink caved in with the weight of snow, leaving the walls only.

There is a probability of Mr. J. F. Roberts, of Parkhill, being appointed to the vacant registrarship of Middlesex.

AUCTION SALE

FARM STOCK, IMPLEMENTS, ETC.

The undersigned has received instructions from L. BUCHNER to offer for sale by public auction on the premises, W. Half Lot 4, Con. 5, S. E. R., WARWICK, (Known as the Birchard Farm)

THURSDAY, JAN. 19th, 1911

the following valuable stock, etc., viz:

1 span spotted ponies well-broken, 2 cows due to calve in February, 1 cow due to calve in June, 4 calves, 6 sheep, 1 fat pig, 8 shoats, 75 hens, 6 guinea fowl, 2 geese, 3 ducks, 1 new top buggy with pole, 1 new lumber wagon and gravel box, 1 set bob-sleds, 1 hay rake, 1 set book-tooth harrows new, 1 set iron harrows, 1 scythe, 1 mower new, 1 disc harrow, 1 plow, 1 gang plow, 1 garden plow, 1 set of drill, 1 bag truck, 1 set heavy harness brass mounted new, 1 set single harness, wheelbarrow, grindstone, about 300 bushels of oats, about 50 bushels of barley, a quantity of corn in stock, a quantity of hay, a quantity of household furniture, barrels, spades, forks, shovels and other articles too numerous to mention.

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D. M. Ferry & Co's Seed Annual for 1911 may be had free of charge by writing to them at Windsor, Ontario. It contains much of interest for those who think.

SALE REGISTER.

Thursday, Jan. 19th, lot 4, con. 5, S.E. R., Warwick, farm stock and implements. No reserve. 10 months' credit. L. Buchner, prop., J. F. Elliot, auctioneer. See advertisement.



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A petition to go back to the ward system for municipal election purposes in Mossa township is being largely signed.