

Standard Correspondence. Mr. Editor, before we address you again and another issue of the STANDARD you will have enjoyed your Christmas turkey, and your cor. wishes you a very merry Christmas and bright and happy New Year.

Artemesia township fathers held their last session for this year on Monday last, not all likely to ever meet at a council table again. Dr. Christoe has tendered his resignation to the electors, and Mr. H. Cairns, councillor for ward 4, has signified his intention to withdraw from the field.

Our township elections are likely to be quite interesting this year. The names of several aspirants for Reeve are now reported, but, of course, Monday night will settle who shall be contestants.

Mr. George Higginbotham, of Brandon, who was for some time in the employ of R. J. Sproule, Esq., in this place, arrived here on Monday evening last and intends spending the Christmas holidays with relatives and friends in this locality.

Although the weather was very inclement last Wednesday evening the Drama, "Ten Nights in a Bar-room," was very well patronized. It will be repeated on Wednesday evening in the Town Hall this week.

M. Richardson, Esq., of this village, has purchased the new store and stock lately fitted up by Alex. Hannah at Flesherton Station.

Rev. Mr. Emea is announced to preach the Sabbath anniversary sermon of the Presbyterian Sabbath School in this place on Sabbath afternoon next. Their annual Christmas Tea and entertainment will take place on Christmas evening. Careful preparations are being made for a good time that evening.

Standard Correspondence. Energy and push, the chief characteristics of our village, are increasing, consequently Wm. Hall has decided to put new rollers into his mill, besides retaining one run of stone. Success is sure to follow the man that endeavors to meet the public wants.

Pete Watson called the other evening, and in his genial way, amused our dull spirits, by his droll yarns, comic, wit, and laughable songs. We predict a bright future for you, Pete, not very far distant either. We forgot to mention where our quiet home is situated. Gaze over there on that picturesque slope; see that thatched cottage; that is our home, the birthplace of our daughter, so modest yet so pleasing in our eyes. I might here mention that the young folk of our village call to see us, giving us the news of the day.

Though an old man, still I do love sporting, so the other day, shouldering my gun, I made for the woods. Shortly after entering the forest who should I meet, but our old bachelor friend Hugh's Charlie; after exchanging greetings he invited me to his cottage, which is undergoing repairs. We were pleased to hear him say he was tired of single. Go in; go in. Miles Darcy is preparing to build a large frame barn. We love to see industry rewarded.

The young men of the 10th con. are trying to organize a Debating and Literary Society. The Baptist church being now idle, is likely to be the place for their flow of eloquence. 'Tis the boys and girls of to-day that make the men and women of the future.

James McNally had a raffle the other evening. We were wondering if our youth which writes imaginary articles for the Chronicle, chanced to get a turkey, or will he just report hearsay. We will hunt him up, to see if he really is witty.

Miss Martha Banks is home from Toronto. City life agrees with her. For the young men's sake, we are sorry there is no sleighing.

A beautiful rose-bud has once more brightened up our village. Isaac Elder is happy as the day is long, his joy being caused by the arrival of a blue-eyed daughter. Congratulations Isaac.

Standard Correspondence. ANOTHER BEAR SHOT.—Mr. George Crabtree and Mr. Alex. Donnelly, two renowned sportsmen, when out hunting last Saturday their dog came across a large bear under a cedar tree and both the above gentlemen took deliberate aim and brain bit the snow and gave an unearthly yell and his ramblings were over. The bear weighed 350 pounds or more and will bring about \$40 in the city. This bear was shot within about seventy rods from

where J. E. Richards and the Gardner brothers shot one about a year ago. Our township fathers met on Monday. Messrs. D. R. Ellis, Erskine, and Fawcett are likely to enter for deputy-reeveship. Mr. James Elliot is talking of running for councillor, also ex-councillor Boyd.

Great preparations are being made for the Temple Hill Soiree and Christmas Tree, to be held on the 24th. Mr. W. H. Dodson is laid up with a cut foot.

No less than six Bachelors in Rocklyn. When shall we hear of a wedding? Who will be first?

Standard Correspondence. "Epistolarum Commercium." The twenty-fifth of December is again drawing near and the general expectation is that we shall have a green Christmas.

Municipal matters are again the talk of the day, and everybody feels at liberty to speak his mind about the candidates for office.

The ice on the mill-pond is now six or seven inches thick and the boys are indulging in skating to their hearts' content.

The Model School term is now over and Messrs. A. Sutherland, G. Reid, and A. Walter are home awaiting the result of the examinations.

A Mr. Sturrit, from Ontario Co., is engaged to teach the school on the tenth concession, Holland, for next year. The other adjoining sections retain their former teachers.—Mr. J. Carrie on the Blind Line, Sydenham, and Mr. Gibbs on the eleventh concession, Euphrasia. Mr. R. Martin will still manage the affairs of the Walter's Falls school.

The annual tea-meeting and Christmas entertainment in connection with the Methodist Church will be held on the evening of Wednesday, Dec. 25. Tea will be served in the basement early in the evening, after which an interesting programme will be rendered in the Church.

Rev. J. McInnis, of Knox Church, St. Vincent, and St. Paul's, Sydenham, will conduct the anniversary services in the Methodist Church on Sunday evening next.

The School Concert came off as advertised on Friday evening last. Although the roads were in a very bad condition, quite a large number found their way to the Oddfellows' Hall and thoroughly enjoyed the interesting programme which had been prepared. The proceeds amounted to \$22.50 and will be expended, after expenses are paid, in purchasing a globe for the school.

EXCHANGE GLEANINGS.

Mr. J. B. Watson, the talented lecturer, is said to be now editing a small paper, published in St. Mary's called the Pen and Platform.

Mr. Jelly has been offered \$2,500 for the mammoth bones recently unearthed near Shelburne. He wants \$3,000.

The proceeds of Chatsworth Presbyterian church anniversary services, a week ago last Sunday and Monday, amounted to \$160.

Little Current, Manitoulin, is making application to the Ontario Legislature for a special Act of incorporation for that village.

Hanover has a second furniture factory which is to employ 50 hands.

Essex Centre has been erected from a village to a town.

On Sunday morning last a row of old frame buildings in Collingwood, north side of Huron street, owned by Messrs. Moberly and Gammon, were burned.

Stanley and McLuggan's hardware store in Chesley had a \$6,000 fire last Friday.

BIRTHS.

HACKETT—In Markdale, on the 14th inst., the wife of Mr. Geo. M. Hackett, hardware merchant, of twin sons.

LAMB—In Markdale, on the 15th inst., the wife of Mr. Joseph Lamb, blacksmith, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

BOALES—COOPER—On the 11th inst., at the residence of the bride's mother, by the Rev. T. A. Fyde, Mr. John F. Boales, of Euphrasia, to Miss Martha Isabella Cooper of Artemesia.

DEATHS.

RODMAN—In Markdale on the 22nd ult., Mrs W., son of Mr. Henry Rodman, of Euphrasia, aged 21 years.

DYER—In Holland on the 18th inst., Abner, son of Mr. Wm. Dyer, aged 26 years.

CHRISTMAS LETTER

TO

My Customers & the Public.

Now is the time of Christmas Greetings. It has become so customary to wish our friends and acquaintances "A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year," that very many do so without ever doing anything to make one another happy or even thinking of what the sentiments they have expressed mean.

A visit to my store will convince you that I have been thinking about you, in fact have been planning and putting my thoughts into execution in order to make this the merriest Christmas and Happest New Year of your life.

The great problem of daily life is, what we shall eat, what we shall drink, and where-withal shall we be clothed. I have thought of this, and in the way of eating have provided the choicest, best and freshest.

Table with 3 columns: Fruit (Elme Raisins, Valenci Raisins, Seedless Rasins), Spices (Lemon Peels, Citron Peels, Orange Peels), and other items (Helena Currants, Italian Currants, Elme and Creole Figs, Spices of every description, Essences, &c.).

Housewives, I have been thinking of you, and if you want your Husband to be good humored and appreciate your cookery, think of me when purchasing.

WHAT SHALL WE DRINK?

I thought of this too, and when you want the purest and choicest Tea don't you forget that I have got it. Just fresh to hand this week

50 Chests Pure Uncolored Japan Tea, May Pickings

and although all grades of teas have advanced, I will sell this at the

Old Popular Price, 25c. per lb., 5 lbs. for \$1.15, 11 lb. Caddie \$2.50.

Get a Caddie of this for the Holidays; you cannot set your Christmas Tea table without

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Black and Green Teas in all varieties, Mocha and Java Coffees, Chase & Sanborn's best.

WHEREWITHAL SHALL WE BE CLOTHED.

What joy and happiness is added to our lives, in knowing that we are nice and comfortably clothed. I need not tell my customers that in the way of clothing and wearing apparel I have studied their wants for the last 25 years. I need not tell you that every season takes more thought and care than the preceding one, and that in the selection of my goods I think of

Miss Fancy and Mr. Fastidious, Mrs. Small-purse and Mrs. Economy.

This season I have eclipsed all others in

Table listing various clothing items: Dress Goods, Dress Patterns, Braided Dresses, Paisley Embroidered Dresses, Cashmeres, Stanley Cloths, Henrietta Cloths, Ottoman Cords, Empress Serges, Choice Millinery, Mantle Cloths, Rich Sealettes, Seal Plusches, Astrachans, Moire Stripes, Moire Figures, Diagonals, Tweed Ulsterings.

In all the newest shades and latest designs, and prices very low.

20 per cent. off Mantlings during the Holidays.

Ready-Made Mantles, &c.

Black Astrachan Fur Mantles, Satin Lined, beautifully quilted and finished. Fur lined Dolmans, Fur Capes and Collarettes, Muffs, &c., to match, beautiful, comfortable, sensible presents for the Holidays. Woollen Goods—Wool Squares, Wool Hoods, Wool Caps, &c.; a large variety at prices defying competition.

SPECIAL DRIVES IN GENTS' FURNISHINGS, FUR CAPS AND ROBES.

Ties, Braces, Collars, Cuffs, Gloves, Mitts, Silk Handkerchiefs, Silk Mufflers, Cashmere Mufflers, Woollen & Hose, Tweeds, Suitings, Pantings, &c.; Mens' Imitation Lamb Caps, 25 cents to \$1.25; Real Astrachan Fur Caps, \$1.50 to \$2.50; Persian Lamb Caps, \$3.00 to \$6.00; Driving Caps, &c.; Robes, in Black and Grey, \$6.00 to \$10.00.

READY-MADE SUITS AND OVERCOATS.

Young man, do you wish to keep the affection of your best girl? Do you want to have the nicest and noblest Suit or Overcoat and still have a little money left in your pocket? You know what the proverb says about the man without money, then visit my clothing room, visit it anyway whether you want anything or not, it is the place where clothes make the man.

Don't forget this, I keep the largest and best stock of Ladies' and Gents' Boots & Shoes in the County.

Keep your feet warm and your head cool; it is getting near Election time. I am running; are you? In the way of Felt Boots, Rubbers and Overshoes, I get there every time. I purchased this week 5 cases Overshoes at 25 per cent. below manufacturer's prices. The weather may not be below zero, but my prices are.

TOYS! TOYS! TOYS!

I have been thinking of the Children too. No home is complete and happy without them, and Santa Claus. I know, like them too. You will find that I have studied to please them and to place before you very suitable, durable and useful articles at very low prices. I want every child, who can, to come and visit my display and see the famous THOMAS AN CATTINE VIOLONCELLO Trio, Concert playing the Midnight Catterwall.

In closing this long letter I say to one and all it is the time of year we go to see our friends, come and see me; see for yourself, be convinced that when I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year that I mean it, that I have provided for it.

W. J. McFARLAND, MARKDALE.



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Dear Sirs: I have always purchased your Kendall's Spavin Cure by the half dozen bottles. I would like prices in larger quantity. I think it is one of the best liniments on earth. I have used it in my stables for three years.

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WESTERN KING.

Six months old, bred by J. G. Snell & Bros., straight from Imported Stock, will be for service on lot 4, con. 7, Euphrasia. Terms \$1.00, to be paid at time of service.

JOHN BUSKIN, Proprietor.

Dissolution of Partnership.

Notice is hereby given, that the partnership lately subsisting between W. James Lackey and James Wright, under the firm of Lackey & Wright, was dissolved on this 23rd day of November, 1889, by mutual consent. All accounts due the late firm must be paid to James Wright before the 15th December, while all persons having any account against the firm are hereby notified to present the same for payment before above date when the same will be paid by said James Wright. Artemesia, Nov. 27, 1889.

W. JAMES LACKEY, JAMES WRIGHT.

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Y ARE... O BUSY... AT... N LEY'S... e a new ad. this week... fail to see their... sh Goods... AND... BUMS... for Xmas Goods... AT THE... dale Furniture Wareroom... OWN BELOW COST!... the Holiday season... Parlor Suits, -cloth Suits, -droom Suits, -beds & Bedding, -sideboards... mmon; Extension Tables, -nety; Washstands; Spring -Wool Mattreses of all kinds, -everything that is kept in -a shop. Call and get quo- -also Funeral Furnishings— -askets, Robes, Linings, -apes of all descriptions al- -eck. Thanking my numer- -ers for past favors, Wish -Merry Xmas and Happy -rs respectfully, -J. W. Sproule. -CLAMATION -FROM THE -P CASH STORE -ALL CHEAP STORES! -d by one and all to be the -greatest -GAIN HOUSE -er opened in this, the great -illage of Markdale. -e, good people, with lots to tell -e to show you, with lots to give -e lots to sell you. If you only -e can sell goods so cheap and -do your heart good, it would -ake with joy within yourself; -ke you rejoice with all your -at such a grand -E A WAY STOCK -ened right at your door. -very one who wants to save just -very dollar they spend, to come -xamine our stock and get our -convinced that we mean what

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