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If you can supply the correct missing words, you may get a present of $100.00 or more in cash.

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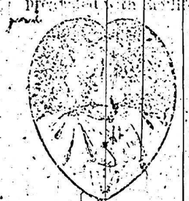
Have their blood enriched, their Heart strengthened and their cheeks rosy by using Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills.



Insufficient quantity or poor quality of the blood is one of the evil results that usually follow any derangement of the heart.

If the heart is weakened in any way it cannot send the blood through the body as it should, the organs are not properly nourished and impoverished blood is the result.

As a result the blood deteriorates, becomes thin and watery, the face becomes pale, the lips bloodless, the hands and feet cold.

There is weakness, tiredness, shortness of breath, palpitation. When those suffering from thin or watery blood start taking Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills they are assured of a cure. Every dose acts on the heart itself, causing it to beat strong, steady and regular.

Every dose, too, introduces into the blood those vital elements necessary to make it rich and red.

Soon the pale cheek takes on the rosy hue of health, there is strength instead of weakness, energy and activity take the place of tiredness and lassitude.

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Works easy any depth.
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Slow growth of hair comes from lack of hair food. The hair has no life. It is starved. It keeps coming out, gets thinner and thinner, bald spots appear, then actual baldness.

The only good hair food you can buy is—

Ayer's Hair Vigor

It feeds the roots, stops starvation, and the hair grows thick and long. It cures dandruff also. Keep a bottle of it on your dressing table.

It always restores color to faded or gray hair. Mind, we say "always."

$1.00 a bottle. All druggists.

"I have found your Hair Vigor to be the best remedy I have ever tried for the hair. My hair was falling out very bad, so I thought I would try a bottle of it. I had used only one bottle, and my hair stopped falling out, and it is now real thick and long."
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Write the Doctor.

He will send you his book on The Hair and Scalp. Ask him any question you wish about your hair. You will receive a prompt answer free.
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Single First Class Fare, going Dec. 23, 24, and 25; returning until Dec. 26, 1899; going Dec. 30, 31, 1899, and Jan. 1, 1900; returning until Jan 2, 1900.

Single first class fare and one-third, going Dec. 22 to 25; returning until Dec. 27, 1899; going Dec. 29, 30, 31, 1899 and Jan. 1, 1900; returning until Jan 3, 1900.

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(On surrendery of certificate signed by Principal)

Single first class fare and one-third, going Dec 9 to 31, 1899; returning until Jan. 17, 1900.

Between all stations in Canada, Port Arthur, Sault St. Marie, Windsor and East; to and from Sault St. Marie, Mich., and Detroit Mich., and to, but NOT FROM Suspension Bridge, N. Y., and Buffalo, N. Y.

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On Presentation of Commercial Travellers certificate)

Single first class fare, going Dec. 18 to 25, 1899; returning until Jan. 2, 1900.

Between all stations in Canada Port Arthur, Sault St. Marie, Windsor and East

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For Sale

Eight young horses and colts. 1 five years old, four years old, 1 two years old, 1 one year old and spring colts. Also a fine lot of Berkshire and Yorkshire pigs of all ages, over eighty to choose from. A few fine Leicester ram lambs, extra nice, shearling ewes and a shear ram, breeding White Law Bros., Guelph. A fine registered Jersey bull calf six months old. A few pairs of Pekin ducks, also Dark Brahmas and Black Minorcas chicks, also will sell farm or let it on shares. Brackdale Stock Farm.

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Now is the **Time** to order your winter suit and F. A. Baker's is the **Place** to procure a fit that will give comfort and satisfaction.

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Markdale, Ont.
JACOB SCHUMACHER, Proprietor
Good accommodation for man and beast.
Bus to all trains.

Flesherton

The Union Sabbath School at the station held their annual entertainment on Friday evening last and met with their usual success. The children in connection with the school acquitted themselves admirably in the interesting program rendered.

Owing to the meagre attendance at the Presbyterian church on Friday evening last Rev. Mr. Jansen's lecture on Holland was postponed. The refreshments provided by the ladies were served and a social hour was passed by those present.

Two desirable properties have changed hands here. The first was the brick dwelling and lot owned by P. Munshaw on Peter street purchased by Dr. Carter. The second is Mr. R. Pedlar's brick block, store and dwelling combined, on Collingwood street, purchased by Mr. W. H. Thurston. In addition to being centrally located this building is well lighted, roomy and excelently adapted for a printing office. It will make commodious and convenient quarters for The Advance and the editor is to be congratulated upon this token of prosperity.

Mr. Wm. Davis, Fourth Line, recently lost a cow which broke through the covering and fell into a well over 20 feet deep. Mr. Davis' eldest daughter is under Dr. Carter's care. Appendicetis is the trouble, but a turn for the better has come.

Artemesia township fathers had a busy day on Friday last winding up the year's business. Municipality matters are very quiet in this township so far, but Friday next will reveal the aspirants for office.

SOCIETY NOTES

This is the growing time with the I. O. F. Court here. Organizer Whale has been in the community in the interest of the Order the past ten days, and as a result over twenty new members have been added to this Court. The Flesherton citizen's band is receiving the appointment of Forester's band for the High Court of Ontario I. O. F.

Mr. C. C. Whale of Toronto, and Mr. W. W. Griffiths of Barrie, paid Prince Arthur Lodge, A.F. and A.M., a fraternal visit at the regular monthly meeting, Friday evening last. An invitation and degree work was included in the labors of the evening. At the door of this lodge too candidates are of their own free will and accord almost constantly seeking admission and those thought worthy are admitted and instructed in the mysteries of the ancient craft.

The I. O. O. F. lodge is a society of nearly a quarter of a century's standing in this place and has top a substantial membership.

A. O. U. W. The annual meeting for the election of officers was held on Monday evening last when the following were elected for the ensuing year: M. W., Wm. Sharp; Foreman, Thos. Blakeley; Overseer, F. Chard; Recorder, A. M. Gibson; Financier, W. J. Bellamy; Receiver, F.G. Cole; Guide, H. LeGard; I.W., Robt. Best; O.W., Jas. McMullen; Grand Lodge rep., Wm. Sharp; Alternate, W.J. Bellamy. The lodge unanimously voted a donation of $5, to the Sick Children's hospital, Toronto. D. D. G. M. Hanbury of Dundalk paid the lodge an official visit and gave a short address on the progress the Order had made during the year in the Dufferin District. A special meeting of the lodge was arranged for when the D. D. G. M. will be present to instal the officers. The A. O. U. W. is a growing society in this place.

At a recent meeting of the Managers and session of the Presbyterian church in this place, it was resolved that an effort be made to raise at least $1050, towards the Twentieth Century Fund and the liquidation of the church debt here. Nearly $400 were subscribed at the meeting and the first week in January 1900 was the date chosen to canvas the congregation. There will doubtless be a hearty response to this worthy appeal.

Major Schoof, formerly of the Bechuanaland Mounted Police, South Africa, delivered an interesting missionary address to a large congregation in the Methodist church, Sabbath evening last. Mr. Schoof lectures this (Monday) evening and to-morrow evening in the same place on South Africa, when doubtless he will have large audiences.

Mrs. (Rev.) Darroch, accompanied by her sister, Miss McDermid, returned last week from visiting her home in Glengarry County.

Mr. H. Richardson, who lives in Michigan is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Richardson after an absence of ten years.

Mr. Hubert Ward is home from Albert College, Belleville, for Christmas holidays.

Miss Lena Wright, student at Alma Ladies' College, St. Thomas, arrived Monday to spend the holidays with relatives and old friends here.

Election of Officers

At the annual meeting of L. O. L. No. 176 held in the Orange Hall, Berkeley, on Tuesday Dec. 12, 1899, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Bro. Robt. Lackey—W. M.
" Geo. Ritchie—D. M.
" John McFadden—Chap.
" Jas. Gillespie—Rec. Sec.
" Andrew Gillespie—Fin. Sec.
" Andrew Ritchie—Treas.
" Donald Cameron—D. of C.
" W. J. Black—Lecturer.

Committee, John Love, Jas. Welsh, John McCann, Joseph Black and E. T. Walters.

Auditors, W. J. Black and James Gillespie.

James Gillespie.—Rec. Sec.

Vandeleur L. O. L. 1383 met in their hall, Kell's Corners, on Dec. 14, when the following officers were elected for 1900:

Carter Irwin—W. M.
Geo. Bowles—D. M.
Thos. Kells—Chap.
H. M. Irwin—Rec. Sec.
H. Wyville—Fin. Sec.
S. Boales jr.—Treas.
R. Fitsimmons—D. of C.
H. D. McLoughry—Lecturer.

Committee—J. Cooper, Thos. Irwin, G. Sewell, W. H. Holley, S. Boales sr.

A monster fowl supper will be held at the home of the treasurer of L. O. L. 1383, Mrs. S. J. Boales, Vandeleur, on the evening of Dec. 28. Tea served from six to eight after which a good time is expected. Admission 25 cents.

H. M. Irwin, Rec. Sec.

Markdale L. O. L. No. 1645 met in their hall on Friday Dec. 15th when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Bro. Thos. Matthews—W. M.
" R. H. Boyce—D. M.
" Thos. Boland—Chap.
" J. W. Brady—Rec. Sec.
" S. J. Hulbert—Fin. Sec.
" R. McNally—Treas.
" J. S. Rowe—D. of C.
" W. E. Brady—Lecturer

Committee:—Bros. Wm. Myers, F. Sarjeant, W. Levi, W. L. McFarland, Robert Askin.

A. O. U. W.

At a largely attended meeting last Monday evening of Markdale Lodge A. O. U. W. the following officers were elected for 1900:

M. W.—W. J. Shortill
Foreman—Joseph Gibson
Overseer—W. Dundas
Recorder—C. W. Rutledge
Receiver—T. Mathews
Financier—W. N. Haskett
Guide—W. H. King
I. W.—D. Watson
O. W.—F. Sarjeant.
Representative to Grand Lodge, Alf. Smith
Alternate—M. Armstrong
Trustee—Jarvis Henry
Medical Examiner—Dr. Ego.

Curling Club

A meeting of the curlers was held a few evenings since when the following officers were appointed for the coming season:

President, Walter Turner.
Vice President, J. E. Trelford.
Secy-Treas., Jas. S. Howe.
Honory members, Fred Stafford, Orangeville; W. J. Benson, Indian Head; R. B. Currie, Brandon.
Patron and patroness, R. L. Stephen and lady.
Committee, Geo. Dundas, William Lucas and Dr. Campbell.
Skips, R. L. Stephen, Wm. Lucas, J. E. Trelford, Wm. Jackson, Geo. A. Potts.
Vice Skips, Dr. Campbell, Thos. Mann, W. Turner, Benny Rae, Walter Tuck.

Honor Rolls

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

S. S. No. 6, Glenelg for Oct. and Nov.

3rd sr., Martha Love, Walter Arrowsmith, Mary Wiggins, John Baird.

3rd jr., Everard Walker, Jean Baird, Maggie Wiggins, Walter Wiggins.

2nd, Bella Leitch, Gertie Walker, Robbie Walker, Garfield Arrowsmith.

2nd pt. sr., Mable McKennett, Walter Tebbutt.

2nd pt. jr., Edgar Wiggins, Violet Walker.

1st sr., Enid Walker, Edith Love.
Ella M. Love, Teacher.

Pork Packing Meetings

Meetings will be held as follows, commencing at 7.30 p.m., in the interest of a Pork Curing Establishment at Markdale:

Eugenia — " 19
Townsend Lake school — " 20
Cook's School, Glenelg — " 23

The public is cordially invited to attend.

The Standard will be sent to new subscribers to the end of next year for $1 cash.

DR WOOD'S **NORWAY PINE SYRUP.**

CURES COUGHS AND COLDS.

Mrs. Alonzo H. Thurber, Freeport, N.S., says: "I had a severe attack of Grippe and a bad cough, with great difficulty in breathing. After taking two bottles of Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup I was completely cured."

LAXA-LIVER PILLS

Work while you sleep without a grip or gripe, curing Sick Headache, Dyspepsia and Constipation, and make you feel better in the morning.

CHRISTMAS AT.. WODEHOUSE

We are preparing for a lively trade this holiday time. You will want a host of things too numerous to mention. In the grocery line we have a choice selection of fruits, best raisins, currants figs and dates.

We have a good stock of Men's and boys' underwear and top shirts, hats and caps.

We invite your attention and inspection of these goods.

We also have axes, cow chains, stove pipes, elbows, Kemp's patent tar paper. A few of those good lanterns on hand yet.

For the Little Folk we have fancy elder-down for coats, fancy pure fine wool Hoods only 30c. Children's caps, black and grey curly wool 25c, 30, 40 and 50 cents. Men's fancy imt persian lamb $1.25.

Flannelettes and shirtings 5c up.

We solicit your kind patronage.

Respectfully,
W. H. CARRUTHERS

Wishing you a merry Xmas and a very Happy New Year.

NOT TOO LATE

THE NORTHERN Business College
OWEN SOUND, ONTARIO,

has opened for Fall term with a good attendance. Students however may enter at any time as our instruction is largely personal. This is an excellent time to begin studies at the N. B. C. so as to be well on in the Course before the majority of outside enter at the first of the year. The Northern is affiliated with the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Ontario and two of its sets of Business books are recommended by the Institute. It is the best place in Canada to get a thorough Business Training. Write for Catalogue and Journal (which will give full information) to.

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Carpentering is not an easy trade. The constant reaching up and down, the lifting and stooping over are all severe strains on the kidneys. No wonder a carpenter exclaimed, recently, that every time he drove a nail it seemed as though he was piercing his own back. He uses

DOAN'S Kidney Pills

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"I have had kidney and urinary troubles for more than three years with severe pain in the small of my back and in both sides. I could not stoop without great difficulty, and I had severe neuralgic pain in both temples. Seeing the advertisement of Doan's Kidney Pills, I got a box. They have given me quick relief; removing the pain from the back and sides, and banishing the neuralgic pains from my head. The urinary difficulty is now entirely gone. I feel fresh and vigorous in the mornings, and am much stronger in every way since taking these pills." CLARENCE E. SEEDS, Carpenter and Builder, Trenton, Ont.

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