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Credit Sale

of Farm Stock, Implements, Furniture, etc.

The undersigned will sell by public auction on lot No. 12, con. 4, Euphrasia, commencing at 12 o'clock noon on

TUESDAY, DEC. 15

The Following Chattels, viz:

1 horse 7 years; 1 horse 8 years; 1 span mares heavy draft, rising 3 years old, prize winners; 1 mare 10 years old, heavy draft, supposed to be in foal; 1 colt rising 3 years by "Pure Gold"; 1 cow due to calve December 3rd; 1 cow due to calve December 25th; 1 cow due to calve Jan 20th; 1 cow, Jersey, due Dec. 17th; 1 cow due June 22; 1 thoroughbred Durham, registered; supposed to be in calf; 1 heifer rising 3 years supposed to be in calf; 2 heifers rising 2 years supposed to be in calf; 1 steer rising 2 years; 1 steer rising 2; 2 heifers rising 2; 3 steer calves; 10 ewes; 1 ram; 1 thoroughbred York sow, due to farrow March 8; 8 thoroughbred York pigs 9 weeks old; 1 Massey-Harris binder, good order; 1 Deering mower, nearly new; horse rake; seed drill; land roller; set disk harrows; set iron harrows; 2 plows; lumber waggon; democrat waggon; buggy; set bobsleighs; light sleigh; pole and shafts; 1 cutter; Massey-Harris pulper; cutting box; fanning mill; hay rack; scuffler; set double harness, new; set single harness, new; set plow harness; cider mill; grain cradle; apple ladder; 2 X cut saws; hand saw; dehorning clipper and ropes complete; grind stone; weigh beam; spray pump; spray pump; sugar kettle; DeLaval Cream Separator, nearly new; barrel churn; cream tank with cans attached; one butter mixer; cook stove; White sewing machine; 2 bedsteads; box stove; cot bed with springs; steam washing machine; 8 kitchen chairs; rocking chair; 1 clock; kitchen table; 1 double barrel gun; a quantity of dishes; a quantity of roots to be sold for cash; 90 Plymouth Rock hens; Set whiffletrees and doubletrees; 2 neckyokes; 2 barley forks; rakes, forks, shovels, etc.

TERMS

All sums of $10.00 and under, cash; over that amount 12 months credit will be given on approved joint notes or 5 per cent off for cash in lieu of notes. Positively no reserve as proprietor has leased his farm for a term of years and everything must be sold.

Hugh Knott, Proprietor. **Geo. Noble,** Auctioneer.

Christmas Gifts

IN

Ladies 6 and 0 size Elgin, Waltham and Hampden Watches, in open and hunting cases, 20 to 15 year, solid gold filled, 10 and 14k.

Ladies Long Watch Guards from $4 to $15 in beautiful designs and finish.

Gents 12, 14, 16 and 18 size Elgin, Waltham, Hampden, in open and hunting cases, with 15, 17, 21 jewels, suitable for railway service; also a complete line of Swiss and with a large assortment of single and double Vest Charms of the best known quality.

Ladies Gem Set Rings in solitaire diamonds, opals, pearls, sapphires, emeralds, also all of the above in twin and cluster settings, ranging in price from $10 to $50, and an up-to-date assortment of gem set rings from $2 to $15.

Silverplate and plate ware, in all the best Canadian manufacture, in almost anything you could fancy. Flatware, everything in Rodgers; everything in Toronto Silver Plate Co's knives, forks, spoons, &c.

Stick Pins, Tie Pins, Cuff Buttons, Links, Brooches, Lockets, Stamp Boxes, Manicure Sets, Carving Sets, Spectacles, Eye Glasses, Field Glasses, Parlor Clocks, Fancy Clocks, Mantle Clocks, Alarm Clocks, and in fact everything that ought to be in a first-class jewelry store at close prices.

W. J. SHORTILL, Markdale.
Jeweller and Optician.

FLESHERTON HAPPENINGS

(By our own Correspondent.)

The annual entertainment in Rockvale school, over which Miss Stafford presides and will, we understand, continue in 1904, took place on Tuesday evening of last week and was well patronized. A varied and pleasing program was rendered, Mr. Hoy's gramaphone did good service and Mr. Hutchinson, teacher at Port Law, rendered valuable assistance. Mr. W. T. Pedlar occupied the chair in an entertaining manner.

The members of the Women's Institute here gave a fowl supper to a large company of their friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Price Teeter on Wednesday evening of last week when a very enjoyable social time was spent. After the very satisfying spread given by the ladies, the chair was taken by the president, Mrs. Robert Best, who discharged the duties efficiently. Rev. L. W. Thom was called on and for an hour interestingly entertained the company on his recent trip to the Pacific coast. Mrs. Wm. Stewart, Vice-President, spoke briefly; Mrs. Harry Wood recited, and a number of pleasing gramaphone selections added to the evening's enjoyment.

Mr. John Flynn, whom we reported very low on Monday of last week, lingered till Thursday, when he fell asleep in death. The funeral took place to the public cemetery here on Saturday. Rev. Ivison Wilson, assisted by Rev. Mr. Thom, conducted the burial services. The deceased was 75 years of age and had been twice married. Of his first family Mrs. Mott, of Toronto, who was present at the funeral, survives him. Of his second family his widow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Parker, near Wareham, six sons and two daughters survive him, the youngest child being about one year of age. Mrs. Flynn has the sympathy of the community in the trial and burden which it is hers to bear. Some very nice flowers were sent from friends in Toronto.

Mr. Charles James, one of the earliest settlers in Artemesia township, but of late made his home with his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Thorpe Wright, of Toronto Junction, died there on Friday night last after but a very brief illness. His remains were brought by Mr. Wright to this place on Saturday and interred in the family plot in the public cemetery, Rev. Wilson, of this place, officiating at the grave. The deceased, who was 75 years of age, was unmarried. He was of a retiring disposition, a great reader, and few, we are informed, better versed in the Scriptures than he. Rev. Wellwood, of Dundalk, and Charlie Pickell, of Markdale, attended the funeral.

Division Court was held here on Friday evening last, Judge Morrison presiding. Boyd Bros., this place, vs. Keenan, Bros., Owen Sound, was a lengthy case occupying most of the time of the court. The plaintiffs sold to the defendants a car of cedar which was refused by the latter's customer, who claimed that the timber was not sound. The plaintiffs contended that the timber was good stock, quite up to the quality they had agreed to supply. They, however, re-sold it to the C.P.R. company, but for express going to Toronto, re-loading, etc., sued for $68.00. Much evidence was given on both sides with the result that on counter claim by the defendants for loss with their customer judgment was given in their behalf for $20.00 and costs. Some other cases were disposed of but not of public interest.

On Thursday last Wm. McClung, of Euphrasia, was before magistrate Van Dusen on a charge of assault laid by Geo. Smith, of the same township. McClung pleaded guilty and was the reupon fined $1.00 and costs, in all $9.10.

On October 8th last Wm. J. Talbott, of the east back line, had a young horse stolen from the pasture field. Later it was discovered by Mr. Talbott that a little before midnight of the same day a young man driving an animal answering the description put up at the home of Mr. Broughton, near Corbetton, and had gone when that gentleman got up early the next morning. Suspicion rested on one Duncan McIntosh, whose home is a few miles east of Shelburne, but who has of late been at work at Minnis' camp, about four miles from Markdale. On Thursday night last Mr. Broughton accompanied Constable Whitten, of this place, to the camp and there identified McIntosh as being the person who was at his place with the horse on the night in question. He was taken in charge by the constable and on Friday received his preliminary hearing before Magistrate VanDusen, who committed him for trial and the constable accompanied him to Owen Sound that evening. McIntosh protests his innocence and says he can prove an alibi. He will be defended by Lucas, Wright and McArdle.

Mr. S. Boggs, who has been for some time in the employ of D. McTavish, moved his family on Thursday last from Holland Centre to the old Keefer residence on Hill street.

Miss Maud Richardson, of Toronto, who has been devoting her time to Art during the past year, gave her first exhibition on Thursday, Friday and Saturday last, and we are pleased to learn was quite a success.

Miss Hattie Firth of Toronto Junct., paid Mrs. VanDusen a short visit a few days ago.

Mr. Wm. Barnhouse paid friends in the city a short visit last week.

Misses Allie and Minnie Joy spent Sunday and Monday in Cspresy assisting at the re-opening of Providence Methodist church on Sunday and at the entertainment on Monday evening, when they were joined by Mr. T. J. Sheppard, of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Loucks, of Meaford, spent a couple of days last week with Mr. and Mrs. P. Loucks. Mr. Jas. Loucks and sister Gertie were also visitors over Sunday.

Mr. J. A. Felstead supplied the Presbyterian pulpits at Maxwell, Feversham and McIntyre on Sabbath last.

Miss Celia VanDusen, one of the brightest little girls in town, is very ill with a severe attack of inflammatory rheumatism.

Beaverdale

We regret to have to chronicle the death of Rose, nee Merrifield, beloved wife of Daniel Ormsby, which took place at her late residence on Sunday, November 29th. All that medical aid and loving hands could do was done for her, but death claimed her. Mr. Ormsby and four children have the heartfelt sympathy of all in their sad bereavement.

Mrs. Joseph Fothergill, who was ill, is rapidly recovering and everyone feels glad about it. Hope she will soon be her old self again.

Born,—To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fothergill, on December 2nd, a daughter. Congratulations.

Mrs. Cowan, who had the misfortune to fall and break her leg two weeks ago, is getting along as well as could be expected.

Our annual Christmas Tree entertainment will be held on December 22nd. A good program is being prepared under Miss Cæsar's supervision. We regret very much that Miss Cæsar is about to leave us, but our loss is others gain.

Mrs. Robert Mathews is in Owen Sound visiting her daughter, who is ill of inflammation. Last accounts she was out of danger and doing nicely.

Miss Sarah Rogers, of Grand Valley, is on a visit to her sister, Mrs. J. Fothergill.

Kimberley

Mr. Truman Burritt has been confined to his bed with lumbago.

Mr. J. R. Fawcett has been suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism.

We are pleased to see that Mr. Gilbert Isaac has recovered from his recent illness.

Mr. J. V. Ferris is very ill.

We regret to report Mrs. Ben Smith very low.

Mr. Wm. Plewes took a flying business trip to Dundalk on Monday.

Mr. Frank Burritt returned safely from Meaford.

Messrs. Plewes and Burritt drove to Colling during the latter part of last week.

What might have resulted in a serious accident occurred on the west mountain the other day, when a team and load of green wood broke away from Mr. Mel. Yeomans on the brow of the hill, and rolled down the bank for about one hundred feet. Fortunately no serious injuries occurred either to the team or driver.

The departure of Mr. B. A. Carruthers to Wodehouse, leaves an empty store in Kimberley. This should not be as there is plenty of trade for two merchants. Anyone contemplating setting up business here would do well to interview Mr. Hammond, proprietor of the building, for we believe that easy terms could be made, and that Mr. Hammond would either rent or sell.

Mr. R. D. Carruthers is attending the Winter Fair at Guelph.

Mr. Frank Burritt's fiery driver got the better of uncle Gus the other day and took a little spurt down Front street.

A number of friends and acquaintances gathered at the home of Mr. Hugh Knott on Friday last to spend a social evening prior to his departure for Markdale, where he has built a residence for himself. After about sixty persons had gathered Mr. and Mrs. Knott were presented with a handsome mantle clock and each of the children with appropriate gifts. All the members of the family responded to the address, which was read by Mrs. T. E. Allen, and expressed their gratitude to the people of the valley for thus remembering them on the eve of their departure. The floor was then cleared and the young folks gave themselves to the maddening whirl of the dizzy dance, as it swept and swayed in the music; while the more sober age contented themselves with chat and gossip. The party broke up some time before sunrise, all agreeing that a very enjoyable time had been spent. That, however, was not the opinion of one of the older participants next morning, for he was seen to stretch his limbs, and heard to murmur that he hoped many years would pass before another neighbor would leave Kimberley.

Berkeley

At a regular meeting of L. O. L. No. 176, held in their lodge room on the 1st inst. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: W. J. Black, W.M., Wm. Crawford, D.M.; George J. Ritchey, Chaplain; Jas. Gillespie, Rec.-Sec.; Andrew Gillespie, Fin.-Sec.; Andrew Ritchey, Treas.; John Love, D. of C.; Albert Ritchey, Lecturer; Committee,—W. J. Jackson, R. J. McKennett, R. J. Boyd, Wm. Walker and Geo. Stafford; Auditors,—E. T. Walters and John Walker. The lodge is to be congratulated on the success of the Soiree held on Thursday evening. The night was fine and a large crowd was present. Supper was served in the Foresters' Hall, after which all repaired to the new hall where the program was rendered. John Lyons, Esq., of Markdale, occupied the chair. Addresses were delivered by Dr. Sproule, M. P., Grand Master of British America; Rev. J. R. Newell, of Markdale; and Rev. Thomas Leonard, of Holland Centre. I. B. Lucas, M. L. A., and Rev. J. Hunter, of Markdale, owing to illness were unable to be present and sent their regrets. Miss Boggs in a very efficient manner presided at the organ. W. G. Logan gave a number of selections in his usual pleasing manner. Herb. Walker, of Lauriston, also sang by request. The Hall was packed to the door and scores were unable to get in. This made it uncomfortable, but the people were good-natured, and did not complain. The proceeds amounted to $93.00, which by a mistake was announced that night as $98.00.

Wodehouse

Mr. A. Shaw has greatly improved the appearance of his farm by having a new wire fence erected along the front.

The trustees of the public school have engaged Mrs. B. A. Carruthers as teacher for the coming year.

Mr. J. Heitman, who succeeded Mr. W. A. Carruthers in the store and post office, has given up business here and moved to Maple Valley. Mr. B. A. Carruthers, who has been keeping store in Kimberley, has taken possession of the store and post office here.

While Mr. Samuel Wiley, jr., was in the the act of buckling the surcingle on on one of his horses the brute began kicking, and before the young man could get out of the stall was hit on body and leg, but is not seriously injured.

Teacher Wanted

For S. S. No. 17, Euphrasia, for 1904. JOSEPH MANAREY, Goring.

To the Electors of the Tp. of Artemesia.

Ladies and Gentlemen: I cordially thank you for your support in the past, and I respectfully solicit your vote and influence on my behalf for the Reeveship for 1904.

Yours respectfully,
ALEXANDER MUIR.

To the Electors of Artemesia Township.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—I hereby extend my greetings for a happy and joyous festive season, and at the same time intimate that I am a candidate for Councillor in the room and stead of my friend, Mr. Alex. Muir, who is in the field for promotion. Your vote and influence is respectfully solicited. Yours truly,
W. J. MEADS, Ceylon.

To the Electors of the Tp. of Artemesia.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—I hereby respectfully solicit your vote and influence for the office of Councillor for the incoming year.

Yours for economy,
ALEX. McRAE, JR., Ceylon.

Markdale Markets.

Corrected each Wednesday.

Fall wheat	$ 71	to	73
Spring wheat	60	to	73
Barley	30	to	30
Oats	25	to	25
Peas	58	to	58
Butter	15	to	17
Eggs, fresh	18	to	20
Hay, per ton	7 00	to	7 50
Wool	9	to	17
Beef	5 50	to	6 75
Pork	5 00	to	5 50
Hides	4 00	to	6 00
Geese, per lb	7	to	8
Turkeys, per lb	10	to	13
Ducks, per lb	8	to	9
Chickens	6	to	7
Apples, per bag	50	to	60
Flour, per bbl	3 90	to	4 20
Flour, Manitoba	4 90	to	4 90
Bran, per cwt	90	to	90
Shorts, per cwt	1 00	to	1 00
Chop wheat, per cwt	1 20	to	1 20
Chop oats, per cwt	1 00	to	1 00
Sheep skins	50	to	65

Credit Sale

—OF—

Farm Stock and Implements.

The undersigned has received instructions to sell by public auction on lot No. 23, on the 11th concession Euphrasia, commencing at one o'clock sharp on

TUESDAY, DEC. 22

The Following Chattels, viz:

1 brood mare 8 yrs. old in foal; 1 mare, general purpose, 5 yrs. old; 1 mare 4 yrs. old, by "Prince Arthur"; 1 colt, 2 yrs. old, heavy draft; 1 spring colt, by "Prince Arthur. 2 new calved cows, 7 cows in calf; 1 heifer, rising 3 years, in calf; 1 heifer 2 yrs. old; 1 steer, 2 years old. 7 yearlings. 6 calves. 1 brood sow. 6 store pigs. 1 Noxon binder. 1 Noxon mower. 1 Walter A. Wood mower. 2 Noxon seed drills. 1 disk harrow, Bissel. 1 set iron harrows. 1 horse rake. Set wooden harrows. Cultivator. 2 turnip pulpers. 1 turnip sower. 2 scufflers. 1 two-furrow plow. 1 No. 21 Fleury plow. 1 No. 30 McGill plow. 1 fanning mill new. 2 saddles. 1 wagon new. Woodstock. 1 truck wagon. 1 set heavy bobsleighs, new. 1 set light sleighs. 1 cutter. Straw cutter. Democrat, new. Buggy. Stone boat. Hay rack. Wood rack. Sugar kettle. Set heavy harness. Grindstone. Set plow harness. Set single harness. Cook stove, nearly new. Box stove. Leader churn, new. A quantity of household utensils. Cradle, scythes, forks, rakes, chains, etc. Ten ton of hay and one thousand bushels of turnips.

TERMS

All sums of $10.00 and under, cash; over that amount 12 months credit on approved notes, or 5 per cent off for cash. The above horses and cattle are in first class condition. All to be sold as proprietor has leased his farm and is moving away.

W. J. Morrow, Proprietor. **W. J. Shepherdson,** Auctioneer.

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CHRISTMAS GOODS

We are prepared this year with one of the largest stocks of suitable Xmas presents that ever came into Markdale. We cannot begin to tell you all we have. We give you an idea from this list:

Special Christmas Prices.

For the Ladies.

25 Dinner Sets from 6.00 up to $15.00

15 Tea Sets in Pointed decorated China, all the newest designs, from 2.75 up to $8.00

25 New Bohemian Epergnes, the very newest for choice flowers, reduced for the Christmas trade 10 per cent,

Hundreds of pieces in fancy China, at special Christmas prices, away below regular prices. A big stock of fancy Glassware,

50 new Neck Ruffs and Caperines at 1.75 up to $18.00.

Hundreds of Silk Handkerchiefs, Silk Ties, New Belts, all prices.

20 dozen Womens Fancy Slippers from 25c a pair up to $2.00,

144 new Hand-painted Souvenirs of Markdale, from 10c each up to 35c.

A nice assortment of New Wrist Bags, Purses, Belt Buckles, Belt Ribbon, Tie Ribbon, etc.

New silk for blouses, blouses ready made, silk, lustre, etc.

A big stock of new Dress Goods at reduced prices.

A big stock of Astrachan Jackets, Gauntlets, Fur Caps at special clearing prices.

150 pair Ladies' Kid Gloves, reduced prices.

For the Men.

Mens new Mufflers from ... to ...

Mens New Ties, Scarfs, ... 20, 25, 35, up to ...

Mens new Kid Gloves, ... Gloves, Lined and ... 50c up to 1.00, 1.50 and ...

Mens Fur Gauntlets, ... up to ...

Mens Suspenders, a big ... ment, from 25c up to ...

Mens Silk Handkerchiefs ... 50c up to ...

A big variety of the newest ... ars—special Xmas. prices.

A nice stock of the new ... and white Shirts.

A big stock of Mens Fur ... Opossum, Beaver, Astrachan, Persian Lamb, from 1.25 ...

Mens Fur Coats, Siberian ... Tasmania Coon, Brown ... Dyed Wombat, Russian ... etc., from 18.00 up to ...

A big stock of Mens ... Mens Boots, Slippers, at reduced prices.

A monster stock of Mens ... gans, Smocks, fine ...

Mens up-to-date Overcoats ... clearing prices.

For Boys & Girls

Boys' Kid Mitts,

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Boys' Handkerchiefs,

Boys' Rubbers and Shoes

Boys' Suits and Overcoats,

Boys' Scarfs, Collar ... Buttons.

Boys' Underwear and Fe...

Boys' Collars and Muffers

Boys' Rubbers and Sox,

Boys' Reefers, etc., at away below regular prices.

Girls Button Overshoes, regular 1.25 for 1.00. Lined throughout and waterproof.

Girls' Silk Ties, Silk ... chiefs, Collars.

Girls' Furs, in Caps, ... Lamb, etc.

Girls' Peak Velvet Caps

Girls' Slippers, Rubbers ... and Lace Boots, Oxfords ... Christmas prices.

Girls' Underwear, Bl...

Girls' Mantles, Jackets

Girls' Mantle Cloth.

Girls' Dress Goods, etc.

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A big stock of new, fresh Groceries—always good here.

New raisins 3 lbs. selected 25c.
New Currants 4 lbs cleaned 25c.
New Figs per pound 5c.
New Nuts, Almonds, Walnuts, Filberts, Pea Nuts—all prices.
New flavoring Extracts, Icing Sugar, Cocoanut, Chocolate, Orange Meat (a new cereal) for Porridge, etc. A coupon in each package; when you get six coupons you get a set of silver spoons. Come and get a sample. For the Xmas. trade we have reduced our 30c Tea to 25c. Money back if you are not satisfied. Black, black and green, mixed and Japan.

Lew Lemon, Citron and ... Peel.
New Lemons, Table ... packages.
New Dates, this year's ... per package.
New Candies—all kinds.
New Canned Salmon, ... and 15c.
New Canned Tomatoes, ... Corn, Kippered Herring, ... ters, Sardines.
New Chopped Beef ... prices.
New Lake Superior ...
New Boneless Codfish, ...

4 lbs. Ginger Cookies
3 lbs. Lemon Biscuits
3 lbs. Fruit Biscuits
3 lbs. Mixed Biscuits
English Spiced Pickles
Crosse & Blackwell's Pickles
McLaren's Cheese ...
A new stock fresh Clover ...
A new stock of Syrup in ... and barrels.
New Rice, Tapioca, Rolled Oats, Flaked Wheat, etc.

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EXTRA SPECIAL.

50 Ladies Dress Lengths in the newest styles and qualities, Zebi... Mohair, Beaver, Friezes, Homespuns, etc. 20 per cent discount.

Highest prices for your Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Dried Apples, etc.

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