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Special value in heavy weight, the good kinds, \$1.50 to \$2.50 each. Boots, Shoes, Rubbers and Overshoes, Felt Slippers, Felt Shoes, Leggings, etc. Best value to be had anywhere for Men and Boys, Ladies, Misses and Children.

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If you want to see what a nice Persian Lamb Cap looks like, come here—you'll buy if you want one.

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For Men and Boys everyday wear, are the best wearing Rubbers on the market. You can get them here. They always give satisfaction.

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For Men and Boys, Ladies, Misses and Children. Best quality at lowest prices.

THE STORE FOR QUALITY AND LOW PRICES.

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HAND MADE HARNESS OUR OWN MAKE

The oldest established Harness business in this county, and to-day doing the largest business, carrying the largest and best stock of Harness and harness goods, we are in a position to undersell our competitors.

Up-to-date HARNESS Our own make

We have the necessary machinery to compete with any factory or departmental store. Bring along your catalogues and we will meet prices.

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Dazzling Display of New Fall JEWELLERY

A most reliable place to purchase good jewellery is the place where you know of whom you are buying. You have the assurance of a business reputation and guarantee that goes with every article purchased from Stephenson. The customer comes again. I am showing all the latest styles a magnificent array of

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It is the best I have ever shown, and you know what I have done in the past. Prices are Right. Now, you'll not forget to make me a visit, will you, when you are purchasing your Xmas, present. Never mind if you are only looking around, come anyway. All articles purchased engraved free.

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Farm Telephones Pay.

A cattle buyer drove into the yard of a farmer about fifty miles from Chicago the other day and made an offer for all the cattle and pigs on hand, delivery to be made at once. The offer seemed a good one, but before closing the farmer said he would speak to his wife. Going to the house he asked his wife to call up a Chicago commission house, by telephone, says a writer in the Chicago Tribune. In less than two minutes he was in communication with Chicago, and was informed of a rise in prices and advised what a good offer would be at that moment. Within five minutes he closed a deal with the buyer at prices which paid him \$300 more than the first offer.

At a neighbor's the threshing gang was hard at work. Twenty-five men and a huge machine were making quick work of the big barley stacks. All at once a sharp report was heard; there was a stoppage, and investigation showed an important part of the machine broken. No similar part was at hand, and it was doubtful if it could be obtained in the nearest town, seven miles away. Perhaps it would be necessary to send to the manufacturer. There was just one chance that it might be obtained in Elgin. Naturally the first thing thought of was the telephone. The exchange, seven miles away, was called, and within a minute over the twenty-five mile line to Elgin the mishap was discussed with the dealer in that city. The train left Elgin in fifteen minutes with the missing piece aboard. In an hour and a half it had reached the nearest railway station, and before dinner was over it had arrived, was put in place, and again the wheels were whirring and the barley running into sacks. If no telephone had been at hand, there would certainly have been twenty-four hours' delay.

Thousands of instances of the above character go to show every day that the telephone is indispensable in the house of an up-to-date farmer. Few people in Chicago realize that there are more than five thousand telephones in farmhouses within fifty miles of that city. The farmer, with all his great freedom of operations and his opportunities in broad acres and smiling fields, is just as closely in touch with the facilities of the great city as if he were next door to it. In the farmhouse the telephone begins to get busy at five o'clock in the morning. At dinner time calls of many kinds go back and forth over the line, but it is in the evening, after supper, that neighbor meets neighbor, discussing the crops and all matters of mutual interest. Housewives gossip of family affairs, and a community of interest is had, not only over all the country, but all over as much of the country as may be desired. When the farmer goes to bed he does not feel that he is out of the world nor have sorry dreams of his isolation. If the metropolis is the comet he is hitched on to the tail with the very decided advantage that he is not close enough to get burned, and he can let go if he wants to. The rural mail delivery has done much for the farmer, but the telephone is doing more.

Brown-Wiggins.

A very pretty wedding took place Thanksgiving afternoon at 4 o'clock in Broadway Methodist Tabernacle, Toronto, when Miss Sarah Wiggins was married to Mr. Wilbert E. Brown both of Owen Sound. Rev. E. N. Baker the pastor officiated. The bride entered the church on the arm of her brother-in-law, Mr. H. E. Gilchrist. The bride looked charming in a gown of grey crepe de chene trimmed with piffing and applique, the whole of the beautiful gown being shirred. She carried a bouquet of white oryranthemums and wore a white rose in her hair. Miss Lizzie Walters, the bridesmaid, was dressed in softest white silk and carried pink chrysanthemums. Mr. Lew Wiggins, brother of the bride, ably supported the groom. A large number of guests and friends were present at the ceremony, after which a reception was held at the home of Mrs. Fred Abbott, 168 Robert street, when the bride received all congratulations. The wedding presents were beautiful, showing the high esteem in which the young couple were held by their Toronto friends. The bride and groom left Saturday evening for Owen Sound, and will be at home to their friends and Christmas, in their beautiful new house on Douglas street.

WHEN BABY COMES YOU NEED STRENGTH.

No Mother Can Rear a Healthy Child Unless She is Stronger Herself. FERROZON Imparts New Vigor—Braces, Nourishes, Strengthens Weak Women.

A woman's anxieties multiply ten-fold about the time the new baby is expected. If her strength is exhausted and her blood weak, it goes hard in the hour of trial. Ferrozon should be used before, during and after the pregnancy, and every part of the body, it uplifts your spirits at once.

Childbirth is certainly made easier by Ferrozon. The following statement expresses the earnest gratitude of Mrs. woman's story of her own case—told in a letter which may profit by her experience: "Before baby was born I was in a miserable, weak, nervous state. I had no reserve strength. I tried to build upon the coming day with bread, knowing I was unequal to the occasion. It gave me strength and spirits, brought my experience with Ferrozon's recommendation to all expectant mothers." There is more concentrated nourishment in Ferrozon than you can get from anything else. It supplies what weak systems need. Simply take one tablet at meals and you will feel uplifted, verily, vigorous woman; try it, 60c per box, at all dealers, or by mail from Dr. C. Polson & Co., Kingston, Ont., and Hartford, Conn., U. S. A.

Church News.

By a unanimous resolution of the assembly of the Scotch Established Church, all Presbyterians in Scotland are called upon to celebrate next year, the four hundredth anniversary of John Knox.

The residence and grounds of the late C. H. Spurgeon, known as Westwood, Upper Norwood, were recently offered for sale at an upset price of £5,500, but as there were no bidders the sale was withdrawn.

Spurgeon's sermons are still selling, and a new one is being printed every week. One has been printed weekly for two thousand eight hundred weeks, and there are several hundred still unprinted. It has been calculated that if laid in line, the number printed since 1838 would make a pathway round the world six feet wide.

Terrible as was the burning of the steamer "General Slocum" last summer near New York, the event has nearly gone out of mind already. Not so with the pastor of the church whose picnic party was on board the burning wreck. Since that disaster the pastor, Rev. George E. Haas, has had nearly an empty church. In the tragedy he lost forty-two Sunday school teachers, nearly all the members of the Young People's Society, and five per cent. of the Women's Aid Society of his congregation.

The question of whether a Christian Church should engage men and women who make no pretense at possessing religion to sing in its choir, or in fact to take any part in the services, seems to be the subject of considerable comment at the present time among church periodicals. Some of the papers express the opinion that it is just as logical to hire a gifted but ungodly man as a minister as it would be to engage a soloist or an organist simply on account of musical ability. On this topic the London Examiner speaks in the following strong words: "Would it not be a shocking thing if a church were to hire an ungodly man, simply because he had the gift of eloquent speech, to lead in its service of prayer? But in what essential respect does this differ from the practice of hiring ungodly men and women to lead in the service of song in the house of God? If the singer has any place in the service of the church it is as an act of worship. To turn it into a performance for the entertainment of the audience is to debase the service and the place. Surely such a travesty of worship cannot be acceptable to God."

Yandeleur. Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Graham and Misses May and Annie spent Thanksgiving in Toronto. Miss Etta Douglas and Miss Minnie Black of Epping spent Thanksgiving at the former's home here. Miss Minnie Graham of Burlington visited a few days recently with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Graham. Rev. H. Berry of Holland Centre preached an excellent sermon in this church on Sunday. A number from Ebenezer were present to hear their former pastor. Mr. Thos. Knight of Allison is visiting his niece, Mrs. R. Graham. Miss Kate Davis has gone to Harrisburg to visit for some time with her sister, Miss Daisy.

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75 ct. Black Frieze for 48 cts. a yard.

278 yards extra heavy and fine All-Wool Black Frieze Cloth actually made in Scotland. We secured at a ridiculously low price about 500 yards of this excellent cloth almost half superior at the price we're asking for it, 278 yards to be cleared at per yard.

Soiled Grain Bags, each 15c.

Soiled Grain Bags that are sure to be picked up quickly. All are sound, good, big size, and a good bargain at this price, each only.

Women's Heavy Worsted Hose 25c.

Secured at the lowest price we've ever known goods of equal quality sold for. These are of extra good quality, made of imported Scotch worsted yarn, all seamless and perfectly shaped. While this lot lasts you are certain of getting this best quality of goods at 25c a pair.

\$1.35 Stanfield's Underwear for \$1.10.

Secured at a decided inside price a good quantity of Stanfield's celebrated underwear. The garment bears the manufacturer's label, guaranteeing their reliability and quality. These are of extra good quality, made of imported Scotch worsted yarn, all seamless and perfectly shaped. While this lot lasts you are certain of getting this best quality of goods at \$1.10 a pair.

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We believe our Dress Goods Stock is without the slightest exaggeration the best for this season's wear that is not represented in our insignificant collection. For ordinary wear—we have thousands of yards at the most moderate prices. For 500 yards of Amazon Sauting Cloth, in greys, blues, browns, tawns, blacks, etc. Full 40 inches wide and what we feel certain is the best dress goods value you'll find. Per yard only.

We have a Magnificent Stock of Clothing

Nothing you could desire in new and fashionable Clothing but you can procure here twice the size of that carried by us in former years. Every dollar's worth bought here is worth more than two elsewhere. We have nothing that we cannot recommend and guarantee to give perfect satisfaction.

- Men's Worsted and Tweed Suits, Men's Fine Over Coats, Men's Pea Jackets and Smocks, Boys Excellent Quality Suits, Boys Serviceable Over Coats, Boys Heavy Coats, Mens and Boys Odd Pants at special prices.

Some Lines of Hardware You Need.

- Stoves, Ranges, Heaters, Drums, Stove Pipes, Cow Chains, Washing Machines, Root Baskets, Cross Cut Saws and Axes—the best made, Clothes Wringers, Pops (All kinds), Snow Shovels, Shot Guns.

Every department of our large store is full to overflowing with the best goods the market affords. We have the largest assortment of the finest goods to be found. Customers reside fifteen, twenty, and even twenty-five miles distant, and find it before noon, is it too much to ask of those residing in or near the town to call on us?

SHOP IN THE FORENOON.

Everything in readiness at 8 o'clock, and you can shop with the greatest comfort and convenience until 12 o'clock. Later the crowds make shopping less pleasurable.

F. T. HILL & CO.

Castarrh is Certainly Curable. In fact it is one of the most curable diseases if fragrant healing Catarrh-ozone is used. No matter how long you have suffered with Catarrh you can be perfectly cured by inhaling the anti-septic vapor of Catarrh-ozone, which strikes at the foundation of the trouble and establishes such a healthy condition in the system that catarrh never can re-assert itself. "I suffered from catarrh of the nose and throat for years," writes S. H. Dewey of Pottsville. "My nostrils were always stuffed up and I had a most disagreeable hacking cough. Catarrh-ozone cured me completely. Catarrh-ozone never fails. Two month's treatment \$1.00; trial size 25c."

Flu (Came late for last week.) Flowing and hunting is the order. Mrs. Dennison died recently of pneumonia. Dr. Zell had been in attendance. Rev. H. Berry officiated at the burial.

Mrs. William Johnson has returned home, somewhat improved in health, but still frail. Mr. James Grant has returned from the West. Mrs. William Leasing is staying with her daughter, Mrs. J. A. Hannah, at Berkeley.

A Simple Cure For Piles. Pile sufferers know that ointments and other local treatise but sometimes relieve, but never cure. They don't remove the cause. There is a little tablet that is taken internally and cures any case of Piles now long standing. A month's treatment costs \$1.00. Ask for Dr. Leonard's Hem-Roid (a throat lozenge) and dollar guarantee goes with every Hem-Roid is the discovery of Dr. Leonard of Lincoln, Neb., one of the most distinguished and successful physicians in the Western States. It is sold by W. Turner & Co., Markdale, Ont., or The Wilson-Eyle, Co., Limited, Niagara Falls, Ont.

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"DEAR MRS. I have lost strength with me. I had a loss of strength through the pelvic extremities. I had sought medical advice that I had overworked, and advised strongly to go to the Lyell Hotel, Toronto. My judgment was my good things since were true, and less pain and more increasing soon. My complaints were eleven weeks 1 year and vigorous and my heartiest thanks to you for the great medicine. Sincerely yours, MRS. LYDIA E. PINK. Wis.—\$5000 (with proof genuineness can be had.)

P. McC. Barrister, Solicitor, street, Markdale.

Lucas, Wright. Barristers, Solicitors, Markdale and Owen Sound. Lucas, W. H. Wright.

J. S. P. P. M. estate security at 10. No commission if strictly confidential.

A. Brown. Graduate, Toronto College, Member of the Ontario College of Education, Stephen's drug store, subagent at office.

Saugoon Lodge. Meets every Friday night, 8 o'clock. Wm. McNeil, N.G.; W. E. McNeil, W.M.

L. G. G. (L.D.S.) Dental Surgeon, College of Dentistry, Toronto. Office, 6 p.m.

C. O. C. F. Court Markdale. Chosen Friends Tuesday in the hall at 8 o'clock. Chief Constable, order.

Markdale Lodge. Meets in Emma's hall the first and third month. Wm. McNeil, from other lodges. Fleisher, Master. C. O. C. F. order.

R. J. Sp. Fleisher, Convener. Valuator and Money Mortgage, Loans and Valuations made. Charges very low. J. Sprague, Postmaster.

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C. P. R. TIM. MARKDALE. Going South 7.30. Going North 12.20.

Proprietor. 1200 will buy 1000 acres. W. J. McFarland. 1000 and double lot on W. J. McFarland.

Farm for Sale. Fifty acres, being lot 1, Ardenburg, well watered by river, falling into the Ardenburg, comprising 100 acres, lot 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50. This has a good hardwood bush, good school, four miles from Markdale. These will be sold together.

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