

ST. ANN'S SCHOOL.

Honor Roll For January.

1st CLASS—Master B. Healy, J. Nolan, J. Butler, J. Kennedy, E. Kennedy, J. McGarron, J. King, J. Stafford, J. Paré, M. McMahon, T. Higgins, J. McGuire.

NEW YORK LETTER.

Important Decision to Depositors in State Savings Banks.

St. Patrick's Day Parade—Mayor Van Wyck Does Some Pruning in the Estimates—The New Buildings for Immigrants on Ellis Island.

A Savings Bank Decision.

A decision of interest to Savings Banks in the State of New York has just been given by Judge Hirschberg, of Newberg. The City Assessor placed the bank on the assessment roll in 1897 for personal property to the amount of \$114,849, the value being \$1,176,849.

The Mayor's Pruning Knife.

Mayor Van Wyck, whose silence and inactivity has been commented upon at different times during the first days of his entry upon the discharge of his duties, had quite a time last week in the free use of the pruning knife.

Table with 3 columns: Item, Assessed For, Allowed. Includes Charities, Board of Public Improvement, Sewers, Public Building, Lighting and Supplies, Bridges, Water supply, District Attorney, Kings, County Treasurer, Kings.

Arrangements are now under way for a monster demonstration in this city on the occasion of Ireland's national festival. The Ancient Order of Hibernians, all elements of which were brought together recently by Bishop McFaul, of Trenton, will unite in taking up a position in the parade.

Another attempt is to be made to establish a hotel exclusively for self-supporting women and to meet their needs. The preliminary prospectus has been issued by Charles D. Kellogg, agent of the Organized Charities, 105 East Twenty-second street.

will be arranged for studies and isolated music rooms, and there will be sun parlors and promenades on the roof.

The figures, revised by experienced hotel men, give an income of \$435,456, on a basis of 844 guest rooms filled. The rooms will range in size from 9 by 12 to 9 by 17, with two alcoves, and will be offered at from \$3 to \$8 a week.

Immigrant Clearing House.

The new Ellis Island immigrant clearing-house and the companion buildings will soon be under way. The contract has been given out for the extension of the area of the island.

Immigrants will pass from the barges to the building by a spacious private entrance sheltered from outside observation and the weather. They will go up the main stairs to the second floor where they will be examined by physicians and matrons. Suspects will be placed in convenient adjacent inclosures, the sexes being separated.

STEAMERS COLLIDE.

A Crash in Mid-Ocean.

The Hindoo and Lake Ontario Both Seriously Damaged—The Story Told by One of the Commanders.

When the Wilson line freighter 'Hindoo' from Hull, passed Fire Island N.Y., inward, she showed signals which read: 'I have been in collision with steamer Lake Ontario. Report me.'

Almost simultaneously a cablegram had been received from Liverpool announcing that the Lake Ontario, a passenger-carrier, between St. John, N.B. and Liverpool, had arrived out with her starboard bow and top-gallant fore-castle stove in.

Oswald Sanderson, the agent of the Wilson Line in New York, hurried down the bay on a tug to meet the Hindoo, which he found to have a row of half a dozen jagged holes, each a foot in diameter, on a line with and forward of her starboard fore-castle dead eyes.

For a space of twenty-four feet in length and ten feet wide her iron side was buckled, scratched and pierced. The wounds begin two feet above the stem. They are twenty feet apart the water between the main and between decks.

Captain George Cox, of the Wilson liner, said he left Hull on January 22, with only six hundred tons of cargo, so that much of the ship's hull sat high. It began to snow at noon of January 31. A gale was on the starboard beam from the north-northeast. The Hindoo rolled. It was impossible to see a ship's length ahead in the muffler of falling snow.

On the Lake Ontario, according to telegrams, the shock was terrific. She saw nothing of the Hindoo after the rebound. Her people were in a panic for a while. She was hit twenty-eight feet above the stem and her injuries were similar to those of the Hindoo.—New York World.

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A STORY OF THE RAIN.

HOW THE CATHOLIC CHURCH PRAYED FOR THE NEEDED VEGETATION.

(From the San Francisco Call, Feb. 1.)

Deus, in quo vivimus, movemur, et sumus, pluviam nobis tribue congruam; ut praesentibus subditiis sufficienter adjuti, sempiterna fiducialis appetamus. Per Dominum.

[Translation: O God, in whom we live and move and are, grant us seasonable rain; that we, enjoying a sufficiency of support in this life, may with more confidence strive after the things that are eternal.]

The foregoing prayer was the one offered in the ceremony of Mass yesterday, beseeching rain in time to save the crops of the State.

Is there any true efficiency in prayer? Yesterday morning the Catholic churches throughout this archdiocese sought to demonstrate the problem.

All the scheming and calculating of a thousand weather prophets cannot induce nature to bend to their wishes, as was clearly shown by the efforts of a local forecast official, who could not prophesy rain until he broke an embargo of impenetrable air of high pressure in several of the Middle States.

Weather charts and maps of every description were consulted by experts on atmosphere pressure, but they proved of no avail in defining the true cause of the continued drought which has hung over this State for the greater part of this winter and which now threatens the farmers of the State. In not one instance could they make a favorable forecast of approaching rain.

The outlook for the success of this year's crops was becoming more and more discouraging and the hopes of the farmers are trying to realize anything like a fair success with their wheat were rapidly being abandoned, and they were gradually becoming resigned to the fact that they would have to submit to the inevitable.

The last Mass for invoking the desired rain was hardly over when the barometer changed and a light rain began to fall.

It was a solemn and sublime spectacle to see the congregations of the different churches kneeling before the tabernacle praying for the blessing of rain upon the needy farmers.

BRANCH ST. C. M. B. A.

The regular meeting of Branch 41 was held at St. Ann's Hall recently, and there was a large and enthusiastic attendance. President W. J. McElroy presided. Considerable business of routine was disposed of, after which the particular business of the meeting, the installation of office bearers, was proceeded with.

Grand Deputy J. J. Contigan and Grand Deputy T. P. Tansey conducted the ceremonies, and were assisted by Bro. King, of London, Ont. The following were the officers installed:—Spiritual adviser, Rev. E. Strimbe, C. S. R.; medical adviser, Dr. E. J. Kennedy; chancellor, Arthur Jones; president, W. J. McElroy; first vice-president, Arthur Jones; second vice-president, Thos. O'Connell; recording secretary, John J. Jones; assistant secretary, Andrew Thompson; financial secretary, Hugh Thompson; treasurer, Dennis Baxter; marshal, Jas. Devin; guard, C. Gleeson; trustees, L. Belleau, P. T. O'Brien, T. O'Connell, C. Gleeson, A. Jones. After the installation, short addresses were made by the visiting brothers and others, in course of which matters affecting the interests of the association were dwelt upon.

COOKING FOR GIRLS.

Can any labor be higher than that of making home happy and comfortable? In doing this you are ministering to the needs of others and making it easier and pleasanter for them to do the work which they in turn must go to give you the things you require. In this world it is all turn and turn about. We must do things for each other all the time, and whatever it is it should be done in the very best way.

So you see it is no trivial matter, this of learning to become a good cook and housekeeper. What the home is very largely what the women and girls make it, whether they be the wives, sisters or daughters, and no one of them can afford to hold her high duty lightly. A great deal of family unhappiness comes from the careless disregard of others' comfort and welfare. Isn't it worth while to learn to overcome this carelessness and to regard another's happiness?

Now, if you are going to respect your work you must bring care to it, and you must also make yourself ready to do it easily, neatly and properly. There are the right ways to do even the simplest things, as you will find out before we have gone very far. But before we do a bit of work, just make yourself ready to cook. The girls at the cooking schools wear big aprons—regular pinafores that button in the back and have long sleeves that will go on over any dress, and that are held around the wrists by elastic cord that may be slipped out when the apron is laundered.

This pinafore is usually made of white or some pretty print, light colored, because it looks fresher and is just as easy to launder as a dark one. This cooking apron should be worn for no other purpose. You can see for yourself how much nicer it is to come to your work of preparing delicate dishes with an apron which you have not worn while sweeping, or doing any other work that would mean getting dust particles in it, even with great care. With the apron is worn a pretty little cap made from muslin or from a pocket-handkerchief; this keeps the flying particles of flour from settling in the hair, and it also keeps the hair in place. Then pinned to one side is a small hand-towel, and to the other a holder on a long tape.

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DAIRY PRODUCE.

Cheese gave indications to-day of more enquiry from the other side, and additional business was put through, not on spot, but over the cable, the quantity involved being 2,000 boxes. The figures are not known, but they are supposed to be within a range of 8 to 8 1/2c.

Butter continues dull and unchanged and there is little prospect of any improvement. Finest creamery sold at 18 1/2c, and undergrades down to 16 1/2c, while dairy rolls are quoted at 15c to 15 1/2c.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

There was no material change in the situation of the egg market. The tone was steady and the demand for small lots was fair. We quote fresh stock, 22c to 23c; Montreal limed, 14c to 15c, and western limed, 13c to 13 1/2c per dozen.

The poultry market was quiet and without any new feature of note. Supplies of fresh killed stocks are small and prices for such are firmly held. Fresh killed turkeys selling at 9c to 10c; chickens 7c to 7 1/2c; ducks, 8c to 8 1/2c; and geese, 5c to 7c per lb.

Beans rule steady and business is only of a jobbing character at 80c to 90c for primes and at 95c to \$1 for choice hand-picked per bushel.

The market for hony is dull and prices are unchanged. We quote as follows:—White clover, 12 1/2c; dark, clover comb, 10c to 10 1/2c; and oak, 7c to 8c.

A fair trade was done in potatoes and prices are maintained at 60c per bag of 90 lbs., in car lots, and at 70c in a small way.

PROVISION MARKET.

The tone of the local provision market was firm and prices were fully sustained at the recent advance. The demand for all lines is only fair and chiefly for small lots, which is due to the near L. N. ten season, consequently business on the whole is quiet.

We quote as follows: Canadian pork, \$16.50 to \$17 per barrel; pure Canadian lard, in pails, at 8c to 8 1/2c; and compound, refined, at 5 1/2c to 5 3/4c per lb; hams, 11c to 12 1/2c; bacon, 12c to 13 1/2c per lb.

There was no material change in the situation of the dressed hog market. A fair jobbing trade continues to be done at \$6.75 for light weights, and at \$6.25 to \$6.40 for heavy per 100 lbs.

THE CATTLE MARKET.

There has been no new feature in export live stock circles. The firm feeling in the local market has been fully maintained for cattle owing to the continued small receipts, and the prospects are that values will rule higher in the near future; in fact, in one single case to-day \$4 was realized for a small bunch of really choice beefs.

At the East End Abattoir market yesterday offerings were 400 cattle, 125 sheep and lambs, and 50 calves. Owing to the fine weather and the fact that butchers were well cleaned out of stock the attendance was very large, consequently the demand was good and an active trade was done, the market being well cleaned up. Choice cattle sold at 3 1/2c, good at 3c to 4 1/2c, fair at 3 1/4c to 3 1/2c, and lower grades at 2c to 3c per lb. live weight.

The demand for sheep and lambs was also good, but as the supply was small trade was quiet and prices ruled firm. Sheep sold at 3 1/2c, and lambs at 4 1/2c to 5c per lb., live weight. Calves were more plentiful, and in consequence prices ruled lower at from \$2.50 to \$3 each as to size and quality.

At the Grand Trunk stock yards at Point St. Charles the receipts of live hogs were 310 head. The market was again weaker and prices scored another decline of 1/2c per lb. There was a fair demand and sales were made at 5c to 5 1/2c per lb. A few small bunches of sheep sold at 3 1/2c, and lambs at 4c to 5c per lb., live weight.

CANADIAN TRADE.

TORONTO, Ont., February 10. — R. G. Dun & Company's weekly statement of trade in Canada says:—Country roads in the Montreal district are somewhat settled, and traffic in the interior fairly resumed, but it is feared that a heavy thaw would again make travel very difficult, as there is no bottom to snow roads, and with soft weather horses would go right through the crust.

Wholesale business may be called good for the season, taking it all around. Dry goods orders are well sustained; the spring millinery openings are fixed for March 1st, 2nd and 3rd, and a large attendance is expected. Dry goods payments on the 4th instant were on the whole fairly met. With some of the larger houses the proportion was somewhat reduced from early calculations, owing to recent large failures, but allowing for this, the percentage of paper provided for is stated to be rather better than an average, while the ordinary run of country remittances is reported satisfactory.

In groceries there is a steady distribution. Sugar refiners are again operating, and report an improvement in demand, considered by some to be somewhat of a speculative character; outside markets for raws are rather firmer, and factory prices here were advanced a sixteenth on Tuesday. Tea continues unusually dull. The boot and shoe factories are all busily employed on spring orders, and in leather there is increasing firmness. Tanners and dealers report a good many English enquiries, and some quite liberal shipments of both sole and black leathers are reported.

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Hide quotations continue very firm, though there is the usual falling off in quality owing to the grub. In iron and heavy metals there is not much activity but orders for spring deliveries of oils, paints, glass, etc., are coming in well and there is some revival of western enquiry for cements, for which spring opening prices rule higher. The money market presents no new features, call funds are quoted at four per cent, with ample offerings.

The condition of wholesale trade at Toronto is reported as good. A fair sorting-up trade has been done in dry goods this week, and country merchants are inclined to stock up more liberally than in late years. In some instances an improved demand is noted for better lines of goods. Cotton and woolen mills are kept busy, and the Montreal Cotton Company are going to erect another mill at Valleyfield.

The millinery houses are busy with new arrivals of goods. They are preparing for a large trade in March. The grocery trade is fairly active, with values firm, especially for canned goods, dried fruits, etc. Sugars rule firm with the tendency upwards. In hardware and metals the movement is good for the season. Leather in fair demand and firm, and the high prices of hides are still maintained.

The feeling prevailing in trade circles is of a hopeful character. There is less disposition to cut prices, and the outlook is favorable. Payments are being better met than for some years. Failures are comparatively small as compared with corresponding periods of two or three years.

Wheat is rather higher this week in sympathy with Liverpool. The demand for oats continues, and prices are the highest for a long time. The demand comes from Quebec as well as from shippers. Barley is also higher, with some demand from maltsters. High grades are in small compass. Cured meats are firmer, and shipments to British Columbia are likely to be large.

Money continues easy in domestic markets, while rates are higher in Britain. Business on the Toronto Stock Exchange was active during the week. There were advances in Toronto Railway, Canadian Pacific, Toronto Electric, Western Assurance, and several bank issues.

Failures for the week were 43, against 61 for the same week of last year.

A cholera proof hog of big-bone Berkshire stock that was brought to Tennessee from abroad before the war, died near Falcon, in that state, aged 35 years. For twenty-five years the hog had not been sick, but latterly it had been toothless, and its owner had the food for it, and the profits of its progeny had paid for a farm, and its owner buried it on his place and set up memorial stones to mark the grave.

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