

OUR SCHOOLS.

Closing of the Scholastic Term.

MRS. WOLFF'S ACADEMY.

ENTERTAINMENT AND DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

The closing exercises of Mrs. Wolff's Academy, No. 82 St. Antoine St., took place Tuesday, June 25, at 7 o'clock.

- Le Traquay—Piano Duet. Misses R. Vinberg, H. Bernard. My Dolly—Recitation. Miss E. Crankshaw. La Petit Roger bon temps—Recitation. Master Armand Gagnon.

The address was then read by Miss E. Labelle, and replied to in his usual instructive and able manner by Rev. Father James Callaghan.

As it would be impossible to give the full list of prizes awarded, space obliges us to be satisfied with the assiduity medals, presented by an honorable member of the Council of Public Instruction.

On Monday last Bellevue, the charming convent villa on the St. Foye road, was the scene of a brilliant reception in honor of the Marquis and Marchioness de Levis and their suite.

The illustrious visitors arrived at 4 p.m. As they drove up the stately avenue they were greeted by the Bourbon flag floating from the cupola.

The following invited guests were present: Mr. Tanguay, Rev. M. J. Maloney, C.S.S.R., Rev. M. O. Andon, chaplain of St. Joseph's.

The large reception hall was most tastefully decorated—the mural designs superb. The presentation of the Marquis de Levis with its accompanying motto was the principal feature of the evening.

A brilliant executed march hailed the noble guests as they entered the hall. The performers on the piano were: Miss Dussault, Vezina, Authier, Swindell, Corbett, and Veilleux.

The closing exercises and distribution of prizes took place on Wednesday, June 27th. The programme prepared and most creditably performed, consisted of recitations and music.

Second Division.—1st prize, Sadie Singleton, punctuality, progress and assiduity; 2nd, Lizzie Foley, general excellence, English and French; 3rd, Mary Dunn, satisfactory progress; 4th, Fannie Stafford, politeness, punctuality, elocution and vocal music.

Third Division.—1st prize, Mary Roach, catechism, reading, spelling, English and French, mental arithmetic; May Foley, catechism and punctuality; Clara McMahon, punctuality, catechism and mental arithmetic; Jessie Mullin, catechism and mental arithmetic.

Fourth Division.—1st prize, Ada Blinks, assiduity and good conduct; 2nd, Annie Carragher, assiduity and good conduct; 3rd, Dora Rosenthal, assiduity and punctuality; Jennie McIver, mental arithmetic; Ella Brown, good conduct; Maria Payette, good conduct.

Boys.—First Division.—1st prize, punctuality and assiduity. "Poems and Lyrics" (Dr. Foran), donated by H. J. Codd, Esq., won by Harry Barrett. Arthur

Renard, general excellence, silver medal, donated by P. S. Murphy, Esq. Edgar Flynn, mental arithmetic and writing. Joseph Cahill, good conduct and writing.

Second Division.—1st prize, Willie Stafford, catechism, mental arithmetic and progress, silver medal; 2nd, John Davis, catechism, reading, spelling, mental and practical arithmetic, silver medal.

A certain gentleman, member of the Council of Public Instruction, whose name is suppressed at his request, with his usual generosity donated two gold and sixteen silver medals.

The following prizes for music were awarded: Delphine Renard, gold medal; Nellie Mack, silver medal; Ethel Mooney, silver medal; Flo. Meighan, silver medal.

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salon a Quebec, a cote au lys de France faisons une place toute speciale a la belle Marguerite, embleme de la Ven. M. Bourgeois.

"Melodies Francaises" was the finale of the too short programme. The whole party then entered the chapel and knelt while a chorus of voices in the gallery sang "Sauvez Rome et la France."

After signing in the "Register of Distinguished Visitors" the Marquis and suite took leave of Bellevue. The pupils were grouped on the balconies to see them off, their smiling faces returning the parting salutations with the same grace which had presided over their every act in their charming and unique reception.

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dren to church; they would not understand, and yet Christ said: "Suffer little children to come unto Me." And is He not with us still in the meek Prisoner of the tabernacle. Often a child will remember and repeat something heard in church long after his elders have forgotten it.

Then there are others who never hear an instruction, who slip to an early Mass in other than their own church, giving the time-worn excuses that the distance is so great, or the weather is too hot, or too cold, as the case may be.

What will it avail, what will it matter, in what manner the Word was spoken, to the one whose throne is vacant in heaven? One summer day a group of little girls were passing a church on their way from school.

"That's all right," answered her companion. "Come with me. My papa has a big one, and it holds a lot."

This was said with such a pretty air of ownership that one could rest assured that "papa" was working in the right direction to secure his place in the regions above.

A heart-broken mother confided to her neighbor that her children were beyond her control; her daughters were careless and disobedient; her sons disrespectful; and that one of them, in spite of all entreaties, prayers, and tears, was about to contract a marriage with one who was not of the household or faith.

Had she asked her parish priest the same question, he might have answered her truthfully thus: "Yes, you were a good mother; you worked hard for them; you made many sacrifices and denied them nothing—but their place in the House of God; you never secured a pew for yourself or children; never taught them to take an interest in their church—and in the face of all this, you, a Catholic mother, wonder that evil has befallen them; you, who brought them up as strangers in their own land."

Strange to relate, the people most remiss in this important duty are those through whose veins courses the blood of martyrs; whose ancestors, at the peril of their lives, sought the hedge school for instruction and the cave of the glen for the August Sacrifice.

We often hear the expression: "They had not a chair to sit on," made use of to illustrate the extreme poverty of some poor family. Might not the expression, "They have not a pew in the church," indicate a dire spiritual poverty.

The annual general meeting of the Irish Industries Association was held yesterday under the presidency of Sir Thomas Brady, says the Dublin Freeman's Journal.

The establishment of an Irish village at the World's fair, Chicago, was, as the report points out, undertaken for the purpose of affording a special and national representation of the industries, and especially the cottage industries, of Ireland.

The passages of the report devoted to the South Donegal weaving industry are of exceptional interest in view of the important character of the experiment. The association in this matter was aided by the congested districts board, the aim being to improve and develop the hand-weaving industry in Donegal.

The trouble with us nowadays is, that we do not lead natural lives. The feminine portion of our society is especially culpable in this way. It is really a wonder that women are as healthy as they are.

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cloth of South Donegal," we learn, "usually a small cottier tenant, who employs in this industry an amount of labor which would otherwise find no outlet. He rarely buys wool, but shears his own sheep, which graze on the mountain pastures held in common among the tenantry of the district. The wool is washed, dyed, carded and spun by the members of his family, the dyes used being 'crotal,' a lichen found on the rocks, which yields a red-brown hue; heather, which gives a yellow dye; peat soot (light brown), and other local products, together with indigo and madder. The natural shades of black and white wool are also used in various combinations. The material is light, warm, flexible and agreeable to wear, and durable and harmonious in coloring. The most usual faults of the Donegal tweed are too great looseness of texture, frequent unevenness in width, want of variety in design, faults owing to rule-of-thumb calculations of warp and weft, and streakiness of shading, produced in certain patterns by the system of carding the wool by hand, in which the proper mixture of different colors is rendered almost impossible. The wool when spun into yarn is handed over to the weaver, who is generally not the owner of the cloth, but simply an artisan working for hire. The finished web is brought into the fair of Ardara, which takes place on the first of every month, is there offered for sale to the local dealers who regularly attend for the purpose of buying their stock. Most of the output ultimately finds its way to the London, Dublin, Belfast or continental markets."

The association furthers this industry by opening up new trade centres for its produce, education, which includes practical instruction and periodical inspection, and the supply of improved appliances. Since the opening of the depot in Ardara in 1895, the association has disposed of homespun to the value of £1844 13s. 3d. This is at least the nucleus of a great commercial success. The association has also done excellent work in the vital matter of instruction, and we are glad to notice it is being freely availed of. The most improved looms and other appliances are gradually being introduced to the district. On the whole, the South Donegal weaving industry must be pronounced a thorough success, and we trust it will be widely imitated in other districts of the country.

As to the work of the Irish lace depot, we find that £8289 14s. 5d. amount of goods was purchased during the thirteen months from Irish workers. The report gives an account of the visit of the Countess of Aberdeen to Ireland in June of last year and of her tour of inspection. Lady Aberdeen's name is inseparably associated with the new impetus given to Irish cottage industries in recent years, and their future progress, of which the report before us gives full promise, must be attributed in no small degree to that impetus.—The Republic.

with some derangement or irregularity in the action of the organs distinctly feminine. Neglect and wrong living will show themselves first in the most delicate organs of the whole body. With such weakness and sickness so prevalent, it is to be expected that the bearing of children would be fraught with dread and danger. It should not be so, of course. Nature never meant it to be so. The performance of the highest function of which a woman is capable should not be accompanied by pain. If perfectly natural living were the rule, it would not be so. As lives are lived, something else must be done. A remedy must be found. For over thirty years, Dr. Pierce has been chief consulting physician to the Truitts' Hotel and Surgical Institute, of Buffalo, N. Y. During that time he has treated thousands of women. He has found in his "Favorite Prescription" a never-failing specific for female complaints. It strengthens the whole body and when taken during gestation, shortens the period of labor and makes childbirth well-nigh painless. It also promotes an abundant secretion of nourishment for the child.

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