

The Standard

MARKDALE JAN. 1, 1885.

The Dominion Parliament will doubtless be called upon, during this coming session, to consider the advisability of reducing letter postage from three to two cents. The experience of the United States, since adopting a similar change, is a powerful argument in its favor, and, as it is a matter which interests all, we hope the present government may see its way clear to reduce the rates.

TURN OVER A LEAF.

This is an opportune time to make resolutions for improvement. The first day of the year we are led to look over the past as well as anticipate for the future; and, while it is folly to grieve or encourage despondency, on account of the shortcomings of the past, it is desirable to make amends for the future. Then, in turning over a new leaf, let the pages of character for 1885 be an improvement on that any former year in our lives.

Nominations.

Glenelg nomination was well attended, and, owing to the general increase in taxation throughout the township, a more than ordinary interest was taken in the proceedings, the old council however explained, to the general satisfaction of the rate-payers present, the cause of the increased taxes. The following were nominated: for reeve, Thos. Davis and F. McRae; for deputy reeve, J. A. McMillan and Wm. Jackson; Councillors, N. Dunsmore, P. Neil, Arch. McCuaig, Christopher Williams T. Sullivan, J. Ellison, Peter Neil and Ed. Rutledge. Considerable spouting was indulged in for nearly three hours during which time, F. MacRae resigned his nomination, also Wm. Jackson for deputy, leaving Davis and McMillan elected by acclamation for reeve and deputy respectively, C. Williams and Edward Rutledge also resigned leaving the following six candidates for councillors, Messrs. Dunsmore, Patrick Neil, Peter Neil, McCuaig, Sullivan and Ellison. The prospects are that the old council will be all re-elected.

Osprey nominated for Reeve Messrs. T. Ganev and A. McIntyre, deputy reeve E. Potts and J. Sing. Councillors, J. Hudson, J. Inkster, T. Johnston, Jas. Sinclair, John Speers and Joseph Taylor.

Owen Sound nominated for Mayor, John Rutherford; Reeve, John Chisholm; 1st Deputy Reeve, John W. Frost and W. A. McClean; 2nd Deputy Reeve, J. C. Miller. Councillors, Bay Ward, John. Fox, Geo. McDougall, James Fife, Wm. Brown, J. H. Little, A. Pratt, W. A. Joseph, Sam'l Scott, J. Sanderson; River Ward, R. Malcom, S. McClean, Jas. Brown, Ewig Cameron.

Meaford nominated for Mayor, C. Watt, and J. J. Johnston; Reeve, A. Thompson and R. Agnew; Deputy-Reeve, D. McCann, and J. Hill; Councillors—North Ward, J. Groom, H. Law, M. Robinson, H. Carson, G. P. McIntosh, J. J. Johnston; East Ward, J. Sparling, C. Little, W. Harkness, C. Barber, J. Hogg; West Ward B. Snider, S. Borden, C. Burns, H. McDonald, Wm. Cook, Wm. Gibson, A. W. Carley.

Holland nominated for Reeve, John Cameron, by acclamation, Deputy Reeve, Wm. Norton and A. Shute. Councillors, J. Galbraith, T. Willis-croft, M. Howey, John Murray, and R. McKinnett.

Durham nominated Dr. Jamison, Mayor by acclamation.

Collingwood nominated Geo. Mobley, Reeve, and John Nettleton, D.R. by acclamation.

Euphrasia nominated Gilray, Reeve by acclamation.

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Correspondence.

Notice.—We wish it distinctly understood that we do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinions expressed by our correspondents.

Midnight Mechanics.

To the Editor of the Standard.

DEAR SIR,—I seldom pay attention to neighborhood slanders; or petty jealousies; but, when my poverty renders me an object of suspicion of perpetrating filthy crimes justly due to my more aristocratic neighbors, whose table abounds with luxuries my family cannot dream of.

On the evening of the night upon which Mr. Benson's store was robbed, a young man came into my premises and borrowed a pair of shoes. The shoes, so borrowed, I claim the shoes in question, and if necessary will prove, by substantial testimony, that the villainous plot was well matured, and the loan of my shoes, on the night in question, shows that a cunning fox played the game.

I am, yours respectfully,
PETER DUFF.

Markdale, Dec. 26, 1884.

South Side Glenelg.

To the Editor of the Standard.

DEAR SIR,—Being personally acquainted with you, I take this liberty for the first time to send you a few items for the STANDARD from the South of Glenelg. Being a subscriber to the STANDARD for some time and always receiving it punctually, I beg leave to state that I like its contents well. We, the people of the South, are generally good natured fellows. I do not know how many are getting the STANDARD. I would suggest to those who are not, to do so, and have communication from North to South. Your paper, Sir, being the only one in Glenelg, it ought to be well patronized by its residents.

It being near election time, I suppose you will be busy receiving communication from this, that and the other fellow; but, how is it with Glenelg? We do not hear much complaints against the old members. Would it be a surprise for to see Glenelg, for the first time since her creation, going on the acclamation ticket for 1885? We hear rumors that the Deputy-Reeve is going to run against the Reeve. We would say to both, if elected by acclamation, to go home and be satisfied. We are well satisfied with our honest friend, Mr. A. McCuaig, in Ward No. 2, who has always discharged his duties faithfully and honestly, and we hope, should there be a poll demanded, that he will be well supported in the North.

Crops on this side in general were good, with the exception of oats, being a failure in some instances, from the effects of sowing frozen seed. Times are pretty dull on account of every thing being so low in price.

This (18th Dec.) is the coldest day felt for a long time. Snow about a foot deep on the level.

To the Editor of the Standard.

DEAR SIR,—The annual meeting of Meaford Road Union S. School took place on Wednesday, Dec. 10, '84.

Meeting opened by singing and prayer. Auditors' report of the finances read and adopted. Minutes of former meeting read and approved.

Constitution of school read. The Rev. Mr. McDowell being present, he was requested to nominate the superintendent for the coming year. (that power being vested in the minister of the circuit); but, instead of doing so he informed the school that he had come to form a Methodist Sabbath School then and there, and read that constitution, and when it was explained to him that we could make no change in the constitution without one month's notice to all interested parties, and then only by a two-thirds vote, it did not change his purpose or his manner of carrying it out; but said, "I am going to and I will;" and when an officer of the school ventured to say that he thought that our present constitution was better and more to this place (being of various creeds). He was abruptly told by the Rev. McD. that he (the officer) had nothing to say about it—not being a Methodist—and that if he did not like to join in with the proposed school he could step down and out. In like manner several who tried to speak were interrupted, and some received severe personal snubs by his Reverence until the evening was far advanced, and the meeting, by motion, adjourned, having made no election, when he told them "you need not the Lord's not with you."

Teachers, officers and others interested met pursuant to adjournment on

Dec. 24th, when the following were elected to the several offices for the coming year:

Wm. Buchanan, Jr., Superintendent; Thos. Boland, Assistant Superintendent; J. I. Graham, Sec. Treas.; Geo. Wright & Wm. Kelle, Librarians; Misses. A. Kells & Lowie Bowler, Organists; J. C. Buchanan, Teacher Bible Class (Females); R. Douglass, Teacher Bible Class (Males); Miss E. B. Hand, Teacher 1st Testament Class; Miss A. Buchanan, Teacher 2nd Testament; Miss Kells, Junior Class (Girls); John Freeman, 1st Testament Class (Boys); James Buchanan, 2nd Testament Class (Boys); Miss Buchanan, Junior Class (Boys).

Resolved—That we, the scholars and friends of the Union Sabbath School, Meaford Road, feel ourselves in honor and duty bound to show our gratitude towards the officers of our school who so nobly defended our rights and resented the priestly attempt of the Rev. Mr. McDowell to compel them to change the constitution of this school without first having due regard for the trust reposed in us, and that we sympathize with them on account of the abusive treatment they received from him on that occasion.

J. I. GRAHAM,
Secretary.

Flesherton.

From our own correspondent.

On Tuesday evening, the 23rd inst., a free concert was given in the Town Hall in this village by the pupils of Flesherton public school, under the able management of D. S. Munroe, teacher. There was a good attendance. The hall was beautifully decorated with evergreens; and a very handsomely decorated Xmas tree was well laden with presents for the children. The pupils all deserve credit for the way each one done their parts in singing and reciting. The most amusing part of the evening's entertainment was the distribution of the presents as each name was called, as there was all manner of presents for a large number of our citizens as well as scholars, a few of which we might mention. We observed Mr. C. Sproule and J. Blackburn got the mitten; also we noticed our good friend, the editor of the Advance, was not forgotten, as some kind friend remembered that scissors was much used by him, and at the same time his favorite companion, a tobacco pipe (made of clay) was not forgotten, accompanied by a missive which exhorted him to either cut his hair or put it upon curl papers. A pair of diminutive corsets were addressed by the unknown giver to Mr. Fred Leitch, "Dude." We do not know whether our young friend felt more grateful or flattered by the compliment. We hope, however, his corsets fit well. Mr. Rutherford, the stone cutter, was presented by the model of a tombstone with his own epitaph on it.

Ancient Xmas customs still have their charms for some of our citizens who yearly meet on Xmas morning to usher in the natal day of christendom with carol and song. A company of about 20 started out at midnight, Mr. J. Davis having volunteered the use of his team and a good large sleigh and himself as driver, they went the rounds of our village, making the welkin ring with their vocal music. The company was kindly entertained at a good number of houses with coffee, cakes and oysters.

The Sabbath School anniversary in the Presbyterian church on Xmas evening was as usual, quite a success. An interesting programme was gone through, principally by the children. Proceeds \$70.00.

Flesherton Nomination was held on Monday last in the Town Hall and passed off quietly, but with one exception our old Council, who must surely be men of clean hands, was re-elected by acclamation. No serious complaints were heard from any quarter of the township.

From some little feeling of opposition that arose between our present Reeve Dr. Christie and Thos. Wright at the last municipal election the Dr. was then notified to prepare himself for an opponent at the present election, therefore we expected to see an exciting contest but some unknown reason the new aspirant did not make his appearance at all, the Dr., in his remarks while on the platform spoke very kindly of Mr. Wright, complimented him upon his ability at the council board, said he had no ill will toward Mr. Wright whatever.

In Ward No. 1, Mr. McArthur, re-elected by acclamation; Ward No. 2 Mr. Elliott re-elected by acclamation; Ward No. 3 Mr. Bleasley re-elected by acclamation; Ward No. 4 Mr. Pedlar, who has represented that ward for about 12 years

although will be opposed by Mr. McKee who Mr. Pedlar defeated last year. Mr. McKee had no serious charge to bring against Mr. Pedlar. But thought he could represent the ward as well or a little better than Mr. Pedlar. Between the two men we believe there is little choice, both are good men and well able to represent the ward. We think the contest will be close.

Flesherton Cheese Factory.

A meeting of the patrons and officers of the above cheese factory was held in the Town Hall, Flesherton, on the 13th inst., for the purpose of winding up the business of the past year.

The secretary gave a statement to the patrons as follows:—
Milk received..... 898,790 lbs.
Cheese made..... 87,176 "
Cash realized..... \$9,199 67
Expenses..... 2,042.54
Amount divided among the patrons..... 7,157.13.

The average price per lb. for the season's make being a fraction over 10¢ cents.

The president also gave a statement of his part of the work, and the principle on which the factory had been run during the past year.

The auditors also made a report of having examined the secretary's books and found them kept in a very satisfactory manner, which, by resolution of meeting, was received and adopted. —Com.

Christmas & New Years Beef.

Our meat market is not behind in display this season. While all other departments of trade have done admirably, they are well to the front. Prominent is the Messrs. Sargent & Burnside, who display a rare lot of first class quarters, dressed in an artistic manner, consisting of beefs, mutton, veal and pork, of the choicest quality; white poultry of every description adorn their walls, and of a quality the best the country can afford. A visit to the aforementioned stalls will amply repay the trouble. They purchase none but well-fed, sound stock, and their meat is a guaranteed luxury. The highest price paid for any of the aforementioned articles.

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BIRTHS.

CORNWALL.—In Markdale, on the 30th, ult., the wife of Mr. W. Cornwall, builder, of a daughter.

Market Reports.

MARKDALE.

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| Fall Wheat..... | \$0 64 | to | \$0 00 |
| Spring Wheat..... | 0 64 | to | 0 00 |
| Barley..... | 40 | to | 55 |
| Peas..... | 52 | to | 00 |
| Oat..... | 26 | to | 00 |
| Butter..... | 15 | to | 17 |
| Eggs..... | 20 | to | 00 |
| Apples..... | 50 | to | 75 |
| Potatoes..... | 18 | to | 20 |
| Hay..... | 7 00 | to | 8 00 |
| Pork..... | 5 00 | to | 5 60 |
| Flour..... | 3 75 | to | 4 25 |

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| " " " 61 " | 39 " |
| " " " 60 " | 38 " |
| " " " 59 " | 37 " |
| " " " 58 " | 36 " |
| " " " 57 " | 35 " |

with offal in proportion to amount of flour. I find the average weight of new wheat to be 60 lbs. to the bushel, and the most of it, if properly cleaned, would weigh 61 or 62 to the bushel.

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