Long Hair

"About a year ago my hair was coming out very fast, so I bought a bottle of Ayer's Hair Vigor. It stopped the falling and made my hair grow very rapidly, until now it is 45 inches in length."—Mrs. A. Boydston, Atchison, Kans.

There's another hunger than that of the stomach. Hair-hunger, for instance. Hungry hair needs food, needs hair vigor—*Ayer's.* This is why we say that Ayer's Hair Vigor always restores color, and makes the hair grow long and heavy. $1.00 a bottle. All druggists.

If your druggist cannot supply you, send us one dollar and we will express you a bottle. Be sure and give the name of your nearest express office. Address, J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

CANADIAN PACIFIC

FOR CHRISTMAS and NEW YEAR'S VACATION

Will issue Return Tickets.

General Public

At SINGLE FIRST-CLASS FARE, good going Dec. 24, 25, valid for return until December 28, 1903. Good going December 31, 1903, and January 1, 1904, valid for return until January 4, 1904.

At FIRSL-CLASS FARE AND ONE-THIRD, going December 23, 24 and 25, and December 30, 31, 1903, and January 1, 1904, good returning until January 5, 1904.

Between all stations in Canada, Port Arthur, Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Detroit, Mich., and East, and TO but NOT FROM Buffalo, N. Y.

Through transcontinental train leaves Toronto at 1.45 p.m., daily for Winnipeg, Moose Jaw, Calgary, Banff, Revelstoke, and Vancouver.

First-class Sleepers Toronto to Winnipeg and the Coast. Unexcelled dining car service.

A. H. NOTMAN,
Asst. Gen. Pass. Agt., 71 Yonge St., Toronto.

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; 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.

Say John, I'm going to buy a cutter this winter. I was in Markdale about two weeks ago and had a look at different kinds, and say, Knott had some of the finest cutters I ever saw. They are all gone now, but he has more coming and I'm going to have one. If you intend buying one, John, just call and see Knott's, they are dandies.

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 Presbyterian Ladies' Aid Society held their last meeting for the year at the home of the President, Mrs. A. S. Vandusen's, on Wednesday afternoon of last week when officers for 1904 were elected as follows: President, Mrs. (Rev.) L. W. Thom; Vice-Pres., Mrs. J. Radley; Sec.-Treas., Mrs. Joseph Blackburn. A vote of thanks was tendered the retiring president and vice-president, Mrs. VanDusen and Mrs. Felstead, respectively, for the efficient services rendered by them during the year. The retiring president has been a member of the Society since its organization over twenty years ago, and has served almost constantly in the office of president. Very helpful work has been done by the Society which is in a prosperous condition with forty members on the roll.

The Eugenia public school staff and scholars were given a holiday and outing to this place one day last week. Three well-laden sleighs carried the juveniles, who by their hilarity and lung expansion gave unmistakable evidence of a season of much pleasure.

Boyd Bros. have now a gang of men at work in their bush on the old Campbell farm adjoining the village which was purchased by them a few months ago. Now that timber is becoming scarce the bush on this place will be a valuable feeder for their mill at the Saugeen.

Mr. Lyons, son-in-law of W. Tucker of this place, moved his family a few weeks ago from Toronto Junction and is settled in W. Parker's residence on Campbell street.

Elder Russel, of the Latter Day Saints, held forth to small audiences in the town hall here four evenings last week.

The blizzard on Sunday made the attendance at the Methodist and Presbyterian churches much below the average. Communion service was held in the latter church in the afternoon. Rev. Mr. Thom endeavored to reach Eugenia on Sunday morning but was compelled to turn back. Proton Station had also to be abandoned in the evening. Rev. Hurlburt had no service here and had also to abandon his outside work, as did also Rev. Mills. Rev. Wilson reached Ceylon in the morning but did not attempt Meaford Road in the afternoon.

Special services are still being held in the Methodist church, Evangelist Kennedy preaching nightly. His sermons are vigorously delivered and strong presentations of truth.

Miss Beattie and Miss Martin of our public school staff have been re-engaged for 1904. Principal Mansell's engagement of a short time ago also extends into next year. The satisfactory work which we understand is now being done by the staff makes it all the more desirable that their services be retained.

Owing to the snow blocade on Monday Miss Beattie of our public school staff had a trying experience reaching the village from her home in the valley. Mr. Beattie started in good time with her, but the difficulties encountered in the 2½ miles were so great that it was almost 12 o'clock when they reached the village. The same morning one of Mr. Trimble's horses on his stage team to Durham gave out before reaching Priceville and the trip had to be abandoned. It was evening before the animal was recovered sufficiently to be brought home.

Artemesia Council met on Tuesday to wind up the business of the year. Reeve McTavish, Councillor Muir and ex Councillors Boyd and Thompson are now in the field for the reeveship for 1904.

Mr., C. N. Richardson spent last week in Toronto.

Mr. H. L. Douglas, of Orangeville, is at present in charge of Douglas & Co.'s store here.

Miss Gibson, daughter of Councillor Gibson, Toronto Line, has succeeded Mr. Gamble as book-keeper in R. J. Sproule's office.

Mr. Bert Barnhouse returned last week from Strathroy.

Mrs. J. E. Fawcett, of Toronto suburbs, is visiting her mother, Mrs. R. B. Joy.

Mr. Will Hales, who has been living at Meaford for some time, is home for a holiday.

Mr. T. J. Sheppard is on a business trip to the City this week.

Rev. J. A. Matheson of Priceville, preached at the preparatory services here and at Eugenia on Friday last.

Mrs. Burton has returned to her home at Woodbridge after spending a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Bunt.

Kimberley

Mr. Simmons is reported in a very critical condition.

Mr. Geo. Smith is under the weather the last few days.

Mr. Chas. Smith of Wisconsin arrived home last Monday to see his mother who is very ill.

Mr. T. B. Clark, of Stayner, is visiting his brother, Mr. Wm. Clark, Kimberley.

We are pleased to see Mr. T. Burritt able to be out again after his recent illness.

Mr. Wm. Plewes accepted a position in the steam roller mill at Dundalk and went there last Monday to commence his duties.

Mr. J. Cornfield, of Kimberley Valley, died of pneumonia at the home of his niece, Mrs. T. Clark, of Clarksville. Deceased was seventy-five years of age.

Monday's mail did not go out on account of the blockade.

Messrs. Ford & Huff went to Meaford last Friday evening, returning Monday afternoon. They intended being home Sunday evening, but were storm-stayed for twenty-four hours at Thornbury.

We were pleased to hear Mr. Chas. Stewart, of Kimberley, a graduate of Meaford High School, has been appointed principal of Priceville P. S. Clarke is a brilliant young man and will doubtless do well in Priceville, providing he learns to spoke the two talks.

Mr. John Davis is a candidate for the reeveship of Euphrasia, and we believe there are others in the field.

Mr. John Plewes is of the opinion that Canadian winters are too severe, and has made arrangements for a trip to Delaware, U.S., where he has purchased property. If the far off fields of Delaware prove more green than did those of distant Washington, Mr. Plewes (May) stay. If such be the case all his Canadian property will be for sale.

Walters Falls

The storm, which commenced last Friday, continued for three days, Sunday being one of the stormiest days that was ever witnessed here. As a consequence we had no mails on Monday, the roads being utterly impassable.

The Sunday School Convention which was held in the Methodist church here on Wednesday, December 9th, was a grand success. Many clergymen and delegates were present. The Rev. Dr. McLaren occupied the chair and acquitted himself very ably. Speeches were delivered by the Revs. C. W. Reynolds, F. C. Harper, L. F. Kipp, and Thos. Leonard. Mrs. H. Norton, of Holland, read a paper on "Qualifications of Teachers." Mrs. Winters, of Chatsworth, also read a paper on "Best Methods in Primary Work." The papers read by Mrs. Norton and Mrs. Winters were highly appreciated, and contained many excellent suggestions for Sabbath School teachers. Appropriate music was rendered by the choir of the Methodist church, and Miss Bonnell delighted the audience with a beautiful solo entitled "Come back my boy."

Mr. and Mrs. King, of North Dakota, are visiting with the former's friends here, after an absence of fourteen years.

Miss Crissie Brown returned home from Owen Sound last Friday.

Do not forget the old fashioned tea-meeting to be held here in the Methodist church on Christmas evening. A good time is anticipated.

TO THE FARMERS.

I am now a little over three years in the village of Markdale selling implements. The first two years I sold for a Company, you mostly all know well, the Noxon Company, and sold quite a number of machines in that time, no doubt many of them giving very good satisfaction, although I met a good many people that were prejudiced against the Noxon machinery, owing to some machines not working satisfactorily, and that made it hard for the agent. Then a Deering agent came to me last fall and asked me to take hold of the Deering machinery. At first I refused, and said that I was very well satisfied with the way I was getting along; but before he left I told him I would consider the matter. He came back a second time and I weighed the matter carefully in my own mind. I though like this: Now the Deering company is one of the largest, if not the largest, implement manufacturing concerns in the world, and now they are coming to build in Canada; and more than that, I had been travelling throughout the country for two years and never heard a man find fault with Deering machinery; so this is the way I came to make the change, and I have not been sorry I made the change. I will say here, before going any further, that I feel it is my duty to sincerely thank my many customers for the patronage they have given me in the past, and hope, where you see fit to favor me with your orders in the future, that you will be well satisfied with your purchase and the way in which you have been dealt with. My motto is to try and use all as near alike as possible, and therefore you right. I think I can safely say here that in the three years I have been in business there is not one can say that I used him unfair. If there is, I would like him to come to me and I would be only too glad to make it right.

After the new year my brother Hugh is coming in with me, and instead of J. W. Knott the name of the firm will be The Knott Brothers. Now I would ask one favor of you, farmers, and that is, just try and use my brother as you have used me. I can say this, that I was always used like a gentleman, because if I failed in selling a man anything I very often got my dinner, so I was that much ahead anyhow.

I again thank you for your patronage in the past and soliciting a share of your trade in the future, I wish you a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Yours respectfully,

J. W. KNOTT, MARKDALE.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Cook stove for sale, nearly new. Wm. Jackson.

For sale, a grade cow; also a pulper. W. N. Haskett, Markdale.

An upright piano nearly new for sale. Enquire at this office.

A nice little driver, or a pair of mules for sale. J. Artley, Markdale.

Seidlitz powders, always fresh and reliable at Turner's drug store.

China ware and other Xmas novelties at E. Rutledge's. Give us a call.

For that cough use Stephen's Cough Syrup—a sure cure. 25c. a bottle.

Good heavy colt rising three years old for sale. J. W. Knott, Markdale.

Drop in and see our Xmas China, it will please you. E. Rutledge.

If you want a good reliable scale, go to J. W. Knott. He keeps them in stock.

Go to J. E. Trelford's for your Coal Oil. Best American Oil 20c a gallon.

Soft elm saw logs, 10 or 15 feet long, wanted. Armstrong Bros., Markdale.

Books, bibles and hymn books for Xmas. presents at Turner's drug store.

All shades and colors in our tissue and krinkle papers. Stephen's drug store.

J. E. Trelford has the very thing for a Christmas present. Examine his corner window.

Bibles and hymn books with and without tune, all sizes and prices, at Stephen's Drug Store.

Christmas jewellery in abundance in all the latest designs, and prices right at J. H. Stephenson's.

Six hundred dollars will buy a comfortable house in Markdale, nearly new. Apply at this office.

For sale,—One three-year-old colt, coach; one yearling, heavy; one spring colt. John Fadden, Vandeleur.

We have a new stock of beautiful photo albums, in celluloid and leather, prices from 25c. up. Stephen's Drug Store.

Don't leave off ordering your Christmas cake until the eleventh hour. Order to-day from Matthews, the baker.

Nothing nicer or more useful than a fountain pen to remember a friend with at Xmas. Guaranteed at Turner's drug store.

Rings are the prince of holiday presents You can save money by buying your Christmas ring from J. H. Stephenson.

A choice line of fresh candies and confectionery for the Christmas trade and also oysters served cooked or raw at Mrs. Leslie's.

Purses, wrist bags, wallets, card cases, and cigar cases, all suitable Christmas gifts, a large stock to choose from at Turner's drug store.

A second-hand square piano for sale, made by Stanley & Sons, New York, in good condition.
T. F. Wilson, Markdale.

When you come into town cold, just make a bee line for McGrogan's and get an up-to-date oyster stew; only 5 doors north west of the Markdale House.

See our Show Case of beautiful ebony goods comprizing single brushes, all kinds, manicure setts, comb and brush setts, shaving setts, etc. Stephen's drug store.

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.

Mens new Mufflers from [illegible] to $1.

Mens New Ties, Scarfs, from 20, 25, 35, up to 7[illegible]

Mens new Kid Gloves, lined Gloves, Lined and Unlined, from 50c up to 1.00, 1.50 and $2.

Mens Fur Gauntlets, from $3 up to $8.00 per pair

Mens Suspenders, a big assortment, from 25c up to 7[illegible]

Mens Silk Handkerchiefs, from 50c up to $1.

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

A nice stock of the new color and white Shirts.

A big stock of Mens Fur Caps, Opossum, Beaver, Astrachan, Persian Lamb, from 1.25 to 6.

Mens Fur Coats, Siberian, Dog, Tasmanian Coon, Brown Buffalo, Dyed Wombat, Russian Calf, etc, from 18.00 up to 30.

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

A monster stock of Mens Caroogans, Smocks; fine Underwear.

Mens up-to-date Overcoats clearing prices.

Boys' Kid Mitts.

Boys' Ties and Suspenders.

Boys' Handkerchiefs.

Boys' Rubbers and Shoes.

Boys' Suits and Overcoats.

Boys' Scarfs, Collar and Cuff Sets.

Boys' Underwear and Top Shirts.

Boys' Collars and Mufflers.

Boys' Rubbers and Sox.

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

Girls' Button Overshoes, regular $1.50 for 1.00. Lined throughout and waterproof.

Girls' Silk Ties, Silk Handkerchiefs, Collars.

Girls' Furs in Caps, Ruffs, Gretchens, etc.

Girls' Peak Velvet Caps.

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

Girls' Underwear, Blouses.

Girls' Mantles, Jackets.

Girls' Mantle Cloth.

Girls' Dress Goods, etc.

Robes and Blankets

Best Values in Grey Co.

We have made a careful selection, and now have an excellent stock of Robes and Blankets. All kinds of HARNESS on hand, also a complete stock of Whips, Trunks, Valises, etc.

R. W. ENNIS, Markdale.

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.

R. H. Benson & Co.
MARKDALE and DUNDALK

A Monster Stock
—of—
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 40 per cent,

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

56 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 [illegible] to $1.

Mens New Ties, Scarfs, from 20, 25, 35, up to 7[illegible]

Mens new Kid Gloves, lined Gloves, Lined and Unlined, from 50c up to 1.00, 1.50 and $2.

Mens Fur Gauntlets, from $3 up to $8.00 per pair

Mens Suspenders, a big assortment, from 25c up to 7[illegible]

Mens Silk Handkerchiefs, from 50c up to $1.

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

A nice stock of the new color and white Shirts.

A big stock of Mens Fur Caps, Opossum, Beaver, Astrachan, Persian Lamb, from 1.25 to 6.

Mens Fur Coats, Siberian, Dog, Tasmanian Coon, Brown Buffalo, Dyed Wombat, Russian Calf, etc, from 18.00 up to 30.

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

A monster stock of Mens Caroogans, Smocks; fine Underwear.

Mens up-to-date Overcoats clearing prices.

For Boys & Girls

Boys' Kid Mitts.

Boys' Ties and Suspenders.

Boys' Handkerchiefs.

Boys' Rubbers and Shoes.

Boys' Suits and Overcoats.

Boys' Scarfs, Collar and Cuff Sets.

Boys' Underwear and Top Shirts.

Boys' Collars and Mufflers.

Boys' Rubbers and Sox.

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

Girls' Button Overshoes, regular $1.50 for 1.00. Lined throughout and waterproof.

Girls' Silk Ties, Silk Handkerchiefs, Collars.

Girls' Furs in Caps, Ruffs, Gretchens, etc.

Girls' Peak Velvet Caps.

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

Girls' Underwear, Blouses.

Girls' Mantles, Jackets.

Girls' Mantle Cloth.

Girls' Dress Goods, etc.

OUR MOTTO WE ADOPT: Money refunded if your purchase is not satisfactory.

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 Orange Peel.
New Lemons, Table Raisins packages.
New Dates, this year's, 10 cents per package.
New Candies—all kinds.
New Canned Salmon, 10c, 12c and 15c.
New Canned Tomatoes, Peas, Corn, Kippered Herring, Lobsters, Sardines.
New Chopped Beef at close prices.
New Lake Superior Herrings.
New Boneless Codfish, etc

[illegible] lbs. Ginger Cookies 25c.
[illegible] lbs. Lemon Biscuits 25c.
[illegible] lbs. Fruit Biscuits 25c.
[illegible] lbs. Mixed Biscuits 25c.
English Spiced Pickles 15c.
Crosse & Blackwell's Pickles 35c.
McLaren's Cheese (Imp.) 25c.
New stock fresh Clover Honey.
A new stock of Syrup in tins and barrels.
New Rice, Tapioca, Rolled Oats, Flaked Wheat, etc.

We have engaged a competent staff of clerks who will be pleased to show you around our four large departments. We claim to have one of the best and newest stocks in the country. Our prices and qualities will convince you. Come and see for yourselves. During the Christmas holidays from now on we will give you prices that will surprise and delight you.

EXTRA SPECIAL.

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

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

R. H. Benson & Co.,
Markdale and Dundalk.