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Finds Markdale's Leading Harness shop still at the front and well stocked with a complete assortment of everything kept in a first-class harness shop.
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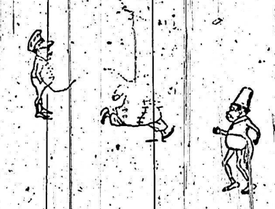

Kind Reader

Hoping you have enjoyed your Christmas Turkey and plum pudding, and if not, will use

STEPHEN'S Stomach Pills !

F. T. HILL & CO.,

Will inaugurate to-morrow (Friday,) the 14th and continue for the balance of January

A GREAT STOCK REDUCING SALE!

OF

Dress Goods, Mantles, Clothing, Boots & Shoes, Blankets, Furs, Cottons, Crockery, Tweeds Linens, Etc., Etc.

This is unquestionably the opportunity of the season to purchase lines of merchandise at prices that have no parallel in the history of the retail trade. Here are a few of the lines that go on sale that will illustrate the trend of values.

750 Yards plain Dress suitings, comprising fine wool Henriettas in a number of shades; Lustres and fancy weaves. This includes lines selling at 50c. and 55c. yard. Sale price 39 cents yard.

40 Dress Costumes in Black and Colored Fabrics such as Crepons, Fancy Broches, Tweeds Boucles, Silk Mixtures and Satin Strips. Prices were from 55c. to $1.10 per yard. Our sale price 37½ to 75 cents yard.

225 Yards Plain Dress Materials, 30 inches wide, very heavy and durable, good value at 20 cents. Our sale price 14 cents yard.

MANTLINGS AND MANTLES.

35 Pieces Mantling Cloths, in colored Beavers, Fancy Tweeds, Meltons, Fancy Mixtures, Black Satin Figured, &c., &c. We clear the lot at reductions of 25 and 50 per cent during the sale.

A MARVELOUS BARGAIN CHANCE IN LADIES' MANTLES.

Our entire lot goes on sale at $3.25 each. They are new styles, German made, and were good value at the regular price of $4.50 to $7.00.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

A BARGAIN IN GIRLS SHOES, EITHER BUTTON OR LACE.

100 Pairs of odd lines, sizes 11 to 2, in Dongola Kid, Polished Calf and Oil Goat. These Shoes originally sold for $1.25 to $1.60 pair. We put the lot on sale. Your choice $1.00 per pair.

30 Pair only Womens Glove, grain lace, standard screws, solid leather, regular $1.25. Sale price 95 cents.

60 Pair Men's Fine Seamless shoes, gaiter or laced, sizes 6 to 10. This is a regular $1.50 line. Our price during the sale will be $1.19.

SPECIAL IN COTTONS AND LINENS.

1200 yards heavy Grey Cotton, wide width, regular price 7c., our sale price 5c.
56 inch Fabic Linen, nice quality, new design, worth 30c. Our sale price 23c.
60 inch Bleached Table Linen, new design, good value at 35c. Our sale price 28 cents.

SPECIAL QUOTATIONS ON COTTON SHEETINGS.

SUNDRIES.

300 Brooms, special sale price 7c. 1500 bars Dingman's Electric Soap 4c. 500 Cans Fresh Corn 5c. Best quality light yellow Sugar, 30 lbs. for $1. 500 cans Fresh Tomatoes 6 cents.

You will find in our stock dozens of lines in each department that for want of space we cannot enumerate here, at prices correspondingly low. We intend to make this a genuine clearing sale and prices are all leaning your way.

F. T. HILL & CO.,

MARKDALE, ONTARIO.

LOCAL NEWS.

COUNTY council next Tuesday.

TEN below zero Monday night.

COAT Robe for sale at a bargain. This office.

GOOD wheeling this week but no sleighing.

IT will pay you to read McFarland & Son's new adv.

MARKDALE council meets Wednesday evening the 27th.

THE Newmarket Era has put in a new power press.

HUGH JOHN MACDONALD has been unseated in Winnipeg.

A MONSTER Orange demonstration is expected in Markdale next 12th of July.

CHEAP FEED.—W. J. McFarland has 40 tons Oat Sheaves for sale. $4.50 a ton.

COLLECTOR SMITH has finished tax collecting in Markdale, and returned his roll a week ago.

THE late Garrett Brown, private banker of Schomburg, who died on the 27th November last, left $228,451.

ABOUT a dozen from here attended a parlor social at Mrs. Armstrong's, Flesherton, on Tuesday evening.

CISTERNS were amply replenished last Sunday by a steady rain. The mercury lingered about 40 above zero all day.

FARM produce is coming in from fifteen miles distance. Markdale retains its high reputation as a market.

How many people are ashamed to go into company on account of their foul smelling breath, caused from catarrh or cold in head? If they would study their own interests they would soon have sweet breath like their neighbors. There is one sure cure for catarrh and that is Dr. Chase's Catarrh Cure. Give one blow through the blower and you get relief immediately. Price including blower, 25 cents.

IF you have headache, cure it with a headache powder. W. Turner & Co.

FLAVORING extracts, extra strong, fine flavor. It will be money saved to use ours. W. Turner & Co.

IF you would like your key winding watch made into a stem winder W. J. Shortill the jeweler can do it for you.

Karl's Clover Root Tea purifies the blood and gives a clear and beautiful complexion. For sale by R. L. Stephen.

ARTEMESIA council will meet on the first Saturday in the month for 1897 instead of the first Monday as heretofore.

Consumption, LaGrippe, Pneumonia, and all Throat and Lung diseases are cured by Shiloh's Cure. For sale by R. L. Stephen.

Hot water bottles, made of rubber, useful for cold feet, inflamation, pains and aches. 75c, $1.00 and $1.50 each. W. Turner & Co.

"My baby had croup and was saved by Shiloh's Cure," writes Mrs. J. B. Martin, of Huntsville, Ala. For sale by R. L. Stephen.

Two choice farms for sale advertised in this paper. They are both in a high state of cultivation, clean, well fenced, and all in readiness for spring crop.

The best cough cure is Shiloh's Cure. A neglected cough is dangerous. Stop it at once with Shiloh's Cure. For sale by R. L. Stephen.

MR. SMITH, the new Traverston—Lauriston—Markdale mail carrier reported flies scarce last Tuesday. Grasshoppers have shut down business too.

Pills do not cure Constipation. They only aggravate. Karl's Clover Root Tea gives perfect regularity of the bowels. For sale by R. L. Stephen.

EARLY on Thursday morning Mr. James Appleton, a farmer, living about a mile from Aurora, Ont., was burned to death in a fire that destroyed his barn.

THE English for roast beef, Irish for potatoes and the Scotch for porridge, but all three for bread, the staff of life, and Matthews the baker makes a prime quality.

MR. JOHN ROWLAND, proprietor of the Globe hotel, in Collingwood, and one of the oldest and best known residents of that town, died there on Thursday, 7th.

MR. THOMAS HUGHES, a farmer living about three miles from Teeswater, Ont. fell through a trap door in his barn on Saturday, and was killed. He was 80 years of age.

MR. GEO. A. KIRKPATRICK, Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, who underwent an operation in London, Eng., Wednesday of last week, is slowly gaining strength.

REV. J. M. SIMPSON preached missionary sermons last Sunday for his brother on the Inglewood circuit. Messrs. Steer and Robt. Pritchard officiated in Markdale.

MR. THOMAS ALLEN of Shelburne, dropped dead as he was retiring to bed on Friday the 8th. He had been section boss on the C. P. R.; and was a member of the A. O. U. W.

ANNUAL MEETING.—The annual meeting of the Sydenham Mutual Fire Insurance Company will be held in the Council Chambers, Owen Sound on Jan. 26, '97 at 10 a. m. Hugh Reid, Secy.

THE large gold balance in the United States Treasury, now more than $141,000,000, the highest figure since early in 1891, assures the stability of the currency until surplus revenues again increase.

As may be seen by a clip from the Drayton Advocate in another column, Mr. R. W. Bright is happily wedded. Mr. and Mrs. B. will accept the congratulations and best wishes of the STANDARD.

WHEN you have tried other medicines and obtained no relief from rheumatism and kidney ailments, remember that Wood's Kidney Pills have cured thousands of cases after trying other medicines and obtaining no relief.

TENDERS will be received by the undersigned up to Saturday the 23rd January, for digging a well at school house of Seperate School No. 5, Glenelg. For further particulars apply to Thos. McAsey, Sec. Treas., Traverston.

THE London, England, Pall Mall Gazette, of the 18th, in a leading article warns the Catholic church in Canada that unless it abandons its arrogant assumption of governmental power and clerical interference in politics it will endanger its existence.

THE Canadian Press Association 36th annual meeting will be held in Toronto on Thursday and Friday February 4 and 5. Postage on newspapers will be one of the important questions discussed. The Postmaster General is to be on hand for that.

ANY amount of money to lend on mortgage security at the lowest rate of interest. Expenses low. No fine. Properties valued personally. No waiting for convenience of inspectors. L. Young, Markdale, Appraiser for Canada Permanent Loan Company.

WE can give positions to persons of all grades of ability. Agent, book keepers, clerks, farmers' sons, lawyers, mechanics, physicians, preachers, students, married and single women, widows. Positions are worth from $400.00 to $2,000.00 per annum. We have paid several canvassers $8.0.00 weekly for years. Many have started poor and become rich with us. Particulars upon application, and if satisfactory and necessary, a personal interview may be arranged. This is an honest advertisement, and if you want to better your position, write before you sleep. State salary expected. Neither I offers nor suppliers need apply. The Bradley-Garretson Co., Ltd., Toronto, Ont.

EUPHRASIA and Glenelg council minutes came as we go to press.

DISEASED blood, constipation, and kidney, liver and bowel troubles are cured by Karl's Clover Root Tea. For sale by R. L. Stephen.

WANTED.—Young women and men, or older ones if still young in spirit, of undoubted character, good talkers, ambitious and industrious, can find employment in a good cause, with $60 per month and upwards, according to ability. Rev. T. S. Linscott, Toronto, Ont.

Notice is hereby given that bylaw No. 63 of the village of Markdale prohibiting the running at large of dogs without having a tax for the year 1897, will be strictly enforced. Get your tags before the 1st of February.

GEORGE NOBLE,
Constable.

TIT FOR TAT.—Premier Laurier asserts that he will at the coming session introduce and push through retaliatory legislation against the introduction of alien labor from the United States if our neighbors persist in enforcing such on the other side as they are now and have been doing. That's right. Give them tit for tat.

AT a meeting of the Presbyterian Ministers held this week in Toronto the president read a paper on "Modified Itenerancy" suggesting a term service for ministers of three to five years, with the option of extending from term to term even to the end of life. This course, it was stated, would rectify the feeling of unrest among ministers and congregation.

UNIFORM TIME.—A system for regulation of the timepieces of all employes of the C. P. R. from Vancouver to St. John, N. B., was put in force on Friday last. At 11:55 each day the time signal is sent to all operators, from Toronto. This uniform time system is for the purpose of diminishing the risk of accidents. It is a wise move and is working admirably.

The Citizen's Band concert on Tuesday evening promises to be a big one. The "boys" are making an honest effort to pay their obligations and the concert should receive the generous patronage of our citizens. The talent is to be local, and this is another good reason for supporting it. Our home talent is hard to excel, and our people should manifest their appreciation of this by their presence on Tuesday evening. Only 15 cents.

"QUEEN VICTORIA, Her Life and Reign;" great historic work; sells on sight to thousands. Lord Dufferin introduces it to Canadians in glowing words. Easy to make $20 a week; some make twice that. Many make more in spare time than during day at regular employment. This year's Great Sexagenary Celebrations are booming it. Books on time; Prospectus free to canvassers. Territory going fast. The Bradley-Garretson Co., Ltd., Toronto, Ont.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons trespassing on lot number 18 in the 9th concession of the township of Glenelg, in the county of Grey, and the south half of lot number 5 in the 4th concession of the township of Euphrasia, in the county of Grey, will be prosecuted according to law, and further take notice that a reward of $10 will be given to any person furnishing such information as will lead to the conviction of any person taking timber or wood off said lots. McCullough & Young.

DISTRICT L. O. L.—The annual meeting of the Loyal Orange District Lodge Holland District, was held in Price's hall, Holland Centre on Tuesday the 12th inst., when the following officers were elected:

Carson Price, D. M.
Andrew Ritchie, D. D. M.
John S. Troughton, Chap.
James Gillespie, Rec. Sec.
Robert Lackey, Fin. Sec.
Andrew Gillespie, Treas.
John Crowther, Dir. of Cer.
Joseph Troughton, Lec.

L. O. L. No. 1388, held its last meeting for 1896 in their hall, Kell's corners, on Dec. 17. There was a large attendance and the following officers were elected for 1897:

S. J. Bowles, W. M.
C. Irwin, D. M.
G. Wright, Chap.
J. Boland, Rec. Sec.
W. T. Kells, Fin. Sec.
C. W. Bowles, Treas.
G. Bowles, D. of C.
D. Foster, Lec.
J. Foster, First Com.

Personal Paragrafs.

Mr. F. M. Stafford was in Harriston this week.

Geo. Cunnington of Thornbury, was in town last Friday.

Mr. S. J. Coleman of Collingwood, was in town on Friday last.

Miss Annie Bush is visiting her aunt Mrs. Webb, in Walkerton.

Mr. Robt. Gordon, of Rennie's seed store, Toronto, was in town last week.

Miss Essant of Owen Sound, is in town this week, the guest of Mrs. M. Armstrong.

Miss L. Anderson, of Owen Sound, is visiting in town, the guest of Mrs. D. A. Ward.

Mr. A. W. Wade was in town last week. He has been living retired since leaving Markdale.

Miss Cassie Stitt of Blantyre is visiting friends in town, also the guest of the Misses Struthers.

Mr. John Foster of Corbetton, was in town on Saturday and gave the STANDARD a friendly call.

Mrs. M. Brown of Toronto, called on friends for a day on her return from Owen Sound to the city last week.

Mr. George Fitzpatrick and sister, Miss Ellie, of Toronto, are visiting at Mr. George Richardson's, 9th line Euphrasia.

Dundalk Herald.—Miss Minnie Lucas and Master Harvey Lucas were the guests of Mr. E. G. Lucas for a few days last week.

Mr. John Hackett of Hockley, visited his son J. A. the Vet. on Monday. His brother Mr. Wm. Hackett of Petrolia accompanied him. It was their first visit to Markdale and they were much pleased with the appearance of our village.

A Bad Gang.

The most remarkable and widespread conspiracy in the history of the Province has been brought to light after operations extending over the last ten years in the township of Melancthon. Five of the supposed gang have been arrested and lodged in Orangeville jail and some have turned Queen's evidence. The five held in custody, charged with fraud, conspiracy, and arson are: W. Reid, white; Alonzo Smith, white; James Corbitt, white; David Ballard, and James Ballard, colored.

These arrests are the result of an investigation that has been made for more than a year past by Mr. George Forsythe, a well-known insurance inspector, of Toronto, and Provincial Detective Greer into about twenty or thirty fires, beginning some eight or ten years back, in the district between Dundalk and Corbetton.

A disastrous fire, which occurred week before last by which Ed. Fenton lost his life, arose the authorities to take proceedings, and Detective Greer has spent some days investigating. The fires have been so numerous in that vicinity it is generally believed that an organized gang have made it an object of study to do up the insurance companies. Whenever a risk was put on, those who could not induce local agents in Shelburne or Dundalk to insure their property managed to secure a loan on their farm from some company, and then, through the loan company's influence, the buildings would be insured to carry out the clause in the mortgage.

The gang, it is said, had a complete set of old implements, consisting of reapers, ploughs, harrows, waggons, etc., which did good service at several of the fires, being lent by one member of the gang to another who intended to burn his premises.

TURNED QUEEN'S EVIDENCE.

Detective Greer managed to get one Hamilton Tisdale to turn Queen's evidence, and to give such information as will incriminate a large number of people in that locality.

On Saturday afternoon, Jan. 9, Detective Greer and Constables Brundage, Skelding, and Munn started out, and returned in the evening with three prisoners, Jas. Ballard, Dave Ballard, and Jas. Corbett, jr. On Sunday Constable Skelding arrested Alonzo Smith, and on Monday morning Wm. Reid of Shrigley. James Ballard is a good looking mulatto, and is married to a white woman. He has never been accused of any serious crime before. David his brother is also married to a white woman, and is in better circumstances than any of the prisoners being the owner of 300 acres of land. Smith spent some time in gaol on a previous occasion on the charge of stealing hogs from a neighbor. When the matter came to trial he was liberated. Reid is looked upon as being respectable in his own neighborhood and this is his first appearance in court.

PLEADED NOT GUILTY.

On Monday afternoon the five prisoners were brought before Magistrate Hamilton, Blair, and Allen, of Shelburne. When the indictments were read each prisoner pleaded not guilty in turn. Crown Attorney McKay of Orangeville, appeared for the prosecution, Mr. I. B. Lucas of Markdale, for James Ballard, D. Ballard, and Smith. Mr. A. M. Vance of Shelburne, appeared for Corbett and Reid. No evidence was taken, but the prisoners were remanded for a week, and in the meantime were conveyed to the Orangeville gaol for safe keeping. It is the opinion of many that the trial will disclose some interesting developments. All the parties engaged on the case are very reticent, and it is not easy to gain any reliable information.

THE FENTON TRAGEDY.

At three o'clock on Wednesday morning, January 6th, 1897, an alarm of fire awakened Edward Fenton, who lives on the Gravel road, a mile above the village of Corbetton. The barn, with horse and cattle stables beneath, was discovered in flames. The alarm was given by Harry Cotterell, who lives with James Ballard, in the house opposite Fenton's. The aged father, mother and sister, and the deceased hurriedly dressed themselves and hastened to save what property they could. Edward got his horses, one cow and calf out, and then went into the cow stable to liberate the other cows when the building fell in and he was burned to a cinder. The remains were interred on Thursday the 7th in the Dundalk cemetery. Coroner Norton thought at the time an inquest was not necessary. It is necessary to state here that the fire was no doubt the work of an incendiary, and recent developments have strengthened this opinion.

The five men accused of conspiracy, fraud, and arson, appeared before the magistrates at Shelburne on Monday, and were remanded till next Monday, no evidence being taken. An attempt to induce James Corbett, one of the prisoners, to turn Queen's evidence, failed.

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STOCK TAKING!

We are busy now taking stock. All Winter Goods are thrown on the counters, and we will clear them out at cost.

As the winter has only begun, now is the time to procure some great bargains in Men's Fur Overcoats, Boys Frieze Overcoats, Ladies and Misses Mantles and Capes, which will save you $1.00 on a mantle by purchasing from us.

Men's Felt Boots, Rubbers, Men and Boys' Rubbers, Sox, &c. Do you want a Robe or a Coat, try us for snaps.

Just received a shipment of Fresh and Salt Water Herring, also on hand Windsor Salt. Live eggs at our store 25 pails in bright stock. Don't forget the fact that we are selling with quality, you save money every time. Highest price paid for dressed farm poultry.

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