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NEW SPRING GOODS AT THE BIG STORE

Some of our Spring Goods have come to hand and loads to follow—if the trains would bring them along:

COTTON GOODS


Notwithstanding the advance in cotton goods we have been able to buy at the old prices and in some cases much less.

PRINTS

We have our regular line of Prints at 10c and 12½c. And besides a yard wide Print at the same money which is SELDOM SEEN and we consider them the BEST BARGAINS ever shown IN DURHAM.

DRESS GOODS

Come and see some of our Bargains in Dress goods.

DON'T FORGET we still sell the

HAPPY THOUGHT RANGE
 People who've tried it consider it the Best in Canada.

THE BIG STORE is the place where to get your GROCERIES.

ALEX. RUSSELL.

THE STAR GROCERY STORE

Owing to the Snow Blockade on the Railways, we have sold out of many lines, but we have a large stock of **NEW SPRING GROCERIES** on the Rails and will let you know when they arrive.

OUR PRIZE COMPETITION was a great success, the following proving winners:
 Ruth Moran, amount spent \$2c.85
 Ross Turner, amount spent \$13.48

WE HAVE GOOD SOUND POTATOES FOR SALE

N. P. MCINTYRE PHONE 37.

Hall Stable, and that the report of committee on Treasurer's surties be adopted, and that they be paid \$1.00 each for their services.—Carried.
 Kerney—Arrowsmith—That the clerk be paid \$20 on salary.—Carried.
 McMillan—Kerney—That by-law No. 439, appointing Tp. officers and as filled up in committee of the whole be now read a third time and passed.—Carried.
 The council adjourned.
 J. S. BLACK, Clerk.

SOUTH GREY FARMERS' INSTITUTE Seed Fair—Open to All

The above Society will hold a SPRING SEED FAIR for the sale and exchange of Seed in the
 TOWN HALL, DURHAM.
 SATURDAY, MAR. 5th, '04
 When prizes will be given for the following classes of
 SPRING SEED:
 A 1st prize of \$2 and a 2nd prize of \$1 will be given for each of the following classes of Grain and Potatoes:

Spring Wheat, Goose Wheat, Barley Six-rowed, Two-rowed Barley, Long White Oats, Short White Oats, Black Oats, Speitz or Emmor, Small White Peas, Blue Peas, Timothy Seed, Clover Seed, Early Potatoes, Late Potatoes.
 Two bags of grain to be shown in each class by each exhibitor. Potatoes and Seeds one bag. Entry fees for members, 25c for one or more entries. Non-members, 50c. All grain shown for competition must be grown by exhibitor and all exhibits must be correctly named, and of the growth of 1903. Members who have seed grain to dispose of will please notify the Secretary on or before day of show, stating kind of grain, quality and price.
 All exhibits must be on the ground by 12 o'clock noon. Judging will commence at 1 o'clock p. m. No prize will be awarded unless the Judges consider exhibit worthy. Grain to remain in Hall until 4 p. m. The Secretary will be at the Hall on the morning of the Show from 10 to 12 to receive entries.
 HORSE SHOW
 An exhibition of entire Horses will be held at a later date when full notice will be given.
 W. J. YOUNG, GEO. BINNIE,
 President, Secretary.

REPORT OF CEMENT DELEGATES.

The meeting convened in Calder's Hall on Saturday last to receive the report of the delegates to the Annual Meeting of the N. P. C. Co. was not largely attended. Mr. Wm. Irwin was voted to the chair and after stating the business of the meeting, Messrs. A. Jackson, Jas. Watson and F. Seigner were respectively called upon. Mr. Gilbert McKechnie and Mr. A. Turner, the other delegates, were not present. Mr. Calder, though not a delegate had been at the meeting and took part in the discussion as did Mr. H. Parker, Mr. D. McCrie and others.

The meeting, and the report presented, had not been satisfactory to the delegates, though hopes are entertained that the new Board may succeed in making a better showing. Mr. Jackson and a lengthy report setting forth in detail the proceedings of the meeting as they struck him, and certainly he had been very unfavorably impressed, both retrospectively and prospectively. By his report there seemed to be trouble in getting at the actual financial condition of the company and the statement presented, with alleged reluctance, was disappointing in its brevity, and in the fact that it bore no name. The officers also had no report, and a motion prevailed that the President and Secy. sign the Statement and that it be endorsed on the minutes. Some objection was raised by Mr. Whitton, of Hamilton, one of the new directors, at remarks made by the member of the office staff appointed to read the statement, and he demanded that the statement be read by the proper officer.

Secy. Ehrhardt then proceeded with the statement, showing liabilities to be: Loan \$124,125.35; Bills payable \$12,000; accounts payable, over \$24,000, in all \$160,125.35. Mr. Cawham informed the shareholders that he had given his word not to divulge the name of the party who had advanced the money, and admitted that a mortgage had been given to guarantee the payment. (This mortgage has been registered in Durham this week.)

The Assets were: Plant, horses, &c \$734,028.78; Real Estate, Marl and Clay properties \$265,221.54, this item includes the promotion expenses of \$250,000, cash in Durham \$901.00; Balance due on Stock subscribed \$4,022.50.
 The available assets were, 13,000 hhls cement on hand at \$1.65, \$21,450; accounts receivable, \$10,340.03; Cash on hand, \$901.00; Total of \$37,400.13. Deducting this from the liability, the amount of the loan to be provided for.

To wages, Sacks, Coal, plaster and Clay \$28,623.54; this amount includes wages \$50,100.77, which does not include the office staff. The directors thought there was about 100 men employed, and thus at these rates the average cost per man was \$502.

To coal \$161,881.72. The coal alone in every barrel of cement cost considerably over \$1.00, while many could remember the promise of the promoters that it could be made for less than 40c.
 Summing up he said the net loss for the year was \$9,430.22. The charge of \$650.25 for selling expenses, was rather surprising in view of the fact that a circular last summer stated that there were orders for 250,000 hhls. Mr. Stanhope explained that they could not fill orders on time and later had to put a man on the road.

Mr. Cawham explained that Mr. Stanhope was getting \$5,000 a year as manager, but resigned when it was found they were losing money. He is now getting \$100 a month as head of the sales department. Mr. Cawham stated the engineer's 10 per cent, for construction of buildings amounted to about \$60,000. In the item for advertising here was the expense of building the dairy building at the Toronto Exhibition.

There was considerable discussion about holding the next meeting in Durham, the directors to arrange with railways as to reduced fare. On motion the board of directors was increased to 7, and the ballot showed as follows: Cawham 523 votes, McLaren 2800, Whitton 3470, McKechnie 3420, Scott 2041, McKay 2831, Mallory 2825.

The foregoing is the substance of Mr. Jackson's report, from which can be seen the drift of the expense. He was fair enough to say that the directors laid the blame for the poor showing on the dredge, high price of coal, and damage by lightning, but complains either of an apparent effort to disclose as little as possible or on having meagre information on many things. Mr. Calder in the discussion took a more hopeful view of the cement situation, pointing out that vast quantities are still being imported from Germany, and he thinks home manufacturers can easily compete with them. The situation at the best is not encouraging but we hope the new directorate may be able, with our magnificent plant, to make a better showing.

GLENELG COUNCIL.

The Council met Feb 6th as per adjournment, all the members present, the Rev. in the chair, minutes of last meeting read and confirmed, Communications read as follows:—From John McDonald and Jas. Staples, applications for the office of Assessor; from C. W. Rutledge and Chas. Ramage, tenders for printing; from Hugh McDonald, account for gravel; from Co. Treasurer, list of lands liable to be sold in 1904; from the Rev. and Wm. Davis, report on Treasurer's surties; from the Auditors, their Report.
 By-law 439 appointing Tp. officers, was read a first and second time.
 By-law 438 to appoint an Assessor was filled up with the name of James Staples at a salary of \$60, and was read a third time and passed.

Davis—McMillan—That the Auditors Report as re-validated by the council be adopted, and that the Auditors be paid \$5 each and \$1 each for extra services.—Carried.
 Kerney—Arrowsmith—That Chas. Ramage be given Tp. Printing, his tender being the lowest.—Carried.
 McMillan—Arrowsmith—That H. McDonald be paid \$2.50 for 50 loads of gravel for 1903, and that the Hospital for Sick Children at Toronto be granted \$5.—Carried.

Arrowsmith—Kerney—That Jas. Nelson be paid \$1.00 for stovelling snow off the

Edge Hill.

Well Mr. Editor we managed to keep on the top of the snow so far, not saying what we will do if it will continue coming.
 Mr. and Mrs. Joe. Firth Jr. moved to town last week. They will be much missed as they were obliging neighbors.
 Mr. D. Greenwood received the sad news of the death of his niece, Wm. Kinsman of Toronto, and this week he got word of the death of his aunt, Mrs. D. Kinsman of the same city.

Mr. Robt. Ector Jr. and his uncle, N. McCallum, Roland, Man., and Mrs. Thos. Turnbull visited friends in Greenock for a few days last week.
 Sorry to hear of Rev. Thos. Farr of Wallaceburg being ill again. We hope to hear of his speedy recovery.

Mr. Jas. Firth Jr. sold a horse last week to Robt. Corlett of Dorsoch for the neat sum of \$110.
 Sorry to hear of Mr. Arch. Ector's little boy getting scalded by the leg dropping out of the stove and a pot of boiling water upsetting on the child, but under Dr. Gunn's careful treatment he will soon be all right again.

Mr. Robt. Ector, of the Avenue and Mr. Noble McCallum of Roland, Manitoba are visiting at the former's daughter, Mrs. Little, Froton.

Mr. Hamilton Allan, of Hopeville, visited at his father's, Mr. Jas. Allan's in Glenelg last week.

HOPEVILLE.

Hau Allen, in driving to Durham with his blood horse got him corked in a snow drift and had to leave him there to be cured and he got a pony to come home with.

Rev. Mr. Hide, of Peterboro, Presbyterian Minister, has been here for four Sabbaths preaching in the Epiphany, Morrison, Cedarville and Kingscote churches. He is an able preacher, a good visitor and we hear people say that these congregations should give him a call.

I. W. McArdele and Wm. Love, both of Markdale, drove here on Sunday, both to see their parents. Mr. Love's people lives in Egremont at new England.

Miss Maggie Kells, who formerly lived here is back on a visit with her brother Mr. M. Kells.

Mrs. McArdele is holding on better than was expected and not much change in her lately.

Mrs. A. H. Burnett has been confined to the house for some time, but is improving as we write.

The roads are in a bad state here with snow. Double teams can scarcely travel on some roads here and we often see one horse drawing a sleigh and the other horse hitched behind. Some are getting out their old one-horse sleighs.

We hear a report that the old men's lazy club is reorganized here and meets often and that the general topics are as to how to get wood without work or pay.

DORNOCH.

Geo. McCourt, the last of the travelling troupe, left last week for his home in Whitby.

Donald Stewart, of the Prairie Province, is renewing acquaintances around the burg at present. His brother Malcolm will accompany him on his return.
 A popular lady is Miss Alice Price, who spent last week on a pleasant sojourn with friends in the County Town.

The smiling countenance of Miss Hazel Dargavel is missed in the social circles, she having left last week for the Queen city.

The Separate school re-opened on Monday last, after being closed since the Xmas vacation. Miss O'Leary is at the helm and no doubt will render efficient service.

Wessley Follis, of O. Sound, Sundayed in town. He was snugly domiciled at the home of Jno. McIntosh.

Alex. McIntosh disposed of his dashing pair of grays at a handsome figure. He supplanted them by a younger team of A. 1 quality. Alex. has great reputation as a horseman.

The remains of Isaac Duncan were interred in Latona cemetery on Wednesday last week. We extend our condolences to the bereaved ones, this being the second son they have buried in the space of four months.

AUCTION SALE

—OF—
 FARM STOCK AND IMPLEMENTS.

An Auction Sale will be held at Lot No. 24, Concession 3, Normanby, near Blyth's mill, on
FRIDAY, MARCH 11, 1904.
 When the following Stock and Implements will be offered for sale:

HORSES—Span horses rising 5 year old. Colt rising 3 year old. Mare rising 6 year old.
 THOROUGHBRED CATTLE—2 Thoroughbred short horn bulls, 1 do. cow, with calf at foot; 2 do. cows or heifers in calf. 1 do. two-year-old heifer, 2 do. one-year-old heifers. 1 do. heifer 10 months old.
 GRADE CATTLE—New calved cow, 7 cows supposed to be in calf. 1 heifer rising 3 year old. 2 heifers rising 2 year old. 4 steers rising 2 year old. 2 steers rising 1 year old. 2 heifers rising 1 yr old.
 SHEEP—40 well-bred Oxford Down ewes, supposed to be in lamb. Oxford Down ram, registered HENS—30 Hens.
 VEHICLES AND IMPLEMENTS—Sett bob sleighs. 2 wagons Double Cutter Massey-Harris Binder. Massey-Harris Mower. Massey-Harris sulky rake. Massey-Harris Seed Drill. Roller-mower. New Cultivator one horse Seed Drill. Two-furrowed plow, nearly new. 2 Set Tolton Harrows. Gang Plow. Massey-Harris cutting-box nearly new. Four-horse horse power. Pulper Fanning Mill. Steam boiler for boiling pig feed stock rack. Sugar Kettle. Large heating stove, with hot air pipes. Parlor Stove.

The above Thoroughbreds have been prize winners at the different fairs held in this county. Write the proprietor for catalogues.
 TERMS OF SALE—Sums of \$5 or under, Cash; over that amount 12 months' credit on furnishing approved joint notes. Five per cent discount for Cash.
 SALE TO BEGIN AT 12 O'CLOCK SHARP. LUNCH SERVED AT 11.
 JOHN CORNISH, MR. PERVUS,
 Proprietors. Holyrood, Ont.,
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That this weather is not conducive for business Still, although it has its drawbacks, one thing remains and that is that we are more than anxious to clear our Store of Winter Goods.

There is only one way to do it and we have adopted that way, viz: To put the prices down to temptation point, even below cost.

Our Clothing First

Only a few MEN'S OVERCOATS left, prices... \$6.50 to \$8.00
 BOYS' OVERCOATS, prices from... 3.98 to 6.95
 MEN'S READY TAILORED SUITS from... 4.25 to 13.98

These are big snaps and cannot be procured again.

Our Underwear

All wool different weights & fleeced lined, 75c to \$2.25 a suit
 Top Shirts, Heavy and Light, 40c to \$1.10

Way's Mufflers, Scarfs, Heavy Sox, Winter Caps, Gloves and Mitts. Big Snaps on all of them.

For Fancy Dress Shirts and Nobby Ties, we lead. Our Stock is new and up to-date.

Call in and ask to see our goods and prices. It will pay you.

Theobald, The Clothier

THE PEOPLE'S STORE

REMOVED !!
 We are now comfortably established in our new premises, south of the Middaugh House, lately used as a Flour and Feed Store by Mr. A. S. Hunter.

Having become settled, we are now preparing for an enormous Spring Trade and are giving great Bargains in all Lines of Winter Goods to clear.

These must be disposed of to make room for large quantities of Spring Goods now on the road.

ROBT. BURNET.

COUGHS, COLDS, BRONCHITIS,

If checked in time arrest many complications of the throat and chest. Dr. Budd's Improved White Pine Expectoant has this desired effect and in almost every case gives prompt relief. 25c and 50c per bottle.

Hypo-Compound Syrup

A combination of the Hypophosphites with Tonics. An excellent preparation in all pulmonary and wasting diseases. 50c and \$1 per bottle.

Nyal's Cod Liver Oil Compound

A Tonic and Tissue Builder, a valuable Expectoant in all cases of chronic debility arising from colds. \$1 a bottle.

Pure Norwegian Cod Liver Oil

25c, 50c, and \$1 per bottle.

Cough Drops and Cough Tablets at

Parker's Drug Store