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MARKDALE

THE MARKDALE STANDARD

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13th, 1914

Back to the Land.

An encouraging sign this year is noticeable in the falling off in the number of auction sales which are usually very plentiful at this season of the year. The tendency in the cities and larger towns is to get back to the land and no doubt this is having a certain influence on the rural population of Ontario. For a long time there has been a periodical rush of the farming community to the west or the larger centres with the result that to-day the rural population of Ontario is very far below that of five or ten years ago. This has resulted in many valuable farms lying idle or only partially worked. This no doubt contributes in no small degree to the present high cost of living, or as someone has perhaps more aptly put it—the cost of high living.

The lot of the farmer is surely a most enviable one and yet in too frequent instances he is the last one to appreciate to the full its opportunities and advantages.

A Good Spring Clean-up Essential

Many towns and cities have inaugurated what is styled a clean-up day, which is observed each spring. Public attention is called to this day by official proclamation of the mayor, who urges its general observance and local organizations, including civic clubs, women's societies, schools and churches, take an active part in making the occasion exactly what its name implies, a time to clean up some of the accumulated refuse of winter. This co-operative effort on the part of the majority of citizens to improve conditions about their homes and business places, adds much to the general appearance and healthfulness of the town. It also helps to interest the young people and instil in their minds the value and importance of clean, tidy surroundings. There is a lesson in this custom for rural sections. If observed, it would have the same good effect upon country conditions. A farm clean-up day may be made as productive of desirable results as a clean-up day in town or city. There is plenty of opportunity for such spring work on the farm about buildings, in the orchard, the garden and the field. We do not find time to accomplish all that is possible in keeping the premises clean. Neither do we always do as much in this line as we might. Now is a good time to consider the real value of a neat and orderly farm from a dollars and cents standpoint. Besides, there being enough satisfaction to be gained in such surroundings to more than pay the cost, there is an actual monetary value as well which cannot be too highly appreciated.

Work for Express Companies

The successful operation of the parcel post system in Canada should not drive the express companies into bankruptcy. There is still plenty of work left for them because they offer many advantages to shippers which are not afforded by parcel post, such as personal service, protection in transit, the option of exacting C.O.D. payment from consignees and the privilege of stopping goods in transit.

The parcel post system, while it competes with the express companies to a certain degree, was principally designed to provide services which express companies cannot give. We need all the transportation systems. But the express companies should remember the warning given to them by the Dominion Railway Commission when it reduced their rates. If the express companies strive to furnish good service, and to make their charges reasonable for this service, they will get plenty of business at rates which should not dishearten their stockholders.

Any municipality in the province may hold its election on New Year's Day if it chooses. Toronto had this privilege, but the Legislature has now passed a bill removing the restrictions and permitting any municipality to change its election date to the first of the year.

Papers contain very many reports of operations for appendicitis, the ailment seeming to be epidemic. If people would observe the old rules for health—keep the bowels moving freely by drinking more water, eating more fruit and less rich cakes and pastry there would be fewer cases for doctors. Try the simple life and cut out luxuries and see how it will work out.

NEWS FROM SURROUNDING TOWNSHIPS

BY STAFF REPORTERS

KIMBERLEY

(Special to The Standard.)

Mr. Stanley Reid and sister, Maggie, visited at Mr. Jos. Dobson's, Redwing, one day last week.

Mr. Patterson, our junior teacher, visited at his parental home, Blantyre, recently.

Miss Lillian Armstrong, of Flesherton, visited at Mr. Geo. Proctor's during the past week.

Rev. Mr. Wallace, of Markdale, occupied the pulpit in the Methodist church on Sunday morning last and delivered an excellent discourse.

Mr. J. E. Hammond, of the Meaford High School staff, accompanied by Mr. Moore, were callers in our burg one day last week. They brought a large number of trout fry with them, which they placed in the old Beaver at several different points. These fry were purchased from a private hatchery and cost in the neighborhood of thirty dollars. Every outside disciple of Ike Walton before he will be allowed to cast his line into the old Beaver will have to pay the sum of one dollar towards defraying the expenses of same.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Graham, of Manitoba, who have been visiting friends in our vicinity for a few months, returned home on Monday last.

Mrs. William Turner, of Eugenia, visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Hill, a few days the past week.

Messrs. Jas. R. Fawcett and W. S. Bishop attended a meeting of the Methodist Quarterly Board on Monday last.

Mr. Wm. Hammond and Mr. Sinclair, of Meaford, spent the week-end at the former's parental home here.

Mr. Edward Sloan is leaving for California this week. On Thursday evening last Kimberley L.O.L. No. 1346 presented him with a handsome locket and the following address:

Bro. E. J. Sloan,

Dear Brother,—It is with the deepest regret that we have learned of your intended departure from our midst. During your stay among us you have been ever ready to lend a helping hand to any work pertaining to the Lodge. We therefore ask you to accept this locket, not for its intrinsic value, but as a slight token of the esteem in which you are held among our brethren. We trust that when you reach the land of sunshine and flowers it will serve to remind you of the time you have spent with us. Signed on behalf of the lodge.

J. T. Abercrombie, W.M.
Walter Burritt, R.S.

EAST MOUNTAIN

Wedding bells are merrily tingling:

Mrs. John Welsh is at present visiting her sister, Mrs. Henry Graham, of Orton.

Miss Alma Humberstone, of Irish Lake, visited her parental home here recently.

Miss Elsie Martin has returned home, after a pleasant visit with

Miss Viola Gorley visited a couple of days with her sister, Mrs. Alf. Hill, of Kimberley.

We are very pleased to report Miss Moon, our teacher, improving nicely, after her recent illness. We hope she will soon be able to be out again with us once more.

Mr. Tom Harbottle, of Keady, is visiting with his brother, Mr. Geo. Harbottle, at present.

Died, at Collingwood, recently, Mrs. Moles, wife of Captain Jack Moles, of Collingwood. She leaves to mourn her loss a sorrowing husband and little twin boys. The deceased lady is a niece of Mr. John Martin, of this place. We extend our deepest sympathy to Mr. Martin and family in their sad bereavement.

Mr. Dan MacTavish, of Flesherton, was a caller in our vicinity one day last week.

Mr. Robinson, of Osprey, visited Messrs. Ed. and William O'Brien on Wednesday of last week.

Miss Minnie Smart is attending school at Duncan on account of illness of our teacher, Miss Moon. We wish her every success in her studies.

Mr. Harry Rollings, of Egypt, visited friends in our vicinity one Sunday recently.

Messrs. Fred Martin and Jack Clark disposed of a load of fish recently through our neighborhood, which were certainly dandies.

Misses Annie Allen and Sadie Smart spent the weekend at their parental homes here.

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HARKAWAY

(Special to The Standard.)

The annual election of officers for the S. S. took place last week. Rev. Mr. Wilkinson presided. The officers elected are as follows: Superintendent, Mr. T. H. Richardson; Ass't. Supt., Mrs. W. T. Wiley; Treasurer, Mr. J. A. Hawken; Secretary, Miss Nettie Richardson; Organist, Miss Ina Acheson. . . . The following are the officers of the League for this year: President, Miss Annie Johnston; 1st Vice Pres., Mrs. A. Rusk; 2nd Vice, Miss Ethel Carbert; 3rd Vice, Miss M. Johnston; Sec'y., Miss V. Wiley; Cor. Sec., Miss M. B. Halbert; Treasurer, Miss Nettie Richardson.

The Ladies' Auxiliary met at the home of Mr. R. T. Lyons last week when a very successful meeting was held. The annual election of officers took place as follows: Pres., Mrs. J. Eagles; Vice Pres., Mrs. A. Rusk; Secretary, Mrs. D. L. Binns; Cor. Sec., Mrs. G. E. Kinney; Treasurer, Mrs. J. Rodman.

CEYLON

(Special to The Standard.)

Miss M. Hemphill is visiting friends at Feversham.

Mrs. H. Piper has returned home from spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. L. Torry, who has been very ill for the past five weeks.

Mr. F. Chislitt, of Shelburne, spent the weekend with his parents here.

Miss P. Cairns spent a few days at Eugenia the past week.

The sawmill is at present closed down for repairs.

Mr. Dennie, of Hanover, spent Sunday at Mrs. Muir's.

We are pleased to see Miss Lizzie Sargeant able to be out again, after an illness, which has confined her to the house for several months.

Miss Mae Bennett has returned home, after spending the past month at Saugeen.

Mr. W. Knox, accompanied by Miss M. Ferguson, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. M. McArthur.

Mrs. Pepper left on Tuesday for Orillia, after spending the winter months with her daughter, Mrs. S. Rands.

RIVERDALE

(Intended for last week.)

Generally speaking, seeding operations in this vicinity are completed.

Mr. F. Cutting, accompanied by his sister, Millie, visited Goring friends the first of the week.

Mr. Aaron Thompson was on a business trip to Thornbury last week.

Mr. G. Thompson, Scotch Comic, is holidaying in Owen Sound.

Mrs. S. Ward, of Markdale, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. J. Lee, at present.

Mr. F. Cutting and lady friends, Misses Annie and Margaret Johnston, of Harkaway, were recently the guests of Miss Nettie Johnston of Beaverdale.

Mr. David Boyd renewed acquaintances in Thornbury on Tuesday.

Arbor day was justly celebrated at the Riverdale Academy.

Mr. G. Lee visited friends in Goring vicinity the first of the week.

(This week's items.)

Wedding bells in our burg. Particulars next week.

Mrs. G. Wyville and Master Everitt, of Markdale, were the guests of Mrs. B. Cutting last week.

Mr. Markle, of Wodehouse, was a pleasant caller in our burg on Saturday.

Miss Euphemia Stephenson visited Mrs. Myers, of Cherry Grove, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Erskine and Miss Skinner, of Markdale, visited friends here the first of the week.

Mr. J. Smith, of Walters Falls, was the guest of Mr. John Stephenson recently.

DORNOCH

(Special to The Standard.)

During the recent electric storm William O'Mara's barn was struck. Fortunately they discovered it at once, and aided by the villagers it was finally subdued before doing much damage.

Mr. Pust, the mail courier for R. R. No. 2, has purchased a new outfit and it is a commendable vehicle for the purpose. It can be all closed in if desired, and will be an excellent protection for His Majesty's mail in inclement weather.

Mr. and Mrs. George Montgomery, of Durham, are visiting these days with Mr. and Mrs. A. Leek.

Mr. Wm. Smith had the misfortune to lose a mare and two colts this spring; also a cow. Mr. Robt. Corlett had a cow die under similar circumstances.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vasey died on Saturday and was buried Sunday. Much sympathy is felt for the young parents in the loss of their baby.

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These come in Narrow and very wide Widths, and include some very fine qualities such as you pay 12½, 15, 18 and 20c per yard for. Special this week at, per yd. 8c

New Brocaded Dress Silks

In all leading shades 38c yd.

We were very fortunate in picking up this line of fancy silks just now so much in vogue, and the season being right on. They come in all the leading shades such as Navy, White, Green, Tan, Turquoise and Black. Special, per yard ..... 38c.

Dress Goods ON SALE THIS WEEK

at very much less than they cost at the mill.

We have gone through our stock and picked out some 50 pieces. They are odd lines and comprise many Staple Goods. In Fancy Tweeds, Cashmeres, Serges and Lustres, about fifty pieces in all to select from, and the qualities represent 25, 35, 40 and 50c lines. On sale this week, per yard 19c

Nobby and Natty Styles in Men's Fine Shirts

Big Shipment Just Received

This week we have placed in stock one of the nobbiest lines of Men's Fine Shirts for Spring and Summer Wear. They are just what you require if you are particular and look for something that is exactly correct in New Patterns and New Cloths, Prices, $1.00, $1.25, $1.50, and $1.75

Nobby Ties and Correct Styles in Collars to Match.

Ladies' Dresses, Girls' Dresses, Children's Dresses

New Styles. Fine Quality. Large Range to Select From, and the prices are popular, no matter if it is a Tub Dress or a Fine Silk Dress; we have them, and the price is in reach of all, from .....75c to $18.50

Let us show them to you.

Ladies' Corsets, Correct in Style, Popular in Price.

In this department we carry a very heavy stock, and no matter whether you want to pay 50c a pair or $2.50, or possibly you have been in the habit of paying $1.25 and $1.50 a pair; we have the best value to be had at these prices. Visit our Corset Department if you want that New Dress to look just right.

Hardware Department

The House Cleaning Department is now working over time, and so that you may be able to get just what you want we have placed in stock this week

Big Stocks of New Paints, Paint Brushes, Whitewash Brushes, Wall Papers and Alabastine, Jelly Stone and Muralo in all the leading colors.

That you may complete your House Cleaning to your entire satisfaction a visit to our Hardware Department for these requirements will satisfy you.

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Compton's Early	$1.75	$1.65
White Cap.....	1.50	1.40
Wisconsin No. 7	1.50	1.40
North Dakota.....	1.75	1.65
Early Leaming....	1.50	1.40

On sale in Hardware Department

HILL BROS., - Markdale

VANDELEUR

(Special to The Standard.)

Mr. W. B. Buchanan, of Toronto, is visiting at his home here.

Mr. Randell and family motored down from Owen Sound and visited Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Warling recently.

Mrs. Cook and Miss Wilcox, of Toronto, were the guests of their uncle, Mr. Ed. Wilcox, for a few days.

Miss Winterburn, of Berkeley, visited her sister, Mrs. Chas. Holley, recently.

The sympathy of the community is extended to Messrs. John and Thomas Flynn in the loss of their mother, who died in Flesherton on Sunday.

Mother's Day was appropriately observed in the church on Sunday, most of the congregation wearing a white flower in honor of the occasion, while the Rev. Mr. Dudgeon preached an excellent sermon on the subject of the day.

EUGENIA

(Special to The Standard.)

Miss Leslie, of Markdale, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. A. Hyslop.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoggarth and daughter, Odessa, motored over and spent the weekend with Mrs. G. Graham.

The annual meeting of the O.W.I. met at Mrs. Graham's and the following officers were appointed for the ensuing year: Pres., Mrs. McMullen; Vice Pres., Mrs. L. Latimer; 2nd Vice, Mrs. W. Armstrong; Sec. Treas., Mrs. J. A. Williams; Director, Mrs. A. Cameron; Program Com., Mrs. Geo. Gorley, Mrs. Latimer, Miss McMullen; Auditors—Miss Latimer, Miss McMullen.

Dr. Margaret Paterson, of Toronto, will speak to the ladies of this community on June 2nd, afternoon and evening, in Presbyterian church. All ladies should avail themselves of this opportunity of hearing her on this date. Gentlemen invited in the evening.

Markdale spoke of having 22 automobiles in town. They just spoke in time as Eugenia has claimed one since then, the owner being Mr. Wm. Hill, who has commenced business here. Anything he has not on hand when asked for can readily be had by getting into the car and making for headquarters.

CHERRY GROVE

(Special to The Standard.)

Seeding is pretty well under way for this season.

Mr. S. Fitzsimmons, of Vandeleur, visited friends the fore part of this week.

Miss Cora Hepburn, of Barrhead, spent last weekend with her sister, Miss V. Hepburn.

Miss Ethel Cornfield, of Kimberley, is spending this week with her aunt, Mrs. W. Myers, jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Avery Hawken, of Flesherton, were guests of Mrs. H.'s mother, Mrs. W. Taylor, over Sunday.

Mr. W. E. Bradley was in Ceylon last week purchasing seed grain. W. E. believes in handling nothing but the most superior goods, and we expect in harvest time to see a bumper crop.

Dr. J. Ottewell, of Flesherton, was a caller in the burg on Thursday last.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Myers and daughter, Vera, spent Sunday with Berkeley friends.

Mrs. F. Sargeant and Mrs. J. Walker, of Markdale suburbs, visited this week with friends in the burg.

Cupid has been busy in this locality during the past month and this week w[illegible] tions to Mr. [illegible] Bradley, who [illegible] on Wednesday [illegible] at the residence [illegible] ther, Mrs. J. [illegible] Dymond [illegible] (Miss Lyndia [illegible] recipient of [illegible] and useful gifts [illegible] her popularity among her [illegible] well-wishers.

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