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We are showing wonderful values in Ready-to-wear Suits for Men and Boys.

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In Tweeds, Worsteds, and Black or Blue Twill Serges \$5 to \$12. Young Mens New Spring Suits, 5.00 to 10.00.

Mens Gloves

In Kid and Mocha, for summer wear, special values at 1.00, 1.25 and 1.75.

Hats

We show everything that's new in Felt and Straw Hats for Men and Boys.

Good Footwear

Don't forget that GEO. A. SLATER makes the best Shoes in Canada for Men and Women.

Remember

We are headquarters for Hats, Canvas Clothing, Shoes, Shirts, Ties, Collars, Underwear, Sweaters and Hosiery for Men and Boys.

H. Mercer, Markdale

THE MARKDALE STANDARD

C. W. Rutledge, Publisher. SUBSCRIPTION PRICE \$1.00 PER YEAR IN ADVANCE.

MARKDALE, MAY 19, 1904.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Owen Sound's population is 9084.

Elevator B, one of the mammoth grain storage houses at Port Williams, was destroyed by fire last Thursday morning together with three hundred thousand bushels of grain.

The Department of the Interior has been advised that C. W. Williams, a successful farmer in Illinois, has completed arrangements to move to Canada with six cars of effects and fifty-eight horses.

John L. Sullivan, of Boston, for a time the foremost prizefighter in the world, has become a pitiful wreck, the object of charity and a beggar of 'benefits.'

A railway is projected from Kingston to a point on the Georgian Bay between Parry Sound and Midland. The route in a general way to be taken is north-easterly to Newboro' and Westport, thence in a westerly direction to the Georgian Bay.

Catholic Register: When Edward VII first set foot on Irish soil as king it was to the people his right hand was extended.

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Artemesia Council.

Artemesia council met on Saturday last, all the members present, the reeve in the chair. Minutes of April session read and confirmed.

Gibson-Meads-That the County Treasurer is hereby instructed to raise taxes, 21 cents, in his books against part 10 and 14, north side of Durham street, Orisville, for 1904, the same having been paid.

Parvis-Best-That Wm. Fisher be paid \$2.65 for 83 yards of gravel used on road in 1903, as certified by W. Simmons, overseer.

Gibson-Meads-That this council grant \$50 to be expended in townline to pay for the closing of lot 18 to 19, 3rd range S.W.T. & S. Road.

Gibson-Meads-That the reeve, Mr. Parvis and the clerk are hereby appointed a committee to confer with the directors of the Engonia Electric Power Company as to the closing of part of Alma street, Engonia, and to report the proceedings to this council.

Gibson-Meads-That the following accounts for work in building temporary bridges over the Indian river near George Baunon's be paid, viz: Wm. Mckeon, \$1.50; H. McPherson, \$1.50; A. Muir, \$1.50; George Best, \$3.00; Duncan Muir with team, \$3.50.

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Tenders Wanted.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned on Wednesday, May 26th, 1904, for the erection of a brick block in the village of Durham, and specifications may be seen at the place of business here. The lowest and best tender not necessarily accepted. B. H. BENDON & CO., Markdale, Ont.

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The first big shipment of the TORONTO FIRE GOODS

THE FIRST big purchase of goods damaged by The Toronto Fire was made by us and is now being opened up and placed on sale. The lines purchased were those that had been stored in the basement of one of those big warehouses, the damage to them is practically by water only and for all practical purposes are nearly as good as ever.

Here are partial details: 20 and 25c Grain Bags, each 12c. We bought exactly 1000 Grain Bags, full sized and seamless—the kind that all seasons even with ourselves have sold at 20 to 25c.

10c. Print for 2c. We have a good big showing of the 10c quality of Print that is damaged by smoke and water. Come early for your choice at per yard only.

12c Print for 4c. 500 yards or over of Print, in the quality that is retained everywhere at 12c. The quantity in this lot is not large but the value is certain to make buying particularly brisk while it lasts. Every yard at this remarkably small price.

30, 40 and 50c Tweeds for 12c. These are all damaged more or less but when you see them and consider the price you'll not hesitate about buying all you'll need. Your choice (and there always is a good first choice) in goods of this kind only 12c.

10c Towellings for 3c. 10 pieces Towellings, smoke and water damaged—will be as good as new when washed, any quantity you wish at per yard only.

12c Towellings for 4c. 8 pieces extra heavy Towelling—the quality that you have been accustomed paying 12c for. We think you'll buy a year's supply when you see it, only.

Cottons and Ducks 2 1/2 to 5 cents. 1 case of Cottons and Ducks representing hundreds of yards, of fine qualities that are usually retailed at 7 to 15c per yard, but all will be sold at per yard 2 1/2c.

15c Wash Boards for 7c. 44 Washboards, slightly damaged, the 15c kind at per yard only.

1 case Ready-Made Clothing at a fraction of value. 1 large case of Ready Made Clothing, all damaged by water but still usable. We are offering the case to sell every article in this lot at a fraction of the actual cost of the goods.

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Advertisement for 'Canadian Pacific SINGLE FARE VICTORIA DAY'. Includes text: 'Going May 21, 22, 23, 24, returning on May 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, and East. A. H. NOTMAN, Asst. General Passenger Agent, Toronto.'

Advertisement for 'NORTHERN Business College'. Includes text: 'OWEN SOUND, ONT. C. A. FLEMING, Principal. Spring Term Begins April 4th, 1904. Properties for Sale. \$2,000 will buy a 100-acre farm in Holland, W. J. McFarland, \$1,500 will buy a 50-acre house and double lot on Markdale, W. J. McFarland, \$1,500 will buy a 50-acre lot on Bitta street, Markdale. W. J. McFarland.'



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The World's Fair Premium Carriage Stallion. To Prince Arthur this season they must produce mares at stand where she was bred, or come and acknowledge her with foal and saddle by cash or note when notified by me to do so, and any person not complying with this rule will have to pay whether mare is with foal or not. I adopt this plan to save unnecessary travelling and expense.

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Nothing is allowed to interfere with the girl's health. The physical collapse follows, and years to recover the lost health is never recovered.

FOR SALE. The undersigned offers for sale the south-east part of the west-sixth concession, Township of 5 acres, 2 acres under cultivation, good pasture, 2000 ft. of road, a good well, and a well, 20 ft. deep, with good stone, and a long, also good stables, 800 sq. ft., driving house, and a large barn. All in good state of repair, and a never failing well of water on premises. It is 4 miles from school, and 1 1/2 miles from the station. No occupancies. Immediate possession given. Apply on the premises. WILLIAM T. J. McFarland.

P. McCullough. Barrister, Solicitor, etc. street, Markdale, Ont.

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Markdale Lodge, 141. Meets every Friday at 8 o'clock in the hall, Sergeant's Block, and is always welcome. W. S. Whaley, J. S. Black.

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Money to Loan. Private. In large or small amounts, rate of interest. No expenses to incur. Payments made by bank drafts, or by money order, or by cash. Purchases made in cash. Where, of all cases, money is loaned, it is made by cash, and business transacted on small terms. All business entrusted to be held strictly confidential. Room O, Confederation Life Building, Richmond St. East, Toronto.