

# BARGAINS FOR DECEMBER AT MERCER'S

MARKDALE'S CHEAPEST & MOST RELIABLE STORE

## Now For Christmas!

We are ready with the biggest and best stock of useful goods we have ever shown. No matter what you want in Dry Goods, Clothing, Furs, Shoes, Rubbers, Furnishings, Groceries, Crockery, etc., you are almost sure to get it at this store and at prices not beaten by anybody. **COME AND SEE.**

- Suits and Overcoats** for Men 5.00 to 15.00.
- Suits and Overcoats** for Boys at 2.50 to 10.00.
- Reefers** for Men and Boys at 3.00 to 5.00.
- Men's Fur Coats**, the good kind, at 18.00 to 30.00.
- Gloves and Mitts** for Men and boys, at 25c. to 1.75.
- Mufflers** for Men and Boys 25c. to 75c. All colors.
- Boys' and Girls' Wool Toggles**, 25c. to 50c.
- Horse Blankets** extra heavy, lined and strapped, 1.00 to 2.50.
- Robes**, Gray Goat and Imitation Buffalo, 8.50 to 8.00.
- Men's Heavy Rubbers** for sox, 1.00 to 2.50—old price.
- Dress Goods** in all the new materials and colors 25c. to 1.25 per yard.
- Waist Lengths** 50 different patterns to choose from, 25c. to 75c. yd.
- Ladies Collars** in all the new style, 25c to 2.00.
- Ladies Kid Gloves and Mitts** extra quality, 1.00 to 1.75.
- Ladies Cloth Jackets** at 3.00 to 15.00.
- Ladies Fur Coats** at 25.00 to 45.00.
- Ladies Ruffs** at 8.00 to 15.00.
- Ladies Caporines** at 5.00 to 13.00.
- Ladies Felt Slippers** at 50c. to 1.25.
- Men's Felt Boots** in laced and gaiters, 1.25 to 2.25.
- Men's Fur Caps** at 1.40 to 10.00.

Come and see our goods. You don't have to pay too much here. Highest prices paid for Poultry, Butter and Eggs.

H. MERCER, Markdale.

### THE MARKDALE STANDARD

C. W. Rutledge, Publisher

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MARKDALE, DECEMBER 14, 1905.

#### CORPORAL PUNISHMENT.

One may rejoice in the better knowledge of human nature and the improved pedagogical methods which have resulted in improving the discipline of our schools and reducing corporal punishment to a minimum, without being in sympathy with those who would abolish the strap altogether. There are always those who are carried away by fads and are apt to follow unquestioningly those who pose as educational leaders. There is no more important lesson that the boy or girl can learn at school than the necessity of submitting to constraints with dignity. The great majority are amenable to reason and to the higher motives, but there are some who require something more than moral suasion. Society is impossible except so far as men have learned to respect law and authority. The school, as well as home, is the nursery of citizenship. The boy who in the home and the school has learned to obey has learned a most valuable lesson for life. The one who has not so learned is the stuff from which the anarchist and the law breaker is made.

#### CITIZEN RESPONSIBILITIES.

Governor Folk, the Missouri enemy of graft and boodle, is quoted as saying: "The greatest obstacle in the way of good government, the greatest hindrance to the progress of righteousness, is the inactivity of good citizens, who these disregard their obligations to their City and State they leave control to undesirable elements." This is very true and is noticeable in municipal government as well as in political government. We have only to look at our town affairs to acknowledge the truth of this. A great many of our most prominent business men are heard to criticize the town council sharply for its sins of omission and commission, but these same critics do not attempt to remedy affairs by entering the field of civic management themselves. Municipal management is not easy under any circumstances, and criticism is easy, but it is the duty of those who occupy prominent positions in the town to assume their share of responsibility of proper management of the town affairs. Furthermore, those who know by experience the duties of municipal government will be less prone to criticize those who are in office. The younger men, too, should recollect that municipal experience is probably the best school for public life and has sent forth many distinguished graduates.

#### NOTES.

The Toronto exhibition directors will endeavor to secure Admiral Togo for a side show at the big fair next year.

It is said to be the intention of the C. P. R. Co., to place a station on its new line at John Wilson's house in Albion where the C. P. R. and G.T.R. meet each other. It is further rumored that this will be a union station, that Cardwell Junction will be abolished, that the C. P. R. will abandon its line between Merivale Road and Orangeville, and that a new line will be built from Ingleside to the Valley to connect with Mono Road on the Owen Sound division.—Bolton Enterprise.

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew, an organization of earnest, young men within the Church of England, has opened up a promising field for Christian effort in the West. It is under such circumstances as these that obtain in new settlements that the efforts of the brotherhood will have greatest force in retaining young men within the sphere of these active Christian industries that are so often forgotten in the vicissitudes of pioneer life. The membership of the brotherhood is increasing steadily, being now upwards of 2,000. It is thus becoming every year a more potent factor in promoting the goodly cause for which it stands.

The following resolution was passed at a recent meeting of the Board of Education of Smith's Falls: "That no home work be given to pupils on Fridays in the public schools; that the home work given on the other days of the week be no more than the pupils can reasonably do at home; that the schools be promptly dismissed at twelve o'clock and four o'clock; that nothing be allowed to interfere with the 15 minutes recess forenoon and afternoon; that in the case of the Smith's Falls Board of Education the system of crowding too much study on young persons is injurious to both mind and body."

The correspondent of an English newspaper has sent in an advertisement from the Toronto Star of Nov. 14th calling for carpenters and containing the legend "No English need apply." The correspondent sends this advertisement to the editor in order to dispel any illusion that Englishmen are welcomed to Canada with open arms. The explanation of the objectionable words "No English need apply" is that the English workmen are considered too slow in their work to suit the modern contractor. But if the English carpenter is slow his work is sure and lasting, and it is a pity that the modern contractor in Canada does not pay more attention to the quality of his work and less to the speed in which his work is done.

#### Beaverdale.

The annual Christmas Tree entertainment in connection with the English Church will be held on the 20th of Dec. A splendid program is in readiness.

Messrs. Irwins of Heathcote are visiting at Mr. Bretts.

Just imagine for a moment the disappointment depicted on the young people's faces who went to a party quite recently, when the host announced the place was in darkness, the party had been a night or two before; it does not do to be behind the times.

A few of our young men were on an experimenting tour recently; it is a mystery to us all.

We presume that Mr. Darlow of Menford is engaged for the coming year as public school teacher here. Our present teacher, Miss Robinson, has been a very fine and conscientious young lady in dealing with her pupils; we wish her every success in future undertakings.

It is long drive to Menford, especially in winter.

# F. T. HILL & CO., Markdale.

## FOR CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS

### A Mammoth Purchase of an English Crockery and China Stock away below market values

Selling at 25, 33; and 50% Less Than Regular Prices. Sale Begins This Week.

We have just finished placing in stock over one carload of English Crockery and China in Fancy and Staple lines. This is part of the stock of a large English pottery which we succeeded in buying away below market values. This is the reason we are able to make this offer so much below the regular prices. Remember All first quality goods and this season's staple and up-to-date patterns AT GREAT PRICE REDUCTIONS.

### Fruit and Salad Bowls.

20 doz. Fancy Fruit and Salad Bowls, selling at Half Price.

300 Fancy Delph Salad or Fruit Bowls, heavy rich embossed colors, beautiful new designs, large assortment of colors, regular 50c values. Selling for..... 25

### Cake Plates.

Fancy Cake Plates at Half Price.

12 dozen or 150 Fancy Cake Plates in the heavy, rich, embossed colors, large assortment of patterns richly stippled with gold, regular selling value 50c, selling for..... 25

### Plates.

Tea Plates, Dessert Plates, Dinner Plates, 25 p.c. off regular prices.

80 dozen Fancy Decorated Tea Plates in all the leading colors, 4 different designs and patterns. Regular values 80c. per dozen for..... 58

50 dozen Dessert Plates. Regular 1.00 values for per dozen..... 78

50 dozen Fancy Decorated Dinner Plates. Regular 1.25 values for per dozen..... 88

### White Delph Cups.

200 dozen White Delph Cups, best quality, full size, 38c. per doz.

200 dozen best quality White Delph Cups full size, selling without saucers, in plain or wheat pattern. Regular value 60c. per doz. Selling at per dozen..... 38

### Bedroom Sets.

Fancy Decorated Bedroom Sets for \$1.48 per set. Regular \$2.00.

80 Fancy Decorated Bedroom Sets in floral patterns and a variety of colors, such as blue tints, green tints, grey tints and pink tints, 6 pieces in all. Regular value 2.00. Selling at per set..... 1.48

\$4.50 Bedroom Sets in fine quality Porcelain Delph for \$3.25.

35 ten-piece Bedroom Sets in best quality English Delph, beautiful tinted decorations, sold tinted oval basin in rose, sweet peas, daisy and poppy decorations. Regular selling value 4.50. Selling at per set..... 3.25

Semi-Porcelain Bedroom Sets in new cream tints with heavy gold band decorations, new design and shape. Regular selling value 3.75. Selling at per 10-piece set..... 2.85

### Tea Sets.

44-piece English China Tea Sets for \$3.65.

10 only fine English China Tea Sets, 44 pieces, dainty floral decorations in pinks, greys, greens and combination colors. Regular value 4.75. Selling at per set..... 3.65

44-piece Semi-Porcelain China Tea Sets for \$4.25.

6 sets only fine English Semi-Porcelain China Tea Sets, entirely new in style with neat band of gold and colored stripes. O. K. blue, pea green and pink. Regular value 5.50. Selling at per set.... 4.25

### See Our Dinner Sets.

See our assortment of Dinner Sets in Fine Porcelain and English China.

New decorations and colorings selling at popular prices—5.50, 7.75, 7.50, 9.75, 10.50, 12.50 and 18.50 for 9-piece sets.

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### Cups and Saucers

200 dozen Gold Edge and Clover Sprig Cups and Saucers for 50c. per doz. Just half price.

200 dozen best English Delph Cups and Saucers, with gold line and clover leaf decorations, best quality goods; positively cannot be repeated when sold. Regular price 1.00 per doz. Special sale price per dozen..... 50

### Tea Sets.

Forty Piece, Fancy Tea Sets selling for \$1.85.

25 Fancy Porcelain Tea Sets, 40 pieces in all, in fancy floral patterns and the following assortment of colors and tints, dark blue, light blue, sea green, brown and pink, reg. \$2.50 value, selling at..... 1.85

### Chambers.

Fancy Decorated Chambers at one-third less than regular prices.

75 Fancy Chambers in best quality English Delph, plain gold stippling and fancy lithographed patterns in deep rich colors. Regular 70c and 75c. values selling at 48c and..... 55

### Fruit Bowls.

150 Fancy China Fruit Bowls, regular price \$1. selling for 68c.

150 Fancy China Fruit Bowls, in fancy oval shape, turned edges and encased in the dark rich ingram colorings, in beautiful floral decorations, regular value \$1.00, selling for each..... 68c.

### Bread Plates.

Fancy Bread Plates at 1/3 of Regular Price.

25 Fancy Bread Plates in long oval shape, fancy cut, in green, olive, pink and blue tints, heavy gold stippling and embroidery. Regular \$1.25, now selling for..... 95c.

### Salad Bowls.

Fancy Salad Bowls for 35c, regular 50c value.

Three dozen Fancy Salad Bowls, in Semi Porcelain China, with large rose decorations, in many colors finished with gold, regular value, selling for..... 35c.

### Butter Plates.

Fine English China Butter Plates selling for 75c per dozen.

25 dozen Fancy Butter Plates, colored decorations, crimped edges, gold lined, regular value \$1.10 per dozen, selling for..... 75c.

### Cream Pitchers

60 only Cream Pitchers in Cream Majolica gold line decorations, very handy for table use, special each..... 9c.

### Fancy Jugs

in many designs and patterns, priced low. Extra value. Priced as follows: each 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c and.. 50

### Fancy Lamps.

We are showing a very large range of Fancy Lamps, popularly priced in a very large variety of styles, selling as follows: each 95c, \$1.15, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75 and..... 2.00

For the convenience of shoppers we would ask you to do your shopping as early in the day as possible, especially for the next three weeks. Shop early!

# W. J. STEPHENS

## From Now Until Christmas

We will give special bargains in **BOOTS, SHOES AND RUBBERS** Every purchaser may depend on getting a bargain.

Now, the rest of our space we will devote to the Flour question, for when a dealer has a good article he likes to talk about it.

### HOW BIG IS TWO CENTS?

The average consumption of Flour per year by each person in Canada is about one barrel (196 lbs.) Suppose you use an inferior flour at a saving of say 75c. over the cost of a barrel of Royal Household Flour, that is just 64c. a month, less than two cents per week. But an inferior flour can yield only a portion of the nutriment you get out of "Royal Household," because cheap flours are poorly milled, contain a greater proportion of bran and shorts, the granules are not uniform, the bread is heavy, the texture is coarse, the flour is tasteless or poor, the nutriment is not in it. "Royal Household Flour" being perfectly milled, is uniform in texture, makes bread that is light and waterlike, while as snow, finely flavored. "Royal Household" is electrically purified and sterilized, backed up and guaranteed by its makers' reputation. For sale by—

W. J. STEPHENS, MARKDALE.

"Hamilton's Wonders" if you are suffering with Sore Eyes and have not already tried.

you should do so at once. IT CURE!

**THE IOZONE REMEDY CO.**  
106 Adelaide W., Toronto.

### DISEASES OF WOMEN OFTEN DUE TO DERANGED KIDNEYS.

When the Kidneys are Weak it is impossible for any Woman to be Happy or Healthy.

If the girls and women who are silently suffering with what they suppose is "female trouble" would look to their kidneys they would soon find the source of their ill-health.

No better medicine is known for the kidneys than Dr. Hamilton's Pills of Mandrake and Butternut; they stimulate and strengthen the kidneys and thereby assist the other organs to do nature's work. Instant benefit and certain cure are guaranteed in every case.

Sufferer, don't wait, begin treatment with Dr. Hamilton's Pills at once; they will cure you as they did Mrs. A. B. Coburn, a well-known resident of Portland. Read her experience.

"For two years back I have been sickly and weak. My color was dull and sallow, and I felt exhausted and weary, as if all my strength were being eaten up with some hidden trouble. I heard of Dr. Hamilton's Pills and decided to use them. The change in a few days was surprising. They regulated my kidneys and bowels and cured all my suffering; to-day I am perfectly well."

Every woman can take Dr. Hamilton's Pills with safety and benefit. Their occasional use keeps the system in healthy, well regulated order. No medicine more gentle or more prompt in results. Now is the time to get Dr. Hamilton's Pills, 25c. per box or five boxes for \$1.25 at all dealers, or by mail from H. O. Folsom, 50, Herbert Street, U.S.A., and Kingston, Ont.

Coal Always in Stock

Superior Blacksmith's Coal at 80c per ton. Following tons delivered in towns:

Hgt. Coal at 80c per ton.  
Chestnut at 80c  
Evo at 80c  
J. R. BAIRD, Markdale.

# PAINFUL

Suggestions How



White no woman

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MR. HERRELL writes: "About a year ago I was afflicted with a severe form of Rheumatism, and the pain was so unbearable that I was unable to get about. I had tried every remedy I could get, but with no result. I then bought a box of Dr. T. A. Stocum's Greatest Pain Expeller, and after using it for a few days, the pain ceased, and I was able to get about as usual. I am daily giving my neighbors a course of this medicine, and they are all benefited. It is a truly wonderful medicine." Box 23, Springfield, N.S.

and women in distress restored to health through is not a patent medicine, professional prescriptions methods. Its efficacy is proven by the testimonials of thousands of sufferers. It is the only medicine that cures Rheumatism, Gout, Neuralgia, and all forms of Pain.

ALL DRUGS

The Dr. T. A. Stocum,

We know of a number of supposed competitors who are cured by Miller's Corn Plasters. For sale by W. T.