

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Its colder than has been.
 Armstrong Bros. have started two lumbering camps on the East Mountain.
 Municipal nominations take place on Friday, Dec. 23 and election Monday, January 1.
 Annual School Meeting notices suitable for any section kept for sale at this office.
 Up-to-date tailoring done by George Dundas, Over McFarland & Co's. store, Markdale.
 Machine knitting done to order by Mrs. Wright, Residence, Galbraith's new house, Sproule street.
 W. A. Gerolamy of Tara will exhibit farm implements and fanning mills at the Paris Exposition next year.
 A superior Tamworth boar with pedigree, a year old, for service, George Littlejohn's in the suburbs west.
 A couple of inches of snow which fell Monday makes wheeling good, sleighing indifferent, and business boom.
 Four thousand three hundred dollars was subscribed one day recently towards the erection of a new Methodist church at Hanover.
 Shelburne ratepayers have decided by a vote of 85 to 53 taken on the 24th November against the corporation owning an electric light system.
 Christmas candles and nuts of all kinds in abundance at Mrs. Leslie's, also lunch at all hours. Jackson's block, opposite the postoffice, Markdale.
 Don't forget the auction sale of 25 selected dairy cows all in calf from Hartley stock farm Ingersoll, at Flesherton station Saturday afternoon this week.
 Fourteen members of Markdale Independent Order of Oddfellows fraternized with their Owen Sound brethren one night last week at the county capital.
 Eight thousand applications were received in November for membership to the I. O. F., over seven thousand of whom passed the medical test and were accepted.
 The Breeder's Gazette, Chicago is an up-to-date stock journal, published weekly. Subscription \$3 a year. Subscriptions taken at this office. Call and see sample.
 An oyster social will be given under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid at the Methodist parsonage Monday evening next to which all are cordially invited. Admission 25 cents.
 Two hundred volumes, new books, have been put on the shelves in Markdale public library recently. There is now a membership of 101, and the number still increasing.
 A newly married editor gets off the following: What is the difference between a honeycomb, a honeymoon and a pretty girl? A honeycomb is a small cell, a honeymoon is a big cell, and a pretty girl is a damsel.
 Armstrong Bros. have recently made extensive investments in timber lands, and are enlarging and improving their manufacturing establishment there with a view to adding new and important lines in the near future.
 Mrs. George B. 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. Benjamin Allen, ex-M. P. for North Grey was married in Owen Sound on the 22nd Nov. to Mrs. Margaret Binnings of Mountain. Mr. Allen is a white headed boy of about 65 summers.—Chesley Enterprise.
 We are pleased to notice Mr. Frank McFarland has passed his examinations at the Toronto Military School and is now a full fledged Captain. Possibly he may be called upon to go to South Africa to fight the Boers.
 A social will be held at the home of Mrs. Wiggins, west of Markdale, on the evening of Tuesday, December 12, under the auspices of the United Brethren church. Admission, adults, 15 cts., children 10. A cordial invitation is extended to all.
 If you don't wish to sit down suddenly on the slippery pavement you must not try to walk gracefully and erect. Lean forward slightly so that your weight will come on the front part of the foot rather than on the heel and there will be much less danger of falling.
 Mr. Robert Clark, for many years a resident of Griersville, died suddenly of heart disease on Saturday last. Deceased went up-stairs about noon to prepare himself for coming to Meaford. Whilst in the act of changing his clothes he dropped dead on the bed, beside which he had been standing. Mr. Clark had suffered from heart trouble for some years. Besides a widow, two sons and one daughter survive.—Meaford Mirror.

The Methodist Church in Shelburne was damaged by fire on the evening of Friday November 24 to the extent of \$700. The fire originated in the vicinity of the furnace.
 Messrs. Robert and William Buchanan, administrators of the late Geo. E. Buchanan, will hold a credit auction sale of farm stock, implements, etc., on lot 19, con. 12, Artemesia, on Monday, the 18th December, commencing at 1 o'clock. Twelve months' credit on approved paper.
 Geo. Noble, auctioneer.
 McFarland & Company are offering a first, second, third and fourth prize to the boys, and the same number of premiums to the girls of Markdale school and to those of rural schools in Grey County for the best essay on their new store. The prizes are on exhibition in the corner window of their store and are substantial value. For particulars read his advertisement on this page.
 The Weekly Sun of Toronto gives the best two pages of agricultural matter published in Canada; it gives a page of markets prepared expressly for farm readers; a page of editorial comment on public affairs from a purely independent standpoint, and its family reading is clean, interesting and instructive. The Sun and this paper combined to the end of 1900 for \$1.85.
 Save your pennies for the entertainment to be given in the school room S. S. No. 18, Euphrasia, (ninth line) Friday Dec. 15th, which promises to be a treat. Tea will be served from 6 to 8, p. m. A program consisting of music, songs, recitations and dialogues also addresses from prominent speakers, will be given. Admission, adults, 20 cts., Children 15 cts. Plenty of stable room can be secured at Mrs. Shores or Mr. Erskin's.
Teacher Wanted
 Female for 1900. Applications will be received up to Dec. 8th for Union S. S. No. 2, Holland and Euphrasia. State salary. J. J. Richardson, Sec. Treas., Markdale.
Taxes
 December 18th Thos. Cook, collector for Ward 3, Glenelg, will be at the Revere hotel to receive taxes. This is his last call, as the taxes require to be paid to treasurer on the 14th.

Wright Farm in Euphrasia For Sale by Tender.
 Sealed tenders for the purchase of S4 Lot 17, con. 9, Euphrasia, 100 acres, 60 cleared, 40 good hardwood bush, frame house and frame barn, will be received by Lucas, Wright & Batson, Markdale, up to Dec. 15, at noon. Absolute title, immediate.
A Heavy Stroke.
 After a few days' illness Mrs. Richard Millsap of Glenelg died on Monday evening last aged 26 years, 8 months. This is a sad stroke for Mr. Millsap and her three small children. The funeral takes place this Wednesday afternoon to the public cemetery, leaving the house at 2 o'clock. A memorial service will be held in the Presbyterian church at 10:30 Sunday next.
Painful Accident.
 On Tuesday last, while working in Minnis Bros. saw mill in the suburbs, Alf Wardrobe, a young man who has been an employee there for about a year, was caught with a belt and drawn around a pulley, breaking his left leg in two places and otherwise fracturing the bone. He was brought to his boarding place, Mr. Howard's in town, on a stretcher and Drs. Sproule and Ego reduced the fracture. The patient is doing as well as can be expected.

A. O. U. W.
 Mr. T. Hanbury of Dundalk, A. O. U. W. District Deputy for Dufferin District, paid Markdale an official visit Monday evening. He spoke very complimentary of Markdale Lodge, which has eighty members and its meetings well attended and conducted with despatch. Nearly three hundred new members have been added in this district during the eleven months of 1899 to 1st December. Special rates are open for the admission of new members for this month.
Premature Death
 On Thursday of last week Ivy Askin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Askin, passed peacefully away after a brief illness of lung trouble, aged 17 years 3 months. The remains were conveyed on Sunday to Markdale public cemetery for interment, many citizens paying a last tribute of respect to the departed by being present. A memorial service was held in the Presbyterian church same evening, the pastor, Rev. John Hunter, officiating. The Methodist Sunday School joined that of the Presbyterian in attending this appropriate service.
Canadians Are Proud Of It.
 All Canadians point with pride to the "Family Herald and Weekly Star," of Montreal. When the "Family Herald" makes a promise to its readers, they have the fullest confidence that that promise will be carried out. Their promise made some months ago, that

CHRISTMAS IS JUST AHEAD



Santa Clause is just around the corner. Soon we shall hear the jingle of bells and almost hear the hoofbeats of his prancing steeds. In a few days we will be in the midst of the whirl and rush of the holiday trade, and as a favor we ask you who can to shop early. We've made extra preparation to meet the wants of buyers and you will find that our stock will appeal just as forcibly to the eye of those who want the useful for holiday gifts as well as those whose preference is the pretty and ornamental articles. We're ready at every point.

Children's Misses' & Ladies' OVERGAITERS

Better and neater than overshoes and just as warm, in fine Bluth felt, buttoned and bound with braid.

Children's sizes. 25
 Misses' sizes. 50
 Ladies' sizes. 75 \$1

Silcotton for fancy work ball.5

Hoods, Tams, etc.

An Immense Assortment

4 doz. Children, Misses and Ladies' Tams, assorted colors reg. price. 50

4 Doz Misses and Ladies' Fancy hoods, large sizes, Pretty Patterns 75 goods. 50

5 doz. Pretty Caps for children, Pink, Blue Cream, etc. 35

5 doz. Fancy toboggan caps with long tassel, 25c to. 35

Berlin Wools, all Shades and Coloured

Furs for Christmas Gifts, none more acceptable—Ruffs

Grey Lamb Ruffs. 2.85

Black opossum or Astrachan Ruffs. 3.00

Black Opossum Ruff, 10 tails. 4.25

Grey Lamb Ruff, 10 tails. 6.75

Black Astrachan Ruff, 10 tails. 5.24

Alaska Sable ruff. 9.00

Russian Hare Ruff, Black or Brown Color, 4 & 6 tails, 60, 75, 1.00 \$1.25. 1.25

To the Pupils of the Public Schools of Markdale and Rural Schools of Grey County

We're Going to Make You an

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

The Prizes

IF WON BY A BOY	IF WON BY A GIRL
1st. Coin Silver Watch and Chain, the watch is an open face stem wind and stem set and a guaranteed timekeeper, value \$7.00.	1st. Solid Coin Silver Watch, stem wind and set, beautifully carved, Waltham movement, guaranteed for 20 years, value \$7.00.
2nd. Your choice of Good Tweed Suit, or Overcoat, or material for making suit or Overcoat, value \$5.00.	2nd. Dress Length, 12 inch cloth of any color you wish, value \$5.00.
3rd. Good Umbrella, 1 pair Overshoes or Leather shoes; your choice.	3rd. Grey Ladies' Black Oppossum Ruff, value \$3.00.
4th. Pr. Heavy Shoes or Overshoes, value \$1.50.	4th. Pair Gaiters or Good Umbrella, value \$1.50.

THE ONLY CONDITIONS

Your story or essay must reach us not later than 23rd December, and not exceed 300 words.

You must get it signed by your teacher, showing that you are a pupil.

Essays will be judged by Revs. Buchanan, Newell and Hunter and will be presented at our Store on the evening of Saturday, December 23rd so that you will have your prize for Xmas.

PRIZES ON EXHIBIT IN OUR CORNER

MCFARLAND & COMPANY

English Coney Gauntlets 3.25

Astrachan Gauntlets 4.50

Greenland Seal 3.50

Grey Lamb 4.25

FANCY LINENS

Centre pieces, cushion tops, doilies, tray cloths, etc. Stamped with the newest and latest designs, 8 cts., 10 15. 20

Fancy China and Glass in the Basement

Glass scery or biscuit holders in cut glass 14 in. high In Fancy Glass with pretty hand painted decoration on sides. 30

Glass sets, consisting of butter dish, sugar bowl, cream pitcher and spoon holder per set 25c 35c 50c. 75

Fancy Table Covers For Xmas

Fancy table covers made of fine imported Brocatello with deep fringe all round, very pretty color and dependable quality. 1.50

Fine Chenille table covers in a variety of newest colors and patterns, pretty fringe all round 55, 75, \$1.00. 1.50

Children's and Misses' Reefers 4.00

Children's reefers in frieze, serge and tweeds, very newest styles and best colors sizes 8 years to 16 yrs. 2, 2.5, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.

Eugenia

We have now got a little snow with pretty hard frost and very probably ploughing is done for 1899.

Both Methodist and Presbyterian Sunday Schools are working hard so as to make their coming annual entertainments successful.

The Presbyterian congregations have changed the hour of service from afternoon to forenoon. Some had serious objections to give up the hour they have been so long accustomed with, but all seems to be moving smoothly and I deem a few weeks will show that the forenoon service is more convenient for all than the afternoon was.

Rev. A. G. Jansen of Hamilton is to give a lecture in the Presbyterian Church here on Thursday evening the 14th. The subject is Holland and the Hollanders, as Mr. Jansen is a Dutchman; and many Hollanders are playing a very important part in South Africa at the present time, the lecture will be both interesting and instructive. As the fee for admission is small a full house is expected.

The Rev. Mr. Darroch, Baptist minister at Flesherton, has been holding special services in Salem church the past two or three weeks. The meetings are well attended, and are of great measure composed of young lads from 12 to 20, and we know that these generally go to such gatherings for fun, but we hope better things. Mr. Darroch is, however, adding to the public services by private visiting. The Baptists get credit for being great Proselytes and Mr. D. seems to be doing his best to keep up the name. There are very few belonging to the Baptist denomination around here and the other three sects, Episcopalian, Methodist and Presbyterian seem contented to work together side by side without anyone seeking to encroach in any way on his neighbor's flock. I don't know that Mr. Darroch's doings is putting them much about either, only I would judge that they don't like it. No one would; indeed the parties visited don't like it. There is perhaps not one family near Salem who do not claim to belong to some denomination and many of them are members in full communion in their respective churches, and what reason Mr. D. has in visiting such is best known to himself, but we humbly think that he will not make many friends nor Proselytes by so doing.

We are glad to see our friend Mrs. Woodburn around again. She is still suffering from bad cough.

Our ship timber gang has left here for the present and are boarding at ex-reve Boland's, Vandeleur.

Presents

Prizes

Before You Buy

are opening this week
 Books, Purses, Pipes,
 Goods, Dolls, Toys,
 Vases, Dressing
 Goods, Celluloid Goods, Pho-
 nographs, Mouth Organs,
 Bibles, Hymn Books,
 Imported direct from
 manufactures,

R & CO.

Chemists

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About

Brown Bread

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 5 cents per 2 pound loaf. Note the weight.

2 lbs. for 5 cts.

J. G. Matthews,

BAKER

MARKDALE

The editor of a Kingston paper is pressed to be hiding under the barn when he published the following item last week: "The fall hat for ladies is a set of alcoholic creation. It looks like a bug hat that some rude and boisterous person had sat upon."

This is the way the Penetang Herald is. A few years ago Barrie courted and proposed to Allandale and was accepted. A license was secured and the two were made one. He did not furnish the house as agreed and their life together was anything but a pleasant one. Allandale decided to go back to single blessedness and applied for a divorce. Sooner than he had any good name tarnished he agreed to allow the application of the Legislature will now be asked for a bill allowing the divorce.

subscribers would long remember the closing year of this Century by the beautiful pictures secured for them, has been more than fulfilled. The pictures "Alma" and "Fussy Willows" are the talk of the whole country; wherever one goes he hears of these beautiful pictures. A dollar invested for the "Family Herald and Weekly Star" with these two pictures pays better interest than a share in a binder twine company.

Personal Mention

Mr. John Bannerman renewed acquaintances in town this week.
 Mr. and Mrs. V. Kester visited Flesherton friends over Sunday.
 Miss Cunningham, of Alliston, was a guest at the Methodist parsonage this week.
 Mr. John Foster, of Corbetton, was in town Saturday, and gave the Standard a friendly call.
 Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miller and Mr. Wm. Miller of Toronto Junction attended the funeral of Mrs. F. Miller's sister, Ivy Askin, last Sunday.

Foresters' Rally.

Court Markdale I. O. F. No. 801 held a special meeting in their court room on Tuesday night the 5th inst. There was a good attendance and also Bro. Whale, D. S. C. R., organizer. The election of officers took place when the following were elected:—

C. R. — John Caesar.
 V. R. — Silas Hill.
 F. S. — W. A. Armstrong.
 F. S. — P. J. Ritchie.
 T. — B. D. Bigger.
 S. W. — A. McCutcheon.
 J. W. — F. Graham.
 S. B. — Jas. Fletcher.
 J. B. — W. Littlejohns.
 Chap. — M. Armstrong.
 Phy. — Dr. Ego.
 C. D. H. C. — J. W. Whitby.

There were six candidates proposed and two were initiated. The meeting was the most enthusiastic we have had for years. Bro. Whale gave a very impressive address showing the advantages of taking a policy in the I. O. F. A hearty vote of appreciation was given him after which the court adjourned all feeling well pleased.—Com.

Honor Rolls

(In order to accommodate all who send monthly school reports we can publish not more than four names in each class)

W. S. S. No. 8, Sydenham and St. Vincent for November.

5th, N. Thom, E. Anderson, N. McKay.

4th, L. Sward, A. Thom, P. McPherson, G. Collison.

3rd, F. Findlay, A. Mellafort, T. Wilson, J. McLean.
 2nd, N. Cathrae, A. Watson, F. Watson, S. Clark.
 Pt. 2nd sr., M. Whittaker, W. Wilson, W. Seabrook, H. Mellafort.
 Pt. 2nd jr., C. Newman, J. Watson, H. Wilson.
 Pt. 1st, M. Reid, K. Sward, A. Wilson, H. Watson, W. J. Henderson, Teacher.

Sr. Dept. of Kimberley Public school for November.

5th sr., Nicholas Ahekrombia.
 5th jr., Chas. Stuart, Ella Scott.
 4th, Willard Gilbert, Leila Latler.
 3rd, Elmer Stafford, Ella Knott, Hannah Datter, Izzie Wallace.
 James W. Wallace, teacher.

Walters Falls

Mr. Arthur Willard of New York is visiting friends in our village for a week or two.

The Canadian Order of Foresters at the regular meeting on Saturday evening last elected the following officers for the first six months in the new year:

Court Deputy — W. A. Dayman.
 P. C. R. — R. J. Watson.
 C. R. — T. G. Proved.
 V. C. R. — S. McShall.
 F. S. — E. B. McNeill.
 F. S. — J. B. Wickham.
 Treas. — A. King.
 Chap. — A. McLaughlin.
 S. W. — C. Baxter.
 J. W. — J. Murray.
 S. B. — S. Greer.
 J. B. — G. Caswell.

The order is still progressing. Two new members were proposed.

We have about four inches of snow at present.

Mr. R. J. Watson visited Priceville friends on Thursday and Friday.
 Mr. Norman King who was sick in Meaford was so far recovered as to be brought home on Friday.
 Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Speck visited the latter's parents near Berkeley on Sunday.
 Miss Martha L. Watson of Priceville visited friends in our burg for a few days returning home on Monday.

THE TOMB

STEDWILL — At Fort William, the 27th November, after a brief illness, of diphtheria, Anna Stedwill, daughter of William Stedwill, aged 17 years.

ASKIN — In Markdale, the 20th November, Ethel Ivy, daughter of Richard Askin, aged 17 years 3 months.

MELZAP — In Glenora, on Monday December 4, Mrs. Richard Millsap, aged 25 years, 8 mos.

MCNALLY — At Dundas, the 1st Nov. Mrs. D. G. McNally, formerly of Markdale suburbs, aged 33 years.

Messrs. Albert and Thomas O. Neil have removed from their old place to the Globe Hotel which they have purchased.

Miss Katie Peacock of Crawford is visiting friends here this week.

Miss Jessie Benson who met with a serious accident by having her leg broken by falling from the top of a sixteen feet tree in a field in the barn is recovering as well as can be expected.

Mr. M. R. Benson leaves this week with his lumber to locate above Flesherton where he has purchased a large quantity of land.

Mr. Roy and Mrs. Peacock for Toronto last week where they accepted a situation.

Last week the remains of the late Mr. Duncanson were removed from old cemetery and placed in the new cemetery and there a monument is erected to his memory.

Mr. D. K. Chesley visited his cousin, J. P. Peacock last week.

Mrs. Margaret Smith visited her daughter, Mrs. McPhee in Durham last week.

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