

Lucas, Wright & McArdle Barristers, Solicitors, etc. Offices: Markdale and Owen Sound.

Saugess Lodge No 327, I.O.O.F. Meets every Friday at 8 p.m. in their hall, Sarjeant's Block.

J. S. Black Pomona P.O. Money to loan on real estate security at low rate of interest.

M. Oliver, V.S. Markdale, Graduate of Ontario Veterinary College. Treatment of ring bones a specialty.

Surveyor. John Davis, O.L.S. & C.E., Alton, Ont. Land Surveyor. Orders for surveys left at McCullough & Young's Bank.

D. B. Neely, M.D. Honor Graduate Toronto University Medical College; Member of College of Physicians and Surgeons, Ont.

L. G. Campbell (L.D.S., D.D.S.) Dental Surgeon, Graduate of Ontario College of Dentistry and University of Toronto.

Markdale Lodge, 141, A.O.U.W. Meets in Rae's hall at 8 o'clock p.m. the first and third Monday in each month.

G. S. Burt, M.D. (Late Assistant Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital and Golden Square Throat and Nose Hospital, London, England.)

R. J. Sproule Flesherston. Conveyancer, Appraiser, Valuator and Money Lender. Deals in Mortgages, Leases and Wills drawn up and Valuations made on shortest notice.

Court Markdale I.O.F. No. 391 Meets in Rae's hall the third Wednesday in the month at 8 o'clock. A visit from brethren of other courts solicited.

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A Big Display, of Christmas Goods at BENSON'S

Xmas. China and Glassware.

Fancy Bohemian Water Sets at \$1.50, worth \$2.00. 25 Lemonade Sets, 7 pieces, new designs, finest quality, richly engraved in ruby, green, blue, stippled, white and gold, worth 2.00 and 2.25, our Christmas price only \$1.50.

A Big Stock of Ladies Fine Slippers.

12 pairs Women's Black Velvet Slippers, fancy gold buckle, newest styles, reg price 2.25, Xmas price 1.75. A big stock of Women's Felt Slippers, from 25c per pair up to 1.00.

Mens Fur Coats.

18 Mens Fur Coats, comprising Russian Tallup, Wombat, Black Siberian Dog, Canadian Dog, Mountain Buffalo, Austrian Bear, Raccoon, etc. Will be cleared out before Christmas at 16.00 up to 25.00 each.

Extra Special.

New Table Raisins, Figs, Dates, Spices, Fresh Nuts, Candied Peas, Beans, Coffee, Cranberries, Oranges, Lemons, New Currants, fancy Biscuits, HERRINGS, etc. Our prices are the lowest.

R. H. BENSON & CO. MARKDALE and DUNDALK.

Turner's Christmas Helps. If you are looking for or thinking about Christmas presents read this list. We have all these and many other suitable articles. In nearly all lines mentioned we have a large assortment. Come in and look around. It will be a pleasure for us to show you what we have.

Meaford Road

The referendum vote here came off the 4th with 50 votes 'yes' and 9 'no', with one spoiled ballot.

Maxwell

Born—On November 27th, to Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Scott, a daughter.

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Mr. Medlar Guy returned home from the West on Monday of last week.

The Methodist Sunbury School intend having a Xmas. tree in the near future.

Don't forget the Orange fowl supper which will be held on the 16th. A grand time is expected.

Miss Ella Kinscar returned to her home in Toronto recently, after visiting with her relatives here for some time.

Messrs. Geo. Long and John Benson returned home from the West last week. We are glad to have the boys with us again.

The Presbyterian people intend holding their annual tea-meeting on Xmas. eve. A good time is expected.

Mrs. B. Long and little daughter left last Saturday for Guelph, where she will join her husband who left some weeks ago, and whose they are going to make it their future home.

Rockliffe Mr. Harry Lang returned last week from Southampton.

Miss Lizzie Walker is back to Mr. N. L. Curry's again for a short time.

COUNTY COUNCIL NOMINATION AND ELECTION.

7th County Council Division. Pursuant to section 132 of the Municipal Act, Notice is hereby given that a meeting for the Nomination of County Councilors for the seventh County Council Division of the County of Grey will be held at the Town Hall at ROCKLYN in the Township of Bayham on MONDAY the 22nd DAY OF DECEMBER, 1902, at 8 o'clock P.M.

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CANADIAN PACIFIC Winter Fair.

General Public. Tickets good going Dec. 7 to 12, including Dec. 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 1902.

MARKDALE MARKETS.

Table with 2 columns: Item and Price. Includes wheat, barley, oats, hay, straw, etc.

XMAS. 1902

W. J. SHORTILL Jeweller and Optician.

Far exceeds any previous year in variety of the choicest goods to choose from. Premises enlarged and new fixtures installed to accommodate one of the largest and best assorted stocks of Watches, Clocks, Jewellery, Silver Musical Instruments, etc., ever shown in Markdale.

Also many beautiful holiday pieces in cases. You will see a large stock of novelties, complete and extensive assortment of Christmas cards, just to hand. Everything at special prices during December.

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Stops the Cough and works off the Cold. Exquisite Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure cold in one day. No cure, no pay. Price 25 cents.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL

What about our aldermen? Our stores are taking on the attitude.

Meaford is to have a branch Merchants bank.

Sir Wm. Mulock is to banquet in Meaford the 22nd.

Winnipeg decided by a 3-2 vote not to allow a Sunday service.

The County of Grey majority vote of 5,725 the must go.

A Boston divine says we enter the golden age. See her come.

The man who pays his huttle, and the man who is obliged to keep moving.

Lost in Markdale, this evening a plate of artificial Finlay please leave at this address.

Ralph Connor's new holiday School Days, just can be had at Turner's drug store.

Tara will vote on a by 5th January, to exempt from taxes a Creamery Factory.

The Presbyterian Synod Berkeley will hold its entertainment on Tuesday evening. See posters.

Chesley Council has passed prohibiting spitting on this interfering with the gentlemen (?)

McFarland & Stafford farmer \$65 for a bunch of or Monday. What's the running a fur farm?

A subscriber in B.C. in subscription last week rather than have the STANDARD 52 letters from a friend.

Mr. Simon Freeman, of has purchased from Mr. W. a comfortable home on Isle will move to town soon.

The rector dismissed the tion at Christ Church 11 morning without a sermon of the coldness of the church.

Mr. W. B. Watt, of Sa proud possessor of a large bowl which did duty on the late Queen Victoria at Ball.

The vote on the Liquor rolling up. Latest return majority at 80,000, and recorded in favor of the A.

A vote is to be taken on a try municipal election d lingwood township on provide for a public library building.

A Brandon bootblack has fortune of one million dollars death of an uncle in Calif will now shine only in circles.

Rev. W. T. Allison, Jubilee Presbyterian church has refused an offer of annum to act as editor of City Sun.

A little girl aged eleven Annie Mabel, Middleton, Muskoka, can harness a drive like an expert of two. She is the eldest daughter Middleton, formerly of H.

The favorable winter good sleighing of the past enabled farmers to make amount of wood, grain, other products, while they been such as to create pleasure and doubtless the good times.

The anniversary serv Methodist church will 1 Sunday, when Rev. Mr. Shelburne, will preach 1 evening. The trustees ar Christmas offering of \$22 the extensive improvement been made in church an property this season.

Our sympathy is exten and Mrs. Jas. Sparling, o on the death of their y Francis Clare, on Wedn the age of 4 years, 3 mont The deceased, who was a bright little fellow, had bronchitis, and had been days. The funeral too Friday last to the public c