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WALTERS FALLS

(Special to The Standard.)

A happy and prosperous New Year to Standard staff and all readers.

Xmas services were conducted in the churches on Xmas Day.

Among the many Xmas visitors coming to and fro, we noticed the following in our village: Mr. and Mrs. John Colledge, of Owen Sound, with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Wickham; Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Stegman, of Owen Sound, with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Walter, Mrs. H. S. Speck, Mr. S. E. Campbell, Creighton, with his sister, Mrs. W. J. McLean; Miss Nellie Smith, of Toronto, with her mother, Mrs. A. Smith; Miss Minnie Devere, of Zora, at her home here; Miss Florence Lemon, Markdale, at her parental home; Miss Georgina Bonnell, of the Owen Sound Business College, at her home here; Miss Lillian Kitchin, of Toronto, with her aunt, Miss Campbell.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. Cathrae and family, Bagnor.

Mr. Stanley Shepherdson, of Toronto.

Mr. Carman King, of Markdale, at his home here.

Mr. R. Torrie, of Quebec, with Mr. and Mrs. P. McLaughlin.

Mr. James Lemon, of Weyburn, Sask., with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Lemon.

Mr. J. Baskerville, of Redcoats, at Mr. Jos. Mowers.

Master Willie Long, of Bognot, with Master Melville Watson.

Mr. Harvey King, Owen Sound.

with his mother, Mrs. King.

Miss Beatrice Quinton attended the wedding of her cousin, Miss Loigheed at Thornbury last week.

Mr. S. McLaughlin spent Xmas at Owen Sound.

Mr. John Stewart with his sister, Rev. Mr. Stanley and Rev. Mr. Wilkinson, of Holland Centre, exchanged pulpits on Sunday evening following in our village. Mr. and Mrs. John Colledge, of Owen Sound, with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Wickham; Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Stegman, of Owen Sound, with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Walter, Mrs. H. S. Speck, Mr. S. E. Campbell, Creighton, with his sister, Mrs. W. J. McLean; Miss Nellie Smith, of Toronto, with her mother, Mrs. A. Smith; Miss Minnie Devere, of Zora, at her home here; Miss Florence Lemon, Markdale, at her parental home; Miss Georgina Bonnell, of the Owen Sound Business College, at her home here; Miss Lillian Kitchin, of Toronto, with her aunt, Miss Campbell.

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KIMBERLEY

(Special to The Standard.)

Very mild weather at present.

Mr. Sanford Knott, of Thornbury, visited at Mr. R. J. Stuart's on Sunday last.

Mr. Wm. Plewes, of Collingwood, visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Plewes, a few days last week.

Miss Creighton, of Hamilton, is visiting at Wm. T. Elks's at present.

Mr. John Smith, who has been visiting friends in the far West for a couple of months, returned home one day last week.

Mrs. J. W. Ferris has gone to Owen Sound to see her mother, who is ill at present.

Miss Elvie Bishop, who is attending the Toronto University, is spending the Xmas holidays at her parental home here.

Mr. John Taylor, of Rosslyn, visited at Mr. Jas. Lawrence's on Sunday last.

Mr. Reginald Ferguson, of Thornbury, accompanied by Miss Ella Knott, are visiting Kimberley friends at present.

Mr. Thompson, of Erin, is visiting his brother, Mr. Harry Thompson, of East Nottab.

Mr. and Mrs. Noble Lawrence, of Powassan, Parry Sound District, are visiting friends in this vicinity at present. Noble is an old Kimberley boy, and has made good in the North.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh R. Hammond and family, of Priceville, spent Xmas at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Hammond.

Mr. Robt. Lawrence, who has been visiting friends in the Parry Sound District, returned home one day last week.

Miss Mae Hutchinson, who has been attending Normal School, Toronto, is spending the Xmas week at her parental home here.

Mrs. John Plewes, who has been visiting Collingwood friends, returned home on Thursday last.

Mr. Thos. Mercer, of Markdale, was in town on business one day last week.

VANDELEUR

(Special to The Standard.)

A happy and prosperous New Year to all Standard readers.

Miss Mary Pritchard attended the Walker Hunt wedding at Traverton last week.

Miss Daisy, of Orillia, and her friend, Miss Nicholson, of Owen Sound, are visiting at the former's parental home here.

Mr. Herb Baker and Mr. Wm. Gaudin, of Collingwood, are visiting the former's brother, Mr. Edward Baker.

Messrs. W. L. Cullis, H. I. Graham and W. R. Sand Geo. Buchanan attended the Sons of Temperance District meeting at Thornbury on Friday last.

Miss Bell Gilbert, of Kimberley, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Will Hutchinson.

Master Jimmie Wilson, of Flesherton, visited Messrs. Sunday and Will Johnson recently.

Mr. Tom Caveen, of Hamilton, visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Davis for a few days recently.

Mr. W. L. Cullis is being congratulated upon winning the S.O.T. Gold Medal in the oratorical contest at Thornbury last Friday; also Messrs. H. I. Graham and W. R. Buchanan, upon being elected Worthy Patriarch and Chaplain respectively of East Grey district.

Mr. J. I. Graham is able to be around again after his recent illness.

Mr. W. L. Cullis occupied the pulpit in Temple Hill church on Sunday.

Mr. R. J. Gilliland and Miss I. M. Smith, of Markdale, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Waring one day recently.

Miss Daisy Davis, of Toronto, spent Christmas at her parental home here.

The following are the newly elected officers of Vandeleur Division of the S.O.T.:

W.P.—Will Johnson.

W.A.—Miss Leslie.

R.S.—Maggie Davis.

A.R.S.—Elmer Waring.

F.S.—Earl Davis.

Treas.—Harry Baker.

Chap.—Lilly Buchanan.

Com.—Mary Beahan.

T.S.—W. K. Buchanan.

O.S.—D. A. Graham.

Organist—Rhena Davis.

SHELburnE

(Special to The Standard.)

A happy New Year to the Editors, and to all The Standard readers.

The snow has been rather slow in coming, so we have not got sleighing yet. But this morning (Monday) we are getting a fall of the right kind to make good sleighing, if there comes enough of it.

Municipal politics seems rather quiet, but will likely get more lively after the Nominations. We understand that Mr. Hugh Falconer and T. J. Gallagher will have a large lot of Reeve's Chair. Mr. Rime retiring, Mr. Falconer has been the Town Treasurer for 7 years, but resigned a week ago to run for Reeve, and R. J. Watson was appointed Treasurer in his stead. It is uncertain who will be the candidates for the honors of Councilmen, but we understand that 3 of the bid Council will stand again, namely: Skelding, Murray and McGuire, Mr. Harrison retiring.

Mr. Harold C. Watson, of the Bank of Commerce staff, Sherbrooke, Que., is visiting his par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Watson, for a couple of weeks. After his holidays he will go to Toronto, where he has been transferred by said Bank.

Miss Stella Devere, head milliner for E. Bennett & Co., spent Xmas in Walters Falls, the occasion being the re-union of the mother with her only son, five daughters with their husbands and children, making a party of thirty-three.

The following spent Christmas in town: Mr. E. Duffey, of Blyth; Mr. Ray Watson, of Toronto; Mr. Fairbairn Falconer, of Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. G. Marshall, of Orillia.

Miss Aileen Silk, of St. Margaret Ladies' College, is home over Christmas holidays.

Miss Jean Watson visited friends in Markdale over Sunday.

VICTORIA CORNERS

(Special to The Standard.)

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Patton spent Christmas with their son, Edward Patton, of Dreamland.

Mrs. Charles Moore, Miss Margaret and Master George, left on Friday to spend a month at Mrs. Moore's parents', Smithville.

Mr. Leslie Brooks, who has been visiting with friends here, left on Monday for Maxwell.

The Misses Wyville, of Toronto, are spending a few weeks at their home here.

Mrs. Bulmer and son, Thomas, spent Christmas at the home of Mr. Wm. Heard.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Heard and family visited at Priceville this week.

ROCKLYN

(Special to The Standard.)

Miss Barbara Curry, of Meaford High School, is spending the Xmas vacation at her home here.

A number from here attended the Christmas Tree at Temple Hill on Friday last.

Miss May, our school teacher, is spending Christmas holidays at her home in Banks.

Mr. Robert Hees had a very successful wood bee and dance last Friday night.

Mr. J. Vary is home from the O.A.C. Guelph, for the Christmas vacation.

Miss Annie Curly is spending a few days with friends in Meaford.

Mr. H. Mick and Mrs. A. Goss, of Orillia, are visiting friends in this vicinity.

Miss M. Gardner, who for the past two months has been learning the drumming in Meaford, returned home on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Perry and Miss Ethel and Velda, of Yellow Grass, Sask., are visiting friends here at present.

Mr. G. Irwin and Mrs. W. Muxlow and Master Willis, of Goring, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. Patton.

A number from here took in Ebenezer Christmas tree on Monday last.

William Ferguson.

Reached Nearly the Century Mark.

William Ferguson, one of the oldest and most respected farmers of the township of Osprey, died at his home here Badjeros on Thursday, Nov. 28th last, and was interred in the Badjeros cemetery on Saturday, Nov. 30th. The Rev. Jas. Phimister, of Maxwell, a former pastor, assisted by Rev. Mr. Purchase, conducted the funeral services.

Mr. Ferguson was born in the County of Antrim, Ireland, in October, 1815, and was a little over 97 years of age. He came to Canada when a young man and settled in the township of Adajala, the County of Simcoe, where he married Ann Creighton and soon after moved to the township of Osprey, to lots 55 and 57, conceivably, E.D.R., which was then a wilderness. He had to follow a blazed trail from about Hornings Mills. His first home in the township of Osprey was a log shanty covered with bark and the chinks between the logs stuffed with moss.

However, Mr. Ferguson's thrift and industry and his strong determination which was characteristic of the pioneers of this country prevailed and he lived to see this "one-time wilderness" replaced by a rich and prosperous farming country and the log shanties replaced by comfortable farm buildings, in which Mr. Ferguson had the pleasure of living many years to enjoy the result of his early labors. His wife having died about 18 years ago he has lived upon the old farm with his son, John. He leaves a family of four sons and four daughters: Mrs. W. K. Taylor, of Maple Valley; Mrs. John Scott, of Weyburn, Sask.; Mrs. Jos. Carson, of Badjeros and Jamaica, of Collingwood; John and William, of Osprey; James, of Souris, Man., and George, of Vancouver, B.C.

Mr. Ferguson was an earnest church worker and had been a member of the Methodist church for over 60 years, in which church he held the position of class-leader and local preacher for many years.—Dundalk Herald.

When you want a reliable medicine for a cough or cold take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by R. S. Stephen.

You can get a double disk gramophone record at Turner's Drug Store for 10c.

BLANTYRE

(Special to The Standard.)

A Happy New Year to the Standard staff and all its readers.

Mr. S. Irwin and family, of St. Vincent, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. S. Quinton.

Messrs. Garnett and Norman Wright, who have spent the past summer in the West, have returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor left last week to spend the winter with their daughter, Mrs. R. Rennie, of Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Clark, of Thornbury, and Mr. and Mrs. George Paterson, of Meaford, spent Christmas with Blantyre friends.

Mrs. Wes. Bradly, of Glascott, visited at the parental home a couple of days last week.

Miss Paterson is visiting with friends in Meaford this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Parker, of Toronto, are spending the holiday season with the latter's father, Mr. A. Clark, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Adams, of Holland, accompanied by Misses Laura and Sadie Adams, of Toronto, spent Xmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Murray.

Mr. Kerwood Burleigh, of North Dakota, made a pleasant call on Mrs. Jas. Stitt and family Xmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Paterson visited friends in Proton this week.

Mr. Wesley Davis, of Markdale, made a business call at Mr. Will Sewell's last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Hodgkinson, of Heathcote, spent Xmas at Mr. H. J. home here.

Mr. Robert Vary and family, of Rocklyn, holidayed at the home of Mr. Will Sewell.

Elwin Paterson and Russell Paterson, of Meaford and Thornbury High Schools, respectively, are home for holidays.

A Fine Description.

A letter is just to hand in town from Mr. A. Irwin, B.A., the Markdale boy, who captured the University gold medal in Toronto last spring. It is a private communication, but we are taking the liberty of printing some extracts. Mr. Irwin has entered the work of the Methodist ministry, and is stationed at Shellbrook, Saskatchewan, from which place he writes as follows:

"In coming here I quite expected I was being sent into the back woods, and I've not been disappointed. This place is both 'woods' and 'woods.' We are nearly three hundred miles from the American border and just about the 'ultima thule.' 'Tis true there is some little settlement north of us, and homesteads are being quickly taken up there, but the limit of arable land is reached some ten or fifteen miles away. I have talked with a number of men who have freighted up to the Hudson's Bay posts, and they all tell the same tale, that beyond the limit there is a great stretch of country made up of muskeg and lakes and low land, evidently worthless. Then as for the woods: We are not really in the bush, in fact this is quite a thriving agricultural community, yet it is quite a different region from the prairie. The country here, in a general prospect, appears quite as wooded as the district at home. Clumps of woodland occur everywhere, so that at first one gains the impression that there is really little land cultivated. The trees, though, are mostly poplar, and some of them mere scrub and of no value.

However, this but seems to remind us that we are just on the edge of the really timbered country. Big River, some distance north is the centre of a thriving lumber industry, where there are great forests of spruce and jack-pine. Last winter there were five thousand men in the usual winter mushroom. Three years ago the present site of the village yielded a bountiful crop of wheat. Now there is a population of three or four thousand, and it is rapidly increasing. With the optimism characteristic of this country, the citizens already see reason to believe that the T.P. is coming through here, and, of course, things will boom. I am persuaded myself that this is to be a fairly prosperous place. Even now there is a big business done in it. It has every opportunity to grow: it is far enough from Prince Albert not to be obliged to compete with that vicinity; it has the start of the neater villages, most of which are mere sidings on our one-horse railway; and then it serves a tremendously big tract of country as distributing centre and market town."

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Here Are Facts We Want You to Prove at Our Risk.

In all our experience with hair tonics there is one that has done more toward gaining our confidence than any other. We really believe this remedy, known as Rexall's '93' Hair Tonic, is so superior to other preparations that we offer it to you with our personal and unqualified promise that if you use it and it doesn't prove in every way satisfactory to you, we will, upon your mere request at our store, return to you the money you paid us for it.

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Men Over 45 Need Not Apply

There's the sign that's getting to be a common thing in Canada. Corporations are retiring men at 50. They are not hiring any one over 40.

A baldheaded man often looks 10 years older than he is.

"A man with gray hair always does."

It is important nowadays that a man look as young as he is; it is a very important thing that a man having a family dependent upon him should take care of his hair, for if you have dandruff, get rid of it by killing the germs.

If your hair is falling out, stop it.

If your hair is fading, don't waste any time.

There is a remedy which will correct these conditions and aid you to retain a young appearance. Parisian's Secret is the grand, efficient hair restorer, a guaranteed permanent remedy which runs in two weeks, or money refunded. Parisian's Secret is falling hair preventer. It is not a dye. It is the only hair restorer for ladies' hair. It is a beautiful, natural, healthy, and gray restorer.

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Markdale Markets.

(Corrected each Wednesday)

Fall Wheat	20 1/2
Spring wheat	20 1/2
Oats	12 1/2
Peas	12 1/2
Butter, tub	22 1/2
Butter, roll	22 1/2
Eggs	26 1/2
Beef	10 1/2
Hides	10 1/2
Guano, per lb	11 1/2
Ducks	11 1/2
Chickens	12 1/2
Fowl	12 1/2
Hay	10 1/2
Turkeys	10 1/2
Apples, dried, per lb	4 1/2
Flour, per bbl	4 1/2
Flour, Manitoba	5 1/2

Cox-Bassett.

A pretty event took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Matthias Laycock, Scotville, Sask., on Wednesday evening, the 20th, at 5.30 in the presence of a large number of friends when their friend, Miss J. Bassett was united in the bonds of holy matrimony to Mr. Guy L. Cox, of Radisson. The bride and groom took their place beneath the bridal arch to the strains of Mendelssohn wedding march played by Mr. A. Fisher. The Rev. J. W. Robinson performed the ceremony. The bride was becomingly attired in white mesaline silk, trimmed with lace and a garniture of pearls and carried a bouquet of white chrysanthemums.