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Everything in Boots and Shoes, Rubbers and Overshoes for Men and Boys, Ladies, Misses and Children.

Staunch, reliable makes, trustworthy qualities, that won't fail you nor prove disappointing for winter wear. Styles that are dressy and comfortable. All these features clinched with Mercer's low prices makes this store the safest place to buy your FOOTWEAR.

FELT SHOES AND SLIPPERS
Special values in warm Felt Shoes, Slippers, Gaiters etc., for old Ladies; also Felt Lined Boots for Men and Boys, Ladies and Misses.

HEAVY RUBBERS
Puncture proof Heavy Rubbers for Sox, for men and boys, the best values we have ever shown, 1.50 to 2.50. Mens Oil Tan Larrigans, special at 1.50 to 2.00.

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For Ladies, Misses and Children. Leggings for Ladies and Girls; warm and comfortable. Leather LEGGINGS for MEN—the best make only.

REMEMBER buying cheap trashy footwear is waste—pure and simple. That won't be your experience if you buy your Boots, Shoes, Rubbers, Overshoes, etc., from Mercer. Come and see us.

H. Mercer, Markdale.

Winter will be here very soon;

You will require Cow Ties, Cow Chains, Stall fixtures, etc. We have them in all qualities. Before you purchase be sure and see our styles and get our prices; we can suit you in both. In Axes and X Cut Saws we still carry the old lines that have given best satisfaction in the past, with several new lines added, which makes our stock away ahead of former years. We have a few lines of Cook Stoves and Heaters that we are clearing out in order to make room for other lines and have decided to reduce the price so they will go quickly. This is a genuine reduction (no advertising scheme.) These stove "specials" are for cash only.

FURNITURE.
We know, and you know we are not accustomed to boast, but come and judge for yourselves, and we are sure you will agree with us when we say we have the best show room of Furniture north of Toronto, 35x75 feet, packed with everything in the Furniture line from a high chair to a parlor suit of the best quality. SPECIAL MENTION THIS WEEK:—4 Parlor Suites worth of from \$20 to \$35, take your choice at \$25. 3 piece Bedroom Suite usually sold for \$12, our price is \$9. We cannot stock these goods at the above prices as we daily, the like has never been brought into Markdale before. You are the one benefited.

J. E. Trelford, Markdale.
Hardware and Furniture.

Christmas Shopping

Are you puzzled what to give as to what will be the most pleasing to each particular friend. You will be able to decide in a moment after a mere glance at our new stock of HOLIDAY GOODS. We are showing an entirely new assortment of
Jewelry, Rings, Bracelets, Brooches, Cuff Links, Lockets, Charms, Silver Novelties, Silverware, China, Fancy Clocks, Opal Goods.
Presents of tasteful design is here in abundance and all selected for the Christmas trade. Make your selections now before the line is broken. Our name stands of reliable quality and fair prices.

Stephenson's Jewelry Store,
Next the Post Office.

Annual Meeting of Experimental Union.

The next annual meeting of the Ontario Agricultural and Experimental Union will be held at the Agricultural College, Guelph, Ontario, on Monday and Tuesday, December 8th and 9th, starting at 1.30 p. m. on Monday. Reports will be presented and discussed on co-operative experiments conducted throughout Ontario, in Agriculture, Horticulture, Economic Botany, Poultry Raising and Forestry. As there were in all about 4,000 experimenters throughout Ontario in 1902, these reports should be very instructive.
Besides four general sessions, there will be two sessions on household economics, which will be specially interesting to the ladies. Miss Bessie Livingstone, Normal School, Ottawa; Miss Laura Rose, Guelph; and Mr. G. C. Creelman, Superintendent of Farmers' Institutes, Toronto, are among the speakers for the ladies' sessions.
Besides the reports of the co-operative experiments, addresses will be delivered at the regular sessions by Prof. Jas. W. Robertson, Agricultural Commissioner, Ottawa; Dr. B. E. Fernow, Director of the New York State College of Forestry, Ithaca, N. Y.; Hon. John Dryden, Provincial Minister of Agriculture, Toronto; Dr. Jas. Mills, President of the Ontario Agricultural College, Guelph; W. J. Brown, Principal of the Canadian Correspondence College, Guelph, and others.
As the Provincial Winter Show is to be held in Guelph immediately after the Experimental Union meeting, and as the excursion rates will cover the whole week, an excellent opportunity will be afforded all persons who wish to visit Canada's chief centre of agricultural education in December next.
Programmes giving full information regarding the meeting, excursion rates, etc., can be obtained by applying to the Secretary, C. A. Zavitz, Agricultural College, Guelph, Ontario.

Dundalk
Miss Fannie Wilson visited in Markdale over Sunday.

Mrs. McDuff, of Markdale, is visiting her son Alex, in town this week. Mr. Ed. Rae visited his parents and other friends in Markdale on Sunday.

Rev. Wellwood, pastor of the Methodist church, preached a rousing sermon on Prohibition on Sunday evening.
A rousing meeting in the interest of the Liquor Act was held in the Presbyterian church on Wednesday evening of last week. The speakers were Revs. Buchanan and Wellwood, and Mr. Patterson, K. G., of Toronto. Mr. Patterson is a convincing speaker and held the large audience in wrapt attention for over an hour. The choir furnished appropriate music in their usual good style.

Harkaway
We regret to have to report that Mrs. Johnston, sr., who has been seriously ill, is yet very low.
It is said an Eagle is seen visiting this locality frequently of late. We expect to hear of a sensational capture soon.

Mr. Will Catchpole treated himself lately to a dandy cutter and gave some of his lady friends their first cutter ride of the season on Sunday.

Mr. Wes. Lyons, who went west on the harvest excursion, returned home on Saturday after spending about three months out there. He thinks old Ontario is good enough for him.

The trustees of Harkaway school have engaged Miss McIntyre, of Orangeville, who formerly taught here, for the year 1903, Miss L. Murdoch, who has given good satisfaction during the past year, having decided to spend a term at Collegiate.

Kimberley
Mrs. Coffey visited Mr. A. Myles lately.
Miss Burton is visiting Mrs. Wm. Ellis at present.
Mr. A. McLean has returned home from the United States.
Mr. John Alexander has sold his farm to Mr. Rufus Wickens.
Mr. Hugh Smith is running W. S. Bishop's chopper.
Mr. W. A. Daymond was around town on Tuesday.
Mr. George Stuart has returned from Powassan with a car load of cattle.
Mr. and Mrs. A. Ellis returned from Powassan recently.
Mr. Wm. Ellis returned home from Powassan last week.
Mr. Charlie Stuart visited his parental home lately.
Mrs. Buchanan of U. S. is visiting her brother Mr. A. Myles.
The temperance meeting here on Monday night, Nov. 24. Several rev. and other gentlemen present delivered stirring addresses.
Mr. James Myles has his fourth wife home from Orangeville.
Geo. Burritt has come from Fleas-

F. T. HILL & CO.
A BIG HARDWARE STOCK

People who visit our hardware department for the first time, invariably express surprise at the largeness and completeness of our stock. Almost everything pertaining to hardware is to be had here. We've a big store—and a big stock. Just think—independent of a large cellar where oils, etc. are stored, we have a floor space of 3,500 square feet, all used for hardware. Few hardware stores north of Toronto are located in such a commodious building, while in point of values we have few equals and no superiors. Just now our stock is very complete, particularly in such lines as:

- Cook Stoves & Ranges
- Heaters, Drums
- Lamps and Lanterns
- Skates, Hockey Sticks
- Saws and Axes
- Glass, Putty
- Paints, Oils
- Oil Cans
- Cutlery
- Tinware
- Woodenware
- Graniteware

Big Assortment and Special Values in FUR CAPS.

- 36 Imitation Beaver Caps, (all sizes,) rich, glossy fur, quilted satin lining, a thoroughly warm and durable cap, without being necessarily heavy. Best values to be had at 2.65, 2.75, 3.50 and 3.75
- 18 Coney Caps, (all sizes,) wedge-shaped, satin lined, close fitting, heavy fur, a thoroughly satisfactory cap at a very small price 1.40
- 24 Sporting Caps, (all sizes,) beautiful electric seal, heavy satin lining, particularly warm and comfortable, top prices 2.95
- Jockey Electric Seal Caps, (all sizes,) beautiful rich glossy fur, quilted satin lining, a cap that will give thoroughly satisfactory results each 2.90
- 18 Electric Seal Caps, (all sizes,) beautiful dark, rich fur, light in weight and thoroughly durable. This is one of the very best caps we've ever seen at the price, each 3.50
- 42 Black Persian Lamb Caps, wedge shape or with band. This ever popular cap is shown this season in the prettiest curls we've ever been able to secure. All sizes, each the best representative of its price to be had at 2.75, 5.50, 5.75, 5.90, 6.50, 6.75, 7.00 and 7.50
- 24 Ladies and Childrens Gray Persian Lamb Caps. In these we make a very complete showing in almost every quality and size, possibly be desired. If you want a really good cap we are sure we can suit you. \$2.50, 2.65, 2.75, 2.95, 3.40 and 3.50

We guarantee all Fur Goods.

Bought specially for the Xmas Trade. Nuts, Candies, Oranges, Lemons, Currants, Raisins, Spices, Peels, Icing Sugar, Extracts, etc., etc.
Our customers want the best and we're in a position to furnish it them.

Nearly 1000 pairs Men's and Boys' Heavy Rubbers.

Good goods bought cheap and sold accordingly. We can give you what you want at the price you want to pay. Come in and see them.
GENTLEMEN—See our Ready-to-wear Suits and Overcoats.

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Notice to Contractors.
Sealed Tenders will be received by the undersigned for the erection of a HOUSE OF REFUGE for the County of Grey to be erected in the vicinity of the Village of Markdale according to Plans and Specifications which may be seen at the Office of the Town Clerk in the Town Hall, Owen Sound. Tenders must reach the undersigned not later than 12 o'clock noon of Tuesday, 9th of December, marked "Tenders for the House of Refuge." The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. Security may be required for the due fulfillment of the contract.
CHARLES GOBDOE,
Chairman of Com.
Owen Sound, Nov. 20, 1902.

Sick-Headache?
Food doesn't digest well? Appetite poor? Bowels constipated? Tongue coated? It's your liver! Ayer's Cathartic is a liver pill; they cure dyspepsia, biliousness, etc.
25c. All druggists.

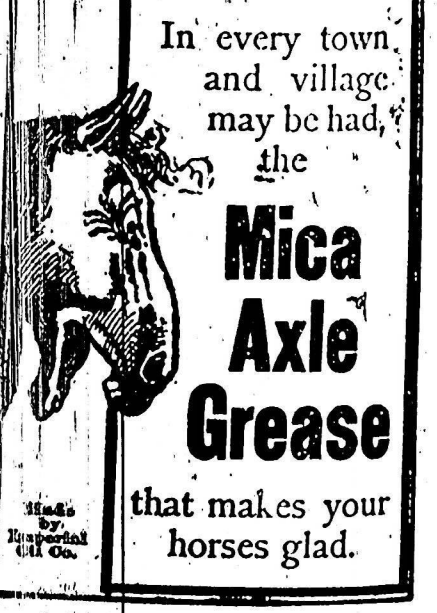
What your pocketbook has heard a beautiful story of rich black dye. The BUCKINGHAM'S DYE is the best of all. It is made in the U.S.A. and is the best of all.

Church-Wedding.

At 8 o'clock yesterday afternoon a large number assembled at the B church to witness the marriage of Florence Truen, only daughter of Mr. Richard Truen, Presbyterian minister at Cambridge, England, to John E. Wright, a well-to-do farmer, of Caylon, near Fleasch. This was the first marriage ceremony performed in the church since it purchased from the Primitive Methodist congregation many years ago. The edifice was beautifully decorated with plants and flowers, and the appearance presented was very fine, the groom standing under a canopy of greenery. The bride and her father, Mr. Moses Dodds, who gave away, came down the aisle to strains of Lohengrin's wedding march played by the organist, Mrs. McD under whose skilful fingers the most melodious music was given out. The bride's maid, little May Ridley, daughter of Mr. John Ridley, who was dressed in white dotted organdie and looked like and sweet, carrying a basket of flowers, she was followed by the bridesmaids, Misses Nellie Laidlaw of Toronto, and Mabel McKinnon former wearing a gown of white with train, trimmed with embroidered chiffon. A white picture hat with white tips completed the costume carried pink roses. Miss McKinnon was dressed in white organdie with a train, and she wore a white hat. Her bouquet was yellow chrysanthemums. The bride's dress was white organdie with trimmings of chiffon and baby ribbon, and she wore a tall ruche, caught up by orange ribbons. She held a shower bouquet of white roses, lily of the valley and an hair fern. The groomsmen were Mr. Fred Wright brother of the bride and Mr. Geo. Truen, the brother. Beside them stood Charlie Burrell, who acted as usher, carrying the golden scepter within a calla lily. The ceremony performed by the popular pastor, C. E. Burrell, who has had considerable experience in tying silken knots, and it is safe to say it was tied on this occasion. The gentlemen acted as ushers where Messrs. Fuller, Alfred Temple, Harry Laidlaw and Will Savage. At the conclusion of the event J. Lynn took a photograph of the church and its occupants and then the guests, a number of about eighty, according to the bride party to the bride's home where a reception was held. There was made gay with hunting and green, and looked very pretentious dinner was served by caterer Frampton. The bride received many beautiful presents. The groom presented her with a bridesmaid with suitable gifts. The bride party left the church, twenty guests were present. Fleaschton. Mr. and Mrs. Laidlaw leave for home this evening. Members of the choir present at the bride with a beautiful chair.

CONSUMPTION AN UNK DISEASE IN TEN YEAR

Statement of Dr. John Ferguson, New Free Consumptive Hospital, Immediate Helper to this End. The statement of Dr. John Ferguson, one of Toronto's well-known physicians, who has treated many consumptive patients, is a most interesting and valuable contribution to the knowledge of the disease. He states that "if consumptive patients, who are properly isolated and treated, will survive the disease, it is not because of the treatment, but because of the patient's own vitality. The statement of Dr. John Ferguson, one of Toronto's well-known physicians, who has treated many consumptive patients, is a most interesting and valuable contribution to the knowledge of the disease. He states that "if consumptive patients, who are properly isolated and treated, will survive the disease, it is not because of the treatment, but because of the patient's own vitality. The statement of Dr. John Ferguson, one of Toronto's well-known physicians, who has treated many consumptive patients, is a most interesting and valuable contribution to the knowledge of the disease. He states that "if consumptive patients, who are properly isolated and treated, will survive the disease, it is not because of the treatment, but because of the patient's own vitality."



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