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We've got the finest stock of new Ready-to-wear Clothing that ever graced the tables of a store in Markdale. At this store you can always depend on getting what you want and the best value to be had anywhere. In Suits and Overcoats for men, \$5.00 to \$15.00, Reefers for men, \$4.00 to \$8.00, Rain Coats for men, \$2.50 to \$11.00, Suits and Overcoats for boys, \$3.00 to \$7.00, Reefers for boys, \$2.00 to \$3.50, Pants for boys, 50c. to \$1.00.

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Ladies' New Collars and Belts
If you want to see what's new and fashionable in Collars and Belts come here, 25c. up to \$2.00 each.

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New styles just in, and the prices range from 25 cents to 50 cents.

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Depends on the tailor's Tape for the Fitting of His Clothes.

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Strayed
About the 25th July, from lot 2, con. 8, Ardenwick, a yearling cow, with some white markings, was last seen near Ardenwick. Information that will lead to his recovery will be thankfully received and rewarded. ROBERT HOLLIS, Vandenland.

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A Notable Visit.

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MARKDALE, SEPTEMBER 28, 1904.

Stand Up for Your Town.

Of course location and natural resources and facilities have something to do with the making of a town or city, but we are inclined to think that the energy and spirits of its citizens have more to do with it. Hundreds of towns died just because the people of the place were penurious, easily discouraged, pessimistic or disgruntled and were lacking in enthusiasm, public spirit and confidence in themselves, in their neighbors and their town. Lots of people are altogether too willing to slide down, give up and say, "Oh this town has no support, no resources, never will amount to anything anyway, and is fast going to the dogs." And such men make this unworthy belief of theirs an excuse to themselves, at least for declining to participate in any public enterprise for the betterment of conditions or for the general good. Now enthusiasm and enterprise were never wasted; they are contagious. Hundreds and thousands of towns have been made and built up and trade and industrial centres of importance by the enthusiasm, public spirit, and enterprise of a comparatively few men. Enthusiasm, bubbling over, and enterprise unquenchable, is what is wanted, and the more that any community has of these cardinal virtues, the better off that community will be, the greater its prosperity, the more certain and rapid its growth, and the less keenly its periods of depression will be felt. It is the people that make a town or build up a city. Fortunate, indeed, is that town which has a large body of public-spirited, enterprising and enthusiastic business men and citizens. Stand up for your town.—Ex.

The Girl of To-day.

Those are wise mothers who encourage friendships between their growing boys and the girls of the same age. The young girl, the young woman of to-day, is the mentor of the youth of to-day.

The women who like to be critical have much to say about the freedom allowed the 20th century girl. She has her golf club, her tennis club, and in the winter her skating club and her hockey club. She carries the wholesome air of active, athletic life about her, and her mind is as free and wholesome as her manner.

"She meets youth on the golf links, in the tennis court, on the ice, and estimates youth from her good, wholesome standpoint. Youth meets bright, wholesome, athletic womanhood, recognizes her standard and feels that it behooves his manhood to live up to that standard.

Girls no longer have the idea that because a man does a thing, that that act must necessarily be a right one. She takes to herself the privilege, and prerogative of being judge of his actions and her criticisms are apt to be colored by a judge's unbiased severity.

The boys themselves say, both at home and abroad, that it is better for them to spend their evenings with "a girl" or "the girls." The reason for this is one of the rules that works both ways. The young man's nights are more apt to be nights of peace, and his days to be days of pleasantness. He knows that a fair cousin is awaiting him who can assume an air of curiosity that terrifies while it fascinates. He seems in honor bound to give a strict account of himself, during an absence of few or many hours duration. Naturally, he likes to present a clear sheet, and get a good mark.

Dr. S. Weir Mitchell, in his delightful book, "When All the Woods Were Green," introduces Dorothy Maygood, whose chief duty in life is to "point" her man, Hiram. From continued "pointing" of Hiram, and careful reflections on the results, she came to the conclusion that very much in a man's career depends on how some woman has "pointed" him. If he is a failure, morally, socially, financially, Dorothy lays it to the fact that "he wasn't never 'pointed' right."

There is more "pointing" being done by Canadian girls along the road that leads away from the use of intoxicating liquors, than most people are aware of. Our girls will not stand for a young man's continued degradation of himself. Their moral instincts are aroused against the habit, socially they are banded against it. There is an unseen army working with unseen weapons against this common foe, and their work is none the less sure that the undermining of the enemy is being carried on without the boom of campaign cannon or the sharp rattle of platform artillery.

A Striking Difference.

A gentleman who travels a good deal in Ontario says there is a striking difference in the conditions that prevail east and west of Toronto. It seems odd that there should be any real difference between two parts of the Province equally favored by nature, but our informant suggests an interesting explanation. He has found that throughout many farming districts to the east, and especially along Lake Ontario, the farms are worked by tenants and owned by retired farmers living economically in the towns and villages, or by companies or individuals living in Toronto, or other places more or less distant. These tenants do not improve property the way owners would do if operating the farms themselves and making money. Their profits are put into banks, not into buildings, and when they have saved enough they move away and buy land elsewhere. In Western Ontario a tenant can rent a hundred acre farm for \$150 or \$175 per annum, while in the old settled districts east of Toronto he will pay double the sum and have no compensating advantage, except a little better roads and perhaps more convenient schools and churches. His crops and his prices are no better. He pays double the rent for his land and grows no more grain per acre. In Western Ontario there are more owners working their own land and putting the profits into improvements. The Toronto Star, commenting on this matter, says very truly that while prosperity makes people cheerful, it is also true that optimism helps to make people prosperous. When a whole community has faith in itself its success is half accomplished. The man who has money is not afraid to invest it. He will employ his cash or he will lend it to somebody who has employment for it. Prosperity may be in a country, yet it will pass by a town whose people are timid and distrustful of everybody and everything. In some small communities one meets with a distrust of any new thing that is almost Chinese in its narrowness, and men of enterprise naturally go to the cities or out West, where optimists are plenty and where new ideas are welcomed by brass bands.

Delloate Boys and Girls

Are altogether too numerous. Our schools are full of them. Changes are a shame so many children grow up without health, when they could be made strong by Ferrozene. It's tonic growing boys and girls can take, helps digestion, makes the blood pure and rich. It supplies more nourishment than children can get in any other way and soon establishes a reserve of energy and force. Give your children Ferrozene and watch them grow strong. Price 50c. per box.

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THE RE-ECHO OF FIRE

Some two weeks ago the large wholesale grocery house of Eby, Brain & Co., Toronto, was partially destroyed by fire. Since then the balance of the stock has been sold, and as we were amongst the largest buyers, we are in a position to offer you unparalleled bargains in the following lines:

3000 pounds choice Japan and Ceylon Green Teas. These goods are of different qualities, including 25c, 30c, 35c, and 40c. teas. Special Fire Sale price, per pound	100 dozen Imperial quart and Crown quart Jam Jars, regular price 75c., per doz. special Fire Sale price, per dozen
100 dozen Fine Toilet Soap, 3 cakes to the box. Regular 10c. kind. Special Fire Sale price 7c. or 4 boxes for 25c.	400 pounds choice Black Pepper, pure in quality, regular price per pound 25c. Special Fire Sale price, 2 pounds for
500 packages of Smiltes' Fly Pads, poison, the 6c. kind, none better. Special Fire Sale price, 2 packages for	1500 packages of the well known Breakfast Foods such as Force, Malta, Vita, Orange Fruit and Life Chips. Special Fire Sale price, 3 pkgs. for
2500 pounds of Black Ceylon and Green Ceylon Teas, the regular 25c. quality. Special Fire Sale price, per pound	600 pounds fine Boneler Cod Fish, the 7c. kind. Special Fire Sale price, 6 pounds for
	700 lbs Choice Canned Tomatoes, Kent and Aylmer Brands. Special Fire Sale price, per tin
	5000 dozen of best quality wood Clothes Pins. Special Sale price, 84 Clothes Pins, or 7 doz. for 5

We are also quoting Special Prices on the following lines.

Coffee, Currants, Walnuts, Jams, Blue Black, Lead, Cereals of all kinds, Tobaccos, Prunes, Blacking all kinds, Baking Powders, Soaps, Fish, etc., etc.

Customers will kindly note that in every case we guarantee the quality of these goods, and also that we will refund money in all cases should you be dissatisfied.

SHOP EARLY.

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SO WEAK, COULDN'T WALK.
Another Astonishing Case Of Female Troubles Cured By Ferrozene.

"Before taking the first box of Ferrozene," writes Mrs. Annie Jeffrey of Sandy Cove, N. S., "my condition was deplorable. Though I employed the most skillful medical aid, I grew steadily weaker. In fact, I was in such a wretched condition that it was impossible for me to walk across the room. My heart was very weak, and I suffered from terrible palpitation, which the doctors said were from trouble peculiar to women. Friends urged me to try Ferrozene and I, but lost my old-time vigor and strength. My appetite increased, and I got a good rosy color in my cheeks. It would be impossible to speak too highly of Ferrozene. All weak women should use Ferrozene, for it will surely 'cure' them."

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Properties for Sale.
\$2000.00 buy a 100-acre farm in Holland, W. J. Hill, agent, \$1500 will buy a concrete house on double lot on Markdale road, Markdale. W. J. Hill, agent.

Farm for Sale
100 acres, good soil, 50 acres under cultivation, can work machinery on it; 12 acres bush land and stable, 12 good wells, very good house and barn, school and post office convenient. Also a good neighborhood. ROBERT GOODWILL, Glasgow.

Farm for Sale.
Lot 4, con. 12, (Holland, 130 acres, about one half under cultivation, and the balance hardwood pasture; frame barn and house, good roads and good neighborhood. ROBERT GOODWILL, Glasgow.

Strayed
To my premises about the 20th August, five spring calves, two heifers and three ewes, and paying expense. Also, ROBERT JOHNSON, lot 4, con. 10, Supra, Goring p.o.

Strayed
From my premises, lot 14, con. 10, Holland, a cow giving milk, red with white on both hind legs, and with some white on her shoulders, will be thankfully received. JAMES GIBLIN, Goring p.o.

Public Notice
Notice is hereby given that a court will be held pursuant to The Ontario Valuers' Law Act, by His Honor, The Judge of the County Court of the County of Grey at the town of Holland, Ontario, on the 28th day of September, 1904, at 10 o'clock, p. m., to hear and determine the several claims of errors and omissions in the voters' list of the municipality of Holland for 1904. All persons having business in the court are required to attend. At said place, at said time. J. W. McFARLAND, Clerk of Supra.

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Court Markdale, Chosen Friends, meet Tuesday in the morning at 8 o'clock. Mrs. W. Chief Concessor; R. W. Concessor.

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meets in Emmit's hall at the first and third Monday of the month. Has 20 members from other lodges. Elliott, Master. C. W. Concessor.

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Flesherton, Concessor, Valuator and Money Lender, mortgages, leases and valuations made on application. Charges very low. J. Sprout, Postmaster.

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