

ALBERTA.

Wardens. The following are the names of pupils in S. B. No. 14. Marks arranged according to the number of marks obtained by each pupil during the month of November. **St. Fourth.** Hannah Swain, Agnes Brown, Fanny Swain, George Nesbitt, John Swain, Lila Swain, Mary Swain, Herbert Mayer, Frank Mayer, Marge Swain, Herbert Mayer. **Third.** Fred Swain, Naabitt, Mary Scott, Marge Swain, Jane Bruce, Lily Swain, Louis Swain, Hannah Starr. **Second.** Wesley Swain, Robert Bruce, Emma Grills, Charles Figue, Charles Figue, Agnes Swain, Charles Nesbitt, Arthur Nobbs, Maggie Swain, Albert Scott, David Thompson. **First.** Mr. William Brown and others who have resided here for a number of years have sold out their farm stock and equipments and intend leaving their property to Mr. Mark of Fingerboard is to be the tenant. Mr. W. H. Burke has sold his beautiful Washburn's island and has purchased a farm near Woodville. Mr. and Mrs. Burke are very highly respected and will be missed from our midst. **Our Mutual Improvement Society** has received and will be a greater success than for years past. Mr. M. Emerson is president and Mr. W. Suggitt, secretary. The entertainment for the last evening was a debate, whether there is more knowledge gained by reading or travelling. Messrs. W. H. Burke and James Swain were captives. Mr. Bruce's side scored a victory.

Wardens.

The choice of the Liberal-Conservative party in selecting Mr. John Mowat to represent this constituency in the Legislative Assembly was a good one. It will have been difficult to have found a better man. Even the Reformers are compelled to admit that he is a fine man. In regard to his character much can be said in his favor, but absolutely nothing against him. At one time the outlook for the Conservative party in this constituency seemed to be rather gloomy, but a little inquiry into the state of political feeling, coupled with the fortunate choice of the Conservative convention, causes the political atmosphere of West Victoria to have a decidedly more favorable appearance. Although Mr. Mowat's government has only a few days to run, it is still the "Grit hive" in West Victoria as he had supposed. Were it not for the blundering and mismanagement of the Mowat government, a remarkable change of feeling has been effected. The effect of this feeling on the public questions of the day will not be shown at the polls. That there has been a great change of political feeling in the village is well known to everyone acquainted with the place. In 1883 there were few Tories in it, now, according to what they say themselves, there are few

Senior department of public school. Names are inserted in order of merit. **Senior 4th.** Fred Butler, Wm. McKinnon, Francis King, Jordon Mack. **Junior 4th.** Gertrude Pomeroy,

Mary Hooper, Bertie Chidley, Maggie Northcote. **Senior 3rd.** John Butler, Bertie King, Philip Thomas, Leslie Bowers. **Junior 3rd.** John Pomeroy, Jennie Northcote, Charles Take, Annie Maton. **Scott Ave.** Inspector Short paid our town a visit on Saturday. We understand the Brunner appeal case will be heard in Lindsay this week.

MARIPOSA.

To the Editor of The Warder. Mariposa for years furnished the capital for the Lindsay politicians to trade upon. Mr. Wood utilized it to his own private advantage by working himself up to a good position, and then turning it over to his friend, D. J. McIntyre, to use in like manner, without having the decency or manhood to recognize one man from the banner township which had done so much for him. But it must not be forgotten that in his last will and testament he very generously rewarded all his personal friends in his division of the party estate. His political friends not being any longer needed were consequently forgotten. No tears were shed nor any other sign of grief at parting with his beloved constituents. They had served his turn and that was enough. He simply exchanged his warm shake of the hand, and his beaming smile, with which he had so often greeted them, for an indifferent good bye, his thumb on his nose, and the reflection in his mind, that he had duped them as long as there was any probability of success, he must seek other friends to betray, humbug and ruin.

Mr. McIntyre has undertaken to play the same game, but not having the ability he is likely to be rowed up salt river where we shall hear no more of him until there is a vacancy in the magistracy, which we have all reason to hope may be many years hence. There is little or no politics in this contest, though the harpies of the Combination are trying to get up a cry, but the political aspect is lost sight of in the personal of the candidates, no one cares very much for the politics of either. It is the position, character, and standing of the men that most concerns the public at this time. Which of them is the most likely to attend to the public interest instead of his own? Can any independent man, freed from the bias of strong party feeling, doubt for a moment which it should be. The questions are so plain they cannot be mistaken, they can be answered in one way, and that answer is so self-evident and convincing we do not think any man will hesitate as to the course he will take. Shall the electors of Mariposa support an honest, straightforward independent farmer, one of themselves, who has resided among them a life time, or an ambitious, sly, cunning, evasive, prevaricating and double-dealing lawyer from the town? Which of these men are likely to serve the public best? The farmer whose personal interest is that of every other man in the country, or the lawyer whose sympathies at best can only be extended to a few, and whose personal interest is to secure the first vacancy that may afford him an asylum freed from professional competition, and the distractions of party politics.

We have long wished and asked for a farmer candidate, and we have at last got one. Now let us lay aside all party considerations, and not only be true to him but to our class, our own and the public interest, and learn the wire-pulling Combination of Lindsay a lesson which they have long needed, that the farmers of

Mariposa understand themselves, and that they will not be any longer the dupes and cat's paws of a few designing, narrow-minded selfish men, who have covertly forced themselves into a ring for the purpose of controlling the politics of the country and directing the patronage to their own private use and ends. Let us wake up to a feeling of manly independence, insist upon our rights as men, and defy the intriguing rascals that so meanly deceived and humbugged the convention; show them that pulling the wool over the eyes of a few delegates does not necessarily blind the whole of Mariposa; and that we can as electors speak both for ourselves and them. If we were not properly represented in the convention we will undertake and perform the honourable duty of representing ourselves at the polls.

Let us without regard to our previous notions of politics and party cries, repair to the polls on election day and deposit our ballots for our neighbour and friend, the honest and independent candidate, Mr. JOHN CRUICK; preserve our own respect and save the constituency.

A MARIPOSA REFORMER.

LINDEN VALLEY.

Special to The Warder. A CHRISTMAS tree and social under the auspices of the Friend's Sunday school will be held in the Grange Hall, on Christmas eve. Admission 15 cents.

VICTORIA ROAD.

Special to The Warder. THE kind people of Bethel are in full preparation for the annual entertainment in the interest of their Sabbath school. Christmas eve is the time.

SANTA CLAUS.—Christmas night in this village is to be made glad by a fruit festival and a tree laden with precious things for the Sabbath school children. By giving five cents to the school any person can have free use of the tree to make presents to friends. Young men and wives, this is your chance.

Ops Elections.

To the Editor of The Warder. SIR,—Now that the municipal elections are coming on I think it is due to us as ratepayers that some of our representatives, and particularly our reeve, would explain why the greater part of all the stone that was broken for the different roads the past summer was done by one man, by private contract; and why stone that was drawn last winter was not broken or spread on the roads till August or September, and also why he lets contracts for other kinds of work on the roads without advertising the same. By inserting the above you will oblige

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The History of Hundreds

Mr. John Morrison, of St. Anna, N. S., was so seriously afflicted with a disease of the kidneys that dropsy was developing and his life was despaired of. Two bottles of Burdock Blood Bitters cured him after physicians had failed—523.

A Heavy Load.

"When I ate, my food was like a lump of lead in my stomach. I took Burdock Blood Bitters. The more I took, the more it helped me, I am like a new man now," says Ezra Babcock, Cloyse P. O., Township Harris, Ont.—523.