Flesherton

(Special to The Standard.)

Mrs. J. M. Cargoe and daughter, Jean, spent the past couple of weeks with the former's daughter, Mrs. Lorene Cargoe, in Toronto.

Miss Effie Sandiland of Dundalk visited her sister, Mrs. Wes. Armstrong.

Misses Hazel Inkster and Evada Wilson have returned to Toronto where they are attending Normal.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Down and children of Markdale visited with Mr. and Mrs. H. Down.

Miss Violet Blackburn of Toronto spent the holiday with her aunt, Mrs. T. Fisher.

Mr. Richard Phillips, of the Standard Bank, spent a few days with his parents at Palmerston.

Mr. Jas. Kerr, barber, spent the past two weeks with his parents and other friends at Seaforth.

Mr. Jas. Stafford has returned to his position at Detroit last week.

Miss Evelyn Ferris left Monday for Orangeville where she is taking a course at Business College.

Miss Marie McEachnie has taken a position in Armstrong's jewellery store.

Miss Elsie Ferris of Owen Sound spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Ferris.

Miss Amanda Warling spent the past week with her sister, Mrs. Sam. Badgerow, near Dundalk.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stewart are spending a vacation with Toronto friends.

Mrs. Bryant of Toronto, who is visiting at her home at Maxwell, visited the first of the week with Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Ochsner.

Miss Helen Weston is spending a few days with friends in Mt. Forest.

Mrs. Wm. Hay of Toronto spent a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John McDonald.

Misses Maudy Warling and Elsie Weston spent a few days at their homes in Markdale.

Mrs. Chas. Smith was hostess at a very successful anniversary on St. John's Day, the last for New Year's.

(Too late for last week.)

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[illegible] of Toronto [illegible] with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John MacDonald.

[illegible] of Toronto was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. [illegible]

[illegible] Thurston of Toronto [illegible] the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Thurston.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haley of the 14th Line visited with Mr. and Mrs. W. Barnett recently.

Mrs. I. Beecroft and daughter, Arlene, of Owen Sound spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. John Pedlar.

Mrs. Edmunds returned to her home in Toronto last week after visiting her sister, Mrs. W. W. Trimble.

Mr. R. E. McQuillan, of the Standard Bank staff, spent Christmas with his parents at Lucknow.

Mr. Walter E. Clark of Barrie spent a week with his sister, Mrs. Thos. R. Lever, Toronto Line.

Miss M. Cameron is spending the Christmas vacation with relatives at Ottawa.

Mr. Ray Paton of Durham was a Christmas visitor in town.

Mr. S. Hardwick, of the High School staff, spent the holiday at his home at Bolton.

Eugenia

(Special to The Standard.)

New Year's comes; The Old Year goes,
But here's to wish you
Through the glad New Year
Prosperous days and all good cheer.

Mrs. Quesnel and children of Owen Sound spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Sherwood.

Mr. Gerald Large of Niagara Falls and lady friend, Miss Mildred Caswell of Flesherton were visitors at the Eugenia House.

A very pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Williams on Christmas night, when a number of the village people assembled there. The party broke up at midnight.

Messrs. John and Sam MacDonald spent Christmas with their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Wood, at Markdale.

Miss Laura Fawcett of Toronto visited over New Year's Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Fawcett.

A dance was held in the L.O.L. hall on Friday night, December 31. A large crowd was in attendance and a very pleasant time is reported.

Miss Little Badgerow 4th Line, visited with her sister, Mrs. C. Boyce recently.

Mr. Charles Park has returned to Detroit after visiting over Christmas with his parents here.

The Misses Mary and Isabelle McNee returned to Toronto on Saturday to resume their positions there.

The schools re-opened on Tuesday. Miss Johnston of Kemble returned to her school here and Miss Christie of Owen Sound to her school, 8th Line.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood and Miss Lucy and Mr. John Magee spent New Year's Day at Mr. Donald MacDonald's.

Mrs. David Genoe and daughter, Dorothy, of East Mountain, spent the first of the week with the former's sister, Mrs. Ed. Hillock. We were pleased to have a call from Mrs. Genoe.

On Tuesday afternoon of last week the Sunday School children were given a jolly sleigh ride after which a dainty lunch was served in the basement of the church and a social time indulged in. The children enjoyed this event greatly.

[illegible] meeting was held on Wednesday of last week to wind up the affairs of the year. The Trustee Board for 1927 consists of Mr. Francis Genoe, Mr. John Campbell and Mr. Cardiff Graham, Mr. Graham being successor to Mr. A. F. Pedlar, retiring trustee. Now when the Trustee Board meets it will be a nice family meeting. Mr. C. Graham was appointed delegate to the Toronto Conference, as well as receiving the honourable office of Sec.-Treas. Mr. Sherwood again gets the carboline of the school.

Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell and family spent New Year's Day with Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Magee, 10th.

Mr. Walter Sloan has [illegible] for Northern Ontario and has left to commence work [illegible]

[illegible] Mrs. Cameron [illegible] a very pleasant time [illegible]

[illegible] Mrs. Duckett [illegible] her husband [illegible] gone and the grave hath received her.

It was Jesus that called her away,
She is gone to the Lord who redeemed her,
From night to the splendour of day."

Mrs. J. H. Duckett (nee Louisa Yardley) was a granddaughter of Sir Robert Yardley, the Lord of Burton Dacid, a Manor House of Warwickshire, England. When seventeen years of age she was ordained in the Burton Dacid parish by the English Church clergyman. The Yardley family belonged to the Church of England ever since the reign of Bloody Queen Mary.

It was 58 years ago, Dec. 24th, 1926, since Mr. J. H. Duckett of Fillie Compton, Warwickshire, was married to the deceased lady. A year after they were married Mrs. Duckett's mother died, when she and Mr. Duckett came to America landing in New York in 1872. Mr. Duckett hired with a farmer in Castle Garden, New York, at $40 per month. When the month was up they took their ticket from Patterson, New Jersey, to Toronto, landing in Toronto at night (Toronto was but a small village then). Next morning they took the train for Collingwood from where Mr. Duckett walked to his brother-in-law's, Mr. Leonard Betts, who resided on the farm where his son, Thos., lives now. Mr. Betts moved them from Collingwood and Mr. Duckett worked for him for a year and a half and then moved back to Collingwood where he worked for a year gardening for Mr. Henry Nolan, 4th St., Collingwood. They moved back to Leonard Betts' again and then rented the property of Rowland Hill (English Church minister) in Eugenia for 7 years. Next he purchased the Erskine property from Mr. Wes. Armstrong, father of Wm. Armstrong of Flesherton. Suffering hardships of pioneer life Mr. and Mrs. Duckett toiled diligently until they cleared the land and built a home. Mr. Duckett then purchased the Hoath property, Lot 24, 9th Line, where he now resides, and where he erected a comfortable residence to spend their last days.

Mrs. Duckett was always hale and hearty until about 3 years ago, but was always strong in mind. For a year preceeding her death she was fairly well, but infirmities of old age crept in and after a month's illness in bed the Grim Reaper Death cut off her life. On the day preceeding her death she called her husband to her bedside saying, "I have something to tell you. You've been a very faithful friend to me and a dear husband and a fine father. You've got me everything that I asked for and God will bless you."

A strange co-incidence happened when she died, she having been born under a total eclipse of the sun at 12:30 p.m. on the 2nd day of May, 1838. She died at 12:30 p.m. on the day of October 24th.

Mr. J. H. Duckett is the appointed minister's warden of the English Church since Mr. Franklin was minister. This, with the obituary at the time of her death gives a full account of her life and death.

Temple Hill

(Intended for last week.)

The Christmas Tree on Thursday, December 23rd, held in the church here was a decided success. The program opened by a chorus by the Sunday School. Instrumentals by Ray and Elgin Sparling, several dialogues, a number of recitations were much enjoyed. Misses Jean and Leona Boyd and Mr. Cecil Dawn sang several duets, and the Misses Iola, Leona and Florence Welland also sang. A drill entitled "Holly Boughs Are Arching" was given by six boys and six girls. Miss Marion Sparling was organist for the evening. Miss Marion Sparling was called to the platform and Dr. McDougald gave an address and presented her with a purse from the congregation. Marion very fittingly replied. Santa Claus then entered and unloaded the tree of gifts. The proceeds of the evening amounted to $27.50.

Mr. Elgin Sparling of Toronto spent the Christmas holidays at his parents' home here.

Miss Grace Breadner of Toronto spent Christmas with her parents here.

Mrs. Clifford Erskine and daughter, Isabel, spent the past two weeks with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Smart, of near Durham.

Mr. Carl Boyd has returned home after spending the past month with his uncle, Mr. Russ Foster, Markdale.

[illegible] Mr. and Mrs. Earl Smart, Barrhead.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Myers and Miss Almeda spent New Year's with relatives at Kimberley.

At the Sunday School Christmas Concert Miss Gladys Miller received from the Christmas Tree a pretty amber clock and boudoir cap as a token of appreciation from the superintendent and teachers of the Sunday School.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Myers sr., and Miss Vera had as guests on Christmas Day Mr. and Mrs. Ben. Summers and son, Willie, of Markdale, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Myers and daughter were also callers on their return from Lauriston.

The annual school meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 29th, was fairly well attended. Mr. Ran Bradey was chairman and Mr. Levi Burnett, sec. pro tem. The trustees' and auditors' reports were received and adopted, the latter showing a substantial balance on hand. Mr. Levi Burnett was appointed the section's auditor and Mr. Ran Bradey the trustees' auditor for 1927. It was decided that the trustees appoint a delegate to the O.E.A. Convention to be held in Toronto about Easter. Mr. Mitchell Harvey was the retiring trustee, having served for two three-year terms. Mr. Wm. Smart was elected trustee for three years in Mr. Harvey's place. The other two trustees are Wm. A. Dickie and John E. Wyvill. Contracts for wood, cedar and the caretaking of the school were let by tender. Mr. Wesley Wyvill was the successful bidder in each case. Mr. [illegible]

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Mr. and Mrs. Ran Bradey and son, Jack, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Weber and family at Kimberley.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hodgson, John and Gordon, spent Christmas with friends on the Townline A. and E.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Leitch and son, Wallace, Irish Lake, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. Burnett and family on Christmas Day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Myers and daughter, Almeda, spent a few days, including Christmas, with Mr. and Mrs. Willard Wilson, Lauriston.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Laughlan and daughter, Margaret, and Miss Jean McNally were Christmas visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Moore at Harkaway.

We are sorry to report little Ruth Gregory under the doctor's care at present. We hope for a speedy recovery.

Miss A. Harbison of Shelburne was a holiday guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ran Bradey.

Misses Mina and Wilma Dickie spent part of the Christmas holidays with their aunt, Mrs. Wm. Bradey, Dundalk.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Lawrence of Kimberley were guests of the latter's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Ran Bradey on New Year's Day.

Mr. Smart and Miss Elva spent New Year's Day with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Smart, Barrhead.

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[illegible] Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Smart and family [illegible] Misses Phemie and Nellie Hodgson have returned to Toronto after holidaying with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hodgson.

Union Hill

(Special to The Standard.)

Mr. and Mrs. Dixon McFadden, who spent the past two weeks with the former's mother, returned to Detroit on Thursday.

Mr. Earl Hannah of Timmins, Northern Ontario, and Mr. Tom. Walker of Toronto spent their holidays with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hannah.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Allison and daughters, Jean and Ruby, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. Tebbutt.

Christmas visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Brown, Miss Alma Brown of Orangeville, Mr. and Mrs. J. Semple and daughter, Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Wilson and son, Gordon, and Mr. and Mrs. D. R. McFadden of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. John McDonald and children, Mr. Elmer Eagles, Mrs. Oscar Truman of Markdale and Clark Brothers spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Clark.

Mr. George J. McFadden gave a party on Tuesday night in honour of Mr. and Mrs. Dixon McFadden of Detroit. After lunch the young couple were seated in the dining-room and a large basket filled with beautiful gifts was brought in. Miss Dell Brown read the witty verses. Dixon thanked his old friends and neighbors for their kindness. Euchre, checkers and dancing continued till the wee small hours of the morning.

Mr. Earl Brown took a business trip to Toronto on Thursday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Brown and family, Miss Margaret Brown, and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Wilson and son, Gordon, spent New Years with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Semple.

Mrs. James McFadden received the sad news of the death of her brother, Mr. Robert Gault, of Wiarton, who died Monday, Dec. 27th.

Miss Alma Brown left for Toronto on Monday to spend a week with friends in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Aitkens and family spent the holiday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Aitkens.

Mr. W. H. Clark received the sad news of the death of his mother, Mrs. John Clark, of Spy Hill, Sask., who died Dec. 17th, aged 90 years. She was the widow of the late John Clark, who died 47 years ago when they were living near Markdale. The late Mr. and Mrs. Clark were highly esteemed by all and our sympathy is extended to the sorrowing friends.

Cherry Grove

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East Berkeley

(Special to The Standard.)

Wishing Ye Editor and all Standard Readers a Happy New Year.

Our sympathy goes out to the relatives of the late Mrs. W. Taylor, especially her husband, daughters and aged father.

Mr. Wilfred Dennison of Markdale spent Christmas at the parental home.

Miss Louie Jackson is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Steer.

We are glad to learn that Mrs. Madill is recovering after an attack of the flu.

Mrs. Norman McGinnis spent a few days with her mother, Mrs. Madill, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Connell and family and Mrs. Connell sr., ate the Christmas goose at Mr. John Steer's.

The annual school meeting was held on Wednesday and all of last year's trustees were put in for another year.

Those who attended the union concert at Harkaway enjoyed a treat.

Some of our citizens attended the concert and Christmas Tree at Knox School recently and report a good time.

Mr. J. Connell and family spent Christmas at Mr. Sutton's, Berkeley.

Mr. Jackson of Dornoch called on some of our citizens recently.

We are having quite mild weather and it is a welcome visitor at Christmas time.

Miss Fee is spending the holidays at the parental home in Holland Centre.

Mrs. Symington of Detroit is visiting with her mother, Mrs. D. Connell.

Walters Falls

(Special to The Standard.)

Mr. Verral Mower is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Mower.

School re-opened on Monday with Miss Scott of Griersville as teacher.

Our school meeting assembled last Wednesday morning with Mr. John Laycock as chairman. Mr. W. Lemon, secretary, read a good report of the year's business. Mr. Jas. Long secured the contract of the wood and saw, also the caretaking, while Mr. R. W. Donald Quinton was elected to the office of trustee in place of Mr. Hanna, the retiring trustee.

Miss Olive Quinton returned to Meaford High School on Monday and also the other pupils who have been attending.

Mr. and Miss Bushbie of Buffalo spent the week-end with their cousin, Mrs. N. Remlie.

Mrs. Walter Lemon and Annie visited last week with her sister, Mrs. Williamson, and other friends at Goring.

Miss Amy Laycock is spending a fortnight at the home of Mr. Jas. Lepard, Euphrasia.

Mrs. Rev. Bainboro entertained the C.G.I.T. girls last Friday afternoon.

A very pleasant evening was spent by the pupils of the United church Sunday School last Wednesday evening, when, with their friends they met in the basement of the church, where a Christmas Tree was set up. An impromptu program was rendered and afterwards Santa appeared and distributed the gifts and prizes. A lunch was served, after which all dispersed to their homes.

Strathavon

(Intended for last week.)

Mr. Arthur Torrie is spending the Christmas week with his sister, Mrs. Wm. Howey, of Toronto.

Our Christmas Tree came off very successful in the form of a cantata. It proved to be a wonderful evening, Rev. Mr. Stephens acting as chairman.

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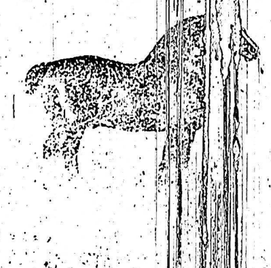

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