

## APPLEBY MAGNA.

CARNIVAL.—A carnival was held in the village on Saturday for the first time. The event attracted a large crowd from the surrounding neighbourhood and the large number of entries in the various classes of fancy dress and decorated vehicles gave the judges an arduous task. On the previous Wednesday, Mr. J. Rolleston, of Congerstone, assisted by his sister-in-law had chosen the Beauty Queen, Miss Olga Marbrow, and her six Maids of Honour, Edna Keites, Alma Jones, Lily Wilkins, Peggy Wileman, Mary Jordan and Gladys Bowman. A procession was formed in Church Street, led by Measham Jazz Band, and marshalled by Messrs N. Riley, E. Bailey, E. Tunnadine and others. The Oddfellows, with their banner, joined in, followed by many fancy dress entrants. A decorated dray with the Queen on her throne surrounded by her Maids of Honour made a charming picture. The entrants were milk, ancient and modern, Darby and Joan, a load of mischief, Arab chiefs on donkeys, decorated bicycles and Eastern ladies. After parading the village the company assembled in the Grammar School field. The proceedings were opened by Mrs. Butler, of Leicester County Nursing Association, who congratulated Appleby on the wonderful turn-out and large attendance to help the local Nursing Association. She was introduced by the Rector, who said she knew much about the work of the Association. Mrs. Butler declared the event open and wished it every success. Mr. W. Riley proposed a vote of thanks to Mrs. Butler for her attendance and kindly interest. The Queen was crowned by Mrs. Lilley, of the Beeches, who said how delighted she was to perform the ceremony. She was pleased that Appleby was not behind other places in having such a charming Queen and attendants to take part in this first carnival. Mrs. Lilley was thanked by Mr. E. Bailey, who spoke of the readiness of Mrs. Lilley at all times, to help on good causes in the village. The judging of the fancy dress and decorated vehicles occupied some considerable time. The ladies who undertook this task were Miss German and Mrs. Mammatt, of Ashby-de-la-Zouch, and Mrs. Ross, of Coalville. Eventually their awards went to the following:—Girls aged 1 to 7: Hazel Batham, Peggy Birkenhead, Peave Garratt, Marlene Baker and Elaine Baker. Boys 1 to 7: Window Cleaners (F. Gothard and Brother), Boxer (Reg Jewel). Girls 7 to 10: Window (Violet Till), Miner (Joyce Jewell) and special prizes to Mary Postletwhaite and Joan Biggs; boys: Hiking (Michael Curtis), Cowboy (Norman Marbrow), Canned-Up (Ronald Jones). Girls 10 to 14: Welsh Girl (Rosie Garbutt), Old Victorian Lady (Barbara Pountain). Girls 14 to 18: Sailors (Mrs. Brown and Buck) and Miss 1864 (Alice Jordan). Women's Class: Anne Boleyn (D. Gothard), Arabs (Mrs. Jones and Johnson), safety first (Mrs. Batham), Chinese Lady (Mrs. Kelsey), Charlie Chaplin (Mrs. T. Bradford). Men's Class: Robinson Crusoe (W. Kelsey), Pearly King (Mr. Richardson), Bisto Twins (H. Glover and Another); Wedding: (Lakin's Wedding Party). The prizes for decorated vehicles were awarded—Milk Methods Ancient and Modern (Mr. Marbrow), Darby and Joan (Mrs. Bailey and Miss Varnam), Load of Mischief (Mrs. Marbrow's Boys), Harlequin (Robin Varnam), Decorated Bicycle (Tony Varnam). After the judging, a vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. W. Riley and heartily accorded the judges. Miss German and Mrs. Mammatt spoke highly of the wonderful display and thanked the audience for their appreciation. In connection with the event, there was also a flower show in the Grammar School. A silver cup given by Miss Mills for the most successful exhibitor was won for the third year in succession by Mr. O. J. Smith and it now becomes his own property. The judge was Mr. E. Kinns F.R.H.S., assisted by his brother Mr. L. Kinns. They were heartily thanked for their services. The secretary for the day's proceedings was Mr. A. Keites, and the treasurer Mr. E. Tunnadine. The day closed with a concert and sketches given by the Congerstone Sketch party and dancing till 11-30, when the National Anthem brought to a close another red letter day in Appleby Magna.

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