Mrs. Anderson, Jacksonville, Fla., daughter of Recorder of Deeds, West, who witnessed her signature to the following letter, praises Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—There are but few wives and mothers who have not at times endured agonies and such pain as only women know. I wish such women knew the value of **Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.** It is a remarkable medicine, different in action from any I ever knew and thoroughly reliable.

"I have seen many cases where women doctored for years without permanent benefit, who were cured in less than three months after taking your Vegetable Compound, while others who were chronic and incurable came out good, happy, and in perfect health after a thorough treatment with this medicine. I have never used it myself without gaining great benefit. A few doses restores my strength and appetite, and tones up the entire system. Your medicine has been tried and tested here, hence I fully endorse it."

MRS. R. A. ANDERSON, 225 Washington St., Jacksonville, Fla. — *$5000 forfeit if original of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.*

No other medicine for women has received such widespread and unqualified endorsement. No other medicine has such a record of cures of female troubles. Refuse to buy any substitute.

What Exhibitors Say

Grand Champion of Fat Cattle exhibited at Provincial Winter Fair, 1903, were fed with Worm Powders, Canadian Stock Tonic.

DEAR SIRS,—We have been feeding your Stock Food to cattle for some time, and find it to be a good tonic. We have also fed it to horses and pigs, and are quite sure it is the best advertised. Our prize winning cattle at Provincial Winter Fair, 1903, were fed Canadian Stock Tonic.

ROBERT SNAITH & SONS, Acton, Ont., Breeders Shorthorn Cattle.

DEAR SIRS,—I find your Stock Food is a very good tonic for cattle, giving them a good appetite, and keeping their digestive organs in healthy condition. The steer "Soothe" fed at Winter Fair, weighed at birth, 60 lbs., 9 months 1200 lbs., making a gain of 55 lbs. per month. It pays to feed Worthington's Stock Food.

ANDREW RICHARDSON, Breeder Shorthorn Cattle, Peepabun, Ont.

DEAR SIRS,—We have used your Stock Food for fattening cattle and find it gives good satisfaction. A number of our cattle have shown a gain of 50 lbs. per month while feeding it.

JAS. WILSON & SONS, Breeders of Shorthorn Cattle and Yorkshire Pigs, Fergus, Ont.

Sold in packages containing 25 cts., 50 lb. sack $2.

Manufactured by THE WORTHINGTON DRUG CO., Guelph, Ont.

For sale by E. RUTLEDGE, Markdale; F. C. KORSTEADT, Flesherton and E. SARGENT, Berkeley.

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Barrister, Solicitor, etc. Office—Main street, Markdale. Money to lend.

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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. Has 99 members. A visit from other lodges solicited. Wm. Douglas, Master. C. W. Rutledge, Recorder.

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Flesherton. Conveyancer, Appraisor Valuator and Money Lender, Deeds, Mortgages, Leases and Wills drawn up and Valuations made on shortest notice. Charges very low. Apply to R. J. Sproule, Postmaster, Flesherton.

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Meets in Rae's hall the third Tuesday in the month at 8 o'clock. A visit from brethren of other courts solicited. Assessments must be paid to the financial secretary, Frank Graham, on or before the last day of the month. A. McCutcheon, C.R. J. C. Fletcher, R.S.

ADDRESS AND PRESENTATION.

A very enjoyable evening was spent at Mr. and Mrs. Edward Baker's on Wednesday, February 17th, by a goodly gathering of their many friends in Orange Valley and vicinity. Mr. and Mrs. Baker were unaware of the intention of their friends and were naturally surprised at the happy coincident arrival of one after another until their comfortable home was radiant with happy faces. But soon the plot was out, when one of the company read the following address:

TO MR. AND MRS. E. BAKER:

It is with deepest regret, after an altogether too short residence among us, that we meet this evening sorrowfully to say good-bye. Your stay among us will ever be remembered as very pleasant years of social neighborly intercourse. Although we would gladly keep you among us, yet we know a kind Providence has otherwise directed your way, where others waiting will be made glad by your coming. We, therefore, while we brush aside the tear regret, waive our own pleasure for your good. As a loving remembrance we present you with this lamp and table, although intrinsically of little value, yet hope they will be accepted as a token of loving esteem.

Signed on behalf of your neighbors,
MRS. JAS. HILL.
MRS. ROBT WRIGHT.

Mr. Baker, with feelings overflowing with sorrow, arose to express his regret and to say good-bye to the whole community of real friends. He found so much happiness for those years of his residence among them.

The hidden baskets were then revealed containing so many charming evidences of ordinary skill, which were soon disposed of, after which the happy couple joined in a very pleasant programme of innocent amusements, well interspersed with rarest music by Messrs. York and Wright, whose praise can hardly be spoken of too highly.

At a reasonable hour the company separated, after singing "Auld Lang Syne."

Well Again.

The many friends of John Blount will be pleased to learn that he has entirely recovered from his attack of rheumatism. Chamberlain's Pain Balm cured him after the best doctors in the (Monon, Ind.) had failed to give relief. The prompt relief from pain which this liniment affords is alone worth many times its cost. Sold by R. L. Stephen.

EUPHRASIA COUNCIL.

The council met at the township hall, Rocklyn, on Friday, the 5th inst. All the members present, the reeve in the chair. Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

Richardson—Pringle—That by-law No. 85, prohibiting the sale of liquor in the township of Euphrasia, be read a third time and finally passed.—Carried.

Richardson—Patton—That the reeve and clerk be a committee to see after the printing of minutes and voters' lists.—Carried.

Pringle—Richardson—That the reeve and Mr. Richardson be a committee to have Mr. Davis to return all documents belonging to this township, and if he does not, to take such proceedings that will make him do so.—Carried.

Richardson—Pringle—That the auditors report be received and that the reeve and Messrs. Patton and Kenny be a committee to finally audit the same.—Carried.

Richardson—Patton—That hereafter this council meet on second Friday of each month, except where otherwise provided by statute.—Carried.

The following accounts were paid: J. A. Cook, for leather satchel for assessor, $2.00; Jas. Boyd, for wood furnished Thos. Cann, indigent, $2.75; Thos. McConnel, for wood furnished Thos. Cann, $2.25; J. W. Hartman, Euphrasia's share for cement pipes furnished townline east, $3.00; Alex. Wilson, for gravel, $1.25; John Dunlop for repairing culvert on 27 and 28 side-road, $1.00; Miss Curry, for keeping of Mrs. Isaac, $8.00; Jas. Erskine, for preparing financial statement, $5.00; J. H. Gardner, do., $5.00; S. Davidson Euphrasia's share for spikes on townline east, $1.50; S. J. McKnight, salary as auditor, $10.00; J. A. Lougheed, do., $10.00.

The council adjourned until Friday the 11th March.

N. L. Curry, Clerk.

READ IT THROUGH.

'Twould Spoil This Story to Tell It in the Headlines.

To use an eighteenth century phrase, this is an "o'er true tale." Having happened in a small Virginia town in the winter of 1902, it is a story very much of the present. Up to a short time ago Mrs. John E. Harmon of Melfa Station, Va., had no personal knowledge of the curative properties of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. "Last January," she says, "My baby took a dreadful cold and at one time I feared she would have pneumonia, but one of my neighbors told me how this remedy had cured her little boy and I began giving it to my baby at once and it soon cured her. I heartily thank the manufacturers of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for placing so great a cure within my reach I cannot recommend it too highly or say too much in its favor. I hope all who read this will try it and be convinced as I was. For sale by R. L. Stephen, Markdale.

UNIQUE AND INTERESTING.

St. Louis de Gonzague, Que.,
Oct. 27, 1903.

Gentlemen:—I am happy to sent you what I have see and what I can tell. The Frost Fence that I have erected near my orchard is in a good place for tested the fence. All the winter he come near eight feet height snow on that and the Fence come down and when the snow went off the Fence take his first position like if nothing had been on. The Frost Wire Fence Co. in my place look like the better fence that he ever come on the market.

Yours very respec.,
(Signed,) B. Viau.

The above letter is both unique and interesting, and a few words of explanation will be appropriate. Mr. Viau is a thorough French-Canadian and has only recently taken up the study of the English Language. The Wire Fence referred to was built by him over four years ago. It was the very first piece of Frost Fence erected in Beauharnois County; was put up mainly for a test, and, of course, the very worst place to be found was the one selected. As per the letter, an orchard near Mr. Viau's house was the chosen spot, the drifts here in the winter time being often as high as eight feet. The strain on the fence was therefore exceptionally severe as every farmer knows that snow-drifts will do more damage to the average Wire fence than years of ordinary usage. The tensity of the strain can hardly be imagined, the weight of the snow often being so great as to pull the staples entirely out of the fence. As soon as the snow thaws the fence is restapled. That is all that is necessary. And, as per the letter, "the fence takes his first position,"—viz: is as strong and tight as the first day it was built. Mr. Viau then goes on to say that in his place the Frost Fence is looked upon as the best Fence on the market. It might be of interest to state that "THE FROST" is the only wire fence which has been found to satisfactorily stand the severe and heavy snows of Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, and the hundreds and hundreds of miles that are erected here in Ontario prove that our Western friends also appreciate a good staple article when it is offered to them.

Maxwell

(Intended for last week.)

Mr. and Mrs. John Stephens, of Desboro, were visiting at the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. McCallum, 4th line, and other relatives.

Mr. Albert Long spent a few days in Guelph recently.

Mrs. W. B. Long and little daughter are visiting their relatives in this vicinity.

Mr. Adam Kinnear, of Feversham, spent Sunday with his brother, Robert Kinnear of this community.

Messrs. Chester Long and Harry Guy returned home from Owen Sound lately.

Mr. Geo. Long was in Collingwood last week.

Messrs. Stanley and Norman Wellar, of Nobleton, visited their relatives in this vicinity last week and part of this.

Miss Violet Glassford, of this place, visited her friends in Markdale recently.

We are glad to state that Dr. Scott is able to be around again.

Many Sudden Deaths.

Are traced to a heart that was neglected. If your heart is weak or beats too rapidly you need Ferrozone to strengthen the heart's muscles, regulate its action and stop smothering spasms. Ferrozone always cures weak heart and restores this organ to a strong healthy state. The best heart medicine in the world is Ferrozone, which beats any substitute. Widely used by doctors and sold at 50c. per box by all druggists.

HOLLAND COUNCIL.

The council met in Price's Hall, Holland Centre, on Tuesday, February 2nd, for the transaction of general business. All the members present. The minutes of 11th January were read and confirmed. The following were then read: Auditors report; report on Treasurer's sureties; order of Deputy Registrar General, for payment to clerk of $27, for registration of B. M. and Deaths; communication from Mrs. Carson, seeking exemption of taxes and statute labor on part lot 35, 1 E.T.S.R. for 1903. Request granted.

Communication re Walker deviation reported that Lucas, Wright & McArdle had been retained to act for the township.

The Board of Health reported that it was absolutely necessary to appoint a M. H. O. for 1904, and if the council failed to make the appointment the Provincial Board would do so.

The reeve was appointed to act with Board of Health in collection of expenses incurred by smallpox outbreak.

Applications were received from Jas. Gillespie, $130; W. A. Dayman, $120; H. Sargent, $120; and M. Howey, $110.

The sum of $5.00 was donated to the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto.

Bylaw No. 4, appointing M. R. Howey assessor at a salary of $110, and bylaw No. 5, appointing Dr. Oldham Medical Health Officer, were then read and passed.

The council then adjourned till Thursday, March 10th.

J. P. Hare, Clerk.

BRING YOUR SHEAF IN TIME.

PSALM 126: 6.

The gospel field is whitening,
The call is loud and long;
Go forth to royal service,
With faith, and prayer, and song;
Go scatter seed immortal,
Upon the soil below,
And He who reigns above the clouds
Will cause the seed to grow.

CHORUS.

Go forth with weeping,
Scattering seed divine,
And thou with joy shall come again
Bringing sheaves in time.

No time for worldly pleasure,
If you a soul may save,
Put on the soldier's armour,
Be earnest, true and brave;
Go pluck them from the burning,
For whom your Saviour bled,
And put them in the starry wreath,
That crowns Emmanuel's head.

And when the conflict's ended,
And you the prize have won,
'Twill be the joys of endless years,
To hear Him say, "Well done,"
Well done, my servant, good and true,
For me your life was given,
Henceforth with all the good and pure,
Forever rest in heaven.

—J. M. SIMPSON.

Wodehouse

(Intended for last week.)

Mr. Thos. H. Clark, accompanied by his uncle, Mr. John Burrell, spent a pleasant week visiting friends in and about Walkerton, Bruce county, returning home Wednesday evening of last week.

Mr. Jas. Wiley intends taking a trip to Collingwood Harbor this week.

Owing to the storm on Monday the Board meeting in the church was postponed.

Miss Bertha H. Carruthers visited friends in Kimberley a few days recently.

A very distressing accident occurred last Saturday on the farm of Mr. Geo. Morwood, when his youngest boy, a lad of about nine years of age, was struck by a falling tree and rendered unconscious for several hours. Besides a broken arm he is injured seriously about the head and at time of writing is in quite a precarious condition.

Priceville

(Intended for last week.)

The thaw on Sunday was of short duration and the snow is piling up higher than ever to-day (Tuesday.)

Mr. D. McMillan, south line, lost a valuable team of four-year old horses a few days ago by distemper. Although attended by two experienced vets, it was impossible to save them. They were valued at $300.

Mr. Alf. Hincks has purchased a brick house on Kinross street. He will vacate the farm about April 1st, and will become a welcome citizen of our village.

Mr. R. Parslow, O. D. R. and Mr. A. McCauig, south line, are both placing brick; stone and other material for the erection of farm houses next summer.

Mr. John Stothart has a large quantity of timber at the saw mill here to be prepared for the building of a frame barn next spring.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Ostrander, of Carman, Man., and two children were visiting friends here last week.

Mr. Duncan McDougall, an old resident of the north line, Glenelg, after some weeks of failing health, passed away on the 19th. He was interred in the cemetery here on the 21st Jan.

The people of this vicinity received the announcement of the death of the late Rev. Mr. Husband with deep regret last week. When Mr. Husband had charge of the Methodist circuit about eight years ago, he made a host of friends and admirers who will ever remember him as an earnest christian worker, and one possessed of rare good judgement.

Mr. R. McMullen, of Melita, Man., was in town over Sunday, and went over to the "Stones Settlement" to see old neighbors.

Mr. A. W. Watson, of Cheboygan, Mich., is here this week on a business transaction and also visiting friends.

In the Good Old Summer Time

is what everybody is looking for, but now is the time when the

ENGAGEMENT AND WEDDING RING

business begins. You know how it is—moonlight, starlight, no light, etc. We leave the sentimental part out entirely, but nevertheless, wedding rings are necessary; so are engagement rings.

I Have Both

and in all the new styles and shapes. Prices as low as the lowest, and this is the place to buy your Ring.

J. H. STEPHENSON,
Jeweller and Optician.

McFarland, Stafford & Co.

MARKDALE, ONT.

Grey County's BIGGEST and CHEAPEST Store

The Fun Of It!

There's heaps of fun in the analysis of newspaper advertising. It is full of ferment and froth. All sorts of goods are pressed for sale with a sort of despairing vigor, and shoppers are supposed to read every word and believe every syllable. Conditions are full of chances—chances to be fooled, chances to be benefitted. We try to advertise honestly, week after week, year in and year out, we have been trying to gain your confidence, and when we advertised BARGAINS you always found the prices and the goods just as we describe them. Such business speaks for itself, and is never suggestive of holabaloo or "fish story."

New Prints.

We put in stock last week 156 pieces Print—over 600 pieces. The weather has not been very suggestive of Prints, still we have been cutting them freely. Some housekepers like to get their spring sewing done early, and besides there is something in getting first choice. Notwithstanding the recent big advances in cotton goods you will find the prices on Prints as interesting as ever:

75 patterns Coum's "guaranteed" English Prints, light, dark and medium shades, all the latest designs, extra value at **12½**

40 pieces heavy Canadian Print, full 32 inch wide, stripe and fancy patterns, light, medium and dark shades, worth to-day, 12½c, our price **10**

Our Direct Importations.

We paid duty and released from bond last week 10 bales and 2 bales imported. Dry Goods. These Goods were bought months ago; before the sharp advance in all classes of Cotton Goods. This puts us on the ground floor in regard to values for Spring of 1904. Having direct from a firm like Rylands & Sons, Limited, Manchester, one of the largest dry goods firms in the world, is a big leverage in our favor. We cordially invite you to examine our lines of NEW SPRING GOODS before you make your next purchase.

We are anxious to sell these lines this week before taking inventory of stock.

25 pair lace curtains, some of last seasons best values and best sellers—but there is only one or two pairs to a pattern left and some of them are slightly soiled edges.—The prices run from $1.50 to $3.00 a pair. For this week you can take your pick at **Just Half Former Price.**

About 60 yards fancy velvets, some shot design others fancy figured, some cords or corduroy velvet regular values 50c. and 75c. yard.—Take your choice while they last at **19**

12 pair Men's 3-buckle felt boots, sizes 6, 7, 8 only.—Leather faced with felt uppers, 3 buckles, regular values $2.25 pair—On sale this week for **1.25**

24 door mats, made from heavy hemp, rough brush, fiber top. Just the thing to clean mud off boots in spring, in fact a suitable door mat for any season. They are usually sold at 50c. On sale this week at **25c.**

We have only 18 Ladies' Cloth mantles left. All this seasons styles—We would like to see everyone sold this week. The regular prices were from $5.00 to $10.00. If you can get a fit in the lot the price will be **Just Half.**

Stock taking has unearthed many other lines which these are the lines that have the biggest reductions, and it will pay you to see them before they are picked up.

Linen Damask Towels, size 17 by 30 inch, plain and fancy red border, usually sold at 25 cts. a pair, this week you can buy 2 pair for **25**

Unless your Underwear is getting then, no need to go around shivering when prices have taken such a drop. They will all be dearer next season and we have too many left over.

50 and 60c Wool Fleeced Shirts and Drawers **38c.**
50 and 60c Scotch Wool " " **38c.**
75 and 85c Heavy Hygeian Rib Wool Shirts and Drawers for **58c.**
25c, 35c, and 40c Fleeced Shirts and Drawers for **19c.**
All other lines 20 to 25 per cent discount.

How about a Heavy Frieze Ulster?

Our stock is reduced to 15 Men's & Youths' coats, sizes 33, 34, 37, 38, 40 and 42. All made from heavy wool frieze in shades of brown, claret, Oxford and black, large storm collars, with throat tabs, heavy wool lining, slash pockets, half belt, etc. The prices ran from $5.50, 6.00, 6.50, 7.00, 8.00. In order to clear them all out this week the price will be your choice for **$4.25**

Graniteware News.

Last week we advised you about securing several lines Canadian Graniteware made by Canadian workmen. We told you we had secured the graniteware at a big discount off regular prices and had marked it to sell fully twenty per cent less than graniteware was ever sold or even advertised at in Markdale. We did not tell you that this graniteware was bought as seconds. Our reasons for not telling you was because each piece was personally selected and a big portion equal in quality to firsts. Many merchants would have picked it over and made two prices. That is not our way of doing business. We have marked every piece (as all merchandise is marked at this store) at the lowest possible price.

There is no further drop in price this week. "Quality considered" we think our prices will compare favorably with any, no matter from who or how they were bought. Come in and see for yourself. No need to buy unless you wish.

McFARLAND, STAFFORD & CO., MARKDALE

For Sale.

The undersigned offers for sale the south-east part of the west half of lot 25, sixth concession, Euphrasia, consisting of 5 acres, 2 acres under cultivation, 3 acres good pasture ground. On the premises is a comfortable nine-roomed dwelling house, size 20 and 26 feet wide, 42 long, with good stone cellar and stone cistern. Also good stable, hen house, pig pen, driving house and carpenter shop. All in good state of repair. There is a never failing well of water on the premises. It is ½ mile from church and school, and 1½ miles from post-office.

No encumberance. Immediate possession given.

Apply on the premises to
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International Heave Cure is guaranteed to cure cure heaves by a company with a million dollar capital.

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C. P. R. TIME TABLE

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Going North	12.[illegible] a.m.	9.40 p.m

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