



**Markdale Standard.**

C. W. Rutledge, Proprietor.

MARKDALE, MAY 15, 1890.

**MARKDALE MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.**

The annual meeting of Markdale Mechanics' Institute was held on Thursday evening last in the Council Chamber; Wm. Lucas, Esq, president in the chair.

The following report was read by the Secretary, T. L. Moffat, jr., for year ending 30th April, 1890:

(1) Receipts.....	\$172 00
(2) Expenditures.....	160 40
(3) Stock and assets.....	313 32
(4) Liabilities.....	20 00
No. of Volumes purchased.....	186
"    "    in Library.....	411
"    "    issued.....	1906
"    "    of Fiction issued.....	618
"    "    daily newspapers.....	2
"    "    weekly.....	16
"    "    magazines.....	8

The Institute was thus found to be in a vigorous, healthy condition. There is yet room for material growth and it is expected that the year now entered upon will be one of unprecedented growth. Many in the surrounding neighborhood as well as in the village would find it a pleasant and profitable investment. Only \$1 for membership for a year, which will entitle them to all the privileges of both the library and reading room. There is in the latter two daily papers, sixteen weeklies and eight magazines, and upwards of four hundred volumes of books. We are pleased to see members from quite a distance, even from Vandeaur, which is five miles distant.

**OFFICERS.**

Following is a list of the officers elected for the ensuing year, viz:  
W. J. McFarland, President.  
J. C. Henry, Vice-President.  
P. McCullough, 2nd Vice-President.  
T. L. Moffat, jr., Secretary.  
Fred W. Moffat, Librarian.  
Wm. Lucas, Treasurer.

**DIRECTORS.**

William Brown, R. S. Rae, C. W. Rutledge, A. McFarland, S. Hill, Wm. McLoughry, Geo. Wright (Vandeaur), H. Glendenning, Mrs. Wm. Brown, Mrs. P. McCullough, Mrs. C. W. Rutledge and Miss Bella Benson.

**MIDNIGHT MECHANICS.**

On Friday night last the store of Robert Trimble, Flesherton, was entered and about \$300, worth of goods carried away consisting of fine gloves, handkerchiefs, gents' fine shirts, hosiery, combs, brushes, jewelry and such small merchandise. Entrance was effected by prying open the front door with a crowbar. The burglars narrowly escaped a roll of bills amounting to over \$200, which had not been put in the safe. Two suspicious looking characters were seen in Markdale the previous day who are thought to be the guilty parties. A burglary in Mt. Forest recently is thought to have been committed by the same gang. There is no clue to the thieves.

**Meaford Road.**

**Standard Correspondence.**  
The farmers of this vicinity have been somewhat delayed with their seeding by the wet weather that we have had lately.

Our school trustees have been improving the school grounds by having a new picket fence erected thereon. Mr. Stamborskie being the contractor, and Mr. Ferris the architect.

Mr. S. Gilbert has also enclosed his premises with a picket fence.

Mr. W. Buchanan, jr., has the material on the ground for a new frame barn which he intends building this summer.

Mr. J. Graham has taken advantage of the tree planting act. He has planted a row of shade trees on the road in front of his farm.

Mr. T. Kells was down to Ottawa as a delegate from the Central Farmers' Institute in connection with the Combines Bill.

**Standard Correspondence.**

**Was it a Ghost?**—One night recently as Mr. — was proceeding along the road he was startled to hear some one call him by name. Diligent search proved all in vain, when suddenly a shadowy figure glided noiselessly by disappearing in the darkness. "Home sweet home," and the field was left to his ghostship.

Bains' drill has reached the stream and Artley has equipped the well for Mr. Longheed.

Mr. Neely had sheep worried by dogs.

Halbert Bros. have lost a valuable spring colt.

Why, all this rush to Rocklyn is filling tenders, don't you see, for W. Neely's farm has now changed hands, Longheed's tender being the highest of the three.

Ed. Steer, our enterprising book agent, was home for a few days, his pilot, George Basset, being ill with measles.

Would those young lads who are accustomed to giving impudence to respectable people like to appear before a tribunal, if so keep on.

From early morn till dark at night arbor day was spent with great delight

**Tuilidh ra leatvin.**

**Holland Centre.**

**Standard Correspondence.**

Miss Mary Webster is back from Toronto.

Miss C. Campbell, is home from Toronto.

Wm. Foster, Jr., lost a fine mare recently.

Miss Mary Fee departed for Toronto on Tuesday last.

Rey. A. Thibadeau was visiting friends near here recently.

Samuel Greenaway is home from the Hospital. We hope he will soon be all right.

R. Carnhan sold his place to Alex. Shute, who has already moved into our village.

The Quarterly Meeting of the Methodist Church was not as large as usual owing to the weather.

A cow belonging to Carson Price, recently gave birth to twin calves. John Hampton also owns a cow which had twins recently.

We are pleased to see that Henry Silverlock, after his misfortune, is able to be about again, though not altogether well.

**ENTERPRISE.**—After three years of married life, the wife of Mr. Fred Walker presented her husband with a baby on the 27th ult.

The quarterly election of officers of Albert Lodge, I. O. G. T. which took place on the 24th ult., resulted in the following being elected:—W. C. T., F. W. Walker; V. T., M. Sutliff; Sec., Willie Spears; F. S., Miss A. Erwin; T., Jennie Crowther; C., Thos. Fee; M., Geo. Anderson; G., F. Troughton; S., Eli. Anderson.

**DISTRICT DOTS.**

Walter Wright, aged 28, suicided by hanging at Ottawa on Tuesday.

On Monday last Berlin carried by-laws to aid in establishing a machine shop and piano factory.

Mr. E. E. Sheppard, of Toronto, has accepted the Conservative nomination for Haldmand, for the coming Ontario elections.

At Cambleford, on Monday last, a boy named William Wynn, aged 13, and his grandmother, aged 80, were burned to death in a burning dwelling.

Thos. Pell, a man of 65 yrs, fell into a chute in the upper story of Hodd & Cullen's flour mill, Stratford, on Tuesday last and was smothered to death.

The jewelry store of H. R. Patterson, Lakefield was broken open on Monday morning and about \$1500 worth of watches and jewelry taken. No clue.

The Standard and Venture powder and dynamite factories at Brockville caught fire on Sunday causing an explosion which shook the neighborhood and broke the windows of surrounding buildings.

The Harriston Tribune says:—On Friday last William Austindied at Fergus. His remains were brought to Harriston on the Saturday night train by the members of the Foresters Lodge, and interred in the Harriston cemetery beside the remains of his wife, two daughters and two sons, all of whom died inside of ten months. In the death of Mr. Anstin a whole family, who a few years ago bid fair to live their allotted time, is wiped out, except one son a lad of about ten years. It is one of the saddest cases that has occurred in town for many a year.

**GOODS WELL BOUGHT.**

**ARE HALF SOLD.**

The commercial community has long ago recognized this fact and in no place is the truth of this better exemplified than in the **busy store** of **W. J. McFARLAND**, who is recognized as being the keenest, closest and best buyer in his particular line of business in Canada.

**THIS IS THE CHARM**

Which fills my store with eager customers who know that they get a decided advantage by dealing with me.

**AND WHY NOT!**

If you fiddle to most people and supply them with the right music they will dance to it every time.

**IT IS NATURAL.**

I have been a little over 25 years playing the one tune. I ought to know it, what is it! hardly any need tell my customers.

☞ This is it, The Goods you want, prices low, quality right. I intend to stick to this tune and play it without variation through

**EVERY DEPARTMENT,**

- Dry Goods,
- Groceries,
- Hats, Caps,
- Millinery,
- Boots & Shoes,
- Ready Made
- & Ordered Clothing,
- Gents Furnishings,
- Notions, &c.

The departments are full of new goods bought for spot cash in the lowest and best markets.

**No Reliance**

placed on anything to sell or recommend these goods but the goods themselves.

Above me stands no competing stocks, Below me lies no competing prices.

**W. J. McFARLAND,**  
**MARKDALE**

**COME AND SEE US.**

**H. Mercer, Markdale.**

**What we offer you:** We offer the widest choice for taste or fancy. We offer the newest goods, patterns and styles in the market. We offer you the best value you ever received.

**PRINTS.**

100 pieces, fast colors, 32 inches wide, from 10 cents a yard up. We have marked them low to sell them quick. Seersuckers and Gingham from 7½ cents up. Good washers.

**DRESS GOODS**

In all the new colorings. See our all wool silk finish Henrietta cloths, nearly 4 feet wide, black and colored, for less than others are selling the same goods for. A beautiful line of Plaids, plain and fancy Dress goods at 25 cents, also a special line at 12½ cents, cheap at 20 cents.

**PARASOLS,**

Long and short handles, from 25 cents up. You will save money by buying Parasols from us. Full lines in Gloves, black and colored, extra value.

Shirtings from 8 cents per yard up, fast colors. We are selling Cottenade at 25 cents, as good as you pay 30 cents for most places. All wool Tweed at 35 and 50 cents, beats anything you ever saw. We show the best line of \$1.00 Tweeds for suitings to be found, 40 patterns to choose from. In fine Pantings and Black Worsted we are doing the trade. If you want a nobby suit for spring come to us.

**HATS, FELT AND STRAW.**

We are having a grand sale. Ask eight out of ten town boys "Where did you get that Hat?" and they will answer at Mercer's. We have a special line just to hand called the "Razzle Dazzler" which must go fast as they are the latest out. Come and get one.

**READY-MADE CLOTHING**

For men and boys, all sizes. Boys' suits from \$2.00 up. Men's suits from \$5.00 up. Gents, we have the best line of Pants at \$1.50 and \$2.75 you ever sat in. If you doubt it try a pair. Water-proof Coats, Overalls and Shirts cheap. Two pairs men's Braces for 25 cents.

**BOOTS AND SHOES.**

We are headquarters. Men's Plow Boots from \$1.00 a pair up. Boys' good strong Boots from 50 cents a pair up. Ladies' and children's, all sizes, as good as the best and cheaper than the cheapest.

**CROCKERY & GLASSWARE.**

We have the most complete collection in town. We give you the biggest choice and also the best prices.

**GROCERIES.**

Our 25 cent Japan Tea is giving great satisfaction. Try our 50 cent Black Tea, just to hand. Pure Coffee, ground out of the bean by ourselves, the only place you can get it. Thirteen bars Soap for 25 cents. No. 1 Baking Powder only 25 cents per lb.; every lb. guaranteed to give satisfaction or money refunded. Why pay 50 cents? Full stock of Canned goods, Spices, &c.

We lead in low prices. We give Cash Buyers the best value for their money. We are never undersold.

**BUTTER AND EGGS WANTED.**

Thanks to all our friends for past favors. We wish every body to know that we are giving greater bargains than ever. The bigger you buy the better we can sell. Come and see us and profit by our bargains.

**H. MERCER.**

**R. S. RAE,**

**MARKDALE CLOTHING STORE,**

Keeps a select stock of SCOTCH and CANADIAN TWEEDS, ENGLISH and FRENCH WORSTEDS, ENGLISH MELTONS, TROWSERINGS in all the leading grades, SHIRTS, SOCKS and UNDERWEAR, TIES, COLLARS, CUFFS, SUSPENDERS, &c., &c.

Special attention is invited to the **Manufacture of Buttons**; parties wishing buttons of same material as their garments, either ladies or gentlemen, can have them made in a few minutes while waiting.

**AGENT FOR PARKER'S DYE WORKS.**

Tailoring done as usual. Custom work will receive careful attention. Good work and neat fits.

**R. S. RAE**

**FARMERS and MILLMEN**

ARE USING WITH PERFECT SATISFACTION

**McCull's**

**CELEBRATED LARDINE AND CYLINDER OILS**

NONE GENUINE UNLESS BRANDED

**McCull Bros. & Co., Toronto.**

Sold by J. E. TRELFOED, Markdale.

**JOSEPHINE JOTTINGS.**  
It is a privilege to recommend Hagar's Yellow Oil. It is a sure cure for chapped hands, swellings, sore throat, croup, etc.  
Mrs. Geo. Ward, Josephine P. O., Ont.

Ladies who are troubled with roughness of the skin or cracked, should keep a bottle of Parisian Balm in the house. It is delightfully perfumed and softens, heals and beautifies the skin.

**OUR OTTAWA**

Ottawa, May 15. Religious issues are prominent and creeping quite unexpected. Committee on P... an increase of s... chief of the Dis... transfer to the... Mr. Boulet of th... upon Col. Amyot... against the slight... and was badly tr... all because he wa... Amyot took up... against the slight... men and on his... the fact that the... published in Eng... which he would... session.

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Still another an... great importance... mense tract of lan... C. P. R. in the Nor... the railway is to se... of its lands, will p... open to the work... block comprises abo... acres of land. The... their lands from th... Me-rs. Morris... Bowers the Newfo... are now in the Wes... deavored to enlist... Canadian Governm... encroachment on t... Mr. Dewdney sp... has up to date dist... acres of the public... 78,000,000 acres tel... in Manitoba now s... \$10 an acre.

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The Supplement... an additional gr... of no less than... of over qua...