McFARLAND & CO., Markdale.

WANTED!

We have the facilities for handling an innumerable quantity of wool, and we want at least 75,000 lbs. for which we are prepared to pay the cash or trade price.

Special Men's Suitings

FOR TEN DAYS ONLY

TO-DAY (Thursday,) we have put on sale 17 Men's Suit Lengths consisting of West of England and English and American Tweeds, all good patterns and colors, no two alike. The regular prices made to measure with best quality trimmings were $15, 16, 17, 18.

You can have your choice, made to measure, fit guaranteed or no sale

FOR $12.50

These will not be here many days at this price, so you must come quickly before the best are gone.

Look at these Price Reductions and see What's in store for you if you buy this week.

$5.00 Men's Waterproof Coats for $3.90.

14 only Men's Waterproof Coats, plain grey and some grey fancy in Herring bone stripe of Tweeds, full 50 inches in length, all double stitched seams and black velvet collars, single breasted style, that were selling at $5.00, reduced to clear at **$3.90**

$4.50 Ladies Black Raincoats for $2.75.

9 only Ladies fine quality heavy weight Black Rainproof Cloth, double stitched seams, velvet collars, and made in 54, 56, 58 and 60 inch lengths. These are a good strong serviceable coat and would be considered good value at our regular price, $4.50. While they last the price will be **$2.75**

$5.50 Ladies Waterproof Coats for $3.98.

11 only Ladies Twilled All Wool plain grey Water proof Cloth, velvet collar, cuffs on sleeves, double stitched seams. This is a very strong durable coat, and nothing better for driving in. Sizes 54, 56, 58 and 60 inches long. Our price was $5.50, now only **$3.98**

Carpet Remnants.

We have about 20 Remnants in Carpets in lengths of 6 yds to 27 and you can have your choice at 20 to 40 per cent less than in regular way.

25 and 30c a yard Floor Matting for 18½c.

We have about 200 yards of Jap Floor Matting in assorted patterns that were selling at 25 to 30c a yard This week you can have your choice at per yard **18½c**

Read this List Carefully and Note the Price Inducements.

48 prs Men's Grey Wool Sox, 18c kind, 2 pr for 25c.
127 yds plain and fancy ribbons, wide widths, regularly sold at 25 and 35c, your choice a yd 19c.
39 only Gents 25c Knot Ties, assorted... 2 for 25c.
33 Puff Ties, assorted, 25c, now.....12c.
50 Gents Bow Ties, regular value 15c, for.....8c.
100 Boxes Note Paper, Envelopes to match, regular value 15c, for per box.....10c.
25 dozen Ladies Black Cotton Ribbed Hose guaranteed stainless, special.....2 pr for 25c.
24 Books, good authors, 35 to 45c value, choice 19c.
200 cards of Gents one piece collar buttons, 12 on a card, special per card.....10c.
36 packages Violet Talcum Powder, 15c kind,..5c.
110 Ladies fine quality white Embroidered turnover Collars, 10c kind for.....5c.
25 doz plain White Cambric Handkerchiefs, ladies size, while they last 5 for.....10c.
144 pieces White Tape, 8 to 12 yds in a piece at only per piece.....5c.
5 doz Men's White Twilled Duck Gloves at pr 10c.
12 packages Mays' Seeds (all new) for.....25c.
10 lbs Glauber Salts for.....25c.
10 lbs Sulphur for.....25c.
3 Tins Tomatoes, Corn or Peas for.....25c.

We have never been better prepared to supply you with all your Spring and Summer wants, for every department is crowded with bright new goods.

Information Re. the Buying of Hardware

If you contemplate buying hardware with your trade don't forget that you can bring your trade to us and get coin for same (at trade prices) and then you have the privilege of going to the two oldest established hardware stores in town viz: Haskett Bros. and J. Artley's, where the goods will be sold you at close prices in exchange for the coin.

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A Remarkable Record.

The Scientific American applauds the British Railways as once more, after an interval of six years, have achieved the remarkable record of carrying on their operations for a whole twelve-month without the loss of a single life. The last period in which this was achieved was the year 1901. In 1902 six lives were lost; in 1903, 25; in 1904, six; in 1905, 39; in 1906, 58; and in 1907, 38. As a matter of fact there has been no loss of life for fifteen months past. The relatively large number of fatalities in 1906 was actually the result of three disasters, which were found, upon investigation, to be due entirely to the failure of the human element, all the mechanical arrangements on train and track being found perfect.

What a contrast this is to the United States, and even the Canadian record where life is held so cheap that railways are allowed to slaughter us off by hundreds yearly.—Montreal Witness.

QUESTION FOR EVERY READER.

If you could find a simple vegetable remedy for keeping all organs healthy and strong—wouldn't you use it? Most pills are harsh, cause pain, and sick stomach. Dr. Hamilton's Pills are different—they regulate and cleanse the system so gently, act so silently you scarcely realize you've taken medicine. You are cleansed—appetite improves—color clears—sleep is restored. Every man, woman and child is helped by Dr. Hamilton's Pills. Try a 25c box.

THE MOST COMMON CAUSE OF SUFFERING.

Rheumatism causes more pain and suffering than any other disease for the reason that is the most common of all ills, and it is certainly gratifying to sufferers to know that Chamberlain's Liniment will afford relief, and make rest and sleep possible. In many cases the relief from pain, which is at first temporary, has become permanent, while in old people, subject to chronic rheumatism, often brought on by dampness or changes in the weather, a permanent cure cannot be expected; the relief from pain which this liniment affords is alone worth many times its cost. 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by R. L. Stephen.

Advertise in The Standard.

IN HONOR OF VICTORIA

Queen's Birthday Is Celebrated All Over the Empire.

Fine Weather, Many Sporting Events and a Few Fires Mark the Day Throughout Canada—New Armories Are Opened at Peterboro — Labor Educational Association Meets at Berlin—Windsor's Playground.

London, May 25.—(C.A.P. Cable.)—Messages received indicate that Empire Day was celebrated in all parts of the Empire with greater enthusiasm than ever.

There was a splendid display of imperial patriotism in London and the great cities, while the British colony in Berlin, numbering 500, observed the occasion for the first time. The chief item in the capital was the review of 10,000 children by "Bobs." It is estimated that throughout the Empire nearly 7,000,000 children celebrated the day.

For the first time London had an organized celebration. Five thousand uniformed school boys marched through the main streets of the capital to Hyde Park. Here all the children gathered and saluted the national flag, as well as the emblems of 56 dominions and colonies.

Toronto, May 25.—With ideal weather in nearly every one of the inland cities of Canada Victoria Day was given a magnificent celebration yesterday. A storm raged on the Nova Scotian coast, and seriously interfered with the gaiety, but elsewhere in the Dominion the Imperial sentiment reigned supreme.

The day was chiefly taken up with sports, lacrosse, baseball, horse racing, and innumerable Marathons.

Two serious fires and a dozen more minor blazes, the latter from fireworks, kept the Toronto department busy.

Over $6,000 damage was done by a fire of unknown origin, which broke out in the second floor of the three-storey brick building at 49 to 57 Hayter street, and the Island school was burned.

A sky-rocket falling on the roof of Palmer Merritt's residence, 87 East King street, Hamilton, between 11 and 12 last night, caused about $800 damage to building and contents. The roof was entirely burned off.

Other smaller fires are reported throughout the province.

At Peterboro.

Peterboro, May 25.—A military review and the opening of the new armories were the chief holiday events. The 12th Regiment of St. Catharines, the 38th Regiment of Brantford and the 57th Regiment of Peterboro participated in the review, and afterwards were present at the opening of the armories, when Hon. Mr. Pugsley, Minister of Public Works, officiated. Speeches were also made by F. R. Stratton, M.P., R. R. Hall, ex-M.P., and Col. Stevenson of the 57th Regiment. The visiting regiments arrived here Sunday morning.

At Berlin.

Berlin, May 25.—The seventh annual convention of the Labor Educational Association of Ontario was held in Berlin yesterday, with practically every industrial centre in Ontario represented.

The following officers were elected: President, C. G. Bird, Hamilton (re-elected); first vice-president, W. A. Brown, Ottawa; second vice-president, James Harmon, Toronto; third vice-president, W. Gladstone, Brantford; fourth vice-president, W. J. Driscoll, Kingston; fifth vice-president, G. Taylor, Sarnia; secretary-treasurer, O. H. Zimmer, Berlin (accl.).

Windsor, May 25.—The new public playground was formally opened yesterday, speeches being made by Mayor Wigle, Hon. Dr. Reaume, Hon. R. F. Sutherland and others.

Head Split Open.

Parry Sound, May 25.—A car standing on one of the sidings at the station here Sunday night was the cause of a fatal accident.

A young man, Walter McLaughlin, a machinist, living at Norwood, Ont., was acting temporarily as fireman of a north bound freight, and while leaning out of the engine cab window his head came in contact with the corner of a box car and was split open.

He died a short time after the accident while physicians were operating on him.

Fire-Cracker Caused Fire.

St. Catharines, May 25.—Saturday the jewelry and novelty store conducted by A. J. Jackson was gutted by fire and the stock completely destroyed. Jackson was showing some children how to manage fire works and had lighted a fire-cracker. He was swinging it, when it slipped and sparks caught on to other fire works in the open window. Fire works shot in every direction. Loss about $3,500, $1,200 insurance.

Tot Loses Leg Under Car.

St. Catharines, May 25.—At Merritton Saturday afternoon Marie, the six-year-old daughter of Wm. Bradley, was run over by a trolley car and sustained injuries, which resulted in the amputation of the left leg below the knee and the three middle toes of the right foot. The child had been spending the day with her grandmother and had been to a candy store.

St. John's, Nfld., Harbor Is Open.

St. John's, Nfld., May 25.—The ice blockade, which has shut the entrance to the harbor for the last week, was raised Saturday. Two vessels reached port. One of them, the steam tug J. B. Gravel, from Glasgow for Montreal, was somewhat damaged, was short of coal and was leaking.

Crops O. K.

New York, May 25.—Vice-President Ogden of the Canadian Pacific declares that weather conditions have not injured the Canadian crops

MASONS IN QUEBEC.

Archbishop Bruchesi Warns Catholics Against Orders.

Montreal, May 25.—Archbishop Bruchesi, in the course of a pastoral charge delivered at Longueuil yesterday, referred to the growth of several Masonic lodges in the province. He regretted to say there were French Canadians who were members, and that recruiting was going on. The archbishop reminded his hearers that the consequence was the members of lodges who were mostly affiliated with the Grand Orient of France were not in communion with the Catholic Church.

Unfavorable reference was likewise made to the Knights of Pythias and the Oddfellows from a Catholic point of view. The archbishop, referring to Sunday's service, said he noticed on his visit a falling off from the former observance of the Lord's Day, it being now more and more a man's day for pleasure and amusement.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

Seven men have already met death since the commencement of the lake seamen's strike.

The Wright brothers have received an order for an aeroplane from the Shah of Persia.

The Turkish Chamber of Deputies gave the Government a vote of confidence yesterday.

The Government cruiser Bayfield is taking soundings in the vicinity of the Detroit river tunnel to see that it does not interfere with navigation.

A fusion of the various sections of the Australian Opposition has been practically arranged. It is understood ex-Premier Deakin will lead the united party.

In the British Commons, Mr. Haldane stated that no definite proposals had been received by the War Office in respect to the proposed training of Canadian troops at Aldershot.

The Dominion Government is experimenting with shipments of goods across the continent via Mexico. It is said the rail-and-water route is cheaper than the all-rail route on Canadian railways.

Sir James Whitney has announced that W. Bert Roadhouse, a Toronto newspaperman, has been appointed secretary of the ninth commission which is to enquire into the question of pure milk for Ontario.

His Wealth for Poor.

London, May 25.—Rev. Edward Lee Hicks, canon the Church of England, popular clerical figure in Lincoln Cathedral, has developed astonishing socialistic tendencies. Addressing a labor meeting he said:

"As a follower of one who had not where to lay His head, I have to consider how far I am justified in living on the unearned increment from the wealth I happen to have inherited. It is a hard problem; but I intend to face it."

It is understood that Canon Hicks intends to surrender the whole of the income from his private fortune. He has arranged to sell his automobile and part with his carriage and he will live entirely on his salary. His private means he will devote to the alleviation of suffering and want.

Would Depose Gouin.

Montreal, May 25.—There is a story going the rounds that at a recent caucus of Government supporters, or at least a good number of them, at Quebec, a resolutions was adopted asking the Prime Minister to retire.

It is also stated that Sir Henri Taschereau, Chief Justice of the Superior Court, has expressed a strong desire to retire, and should his wish be granted, Sir Lomer Gouin will be appointed in his place. The leadership of the Quebec Liberals would then likely go to Hon. Mr. Taschereau, who was assaulted by Oliver Asselin a few nights ago.

Rubber Interests Merged.

Montreal, May 25.—The American Rubber Co. has secured a substantial interest in the Canadian Consolidated Co., but the control remains as before, in the hands of D. Lorne McGibbon and his associates.

It is understood that there is no foundation for the rumors to the effect that S. H. C. Miner would join hands with the Consolidated interests. Mr. Miner is applying for a charter, and is about to begin work in rubber plant alongside his large rubber footwear plant at Granby.

Woman Accidentally Shot.

Windsor, May 25.—Mrs. John Atkinson, who, previous to her marriage, resided in London, was accidentally shot and killed at the home of her husband in Flint, Mich., on Saturday morning.

An ancient shotgun, in the hands of a neighbor, was discharged, the whole charge penetrating Mrs. Atkinson's body.

Atkinson was nearly crazed, and had to be forcibly restrained from doing himself violence.

Should Seek the Sinner.

Denver, Col., May 25.—Less "stately treating," and more democracy; less lounging in the luxury of the church waiting for the sinner to approach, and more evangelism among the lowly, were the keynotes sounded at the general assembly of the Presbyterian Church. The leader in advocacy of this doctrine was John Convers, president of the Baldwin Locomotive Works of Philadelphia, chairman of the committee on evangelistic work.

Better News From Ranches.

Winnipeg, May 25.—Advices received from the cattle country by stockmen bring better news than was expected. They state that the losses from recent storms will not run more than one per cent. of the mature cattle, though the loss of calves will be considerably higher.

60,000 at Aeroplane Contest.

Juviy, France, May 25.—Sixty thousand persons attended the aeroplane race meeting at the new aerodrome here Sunday. A high wind prevailed, and the contest was greatly marred thereby.

GRAND KIDNEY MEDICINE

"Fruit-a-tives" Cured Him When Everything Else Failed.

Riverton, Que., March 17th, 1908.

I wish to place on record, for the sake of others who may be suffering in the same way that I suffered, that no medicine I ever took did me so much real good as "Fruit-a-tives" did.

I suffered for many years with Kidney Trouble, with bad pain in the back.

I took every known kidney remedy and kidney pill, but nothing gave me any relief, and I was getting discouraged.

I was advised to try "Fruit-a-tives" and did so—and this medicine cured me when everything else failed.

I used altogether fifteen boxes of "Fruit-a-tives," and from the outset they gave me relief and I am now practically well again; no pain, no distress, and all symptoms of kidney disease have entirely left me. I am very thankful to be once more well, and I freely make this statement, for the sake of others who may suffer as I did. To them I say try "Fruit-a-tives," as they are a grand kidney medicine.

CLARENCE J. PLACEY.

50c a box, 6 for $2.50, or trial size 25c. at dealers or from Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa.

Glad He Lost His Job.

There is a certain editor in New York with whom the power of the daily press is such a hobby that he raised the salary of a subeditor who suggested a "Sunday special" on "Famous Graduates of the Reporters' Room," and at once assigned his best dressed reporter to interview leading authors along this line. It happened that Mark Twain was in New York, and the editor counted on him as a striking example of the literary value of newspaper training. The reporter was ordered not to spare space for the interview. Yet when the article appeared Mr. Clemens' name was conspicuously absent. It was this way.

Mr. Clemens received the reporter with his customary urbanity, though he shrugged his shoulders when he learned what paper the young man represented. As usual, Mr. Clemens was a most elusive man to pin down to an interview, but at last the reporter gathered his wits and asked the question which he meant should point his article.

"Mr. Twain," he asked, "to what one thing most of all do you owe your marvelous success in literature?" He had counted on "my newspaper training" was the answer.

The famous humorist half shut his eyes, thought a few moments in silence and then said decisively, "To the fact that when I was young and very ambitious I lost my job."

"May I ask what was your job, Mr. Twain?" exclaimed the puzzled reporter.

"Certainly, sir, certainly," replied Mr. Clemens, with great suavity, "it was a reporter."—Saturday Evening Post.

Where's Your Dead Spot?

Most people have doubted their eyes when at some conjuring performance they have seen a man run needles and pins through both cheeks, evincing no pain as he does so. In reality every person has hundreds of senseless specks of skin all over his body through which he could run pins, or even cut them out, without feeling any pain. If some one else were to do so when he was blindfolded, he would not be even aware of the fact. Physicians call them dead spots, and the reason that one man can draw his cheeks up while another could not is simply because the former happens to have many hundreds of these spots in one place.

These dead spots are caused by the nerves which convey every sensation to the brain being either absent in these particular places or dead and useless. But should any one of our readers allow himself to be blindfolded and then get one of his friends to prick him very gently with a clean needle all on one area, out of every hundred pricks he will feel only about one or two at the most.

In the other cases the needle will have touched dead spots.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

A Terrible Threat.

"You say your titled son-in-law holds threats over you?"

"Yes," answered Mr. Cumrox. "He knows us where we can't give him any payment at all. Mother and the girls say we must yield for the sake of the family honor."

"Is there—er—a skeleton in the closet?"

"Not at all. He simply announces that unless he has his own way he'll get naturalized and be a plain American citizen."

Highly Esteemed.

"Do you think that most people nowadays worship money?"

"No; I won't go as far as that," answered the home grown philosopher, "but I will say that the love of money is seldom platonic."