


Markdale Standard.
 C. W. Rutledge, Proprietor.
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BALANCE ACCOUNTS.

This is the season of the year for settling accounts, and it is necessary for every reasonable effort to be made in order to start the new year with a "clean sheet." Hundreds are making their best endeavors to do so, and where this determined effort is made, as a rule, success crowns the effort. Perhaps the larger proportion of tardy customers, however, are those who have the means at their disposal, but through carelessness and indifference allow the matter to remain from month to month consoling himself with the thought that as he is a good customer the party to whom he owes the account would rather suffer much inconvenience for want of that which is due him than run the risk of offending his customer by a pressing invitation, or demand for the needful. No small amount of the worry, anxiety, and embarrassment of business life is caused by the tardiness of customers in paying their debts at the stated or expected time. The business man has accounts coming due, and has abundance, it may be, on his books (which should be in his till) to meet them, but it comes so slow and uncertain that he is kept in torture fit to crush his spirits and sour his disposition. There is not a business man who does not understand this to his sorrow; then let each of us take it to ourselves and see if there is not some account, even very trifling, which is due and which we might just as well pay.

IMPROVEMENT IN STOCK.

A constant and increasingly rapid improvement is being made in the class of horses, cattle, sheep and swine throughout this locality. Farmers in every neighborhood are bringing in thoroughbred animals of the most improved and modern kind, while the scrubs are being cleared out, and will doubtless shortly become extinct. Necessity sometimes proves to be a valuable instructor. Grain raising has become uncertain and unprofitable consequently attention is being turned to stock raising with satisfactory results. This country is admirably adapted to this class of farming owing to its rolling lands and consequent good drainage, its excellent water and nutritious pasture. True, the winters are long and more or less severe, yet, with good comfortable outhouses, winter feeding is being carried on by many farmers with profit. Then there is the advantage of farm work being more evenly distributed through the year instead of being largely crowded into the hot summer months. Another important consideration in favor of stock farming is the advantage of having a larger acreage under grass which helps to choke out noxious weeds and enriches the soil. Good stock will always command a good price and our agricultural neighbors are fast opening their eyes to these facts. The present season has been perhaps the most profitable for stock raising we have had, and has given a wonderful impetus to this branch of agriculture.

CONSERVATIVE MEETING.

The annual meeting of East and Centre Grey Liberal Conservative Association was held in the roller rink, Markdale, on Friday last. The attendance was good considering the bad state of the roads. Dr. Sproule, M. P., and Major Burke, M. P. P., were present; also Neil McCollman, M. P. P., and other Conservatives from municipalities surrounding. The election of officers was very harmonious,

resulting as follows:—

- President, Thomas Kells.
- Vice-President, Thomas Gilray.
- Rec.-Sec., W. McLoughry.
- Treasurer, James Brodie.
- Corresponding Secretaries—Isaac Traynor, Dundalk; Dr. Scott, Maxwell; W. H. Dodson, Rocklyn, and Dr. Oldham, Chatsworth.
- Auditors, C. W. Rutledge and W. A. Brown.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

- Artemesia—J. Sharpe, Flesherton.
- Collingwood—T. McMurchy.
- Euphrasia—C. Devitt.
- Holland—Andrew Freeborn.
- Meaford—J. J. Johnston, Meaford.
- Osprey—John Clinton, Maxwell.
- Melaucton—John Polly, Horning's Mills.
- Thornbury—Thos. Andrews.
- St. Vincent—N. Read.
- Proton—J. Abbott.
- Dundalk—Thos. Hanbury.
- Sullivan—J. Sparrow.
- Shelburne—Geo. Rutherford.
- Markdale—Wm. Douglass.

NOTE AND COMMENT.

—On Wednesday night, 11th, during the performance of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" at a theatre in Johnstown, Pa., a false alarm of fire was given which caused a rush for the door, and ten persons were killed and eighty wounded.

—Can one picture a sadder ending than that to which Harriet Beecher Stowe has fallen a victim? The authoress of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" has finally become hopelessly demented, as her friends are forced to acknowledge. The patient is able to walk about, but is followed constantly by a nurse. She spends her entire time singing Methodist Church hymns popular fifty years ago, and talking to viewless beings, whom she says are her old friends long dead and come to life again. This ghastly behaviour is very trying to her attendants. Her physicians state she will gradually lose all her faculties, and pass away some time when she sleeps.

Editor Standard:

SIR,—Every time I drive to Markdale I feel like patting on the back the Markdale Council for the wonderful change it made in the road west of the village. I could scarcely have believed that such an improvement could have been made in that desperate piece of road. It is now a pleasure to drive on it even during the season of the year when the roads are at their worst. I am strongly of opinion that if our township municipalities were to commute the statute labor to cash, same as the village, and appropriate the amounts thus collected towards improving roads, making a substantial job as far as it would go each year, that our roads would be in a much better condition ten years hence than by the old process.

EDWARD RUTLEDGE,
Glenelg.

Editor Standard:

SIR,—If you haven't travelled over the road from Markdale to Barrhead mills since the recent contracts for grading, gravelling, bridge-building and hill-cutting were completed you ought to do so at your earliest convenience. Previous to those contracts it was one of the most wretched roads imaginable, but now it's a pleasure to drive over it. It's as hard as a rock and as smooth as a floor. The Village Council is entitled to the thanks of the whole surrounding inhabitants, for its wise appropriations. My worst wish for the members of that Council is that they may all be re-elected.

P. CAIRNS, Barrhead Mills.

[We have been over the road and fully agree with what Mr. Cairns says as above.—ED. STANDARD.]

Consumption Cured.

An old physician, retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by a Hindia missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all Throat and Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellow-men. Acquainted with his motive and a desire to relieve suffering humanity, I will send free of charge, to all who apply, a copy of the book, in French or English, with full directions for preparing and using the same. Send by address to the proprietor, 219, St. James Street, Montreal, P. Q.



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EXECUTORS' NOTICE.

In the Real Estate and Goods of James Stinson, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to R. S. O., Chapter 110, that all persons having claims upon or against the estate of James Stinson, late of the Township of Euphrasia, in the County of Grey, Farmer, who died on or about the 7th day of April, 1889, are on or before

The 18th day of January, 1890, to send by post prepaid or deliver to the undersigned Solicitor for B. H. Stinson, the executor for the said deceased, a statement in writing of their names and addresses and full particulars of their claims and the nature of all securities (if any) held by them.

And notice is further given that after the said last mentioned date the said executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice shall have been given as above required and the said executor will not be responsible for any person or any part thereof distributed to any person or persons whose claim notice shall not have been received as aforesaid at the time said distribution is so made.

Dated at Markdale this 3rd day of December, 1889.

P. McCULLOUGH,
Solicitor for Executor.

**CANADIAN PACIFIC R.R.
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—Markdale Station—

Goose Bay. 6.35 a.m. 4.34 p.m.
Goose Bay. 12.15 p.m.

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Owen Sound Nov. 1st, 1888.

Markdale Markets.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 18th 1889.

Fall Wheat	70 to 82
Spring Wheat	70 to 82
Barley	35 to 40
Oats	25 to 36
Pease	58 to 54
Butter	14 to 15
Eggs	18 to 18
Hay	6 00 to 0 00
potatoes, per bag	40 to 00
Wool	00 to 00
Beef	4 00 to 5 00
Pork	5 00 to 5 75

Monthly Fairs.

- Orangeville—The second Thursday in each month
- Dundalk—Tuesday before Orangeville.
- Flesherton—Monday before Orangeville.
- Markdale—Saturday before Orangeville.
- Durham—Third Tuesday in each month.
- Chatsworth—Monday before Durham.
- Holland Centre—Saturday before Chatsworth
- Priestville—Monday before Durham.
- Hanover—Monday before Durham.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made at the next session of the Parliament of Canada, for an Act to incorporate a company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining and operating a railway from the town of Mount Forest in the County of Grey and Province of Ontario by way of Markdale to the town of Meaford in the aforesaid County, with the usual powers to build telegraph or telephone lines or bridges, and to take and acquire lands for the right of way, station grounds and other necessities, and to acquire lands or other necessities from the Government of the Dominion of Canada, or the Government of the Province of Ontario, or any Municipality, Corporation or person to assist in the construction of the said railway, and to amalgamate with, connect with, or merge with any other railway or line of railway, and to make traffic and other arrangements for all other legal and necessary powers, rights and privileges this 16th day of December, 1889.

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J. W. Sproule.

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