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MARKDALE

Additional Locals.

A quantity of matter crowded out this week, will appear next issue. You can get a double disk gramophone record at Turner's Drug Store for 10c. If you want high class Booklets, Post Cards, Seals and Tags for Xmas, call at Shorttill's Jewelry Store. A Christmas Tree entertainment will be held in the Methodist Church, Berkeley, on the 18th December. A box social will be given at S. S. No. 101, Holland, Berkeley, on Friday, December 20th. Farmers! Take notice that all grain must be cleaned before being marketed in Markdale. Buyers will not purchase dirty grain. 68 ct. The Women's Institute meeting will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 17, at 8 o'clock. Admission 12c. Eyes tested and glasses supplied. You may search far and wide and not find another gift that will bring so much pleasure to every member of the family as a gramophone. The instrument by which the value of all musical instruments is measured. Turner & Co. will gladly play you any music you wish to hear. There will be a grand Xmas Tree and Entertainment held in the lady Oak School on Thursday evening, December 18th. The program will be in every respect, will consist of—Readings, Recitations, Choruses, Drills, Dialogues, also selections by Phonograph. Admission, 10 and 15 cents. Everybody Welcome. Program will commence sharp at eight o'clock p.m.

The farmers who are subscribers for The Weekly Sun, Toronto, have reason to congratulate themselves on the enlargement and improvements to their paper. These improvements have only been possible by the support given the paper by its readers. They are simply rewarded by the knowledge that they are getting the best for their money. They have a paper that voices their opinion without fear or favor. The Sun should be in every Ontario farm home; it is a duty the farmer owes to himself and his business. Rev. James Buchanan, pastor of Eskik, Presbyterian Church, Dundalk and Knox Church, Ventnor, has sent in his resignation. Mr. Buchanan has been in Dundalk thirteen years, has been Clerk of the Presbytery and head of the Systematic Giving, plans of the Synod of Toronto and Kingston. He has also devoted considerable of his time to the advancement of education in Dundalk, as a member of the School Board, and is at present a member of the Education Board. He will reside in Dundalk until spring.

NEWS FROM SURROUNDING TOWNSHIPS

VANDELEUR

(Special to The Standard.) Miss Tillie Buchanan spent a few days with friends in Toronto. Mr. Dunlop, of Toronto, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Warrington. Miss Violet McLean, of Kimberley, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. McLean. We are sorry to report Mrs. Wm. Bridges under the doctor's care with a slight attack of pneumonia. Also Miss Pearl, Breander sick with tonsillitis. We hope to hear of their speedy recovery.

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There is a young man in this vicinity in bad need of a housekeeper, and for his accommodation your card will receive applications up to noon on Dec. 24th for a housekeeper and general superintendent. Color no objection; the lucky one will be expected to prepare the Xmas dinner. Messrs. Wilfred Fawcett and Fred Knowlton, of Markdale, spent Sunday last at the former's parental home here. A few couples of our young folks attended service at the Beaverdale Church a week ago Sunday evening, and enjoyed the sermon delivered by the Rev. Mr. Hosford. Mr. Stanley Wile, of Markdale, spent Sunday at the parental home. Miss Iva McNevin is spending a couple of weeks in the city of Toronto. Mr. Stanley Wile is expected home from the West on Saturday next, after spending the past year in the lively business in Inisfail, Sask. Rev. Mr. Beveridge, of Temple Hill, is expected to occupy the pulpit in New England church next Sunday afternoon. Miss McMillon was the guest of her friend, Miss Netty McArthur, over Sunday. Many expressions of sympathy are extended to Mrs. Boales and her daughter, by their friends in this neighborhood, through the death of Mr. J. E. Boales. We are pleased to report Mrs. Wm. Thompson very much improved in health since going to the city, where she has spent the past four months with relatives and friends.

UNION HILL

(Special to The Standard.) The worst storm of the season came from the West, and is still with us. Mr. Robert Fawcett, of Heathcote, was the guest of her son, Mr. John Fawcett, the past week. Mr. and Mrs. Gullin, of Fleisher, were visiting their daughter, Mrs. J. Beatson, and Mrs. A. Walker, last week. Mr. A. E. Guest and son, Steve, spent the week end with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Dennett. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eagles intend moving onto a farm on the 11th of the Ephraim. Freddie is one of the most earnest young men and will make a successful farmer. An error appeared in this cor. last week. It should have read, Mr. and Mrs. Nesbitt, of Glamis, were visiting their friends, Mr. and Mrs. E. Dennett, and Mrs. J. Fawcett and son, Wilfred, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James McCadden. A deer was seen grazing in Mr. Campbell's field near 90 sideroad north recently. The animal appeared to be quite tame, took a look at the occupants in the rig and then hid adieu. The sad news received of the death of Mrs. Chas. Tibbutt, jr., who died in Owen Sound hospital on December 7th, is keenly felt by her friends and neighbors around here. Much sympathy is felt for Mr. Tibbutt and family in their sad bereavement.

Death of Thos. Campbell

After struggling for some months against the infirmities of age, Mr. Thomas Campbell, of this place, passed away on Monday last, Dec. 9th, aged 80 years and 8 months. Deceased with his parents came to Canada, from County Down, Ireland, in 1850. They remained some two years in Whitechurch, and then came to this place, settling on the farm west of the Saugeen, now owned by A. L. Walker. Five years later he married Miss Ellen Irvine. He purchased the farm, where J. J. Coleman now resides, where they lived until four years ago, when they retired from active life. They were among the sturdy pioneers who converted the forest into the broad and fertile fields. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell had no family. A sister, Mrs. Edward Fagen, of Salt Ste Marie, Mich., and his wife survive him. Thus, the few remaining pioneers grow less. The funeral takes place on Thursday at 2 p.m. at Markdale public cemetery.

SHELBURNE

We are having a very cold wave just now, but scarcely any snow. Wheeling is good, though, as the ground is frozen. A very sad accident happened to Mr. Edward Halbert, of lot 29, con. 2, Monro, on Thursday afternoon of last week. The Sanford machine was doing his threshing, and the machine was causing considerable trouble. Mr. Halbert went around to the side of the machine opposite where the grain comes out, when the belt that drives the fans came off. It is supposed Mr. Halbert attempted to put it on, when he was caught in the belt and knocked around, tearing his arm off near the shoulder, cutting a large gash in the back of his head; also breaking his neck and back, killing him instantly. Mr. Halbert was only 26 years old and leaves a young wife and one little child about ten months old. The funeral, which took place to Shelburne Public Cemetery on Sunday afternoon, was largely attended. This sad accident has cast a gloom over the entire neighborhood. Death has again taken another of Shelburne's old citizens in the person of Hugh Cayson, who died on Sunday night, aged 64 years. Mr. Carson came to Shelburne about 40 years ago, and started a harness business, which he conducted for 27 years. A little over 12 years ago he sold out his business to R. J. Watson. His health has not been good for some years but was able to go around until a few weeks ago, when he was taken down with heart and other troubles, and he gradually became weaker until on Sunday night he passed away. He leaves two daughters and one son: Mrs. C. H. Beary at home; Miss Elva; teaching school, and Harold, of Saskatoon. Saskatchewan. The funeral took place from the Masonic Lodge room on Tuesday afternoon and was conducted by the Masonic Order. Mr. A. A. Hadden, who has run an implement business here for the past 27 years, has sold out to Mr. Teeter, of Markdale.

TEMPLE HILL

(Special to The Standard.) Mr. Christopher Boyd, who has spent the past few years in the Klondyke, has returned home. We are pleased to see Mr. Hugh Smith and Mr. Ead Sparling home again after a few months sojourn in the Western provinces. A number of telephones have been installed in our burg and are found to be very convenient. Miss Laura Love is engaged to Mr. Geo. Needell at present. Beware! Detective A. Hopkins and W. Dillon are in search of parties who shot a dog belonging to Mr. A. Hopkins recently. We are pleased to see Mr. J. W. Parton on the motor. Miss Jessie McLean entertained a number of young people on Tuesday evening last, it being the occasion of her birthday. Miss Myrtle Manarey has returned home from Alton, after spending a few months with her sister, Mrs. A. Cowan. Mrs. Wm. McKay, of Owen Sound, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Williamson. We are sorry to report Mrs. G. Yeardell not much improved, but hope for her speedy recovery. Mr. W. J. Boyd left last week for a trip to Vancouver. We join his many friends in wishing him a safe journey. Mrs. J. Lee, of Riverdale, visited at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. Dillon, last week. Don't forget our Y.P.S.C.E. on Wednesday evening.

CHERRY GROVE

(Special to The Standard.) Santa Claus will soon be making his annual distributions. Mrs. George Cooper and family have been holidaying in Toronto. Born—On Saturday, Nov. 30, to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Dickie, a daughter—Wilhelmina. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Dickie visited friends at Riverdale last week. Mr. John Lawson spent Sunday with his family at Wodehouse. Mr. W. R. Gregory, of Beaverdale, was a visitor at Mrs. Thos. Brady's over Sunday. Miss Ella Walker and Mr. Herb Walker, of Cheesville, visited friends here on Monday. Mr. E. Brady, sr., took a business trip to Orange Valley recently. Messrs. W. Anderson and R. Walker, of Cheesville, have taken a contract of cutting timber in Mrs. Thos. Brady's bush and commenced operations on Monday last. Mr. Wm. Stinson apparently has an eye to business, as he has had the telephone installed. Hurry up, girls, only a score more days of Leap Year. Mr. J. Eagles, jr., of Union Hill, has leased one of Blakely's farms and intends soon to become a resident of this vicinity. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Johnston, of Beaverdale, visited the latter's mother for a couple of days this week. You can get a double disk gramophone record at Turner's Drug Store for 10c.

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Our store is filled with Xmas suggestions; something suitable for Father, Mother, Sister or Brother. Our large staff of salespeople will look after your wants. Shop early and get the choice of everything.

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Xmas Suggestions for the Ladies

A large assortment of Hand Bags, Belts, Fancy Collars, Combs, Handkerchiefs, Nett Waists, Fancy Slippers, Gloves, and Parasols, priced to suit every purse.

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A large assortment of Sweaters, Hats, Neckties, Gloves, Pocket Squares, etc., which make handsome gifts for Father and Brother.

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As usual, our Toy Department for the children will be filled with kind novelties at prices less than you usually pay.

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Our Grocery Department is full of the best of everything, New Raisins, Peels, Nuts, Long Sugar and Spices. Everything new and fresh and at the lowest prices.

HILL BROS., Markdale.

PROTON STATION

(Special to The Standard.) Mr. John C. Wright, Toronto, is in town a few days last week. The Sunday School of Knox Church purpose holding their Christmas Tree and Entertainment on the evening of Dec. 19th. Mr. William D. Hopkins spent Monday in Durham. Mr. Charlie Lyons gave a party to a number of young people last Wednesday night. A very enjoyable evening was spent. Messrs. Harry Meldrum and Rhine Pedlar, Port Law, Sundayed at Mr. C. Lyons'. Miss Annie McLean, of St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto, is visiting at home for a few days. Mr. Thos. Wyle has moved in to Proton, and is completing his daily route on the R.R. Mail Delivery. Mr. Lawrence Lyons, Port Law, spent a couple of days last week at Mr. Chas. Lyons'.

TRAVERSTON

(Special to The Standard.) This cold snap makes the kiddies enjoy the woolen mitts. Mr. James Edge, of Grand Rapids, Mich., is over on a visit to his sister, Mrs. Wm. McNally, of the 5th con. This thirty-three years since he left here, so sees many changes. This has dealt very kindly with him, as he is a number of young people last Wednesday night. A very enjoyable evening was spent. Mr. and Mrs. J.G. Robson, of Master Willie, of Edmonton, who have been holidaying among kindred in Ontario for the past couple of months, arrived at Mr. Robson's home here, last week. Charlie is a splendid specimen of a Canadian, intellectually and physically. Mr. F. W. Hunt arrived home from Melroe, Sask., on Saturday. Mr. Wyle has been performing his household duties since last February. He looks the picture of health and has had a most successful season. He received many warm handshakes at Zion on Sunday. Miss Myrtle Hunt accompanied her father up from Toronto and will spend the holiday season at the cosy old home.

RIVERDALE

(Special to The Standard.) Blustery weather. Mrs. Johnston visited Vandeleur friends last week. Mr. A. McCauley, of Owen Sound, visited friends in and around this vicinity on the first of the week. Mrs. F. Boland, of Vandeleur, accompanied by Mrs. R. Nesbitt, of Caledon, were the guests of Mrs. Johnston last week. Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Ward, of Markdale, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. McIntosh recently. Mr. and Mrs. A. Thompson visited the former's parental home at Hartway the first of the week. Mr. Will Summers, of Markdale, is engaged, hauling lumber for Messrs. Baird. Mrs. J. Snell, of Sligo, was a pleasant caller in this vicinity recently. Mr. Kenneth Johnston returned home from Caledon on Monday of last week. You will find that druggists everywhere speak well of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. They know from long experience in the sale of it that in cases of coughs and colds it can always be depended upon, and that it is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by R.L. Stephen. Advertise in The Standard.

VICTORIA CORNERS

(Special to The Standard.) We congratulate Miss Walker's pupils, and people of S.S. No. 4, Artemesia, in winning the highest average in ten competing schools in the corn contest, given by the Department of Agriculture at Markdale. The prize winners are as follows: Mable Nichol, first prize in ten schools; \$3.00; also a 25 cent prize for an essay on "How I grow my Corn." Blanche Stinson and Willie Nisour won prizes of \$1.00 each. Mr. Wyleville had a sale of his farm implements and stock on Wednesday last, and is moving his farm and moving into Proton Station. He has secured the Rural Mail Route between Proton, Riverton Park and Boothville. Mr. McCannell has purchased the store and Post Office from Mr. Sam. Sheardown and is now in possession of the same.

EUGENIA

(Special to The Standard.) Miss Lizzie Osborne is laid up with pleurisy. Mr. Shul and Miss Soyars, of L. They are excellent. For sale by L. Stephen.

Holland Council

Council met Nov. 16th for adjournment. All those present; the Rev. Mr. Sutherland, read as follows: Minutes read and approved. Mr. Sutherland, reported on the Standard Printing Co. as a result of a report from the C.P.B., according to which the Standard Printing Co. was read first and second, and third. The Council met Nov. 16th for adjournment. All those present; the Rev. Mr. Sutherland, read as follows: Minutes read and approved. Mr. Sutherland, reported on the Standard Printing Co. as a result of a report from the C.P.B., according to which the Standard Printing Co. was read first and second, and third. The Council met Nov. 16th for adjournment. All those present; the Rev. Mr. Sutherland, read as follows: Minutes read and approved. Mr. Sutherland, reported on the Standard Printing Co. as a result of a report from the C.P.B., according to which the Standard Printing Co. was read first and second, and third.

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