

Mercer's

MARKDALE'S CHEAPEST STORE

People are getting on to the fact that they can save money by buying their goods at Mercer's and from now to the New Year Mercer is going to sell goods cheaper than ever.

Special Bargains For Ladies

In Dress goods, plain for waists, kid gloves, black and white handkerchiefs, plain hemstitched and fancy bordered mantles, capes, slippers, children's boots, shoes and overshoes, grey lambs mitts, Electric seal mitts, Astrachan jackets, straw than capes, Electric seal collars, etc.

Special Bargains For Men

In Overcoats, Suits, Fur Coats, Heavy Made Suits, Pica jackets, Cardigan jackets, braces, gloves, driving suits, silk handkerchiefs, neck scarfs, from 25c to \$1.50, and colored shirts, collars, cuffs, new ties, all the latest effects in different styles, Pulis, flowing ends and ascots at 25, 50 and 50c, Persian Lamb caps, beaver caps, etc.

Special Bargains for Boys

Overcoats, suits, frockers, boots, rubbers, neck scarfs, light or dark colors, 25c. Handkerchiefs from 1c each up, piles to choose from.

Special Bargains For Girls

In dress goods, boots, grey lambs caps, handkerchiefs, silk or fancy bordered, plain or hemstitched, Cardigan overshoes, rubbers, etc.

Bargains for everybody in all lines during the balance of this month.

MERCER

wishes his customers and every body a merry Xmas and a prosperous New Year.

XMAS JEWELLERY

There is nothing more suitable for a Xmas present than a beautiful piece of jewellery such as:

Rings, Chains, Long Chains, Brooches, Stacks, Pins, Gilt Links, Lockets, Charms, Etc.

My stock of these goods is larger than ever in all the latest and up-to-date Styles.

BARGAINS

In sterling silver novelties and ebony goods, such as:

Souvenir Sets, Desk Sets, Button Hooks, Book marks, Emery Puffs, Paper, Knives etc.

These goods are just what you want for a nice Xmas present and it will pay you to call and see them before buying elsewhere.

My stock of watches is complete for the Xmas Trade

THE NEW STORE

J. H. Stephenson

JEWELLER AND OPTICIAN

McFarland Block

Farm for Sale

Lot 4, E. pt. con. 12, 67 acres. On the premises 20 acres hardwood bush, about 8 acres cedar, remainder plow land and pasture land, well watered.

R. J. Myers.

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C. W. HULLER, Proprietor

Wedgehouse

Wedgehouse, Dec. 23, 1930.

Mr. Peter Harris left last Friday to visit his father, Mr. Moses Harris of Tilsonburg.

Miss Richardson, our school teacher, went on Saturday last, to her parental home in Scarborough. She is engaged for the coming year.

Mr. and Miss Stephens of Weston are visiting their uncle, Mr. A. Wiley, Sr., of this place.

Mr. A. Shaw is spending the holiday time with his old friends near Brampton.

Mr. Wm. Walters came home on Monday, 22nd Dec. He has been in the mining country and in Dakota.

Cherry Grove

The people who predicted a green Christmas got left.

A pie social was given at the home of Mr. H. Spurling on Thursday evening last, an enjoyable time was spent. There was an abundance of beautiful pies which were well sold. One young lady was in such demand that her pie sold for \$1. Proceeds \$6.01.

Miss Lillie Dickie of Toronto spent Christmas with her parents here. She returned on Tuesday.

Miss Lottie Blakeley returned home from Toronto, some time ago after spending the summer in that city.

Miss Maria Myers left on Thursday for Toronto, there to spend the winter with friends.

Mr. James Stinson of Rochester visited his sister, Mrs. J. Beckett, last week.

Frisville

Christmas has again come and gone. A nice fall of the beautiful also arrived Monday.

We are much pleased to be able to report Miss Bertha James improving daily.

Miss Dodge left on Friday for her home in Owen Sound.

Misses E. and J. James are home for the holidays.

Mr. J. Atkinson is home at present.

Mr. W. G. Watson and Miss Bertha visited Markdale last Friday.

Miss Annie Hogarth, who has been attending the Normal school at Ottawa, is home for Xmas holidays.

Mr. Dougald McLean spent Christmas with his daughter at Orangeville.

Mr. J. McRae of Toronto is spending Xmas holidays at home here.

Miss Derby, who has been teaching in our school for some four years left on Saturday to spend her holidays after which she goes to Allandale to take charge of that school. Miss Derby was a faithful and efficient teacher and valued worker in every good cause. She was presented with a valuable book by the League as a token of esteem.

Major Schoof delivered a most interesting and instructive lecture in the Methodist church, Friday night on the customs and lives of South Africans and the Boers, also a sword drill which was simply grand. The attendance was large and very appreciative.

Wedding bells were ringing in town on Christmas Day, when Mr. Samuel Scott of the North-West and Miss Sarah Campbell of Frisville were made one matrimonially. Rev. J. S. Humphreys tied the knot.

Holland Centre

The annual Christmas tree in connection with the Methodist Sabbath School of this place was held on Friday evening last, Dec. 23. The tree was festively dressed for the occasion with beautiful presents for the children and was an object of beauty. The literary part of the program was more than average and does great credit to those who spent so much time and labor in training the children. The singing by the younger girls was worthy of special notice and the recitation of Madge Willis. Our friend, John made with appeal. Claps, and the cantata for such a person, taught the necessity of glad holihear's of the children at the end of his day season. Mr. Minion a noble staff of Teachers and Officers are to be congratulated on the success of their annual anniversary this year.

Mr. Speers preached in the Methodist church, last Sabbath afternoon in absence of the pastor, who was preaching anniversary sermons for the Masie congregation.

Traverston

The Standard calendar is a neat attractive one. Many thanks for same. Nomination Day in our township hall is generally a lively one. This year it was packed full and at times the criticism and retort was pungent enough. Messrs. Jas. Staples and Thos. McFadden will have a hot contest for the reeveship, both being popular men. Five clever fellows will battle for the four councillors' chairs, viz., Mr. Neil McCannell, who has proved himself during the year a solid, upright man, G. E. Arrowsmith, the general favorite in the east end and a handsome hardworker to boot, Mr. Geo. Lamb who has a good grasp of financial affairs and a thorough knowledge of the township's needs. He always takes a good general vote. Mr. Peter McInnis is a pleasant speaker and has a good prospect of "gittin there." Mr. Joseph Pirith is also one of the bright lights of Edge Hill. He will score heavy.

The Christmas Tree in Zion on Xmas night was more than a success. The program never was better. Too much credit cannot be given Dick Davis, Bert and John Cook. The church was crowded to the doors with a joyous hearted combination of young and old. It made two monster evergreens droop to hold all the pretty and handsome presents. They were a beauteousight to see, covered with flowers and garlands of brightest hues. The Sunday-School pupils were well remembered. The proceeds amounted to \$32.

Hustler.

Kimberley

Mr. Thos. Carruthers died at his home here on the 22nd inst. He was born in Dumfriesshire, Scotland, June 1829, and was a member of the Presbyterian faith. A staunch Liberal of the old school of politics. He was a kind neighbor, an honest man and a loving parent. The remains were taken to the Flesherton cemetery where a number of friends followed last Sabbath.

Mr. Marshall Parry of Dakota and Mr. Asa Hurlbert, wife and child of Moose Jaw, N. W. T., are visiting in the valley.

Mr. A. D. Thurston of Toronto Junction is also here.

Dr. Thurston from Chicago is to be at the Travellers' Home to recuperate his weary limbs from the winds of the sinful city in the west.

Now the air of our peaceful valley will be stirred by the voices of those who wish to run this township for their own stake for the coming year. Some talk economy, for what? For money, eh. May the best man win is the wish of The Standard.

As this is the last week of 1899 your cor has been receiving mince pies, a good piece of Christmas cake from friends and a handy calendar from the Standard editor. I now rise up and sing long and loud, I thank the generous crowd, rich or poor, vain or proud. May all live till I make the shroud.

The Canadian born evangelist, Mr. Goff, is holding the fort at the Methodist church and adding many to him in the good old way of praise to our Father in Heaven.

Christmas has gone and very good sleighing here for so short a notice. The beautiful came the night before and the merry bells were busy all day on our streets.

Mr. Thomas Walton left here for the lumber shanties of Nipissing and his brother Fred arrived home from the prairie lands of Manitoba. Fred will now taste the well cooked food of his sister Hannah and Lucy, so good bye to bachelor grub.

Mr. Geo. Curry and family visited Rocklyn friends for some Christmas goose with other goings for desert, eh? But here is to thee and thine. The last print of '99.

Happy New Year on love to dine, Dig deep your precious mine.

Blacksmith Shop

J. D. WATSON

wishes to announce to the farmers and public generally that he has purchased a lot next to F. 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 guaranteeing more burning of the horses' feet. Everything in my line done neatly and satisfaction guaranteed. A trial solicited.

J. D. WATSON

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Whitby's

for

Boots & Shoes

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

Special attention paid to

Fine Sewed Work and Repairing.

Sign of the boot

Opposite the Standard Office

J. W. WHITBY

B. B. B. Banishes Blemishes.

There is no other remedy equal to B. B. B. for making the blood pure, rich and red, and the skin clear and smooth.

Here's proof from Bertha J. Tozer, North Esk, N. B.

"I have had pimples on my face for three years, and about two years ago I took an attack of nervousness. I got so bad I could not sleep and lost my appetite and was very weak and miserable. I was taking different kinds of medicines but seemed to be getting worse. A friend advised me to try Burdock Blood Bitters, I did so, taking in all four bottles. As a result, I sleep well, have a good appetite, my face is free from pimples, my skin clear and my health is in every way perfect."

Hotel Men's Races

They're off at the post.

The Tovers House is the lead at the

in the stretch.

The Revere House wins.

Always leads in this wint, Hobs and chairs.

J. KELLY, Prop.

To the Electors

Having accepted the nomination for re-election as councillor for the township of Arden for the ensuing year, I would briefly state to the ratepayers that if elected I shall endeavor to serve the municipality faithfully as heretofore.

PETER MCGR

Euphrasia

The home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Quinton, near Blantyre, was the scene of a pleasing event on Wednesday last when their 2nd youngest daughter was united in wedlock to Herbert Francis, a popular young farmer of the neighborhood. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. F. McLaren in the presence of about forty invited guests. The bride was attended by her younger sister, Jessie, while the groom was supported by Mr. Albert Francois. After congratulations all sat down to partake of the wedding dinner which was prepared in the spacious dining-room. Among those present your correspondent was pleased to see Mr. and Mrs. S. Irwin, Mr. and Mrs. J. Murray, Mr. and Mrs. P. Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. H. Clarke, Mr. and Mrs. R. Vany, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McErray, Mr. and Mrs. D. McLean, Mr. and Mrs. M. Davies, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McLaren, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Patton, Mr. J. and Maggie Paterson, Mr. A. and Maggie Clarko, M. A. and Clemy Patton, Mr. E. and Millie Arley, Mr. T. and Mary Yendell, Mr. J. and Mrs. Stitt, Mr. R. Davis, Miss M. Davis, Mr. Sheldon and John Boyd, Mr. R. J. Clarko, Miss Mary Paterson, Miss Mary and Sarah Breader, Mr. S. Francis, Miss May Davidson, Mr. C. J. Taylor, and others. The bride was the recipient of many useful and costly presents and takes with her the good wishes of many friends for her future prosperity.

Miss Annie Patton returned home from Toronto on Saturday last accompanied by Miss E. Coult's of Pearson avenue, Toronto, and Mrs. George Patton of King, who will remain with relatives here for some time.

The Rev. J. F. McLaren and the Rev. Mr. Davidson exchanged pulpits last Sabbath.

Closing Sale of Fancy Goods

During the balance of the week we will sell all our fancy goods in stock at greatly reduced prices. If you want a NEW YEAR'S gift, BIRTHDAY present or WEDDING present, now is the time to buy. We want money, if you want the goods you can have them right.

W. TURNER & CO

Druggists and Chemists

MARKDALE, ONT.

MARKDALE MEAT MARKET

Fred Sarjeant,

Proprietor

W. J. SHORTILL'S

Clock House Markdale

Clocks at.. Special Prices

Mantle 8 day, oak or walnut	Spec.	Reg.
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		
half hour strike, better still	3.98	5.00
A beautiful Parlor Clock at	6.00	

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

Awkwardness

is more in appearance. Nine times out of ten it is the clothes a man wears. No man ever cut as well in a hand-me-down suit—imagine such a thing if you can.

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 feel confidence in.

Drop in and see late styles.

Geo. Dundas

Over McFarland & Co's Store

This is a

with every c



An opportunity is presented to you to buy a quality lot of Samples

We bought these at a price in every way, a planned collection of a sample lot and we will lay it aside for you

McFARLAND

Xmas Shopping



LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

Farewell '99.

Wedding bells.

Good sleighing.

A happy New Year to all.

Wood and logs now moving.

A purse containing money found. This office.

Don't fail to hear the school at Marsh Hall Friday evening.

Machine knitting done by order of Mrs. Wright. Residence, Garrison's new house, Sproutle street.

Grand parade from the "Sunway Girl" at Marsh Hall Friday evening.

A superior Tamworth, 4 at with pedigree, a year old, for sale by the Littlejohn's in the country west.

Christ Church, 12.30, annual social and entertainment at Marsh Hall on Friday evening.

Meetings of Centre Grey Ladies Institute will be held in P. H. H. next Wednesday at 8 and 10 p.m.

Lost.—A buffalo robe, breast and two tugs. Finder will please send it to McNally's carriage shop, Markdale.

It is against the rules of a well regulated printing office for any person to enter the working department but the staff.

Dandelions were out in full bloom last week. Fr. Sproule, M.P., handed us a handful plucked from his farm in the suburbs.

Mr. W. K. Harkness is billed to be in Markdale on Friday the 23rd Dec. to buy a car heavy horses. Must be sound and fat.