

St. Helen's Court, C. O. F.

The installation of officers for St. Helen's Court for the year 1904 was conducted by D. H. C. R. Bro. M. F. Mogan on Wednesday, 6th January.

The following are the court officers for the year: Spiritual Director, Rev. Father McGrand; Chief Ranger, John T. Loftus; Vice Chief Ranger, William Mahar; Past Chief Ranger, J. F. Strickland; Recording Secretary, Thomas W. Fullan; Financial Secretary, James Howell; Treasurer, Francis A. O'Donnell; Trustees, M. Cullaton, James Delorey, John J. Tracey; Court Physician, Dr. J. H. McConnell; Sentinels, James Kehoe and Louis Gearing; Conductors, James R. Gore and J. J. Downey.

The following members were presented with tokens as rewards for their valuable services to the Court and to the Order: Hugh E. Ellard, gold emblem; Allen C. Joyce, gold Hustler button; John Meehan, gold Hustler button; J. J. Downey, gold pin; F. A. O'Donnell, gold pin; and James Delorey, gold pin, the presentation being made by Bro. J. J. Ward.

After the installation a concert was held, the following contributing: M. F. Mogan, John Meehan, John J. Tracey, Mrs. Callen; song, "Killarney," Daniel Kennedy; piano solo from The Runaways, entitled "Roosters' Dance," P. Ford, James McCarroll, Mr. Jones, J. F. Strickland, T. W. J. O'Connor, J. J. Ward, J. C. Tracey and James Howell. While all the numbers were good the songs of Mr. Jones were especially appreciated. Mr. Daniel Kennedy acted as accompanist in a very acceptable manner.

Knights of St. John, Toronto. A large and enthusiastic meeting of St. Leo and Anthony's Commandery No. 2, Knights of St. John, was held in St. Vincent's Hall on Sunday, Jan. 3rd.

After the regular order of business the next procedure was the installation of officers for the ensuing year by the grand president, Thomas Callaghan. Capt. Heffering, President; M. Long, First Vice-President; Jas. Kyle, Second Vice-President; Jos. Allan, Recording Secretary; J. Harnett, Financial Secretary; E. Millward, Treasurer; D. Driscoll, Messenger; Walter Belleau, Guard; Arthur Belleau, Sergeant-at-Arms; P. Farley, H. Cowan, C. Connors, Board of Trustees; T. Callaghan, J. Corcoran, Auditors.

After the installation of officers Captain Heffering thanked the members for the honor they had conferred on him and in a few pleasing remarks assured the members that he would enter into the work of the society with a determination to promote its welfare in every respect, and with the hearty co-operation of the members of the order, the coming year will undoubtedly show an encouraging report.

The military department being an interesting feature of the organization, the members have commenced their drill exercises in St. Michael's Hall, and with the spirit of earnestness and well-directed work of Captain Heffering, good results in this line should follow and much will be accomplished during the current year.

JOS. ALLAN, Rec.-Secy. Branch 49, C.M.B.A. A good attendance of the members of the above Branch gathered on the 5th inst. in Cameron Hall, for the installation ceremonies. The newly elected officers for the year were installed by Grand Deputy Bro. E. J. Hearn. Bro. Fielding, Grand Deputy of Branch 26, Montreal, was present and stated that the Association was in a prosperous condition in the eastern metropolis.

Christmas Mass at Gravenhurst. The sacrifice of the Holy Mass, on Christmas morning was solemnized in Saint Paul's Church, Gravenhurst at 6.30 and 7.30 a.m., the Rev. Father Collins acting as celebrant.

There was an unusually large congregation present, and it was a consoling and edifying spectacle to witness the faithful approaching the Holy Table in large numbers. The Rev. Father Collins delivered a very appropriate sermon, taking for his text words from the Gospel of the day, and making them applicable to the morning's ceremony. He wished his congregation a happy and joyous Christmas, and a bright and prosperous New Year, which wish was heartily reciprocated by the assemblage in the Church, for the Rev. Fr. Collins.

At the first Mass the choir rendered Webbe's Mass in "G" with superb harmony, under the able directorship of Mr. P. J. Trainor, who is to be congratulated for his zealous efforts and the manner in which he exercised the voices of those who took part. The principal solos were taken by Misses Clairmont, Dowd and Smith. Particular mention is also due to the Children's Choir, who did justice to their vocal powers at the second Mass. They sang many Christmas hymns with splendid rendition.

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ONTARIO LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY Monday, the 25th day of January next, will be the last day for receiving petitions for private bills. Monday, the first day of February, next, will be the last day for introducing private bills. Friday, the twelfth day of February, next, will be the last day for receiving reports of committees on private bills. CHARLES CLARKE, Clerk Legislative Assembly, Toronto, 30th Dec., 1903.

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THE MARKET REPORTS. Good Demand for Live Stock—Wheat Higher—Latest Quotations. Tuesday Eve., Jan. 12. Toronto St. Lawrence Market. Trade was fairly active at St. Lawrence Market this morning. Receipts were generally heavy. There was not much grain offering, but prices all round are about steady. Wheat—One hundred bushels of spring sold at 21c per bushel, and 200 of goose at 19 to 20c. Barley—Three hundred bushels sold at 46 to 48c per bushel. Rye—One hundred bushels sold at 56 to 58c per bushel. Oats—Six hundred bushels sold at 31 to 32c per bushel. Dressed Hogs—The market for choice light-weights is fairly steady at 12c per lb. Heavies are quoted easier at 8c to 9c. Butter—Few farmers' lots were offering. Quotations are about steady at 23c for choice and 18c to 20c for others. Eggs—There were not many on the market. Prices are steady at 30c to 32c per dozen. Poultry—Trade was quiet. Quotations are generally about unchanged. Hens—About 20 fowls were offered. No Timothy sold at 10 to 11 per ton, and mixed or clover at 8 to 9. Straw—Four loads sold at \$3 to \$10 per ton.

Toronto Live Stock. Trade in all lines at the Western Cattle Market to-day was brisk. Receipts were heavy, and there was a good demand for cattle. Prices generally had a good tone and were generally well maintained. In lutes there was perhaps a slightly easier feeling, but quotations are about unchanged. The run amounted to 38 cars and included 1,500 cattle, 1,142 sheep and lambs, 1,000 hogs and 75 calves. Export Cattle—Some good cattle were offering, and despite the fact that trade at other points is not any too good, prices were held up well. The quality of the cattle on the market was good, and a load or so were sold as high as 35 per head. Quotations are about unchanged at 24.50 to 25 for extra choice, 24 to 24.50 for choice, 23.75 to 24 for others, and 23.50 to 24 for cows. Hutechers Cattle—The run of cattle was heavy, but the butchers were out in force and the buying was brisk. The quality of the cattle was generally fair to good, and for anything but cows the demand was active. There were not many extra choice cattle on the market. Prices 714 round were about steady, but owing to the large run, there was a slight tendency towards easier trading. Picked lots are quoted at 14.50 to 14.75 per cow, good at 14 to 14.25, fair to good at 13.50 to 13.90, rough to common at 13.50 to 13, and cows at 12.75 to 12.50. Stockers and Feeders—There was a fair inquiry for stockers at 90 to 100 lbs, and some of these were sold at 11.75 to 12.50. Prices were about steady at 11.75 to 12.50 for stockers and 12 to 14 for feeders. Milch Cows—Trade was quiet and good. Cows of good quality continue in good demand. The range of prices is about steady at 20 to 25 each. Calves—Trade was good and all were sold. Prices are steady, with a firmer inclination at 12 to 10 each, and 4 1/2 to 5 1/2 for sheep. Sheep and Lambs—Despite the fairly heavy run, everything was sold, and prices were well maintained. Quotations are unchanged at 22.50 to 23 for export sheep and 28 to 32.50 for culls. Lambs were 10c to 12c per cwt firm, but few were offered. It is not likely they will maintain their firm position. They are quoted at 49.00 to 53.20 per cwt. Hogs—Are quoted unchanged, but trade has a weaker tone. Selects run at 26.25 and lights and fats at 25.

East Buffalo Cattle Markets. East Buffalo, Jan. 12.—Cattle—Receipts: 1,500 head; steady; prime steers, 15 to 16.50; shipping, 14.00 to 16; butchers, 14 to 14.50; stockers and feeders, 12.50 to 14. Veals—Receipts, 150 head; steady at 8 to 8.75. Hogs—Receipts, 16,300 head; active and to the lowest; Yorkers, 15.50 to 17; mixed, 15 to 15.50; Yorkers, 14.50 to 15; pigs, 14.50 to 14.75; roughs, 14.20 to 14.50. Sheep—Receipts, 3,000 head; sheep and lambs—Receipts, 3,000 head; active; butchers' steady; lambs 10c higher; lambs, 5 to 6.70; yearlings, 14.75 to 15.50; wethers, 14.50 to 14.75; ewes, 14 to 14.50; sheep, mixed, 13.50 to 14.00.

Chicago Live Stock. Chicago, Jan. 12.—Cattle—Receipts, 8,000; slow; good to prime steers, 15 to 17; poor to medium, 12.50 to 14.50; stockers and feeders, 12.50 to 14; cows, 11.50 to 14.25; heifers, 12 to 14.75; canners, 11.50 to 12.50; bulls, 12 to 14. Hogs—Receipts to-day, 22,000; tomorrow, 20,000; mixed and butchers, 15.50 to 16.50; good to choice heavy, 14.50 to 15; rough heavy, 13.50 to 14.50; lights, 14.00 to 14.50; bulk of sales, 14.50 to 14.75. Sheep—Receipts, 15,000; slow; steady; good to choice wethers, 4.25 to 4.40; fair to choice mixed, 3.75 to 4.10; native lambs, 4.10 to 4.25.

Leading Wheat Markets. Closing previous day. To-day. Chicago . . . 87 1/2 Jan. May 87 1/2 87 1/2 New York . . . 87 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2 Toledo . . . 87 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2 St. Louis . . . 87 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2 Detroit . . . 87 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2 Milwaukee . . . 87 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2 Minneapolis . . . 87 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2 Duluth . . . 87 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2 87 1/2

British Markets. Liverpool, Jan. 12.—Opening—Wheat—Spot, quiet; No. 2 northern Manitoba, 68 1/2 to 69 1/2; futures, quiet; March, 68 1/2 nominal; May, 68 1/2 nominal. Corn—Spot, quiet; mixed American, per cental, now, 48 3/4; old, 48 1/2; futures, quiet; Jan., 48 3/4 nominal; March, 48 3/4 nominal; May, 48 3/4 nominal. Flour—Minneapolis, 2 1/2 to 2 3/4. Close—Wheat—Spot quiet; No. 2 northern Manitoba, 68 1/2 to 69 1/2; futures quiet; March, 68 1/2 value July; Corn—Spot quiet; mixed American, per cental, now, 48 3/4; old, 48 1/2; futures quiet; Jan., 48 3/4 value; March, 48 3/4 value; Flour—Minneapolis, 2 1/2 to 2 3/4. London, Jan. 12.—Opening—Wheat and corn—On passage, quiet but steady. Weather in England overcast; forecast, rain. Wheat—English country markets of yesterday, firm. Close—Corn—Spot quotations. American mixed, 2 1/2 new. Flour—Spot quotations, Minneapolis patent, 2 1/2. Wheat—On passage, rather firm; paraded No. 2 Calcutta Club, Jan. and Feb., 30c. Corn—On passage, quieter; hardly any demand; cargo Odessa, 40 1/2, steamer, loading, 30 1/2; passage, 30 1/2. Corn, parcel mixed American, shipment within a month, 19 1/2.

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THE CANADIAN NORTHWEST HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS

Any even numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba, or the North-west Territories, excepting 8 and 26, which has not been homesteaded, or reserved to provide wood lots for settlers, or for other purposes, may be homesteaded upon by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section of 160 acres, more or less. ENTRY Entry may be made personally at the local land office for the District in which the land to be taken is situated, or if the homesteader desires he may, on application to the Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, or the Local Agent for the district in which the land is situated, receive authority for some one to make entry for him. A fee of \$10 is charged a homestead entry.

HOMESTEAD DUTIES A settler who has been granted an entry for a homestead is required by the provisions of the Dominion Lands Act and the amendments thereto to perform the conditions connected therewith, under one of the following plans: (1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year during the term of three years.

(2) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of any person who is eligible to make a homestead entry under the provisions of this Act, resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for by such person as a homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother.

(3) If a settler has obtained a patent for the issue of such patent countersigned in the manner prescribed by this Act, and has obtained entry for a second homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by residence upon the first homestead, if the second homestead is in the vicinity of the first homestead.

(4) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land. The term "vicinity" used above is meant to indicate the same township or an adjoining or cornering township.

A settler who avails himself of the provisions of Clauses (2), (3) or (4) must cultivate 30 acres of his homestead, or substitute 20 head of stock, with buildings for their accommodation, and have besides 80 acres substantially fenced. Every homesteader who fails to comply with the requirements of the homestead law is liable to have his entry cancelled, and the land may be again thrown open for entry.

APPLICATION FOR PATENT Should be made at the end of the three years, before the Local Agent, Sub-Agent or the Homestead Inspector. Before making application for patent the settler must give six months' notice in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa of his intention to do so.

NEW ARRIVED IMMIGRANTS will receive at the Immigration Office in Winnipeg, or at any Dominion Lands Office in Manitoba or the North-west Territories information as to the lands that are open for entry, free of expense, advice and assistance in securing lands to suit them. Full information respecting the land, timber, coal and mineral laws, as well as respecting Dominion Lands in the Railway Belt in British Columbia, may be obtained upon application to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa; the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, Manitoba; or to any of the Dominion Lands Agents in Manitoba or the North-west Territories. JAMES A. SMART, Deputy Minister of the Interior.

N.B.—In addition to Free Grant Lands to which the Regulations above stated refer, thousands of acres of most desirable lands are available for lease or purchase from Railroad and other Corporations and private firms in Western Canada.

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