

The Standard.

MARKDALE NOV. 6, 1884.

THE FINANCIAL DEPRESSION.

That there is a depression in the financial world, none will attempt to deny; but, while those periods of depression come with such apparent certainty, and we might say, periodical regularity, it is not absolutely necessary that each individual, in an agricultural country like this, should suffer any material inconvenience therefrom.

It is well to consider the cause, or some of the causes of hard times. It is a well known fact that prosperity begets extravagance and speculation, and these, together with the credit system, are sufficient to bring about universal depression to those who come within their domain. Extravagance and the credit system are twin brothers: the latter is good in its place, but is so terribly abused, causing so much loss and ruin, that it is difficult to say a good word for it. It is not the expense of supplying the actual necessities of life which cause hard times and general depression among the agricultural community, but rather in making investments, (not absolutely necessary) with a prospect of good crops and high prices. The prudent, industrious agriculturist is not suffering any serious embarrassment from the present depression, and why should he. There is no doubt the untimely frost in the harvest of '83 did incalculable damage, yet all kinds live stock brought a remarkably high price. Where mixed farming is carried on—as is the rule in Ontario—the chances for serious losses are greatly lessened, as there is seldom a failure of all the products in one season, while it is often the case that when one kind of produce is a partial failure, some other makes up for it either in abundant yield or in price. The present season we consider above an average prosperous one to the farmer; this statement will be doubtless startling to many at first thought. Let us consider it for a moment. All kinds of grain is above an average crop, and the quality universally good; while the harvest weather was all that could be desired, thereby enabling the husbandman to gather in the products of the farm in the best possible condition. The markets are low, especially wheat; yet, on the whole, we do not consider the price of farm produce any farther under an average than the combined quality and quantity is above. Then stock (which is fast becoming an important branch of mixed husbandry and should receive still greater attention) though not as high in price as in recent years, is still an average, while butter keeps up, and eggs are extremely high, cheese holds its own, and roots and fruits are an abundant crop, but low in price, so that an average here may be counted. Now that we have made out the year 1884 an average prosperous season to the farmer, as far as the products of the farm and prices for the same is concerned, we wish further to draw attention to the current prices of mercantile goods. Are the prices not extremely low in every department, groceries, dry goods, hardware, agricultural implements, and everything you could mention (except perhaps ladies bonnets), while there is no material advance in wages for labor. Now, where does the boot pinch. Since the present season is, on the whole, a prosperous one, where does the general depression come in. Oh, but one says, I am behind since last year. Just so, in nine cases out of ten the cause can be traced to extravagance and speculation, counting on ungrown crops and unrealized prices, in short, counting the chickens before they are hatched. Now, each individual for themselves may avoid un-

told hardship by studying the cause and effect of the so called hard times. While this applies to all classes, it is specially applicable to the agricultural community; as, in a country where farming is the chief pursuit of the country, all other classes must necessarily be affected by its condition.

GOOSE QUILL.

'Tis sweet to remember the days of our youth, when we were compelled to undergo the bitter experience of making our own pen from a goose-quill. Sad recollection; but, the tuition we learned in that primitive day has stood us in good stead against the shocks of democratic violence which have assailed us from time to time.

Last Monday evening, news was brought into town, that a flock of wild geese had "lit" upon Plewes' mill-pond. Accordingly, next morning, two hours before the dawn, there were tinkers, tailors, weavers, shoe-makers, butchers, yard-stick men of the counter stripe, salied forth with single-barrels and double-barrelled guns, with deadly intent upon the feathered tribe. Arrived at the pond, daylight was as anxiously sought for, as was darkness on the eve of Waterloo. While waiting—wishing—waiting—for the dawn of day the good Morpheus cast his balming wand over the features of the tallest man in the assembly, and sent him to the land of Nod. True to his instincts, and a verification of the adage that the master makes the man, R.....ds took a pious seat upon the warm stomach of the sleeping representative of Markdale's intellectuality. With the peep of dawn the Master of Ceremonies, Gander Flock, ordered his household into morning exercise, when, with a cruelty known only to sportsmen, Nimrod J..... H..... let fly with both triggers of his double-barrelled gun, and brought down four of the feathered beauties. With a daring that would have done credit to Leander of the Hellespont swimming match, Master J. E. R., of Mack's Commercial House, boldly plunged into the seething waters, and recovered the game. But! lo!! and behold, they had slaughtered four members of the innocent flock of a worthy citizen—but not intentionally. Boys, put on your night-glass next time. In order to prevent a law suit and save costs the boys cheerfully paid the damages.

Flesherton.

From our own correspondent.

R. G. Trimble, Esq., jeweller of this village, has, we understand, found an opening for his business more to his liking on the other side, to which Mrs. Trimble intends moving in a short time.

Harry Firth, Esq., painter, is about deciding to remove to Atchison City, Kansas. Already there are a number from this locality in that city.

A very pleasant evening's entertainment and social was given last Friday evening at the residence of Mr. Andrew Carr, under the auspices of Presbyterian Ladies' Aid Society. The evening was unfavourable, but a good number turned out. A very enjoyable evening was spent in various games and amusements.

AMONG THE CHURCHES.

Saturday afternoon last the Rev. Mr. Chisholm of Maxwell preached in the Presbyterian Church; on Sabbath following the Sacrament and Lord's Supper was dispensed in the same church. The Rev. Mr. Wilson, Pastor, preached morning and evening.

The regular Quarterly services of the Canada Methodist Church was also held in that church on Sabbath Last. Services conducted by the pastor, Rev. D. C. McDowell.

The Rev. Mr. McGregor, Baptist Minister in this place, is about leaving his congregation here, having received a call to another field of labor.

Meaford Road.

(From correspondent No. 2.)

Those little winters are hindering the harvesting of root crops.

Mr. John Coosey is erecting a substantial bee house. More power to him: We all like honey.

"Sam" is fixing up the wee log house. "Hannah" had better be looking up white trimmings.

The 12th has run to orators lately. By gorry now "George" has taken the stump against the Scott Act; so has the big Conservative on the corner. The new money agent supports and defends it.

A bolt factory is to be started in Toronto shortly with \$200,000 capital.

Letter From Manitoba.

Turtle Mountain, Oct., 1884.

DEAR STANDARD, Two and a half years have rolled away since I struck this portion of Her Majesty's domain. I promised at that time I would write you something of my experience in the prairie province. Well, having located in the Turtle Mountain district, and spent two winters and three summers here, I am enabled to establish what I say. When I came here there were only three or four houses between here and Delorane, a place 20 miles east of this. Now I can stand in my door and count 98, and only half of the land in that territory in the market yet. This district lies along the boundary line between Manitoba and Dakota. The soil is a rich black loam with clay bottom. The inhabitants are of different nationality and are intelligent, industrious, highly moral and very enterprising and well-to-do.

The harvest has been an abundant one and saved in prime condition. We had this year 1,000 bushels of grain. We have splendid water; no sickness, a most contented and happy community, and prospects of a railway within 13 miles of the boundary next summer. We are, however, in need of housekeepers, as it is quite common for the one man to be cook, butler and plowboy. It does very well for a short time, but I tell you it soon grows monotonous. They tell me that out at Brandon, when an emigrant train is expected, the fence along the R. R. may be seen lined with young men, sitting waiting to get even a sight of a girl. Now just think how anxious they must be; you know the fences out here are made of barbed wire. Oak and poplar timber is to be had 12 miles from here. There are various kinds of wild fruit, such as cranberries, plums, etc. This is just the place for young men to make a start in life, with a good prospect of gaining for themselves in a short time easy and comfortable circumstances. I would not, however, advise those who are getting up in years and have a comfortable home in Ontario, to leave it.

The supposed cold winters up here are no dreaded object to us, having spent two of them, and being out all through from December to April, I consider the winter, on the whole, pleasant.

We get the STANDARD as regular as the week rolls round, and it is watched for as eagerly as the emigrant trains above, though not in the same position.

Yours truly,

JAMES A. ROWE,
Waskada
Man.

Hallowe'en.

Much as we reverence the customs and habits of the past, we cannot but reprobate such of their follies as carry with them the spirit of rowdyism. It must not be supposed that there is any night in the year when Her Majesty's Laws are inflexed to permit the perpetration of crime, with impunity.

The domgs of last Friday night and Saturday morning convinces us that the sooner a barbarous custom gets its quietus thro' the instrumentality of civilized public opinion, so much the better for the general public.

Sale Register.

Wednesday, 5th November, at the Revere Hotel, Markdale, by J. W. Morrow, Auctioneer, two parcels farm property. Robinson, O'Brien, Gibson & Lefroy, Solicitors, Toronto.

Tuesday, the 11th Nov., on lot 24, con. 8, Euphrasia, farm stock, implements, &c., &c. Sale at 1 o'clock. Terms: 14 months on good paper. John Dillon, proprietor; W. J. Supherdson, Auctioneer.

Thursday, 6th November, on lot 10, con. 10, Euphrasia, commencing at noon, farm stock, implements, household furniture, hay, &c. Terms 14 months on good paper. Wm. Braidner, proprietor; Joseph Manarey, Auctioneer.

Wednesday, 12th Nov., on lot 119, 3rd range E. T. & S. Road, Artemesia, being the effects of the late Archibald Foster, live stock, implements, &c. Sale to commence at one o'clock. Terms—12 months on approved paper for sums over \$5. T. Elliott and Jas. Foster, Executors; Geo. Noble, Auctioneer.

A WISE CONCLUSION.

If you have vainly tried many remedies for rheumatism it will be a wise conclusion to try Hagyard's Yellow Oil. It cures all painful diseases when other medicines fail.

Notices of Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

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BIRTHS.
JENKINS—In Durham on Sunday, 28th inst., the wife of A. H. N. Jenkins, of a son.

Market Reports.

MARKDALE.

Fall Wheat	\$0.65 to \$0.68
Spring Wheat	0.65 to 0.70
Barley	45 to 62
Peas	50 to 52
Oat	28 to 29
Butter	18 to 20
Eggs	18 to 20
Apples	25 to 35
Potatoes	18 to 20
Hay	7.00 to 8.00
Pork	6.00 to 6.00
Flour	4.25 to 4.50

CANADIAN PACIFIC R. R.

OWEN SOUND BRANCH.

TIME TABLE.

Taking effect Monday, September 9th, 1884.

GOING NORTH.

STATIONS.	Mail.	Exp.	Mixed.
Toronto...Leave	7 20am	4 40pm
Cardwell Junction	9 07 "	6 22 "
Charleston	9 25 "	6 40 "	11 45am
Orangeville	9 50 "	7 05 "	12 29pm
ville. Leave	10 05 "	7 23 "	1 03 "
Orangeville Jun.	10 17 "	7 36 "	1 28 "
Shelburne	10 45 "	8 03 "	2 30 "
Dundalk	11 10 "	8 30 "	3 30 "
Flesherton	11 35 "	8 55 "	4 35 "
Markdale	11 50 "	9 09 "	5 00 "
Williamsford	12 12pm	9 31 "	5 45 "
Shaworth	12 27 "	9 48 "	6 15 "
Owen Sound	1 00 "	10 20 "	7 15pm

GOING SOUTH.

STATIONS.	Exp.	Mail.	Mixed.
Owen Sound	5 20am	3 10pm	6 30am
Shaworth	5 53 "	3 42 "	7 35 "
Williamsford	6 08 "	3 58 "	8 10 "
Markdale	6 30 "	4 20 "	8 48 "
Flesherton	6 45 "	4 35 "	9 10 "
Dundalk	7 10 "	4 58 "	9 50 "
Shelburne	7 33 "	5 22 "	10 45 "
Orangeville Jun.	8 00 "	5 47 "	11 50 "
Orangeville	8 12 "	6 00 "	12 15pm
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Charleston	8 55 "	6 40 "	1 30 "
Cardwell Junction	9 07 "	6 55 "
Toronto...Arrive	10 45 "	8 35 "

WANTED

150 NEW SUBSCRIBERS ON the following terms: The STANDARD to the 1st January, 1886, together with a copy of "Kendall's treatise on the Horse and his Diseases" for \$1.00 cash in advance. This book contains about 100 pages of valuable information on the diseases common to horses, and the treatment of the same. The whole is good value for \$1.50. Decide at once and you will not regret it.

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New goods arriving every week, consisting of WATCHES, CLOCKS, CHAINS, CHARMS, SPECTACLES, PIPES, PURSES, VIOLIN STRINGS, etc.

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Flesherton.

TEACHER WANTED.

MALE or Female, for U. S. S. No. 3, Holland and Euphrasia. Apply personally or by letter stating salary to ALEX. MORDOCH, Secretary.

Or THOS. NEELY, Trustee. 217-3in

FARM WANTED.

100 ACRES, in Euphrasia or Artemesia. Give location, price, terms, improvements, etc. Address J. L. in care of J. HANSON, Vandeleur, Ont.

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NOTICE

To money lenders. The trustees of Markdale Foundry Joint Stock Co. are desirous of borrowing \$800. Any person having private funds to invest on good security will do well to apply to the undersigned not later than the 25th November.

GEORGE HASKETT, Secretary.

PATENTS

HURN & CO. of the Scientific American, 100 Nassau Street, New York, have secured a Patent for a new and improved method of printing, and are desirous of securing agents for the Dominion of Canada. For particulars apply to HURN & CO., 100 Nassau Street, New York, or to J. H. HURN, 100 Nassau Street, New York.

AMERICAN CHINA, 217-18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

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A share of public patronage respectfully solicited. Remember the stand in McNea's Block.

FOR SALE

Mr. James Morwood, con. 5, Euphrasia, has a number of choice Ram and Lamb for sale. Parties wishing to improve their stock at a small cost cannot do better than see Mr. Morwood.

STRAYED

On to the premises of Donald Mower, Con. 12, Holland, about the 20th of the year, one steer and two heifers, which are spotted and the other red. The owner can have the same by proving property, paying expenses, and taking the same away.

Markdale Roller

The subscriber begs leave to announce the farmers of the surrounding country who is turning out flour equal to any roller mill. No more waiting while the grain is in the ground. The following is the scale of exchange: Wheat Weighing 62 lbs., 40 lbs. Flour

FARM FOR SALE

A valuable property of 75 acres, con. Lot 40, and west half of 42, 1st East T. Road, Holland one mile from Williams Station, the place is in good shape, fit for a reaper and mower, good ground, fenced, picket fence around orchard and lot with maple trees planted inside of dwelling house, also good barn and houses. Title good, no transfers from crown. For further particulars apply on premises to owner. ROBERT CLARK, Williamsford Station P. O. 209-211.

FARM FOR SALE

75 ACRES, being lot 4, con. 12, Euphrasia, 40 acres cleared, 2 1/2 miles from Markdale, house and barn on the premises, well watered. For further particulars apply on premises.

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