

## LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

The County Council is in session this week.  
Hear the "Newboys' Chorus" at Marsh Hall.  
Boy wanted. Apply at bake shop.  
G. Matthews.  
The Tot's Minuet at Marsh Hall to-night (Thursday).  
The Standard expects to move to its new quarters in a couple of weeks.  
Don't forget the Maypole Fete at Marsh Hall the 23rd.  
See 24 beautiful girls twine the Maypole at Marsh Hall, Thursday evening, the 23rd.

Annual School Meeting notices suitable for any section kept for sale at this office.

The correct form of agreement between teacher and trustees can be had at this office. Five cents a pair.

Mr. John Hunt of Traverston has bought out Mr. John White who intends returning to his farm near Markdale.

Mr. J. C. Henry is having his new house veneered with white brick. This will be the first white brick house in Markdale.

Mr. Thos. Cook, collector of ward 2, Glenelg, will be at the Revere Hotel, Markdale, on Saturday the 23rd. to receive taxes.

Heavy draught brood mare for sale, foal to a celebrated horse "Buffalo Bill." This is a superior mare. John J. Bennett, Markdale.

It is to be hoped that our citizens will abandon the use of the axe in removing ice from the pavements the coming winter. The use of salt is highly injurious, so don't salt the ice either.

Mrs. Holmes, (pupil of Miss Barrett, Ottawa, Ont.) intends holding classes in embroidery. Terms and further information either at her residence or at Miss Douglas' fancy store, Main st., Markdale.

Mr. Thos. Neely of Harkaway will hold a clearing credit auction sale of live stock, implements, etc., on Friday the 1st Dec., commencing at 1 o'clock, twelve months credit. Geo. Noble, auctioneer.

Mr. John Hunt near Traverston, has decided to retire from farm life and will hold a clearing sale on Wednesday the 6th December. Said at 12 o'clock. Twelve months credit. Geo. Noble, auctioneer.

Rev. Mr. Little of Chatsworth recently appealed to his congregation for a contribution of \$1,216.00 to pay off the debt on the Presbyterian church there. The whole sum was placed upon the date and \$220 over.

The freight traffic over the T. G. & B. branch of the C. P. R. has increased to such proportions the Company has decided to reduce several heavy grades along the line and otherwise improve the road bed.

The season has been favorable for water navigation and the rush of freight traffic up the lakes from Owen Sound unprecedented. Several additional vessels have been chartered for the balance of the season.

The December number of the Delineator is called the Yuletide number, and with its innumerable illustrations is one of the most artistic magazines ever sent out. \$1 a year. The Delineator Publishing Co., Toronto.

Mr. Jas. Kelly of the Revere Hotel, who has recently made such sweeping and admirable improvements in his premises, has put in a platform scale in a convenient place. This is the third article of the kind in town.

On Monday next, 27th November, Mr. John Brown on the back line east of Flesherton will sell by public auction his live stock, implements and farm chattels generally. Sale to commence at noon. Thirteen months credit on approved paper. Geo. Noble, auctioneer.

Mr. Rowe and the senior boys went to Uxbridge on Saturday and played a game of football with a team gotten together by Principal Slaughter. The game was a draw, no goals being scored. A good time was spent and everybody enjoyed the drive, the game and the outing generally.

Pleasant View Creamery is the property of Mr. John McQuade, late of Holland, near Walters Falls and is located in Owen Sound suburbs. The season now ending has been a particularly successful one. Over forty thousand dollars was paid by this creamery in six months for cream.

There are more excellent features in the Sun than will be found in any other weekly.—Bystander's comment, could editorial discussion of public questions, up-to-date agricultural matter and farmers market report. Send post-card to the Sun office, Toronto, for a sample copy and be convinced.

Principal Rowe has received from Sir Henry de Joly, Minister of Inland Revenue, Ottawa, a complete set of the Metric system of weights and measures

for the use of the school here. This system used now in the greater part of continental Europe is destined to displace the present coinage some system just as a few years ago our present system of coinage displaced the old system of pounds, shillings and pence.

### Teacher Wanted

Females for 1900. Applications will be received up to Dec. 8th for Union S. No. 2, Holland and Euphrasia State salary. J. J. Richardson, Sec. Treas., Markdale.

### Strayed

From the premises of the subscriber about the 17th October, a white steer

half ten months old. Any person giving such information as will lead to its recovery will greatly oblige Joseph A. Halbert, Harkaway.

### Forty Years Married.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Stewart, Artmesia, celebrated the fortieth anniversary of their wedding on Friday the 10th inst by giving a fowl supper to a number of friends and neighbors. It is about forty years since they settled in their present home and during that time they have enjoyed the friendship and goodwill of those with whom they have become acquainted. After spending the evening in social chats, games and music the visitors departed wishing the host and hostess many returns of the happy event.

### A Patent Legging

Mr. S. J. Halbert, shoe maker and boot dealer of this place has invented and patented a legging fastening which is pronounced by competent judges to be a valuable and intensely practical device. Heretofore considerable dissatisfaction has been experienced with this much worn article owing to its defective make but our esteemed citizen has evidently overcome the difficulty and produced a very superior article. He is now supplying a demand wholesale and retail which grows fast at the superior qualities of the invention are made known.

### The Largest Company in the World.

The relation between subscribers and publishers of the Family Herald and Weekly Star, of Montreal, form, it may be said, the largest Joint Stock Company in the world. It seems that out of every dollar sent in by a subscriber, a certain percentage is put aside to be spent exclusively on improvements in that great paper, so that every subscriber sending in his dollar receives good interest on his money by way of such improvement. Through this system, subscribers this year receive a very much enlarged and improved paper and two beautiful pictures "Battle of Alma," in colours, and "Pussy Willow." Certainly a great investment for one dollar.

### Volcanic Eruptions

Are grand, but skin eruptions rob life of joy. Buckton's Armen Salvo cures them; also, old, running and fever sores, ulcers, boils, felon, combs, warts, cuts, bruises, burns, scalds, chapped hands, chilblains. Best piles cure on earth. Drives out pains and aches. Only 25¢ a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by R. L. Stephen.

### Personal Mention

Mrs. J. E. Matson and family arrived from Toronto last week to join her husband. They will reside on George street.

Mrs. Joseph Schopf of the McDonald House, Cheshire, is the guest of Mrs. Schumacher of the Markdale House.

At the recent diocesan convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, held at Woodstock, the Rev. J. R. Newell was elected to the Council.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Eagles of the 11th Line Embassies left on Tuesday for Oskaloosa, Nebraska, where they will spend the winter visiting relatives.

Mr. Eagles has also a valuable parcel of real estate in Nebraska which he wishes to look after.

### Golden Wedding

On Monday last Mr. and Mrs. Charles Littlejohns of the suburb celebrated their fiftieth anniversary of their wedding. The event was a pleasing and most enjoyable one. The old couple were married in Crosby Township, Leeds Co., and moved to this part some forty years ago. They have ten children, all living, all of whom were present except two, Thomas who resides in Butte, Montana, and Mrs. Will Varty of Luis, Alta. They have twenty-four grand-children, the greater number of whom were present, and also five great-grand-children, four of whom were in the gathering on this auspicious occasion. Other relatives were present as also their pastor, Rev. Mr. Buchanan. Mr. and Mrs. Littlejohns were among the early settlers in this part, and by industry and frugality have made for themselves a comfortable home and a competency for their declining years.

## The Methodist Church.

Sunday last was a "red-letter" day in the history of the Methodist church here. In the morning Pastor Buchanan preached to the Sunday School. Seated in the body of the church the scholars gave undivided attention to the beautiful story of the child Moses. The sermon was interesting and clothed in such simple language that every child understood the theme. The singing was in charge of the Sunday School choir, which conducted by Mr. Matsui was commendable in every detail.

The evening meeting took the form of a "Young Men's Service," the young men were much in evidence, having charge of the ushering, the lifting of the collection and the conducting of the singing. The sermon was an earnest talk on "character,"—the greatest thing in the world, and proved to be exceedingly interesting and beneficial. A word about Mr. Buchanan as a speaker. He is ready, original, up to date, well read, holding the attention of every person with his earnestness, zeal, and choice diction of language.

As to the singing, it was deserving of the praise which all seemed disposed to give so liberally.

The congregation at both services was large, in the evening every seat being comfortably filled.

### Kimberley

Nov. 21.—Mr. John Plewes came from Kirkville last week and removed Mrs. Plewes with him this time, but Miss Sadie will remain here with Mr. and Mrs. Ab. Ellis to attend school for the winter.

The Methodist Church repairs are nearing the finish.

Mr. Joseph Perris is gone on a tour, a visit, a ramble, etc.

Mr. Melvin Harris will visit Wodehouse to secure the P. M. and family a warm house by putting siding on.

Some young men in this section are off to work at the wood bid near Berkley, viz., Charley Smith, Noble Lawrence, W. McConnell and others.

Mr. George Graham is on the street occasionally but he is not as well as we would wish him.

Some of our nimrods tried to find game by gun, but the partridge was too fast, the gun was too slow, the dog ran fast and caw said the crow, the hawk gave a blast and away went the doves.

A salvation army man, a Mr. Smith, was a caller in town this week trying to get funds for the poor. This farmer had not much success in that journey. The poor we have always with us and also the "Boer."

Mr. Curry has been once more practising his profession by pushing a sharp knife into the neck of fat hogs of his neighbors. And to hear those poor animals squeal is awful and then they die with sore throats.

Mr. Guy was here of a recent date and he will have a blacksmith in his vacuous shop soon.

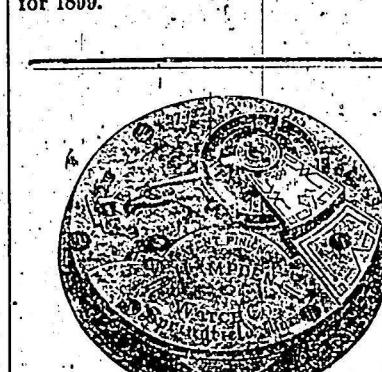
Our grist mill is doing a stirring biz at present.

The farmer may plow to his satisfaction as the weather is mild and lambs are selling for \$1 to \$1.50 and hogs are low in price.

Mr. Wm. Best broke a wheel of his traction engine while in the valley.

Mr. Tom Reid the blacksmith has secured the shop from Mr. Guy and will place his materials in the same today (Tuesday). The present place is too small and needs more repairs than it is worth.

Mr. James Wallace, the new teacher, has taken the place of Mr. Armstrong for 1890.



### Clocks

A complete line of Parlor Clocks  
Mantle " "  
Alarm " "  
School " "  
Fancy "

### Watches

Ladies' watches in Silver, Gold and Gold filled cases in Waltham, Hampden and Elgin movements, 15 and 18 sizes.

A good assortment of Ladies and Gentle Guards, also Wedding Rings and Gem set Rings. A very select line.

W. J. SHORTILL

Markdale

## Fresh Groceries

When it comes to pure groceries we're just where we ought to be rank. You'll find our grocery stock fresh and clean and less to pay the stores.

New Raisins in fancy boxes, 3 lbs.	25
New Cleaned Currents 3 lbs.	25
Good Quality Japan Tea, 6 lbs.	1.00
Good Washing Soap, 10 cakes	25
Fresh Cooking Figs, 6 lbs.	25
Tomato Ketchup per quart	25
Canadian Peaches, best Lemon 18, Orange Matchless A1 quality	5
Best Granulated Sugar	5

### To the Pupils of the Public Schools of Marsdale Rural Schools of Grey County.

### We're Going to Make You an Offer

We want to make the acquaintance of every girl in the county, and have decided to offer as below for the best Essay or Story written by a school pupil on our new store, its equipment and usefulness. Pupils wishing to compete have the store from basement up. We'll be pleased to answer all questions and give all information.

### The Prizes

IF WON BY A BOY	IF WON BY A GIRL
1st. Solid Coin Silver Watch and Chain, the watch is an open face, stem wind and stem set and a guaranteed timekeeper, value \$7.00.	1st. Coin Silver Watch and Chain, the watch is an open face, stem wind and stem set and a guaranteed timekeeper, value \$7.00.
2nd. Choice of Good Tweed Suit, or Overcoat, or material for making suit or Overcoat, value \$5.00.	2nd. Dress Lengths, any color you like, value \$3.00.
3rd. Good Umbrella, 4 pair Oxfords or Leather shoes; your choice.	3rd. Grey Lamb Skin or possum Fur, value \$2.00.
4th. Pair Gauntlets or Gloves, value \$1.00.	4th. File Silk, per skein.

### THE ONLY CONDITIONS

Your story or essay must reach us not later than 20th December. You must get it signed by your teacher, showing that you are the author. Essays will be presented at our store on the evening of Saturday, December 20th.

### PRIZES ON EXHIBIT IN OUR CORNER

### McFARLAND & CO.



### Ladies Kid Gloves

Ladies New Kid Gloves, in Tans Black, all silk lined, 2 dozen fasteners, silk stitching on back, guaranteed wear per pair. \$1.

Men's Kid Gloves, heavily lined, in Tans and Browns, 2 dozen fasteners or elastic tops, 50¢.

Men's Kid Gloves, heavily lined, in Tans and Browns, 2 dozen fasteners or elastic tops, 50¢.

Writing Paper per quire. 5¢.

Envelopes to match. 5¢.

Lead Pencils, per dozen. 5¢.

Rope Silk, skein. 5¢.

File Silk, per skein. 5¢.

Embroidery Silk, all colors. 1¢.

Stamped Linen Doilies, Centre pieces, etc., each 8, 10, 15¢.

Silk Cotton, all colors and colored. 5¢.

Military Braids, for trimmings, per doz. yards. 10¢.

Velvet Ribbons, all colors, yard. 4¢.

Pins, paper. 2¢.

Linen tape lines, each. 5¢.

Saxony Yarn, skein. 5¢.

Bee Hive Fingering, skein. 5¢.

Castor Oil. 10¢.

An Absent-minded Man.

There have been a great many stories of absent-minded men, where one forgets his house address, another what business he is in and where another has to refer to the mark on his handkerchief before he can remember