Markdale Standard.

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The Standard Extends the Compliments of the Season to All Its Readers

Local and General

Acceptable Xmas gifts for men at P. J. Thompson's.

Mr. Robt. McGruther, of this place, handed in on Monday a pansy from his garden in full bloom. This is something rare for this season of the year in this northern zone.

There is not much stir in municipal matters in town, though it is time those who intend to be in the running for next year had announced themselves. Mr. R. W. Ennis intends to stand for re-election as Reeve of Markdale, and no doubt the energy which he has exerted in everything he has undertaken in connection with the town's affairs during the past year, will make his "calling and election sure" when polling day comes around. It is also quite likely he will be re-elected by acclamation. In Euphrasia township it is rumored that Mr. W. J. Ellis will again oppose the present reeve, Mr. Miller, and that Messrs. Davis, Hutchinson and Murray will seek the Deputy-Reeveship.

Mercer & Son's Ten Dollar Over Coats for Men are the best value to be had anywhere—see them.

Until after Christmas all letters and parcels for the 4 p.m. train must be in by 3.30 sharp, registered matter half an hour earlier. A. Plewes, postmaster.

The last statutory meeting of Markdale Council for 1913 was held on Monday evening. A large batch of accounts totalling $1110.10, and a quantity of routine work incidental to the closing meeeing of the year were disposed of.

"Remarkably clever" are two words which fittingly describe the dramatic interpretations given by Rev. Herbert W. Piercy in Cook's Church on Tuesday evening. Markdale people had not forgotten the entrancing elocutionary powers which he exhibited on his former visit, and gave him a hearty reception on Tuesday evening by turning out in large numbers to hear him. He gave an entirely new programme with the exception of one or two numbers which he repeated by request. Several musical selections were pleasingly rendered, and altogether a most delightful evening was provided.

$24.36 PER H.P. HYDRO RATE FOR MARKDALE

On Nov. 27th the Markdale Council asked the Hydro-Electric Commission for a quotation on the cost of supplying this town with electricity for light and power purposes. The following reply has been received:

To the Municipal Council of the Village of Markdale:

Replying to a request from your Council a short time ago in connection with the cost of serving Markdale with 150 H.P. from the Eugenia Falls Power Development, we beg to advise that we have estimated that the above amount of power can be delivered to your village for $24.36 per H.P.

Yours Truly,
Hydro Electric Power Commission
Of Ontario.
F. A. Gaby, Chief Engineer.

The reasonable rate quoted herein will no doubt be very gratifying to the citizens of Markdale. To give some idea of how this rate compares with that of other portions of the province we give the following table:

	Per H. P.		Per H.P.
Markdale (quoted) ...	$24.36	Preston	$21.00
Owen Sound (quoted)	29.00	Galt	21.50
Hamilton	15.00	Waterloo	22.50
Dundas	15.00	Berlin	21.50
Caledonia	24.00	Baden	32.00
London	23.00	St. Thomas	28.00
Guelph	21.00	Port Credit	28.00

Thus it will be seen that Markdale will have a lower rate than the city of St. Thomas, for instance, where thousands of horse power are used.

Work has already begun at Eugenia Falls, and a number of engineers are engaged in surveying storage limits, locating dams, etc.

One week until Christmas.

Short days did you say? Yes, seven hours short.

All items of interest are welcome at this office.

Read Mrs. Leslie's Christmas Adv. on page 5 of this issue.

There is time yet to have those Photos for Xmas. J. C. Kentner.

Chopping done every day at Holland Centre, five cents per hundred, W. G. Lee. 21-4

The C.O.F. of Vandeleur will meet on the 23rd Dec. instead of the 25th (Christmas.)

When buying Xmas. gifts for men follow the safe rule—A man's store for a man's gift. P. J. Thompson's is the place.

An extensive report of the recent Hydro Electric Radial meeting at Guelph may be found on page 2. The delegates from Markdale who attended will present their report at the nomination meeting on Dec. 29th.

Correspondents should bear in mind that their budgets should reach this office not later than Tuesday in order to ensure insertion in same week. Copy which arrives after that day has to be held over for another issue.

An up-to-date Christmas Tree entertainment will be held in Riverdale Public School on Friday December 19. A spicy programme consisting of comic songs, dialogues, recitations and instrumental music will be rendered. Don't miss an opportunity to enjoy a night of real delight. Come, is the word. Admission only 15c.

A number of the surrounding towns are using the basement of their town hall or other suitable building for a ladies' waiting room to be used by women from the country while in town. This is a highly commendable idea, and could be adopted in Markdale, making use of either the vacant shop in the Oddfellows' block, a room in the Armouries, or the upstairs department in the fire hall for this purpose. We have been assured by a number of ladies from the outlying districts that this would be highly appreciated. The town Council should take hold of this question, and in conjunction with our local Women's Institute see that this service is provided forthwith.

A meeting of the Directors of Markdale Agricultural Society will be held on Friday evening, Dec. 19. A full attendance is requested. Harry Shaw, President.

The S.S. Christmas tree entertainment of St. Matthias Church, Berkeley, will be held on the evening of Thursday, Dec. 18, in the Orange Hall. Admission 15 and 10 cents.

Strange, but True—only one sewing machine which has a First Class Reputation, and that is the "Singer." Send your order in at once. You can buy it on your own terms from Hugh Knott, agent.

Mr. Cecil Alton will have charge of Markdale skating rink again this winter. He gave it its first flooding last week, but the mild weather of the past few days has not been conducive to making ice.

George Pilkie, a Sarnia township farmer, was awarded $125 damages against the Bell Telephone Co. because the instrument was out of order when he wanted to use it to call a vet. for a sick horse, which died.

Notice—The annual meeting of the Rocklyn Agr. Society will be held in the Agricultural Hall on Monday, the 19th day of January, 1914. All paid up members are requested to attend. Ladies also invited to take part in the meeting. J. W. Patton, Secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Alton and little daughter, Susan, arrived last week from Strongfield, Sask., and will remain for the holiday season. Art. has been for seven years in Strongfield and has made good. That district is settled largely by yeomen from Grey County, and a superior lot of farmers they are.

Hot From the Press.

In order to catch the outgoing rural mails at noon the Standard has for some weeks gone to press Wednesday forenoon, instead of the afternoon as formerly. This feature is meeting with much favor by subscribers through the country who get the paper "hot from the press," and we have decided to make the change permanent, and also to change the date of publication from Thursday to Wednesday at New Year.

PERSONAL

Mrs. I. B. Lucas returned home from Toronto on Monday.

Mrs. Fred Holden, of Indian Head, spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Alf. McCullough.

Mrs. A. Fowell, of Holland Centre, gave the Standard a friendly call while in Markdale last week.

Mrs. (Dr.) W. E. Bryans, (nee Miss Shouldice), of Calgary, Alta., has been visiting Miss Laura Moore for a few days.

Miss Mable Gillespie, of Toronto, is spending a few days the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Anderson, of the suburbs.

Mrs. Murdoch will be at home from 4 to 6 o'clock Friday, Dec. 19th, to receive the friends of her daughter, Mrs. G. W. Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Nichol and two children, of Jackfish, are visiting Mrs. Nichol's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Anderson, for a week.

Mrs. Wm. H. Walker, of the suburbs, left on Monday to spend a fortnight with her sister, Mrs. Henry Summers, of Owen Sound.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Gibson, of Fort William, announce the engagement of their daughter, Ida Ethel, to Rev. F. W. Lee, of Murillo.

Rev. E. G. Dymond was in Shelburne last Sunday assisting at the services of the Dedication, by the Bishop of the Diocese, of the New St. Paul's Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Thompson and baby girl, of Hawarden, Sask., arrived in town Monday and spent a day with the latter's sister, Mrs. Alf. McCullough.

Mr. and Mrs. George Walker and Mrs. Fillow, of Bethel, Conn., accompanied by Mrs. J. O. Disbrow, of Newark, N.J., arrived on Saturday on a visit with Mr. Os. Walker and other friends.

The marriage of Miss Etta Treadgold, daughter of Mr. C. Treadgold, to Mr. John D. Gilchrist, of Medicine Hat, Alberta, on Thursday, Dec. 11, 1913, is announced. The marriage took place at Calgary, Alberta.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson Price, of Holland Centre, will be at home to their neighbors and friends on Monday afternoon, the 29th December, 1913, from two o'clock till five on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding.

Isn't This Disappointing?

It has been denied that Sir James Whitney will retire and live quietly at Markdale.—Dundalk Herald.

BORN

WOYCE—In Lily Oak, on December 12th, 1913, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Woyce, a daughter.

HEDLEY—In Clarksburg, on Tuesday, December 9th, 1913, to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hedley, a son.

SCOTT—On Dec. 14th, 1913, to Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Scott, 320 Charleton Ave. E., Hamilton, a daughter.

MARRIED

GAWLEY — McTAGGART—At the Manse, Markdale, on Tuesday, December 16th, 1913, by Rev. R. M. Phalen, Mr. William Brown Gawley to Miss Jennie McTaggart, both of Berkeley.

DIED

BRYDEN—In Toronto, on Dec. 11, 1913, Mrs. R. C. Bryden, aged 85 years.

BASKIER—At Purple Hill, Man., on the 7th December, 1913, Ivan Leitch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Baskier, aged 9 months, 8 days.

DAMUDE—On Tuesday, Dec. 16, 1913, at 171 Lee avenue, Toronto, Solomon Damude, in his 78th year. Funeral Friday at Flesherton on arrival of morning train.

Death of Mrs. R. C. Bryden

Widow of Markdale's First Town Clerk Passes Away in Toronto At Advanced Age.

Those who still survive and were residents of Markdale from 22 to 40 years ago have nothing but kindly memories of Mrs. Bryden. She passed away at Toronto on Thursday last to her long home, aged 85 years. Shortly after her husband's death, which took place 22 years ago last March, deceased went to Toronto to reside with her daughter, Teenie (Mrs. McGill), where she spent all these years. A stroke which she received over two months ago was the immediate cause of death. The remains were brought on Friday by C.P.R. accompanied by her two daughters, Mrs. Creasor, of Owen Sound, who had been with her mother through her late illness, and Mrs. McGill, together with Mr. McGill. The casket, which was covered with floral offerings, rested a couple of hours at the home of Mrs. Hollingshead, a much esteemed friend of deceased, after which interment took place by the remains of her deceased husband in Markdale Public Cemetery, Rev. R. M. Phalen officiating at the house and grave. Messrs. Wm. Lucas, S. J. Halbert, Thos. Mathews, Angus Plewes, Hugh Mercer and C. W. Rutledge acted as pall bearers. Four children survive, Frank, of Chicago; Andrew, Blairmore, Alta.; Mrs. Mark Creasor, of Owen Sound, and Mrs. McGill, of Toronto. Mr. Mark Creasor was also present at the funeral. The late R. C. Bryden was Markdale's first town Clerk, and was a most capable official.

A Thoughtful Gift.

Send The Standard to the absent member of the family or the distant friend. It is as good as a letter from home and is a weekly visitor. You can better imagine how the home paper is appreciated when you are absent yourself and a copy is forwarded to you.

TURNER'S

Christmas Presents

It is sometimes hard to make a list of your Proposed Christmas Gifts and have something suitable for each of your friends, and you know the kindly thought behind the gift is more than half its value.

Perhaps you may find some suggestions below that may help you.

Buy early and get the best selection.

Presents for the Ladies

Toilet Sets
Manicure Sets
Hand Bags
Ebony Mirrors
Ebony Brushes
Cut Glass
Bon Bons
Fancy Stationery
Books
Boots
Chinaware
Jewel Boxes
Perfume
Candle Holders
Card Cases
Kodaks
Work Boxes
Post Card Albums
Sachet Powder.
Comb and Brush Trays

Presents for the Men

Books
Bill Folders
Pipes
Razors
Ash Trays
Cigars
Military Brushes
Cuff and Collar Boxes
Safety Razors
Hat Brushes
Tobacco Pouches
Smoking Sets
Shaving Cases
Match Cases
Wallets
Travelling Cases
Initial Stationery
Shaving Mugs
Shaving Mirrors
Fancy Whisks

Presents for the Older People

Bibles
Books (all kinds)
Down Books
Prayer Books
Purses
Hand Bags
Reading Glasses
Nice lot of China
Fruit Baskets
Chamois Vests
Comb Trays and Brushes
Hot Water Bottles
Cut Glass
Good Brush
Walking Stick
Thermometer
Rubber Sponge
Razor
Shaving Outfit

Presents for the Young Folks

Books
Magic Lanterns
Electric Motors
Beads
Purses
Sleighs
Shell Work Boxes
Steam Engines
Mouth Organs
Games all kinds
Air Rifles
Crokinole
Printing Outfits
Fountain Pens
Magnifying Glasses
Ink Stands
Post Card Albums
Magnets
Forks, etc.

FOR THE CHILDREN all sorts and conditions of Toys, Dolls, Blocks, Dishes, Books, etc.

We wish to emphasize a few lines that we consider extra values and very appropriate Christmas Gifts.

LEATHER GOODS—Hand Bags, Music Rolls, etc., of Genuine Leather are always in good taste and very acceptable.

CUT GLASS—Rich and lustrous, is something the ladies always prize.

BOOKS—In their selection you can always show good taste and thoughtfulness. This year we have a larger and better selection than ever.

CASE GOODS—Toilet Cases, Manicure Sets, Shaving Sets, etc., all make very nice presents.

CHINA—A great many ladies appreciate a dainty piece of China, and take great pride in their collection.

FOUNTAIN PENS—A good Pen is always an acceptable Gift to a student or business man.

Huyler's and Webb's high class Bonbons and Chocolates.

Hammered Brass will satisfy the most fastidious.

KODAKS—It is hard to find anything that will please young people like a Kodak. A nice one for two or three dollars.

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This is the season when the candidates send forth their promises to the listening ear of the voter. But aside from those seeking office, there are other candidates whose pleas are just as important to your personal interest. These are the Merchants and Business Men who speak to you weekly through the columns of a live newspaper like The Standard. They do not make pie crust promises; they know that they are going to prosper just to the extent that they make good. They want your trade by deserving it; so be convinced by calling on

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Purses
Wallets
Toy Books
Fancy Goods
Manicure Sets
Writing Folios
Leather Goods
Christmas Books
Ladies' Hand Bags
Writing Portfolios
Ladies' Toilet Cases

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