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C. W. Rutledge, Proprietor.

On Wednesday of last week Mr. John Bellamy of this place received a message from Harry Sound, informing him that his son William was dangerously ill and to come at once. Mr. Geo. Bellamy left on the evening train, arriving at Harry Sound on Thursday at noon and found the corpse of his brother who had passed away before midnight on Wednesday, after only four days' severe illness with intestinal obstruction. A messenger was despatched for another brother, Carlton, who was thirty miles distant in the lumber woods and on his arrival the brothers started for home with the corpse, arriving here by the C. P. R. on Saturday evening. The interment took place on Sunday afternoon, a short service being held in the house by Rev. W. Ward, who in the course of address spoke comforting words to the grief-stricken parents and family who have felt so mourn as those who have lost a loved one, the deceased having passed away in peace and in the hope of a glorious immortality. The coffin was carried with a beautiful wreath from the Christian Endeavor Society at Harry Sound. The deceased was 29 years of age, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Bellamy, who have the deepest sympathy of the community in their sudden bereavement. That which leads further sadness to the case is that the deceased was to have been married at Christmas to a young lady of Harry Sound, who along with Rev. Chas. Hodge, Presbyterian minister of that place, ministered to his comfort in his last hour.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian Church held their last regular meeting at the engine on Wednesday afternoon, last week at which officers were elected for the ensuing year, as follows: President, Mrs. James D'Arcy; Vice Pres., Mrs. A. S. VanDusen; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. Jos. Blackburn. This society is an active auxiliary of the church and has enjoyed a prosperous year.

The Presbyterian Sabbath school held their annual business meeting in the church on Thursday evening last, when the following officers were elected: Sup't., Mr. A. M. Gibson; Ass't. Sup't., Mr. Falstead; Sec.-Treas., Miss Mary Kiel; Librarians, Misses Hattie Sullivan and Blanche Hamilton; Organist, Miss Sullivan. The former staff of teachers retain their respective classes, Mr. A. S. VanDusen, taking charge of the minister's Bible class. The systematic giving impressed upon the children is bearing fruit, the collections being far in excess of former years and sufficient to run the school. A fine social evening was decided upon for the school on Christmas night.

Communion service was held in the Presbyterian church on Sunday last. Rev. Mr. Ward preached at the preparatory service, on Friday and, was much appreciated.

The band has secured the drill shed for a skating rink this winter and are now waiting for Jack Frost to take a hand in preparing the glassy bed.

Messrs. J. McClellin and J. Field have been improving their properties on Collingwood street. The latter's dwelling has been veneered with brick.

Mr. M. Richardson is a delegate from Grey County Council to the good roads convention in Toronto, this week.

Rev. Mr. Thom attended the opening services of the new Presbyterian church at Arthur on Monday evening.

Mr. W. Heard of Kemble has been visiting his brother, Mr. J. H. Heard.

Mrs. J. W. Henderson of Toronto attended the funeral of her nephew, Mr. W. Bellamy, on Sunday.

Miss Egan of Ventry is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. Runstiddle.

Miss Add Armstrong returned last week from an extended visit with friends in Detroit and Toronto.

Miss Clara Ranton is home from Toronto to spend Christmas with her mother.

Mr. Chas. Lewis of Milwaukee is here to spend the winter with his father, Mr. B. Lewis, ship timber dealer.

Ex-councillor Sharp has been seriously ill for some days, but under Dr. Carter's care has a turn for the better.

Mrs. Fred LeGard and Miss Lattie LeGard returned to their home in Toronto last week.

Miss Kate Deathan left on Monday to visit friends in the city.

Grand Organizer Whala of the I. O. F. was in town on Tuesday.

Walters Falls

Our snow has all disappeared again and we now have lots of mud.

The new Methodist Church at White appointment (on the present) was officially opened on Sunday last by Rev. A. Langford, D. D., of Owen Sound, who preached two splendid sermons, in the morning at 10:30 and in the afternoon at 3 o'clock. The Rev. Dr. is an able speaker, and his sermons were much enjoyed by all.

The Walters Falls Methodist choir rendered suitable music for the occasion. On Monday evening a fowl supper was given in the same place and although the night was very wet and roads bad, the proceeds netted up to over \$40. The speakers of the evening were Revs. J. S. Davidson, B. A., W. H. Madden of Menford, J. F. McLaren, B. D., Temple Hill, Rev. W. H. Madden also gave several selections on his phonograph. The Walters Falls choir rendered several selections in good style all of which was greatly enjoyed. The Church is a neat structure costing about \$1,100, which is already provided for excepting \$200.

There is not a little contention in our burg at present about which is the proper way to kill pigs. Not long ago Mayor Shank was killing a pig and some persons found fault with him because he knocked it in the head with an axe after stabbing it. Now Chief Shepherdson undertook to kill one of his tamerack's a few days ago, but he first knocked it in the head with the axe and then stabbed it. His Lordship rules that that is stabbing a dead pig and he was upheld in his views by most of those listening to the discussion.

Rev. A. Langford, D. D., of Owen Sound preached in the Methodist Church here on Sunday evening. The discourse was good and was much enjoyed. He left for his home in O. S. on Monday morning.

The Methodist Church here will give a concert in the G. O. F. Hall on Christmas Eve. A good program has been provided. Admission only 20 and 15 cents.

Kimberley

Dec. 12.—Mr. John Allen of Hornbury has been visiting Mount Forest (his former residence) and on his way back he called on an old friend, Mr. John McGowan and family and latter's son had a square meal on the left to go home.

NEW Blacksmith Shop

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

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MARKDALE MARKETS

Corrected Every Wednesday

Fall wheat	55 to 63
Spring wheat	55 to 63
Goose wheat	55 to 60
Barley	30 to 30
Oats	25 to 26
Pease	25 to 27
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	5 00 to 6 00
Pork	4 75 to 5 10
Hides	7 00 to 8 00
Geese, per lb.	8 to 7
Turkey, per lb.	8 to 9
Ducks, per pair	30 to 35
Chickens	30 to 35
Apples, per bag	25 to 30
Plum, per bbl.	4 40 to 5 80
Bran, per cwt.	70 to 70
Shorts, per cwt.	90 to 90
Chop, per cwt.	40 to 90
Sheep skins	75 to 1 00

Mrs. Wm. Walter had a visit from Mr. Neil McColeman of Thornbury last week while on his way from Durham to his destination.

Mr. Thos. Reil, the busy blacksmith has Mr. R. J. Longhead to help this week, to keep the bellows going, and the iron hot, and wield the monster sledge, and shape the shoe and drive the nails and clinch the tyre.

Mr. Hurd has got his new house nearly ready to occupy. Mr. George Proctor put the plaster on recently.

Preacher Plunkett talked to those at the Methodist Church Sabbath morning. Text, Acts 5 and 11: "And great fear came upon all the Church," etc.

Evangelist Goff was present to hear the "old, old story of the master and his love," but the son and heir of Mr. and Mrs. J. Weber undertook to lead the singing, but his good mother took this young farmer to his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Hurd, to visit the old folks at home and pray, or sing or anything.

Master Tommy Cornfield came and returned to the boys at the camp near Berkeley.

Mr. Goff is holding revival service each evening with much success. Many of the young boys and girls attend and behave in a praiseworthy manner.

Mr. J. R. Fawcett of this town was at Rocklyn to attend the Board of Health official meeting.

Mr. Wm. Campbell is back from the township of Reach, where he worked this season.

Master John Wilmit Wiley and Jno. Brown were to see our miller, etc. Please tell Standard readers what a "trancer" is like. Is it a South African monkey, mule or mouse?

Mr. John Eaton of Epping is having his buildings on the farm secure for the stock this winter by J. P. Stafford and S. S. Barnitt of Kimberley.

Mr. Williams of Eugenia must have patience for these men to finish his buildings and bye.

The weather in this valley is a muddle with mud and slush to travel through.

Furnace for the men of the west etc. And Burners in the East.

Mr. Paul Smart is suffering from a very sore eye which is reported poisonous and must be taken Tuesday.

If... You Want Christmas Presents OR School Prizes

See Our Stock before You Buy

We are opening this week a large stock of books, purses, pins, Christmas goods, dolls, toys, ferns, vases, dressing cases, celluloid goods, photographs, mouth organs, Ebony goods, Virgins Bibles, Hymn Books, most imported direct from the manufactures.

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MARKDALE MEAT MARKET

Fred Sarjeant
Proprietor

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Mantle 8 day, oak or walnut half hour strike	Spec. Reg. \$2.00 3.25
Mantle 8 day, oak or walnut half hour strike, better	3.28 4.00
Mantle 8 day, oak or walnut half hour strike, better still	3.98 5.00

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It costs but little more to get a good tailor-made suit than a hand-me-down, and then you've got something on you that confidense in.

Drop in and see latest styles.

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