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A. C. MORGAN, 412 Main St. CITY AND ELSEWHERE. Rev. Father Fox returned to Rat Portage last week.

New potatoes were sold on the market yesterday to dealers at \$2.50 per bushel.

The number of patients treated at the St. Boniface Hospital last week was 77, of whom 43 were males and 34 females.

Mr. F. W. Russell has left on a business trip for the South Western portion of the Province and will be absent some days.

For the want of space we are obliged to hold over until next week, the report of prizes awarded the little ones at the school of the Holy Angels.

We have heard with much regret of the removal from Winnipeg of Mr. T. M. Woodford, who intends for the future to reside in the city of New York.

BASE BALL.

Last week witnessed a Base Ball Match between the MANITOBA and ST. BONIFACE Clubs, officered as below: — MANITOBA. George E. L'Veque, Capt., 1st b.; E. L'Veque, c. c.; L. Joyal, p. i. c.; S. Dussault, 2nd b.; A. Bedard, 3rd b.; J. Sioux, s. s.; A. Fournier, r. f.; L. L'Veque, l. i.; P. Gagnon, c. f.

St. Boniface. A. Gingras, Capt., c. c.; J. Powers, p. i. c.; H. Conrad, 1st b.; H. Talbot, 2nd b.; S. Jean, 3rd b.; J. Gingras, s. s.; R. Tasse, r. f.; A. Marion, l. i.; Ernest Leveque, c. f.

Result: (MANITOBA)..... 21 (ST. BONIFACE)..... 11 A match will be played between the MANITOBA and LOUISE BRIDGE Clubs in the early part of next week.

ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT

At St. Mary's Academy.

The annual commencement exercises of St. Mary's Academy took place in the afternoon of Tuesday, the 25th ult. Numerous patrons among clergy and laity were eager to assist at those closing exercises, which are always of a high classical character.

Early in the afternoon of the aforementioned date, large numbers of invited visitors might be seen ascending the steps leading to the front door of the Academy; and when the hour announced for the opening of the programme had arrived, the spacious concert-hall was already filled to its utmost capacity by a select and appreciative audience, which was honored by the gracious presence of Lady Schultz. The hall itself was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Festoons and green branches, interspersed with freshly plucked flowers, gave an air of beauty and freshness to the scene and filled the whole apartment with a most agreeable perfume. The arms of His Grace and those of the community occupied a conspicuous place above the stage; flags and small banners were neatly planted here and there among the verdant foliage; in a word, everything that refined taste and fancy could suggest had been done to enhance the effect about to be produced by the recital of a programme, beautiful in its conception and admirable in its execution.

Shortly after 2 o'clock the pupils appeared upon the stage and the following programme was rendered with an excellence which fully sustained the well-merited reputation of St. Mary's Academy.

PROGRAMME. Duet—"La chasse au bonheur." Pianists: Misses A. Doyle, L. Boire, A. Flanagan, Y. Rocan, T. Moffat, Mg. A. Coyle.

Vocal quartet—"Come away." 1st soprano: N. Burley, C. Denholm, M. Allman, Mg. A. Coyle, C. Brownrigg, M. Tennant, E. Chale, B. Hazel, Mg. McInnis, L. Muckle, C. Whyms; 2d soprano: M. Dunsford, L. Chevrier, A. Holmes, L. Boire, M. L. Fredette, M. Landers; 1st alto: G. Moffat, F. McInnis, I. Cordingly; 2d alto: E. Grasse, A. Flanagan, E. Motta, M. Denholm, F. Chenier. Accompanists: M. Dunsford, A. Doyle. Floral offering to Lady Schultz: A. Marion, A. Boire. Essay—"True glory" by Miss M. A. Tierney.

Mandoline solo—"Gavotte caractéristique" M. Tennant, E. Grasse, L. Becher, M. O'Brien, B. Stanford. Piano accompanists: Mg. Landers, I. Cordingly. Juvenile recitation—"Les vingt sous du bon Dieu." Drama—"The voyage of life." Characters: Faith, Miss J. Moffat; two youths, E. O'Donnell and M. A. Tierney; science, E. Chale; zeal, M. Marion; charity, C. Denholm; hope, R. Birch; humility, I. Chevrier; sanctity, Mg. A. Coyle; purity, Mg. Landers; pride, F. McInnis; rest, E. Grasse; pleasure, B. Stanford. Violin solo—"Le somnambule" by Miss C. Denholm. Piano accompanist: M. Denholm. Essay—"The world [a scene where everything changes except God]." Conferring of graduating honors (gold medals) to Misses Ethel O'Donnell and Mary Ann Tierney. Piano solo—"Les rameaux," M. Dunsford, E. Chale, E. Grasse.

It would be interesting to our readers, no doubt, if we were to take up the numbers of this elaborate programme one by one, and give each number its meed of praise; but where each rendition was so perfect; where the whole performance received universal approval, and each part an outburst of applause; where the audience was held captive from the very outset to the close, to particularize and, at the same time, do justice to each one, would be a task of considerable difficulty, if not wholly impossible.

One part of the programme, however, cannot be passed by without receiving special notice—that is the role performed by the two distinguished graduates, Miss Mary Ann Tierney, and Miss Ethel O'Donnell. The Essays, "True Glory," by Miss M. A. Tierney, and "The World—a scene where everything changes except God," by Miss E. O'Donnell, were certainly special features of the entertainment. Each was full of beautiful thoughts, logically expressed and admirably enhanced by their perfect rendition. In their several roles throughout the performance, the accomplished young ladies gave evidence of elocutionary powers of no common standard. But it was in their "Valedictory," perhaps that they were seen at their best. In eloquent language they clothed their ambitions for the life-work before them, reverently alluding to the gratitude which they felt towards their spiritual Adviser, their earnest and untiring teachers, and the Academy which they had learned to love. Their final Farewell to their beloved instructresses, to their dear friends, and their Alma Mater, was beautifully impressive.

At the close of the programme, Rev. Father Guillet, O.M.I., made a few happy remarks, complimenting the graduates, the pupils and the Sisters of the Academy, on the excellence of the programme and the admirable manner in which it was rendered. He also gave the pupils a few words of advice as to how they should conduct themselves during vacation. Rev. Father Fox, O.M.I., spoke next, saying that he was highly pleased with the afternoon's entertainment. The music, instrumental and vocal, he declared a triumph of musical proficiency—a credit alike to the young musicians and to their efficient and devoted teachers. Then Rev. Father Drummond was invited to speak. While congratulating the pupils on their accomplishments, he warned them against forming an exaggerated estimate of their intellectual ability. The apostles of the contemporary woman craze seemed to forget that the average feminine mind has not the mental grasp of the average masculine mind, though exceptional cases occur of women of genius. The proper sphere of superiority for women is in the patient exercise of will power. In this Christian women are generally superior to men. Hence their greater success in correcting the defects of their pupils. Men are inclined to be cross and impatient when they have to find fault. Women, on the contrary, and especially the devoted Sisters, can chide with sweetness and therefore with better results. A pithy French address by Father Messier, P.P. of St. Boniface, brought the proceedings to a happy close; and as the audience filed out of the music hall, the congratulations and compliments of the visitors were extended on all sides to the Sisters and pupils—to the Sisters, for the excellent training which has fitted the young ladies to conduct themselves in such a charming and graceful manner; and to the young ladies themselves for the treat which had been afforded by them.

The entertainment of Tuesday, June the 25th, made a lasting impression on the minds of a distinguished audience, and inspired an ardent wish in the breasts of many that such treats might come more than once a year.

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES. Silver Medal for Mathematics, presented by His Honor Sir John Schultz, Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba; competed for by the pupils of the Senior Class and won by Miss Mary Marrin.

RIBBONS OF HONOR—1st Course. Ribbon awarded to Misses E. Grasse, E. Chale, L. Muckle, M. O'Brien, B. Stanford, M. Tennant, M. Dunsford, D. Parenteau, Mg. A. Coyle, J. Kelly, G. Moffat, I. Moffat, C. Denholm, A. Holmes, M. Marrin, L. Boire, L. Motta.

2d Course. M. E. Caron, L. O'Brien, E. Head, M. McDonald, D. Chevalier, D. Gagnon, M. Todd, E. Caron, M. Denholm, I. Cordingly, I. Burke, Mg. Madden, K. Fawcett, A. Prud'homme, Mg. McInnes, M. McIlroy, B. Champion.

3rd Course. Y. Gelly, Mg. M. Bernhart, E. Head, M. Dubuc, A. Dubuc, A. Boire, J. Chenier, K. Sprado, A. Courteney, A. Monchamp, E. Celly, M. Richard, L. Delaware, F. Moffat, M. Sprado K. S. O'Connor, E. Plaxton.

CHRISTIAN DOCTRINE. Gold Medal and Prizes presented by Rev. F. Guillet, O.M.I.

1st Course, Gold Medal, awarded to Miss L. Chevrier; 2d Course, Prizes awarded to Misses O. Parenteau and L. O'Brien; 3rd Course, prizes awarded to Misses A. Marrin and M. Dubug.

GOOD NOTES. Prize awarded to Miss G. Moffat. DOMESTIC ECONOMY. Medal presented by Rev. F. Doucet, awarded to Miss E. Chale; Prize, M. McDonald.

REGULAR ATTENDANCE. Prizes awarded to Misses L. Chevrier, J. Kelly, E. Motta, I. Cordingly.

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