

# Now for Christmas

We are ready with the Choicest Selection of useful Christmas goods we have ever shown. Big reductions to all cash buyers during December. Come and See.

## Ladies Furs and Coats.

**FUR COATS**—Regular \$35 to \$50.00, Christmas sale price \$25.00 to \$40.00. Ladies high grade Fur Lined Coats, regular price up to \$65.00 for \$50.00.  
**CLOTH COATS**—New styles, all colors, Black, Brown, Navy and Green. Regular prices \$12.00 to \$15.00, for \$10.00.  
**FURS**—This is the place to Buy good Furs cheap. We are showing an elegant stock of Ruffs, Muffs, Stoles and Capelines at close prices. See them.

## Men's Suits and Overcoats.

Sold everywhere for \$12.00 to \$14.00, our close close cash price, \$10.00. Special bargains in Men's and Boys Pants, Reefers, Cardigans, Gloves, Mitts, Coat Sweaters, Mufflers, Sox, Braces, Ties, Underwear and Caps.

## Boots, Shoes, Rubbers, Moccasins, Overshoes. Felt Shoes and Slippers.

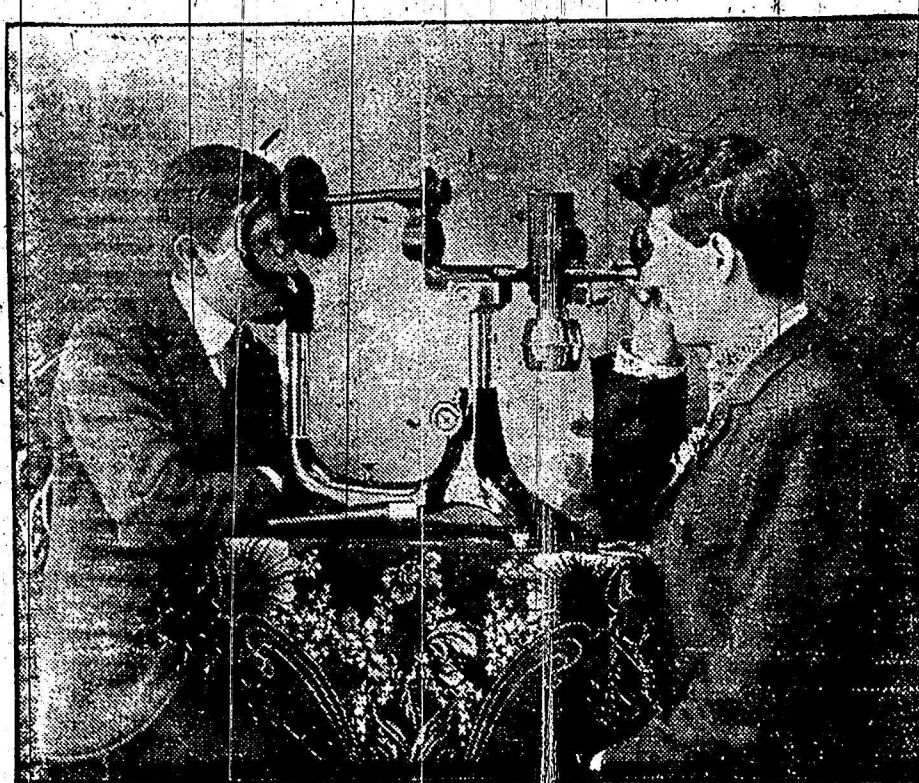
Another shipment of the Celebrated INVICTUS SHOES, made by Geo. A. Slater, just to hand. If you want satisfaction in Footwear buy your shoes here.

## Groceries! Groceries!

Our stock is now very complete in all lines for Christmas. New Canned Raisins, Canned Goods, Thyme, Sage, Savory, Peels, Extracts, Icing Sugars, Nuts, Choice New Teas and Coffee, Jelly, Pickles, sour and sweet, Onions, Olives, Dressings, MacLaren's Cream Cheese, Dates, Figs, Etc. Best values to be had anywhere.

Come here for Dress Goods, Gloves, Hosiery, Collars, Corsets, Ribbons, Underwear, Frillings, etc. Special prices during December.

**H. Mercer, Markdale.**



# W. J. Shortill's New Optical Parlor

Designed for the special purpose and fitted with every modern convenience for successful Eye Testing and Optical Fitting.

The experience of the past ten years has proven that the best in everything is none too good for successful refraction work and for my customers' every-day wear.

By a convenient arrangement of grill and screen work which I have just installed, I have converted a portion of my store into a private compartment where you can have your eyes tested and spectacles fitted as accurately and for less money than in the best city stores.

Remember first, last and always that we do not conduct a lottery, game of chance, something-for-nothing, or in any way attempt to dispose of goods other than on merit alone. We always aim at conducting a straight, clean, legitimate business. Trusting to be favored with any purchase you wish to make.

# W. J. Shortill, Markdale

Watch Maker and Eye Specialist.

A meeting of the school trustees and thereby stimulate a greater interest in educational matters. A \$25,000 monument will be erected in Brantford as a memorial to Alexander Graham Bell, the inventor of the telephone.

# THE MARKDALE STANDARD

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THURSDAY, NOV. 26th, 1908.

### NOTES.

On British railroads last year only one person was killed in every 70,000,000 journeys, and only one injured in every 40,500,000 trips.

The suggestion that Mr. Bryan should become a religious revivalist gives rise to the question whether with his restless versatility he could stick to the creed of a single Church or would in the course of a few years encircle the theological compass. In the latter case he might indeed prove a powerful agent for the breaking down of denominational lines and the merging of all faiths into one.

In Peterborough recently the police magistrate refused to fine a man charged with being drunk while on the Indian list. His opinion was that a person on the Indian list found drunk could not be convicted unless he were found on the premises of a place licensed to sell liquor. The license inspector appealed against the decision of the police magistrate and his Honor Judge Weller upheld the inspector in his appeal, fining the defendant ten dollars and costs. The ruling of the judge is an important one and is of provincial interest.

Wichita (Kansas) Daily Beacon:—One-third of our counties are without prisoners in their jails or penitentiaries in their penitentiaries; one-half of our counties contributed no convicts to our prison population last year, and one-half of our prison inmates never lived in Kansas long enough to gain a residence here. Our educational institutions were never so flourishing. Our churches were never so strong, and the spiritual outlook more hopeful. The saloon has been practically banished from our state and its baneful influences almost entirely eliminated. — From the Thanksgiving Proclamation of Governor Hoch, of Kansas.

The action of the English lacrosse player who voluntarily stopped playing in a match until his Canadian opponent could replace a broken stick is exciting much comment in the Canadian press and among Canadian sportsmen. It is regarded as a curiosity, here, but such incidents of fair play are of common occurrence in the Old Country. Why? Because the Englishman's instinct tells him that it would be a mean trick to take an unfair advantage of an opponent in a game as in other things. He knows that if he took an unfair advantage of an opponent his own comrades would express their contempt for such an action and he would lose his own self respect. All that is the sort of sporting instinct we ought to cultivate here in Canada for it makes men good losers and inoffensive winners. It is much more wholesome than the win-at-any-cost idea which prevails in many quarters. Let us "Play the game!"

### HOPE ON.

(New York Globe.) There is, hope for Bryan! In 1896 he got 149 electoral votes. This year he gets surely 159 electoral votes.

This shows a gain of ten electoral votes in three campaigns, or a gain of 3 1-3 for each time at the bat. If he continues to gain at the same rate in succeeding campaigns he will have a majority of the electoral vote in 2008—at which time he will be 148 years old.

### ENLARGING THE SPOUT.

The C.P.R. has just completed the double-tracking of its system between Port Arthur and Winnipeg what Sir William Van Horne so aptly described as the spout of the wheat hopper of the great West. And Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, the President of the company, announces also the opening of a great trunk line from Winnipeg north-west to Edmonton. Naturally the C. P. R. is rejoicing over these two vital improvements to its railway system. The double-tracking of the Port Arthur-Winnipeg section will enable the railway to more than double its capacity for taking freight out of the West and is still another step to-

wards the double-tracking of the road out to the coast. The road now is almost entirely double-tracked between Montreal and Toronto. The Winnipeg-Edmonton line, of which 600 miles has already been constructed will open up an especially desirable section of country and will prove a boon to the settled parts through which it passes.

Altogether, the C. P. R. has good cause for feeling pleased over its recent accomplishments.

### NEW STAMPS ISSUED.

The Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives has devised a unique means of raising funds to contribute towards its support. It has just issued a little red and white Christmas stamp, the centre of which contains the Maple Leaf and above and below "Merry Xmas" and "Happy New Year." At top, bottom and sides are the words "Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives," "1908-1909." Half a million have been prepared for sale in envelopes of 10, 25, 50 and 100 and after paying for printing and distribution, the proceeds are to be devoted to the maintenance of poor patients at the Hospital. Everywhere throughout Canada these little Christmas and New Year greetings will be sold at a cent each. They will not carry mail of any kind, but any kind of mail will carry them. All wishing to aid this worthy cause could do so in no better manner than in purchasing and using these in addition to regular stamps or mail matter which method, besides swelling the funds, serves to advertise broadcast the institution.

### A FARMER'S WANT SUPPLIED.

Some farmers are under the impression that they must have a purely agricultural paper to supply agricultural information, but they overlook the fact that there is a Canadian publication that not only furnishes the most reliable information pertaining to the farm, but at the same time furnishes them with a newspaper giving the news of the world and a magazine every week as good as any of the English or American magazines in quality or quantity of good wholesome family reading. The paper alluded to is the Family Herald and Weekly Star of Montreal, which costs but one dollar a year and is the greatest value to be had. It is a weekly newspaper, family magazine and agricultural paper combined—all three in one—and if any farmer after giving it a trial does not think it the best value on the market he can have his money back. No farm house in Canada can afford to be without Canada's greatest paper—the Family Herald and Weekly Star of Montreal.

### CHERRY GROVE

Mrs. Struthers is visiting friends in Owen Sound.  
Miss B. Sturgeon spent a day last week in our burg.  
We are sorry to report Mrs. Wyville on the sick list.  
Miss Cora Taylor, of Feversham was home for Thanksgiving.  
Mr. J. Penelton is much improved after his recent illness.  
Mr. Foster Myers has rented his farm to Messrs. J. Perkins and W. Myers.  
Miss G. Bradey spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Hill, Artemesia.  
Mrs. Freeman, of Markdale, spent a few days last week with Mrs. J. Penelton.  
Mr. Ran Bradey, who is painting with Mr. Dezell at Priceville, was home for Sunday.  
Mrs. Shears returned home to Stratford after spending a week with relatives hereabouts.  
Mr. Wes. Lyons, of Durham, and Mr. A. Hawken, of Flesherton, paid our burg a flying visit recently.  
Mr. J. Lee has rented Mr. J. Lever's farm in Artemesia. We regret the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Lee from our midst.

### PIGEON VALLEY

Plowing is the order of the day. Miss Maggie Dennett is home for a few days from Holland Centre.  
Mr. and Mrs. Carter, Vandeleur, visited their daughter, Mrs. W. Aitken, last Sunday.  
Mr. Louis Tebbutt arrived home from the West last Friday evening. We are sure Wolsley agrees with him.  
Mr. Shunk is still holding meetings out here. There will be services next Sunday evening at 7 o'clock.  
Advertise in The Standard.

### HOUSE THAT WILL LAST.

Concrete Building Saves 10 to 20 Per Cent. on Old Methods.

The vast rocky crust of the earth has in it an inexhaustible supply of material from which Portland cement may be ground and from which the other materials which go to make concrete may be obtained.

It costs a little more to build a house of the 510,000 type of concrete than to build of wood, but when you've got it built you've got a house that will last. When it comes to factories and more expensive homes, there is a saving of from 10 to 20 per cent. on old methods of building.

The great expense comes in making the moulds, but once made they may be used over and over again. The concrete men regard Thomas A. Edison with some sort of amusement when they consider his plan to build homes of concrete on a few days' notice and at very low figures.

If you have the moulds ready it is possible to put some sort of a house together in a week or so, but as to stoves and the parlor carpet and all other furniture from a tank of liquid concrete is all ready to set, why, all that is a bit of day dreaming, they say.

A fine example of what may be done with modern concrete is the Church of Our Lady of Loretto in East New York. This church is built of concrete blocks, the pillars are of concrete, the steps are of concrete, the cross on top is concrete and the frieze work in the gable and the images in the niches on the second story are of concrete, too. The details to which concrete may be used are especially well illustrated in the frieze.

### HANDY HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

In making flounces for white undershirts or anything where lace edging and insertion must be sewed on a hemmed edge, use the foot hemmer, hemming the edge and sewing the lace on at the same time.

In sewing on cuffs stitch on the wrong side first, then when the cuff is ready to stitch on the right side, if the machine pushes the material, the crooked stitching will be on the back and not the front of the cuff.

When you suffer from heartburn take half a teaspoonful of bicarbonate of soda stirred in half a tumblerful of cold water. One doctor advises that a few bleached sweet almonds be eaten. They should be thoroughly masticated.

A solution of a tablespoonful of spirits of ammonia and one quart of water is excellent to wash hair brushes in. Dip the bristles up and down in the water without wetting the back, rinse in clear warm water, shake well and dry in the air but not in the sun.

Use skim milk for starch. Take sweet milk that has stood long enough for all the cream to separate, skim, and use milk for starching black undershirts, dark red percales, etc. Iron on wrong side. The articles will have the same stiffness as when new.

To get fat, take moderate exercise, have good things to eat and take plenty of refreshing sleep. Raw eggs are fattening. Drink plenty of water. Blue pencil the fretting habit. Get out of doors every day and sleep at least eight or nine hours every night.

Take a pail of warm water and a clean whiskbroom to the yard when then clean clothes are dry upon the line. Before taking the clothes down, sprinkle, remove from the line, roll and lay in the basket. The clothes then are ready for ironing with but one handling.

A pretty chafing dish apron was made of a man's fine linen handkerchief. One corner of the handkerchief was cut off for the pocket, the cut-off corner was slightly gathered and stitched to a thin apron band. The handkerchief was outlined with a lace insertion two inches wide and a ruff of lace two inches wide. Pale pink ribbon was threaded through the insertion and tied in small bows at the pointed sides.

A small silk bag for party use, to carry powder puff, handkerchief, etc., can be made from four strips of ribbon one-third yard long and five inches wide. Join with feather stitch. A pretty one is of white taffeta ribbon with violet design in centre. Use lavender silk for feather stitch, gather into a small round cardboard, covered, for bottom, two inches in diameter. Hem top two inches and run a stitching for passing for ribbons to draw up.

Repeat it:—"Shiloh's Cure will always cure my coughs and colds."

At the age of thirty a girl begins to realize that she misses the "Mrs."

### BERLEY HAPPENINGS

Weather during the past week has been very pleasant. The farmers, Mr. Walter is visiting Toronto.

Sloan is renewing old friends at Owen Sound this week.

Camack visited friends in Owen Sound during the past week.

Chas. Stuart and several others, of Heathcote, spent Sunday at the hotel home here.

Misses to be one of the girls in the history of the town will be held on Monday, Dec. 21, in the public hall.

Fawcett and sister, de, and Miss Hazel of Heathcote, were Mr. J. R. Fawcett's first week.

Chief of Chiefs, around Kimbrough. They make a specialty of horse blankets and of the church and unless some one will be taking about at Kings.

Alfred Walter and family went west on the Excursion, returned home on Saturday last. As though the west is now the sales.

Mrs. Rufus Wickens and Miss Millie, returned from Saskatoon, during the week. Mr. W. has spent several months in different skatchewan, and Mrs. two months. Miss been out west the past week.

Mr. J. S. Robertson, Secretary, Markdale, to commence Jan. 4, 1909. Apply to Thos. J. Secretary, Markdale.

For S. S. No. 7, Euphrates, to commence Jan. 4, 1909. Knott, Sec. Treas., King's, Ont.

FOR SALE  
Freshburn lime for building, 11th line, Papineau.

FOR SALE—Two cows, one steer rising, one yearling, one calf, one pig, one sheep, one horse, one cow, one pig, one calf, one sheep, one horse, one cow, one pig, one calf, one sheep.

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Standard Wa... If you had with a Megap... you could not... our paper is year around.

LOST  
Lost—In Markdale, a watch with tan leather strap, will please leave at this office.

FOUND  
Found—A lady's black... goods. This office.

WORK WANTED  
As I have recently... to take contracts for sawing... Jos. McCullough.

TEACHER WANTED  
For Section 14, Artemesia, 1909. Apply to Thos. J. Secretary, Markdale.

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