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MERCER'S.

## District News

Contributed by our able staff of Correspondents.

### Kimberley

"I would not like to live in Manitoba," so said Mr. Hugh Smith, after his arrival home lately.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Down, of Flesherton, were here to visit Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fawcett.

Mr. Stephen Burritt has purchased about eleven acres of land from Mr. J. R. Fawcett. It is adjoining Mr. G. Knott's property on the North. A fair price was paid for this very abundant supply of water land.

Mr. W. S. Bishop had his 100 acre bush lot, No. 12, on the 4th con, surveyed last week. Mr. J. R. Fawcett takes about 20 acres to cut timber and sawlogs.

A letter from Mr. George Smith, who is in Wisconsin, says, "I am as well as I ever was. The snow is gone from here again. We had a little a short time ago. The weather is fine and the ground is frozen hard.

Kimberley citizens had a home concert last Friday and raised \$7.55. This was to pay for our sidewalks, which Mr. W. S. Bishop finished here recently. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Myles and Mr. George Knott were the fiddlers. Mr. Elgin Cook took our ear and the laughing lips of all with his comical "Poor Old Tramp" song. Mr. Ben Caruthers gave a pleasing song to the youth in the hall.

Mr. Wm. Stone is working at the residence of Mrs. Soule at Duncan, Mr. Andrew Wallace is cutting timber on the Bradbury farm, on the 12th of Artemesia.

Mr. Tom Smith was here from Duncan where he finished the threshing season. But Mrs. Tom and Miss Blanche have not come home yet.

Master Hartley Lawrence is not working for Mr. John McGowan now. Geo. Proctor is still at putty coat work here.

Mr. Carr, of Eugenia took Rev. Mr. White's place here a week ago last Sunday.

Mr. John McKenzie, of Duncan, is not a benedict yet. We expect a change soon.

Mr. W. T. McConnell has finished the house for Mr. Rutledge Stafford to take a loving bride into the same next year, eh!

Mr. Wm. Walter arrived home from the prairies of the West, where he has been threshing.

Now let the school trustees study the school act, then set square up to it. What is the matter? Rumor said Miss Clara Hard was hired when Miss Jessie Gilbert has not given them a written resignation yet. Fifty dollars of a raise in salary is a long leap. "Dare to do Right" should be the motto of all rulers.

### Harkaway

Rev. Mr. White, of Eugenia, officiated at the service in the Methodist church here on Sunday last.

Mr. and Mrs. John Longhead, of Owen Sound, are visiting at the latter's home here.

Mr. Gammond has returned to his home in Toronto after spending a month with friends in this place.

We notice there is already a large stock of logs in the yard of Miller's, mill, this will, no doubt, cause a rush of business the coming summer.

### Glascott

Some are predicting a green Christmas, it don't look much like it just now.

Mrs. Thos. Moran is rapidly recovering from a severe attack of typhoid fever under the care of Dr. Smith, of Dornoch, and Miss A. Henderson, trained nurse of Townsend's Lake.

Joe Moran has got himself a brand new \$40 cutter and has the right kind of a horse to snatch it afloat. It seats two, so girls be on the lookout.

Mr. John Duncan has bought a house and lot from Mr. McNelly, of Markdale, and will soon move into it. Mr. D. and family will be much missed in this burg, but our loss will be Markdale's gain.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jackson, of Markdale, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Boyle last Tuesday. Albert and your humble scribe enjoyed a day's sport in the woods.

John R. Duncan and Charlie are engaged for the winter with Rowe Bros. to work in the woods.

Miss Minnie Lamb is visiting in this burg. She is soon leaving for Toronto and leaves two or three sore hearts.

Messrs. B. English and C. Boyle got quite a lot of bricks drawn while the good sleighing lasted. They are at it again.

We hear some of our far-off boys intend returning home this winter. Don't think they will return alone.

**Meaford Road.**

Mr. Wes. Kells has let his farm on shares for a term of years to Mr. J. Penelton. By this move he will be enabled to devote his whole time to the cattle trade.

Mr. Edgar Waring, after a two months' residence in Toronto, is back home again.

Quite a number of the folks around here have been laid up with colds and sore throats.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gilbert spent Saturday and Sunday with Priceville friends.

Mrs. Carson left on Saturday for her home with her son at Priceville.

### Proton Station

A sad accident occurred here on Friday of last week, resulting in the instant death of Mr. William Miles. Mr. Miles was, at the time, on his way to work, and was crossing the railroad track as the morning express was slowing up to the station. It is supposed that the unfortunate man did not hear the approach of train until it was upon him, as he is very deaf. Deceased was 87 years of age and leaves a widow and six children. The funeral ceremony was conducted on Sunday at the Dundalk cemetery by the Orangemen, of which society the deceased had been a member for 50 years.

Died—On Nov. 29th Mrs. Thomas Park, widow of the late Thomas Park, of Artemesia. Mrs. Park was one of the oldest settlers of the township, immigrating to this country some 35 years ago from Tyrone, Ireland. Deceased was a member of the Presbyterian church. The burial service was on Sunday, the 1st December, was conducted by the Rev. Thom. at Flesherton cemetery.

The scholars of the Presbyterian Sunday School are preparing for their annual anniversary to be held in the church on or about Xmas.

We expect a large attendance at the Box Social in the Orange Hall on Wednesday evening of this week. The social is in aid of the Baptist church. At a late hour and everybody wanted their way home, excepting their satisfaction with the evening.

if the trip was made alone.

Mr. W. Hawley and Miss Rose spent Sunday with friends in Markdale and Berkeley.

Miss Maggie Sherson spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. B. Clark, of Markdale.

Two of the sports are working on the Klondike farm at present. Eddie is engaged in the development of a patent for the prevention of the use of so much vital energy in ascending steep grades. We think he has Berkeley in mind.

A parlor social was given at the residence of Mr. Binnie. Those fond of this sort of amusement report enjoying themselves. (So they did.)

Mr. William Hodgins is recovering very slowly, in fact there is but slight change in his condition for the past week.

One of our poultry men claims to have discovered the problem of how to make hens lay. This is the secret: Place a pan containing a quantity of wheat just beyond the fowl's reach, the result will be the hen will lay in trying to reach. Secret \$5.00, or apply in person to H. Bell, Proton.

### De Wet.

**Walters Falls**

We were treated to a heavy fall of snow on Monday night.

It becomes our sad duty to chronicle another death in the Walter family in the person of Mrs. John Walter in her 63rd year. She passed away on the 4th inst. after a short illness with typhoid fever. Her remains were interred in St. Philip's cemetery here on Thursday morning. This is the fourth death we have been called upon to record in this family in the past nine weeks. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved friends.

As there is a rumor abroad that there is more sickness of fever in said family we take this opportunity of correcting such report, as there is no truth whatever in it.

The Rev. C. W. Reynolds spent Sunday and Monday with friends in Caleton, one of his former circuits.

Mr. J. E. Cronie, of Markdale, occupied the pulpit on Sabbath in the absence of the pastor, Rev. C. W. Reynolds.

The Canadian Order of Foresters purpose giving an oyster supper and concert here on Christmas night. Particulars next week.

Mr. Abram Moore has purchased the fifty acres of land lying alongside of his own from Mr. John Walter.

The annual meeting of the Walters Falls beef ring will be held in Mr. Watson's harness shop on Saturday, the 14th inst., at 7.30 p.m. A full attendance requested.

### Ninth Line.

(Intended for last week.)

Hauling wood and logs is now the order of the day.

Mr. K. J. McAfee has his house and driving shed completed now.

Mr. J. Boales has commenced hauling brick for his new house.

Mr. W. Irwin has the stone foundation built for a straw shed, which he is going to erect next year.

Miss Lizzie Walker, who was spending a few weeks in Markdale, has returned home.

Miss Scott visited at Mr. A. Erskine's last Saturday.

The lecture at Ebenezer last Thursday evening was a financial success.

Rev. Mr. Elliott, of Cherry Grove, exchanged pulpits with Rev. Mr. Sparling last Sunday.

Mr. John Faulkner has moved into his new house. All John wants now is a mate.

(This Week.)

Mr. A. Boales is now hauling sand for the erection of a stone wall under his barn next summer.

The thaw on Sunday night was welcomed, as the wells in this vicinity were very low.

### Rocklyn

Mr. John McAfee, is we are pleased to say, able to be out again.

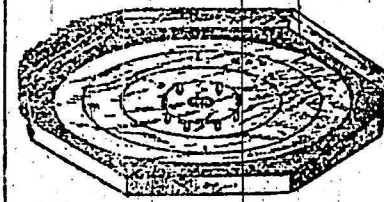
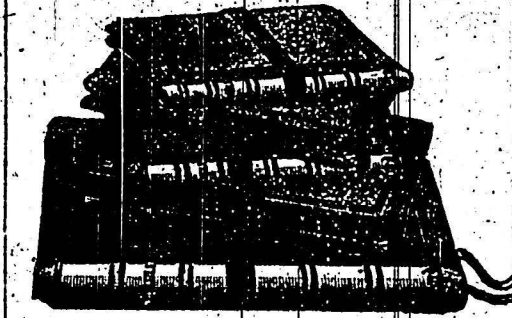
**Rocklyn**

Rocklyn Beef Ring Association held their annual meeting on the 2nd inst., then the business of the past season was completed in a most satisfactory manner to all concerned. Two rings of 24 members each under the same management began operation on May the 14th. Two animals was butchered each week on Monday evenings and distributed to the members on Wednesday mornings. The total weight of meat supplied the members was 10,884 lbs; Henry Bros., of Markdale, purchased all the hides, paying the highest prices. Both rings organized for next season with the following officers at the helm: A. O. Paterson, President; J. W. Patton, Secretary; J. Neely, A. Crabtree, Wm. J. Boyd, Inspectors; John A. Patton and Alex. Cook, butchers. This method of supplying fresh meat during the summer season is fast becoming popular, and is long every neighborhood will be doing business in this way.

Municipal matters are very quiet, yet there is some talk of J. T. Miller opposing J. M. Davis. If it were well known, but about an immediate beginning of the present year, no doubt the anti-comb will be elected by the majority.

# BEAUTIFUL CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS are fast approaching—scarcely two weeks. It's the season of good-will and gift-giving. Already thoughtful far-sighted people are buying presents for relatives and friends, in order that they may get the full advantage of fine, fresh stocks. Shop leisurely and avoid the annoyances and discomforts that inevitably attend shopping if left until a few days before Xmas time. You get the best of everything.



### FOUNTAIN PENS.

There could be no more useful gift than a fountain pen. We have them at \$1.00 and gold pen, guaranteed, also with gold and ivory mountings up to \$5 each.



**DOLLS.** Big variety—big values—one cent up. Dressed dolls from 5c up. Kid dolls, cloth dolls, rag dolls, rubber dolls, China dolls.

**TOYS,** all kinds, mechanical toys, automatic toys, magic lanterns, steam engines, hot air motor, guns, pistols, horses, cows, wagons, dogs, tops, banks, stoves, soldiers, rattles, trains, cars, iron toys, picture books, etc.

### PERFUME.

Here's richness and elegance, something you will look at and long for. It's within the reach of all. No better present for ladies or gentleman. 5 cents to \$5.00.

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### IN FURNITURE

We are offering extremely low prices on the following goods: Sideboards, in elm, ash and oak. We also have a sideboard made of ash and oak combined for \$15.00, which is a beauty. We are offering specially low prices on Bedroom Suits; we have them at \$8 and up. We also have a good range of upholstered chairs, odd pieces, broken parlor suits, which we are clearing out at reduced prices. Those who contemplate starting house keeping will save money by buying from us, as we can supply them with everything required and make it a point to give special prices.

## J. E. TRELFORD

MARKDALE.

honors in a body. The impressive services were conducted by the pastor, the Rev. Mr. Sparling. The deceased leaves a husband and three children to mourn their loss, the eldest child being five years and the youngest only five months old! She was a loving mother and a devoted wife. The bereaved ones have the sympathy of the entire community in their affliction.

Miss Ethel Burns, of Toronto, is visiting her aunt Mrs. Lawson, of this place.

Mr. Frank Bailey has secured the job of painting the walls and ceiling of the church, also varnishing the seats. The congregation has decided to erect about 80 feet more shed upon the ground, the present shed being inadequate.

Mr. John Dillon has taken out timber for a straw house for my John Lee on the 9th line.

**Dornoch**

Some of the Examiners readers may have heard of that far famed town called Dornoch which is situated on the gravel road a mile west of Glascott. The Examiners have built a new brick church this summer at a cost of \$1,000 and erected a open it on the

first Sabbath of January 1902. There will be three services on the Sabbath and a moxter tea meeting on the following evening. Don't miss this entertainment of the season. A Xmas tree will be held on the 23rd of this month.

Dornoch can not boast of three fine churches, 2 blacksmith shops, two saw and shingle mills, one large store, post office with daily mail, one hotel, one doctor, one shoemaker, one barber. All they want is a railway.

Mr. Lawrence has built a new house near his mill and has moved into it.

Don. Smith, J. P., has put up a fine new stable.

Some talk of a wedding soon.

**Lily Oak**

Mr. Wm. Lansing has been quite ill. Dr. Oldham has been in attendance. Mrs. Joseph Middleton recently sold four steers which brought a handsome price.

Mr. Wm. Johnston's family had friends to visit them from Ephraim. Mr. C. Anderson, of Owen Sound, was in town last Sunday.

Mr. John Kelly and little daughter, with Miss Esther Bradley visited Glascott friends recently.

## FLESHERTON HAPPENINGS.

(By our own Correspondent.)

The annual business meeting of the Presbyterian Sabbath school was held on Monday evening of last week with Mr. Jas. Felstead in the chair. Minutes of last meeting read and adopted. Reading matter for the scholars and teachers helps were decided upon and the following officers elected for the ensuing year: Supt., Mr. A. M. Gibbons; Asst. Supt., Mr. James Felstead; Rec. Treas., Miss Mary Neil; Librarian, Miss Carrie Sullivan; Miss Blanche Sullivan; Organist, Miss Nell Teachers, Mr. A. S. VanDusen (Bible Class), Mr. J. Felstead, Mr. Charles Stewart, Mrs. Watt, Mrs. Dyce, Miss Cole and Miss Grant.

The Presbyterian Ladies Aid held their annual business meeting at the home of Mrs. A. S. VanDusen on Wednesday afternoon last week, Mrs. Jas. Dyce presiding. The secretary treasurer's report showed that there were forty members on the roll with dues well paid up; that the regular monthly meetings of the Society during the year had been full of interest and that all liabilities had been met. The present officers, viz.: Mrs. James Dyce, President; Mrs. A. S. VanDusen, Vice-President, and Mrs. J. Blackburn, secretary-treasurer, were re-elected, and were tendered a hearty vote of thanks for their efficient services during the year.

Mr. W. H. Allen has disposed of the 100 acre farm on the east bank line to Mr. J. J. Brown, who recently returned from a few years of successful ranching in Montana and settled on the homestead. \$2,700 was the price received.

The David Wood farm on the main line, has been purchased by Mr. Thos. Henry who lives across the way.

Communion service was held in the Presbyterian church, on Sabbath last, conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. H. Little, of Chatsworth, who always receives a warm welcome here. Preached at the preparatory service on Friday. Rev. Mr. Wilson, who was not fully over from his attack of illness, occupied his pulpit at the services on Sunday. The theme for Sunday evening will be "The best friend."

Mr. L. Bradbury, an old settler of about 80, fell down the other side a few days ago, and in addition to severe shaking up received a fracture of the ribs. Frank, the youngest son, who lives at Craigville, spent a couple of days with the old people.

We are pleased to note that H. W. Boyle, D.D., well known to many STANDARD readers, is doing great prosperity in his present position. His Presbyterian charge at Great Springs, U.S. Since his last visit, membership has grown from 100 to 150 and the Sabbath School from 60 to 100, not including a branch school. The contributions for educational purposes have grown from \$100 to \$12,282, while the giving for the Schemes of the Church have increased as to give the congregation the honor in the Synod. Dr. Boyle just passed the seventh anniversary of his induction, and in the next number of Church Life says that he tude goes up to God daily from the one men for the loyalty and service of a united people. Our first friend was a beloved pastor in Thomas nine years ago when he was 60 and was forced to retire to Colorado Springs which happily led to his restoration and usefulness there.

We are pleased to see that our correspondent in the Standard will doubtless keep the "joins of a little neighboring town interesting before the public.

Allan Whitaker, of Ceylon, was Wednesday of last week before Magistrate VanDusen charged by Thos. McArthur with the theft of a pair of mitts. Whitaker admitted taking mitts which "were of small value" had been returned, but pleaded that was under the influence of liquor, the offence was committed. As plea offered does not excuse theft and costs, in all \$9.00, was the penalty.

Dr. and Mrs. Murray are the parents of a bright little daughter who arrived on Sunday evening last. Her mother is a native of Glasgow, Scotland.

Messrs. Boyd, Hickling & Co.'s store was found on Monday morning last to have been entered by burglars who forced an entrance through a window at the rear of the hardware department. Change left in the till, about \$900, a purse containing \$1.50 was about that could be detected missing, though there was evidence, from the distribution of things, that the place had been well plundered. Whatever goods were evidently the object of marauders. A hammer left behind marked C. P. R. and may yet prove clue to the identity of the visitor.

Mrs. Colwell Carson, Meaford Road, has our hearty thanks for a general Christmas gift from her garden sent