

Markdale Standard

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Walter's Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Anderson of Hol-
land Centre were the guests of Mr. and
Mrs. Clark on Christmas.

Christmas passed off quietly, the only
excitement through the day was a shooting
match in which a number took part,
and Mr. J. R. Williams, Mr. John Scott,
spent Xmas with Mr. and Mrs. Taylor.

Our tea meeting on Xmas evening
was a great success notwithstanding
the bad weather. Special services were
offered by the following Rev. gentlemen:
H. D. Moyer, J. F. McLaren, W.
Stevens, Brown of Woodstock, and
Muriel, the speeches were interspersed
with songs by Mr. and Mrs. Williams.
William of Woodstock occupied the
chair in a very pleasant manner. Up-
wards of \$40 was taken at the door.

On Friday evening a festival was
held in the hall, being the first pre-
paration for the tea meeting. A sum
of \$10 was realized, making up all
which was very good considering the
hard times.

Mr. Campbell from Galt
There was quite a stormy time but the
school meeting we are sorry to say
ended up in electing Mr. Jas. Moyer
trustee for the next three years.
Mr. Clark was the retiring trustee
this year.

Mrs. David Squires has moved into
part of the house occupied by Mr. Jos.
Taylor. Mr. W. Wilson her brother is
here with her, and nursing his broken
leg which I am pleased to state is doing
nicely.

Mr. Albert Walters is in Toronto
under medical treatment with his eyes.
We hope to have him recovered.

We have now selected our trustees
for the next three years, nothing
would be more than this; however, to
say against the old committee, but one
or two are so anxious for office that
we have had an election and the
members to an extent are exasperated;
therefore we hope they will be com-
pletely shamed under and left at home
where they belong.

Flesherton.

Came late last week.
Among the Christmas visitors home
for the holidays see Mr. W. Wells, Mr.
B. Armstrong, Miss M. Wright, Mr.
Fred Spence, Miss Gode, Miss Ida
Dow, Mr. E. McLean, Mr. K. Keefer,
W. H. and D. Wright and Mr. E. K.
Richmond.

The unfavorable condition of roads
and weather interfered with the attend-
ance at the Baptist Sabbath school open-
ing on Christmas Day. The school was
held in the darkenss, swallows alighted
with the wings of welcome, and cheer,
and pleasant entertainment of the
evening. The teachers and officers
were present, and the school was
well supplied with scholars in the program-
me of their pleasing and effective condition of the same.

This week's basket.

Notwithstanding the green Christmas
and the cold days the Presbyterian
sabbath school opened on Christmas
day with a large attendance, and was
being added to by the day.

After tea service the communions
began with the singing of hymns, and
privately with the pastor.

Mr. Rev. B. D. McLean included
in the auditorium, a organ, artistically
decorated with many attractive articles,
which attracted great interest.

Mr. and Mrs. B. D. McLean, in view
of careful training and were among
the best numbers of the programme.

Miss Annie Paton is always a favorite.
She sang a solo and was much enjoyed.

Mr. Jim. Palton, on the violin, seemed
inspired by the joyfulness of the season.
The audience each time insisted on
his re-appearance.

The distribution of the presents from
the Xmas tree was particularly inter-
esting to the children, and proved great
fun for the older ones. Each of the
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Address and Presentation.

The concert and Christmas Tree held
in Dorothy's school, last Saturday, 20th
Holland was in all respects a brilliant
success.

The programme was well-chosen and
very interesting. The audience was
large and orderly. Dr. Scott, Mr. and
Mr. Smith of Dornoch, performed the
duty of chairman in a very creditable
and pleasant manner.

At the close of the programme, Mr.
W. H. Scott, who had been most
fully in that section for the past three
years was made the recipient of several
valuable presents and the following
address to which he replied in an
appropriate and cordial manner:

Mr. Robert M. Watt,

Dear Teacher and Friend.—In view
of the termination of an intercourse
so long and friendly, we desire to mark
the occasion by a few farewell words.
We thank you for your professional
abilities and enthusiasm which you
have shown us, and at the same time express our
gratitude for the kind and gentlemanly manner
in which you have conducted our
school. You have done out and among us
what no teacher could have done, and
we shall ever remember the benefits
you have given us.

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