

**NOTICE.**

AS THE YEAR is drawing to a close, now is the time to settle your account with the **NORTH WEST REVIEW**. Many of you gentlemen, who so generously subscribe to this paper, should remember that your generosity ought not to be content with a promise to pay. If times are hard for you, they are not particularly easy for us.

**CALENDAR FOR NEXT WEEK.**

**DECEMBER.**

- 13 Third Sunday in Advent. St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr.
- 14 Monday—Seventh day of the octave.
- 15 Tuesday—Octave of the Immaculate Conception.
- 16 Wednesday—St. Eusebius, Bishop, Martyr. Fast.
- 17 Thursday—Ferial office.
- 18 Friday—Expectation of Our Lady's delivery.
- 19 Saturday—Ferial office.

**CITY AND ELSEWHERE.**

St. Mary's Court No. 276 of the Catholic Order of Foresters hold a regular meeting in Unity Hall on Friday evening last.

The December issue of Stovel's Pocket Directory contains a large number of changes in the useful information to be found within its covers, prominent among these being the change in time cards on the Northern Pacific and Great Northern railways, postal information and steamship sailings. A complete list of the sittings of County Courts for 1897 is given, also hockey fixtures, curling clubs, etc.

At the regular fortnightly meeting of Branch 163 of the C.M.B.A. held on Dec. 1st, the following officers were elected for the term of 1897:—Pres., J. A. McInnis; 1st Vice-Pres., Rev. A. A. Cherrier; 2nd Vice-Pres., F. Welnitz; Rec.-Sec., J. Markinski; Asst.-Rec.-Sec., P. O'Brien; Fin.-Sec., M. Buck; Treas., P. Klinkhammer; Marshal, F. Klinkhammer; Guard, L. Hout; Trustees, P. Klinkhammer, J. Schmidt.

The municipal elections take place in the city on Thursday next. A good many aldermen have been chosen by acclamation but in some wards the voters have not lack of material to choose from. Five candidates are in the field for mayor. The Review some weeks ago declared itself in favor of the election of Mr. E. F. Hutchings and nothing has happened since then to change the course of this paper. He is by long odds the best man for the position amongst the nominees and indeed there are few men in Winnipeg better qualified to fill the mayor's chair at this juncture in the city's history.

The following have been elected officers of St. Mary's Branch No. 52 of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association for the ensuing year:—President, Geo. Germain; 1st vice-pres., W. J. Bawlf; 2nd vice-pres., M. Conway; Treas., N. Bergeron; Rec.-Sec., H. A. Russell; Assistant, M. E. Hughes; Fin.-Sec., D. F. Allman; Marshal, M. Savage; Guard, A. D. McDonald; Trustees, P. Shea, F. W. Russell and G. Gladnish. This makes a strong list and with a little effort and good will should ensure a successful year for the Branch. The new officers should make their association better known to the large number of young men in the city who are eligible for membership and who would join if they understood the aims and methods of the organization.

**THE DRAWING AT ST. MARY'S.**

The following is a list of the winners of the articles won in the drawing at St. Mary's bazaar:

Mr. Graham, of the Bell & Co., stained glass company, Water street, the bicycle; the owner of ticket No. 5, the gold watch; E. O'Rielly, silver watch; A. Evans, Ladies' Aid quilt; A. H. Kennedy, large silver spool; Mrs. Martin Kelly, set of silver coffee spoons; Mrs. Brisbois, hall clock; W. Georgison, five o'clock tea cloth, of hand-made lace; Rev. Father Cherrier, set of toilet bottles; Mr. McKen-Adair, a large doll; T. D. Deegan, five o'clock tea cloth; W. Jordan, two pictures; Mrs. Gleason, eDioraine, arm chair; Mrs. J. Stack, a drape; Rev. Father Guillet, a rocking chair; Mrs. J. Furlong, a silver cake basket; F. W. Russell, a smoking set; P. Klinkhammer, a parlor lamp; Miss A. Killen, "The Angelus," a beautiful oil painting on canvas, by Mrs. Healy; Rev. Father Cloutier, sofa pillow; Miss Tessier, silver fruit dish; Miss K. Adair, a large doll; T. D. Deegan, a Dresden clock; E. Cass, Japanese jewelry cabinet; Miss A. Smith, pair of Swiss muslin curtains; Miss W. Cummings, hand-painted handkerchief; A. Benard, pair of pillow shams; T. D. Deegan, card receiver; Mrs. Bryans, fire screen; J. N. Horgan, pair of china figures; J. O'Day, parlor lamp; J. A. Buchanan, silver cake basket; D. Coyle, china tea set; Mrs. Dowdall, pair of lilies; Mrs. Haynen, guess cake; R. Burke, boy's suit; H. J. Russell, five o'clock tea set; N. Bergeron, picture of Rev. Father Guillet; J. H. Murphy, parlor lamp; J. Coyle, musical dolls; Mrs. Savage, toilet set; Mrs. Fishmen, etching case; Mrs. Adair, pin cushion; Mrs. Haynen, sofa pil-

low; Mrs. Haynen, box of raisins; Mrs. Hinrairie, cuff and collar box; Rev. Father Guillet, head rest; W. Kittson, tea cosy; H. J. Bawlf, panel; J. O'Day, lady's dressing case; N. Bergeron, head rest; Mr. Tasse, toilet mirror; Mrs. Cornelle, wine set; P. Klinkhammer, 3 pieces of hand-painted china; T. D. Deegan, hand-painted cushion; Mrs. J. Carey, Japanese screen; Mrs. Foster, silver cake basket; Mrs. A. Cherrier, paper holder; Archbishop Langevin, cherry dressing case; Archbishop Langevin, small sailing boat; G. Germain, sofa pillow; Miss Bailey, an easel; F. McPhillips, log cabin quilt; E. Cass, toilet mirror; Lizzie Coyle, sofa pillow; E. Hughes, a picture; E. Thomas, a tray cloth; Mrs. H. Costigan, a pair of seal-skin mits; Mr. Gaudaur, shaving set; Mrs. H. Russell, a picture; Mr. eDwitt, pair of pillows; Mr. Wbodly, a quilt; Mr. Banfield, pair of cushions.

In the contest for the sewing machine, Mrs. Vaser polled 6,111 votes and Miss Killen, 4,784. For the gold-headed cane, Mr. Ewart, 1,842 and Mr. Hugh John Macdonald, 1,839.

At St. Mary's on Sunday morning Father Guillet announced that the total profits of the bazaar amounted to \$2,300, which was very satisfactory and he earnestly thanked all who had assisted.

**NOTES FROM STE. ROSE DU LAC.**

The winter has set in bright and cold early this year, several days the thermometer has registered over 20 below zero.

On Tuesday, 24th of November, there was a quiet wedding at this place. Towards 7.30 a. m. we went over the snow, between the waning moon and rising sun to the Presbytery to attend a nuptial mass, which was said in the corridor, the Rev. F. Lecog not being well enough to leave his house. Miss May Josephine Tucker eldest daughter of W. A. and Mrs. Tucker, and Mr. Joseph Laurette, eldest son of A. Laurette, Esq., were the happy pair. The bride and bridegroom received Holy Communion as also the assistants. The Misses Cecily and Agatha Tucker were bridesmaids, and Mr. Cyril Tucker best man. The bride was given away by her father, and her little brother Basil served at mass. The Rev. Father Lecog gave a very pretty address on the occasion. Afterwards there was a recherchi breakfast at the Presbytery. The bride looked charming in a pale green silky material and felt hat with plumes in a darker shade of green. The bridesmaids wore dresses of grey trimmed with shot silk and felt hats with white and brown plumes. About 11 o'clock Mr. and Mrs. Laurette left for Tro-tierville on the most beautiful day we have had this season, to take the train en route for their home at St. Pie, accompanied by the kindest thoughts and best wishes of their numerous friends, here and elsewhere. The wedding had been postponed to allow the bride time to devote herself to the Bazaar which was lately being held here.

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ed to come up to the standard. No, there was no philanthropic motives; on the contrary, we are sorry to say, it seems, that the motives, that abolished the Catholic schools in Manitoba, were diabolical, inasmuch as politicians have used the people of Manitoba, they have appealed to the prejudices of the people, they have attempted to divide a hitherto united people, by setting Protestants against Catholics, and vice versa, not in order to make Catholic schools efficient, but for their own political aggrandizement. Now, Mr. Editor, we have always conceded, to a certain limit, the right of the state in seeing that every child receive a certain amount of education, and the maintenance of the state, of these institutions, through which the knowledge should flow; but never could any parent grant to the state the right to dictate, whether or not that child should receive religious instructions, or where it should receive such instructions; no more than we would accord to the state the right to dictate what religion we should profess and when we should practice it. On the other hand, it must be clear to every impartial mind that to compel a portion of a community to contribute towards the support of an institution of which they could not in conscience avail themselves, would be a hardship that would not be tamely submitted to. Such is the case with regard to the training of our children, those whom the Almighty gave in our special care, to bring up to fear, love and honor God. The Almighty has placed these little ones in our special keeping, a claim the state dare not dispute, but is bound to respect and to Him we are responsible for their early training. Mr. Laurier in the course of a speech delivered in parliament said: If those schools were found to be godless, they would be obnoxious to Catholics, if they are Protestant they would be equally obnoxious; but this was when he was in the old shade of opposition. Now, he is leader of the government, he has proposed a happy combination. The Godless Protestant and Catholic schools, all in one. He is certainly a remarkable man. We are very sorry to see the complete knocking down of the Laurier government to the Greenway government. Mr. Greenway had conceded nothing, Mr. Laurier everything. A complete surrender to the Greenway government, a most humiliating sacri-

fice of the vested and constitutional right of Catholics to educate their children in accordance with the dictates of their conscience. A deplorable surrender of their privilege in sharing the public grant, (to which they contribute their quota) towards the support and maintenance of schools suitable to them. It is safe to predict that the man or party who will rise to power by appealing to the religious prejudices of the populace, will sooner or later fall by the same means. With the honest conviction of being near the lane that leads to victory.

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