Branch No. 4, London,

Meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month, at eight o'clock at their hall, Albion Block, Richmond Street. J. Forrestall, Pres. Wm. Corcoran, Recording Secretary.

C. M. B. A.

Important Letter from the Grand President.

Office of the Grand President,
Brockville, Dec. 25, 1892.

To the Members of the C. M. B. A. in Canada:

BROTHERS—I notice in the last issue of the *C. M. B. A. Journal* that a report is in circulation that "a compromise has been reached, which will allow of two Grand Councils in Quebec."

Let me assure you that there is not a particle of truth in such report. No compromise of any character whatever has been made with any Council or person in reference to this matter, and no such compromise as suggested can or will be made. There is no authority vested in any person or persons to make such a compromise.

It is also said in the same article that statements are being made by Supreme Deputies and others favorable to a Grand Council for the Province of Quebec, that a charter has been granted, and a telegram just received by me from Supreme President McGarry confirms this statement. The matter has now been brought to a focus by this breach of our agreement by the Supreme President, and it now remains for us to settle the difficulty in a court of law.

This charter has been granted in direct opposition to the expressed wish of the vast majority of the membership and branches in the Province of Quebec—in opposition to the protests of this Grand Council—in contravention of the terms of our agreement with the Supreme Council—contrary to the advice of the Supreme Solicitor given in his letter to me, and repeated by him to the Supreme President and Trustees at Rochester this month—contrary to the opinion of the Supreme Committee on Laws—contrary to the advice and opinion of every member of the Committee of lawyers appointed by the Grand Council of Canada to deal with this question—and in breach of the promise made by the Supreme President to me at Rochester, that he would not grant such a charter on the petitions already presented, and that in any event no charter would be granted until after 31st December instant.

Such being the case, the duty of the executive of the Grand Council of Canada is quite clear. We have no doubts whatever as to the correctness of our position, and consider ourselves in duty bound to take every step necessary to protect the interests of this Grand Council and the majority of the Quebec membership who have loyally stood by their votes at Hamilton, and their determination to preserve the unity of the Canadian brotherhood. The majority of members in Quebec who have expressed their desire to remain with the Grand Council can rest assured that no effort will be spared to prevent this breach of our compact with the Supreme Council and the attempt to rule a majority with a minority. Those branches which have decided to remain with us cannot be compelled to enter a Grand Council so formed. The Grand Council of Canada will see to it that their rights are preserved to them.

Fraternally and faithfully yours,
O. K. FRASER.

Election of Officers.

Branch 139, Fort Erie.

Spir. adv. Rev. P. McColl, pres. J. J. Kelly, first vice-pres. Chas. F. Cavanagh, second vice-pres. Sylvester Manning, treas. Patrick J. Kavanagh, rec. sec. Edward Ross, asst. rec. Joseph Reardon, fin. sec. Wm. Mitchell, marshal. Alphonsus J. Roesch, guard. Robt. Brown, trustee. Brothers Reardon, Roesch, Connolly and Schilhab.

Branch 47, Arthur.

Spiritual adv. Rev. J. P. Doherty, chan. Jas. Penrose, pres. D. McIntosh, first vice-pres. E. Gaynor, second vice-pres. T. Cassin, treas. J. M. Halloy, rec. sec. J. D. Callaghan, asst. sec. T. Harcourt, fin. sec. P. M. Kirby, mar. P. Pringlemier, guard. C. Heffernan, trus. T. Harcourt and M. J. Carroll.

Branch 105, London.

Chan. Thos. Boone, pres. Dr. Hanavan, first vice-pres. Rev. Joseph Kennedy, second vice-pres. Jas. Navin, rec. sec. Jas. Rockwood, fin. sec. W. J. Smith, treas. F. Smith, mar. F. McNeil, guard. Jas. Simple, trus. Jas. Rockwood, Thos. Boone, W. J. Durkin, Jas. Simple, Jas. Halpin.

Branch 173, Belle River.

Pres. Rev. J. Ed. Mennier, first vice-pres. P. Brossoit, second vice-pres. Nazaire Mousseau, rec. sec. J. J. McAuliffe, asst. sec. M. L. Byrne, fin. sec. Felix Sauve, treas. Moses Menard, mar. E. Telliard, guard. Leon Derosier, trus. C. D. Gauthier, Joseph Ladouceur, Gilbert Ouellette, Jas. Reaume, E. Decaire.

Branch 132, Halifax.

Pres. Jas. R. Cragg, first vice-pres. Roderick N. McDonald, second vice-pres. Wm. R. Powell, rec. sec. John H. Neville, asst. rec. sec. Frank J. Murphy, treas. Jas. D. O'Connor, fin. sec. D. T. Lynagh, mar. Jas. Dee, guard. Thos. Griffin, trus. W. B. Wallace, J. F. Devine, Ed. G. Kenny.

Branch 30, Peterborough.

Pres. Wm. J. Devlin, first vice-pres. F. H. Brennan, M. D., second vice-pres. E. McGrath, M. D., rec. sec. Thos. J. Doris, asst. sec. Thos. Kelly, fin. sec. J. J. Lynch, mar. A. Vinette, guard. Jno. McCormack, trus. Jas. Bogue, M. McFadden, Dr. E. McGrath, A. Vinett, and Thos. J. Doris.

Branch 15, Toronto.

Pres. Peter J. Rooney, first vice-pres. Charles Gormally, second vice-pres. Thomas Foley, rec. sec. Chas. Ryan, 331 Yonge street, fin. sec. Andrew T. Gormally, treas. P. J. Costello, mar. Thos. O'Grady, trus. Daniel Kelly, Thomas O'Grady, guard. Richard Aylwood.

Branch 43, Brockville.

Spir. adv. Very Rev. C. H. Gauthier, chan. D. W. Downey, pres. J. T. Noonan, first vice-pres. W. H. Brown, second vice-pres. H. Muldoon, rec. and cor. sec. J. McBrearty, asst. sec. W. J. Hall, fin. sec. J. H. Kelly, treas. S. J. Geash, mar. P. Barnes, guard. J. O'Meara, trus. R. C. McHenry, P. J. Venny, T. Burnes, J. D. Barsalow.

Branch 1, Windsor.

Spiritual adv. Very Rev. T. J. Wagner, Dean, chan. A. Phil. E. Panet, pres. Joseph Degurse, first vice-pres. Martin J. Collier, second vice-pres. Denis McKeon, rec. sec. P. M. Keogh (box 253), asst. rec. sec. E. C. Lucier, fin. sec. Simon Gignac, treas. John H. Connelly, mar. Daniel Cronin, trus. for two years, J. L. Murphy, John F. Latham and John Mayville.

Branch 175, Kinkora.

Spir. adv. Rev. J. O'Neil, chan. H. Foley, pres. P. Lahey, first vice-pres. J. Kelly, second vice-pres. M. Crowley, rec. sec. J. E. Stock, asst. sec. P. Carty, fin. sec. P. J. Finegan, treas. E. Brown, mar. J. Hayes, guard. T. Morrison, trus. for one year, W. Haragan and M. Crowley, for two years, H. Foley, P. Carty and F. Jordan.

Branch 14, Galt.

Spir. adv. Rev. E. P. Slaven, pres. Oliver Cooper, first vice-pres. Dennis Callaghan, second vice-pres. James Skelly, treas. Edward Radigan, rec. sec. Patrick Radigan, asst. sec. Edward Barrett, fin. sec. Bernard Maurer, mar. John D. Dondeno, guard. Wm. Donohue, trus. James Collins, E. Radigan, Jas. Skelly, D. Callaghan and E. Barrett.

CHRISTMAS IN OTTAWA.

According to the custom in the arghdiocese of Ottawa, midnight Mass was celebrated in all the Catholic churches of the city, the services being conducted with all the solemnity and grandeur possible according to the rules of the Church, to give expression to the joy she feels on this festival of festivals.

The Most Rev. Archbishop Duhamel celebrated full Pontifical High Mass at the Basilica at midnight, His Grace being assisted by Very Rev. V. G. Routhier, assistant priest, with deacon and subdeacon, also deacon and sub-deacon of the Mass, master of ceremonies, choristers, etc.

The musical portion of the service was beautiful, a very interesting part of it being the singing of the boys' choir at the second Mass, which was a low one, celebrated by His Grace immediately after the grand Mass, one hundred and twenty voices taking part in "Les Vieux Noels," the solo part of which was very well rendered. The choir was under the leadership of Rev. Father Beausoliel, while Rev. Father Sauve presided at the magnificent new organ. The Mass was Nicon Charons. The solo parts were taken as follows: at the "Kyrie" and "Gloria" Mr. F. Breton; "Credo," Messrs. N. Mathe, Leclaire, Cupon, Dugas and Beaudry. The "Benedictus Est" was sung by Mr. Mathe, who also rendered "Menuit Chreticus" at the offertory. At the ten o'clock Mass the music was plain. Father Beausoliel rendered "Ca Berger," by Lefebvre-Mely.

Solemn Pontifical Vespers was sung at three o'clock p. m.

En passant I would like to say a few words about the new organ in the Bassilica: it is divided into four parts, the choir gallery containing two, one at each side of the grand window—a very nice arrangement, as it does not hide the latter, which is a beautiful work of art. There is also two other parts in the sanctuary, one on each side. The whole is worked by electricity, and has a very fine effect, which must be heard to be appreciated.

On another occasion I may say a few words about the interior of the Basilica, which is one of the grandest on the continent.

At St. Joseph's the choir, under the leadership of Rev. Father Nelles, O. M. I., rendered Mr. J. C. Bonner's Mass in C in a very effective manner, the soloists being Misses Aumond, Connelly, Mahon, Phillips, Rogers, O'Connor, Codd, Mrs. Barnes, Messrs. Lemoine, McCarthy, Tighe, Brophy and Mahon.

At St. Bridget's Mrs. Foley presided at the organ, while Dr. Leprohon lead the choir, the Mass being Rossini's in G. Mrs. Foley sang the solo in the "Kyrie." A quartette, composed of Mrs. Foley, Mrs. Frederick, Mr. Stringer and Mr. St. Denis, gave a very fine rendering of "Et in Terra." A full orchestra rendered efficient service during the Mass. At the ten o'clock Mass the boys' choir sang "Adeste Fidelis."

At St. Patrick's Mr. G. C. Bonner conducted the musical portion of the service, Miss Louisa Smith presiding at the organ, while a very efficient choir sang with fine effect. The decorations at this church were magnificient, the incandescent lights of various colors being a very important factor therein.

Notwithstanding the severe cold weather that prevailed, many little ones visited the various churches to view the Crib. It was indeed an interesting sight to see the doting parents lift their little darlings up to see the image of Him who was once a little child like them, who loves them so much; and then learn the story—the old old story, yet ever new and fresh to the Christian heart, so beautifully depicted in every Catholic church at this holy season.

Ottawa, Dec. 26, 1892. L. K.

Christmas at Smithville.

We had the great blessing of three Masses here on Christmas morning—one at 8:30, another at 9, and the last at 10:30—and the Rosary, with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the evening. The church was tastefully decorated in honor of the feast, and the singing good. There was the usual miniature Crib, to bring more vividly to our minds the scene in the stable at Bethlehem on the first Christmas night. The results of the catechism examinations for the past year were made known and the prize winners announced. The first prize was awarded to Sylvester Hand, Grimsby; second, Aggie Hand, do.; third, Amelia Lavery, Caistor; fourth, Thomas Kavanaugh, Grimsby; fifth, Annie Clancey, Beamsville; first access., James Hand, Grimsby, and second access., Martin Barry, Smithville. These prizes consist of beautiful pictures, as in former years. After reading the list the pastor urged the parents to second his efforts in trying to induce their children to study the catechism, because it would teach them about the Saviour, whose feast they were celebrating and the means of salvation He brought down from heaven for them. The knowledge they would acquire from the catechism would also enable them to give a reason for the faith that was in them, and refute the frequent attacks of ignorant bigots. COM.

Presentations.

Kinkora, Dec. 22, 1892

The pupils of the Separate school, section No. 7, Hullett, on the departure of their teacher, who having resigned her school in order to enter St. Joseph's Convent, have presented her with a purse and address, which is as follows:

To Miss Lizzie Hussey, teacher—Allow me, on behalf of the pupils of our school to present you with this address accompanied with purse, as a little token of affection. We regret that it is not larger, but I am sure you will not accept it for its intrinsic value, but as a gift coming from the heart, showing you the esteem in which you are held both by parents and pupils.

It is with feelings of deep regret we part from you. We will not soon forget with what kindness and patience you conducted the school. Our waywardness and many faults you kindly overlooked; but nevertheless, the methods you adopted in maintaining order and discipline without unnecessary punishment, the justice you administered to us, was always tempered with mercy which was evidence of your good sense. It makes us feel sad to part from you but we hope that in the noble calling you are about to accept you may be happy, and become one of its most honored members, and we have no doubt of that, knowing, as we do, your goodness of heart and purity of intention.

In conclusion we sincerely hope you will not soon forget the pupils of the Separate school, and be sure to think of us in your pious prayers, and in return, we will ever pray for your happiness and welfare

Signed, on behalf of the pupils, Kelly, M. Hayes and M. Guinane.

Burnley, Dec. 23, 1892.

The pupils of S. S. No. 21, Haldimand, paid their teacher a graceful compliment on Thursday last, on the occasion of her completing her third year in the school.

When the morning exercises were concluded Miss Edith G. Shearer and Miss Annie Masterson advanced to the platform, the former bearing a richly bound album, the latter an address which she read in a clear voice on behalf of the pupils:

Miss Lillie Colgan, Teacher, Burnley Separate School—Dear Teacher—We the pupils of Burnley Separate School come to say good by for the holidays. For the past three years you have been our teacher, model and our friend. As a teacher you have elevated the school both socially and morally, and we have gathered lessons that will be useful to us in future days.

You have the assurance of our cordial good wishes, and we will always remember you as a kind and thorough teacher and most affectionate friend.

Accept, then, dear teacher, this Christmas box, and cherish it as a memento of your Burnley pupils, who esteem and love you well. Wishing you a merry Christmas and happy new year.

EDITH G. SHEARER,
ANNIE MASTERSON.

Burnley, Dec. 23, 1893.

Miss Colgan's reply was informal, she having been altogether in the dark. She declared she had no far play in the matter, nor a chance to prepare her speech. She was delighted with their lovely gift, and still more so by the warm expressions of regard contained in the address. She would devote the album to the exclusive purpose of holding their pictures, so that when she opened it in the future she could see their faces there, and imagine herself among the Burnley crowd. She was not vain enough to appropriate all their praises, but would take them with a grain of salt, in the hope that their good opinion would stimulate to better efforts. She returned full measure their wishes for a pleasant holiday, and hoped to see them all re-assembled with renewed energies.

CHRISTMAS DAY IN ARTHUR.

The festival of the nativity of Our Blessed Redeemer was celebrated with becoming ceremonies in this parish on last Sunday. At the hour of 6 in the morning, and before the faintest glimmering of light in the East gave warning of the approach of day, was heard for miles around the "pleasant pealing of the parish Bell," plainly indicating that the zealous caretaker—Mr. Dan Drake—had risen early from his couch, and with vigorous arm and willing heart was meriting the distinguished honor of being the first to greet the faithful with an earnest and a solemn invitation to begin, with an humble and a pious prayer, the celebration of the great festival commemorative of the natal day of the Saviour of the world.

The roads leading to the church from the adjoining townships of Peel, Arthur, West Luther and Garafraxa were in a good state, as sufficient snow had fallen during the previous week to provide good sleighing, and from an early hour up to the time fixed for last Mass, the incessant tinkling of the "merry sleigh bells" that accompanied crowded vehicles along the various roads clearly foretold the presence of a very large congregation. Rev. Father Doherty, P. P., officiated at early Mass. The children of the Separate school, tutored by the Sisters of St. Joseph, sang so well thereat as to indicate unerringly even to the mind of the casual listener where and by whom they had received their vocal training. Miss Fanny Madden presided at the organ with marked ability. Early Mass was celebrated in the church in Peel, an outlying portion of the parish, by Father Dubee, assistant priest, who then drove to Arthur to sing the High Mass there at 10:30. Father Dubee possesses such a remarkably fine and well cultivated voice, and his musical abilities are of such a high order as to make it a treat of no small value to hear him at any time. But on this occasion, responded to, and assisted by a talented and well-trained choir under the leadership of the celebrated organist—Miss Appleton—in the rendition of Mozart's twelfth Mass, the musical treat which was afforded was such a one as is only rarely obtained. The rendering of Lambillotte's "Pastorale" was unusually grand. The number of communicants at each Mass was remarkably large. At the gospel the Rev. Father Doherty ascended the pulpit and taking for his text that portion of the gospel of the day, "And the angel said to them: Fear not; for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, that shall be to all the people; for this day is born to you a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord, in the city of David," preached a very powerful and eloquent sermon, and one that was particularly appropriate and germain to the events which were commemorated by the joyful festival which was being that day celebrated. The offerings made by the congregation during the several Masses were both numerous and liberal, and the total amount thereof must have reached far up among the hundreds.

The evening services consisted of musical Vespers and the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The rendition of Lambillotte's "Tantum Ergo" and of "Adeste Fidelis" by the choir was much admired.

A profusion of evergreens tastefully arranged added much to the appearance of the interior of the church. The altars were beautifully decorated with flowers and brilliantly illuminated with lights of varigated colors, the excellent and refined taste of the devoted Sisters of St. Joseph being prominently noticeable throughout.

The Rev. Father Doherty, with a spirit of abnegation and a consideration for his parishioners and others, that, taken in connection with the seeming want, appear highly commendable, delayed the erection of a Presbytery until church and convent, school, cemetery and bell were all paid for. This was accomplished during the past year, and the parish being now entirely free from debt, he purposes building a suitable presbytery during the coming year. The plans have been prepared by Mr. Gray, of Harriston, who is to be the architect. A beautiful site has been procured directly opposite the church, and some preparatory work has already been done thereto. It will be a two-story building of white brick with ornamented pressed brick string courses; and when completed will be worthy of the generosity of the parishioners and in harmony with the other buildings on the episcopal property, which are a credit to the village in which they are erected. A TRAVELLER.

Bazaar at St. Mary's.

As previously announced, the bazaar in aid of the building fund of St. Mary's new church was held last week in the town hall. During the three days the hall was well filled, while during the evenings there was scarcely standing room and on the whole the promoters of the work have reason to congratulate themselves as a great sum has been realized. We give below the winning numbers; and holders of such will please forward their tickets to the pastor, Rev. P. Brennan, who will send the articles to the respective winners:

2,820	1,724	1,184	2,813	6,182
9,193	7,962	4,365	4,385	6,407
3,708	7,740	7,635	1,655	
1,558	6,503	7,941	5,117	
4,075	1,792	7,116	980	
7,659	7,522	1,980	5,215	
6,731	4,312	8,920	2,519	

A. O. H.

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to remove by the hand of Death, the youngest son of Brother M. J. Ryan, ex-C., delegate, York county, also the son of Brother J. D. Sullivan, and the daughter of Brother Thos. Cambrick. Be it

Resolved that the members of this Board tender their heartfelt sympathy to the above named Brothers and their families in the loss they have sustained. Be it further

Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the *Irish Canadian* and CATHOLIC RECORD for publication.

T. MCKEAGUE, Cor. Sec.

E. B. A.

Election of officers—Branch 24 Almonte. Chan., Very Rev. Canon Foley; Pres. E. W. Smith; Vice Pres., R. McGregor, Rec. Sec., Geo. Hourigan; Fin. Sec., P. L. Dowdall; Sec. D. and D. Fund, M. Erwin, Treas., B. Bolton; Stewarts, F. S. Leclair, M. F. Hogan and James Trainor; Mar., R. Johnston; Asst. Mar., J. Sullivan; Mes., John Lynch.

PRESENTATION TO A TEACHER.—The pupils of S. S. No. 2, Ashfield, assembled at the school house on the 22nd inst. to bid farewell to their teacher, Miss Egan. They also took the opportunity to give expression to their feelings of gratitude, and of love for her by presenting her with a valuable present, and an address, to which she made a suitable reply.

A correspondent of a Chicago paper, writing from South Bend, Ind., deplores the frequency with which representatives of old Puritan families in New England become converts to the Catholic Church. In connection with that fact he mentions that the only lineal descendant of the Presbyterian John Knox resides at Notre Dame, Ind., and is a member of the Congregation of the Holy Cross. The venerable religious referred to has been a teacher in various Catholic schools for upward of thirty years, thus effectively undoing his work as a Methodist exhorter in early manhood. Brother Philip is still hale and hearty. He is in possession of a snuff box which belonged to his heretical ancestor.

A ST. CATHARINES SENSATION.

An Old and Esteemed Citizen Restored to Health and Strength.—Mr. C. W. Hellems, Sr. Relates the Particulars of His Sufferings and Relief to a Standard Reporter—Advice to Other Sufferers.

St. Catharines Standard.

Casually, the other day, the *Standard* learned that Mr. C. W. Hellems, sen., one of the oldest and most respected citizens of St. Catharines, had been restored to health after years of suffering. The editor of this paper had known Mr. Hellems for years, and he was anxious to hear from him the story of his wonderful recovery. He had not seen Mr. Hellems for some months, but met with a very warm welcome when he told the errand upon which he had come. Mr. Hellems' home is on the corner of St. Paul and Court streets, and he is well known to all our older residents as a citizen of the highest integrity, having lived in this city since 1833.

"I have had rheumatism," said Mr. Hellems, "more or less for the past twenty years, which often got so painful that I could not get about at all. I had been to all the doctors here and to some in Toronto and Buffalo, but I could get no relief worth speaking about. Five years ago I went to Welland and took a vapor bath, and felt so much relieved that I took two more. The relief, however, was only temporary, and four and a half years ago the lameness and pains came on again and so completely used me up that I could hardly do anything. I applied to a number of doctors for treatment, and two of them treated me, but without relief. My age, they said, was against me; that if I were a younger man there might be some hope for me. I was eighty four last October. I then discontinued the doctors' treatment and about a year ago got a box of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and used them without feeling any benefit, and quit. This spring I used another box without any effect and again stopped. You see I expected too much and seemed to think that a box of Pink Pills ought to do what years of doctoring did not do. In July I read about the case of Mr. Condor, of Oakville, who had used, I think eighteen boxes. When I read that he was so fully cured that he was able to work again, and even play base ball, I took courage and saw that I had not before given the pills a fair trial. I then got half a dozen boxes and was on the fifth before I felt any beneficial effects. I had run down so low and my appetite had left me. I now began to feel my appetite returning, and my knees and ankles began to gain strength. From that out I continued to improve until the time of the county fair, when I went down there in company with others and went the rounds seeing the stock and other exhibits. I tried to keep up with them and walked so much that day that I felt some bad effects afterwards. But I now know where to look for relief and continued using Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and ever since have felt a steady improvement. My legs have gained strength wonderfully, and the doctors tell me that if I was a younger man I would be still more benefitted. My general health has also improved very much. About six weeks ago I was in Toronto and walked fully five miles that day—something I could not have done before. In fact I feel so much better that I have taken a two year old mustang colt to break it in." At this point Mrs. Hellems, the life partner of the venerable gentleman, who had come into the room while Mr. Hellems was relating his story, said that a friend, when he heard that Mr. Hellems had taken a colt to break, said he was going to commence using Pink Pills too. Then the lady noting the *Standard* man writing at the table asked Mr. Hellems if all this was to be published.

"Yes," said Mr. Hellems, "if there are any other poor creatures who are suffering as I have done I would be glad to have them know the great good Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have done me, and be benefitted in the same way. I am glad to have my experience published for the benefit it may do to others, and I cannot too strongly recommend these great pills." In reply to an enquiry Mr. Hellems said he had taken three half dozen boxes since he began to take them regularly, and was now using the fourth half dozen.

The *Standard* reporter called upon Mr. A. J. Greenwood, the east end druggist, whose store is only a few doors from the residence of Mr. Hellems, to enquire how the sale of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills stood in regard to other proprietary medicines, and incidentally to enquire what he thought of their effect in Mr. Hellems's case. "Pink Pills for Pale People have a great sale," said Mr. Greenwood, "and I am continually asked for them. With regard to Mr. Hellems's case I knew that for years he had suffered from rheumatism and other diseases and that he was thoroughly run down. He now speaks very highly of Pink Pills, though a first he did not think they were doing him any good, but that may be accounted for by the hold the disease had on his system. He now feels like a young man and is able to attend to the various animals, horses, etc. After he had taken about a dozen boxes he came into the store one day and started to dance around like a school boy. 'Wha's the matter,' I exclaimed, perfectly astonished; and with happiness ringing in every tone of his voice, he called out, 'O, I'm young again; I'm young again.' He ascribed as the reason for this that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills had performed the wonder. He has frequently told me that he had tried doctors without number, besides other patent medicines, but without any avail. My sales of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are constantly increasing, and all agree that these excellent little pills are beyond praise. There are many people in this district who have cause to be thankful they tried Pink Pills."

The reporter called upon Mr. W. W. Greenwood and Mr. Harry Southcott, the well known druggists, and both spoke highly of Pink Pills, saying that they are the most popular remedy in the stores, and that those using them are loud in their praises of the results.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are a perfect blood builder and nerve restorer, curing such diseases as rheumatism, neuralgia, partial paralysis, locomotor ataxia, St. Vitus' dance, nervous headache, nervous prostration and the tired feeling therefrom, the after effects of la grippe, diseases depending on humors in the blood such as scrofula, chronic erysipelas, etc. Pink Pills give a healthy glow to pale and sallow complexions. In the case of men they effect a radical cure in all cases arising from mental worry, overwork or excesses of any nature.

These Pills are manufactured by the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Brockville, Ont., and Schenectady, N. Y., and are sold only in in boxes bearing the firm's trade mark and wrapper, at 50 cts. a box, or six boxes for $2.50. Bear in mind that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are never sold in bulk, or by the dozen or hundred, and any dealer who offers substitute in this form is trying to defraud you and should be avoided. The public are also cautioned against all other so-called blood builders and nerve tonics, no matter what name may be given them. They are all imitations whose makers hope to reap a pecuniary advantage from the wonderful reputation achieved by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Ask your dealer for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and refuse all imitations and substitutes.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills may be had of all druggists or direct by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine Company from either address. The price at which these pills are sold make a course of treatment comparatively inexpensive as compared with other remedies or medical treatment.

WEDDING BELLS.

FISHER-GALLAGHER.

A very pleasant event occurred at the residence of Mr. John Gallagher, one of the pioneer farmers of Middlesex, being the marriage of his daughter, Maggie, to Mr. Wm. Fisher, of Strathroy. The wedding party drove from the residence of the bride's father, Longwood to the parish church at Strathroy—a distance of twelve miles, where the happy couple were made one by the Rev. Father McKeon. The bride was attired in a most elegant gray costume and carried in her hand a bouquet of flowers. She was a sister by Miss Teresa Brady, of Strathroy, while the groom's best man was Mr. J. Gallagher, cousin to the bride. After the ceremony the party drove back to Mr. Gallagher's, where an elaborate and sumptuous spread was awaiting them. The presents were costly and numerous and showed in what high esteem Strathroy's fairest daughter had been held. On the 6 o'clock train Mr. and Mrs. Fisher left for the East, with showers of rice and congratulations and blessings following them. May their lives be long, prosperous and happy!

NEW BOOK.

"The Secret of Sanctity," according to St. Francis de Sales and Father Crasset, S. J., has just reached us from the publishing house of Benziger Bros., 36 and 38 Barclay street, New York. It is translated from the French by Ella McMahon, 12mo., cloth, $1.00.

What A Friend Can Do.

"I was confined to my bed by a severe attack of lumbago. A lady friend sent me a part of a bottle of St. Jacobs Oil, which I applied. The effect was simply magical. In a day I was able to go about my household duties. I have used it with splendid success for neuralgic toothache. I would not be without it." MRS. J. RINGLAND, Kincaid St., Brockville, Ont.

MARKET REPORTS.

London, Dec. 29.—Wheat was easy, at $1 to $1.03 per cental, or 60 to 62c per bushel. The least said about wheat the better, as there is very little chance for any improvement for some time to come, according to present appearances. Oats were in fair supply, at 80 to 82c per cental. Peas, 85 to 90c per cental. The meat supply was large, and at Christmas time, of course, the quality was extra, expecially the beef. This sold at $5.50 to $6.00 per cwt. Lamb was firm, at 8c per pound by the carcass. Pork was in short supply, at $7 to $7.40 per cwt. for average. Some abnormally large hogs sold for $6 per cwt. The poultry supply was large, and prices were firm. Turkeys had a ready sale, at 9½ to 11c per pound. Geese, 7c per pound, and ducks 7 to 7½c per pound. Fowls, 40 to 65c per pair. Butter was easy, at 20 to 21c a pound by the basket, and 22 to 23c retail for best roll. Crocks, 18 to 20c a pound. Fresh eggs, 25c a dozen. Packed, 18 to 20c. Potatoes were scarce, at $1.00 to $1.15 a bag. Apples were in short supply, at $1.50 to $2.50 a bbl. Hay, $6.50 to $7.50 a ton.

Toronto, Dec. 29.—WHEAT—No. 2, spring, 60c. to 61c; white, 61c to 62c; red winter, 60c 62c; goose, 55 to 56c; No. 1, hard, 77c to 80c; No. 2, 77c to 78½c; No. 3, 70 to 71c; frosted No. 1, 66c; No. 2, 53 to 55c; No. 3, 47 to 48c; peas, No. 2, 55 to 56; barley, No. 1, 50 to 51c; No. 2, 42 to 44c; No. 3, extra, 38 to 39c; No. 3, 35c to 37; oats, No. 2, 29 to 30c; corn, 57 to 58c; flour, extra, $2.60 to $2.70; straight roller, $2.35 to $3.35.

Ottawa, Dec. 29.—Now is the time for the farmer to rush on his pork. Another advance of a quarter a hundred weight, fixing the price at $7.50 and $7.75 a cwt., with every indication of a further advance before Saturday and certainly no possibility of a decline. Beef sold at $3.50 and $5.50 a cwt for fore and hinds respectively. Turkeys had a wonderful sale from 9 to 11c a pound. Geese had a splendid sale, ranging in price from 50 to 70c ts each. Chickens sold from 40c to 55c a pair. Potatoes 80 a bag. Cabbage sold at 5c a dozen. Pail butter ranged from 19 to 21c a pound, while prints sold a little better, realizing 22 and 24c. Fresh eggs 28 and 30c a dozen. Oats were worth 29 and 30c buckwheat 50c, and peas 60 to 70c a bushel. Sales of hay ranged from $7 to $9 a ton.

Montreal, Dec. 29.—Wheat—No. 2 hard Manitoba wheat, 81 to 82c; No. 3 hard Manitoba wheat, 74 to 76c; corn, duty paid, 64 to 65c; peas, per 66 lbs, 72 to 73c; oats, per 34 lbs, 32 to 33c; rye, 65 to 70c; barley, feed, 58 to 42c; barley, malting, 50 to 55c. Flour—Patent spring, $4.25; patent winter, $4.20 to $4.40; straight roller, $3.60 to $3.80; extra, $3.10 to $3.25; superfine, $2.80 to $3.00; strong bakers', $4 to $4.20. Oatmeal—Granulated, bbls, $4 to $4.10; rolled, bbls, $4 to $4.10; standard, bbls, $3.90 to $3.95; granulated, in bags, $1.95 to $2; rolled in bags, $1.95 to $2; standard in bags, $1.90 to $1.95. Bran, per ton, $13 to $13.5; shorts, per ton, $14 to $15; mouillie, per ton, $19 to $20.50. Canada short cut mess pork, per bbl, $19 to $19.5; mess pork, western, new, per bbl, $19 to $19.5; hams, city cured, per lb, 11 to 12½c; bacon, per lb., 10 to 12c; lard, compound, 8 to 8½c; lard, pure Canadian, 10 to 10½c; dressed hogs, per 100 lbs, $7.25 to $7.75. Cheese—Choicest late makes are held at 11c, with values ranging down to 10½c, according to quality. Butter.—Creamery, 22 to 23c; townships dairy, 20 to 21c; Morrisburg and Brockville, 18 to 20c; western dairies, 17 to 19c; western roll, new, 17 to 20c. Eggs—New stock at 21 to 23c; good held stock, 18 to 19c; and fined, 15 to 17c. Turkeys, per lb, 10 to 11c; geese, 5 to 6½c; ducks, 75 to 80c; chickens, 8 to 9c; partridge, No. 1 per brace, 50 to 75c; ducks No. 2, 40 to 50c; venison, carcass, per lb, 7 to 8c; do. saddles, 10 to 11c.

Latest Live Stock Markets.

BUFFALO.

Buffalo, Dec. 29.—Cattle—Receipts, 116 cars, all consigned through; feeling firm for good stock. Sheep and lambs—Receipts were liberal 19 fresh cars of Canadas and 15 cars held over and 18 fresh cars of natives and 8 cars held over. The market was very slow, and prices fully 25c lower than the average prices of Monday for sheep, and nearly as much off o lambs. Reports from both New York and Jersey City were lower, and there were but few outside orders in, and it is very evident that if shippers continue to rush in their lambs at the same ratio as they have this week, much lower prices will be the order of things. They sold at $6.15 to $6.40, with a load or two of fancy at $6.45. Canada sheep were slow at $4.50 to $4.75; good wethers, $4.00 to $5.25; bucks, $3 50; native lambs, common to fancy, $4.75 to $5.50; sheep, $3.75 to $5.20; extra, $5.25. Hogs—Receipts, 24 cars; market slow and easier. Yorkers, $3.85 to $3.75; light do. $3.60; medium and heavy, $3.80 to $3.85; 1 load extra, $3.90; pigs, $3.25 to $3.40.

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