

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

All nature seems to praise and magnify the great Creator.

Buy your Cloyer and Timothy Seed at Stephen's drug store.

Last year there were 5,800 women teaching school in Ontario, and 2,656 men.

Over \$100,000 has been received for Ottawa-Hull fire sufferers from England.

Markdale Methodists are contemplating the purchase of a pipe organ at an early day.

Mr. J. D. Watson has his dwelling house up and roofed and ready for the brick veneer.

J. B. Hunt's shingle mill at Riverdale was destroyed by fire the 6th May. No insurance.

Mr. W. H. Lever has the cellar walls of his house up on the corner of Main and Centre streets.

Mr. R. S. Rae is enlarging and improving his shop on Toronto street, Wright's photo gallery.

Mr. Jarvis Henry, two miles south-east, on the gravel road, is building a brick house this summer.

Get your engagement and wedding ring from Shortill, the jeweller. The matter will be strictly private.

Armstrong Bros. saw mill at Rockvale, four miles east of Flesslierton, has been running night and day this spring.

Buy your garden seeds at Stephen's drug store. We put up our own in packages; better, more, and fresher seed.

Hoist a flag. Every house and shop in town should make a display of bunting in honor of the Queen's Birthday celebration.

Mr. Theo Hall, of Wingham, formerly of this place, recently visited his father at Arkwright. The old gentleman is 91 years old.

McFarland & Company just received a car load of 25,000 pounds of sugar. They are selling it by the barrel at close to cost prices.

Robert Blackston, of Priceville, has received word from England that three of his nephews are with the British army in South Africa.

Bob Marion, the Montreal horse buyer, is likely to be at the old stand, Markdale, next Monday, to buy horses. This is his last trip of the season.

We are pleased to see Mr. Jacob Schumacher, proprietor of the Markdale House, about again; after a surgical operation in St. Michael's hospital Toronto, recently.

Mr. John H. McLaughlin, of Owen Sound, has purchased from the Hamilton Steamboat Co. the ferry steamer Manx, for passenger service between the town and Palm Bay Beach.

Come and see our men's summer shoes at \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00. Ladies' shoes worth \$1.00 at 65 cents on Saturday. R. H. Quinross, Markdale.

A young baker in Toronto found an egg which he presented to a young lady formerly of Markdale, now residing in the city, on which was written "Employees of McFarland & Co., Markdale" and the names of eight general ladies of that place.

Any amount of money to lend on mortgage security at the lowest rate of interest. Expenses low. No fees. Properties valued personally. No waiting for convenience of inspectors. W. L. Young, Markdale, Appraiser for Canadian Permanent Loan Company.

It is reported that Rocklyn had a scare from a supposed Boer detachment recently and that after a bombardment of the town in which no lives were lost but some damage sustained, the citizens capitulated. The despatch has not been contradicted.

Markdale has over six thousand dollars worth of cement concrete sidewalks, and notwithstanding the fact that a few flaws and cracks are to be seen after the winter's test, the general verdict is that on the whole a good job was done, and there is general satisfaction with the investment.

The Methodists of Harkway have sold the old church, which has been vacant for some years, and have decided to erect a good wire fence around the burying ground. They have also undertaken to put a new organ in the church, the old one to be used in the Sunday School in the basement.

Over three hundred pairs of McCutcheon's patent legging fasteners were made and sold the past winter by S. J. Halbert, and wholesale orders are already coming in for next fall. Application from various parts of the province are also in for the right to manufacture this popular legging.

Anybody wanting a pretty carpet cheap can get it at Mercer's. Just to hand new carpets in wool and unions, fair carpet, art satens, cretonnes, lace curtains, smyrna rugs, etc. Owing to late delivery from the manufacturers I will sell you any of the above goods cheaper than you can buy equal quality for elsewhere.

People in the country who are annoyed by flies should remember that clusters of the fragrant clover which grows abundantly by nearly every roadside, if hung in the room and left to dry and shed its faint fragrant perfume through the air, will drive away more flies than sticky saucers of molasses and other fly-traps and fly-papers can ever collect.

This June number of The Delineator, beside showing one hundred and fifty illustrations of present fashions, contains several articles of general interest to women. "American Women at the Paris Exposition" is illustrated with seventeen portraits. "Founders of Women's Colleges" contains ten portraits and valuable biographical matter. Clinton Ross, the well-known litterateur, contributes a clever revolutionary story, "The Perfidy of Bess Doane." Among the practical household articles is one on Housekeeping in Apartments and Flats. The regular departments of Social Observances, Practical Gardening, Girl's Interests, Club Women and Club Life, and House Furnishing are interesting and valuable for practical women.

Glasgow, April 21.—That bit o' a farce that comes round once a year, the sittin' o' the Licensin' Courts, has been ha'en a' ca' in, an' noo the dramsellers are easy in their minds for another twal-month. We've been hearin' a' the auld yars about this man wantin' a license because he needit a livin'; the next man because he was a respectable, decent man, wha vada gie a drunk man a dram though he paid for it; another man because he had been sac lang in the trade, an' another because whaur his hoose was ye couldna throw a stande to any ither public-hoose. An' the courts, wi' their o'rary laughedness, gae the licenses to some an' didna gie them to some, but by whatna rules or regulations they gie'd nae kens. Like enough they didna ken themsel's. Onyway, they tried to improve matters in maist places sometimes by recomman'din' that nae bairns should get drink to carry awa', sometimes that "family departments" should be lunc awa' wi' an' sometimes that there should be nae bairns. It's a pity somebody didna dae awa' wi' the Licensin' Courts, an' let us hae somethin' sensible in their place, someh' that the folk themsel's wad hae a han' in electin'.

Residence on Main street, opposite Doctor Sproule's; comfortable brick house, stable, chicken house and orchard, also vacant lot, half acre in all. Will sell both together or separate. Apply on the premises, Thos. Harrington, Markdale.

No Use Having Old Iron Lying Around the Fences

A dealer is in town paying 50 cents a hundred cash, delivered, for wrought and cast iron. Will be at Fogarty's hotel, Markdale, every day after six o'clock and on Saturday all day, until the middle of June. He wants to fill a car.

Valuable Horse Killed

The valuable entire horse, MacNeillage, owned by Mr. John Sparrow, of this town, was killed by a fall on Monday last. The animal was tied in Mr. Ennis McKay's barn at Rockford and breaking loose walked over on the floor of a straw mow. This flooring was of one inch boards and it went through, precipitating the horse a distance of eight feet and breaking his back. He lingered in great agony until the following day.—Owen Sound Sun.

The Merchants Bank of Canada, Markdale.

Discounts farmers notes at Seven per cent. Allows interest on deposits, payable on demand at the rate of three per cent; interest compounded every six months. Money orders issued at the following rates; payable at any banking point in Canada (except the Yukon Territory.)

Under \$10 ..... 8 cts. \$10 and under \$20 ..... 10 " \$20 " " \$30 ..... 12 " \$30 " " \$50 ..... 14 "

Miss Cooke's Concert

Miss Myrtle Tellesen Cooke proved herself to be a superior dramatic exponent in Marsh's Hall on Friday evening of last week. The program was well sustained throughout, being ably supplemented with music by local talent. The attendance was painfully slim, however. Markdale people believe in patronizing home talent, and always give it a loyal support, but the important kind is not treated as generously, and a financial deficit is usually the result.

Brave Men Fall

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles and feel the results in loss of appetite, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, run-down feeling, but "Electric Bitters" are just the thing for you. "Electric Bitters" is all run down, and don't care whether he lives or dies. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50c. Every bottle guaranteed by R. L. Stephen, druggist.

Lacrosse Mount Forest, Ont., May 17.—The following lacrosse clubs of the North-Western district were represented at the meeting here to-day, to arrange a schedule for the season, viz.:—Mount Forest, Shelburne and Markdale. District Secretary G. L. Allen presided, and the following schedule was adopted: June 8th—Shelburne at Markdale. June 19th—Markdale at Mount Forest. June 29th—Mount Forest at Shelburne. July 10th—Markdale at Shelburne. July 20th—Mount Forest at Markdale. August 3rd—Shelburne at Mt. Forest. The other clubs in the district, Owen Sound, Warton, Grand Valley and Arthur declined to enter the schedule. The following were appointed referees, to act when called on:—From Mount Forest, G. L. Allen, P. Catley; from Shelburne, J. D. Madill, D. McCarter; from Markdale, Dr. Campbell, James Rowe.

Personal Mention

Mr. Alex. Lyons is back from Toronto.

J. W. Tucker visited Proton friends Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. George Wilson visited the parental home, Dundalk, last Sunday.

Mr. Arthur Douglas is home from the College of Pharmacy, Toronto.

Mr. William Walker is over from Berlin visiting his old home and friends.

Mrs. W. A. Armstrong and children are on a visit to Toronto and Hamilton.

Mrs. Jas. Mower, of Walters Falls, is visiting her sister, Mrs. R. H. Quinton.

Mr. Bert Buchanan, of Shelburne, spent Sunday with his parents at the parsonage.

Mrs. Freeman, of Walters Falls, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. R. H. Quinton.

Mr. Thos. Boland left Wednesday morning on a business trip to Boston and other points.

Messrs. Thomas Barker and R. J. Watson, of Walters Falls, were in town last Friday.

Miss M. E. Benson returned last week from Cleveland, and will remain for the summer with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Halbert visited Woodford, Hoath Head and Garyowen fri als from Saturday till Monday.

Mr. Thomas Armstrong, of Orangeville, attended the funeral of his brother-in-law, the late Andrew Nesbitt here last Friday.

Rev. W. Buchanan and Mr. J. E. Crone are in Dundalk attending the May meeting of the Owen Sound district, Methodist Church.

The Late Andrew Nesbitt

Mr. Andrew Nesbitt, who has resided about a mile south-east of this place some 28 years, passed away, on Thursday last aged 70 years. Deceased kept store in the stone house a mile and a quarter from where Markdale now is for some years, that place then being about as large as East Glenelg, later called Cornabuss, and now known as Markdale. Mr. Nesbitt was then a young married man, strong, industrious and frugal. He gave up the mercantile line and devoted his energies to farming, but was stricken down with paralysis fourteen years ago last February and has since been an invalid, having lost the power of speech as well as of body. On Sunday May 19 he had another stroke and succumbed four days later. The funeral took place to the Presbyterian cemetery on Friday, Rev. John Hunter officiating. A large cortege followed the remains to their last resting place. His widow two sons and three daughters are left and have the sympathy of the community.

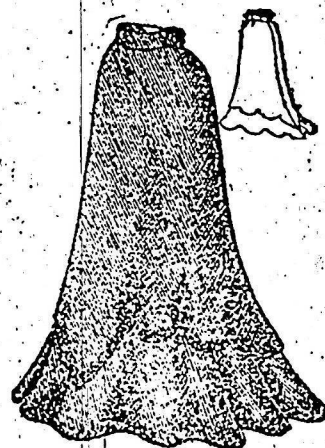
Preparing Potato Seed

Many farmers who cut their potato seed take advantage of evenings and rainy days several days before planting, to thus prepare the seed, thinking that the cut surface is better to have dried somewhat before the sets are planted. For three years experiments were conducted at the Guelph Agricultural College to ascertain the merits or demerits of such a practice, and it was repeatedly that the seed planted as soon as cut gave greater yields than seed that had been cut four or five days previous. In order to have this question more thoroughly investigated, it was placed on the list of the Experimental Union in 1898 as a part of a large experiment, and in 1899 it was made a separate experiment among others made by the Union, when it was selected by a great many experimenters throughout the Province. The conclusions arrived at are that seed potatoes which were planted immediately after they were cut produced a larger average crop by at least 12 bushels per acre than seed potatoes which were cut and allowed to remain 4, 5 or 6 days before they were planted, in the average of the experiments conducted on 218 Ontario farms in 1899. We would suggest that if it appears necessary to cut potatoes some

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Gold Medal Black Dress Goods.

We believe in the true business maxim that the best is none too good for our customers and the best is cheapest always therefore we have secured for Markdale the exclusive sale for the celebrated "Gold Medal" Black Dress Goods. The makers of Gold Medal Fabrics make nothing but Black Dress Goods. Their whole attention is given to the perfecting and improving of Black Dress Goods. The result has been the production of Fabrics that for excellence of weave, perfection of dye and finish and exclusive novelty, is not equalled by any other makers. So confident are the makers in the wearing quality and dye of these fabrics that they absolutely guarantee every yard. Gold Medal Black Dress Goods is sold directly from the makers to us. No wholesale or middleman's profit to be added to their cost consequently they are the cheapest Dress Goods on the market today. Below we tell you of some of our special lines and we invite you to come in and let us show you the Best Black Dress Goods produced.

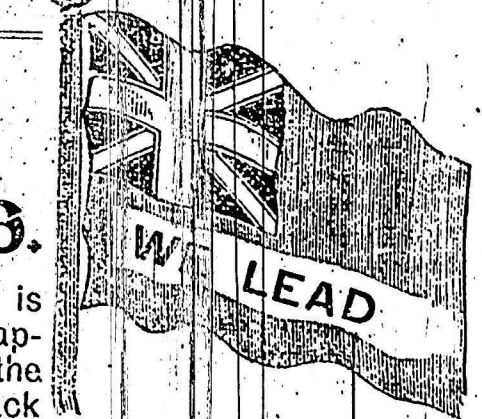


"Gold Medal" Mantelasse In the front of Fashion's choice for this season are "Gold Medal" Fancy Mantelasses. These particular weaves are the most handsome, and the styles and designs the most perfect and up-to-date which we have ever had the pleasure of putting before our many patrons. "Gold Medal" Mantelasses are bright and silky, and among the assortment you will find the smaller or medium designs which will always appeal to the ladies of fashion who require a rich gown, 75c to 2.10

"Gold Medal" Serie Is a material having a high glossy finish, and although having the appearance of a plain material, is woven with an invisible tressure cord, which gives it a very pretty effect. It is very dressy and serviceable and especially adapted for middle aged or elderly ladies' dresses, 55, 60c and .75

"Gold Medal" Silk Warp Henriettas Are composed of very superior yarns, firmly woven, the warp being of silk and weft of wool. A material which always hangs firmly, yet gives a beautiful, soft effect. We particularly recommend this make of goods for handsome mourning gowns, per yard, 1.35

"Gold Medal" Fancy Alpaca or Lustre. The range of designs and qualities in "Gold Medal" Fancy Alpacas or Lustres is one of the largest and



most up-to-date collection of goods are woven of the best quality yarn and in appearance very similar to a good quality wool. For ladies who wish to purchase a handsome, bright, and do not hesitate to recognize the best in the market. 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, 80

"Gold Medal" Princess Lustre A beautiful, silky material, made of the best quality alpaca yarn, woven with a fine, good quality heavy fabric. It is very serviceable and when made into a handsome blouse or skirt there is no doubt that we can make more than 55c to .60

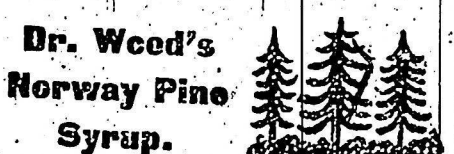
"Gold Medal" Botany Serge Among the most fashionable and serviceable dresses is "Gold Medal" Botany serge, a material woven every yard being guaranteed to shrink. Botany Serge is either a tailor-made suit or skirt. Ask to see them. 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, 75, .90

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STRENGTHENS WEAK LUNGS.

Many persons are in a condition to invite Pneumonia or Consumption by reason of inherited tendency or other causes. They catch cold easily—and it is difficult to get rid of an ordinary cough or cold. We would advise all such people to use Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

It is a wonderful strengthener and healer of the breathing organs, and fortifies the lungs against serious pulmonary diseases. Miss Clara Marshall, Moore, Ont., writes: "I have suffered several years with weak lungs and could get no cure, so became discouraged. If I caught cold it was hard to get rid of it. I started using Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup, and as a result my cough has been cured and my lungs greatly strengthened."



Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. 25c. and 50c. a bottle. All Druggists.

fawn colored gown trimmed with white silk lace, while John was happy as a prince. They begin home-making on the 2nd con. The Zion people are making preparations for a big garden party on the evening of June 5th. There will be a jolly time, a good supper and an excellent programme.

Another of Glenelg's widely known pioneers passed away last Monday, May 14, in the person of Mr. Timothy Ryan of the 5th con. He had been in poor health for over a year, yet was able to move around to the last. The funeral took place on Wednesday

morning at St. John's and was largely attended. The Rev. Father Bauck completed a plain high mass and also gave his own earnest sermon. The deceased was born seventy years ago in the town of Bilsperary, Ireland, and came out to Canada in 1826. Thirty-five years ago he settled on lot 3 on the 5th con, and has resided there ever since. He leaves a wife, two sons and three daughters to mourn the loss of one who was truly a fond parent and loving husband. He was a most obliging neighbor and as genial and hospitable a son of Erin as ever lived. The neighborhood will sadly miss him.

Working Overtime Eight hours laws are ignored by those hirelings—the workers—Dr. King's work, which day, curing indigestion, biliousness, constipation, sick headache, neuralgia, liver and bowel troubles. Easy, pleasant, safe, sure. Only 25c at Stephen's drug store.

MARKDALE MARKETS

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes items like Fall wheat, Spring wheat, Grose wheat, Barley, Oats, Potatoes, Hay, Eggs, Pork, Hides, Geese, Turkeys, Ducks, Chickens, Apples, Flour, Bran, Shorts, Sheep skins.