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## SANTA CLAUS DAY IN MARKDALE Saturday, Dec. 21st

Owing to the death of Mr. Hugh Mercer, the oldest businessmen in the village, the committee in charge called off the program which had been arranged for Saturday last. This program will be carried out in full on

## Saturday, Dec. 21

### Eugenia

Another Pioneer is Gone  
Mr. J. H. Duce, an old resident of Eugenia, passed his last roll call on Saturday forenoon. He was in his 88th year. A full obituary will appear next week.

Mr. J. E. Williams visited in Toronto last week. He attended the U. F. O. convention.

John Campbell, as delegate from the U. F. O., and Mrs. Lewis Gordon, attended the convention in Toronto.

Mr. Will Paul, of Annerod, Sask., is visiting with his father, Mr. Elizabeth Paul.

On Dec. 12th, 1929, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Duce, a son, Gordon Duce.

On Dec. 15th, 1929, to Mr. and Mrs. Mary Duce, a daughter, Mary Duce.

Mr. W. H. Graham attended the school concert at St. Mary's, Toronto, on Saturday last.

Mr. W. H. Graham and family in Toronto.

Don't forget the Sunday School and school entertainment in the Eugenia Church on Monday, Dec. 23.

Eugenia Standard School and Public School children admitted free.

Mr. Albert Williams had the misfortune to lose his pocket-book containing a considerable sum of money in Eugenia a week or so ago. He has made a thorough search and as yet has not located it. If any one has been so fortunate to find it surely they will return it to the owner. "Honesty is the best policy."

A number from this locality visited the Santa Claus Day and report a good time. Some of the children say "Santa Claus looked real."

The 8th line teacher, Miss Milligan, and pupils held the Christmas concert of Monday evening of this week. A good program was given and an enjoyable time spent.

We wish the Editor and Staff and all the readers of The Standard a Merry Christmas.

### Cherry Grove

Following a few days' thaw, Jack Frost is again reminding us that he has no intention as yet of taking his departure.

We extend congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Smart who were married on Wednesday, December 11th. Ernest is one of our former young men while his bride, formerly Miss Violet Moore, is one of our popular young ladies. It is a pleasure in this part and we extend her a hearty welcome to our burg.

Don't forget the concert, Christmas Tree and Box Social under the auspices of the Cherry Grove School to be held on Friday evening, December 20th.

The December meeting of the W. L. C. was held on December 14th, was successful on account of the presence of Mrs. E. E. Priddy, who has to take the meeting. The gifts of the members, with Miss Nettie Alexander, hostess, who were to put on the programme at this meeting will present at the January meeting at the home of Mrs. Wm. Stephenson.

A jolly sleigh load of our people attended the Sunday School Christmas concert at Beaverdale on Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Hill and family were visitors at Mr. Wm. Smart's and Mr. Thos. Hill's one day last week.

Mr. Dan McEay, with his trusty hound, is busy hunting these days.

Mrs. L. Burnett is spending a few days with her daughter Mrs. Jas. Leitch, Irish Lake.

### Beaverdale

The Annual Christmas Tree and entertainment of the Church of the Advent, Beaverdale, took place on Friday evening, Dec. 13th. Ideal weather conditions made it possible for the large crowd to gather.

Rev. E. D. Dickson acted as chairman for the following program: recitations by Harold Merrifield, Phyllis Lee, Lucille Lee, Stewart Merrifield, Mrs. Rex Lee, Alvin Johnston and George Merrifield; three choruses by a group of boys from "Old St. Nicholas," a song by Frank Merrifield; "Lullaby" by Mrs. Rex Lee; "Dixie Land" a costume with "Old Dixie Land" an episode was much enjoyed. U. S. Boy Scout, The Christmas Carol, A Song, A Christmas Carol, Christmas Sharing Band also sang. "Tom's Practical Joke," a few stage items. Adding much to the enjoyment of the evening was the instrumental music by Messrs. R. Fawcett and R. Fawcett with Mrs. E. Fawcett and R. Fawcett with Mrs. E. Fawcett as accompanist.

After the program Santa Claus appeared and distributed the special prizes given by the pastor for the annual examinations, one to each class: John Harvey, Bryan Wilson, Evy Lee, Almond Lee, Phyllis Lee and certificates of attendance to Bryan Wilson, Vivian Wilson, Alameda Lee, Lucille Lee, Eva Miller.

Then he proceeded to distribute the gifts and bags of nuts and candy from the well laden tree. Delicious home made candy was passed to the audience.

Miss Louisa E. Wilson and brother Carl who have spent the past six weeks visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Laycock, and other relatives at Grayhurst, returned home on Wednesday.

### Vandeleur

Merry Christmas to all Standard readers.

Mr. Geo. Wright spent a few days in Owen Sound where Mrs. Wright is in the hospital recovering after an operation for appendicitis.

Miss Brown spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Ross Alcox of Flesherton.

Final preparations are being made for the school entertainment and Christmas Tree in the church on Thursday evening of this week, December 19th.

A large number from here went to Flesherton on Saturday last for Santa Claus Day and had a good time. Congratulations are due to Master Archie Graham who won second prize in the contest.

The annual school meeting will be held on Thursday evening of next week, Dec. 26th. The change was made because of the regular day coming on Christmas.

### Wodehouse

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fawcett and son Louis spent over a week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Chappell near Meaford.

Mr. Joseph Cherry attended the Diamond Wedding anniversary of his father and mother recently at the home of Mr. John Brown in Collingwood Tp. in the vicinity of Thornbury.

Miss Vera Fawcett was a visitor a day or two last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Fawcett of Cherry Grove.

T. I. and Mrs. Fawcett were visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Fawcett of Kimberley on Sunday.

Christmas Trees and concerts are the order of the day this week.

### Traverston

A right Merry Christmas to the editors and staff and to the many bright correspondents and readers of The Standard.

Mr. W. R. Jack shipped a fine steer last week, less than three years old by several months, which tipped the scales at 1355 pounds.

There will be a happy time at Zion's Christmas Tree concert on Friday evening of this week.

Dr. Brown of Markdale and Dr. D. B. Jamieson of Durham brought Mrs. James Morrison, Jr. through a critical illness last week.

I pleased to report Mr. Jerry McAssey much improved after being laid up for some weeks with rheumatism.

It is bad enough for the young chaps to upset their fair ones out of the cutters after dark, but it's a serious business when an aged boy like Mr. Will Timmins tumbles a window pane over the snowdrift and then lets the horse run away in broad mid day. There's some talk of having Bill "churched."

Mr. James Thistle sold a promising colt to Mr. George Ritchie towards the end of last week.

Mr. Harry Gray sold a springer to Mr. Will Weir, lately, for the even hundred dollars. She's an extra good one.

Many fellows far afield from this neighborhood will be interested when they learn that the "office," an annex to Mrs. W. R. Fifth's barn collapsed on Saturday from weight of snow on the roof. Many a youth has stood on top the roof and tried to throw the sheaves through the little aperture many feet above the barn top.

Patrol No. 10 will have 16 holidays this Christmas season. Cuel Who is the patrol sergeant at times. Miss D. G. G. Wood had a beautiful waxen figure placed on her mother's mantel on Sabbath last, in her remembrance—the first to be placed in the cemetery.

We were down to Highway's Falls on Saturday, revelled in the beauty of the falling waters, the frost-bedded cedars, the memories of bygone days in the old natural idyllic and rugged approach and I wish we were young once more.

At Priceville community auction sale on Saturday, Mr. C. McGilchrist disposed of a cow and Mr. B. Davis of a half dozen chunks of porkers.

When the "pedestrian" dons the natty snowshoes, it makes the sedate, bachelor wish he were web-footed.

Old Zion was hot enough on Sunday though the pastor was preaching neither of Hades nor money. The boys had filled the stoves with some extra dry maple.

Throughout the country-side there is deep regret at the passing of Mr. Hugh Mercer, Honourable and upright, genial and tactful, true and faithful to his many friends he won and held the respect and goodwill of a wide circle of customers and friends.

### Strathavon

Wintery weather prevails.

Mr. Charlie Morgan of Shoal Lake, Man., has been spending a month with his brother Wm. and has left for Kitchener on Wednesday last to spend the winter with his daughter, Mrs. Oscar Thompson.

Miss Jennie Torrie left on Friday to spend the winter months in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Saunders and family of Walters Falls spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Arthur Torrie.

Mr. Geo. Morrison is recovering from his severe illness.

The Baptist Church Sunday School are practicing for their Christmas Tree on Dec. 23rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Mac. Mustard pleasantly entertained a number of their relatives on Saturday evening.

Mrs. Ren Sutherland is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. R. Mustard.

The Institute held their December meeting at the home of Mrs. Duncan Morrison.

Mrs. Renzie of Walters Falls is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Ramage.

Mr. and Mrs. James Morrison from Torby are spending a few days with their relatives.

### Berkeley

We wish the editor and staff and the many readers a very Merry Christmas.

Mrs. Dodds is visiting with her daughters in Ephraim.

Master Billie Harry visited over the week-end with his grandparents at Flesherton.

A few from here attended the funeral on Sunday afternoon of the late Mr. Hugh Mercer. The Anglican service here was withdrawn.

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- House Slippers of vicci kn., camel hair cloth and fancy velvets, 50c. to \$1.00
- Caps for Men or Boys in silk lined tweeds and worsteds, 75c. to \$1.00
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### Epping

(intended for last week.)  
Miss Lulu Risk spent the past week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Risk.

Mr. and Mrs. George Haines visited with their daughter at Thornbury recently.

Our school children are busy practicing for their annual Christmas Tree to be held on December 19th.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Cherry celebrated their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary on Thursday, December 5th at the home of their daughter, Mrs. J. Brown, Collingwood. A number of relatives from this vicinity were present. Their many friends join in wishing them the best of health for many more years.

Mrs. Mary Risk has returned to the valley after visiting with her son, Mr. Clifford Risk of Wodehouse.

Mrs. Harold Fawcett of Kimberley visited with Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Cornfield for several days this week.

Mr. S. Burritt, School Attendance Officer, made his semi-annual visit to our school one day last week. He was well pleased with the regular attendance during this term.

Mr. S. Phillips, who has been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. A. Knott, has gone to work with Mr. F. McConnell at Fairmount.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Risk visited with her parents at Goring recently.

Mr. Wm. Clugston has left for Guelph where he will attend the Guelph Winter Fair as a member of the Grey County Judging Team. We wish them luck.

Mr. C. Fretton has been busy pressing hay for a couple of days this past week.

Nearly every house in the neighborhood has been searched for dolls. This promises the Boy's Doll Drill to be an interesting item at end

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