

Mercer's

MARKDALE'S CHEAPEST STORE

Is the place to buy your Christmas Groceries. You always get the best Currants, Raisins, etc., at Mercers.

- Choice new Currants, cleaned, 3 lbs. for .25
- Finest selected new raisins, 3 lbs. for .25
- Choicest new Sultana raisins, seedless per lb. .15
- New Figs, Dates, Extracts, Icing Sugar Nuts, Seasonings in Thyme Sage and Savory
- Fresh Peels—Orange Citron and Lemon.

Tea! Tea!

Mercer's new Japan and Black Teas at 25c per lb. have no equal at the price. A trial will convince you of this fact.

Crockery & Glassware

An immense assortment to choose from in new Tea Sets, the mulberry pattern, regular \$4.00 special Xmas price \$3.00. New Dinner Sets, reg. price \$8, special for Xmas \$6.95. New Toilet Sets, Special for Xmas 1.50, 2.00, 4.00 and \$4.75. New Fruit Sets, 12 nappies and large dish, special for Xmas 90c. Fancy China cups, saucers, plates, and pitchers.

Table Sets—bread and butter plates, porridge sets, salad dishes, butter dishes etc. all going at special prices for Christmas.

LAMPS

New Lamps, brass stands and decorated shades, special at 1.00, 1.50 and \$1.75. Glass lamps, all complete, at 25c to 50c at

Mercer's

"A Vaster Store Than Has Been"

New Jewellery Store

McFarland's Block

No business can reach permanent success unless conducted upon a strictly honest and fair basis. In no line is this more applicable than in the jewellery business. I realize this thoroughly and in opening my new store to the people of Markdale, and vicinity, I shall first buy honest goods as cheaply as **QUALITY** will admit but for cash thus make a saving to divide with YOU. Specialties will be in

Watches, Clocks, Fine Jewellery, Silverware and Sterling Silver Novelties.

for the holiday trade in all the latest and up-to-date styles. Call and secure one of my beautiful

CLOCKS

before they are all gone. Expert Watch Repairing. Personal attention given to all repairs.

All work warranted. Don't forget the name and place.

J. H. Stephenson

JEWELLER AND OPTICIAN

McFarland Block

Farm for Sale

4.5 ac. 1/2 pr. 700-12, 07 acres. On the premises 3 acres hard-wood bush, about 3 acres cedar, maple, poplar and pasture land, well fenced. R. J. Myers.

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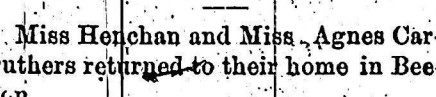
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C. W. RUTLEDGE,
Proprietor



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MARKDALE, DECEMBER 7, 1909

Wodehouse

Miss Hanchan and Miss Agnes Carruthers returned to their home in Beeton.

Mr. Howard Clark, who had the misfortune to lose a foot in the early part of the summer, has been down to Toronto getting an artificial one fitted on. We are glad to see him home again and although he goes lame yet, he states the new foot feels quite comfortable. He has been trying the plowing.

Miss Keefer, who was the guest of Miss Ellis for three weeks returned on Thursday to her home in Flesherton.

Mr. J. Lanktree is almost laid up with a sore ship, and no cause can be given for the trouble.

Mrs. Wm. Clark has returned after a month's visit with her daughter, Mrs. Salisbury, near Streetsville.

This week the second pair of log sleighs goes out of the carriage works here.

Mr. Wm. Ward is still looking for a farm to rent.

On Saturday evening last a public meeting was held in the school building here in the interest of the proposed pork curing establishment in Markdale. Mr. J. M. Davis, Mr. Brodie, and Mr. Pickell, some of the members of the present board were there to address the meeting. Many of those present had been previously educated along this line, and soon the interest became very marked. The speakers tried to show the amount of loss by shipping long distances and the sundry expenses connected therewith, all of which we in the neighboring vicinities might save for ourselves. The scheme seems to be pretty well thought of by all, and the meeting almost became enthusiastic. There was about six hundred dollars worth of shares taken at the close of the meeting, some taking shares for the second time.

Kimberley

Evangelist Goff is holding revival meetings in the Methodist Church with evidences of success.

Mr. J. R. Fawcett is preparing to fill his contract for cedar posts for Markdale council.

The "beautiful" is coming.

Maxwell

Mr. Wm. Bemrose spent last Sunday with his mother, returning to Collingwood where he intends spending the winter.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Albert Thompson of Port Lavo took place a week ago last Sunday. Her remains were laid to rest in the Presbyterian cemetery at McIntyre. Rev. Mr. Fleming preached the funeral sermon. Much sympathy is extended to the bereaved friends.

Messrs. Kinnear and Guy left on Monday for Dollarville, Mich., where they intend to spend the winter.

Mr. Joseph Fenwick returned from the Northwest recently.

Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Douglas spent a few days last week in Southampton.

The Foresters have not the exact date set for their concert yet.

Flasherton

The Epworth League of the Methodist Church was entertained by the Endeavorers in the Presbyterian church on Tuesday evening of last week.

With Mr. J. F. VanDusen, president of the C. E. society, in the chair, a short program was first rendered in which Miss Joy, Miss Lou Armstrong, Miss Hattie Sullivan, Mrs. Sheppard, Mrs. Blackburn, Miss Ellie Stewart, Miss McDuff (Markdale) and Principal Slaughter took part, after which various amusements were engaged in, refreshments partaken of and altogether a most enjoyable fraternal evening spent together.

Mr. John Brown, east back line, is retiring from farming and disposed of his stock, implements etc., at auction last week. Good prices ruled especially in cattle. Auctioneer Noble of Markdale, wielded the hammer and made a proverbially close 50 cent bidder feel ill when he handed him down his purchases with the remark, "I've sold lots of those 20 cent whips for 50 cents."

Division court was held here on Wednesday of last week, Judge Morrison presiding. The docket was comparatively light and the cases heard not of much general interest.

Jeweller J. F. VanDusen for a few days last week contemplated leaving town to open business at Little Current but has decided to remain and is still to be found in his new stand, Sproule's block.

Mrs. D. McLavish gave a pleasant social evening to a company of young people on Friday evening last. A number from here attended the party given by Mr. and Mrs. Wilson McMullen, west back line, Wednesday evening, last week.

Some attention has been paid to lighting street lamps the past two weeks which has been much appreciated by pedestrians during the very dark nights.

The Methodist pulpit was very acceptably supplied by Mr. Bert Armstrong Sabbath morning last.

Rev. Mr. Thom and Mr. A. M. Gibson attended the induction of Rev. Jas. Buchanan at Dundalk on Tuesday. Mr. Thom was appointed to address the congregation.

Mr. M. Richardson and Rev. J. Ward put a couple of days last week at the annual Ministerial and Classleader's convention in Toronto. Among the subjects ably discussed were the Oxford Movement, Theosophy and Christian science.

Mr. James Blackburn of Dundelin visited his brother Joseph here and other relatives in this vicinity last week.

Mr. Geo. Brown, Nobleton, and Mr. Wm. Brown, Stayner, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Brown, back line, last week.

Miss McDuff of Markdale, visited Miss Ellie Stewart last week.

Mrs. Foreyth of Glasgow, Ont., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Wright.

Mr. Bert Ranton of Niagara paid his mother a visit here last week.

Miss Amy Wright, Miss Lena Rutledge and Mr. Wilson of Markdale paid the Epworth league a fraternal visit last week.

Mr. A. S. VanDusen was taken suddenly ill on Thursday last with neuralgic affection of the heart and although Drs. Carter, Christie and McWilliams (Dundalk) consulted in the case his life was despaired of until Sunday, when a change for the better came, and at the time of writing, we are pleased to report, continues slowly to improve.

"Mrs. W. J. Douglas of Collingwood, is spending this week with her father, Mr. VanDusen. Mrs. Douglass was here from Friday till Monday.

Miss Joy left on Monday to visit her mother, who is ill at Toronto Junction.

Mr. R. N. Henderson was travelling east last week and Mrs. Henderson and little daughter spent the week with relatives in the city.

Mr. Geo. Mitchell has our thanks for a tender roast of Muskoka venison.

Miss Maud Hanbury was the guest of Mrs. R. N. Henderson on Monday and Tuesday.

We noticed the Owen Sound Advertiser last week wound up its report of county council in this confused manner: "This ended the proceeding of the county council of Grey for this year, and for this century. How about 1900, Mr. 'Tiser'? Is the council to have a twelve-month holiday.

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NEW Blacksmith Shop

J. D. WATSON

wishes to announce to the farmers and public generally that he has purchased a lot next to R. McNally's carriage shop and erected thereon a good blacksmith shop and has therefore come to stay.

Horse shoeing a specialty. In this we have

SOMETHING NEW

and guarantee no more burning of the horses' feet. Everything in my line done neatly and satisfaction guaranteed. A trial solicited.

J. D. WATSON

COME TO Whitby's

for **Boots & Shoes**

that Fit Well, Look Well and Wear Well, and prices right.

Special attention paid to **Fine Sewed Work and Repairing.**

Sign of the boot
Opposite the Standard Office
J. W. WHITBY

MARKDALE MARKETS

Corrected every Wednesday

Fall wheat.....	\$ 55 to 63
Spring wheat.....	55 to 63
Goose wheat.....	55 to 60
Barley.....	20 to 30
Oats.....	25 to 30
Pease.....	55 to 57
Butter.....	17 to 18
Eggs, fresh.....	17 to 18
Hay, per ton.....	5 00 to 6 00
Potatoes, per bag.....	35 to 35
Wool.....	14 to 16
Beef.....	6 00 to 6 00
Pork.....	4 75 to 5 10
Hides.....	7 00 to 8 00
Geese, per lb.....	6 to 7
Turkeys, per lb.....	8 to 9
Ducks, per pair.....	50 to 60
Chickens.....	30 to 35
Apples, per bag.....	35 to 50
Flour, per bbl.....	3 40 to 3 80
Bran, per cwt.....	70 to 70
Shorts, per cwt.....	90 to 90
Chop, per cwt.....	40 to 40
Sleep Skins.....	75 to 1 00

Clocks at ..

Special Prices

Spec. Reg.
Mantle 8 day, oak or walnut
half hour strike.....\$2.60 3.25

Mantle 8 day, oak or walnut
half hour strike, better 3.28 4.00

Mantle 8 day, oak or walnut
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still.....3.98 5.00

A beautiful Parlor Clock at 6.90
School and church regulators of very suitable design, also a very choice line of small novelty goods at

W. J. SHORTILL'S

Clock House Markdale

Berkeley

Miss Mitchell of Holland Centre visited at her brother's last week.

Mr. Wes. Brown of Markdale visited, the Berkeley C. O. F. lodge and also made a business call.

We noticed R. Stout's smiling countenance, in town once more, looking hale and hearty.

Mr. Arthur James Hunter of St Joseph's Island visited in town for a few days this week.

Mr. Jack and Miss Firth of Traverson Sunday with the latter's sister Mrs. W. Dodds.

Mrs. J. Stout returned home from Keppel on Monday last.

Miss Addie Allan returned to Proton after spending a few days at home.

Mr. Broad of Holland Centre Sunday in town.

Mrs. S. Lackey of Shelburne is visiting at the old homestead.

Mrs. Clarke and children are visiting her parents in Markdale.

If... You... Want

Christmas Presents

OR School Prizes

See Our Stock Before You Buy

We are opening this week

Abundant Books, Purses, Pipes, China Goods, Dolls, Toys, Perfumes, Vases, Dressing Cases, Celluloid Goods, Phonographs, Gramms, Mouth Organs, Brushes, Ebony Goods, Virrins, Bibles, Hymn Books, most imported direct from the Manufacturers.

NICE ASSORTMENT OF XMAS CARDS & CALENDARS...

W. TURNER & CO.

Druggists and Chemists

MARKDALE, ONT.

MARKDALE MEAT MARKET

Fred Sarjeant, Proprietor



Our brown bread is made from "Whole Wheat Flour," and contains all the nutritive qualities of the wheat berry. Delivered at your door fresh daily for 3 cents per 2 pound loaf. Note the weight.

2 lbs. for 5 cts.

J. G. Matthews, BAKER

MARKDALE

Tire Eyes

Sensations exist for our guidance. They are Nature's warnings. Over-worked eyes demand rest. Eyes that tire easily call for help. Properly adjusted glasses afford the only assistance possible. We make a specialty of relieving tired eyes and guarantee satisfaction.

J. H. Stephenson, OPTICIAN AND JEWELER

MARKDALE.

FOR Eye-Sight Fitting....

A purchase in spectacles, eye-glasses, telescopes, field glasses also any repair in the optical line you will find the undersigned up to date. My

Watch and Clock

Department is also complete. Elgin, Waltham, Hampden watches always in stock at

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LOCAL AND GENERAL

Its colder than has Armstrong Bros. lumbering camps on Main.

Municipal nomination Friday, Dec. 22 and January 1.

Annual School Meeting for any section this office.

Up-to-date tailoring Dundas, over McFarland's.

Machine knitting Mrs. Wright, Reservoir house, Stronach.

W. A. Gerblomy of farm implements and the Paris Exposition.

A superior Luncheon tree, a year old, for Littlejohn's in the street.

A couple of inches tall Monday makes "blighting" indifference.

Four thousand this was subscribed, towards the erection of church at Hanover.

Shelburne railway by a vote of 55 to 33 November against the electric light.

Christmas candles in abundance also lunch at all block, opposite the date.

Don't forget the selected dairy goods Halley stock farm, erton station Saturday.

Fourteen Ontario dependent order of nized with their own one night last week.

Eight thousand received in November the L. O. E. over when passed the meeting.

The Breeder's up-to-date stock weekly. Subscriptions taken, and see sample.

An oyster social the one piece of the Methodist paragon next to which all admission 25 cents.

Two hundred have been on date public library, now a membership number still increased.

A newly married following: What tyeen a homecoming a pretty girl? A cell, a homecoming pretty girl is a day.

Armstrong Bros. extensive presence and an enlarging manufacturing establishment adding lines in the near.

Mrs. George R. Miss Parlett, holding classes in and further information residence for at Sept. Main St.

Mr. Benjamin South (Grey) found on the 29th.

Barclay Williams (1) is a white in summer. Guess

We are to see McFarland's has jobs at the Toronto and is now a possibly he may to South Africa.

A social ill Mrs. Wiggins, the evening of under the auspices of children's extended to all.

If you don't ly o.d. the ship not try to wal Lean forward weight will ce the foot rat there will be ipe.

Mr. Robert resident of G of heart disease ceased wnt prepare him. Whilst in clothes he di side which h Clark has st for some ye sons and on ford Mirror