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...ral Improvement Associations.

Editor of the STANDARD.

Sir,—Having missed the paper in ...you gave an article on the above subject reading in your issue of the 23rd ...month an invitation by Ebenezer ...ked to express our opinion on the useful ...Natural Improvement Associa... ...gladly contribute my little mite to ...great and elevating scheme.

...There is a great want in our large and ...Villages, no one, who has an interes... ...moral and intellectual welfare of our ...men, will dispute for a moment.

...that at the male population of our ...ages, from a moral or social point of ...may divide them into three classes. ...first are those young and other men ...who live with their daily toil or business ...all their desire or time then to spend ...their earned wages across the bar in the ...where not only the money is wasted, ...their morals and virtues are corrupted ...by the use of alcohol the brain becomes ...

...second class of persons are those, who ...have completed their days work and ...walk to the barroom or strong drink ...house, but they seek for the easiest ...corner in the room and quietly, or ...noisily, go to the land of nod, or ...of the company alt gether only to be ...next morning, having not the least ...to improve that important part which ...the Creator has given to us, namely, ...mental faculties.

...third class of persons are those who do ...not patronized drinks, although I ...would not be certain places 'Licensed ...to sell drinks." Neither is ...class inclined to much sleeping, ...have a good taste to take up the ...time some other useful book, to get ...information, but they keep all ...things to themselves.

...I believe that many persons who ...went to the bar room or to the sleeping ...apartment of the house or home, would ...if there was a decent comfortable ...in the village where they could spend ...part of the week in so nothing pre... ...than the third class of persons re... ...information and giving infor... ...and find it a delight to give their ...knowledge to others less gifted.

...I believe that it would be a ...for very many youngmen and older ...persons, not, even to our homes. ...I begin to feel that we have more ...talents and powers than they would feel ...that they were possessed of ...and that they are capable of im... ...themselves in many things useful ...and pleasant.

...Take for instance Intellectual. Mera... ...we would feel, as it was ...on the public platform, Electi... ...Hilton. Life ...Towers now ...filled by the smoke ...and persons ...each other for a ...be able to have ...a public debate on some ...public popular subject for the ...whole population and then when ...once more we would know who ...is the best in Town or Village ...

...I say, that our youngmen ...admired for such as... ...may be true. But is the babe ...a man? Was the city of ...in one day? Is the bush con... ...like a fine farm? I think ...and in Cities on a large scale ...our small towns or villages ...Are our youngmen born ...more than the city folks? not ...have been many great men in ...small places, and why not ...powers may not be so much ...keen as city people, but by ...into exercise they will become ...from time to time.

...say that there may not be a ...amongst us who one day may be... ...ruler of the nation, if he sets his ...mind to it in action? It is certain, ...all of us can think, and many read ...Can we not try to put our ...heads together and bring these papers ...meeting and after ...read, improved by a proper gentle... ...criticism? Speaking from personal ...can say that those Associations ...a great means of help to me, on ...up on the public platform, to say ...what to say.

...In conclusion, some may say "ad... ...the usefulness and desirablity o... ...Improvement Associations,—where can ...such meetings? Certainly not in the ...room or parlor of the tavern; there are ...places. If we have no Town Halls ...other halls. We have for instance ...and Centre Mr. Hanley's and Mr. ...Hall's, and in other places we have ...Lodge rooms or an Orange Hall, can these ...not be had by kind request and a small ...donation?

...believe that there are no hinderance ...if there is a real desire to rise in in... ...and Moral improvements among ...young and old.

I hope that some gifted men such as Ministers, Doctors and others may soon start and call the youngmen aronnd them giving them the helping hand in all what may ennoble.

With many thanks &c., &c,
I am,
A FRIEND TO ALL.

ALL WELL PLEASED.—The children like Dr. Low's Pleasant Worm Syrup and parents rejoice over its virtue.

FARM FOR SALE.

Being lot 5, south east quarter of 6 and and west half 6, con. 11, Euphrasia, will be sold cheap and on easy terms, also Saw Mill on lot 5, in good running order. For further particulars apply to

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Having returned to Markdale, in order to be more convenient for my customers, I beg to announce that I am now prepared to do all kinds of Custom Weaving. Residence old stand, opposite Presbyterian Church.

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100 GOOD MEN at once, to sell for the Fonthill Nurseries (largest in Canada over 465 acres) steady employment and no lost time, liberal commission or salary, best advantages; splended outfit furnished free any pushing man can succeed. Apply for terms to,

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LOT 131 con 3 west of T. & S, Rd. Artemesia, 50 acres, about 20 acres clear of stumps and stones, balance good hardwood bush. Five miles from Markdale and four from Flesherton. For further particulars apply to A. S. Thompson, Flesherton P. O. or J. J. Thompson, Crilla.

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Money loaned on Farm or Town Property at lowest rates of interest. Apply to
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The fine new Steamers "PACIFIC" & "ATLANTIC" will run as follows during the season (weather permitting.)

Leaving Collingwood at 1 p. m.; Meaford at 5 p. m.; Owen Sound at 8 p. m.; and Wiarton at 11:45 p. m.; every

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For Killarney, Manitowaning, Little Current, Kagawong, Gore Bay, Spanish River, Serpent River, Algoma Mills, Blind River, Thessalon, Bruce Mines, Hilton, St. Joseph's Island, Garden River, and Sault St. Marie.

The Saturday Steamer only will call at Cockburn Island.

MACKINAW.—During the summer season the above steamers will continue the trip on to the Island of Mackinaw making six full days of a round trip at a cost of $12.00 only including meals and berth.

For information as to freight and fares. Apply to any Agent of the above Railways, the Pursers on board the steamers, or to the Great Northern Transit Co., Collingwood.

THOS. LONG, Secretary. CHAS. CAMERON, Manager

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that any person or persons found trespassing or fishing on the farms of the undersigned will be prosecuted according to law without further notice.

Signed:—

John B. Thibaudeau,
Edward Brady,
William Brady,
John Shears,
Wm. McNally,
James Elliott,
Adam Hislop,
John Webber.
Thos. Brady
James Brady,
Wm. McCutcheon
Geo. Richardson,
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He makes as good a pump as there is in the market, and at the lowest possible prices, besides it is so convenient for getting repairs besides when buying from a distance.

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A. Dinsmore.

New Tailor.

Will Stoddart, late of England and Jersy City, U. S. begs to inform the citizens of MARKDALE and surrounding community, that he has opened a TAILORING SHOP over Mr. W. J. McFarland's Store, where he is prepared to do all work entrusted to him in the Latest and Nobbiest Styles; as I will inspect all work before leaving the Shop, customers may rely on having work turned out first-class in every particular; trusting that I may receive a fair share of the public patronage

I remain,
Faithfully your's,
WILL STODDART.

Markdale, March 14th, 1887.

New General Provision Store

THE undersigned would hereby respectfully intimate to the inhabitants of Markdale and surrounding country that I've opened up a general Provision store where I intend to keep on hand a general supply of all kinds of provisions such as:—

FLOUR, OATMEAL, CORNMEAL INDIAN CORN, GRASS SEED, OATS, BRAN, SHORTS, CHOPP, SCREENINGS. also a quantity of SEED GRAIN, HAMS, BACON, LARD, &c., in fact everything people want in this line.

Shop one door west of Joe Lamb's Blacksmith shop.

Soliciting a share of public patronage I am respectfully youre,

Jas. Miller
MARKDALE.

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PURE PARIS GREEN

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Stephen's Drug Store.

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—AT—

Stephen's Drug Store.

—THE—

Place to get Stanley's Spectacles which are the best at

Stephen's Drug Store.

Pure Cream of Tarter, Tested Baking Soda, and Pure Spices of all kinds.

R. L. Stephen.

R. S. Rae, Tailor.

REMOVED.

In returning thanks to my numerous customers for liberal patronage during the past 14 years in which I have done business in Markdale, and soliciting a continuance of the same, I would also intimate that I have removed to my premises on Mill Street, next door to Stephen's Drug Store, and opposite to the Post Office, where I shall be happy to meet all my customers.

Respectfully Yours,
R. S. RAE,
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ONE of the best farms in Artemesia township, being lots 115 and 116 third range west of T. & S. Road, three miles from Markdale, comprising 100 acres, over 80 of which is cleared and in good state of cultivation, well fenced, young and old orchard, watered with never failing spring and good well, brick house, good carriage house and stable and two log barns. Possession will be given after harvest. For further particulars apply on the premises to,

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The Watson all-steel two-horse twine Binder.
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The Mann Broad-cast Seeder and Harrows Combined.
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Root Cutters, Grain Crushers, Fanning mills. Land Rollers.
Agent for the Waterson's Co's Machinery and Steam Threshers.
Horse Powers, Wagon's Buggies, Democrats, and every implement a farmer requires. Parties reqiring anything in above lines will find it to their advantage to call at my new implement house oppesite R. McNally's Carriage works, where Mr. R. Robertson will be pleased to wait on customers in my absence.

J. H. CARSON, Agent
148-61 Markdale.

CANADIAN PACIFIC R. R.

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—Markdale Station—

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