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A meeting of the Patron members elect was held in Toronto last week at which Mr. J. L. Haycock, M.P.P., of Frontenac, was chosen as leader of the new party, and a method of procedure formulated.

Sir Oliver Mowat may be said to be in clover now, but when that Haycock topples over on him, as it is likely to do, he is liable to get a few hayseeds in his hair.

The Methodist conference now in session at London has made important changes in the boundaries of conferences in Ontario and Quebec, reducing the numbers in each from six to five. This district is now in what is known as conference No. 3, embracing Toronto, Brampton, Uxbridge, Bradford, Orangeville, Barrie, Collingwood, Owen Sound, Bracebridge, Parry Sound and Algoma districts. The itineracy has been extended from three to five years with the concurrence of church board and stationing committee.

By the resignation of Mr. J. W. Armstrong from the Division Court clerkship of Flesherton and Dundalk the province loses, we believe, its oldest official in that capacity, and the township one of its most painstaking officials. Mr. Armstrong has retained the office for forty-one years past and conducted the business of the court in an eminently satisfactory manner, without any fault finding throughout that long period of time. We believe we voice the sentiments of all when we express our sincere regret that illness has made it necessary for Mr. Armstrong to resign the position he has filled for so many years, with honor and credit to himself and satisfaction to the people whom he served.

Daniel Ritz, Proprietor and Publisher of the Hamburg, Ont., Independent says: "I was suffering from Dyspepsia and Liver trouble, I took a few bottles of Shiloh's Vitalizer and it cured me. I can heartily recommend it."

Last Monday about 8 o'clock, as Mr. Enoch Prentice, of Heathcote, was on his way home from Thornbury, three men sprang from the side of the road at the bridge on Heslip's sideroad. One of them grabbed the horses' bridles, bringing the team to a standstill. The others jumped into the wagon and jerked Mr Prentice over the back with a force that stunned him for some time. They then went through his pockets and secured his money, which was fortunately only a small amount, $3.10. They then jumped out and gave the horses a cut that sent them off scampering. The team ran over a mile before Mr. Prentice got them under control.—Standard.

A Disappointed Man.

THOUGHT HE WAS GOING TO DIE BEFORE SUMMER WAS OUT, BUT HE'S ALIVE AND WELL AND WORKING TO DAY.

SOMERSET, MAN., Sept. 17th.—"Hard times" is the cry from farmers in this country. Arthur Coley, a farmer living near here has had double reason to cry "hard times," for eight months ago he lay on his back in bed, a victim of Bright's Disease. He acknowledges that he expected to be dead before the end of summer, but his expectations have been most pleasantly disappointed, and all summer he has worked on his farm just as though he had never known a day's illness. Last spring he began taking Dodd's Kidney Pills and a few boxes completely cured him, as they have every other victim of this disease who has used them.

A COWARDLY CRITICISM.

A BASE ATTACK UPON A MINISTER OF THE GOSPEL—THE MARKDALE STANDARD DENOUNCED IN SCATHING TERMS.

One of the most disreputable attacks ever levelled at a minister of the Gospel was printed in the Markdale Standard of last week. In order that our readers who know Mr. Keefer, the gentleman so basely insulted, may understand the thorough viciousness of the attack, we quote the offensive item, which was as follows:

"Mr. R. Keefer, student, occupied Rev. Mr. Edwards' pulpit last Sunday. Mr. Keefer is deficient in both voice and physical force, two very important requisites in a public speaker; neither does he appear to possess any other quality that would inspire one with hope of his becoming a success as a preacher."

The Advance has received no less than three letters denouncing the above item, to two of which we give place. These letters voice the indignation of all who have any acquaintance with or knowledge of Mr. Keefer. Even were the criticism in any way a truthful one, which it assuredly is not, still it would have been unwise and unjust to wield it in this way. Considering its untruthfulness it is hard to fathom the animus and spite which lies at the bottom of it. Mr. Keefer has many friends to take up the gauntlet in his behalf and we let some of them be heard below:

An Open Letter.

To the Editor of the Markdale Standard:

DEAR SIR,—Your edition of last week's Standard has, under the guise of a criticism, a cruel, undeserved and possibly libellous article on Mr. Keefer, who supplied Mr. Edward's pulpit on the previous Sabbath. If the article was contributed and admitted into your columns inadvertently, an explanation would be apropos, but if with your approval and assumed responsibility for it I submit you have gone outside the limits of legitimate criticism to damage in a mean and cowardly way a young minister who is most highly esteemed by all who know him. I deem it cowardly, because in his calling he is debarred from entering upon such methods of personal vindiction of himself as men in any other profession would avail themselves of. You know the polity and practice of the Methodist Church well enough to know that Mr. Keefer did not attain to his present standing until after repeated trials and tests of ability as severe as imposed by any other protestant church in Canada. He did not have to come to Markdale at this date to get his credentials for the Methodist ministry. If it were true that Mr. Keefer lacked the physical qualifications for a successful minister, you as an official member of the District that recommended him to Conference, had an opportunity of voicing your opinion and are responsible to the extent of your individual influence and opportunity for passing him and recommending him to the Conference. The despicable character of that attack appears in that having had such opportunity, and after three years of approved service as a probationer in the church, you permit in your columns an article calculated to blight or seriously damage his prospects and usefulness. But your criticism is not true nor in any degree justifiable. Mr. Keefer has at every stage of his probation approved himself to the church both in active circuit work and at the theological institute in Montreal, where he has maintained a good standing and passed his examinations with high credit.

It is nothing to his discredit to admit that he has had to struggle and toil under adverse circumstances and win success under conditions that might have discouraged men less plodding, industrious, and persevering than he was, and if these qualifications are elements of success in the ministry as they surely are in any other vocation, he possesses them in an eminent degree.

It is true he is not as tall as your much and justly esteemed pastor, Mr. Edwards, but I believe he is fully as strong, hardy and robust, and if his voice was not loud his extreme modesty alone prevented him from giving you its full force. One man has attained world-wide fame as a preacher with a poorer voice than Mr. Keefer. I refer to Canon Farrar, of Westminster Abbey. The modern Spurgeon, Rev Aked, of Liverpool, is no larger in build and yet has powers to attract the largest congregations in Britain. Mr. Keefer's diction is choice, his demeanor modest, his enunciation clear, deliberate and distinct; his reasoning logical. He exhibits discretion, good taste and judgment in the selection of his subjects of discourse, neither attempting the discussion and disposal of the more abstruse questions of polemics nor descending to sentimental twaddle. He is a thoughtful, diligent and careful student and has not by any means attained his full intellectual stature, but the time may yet come when places like Markdale will esteem it a high privilege to have his services if only for a Sabbath. Let me add, having known him from childhood to the present, I have rarely, if ever, met a more truly exemplary, consistent christian. Have patience, Mr. Editor. Some years ago some people were rash enough to predict you would never be able to successfully edit a paper. The world knows now how grossly they were mistaken.

M. RICHARDSON.

A Shallow Mentally Balanced Editor.

To The Editor of The Advance.

DEAR SIR,—You, with many others, have read the very unkind and positively unjust remarks made by the Standard of the 13th inst., relating to your young townsman, who so well and acceptably occupied our pulpit on the previous Sabbath.

The remarks will go for what they are worth, but lest anyone might think that the Standard is the voice of the people in this matter, I am safe in saying that Mr. Rutledge is alone responsible for it, and our church is thoroughly ashamed of it.

Very many with better judgment, education and intelligence and better qualified to criticise a sermon than our editor, listened with pleasure to Mr. Keefer's discourses.

Further, we have heard the Standard denounced in this matter by people from the Kimberley circuit, Harkaway and Meaford Road, where our brother has preached, and the feeling in Markdale is one of indignation.

Certainly Mr. Rutledge assumed and presumed a great deal when he issued his verdict on this matter, and we wonder if he was summing up the essential qualifications of a pugilist when he referred to the lack of "physical force?"

The Flesherton Quarterly Board in its wisdom recommended Mr. Keefer, the conference of our church has honored him with a name and place among our ministers; he is especially acceptable wherever sent, and beyond and above these comes the command: "Touch not mine annointed and do my prophets no harm." These greater authorities are set aside by the Standard, which weighs our young friend in its own little, shallow mental balance and finds him wanting.

Mr. Keefer has many warm personal friends in Markdale, many who well know his early religious life, which has been one of more than ordinary steadfastness and purity from childhood up, and we extend to him our sympathy, and we assure him that our church here pray that he may not be hindered or hurt by what has been said by the Standard.

A MEMBER OF THE M. M. CHURCH.

Markdale, Sept. 17th, '94.

Sporting Goods.

Guns, Revolvers, Shot Shells, Cartridges and a full line of the best Powders.

Potato Forks, Manure Forks, Grain Shovels and Plough Lines at right prices.

Cups and Saucers and Plates in numerous patterns at lowest prices,

Apple Parer.

Remember you can get one of the best for only 50c. at

Richardson's Hardware.

IN THE MATTER OF

F. Bruce Estate

OF FEVERSHAM.

The interest in the real estate consisting of a house and store in the village of Feversham, will be sold at the office of M. Richardson on Monday the 17th of Sept., at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Fall Fair

is approaching, the season is advancing, and it is time to think about preparing for the rainy season. I have placed in stock a fine selection of rubbers and boots and shoes of all kinds which will be sold at the very closest prices. I want your trade and am bound to merit your confidence. I have something of extra value in men's strong fall boots. I make a specialty of custom work, and use nothing but the best of stock, placing thereupon good, honest workmanship. Old friends will continue to be heartily welcome, but I wish to make some new ones. Come in and give us a trial order.

JOS. SMITH,

Flesherton.

Opposite McTavish's Carriage Shop.

East Grey Fall Exhibition

—WILL BE HELD AT—

FLESHERTON

—ON—

Thursday & Friday, Sept. 27 & 28, '94.

FIRST DAY, FORENOON

Devoted to receiving and placing exhibits in hall; also the Township's special competing exhibits. Produce, domestic manufactures and ladies' work must be delivered to the superintendents of the hall not later than 11 o'clock a. m. first day of show.

FIRST DAY, AFTERNOON.

Judging township exhibits and hall, to commence at 1 p. m. sharp.

SECOND DAY, FORENOON.

Receiving and placing all outside exhibits. Hall open to the public at 10 a. m. Cattle, sheep, pigs, poultry, implements, carriages, etc., must be on the grounds not later than 10 a. m., second day of fair.

SECOND DAY, AFTERNOON.

Fair will be formally opened at 1 p. m. by D'Alton McCarthy, Esq., M.P., and Maj. Delamere, immediately after which judging and awarding of prizes of horses, cattle, sheep, pigs, and all stock, implements and manufactures outside will commence.

Speeding in the ring to commence at 2 p. m. At 2.30 p. m. the famous and world-renowned Parker-Partello troupe will appear on the grand stand and give one of their grand exhibitions of sensational gymnastics, aerilism, trapeze performances, tumbling, balancing, etc. This entertainment will be worth the whole price of admission to the fair.

Do Not Miss It.

The fair to be concluded with a

Grand Concert!

In the Town Hall in the evening when the great humorous vocalist, Jas. Fax, and the accomplished and talented elocutionist, Miss Marietta LaDell, will furnish a rich, amusing and humorous entertainment.

Admission to the grounds, adults, 15 cents; children, 10. Admission to concert, 25 cents.

GEO. STEWART, President. R. J. SPROULE, Secretary.

ADMINISTRATRIX SALE.

OF

Valuable Farm Property in the Township of Euphrasia, in the County of Grey.

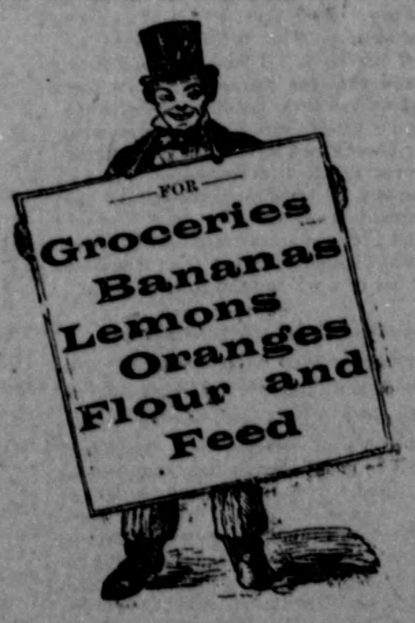
Pursuant to instructions received from Janet S. McDonald, administratrix of the estate of Alex. H. McLean, late of the township of Euphrasia, yeoman, deceased, there will be offered for sale by R. J. Sproule, Esq., auctioneer, at Munshaw's hotel, Flesherton, on Saturday, the 6th day of October, 1894, at 1 o'clock p. m., the following valuable farm, namely:

The south half of lot 7, in the 4th concession of the township of Euphrasia, in said county of Grey, containing 100 acres, more or less. There is a good frame barn and frame dwelling house on this property.

The property will be sold subject to a mortgage to The Canada Permanent L and S Company securing $1172 and interest.

TERMS OF SALE: Ten per cent. of the purchase money down and the balance in one month thereafter. There will be a reserve bid. Further terms and conditions of sale will be made known at time of sale or by application to ALEXANDER SKINNER, Solicitor for Administratrix.

Dated at Meaford, Sept. 1st 1894.



GO TO

W. Barnhouse

Plowing Association Meeting.

A meeting of the Plowing Association of Centre Grey will be held in Flesherton at 3 p.m. on Sept. 27th, by order of the President, for the purpose of electing officers, making arrangements for the plowing match and arranging other business matters. THOS KELLS, Sec.-Treas.

The Markets.

Carefully Corrected Each Week

Flour	$ 3 00	to	$ 3 50
Fall Wheat	55	to	55
Spring Wheat	55	to	55
Barley	31	to	31
Oats	25	to	25
Peas	53	to	53
Butter	15	to	15
Eggs, fresh	10	to	10
Potatoes bag	50	to	50
Pork	5 00	to	5 00
Hay per ton	6 00	to	6 00
Hides	3 00	to	3 00
Sheepskins	25	to	25
Geese	6	to	7
Turkeys	9	to	10
Chickens per pair	25	to	35
Ducks per pair	50	to	60
Wool	15	to	16

Farm for Sale or Rent.

That very desirable farm of 50 acres in (Orange Valley) Lot No. 126, 1st N. E. of T & S Road, Artemesia, for a term of years or will be sold on very reasonable and easy terms of payment.

Tenders will also be received for the purchase of the whole of the remaining timber on the above mentioned lot, consisting of choice maple, elm, and some cedar, which is suitable for lumber or square timber, besides a large quantity of cord wood. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Inspection and correspondence solicited.

T. H. POWERS, Kirby, or ANDREW CARR, Flesherton.

M. RICHARDSON & CO.

Mantles We have just opened our fall importations of Mantles and Capes, and can offer our customers a stock to select from such as is seldom seen outside of city stores.

Mantles We import direct from same sources as the largest dealers. We do business at much less expense, and can sell on closer margins.

Mantles We ask an early inspection and shall be pleased to show goods whether we sell or not.

Mantles

Millinery MISS RICHARDSON has just returned from visiting home markets in search of new and pretty things in Millinery, and is opening up stock, both home purchases and imports from Britain. We show entirely new styles and our Millinery has a more than local reputation. All that experience, enterprise and the advantages to be gained in cash purchasing can do, has been put into this branch of our business to keep it to the front as second to none in this county.

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FURS We will talk about our extraordinary large purchase of Furs next week, especially in Ladies' Capes. Meanwhile come and see the Mantles and Millinery.

CATTLE OWNERS, ATTENTION!

HOSMER'S GREAT

MEXICAN FLY EXTERMINATOR.

Hosmer's Mexican Fly Exterminator will prevent Flies and Insects of all kinds from lighting on Cattle and Horses wherever it is applied. It is evident that many times Horses become more jaded by Flies than by their regular work, and it is a humane act and kindness to save the dumb beast annoyance and pain, and to give them all the comfort that we consistently can. Cows that are troubled with Flies invariably give less milk than those protected from their stings. Hosmer's Mexican Fly Exterminator is something more than a protection to animals from Flies, as it is undoubtedl

The Best Hoof Ointment in Use.

If properly used this Fly Exterminator is a Certain Preventive from the attacks of the small black fly, called in different localities by the following names: Buffalo Fly, Arabian Fly, Texas Fly, while in reality they are the dreaded "Mexican" Fly. These flies light around the horns of cattle and eat down into the head and cause terrible suffering, and many times the stock die from the effects. This Exterminator is a certain preventive from attacks of all Flies or insects on cattle or horses. It is also a sure death to Fleas.

DIRECTIONS: Apply the Exterminator with a stiff brush, or rub well into the hair and hide with the fingers. Whenever the flies attack the stock a new application should be made. When faithfully applied, cattle and horses will run in pasture all day without annoyance from flies or insects.

This Ointment contains nothing injurious or poisonous. The high standard of Hosmer's preparations, which have been so long in the market, is a sufficient guarantee for any goods bearing his name. For sale by

W. Moore, Harnessmaker Flesherton.