

Our Irish Letter.

DUBLIN, August 21st.—Last week there was a serious fire at Elm Park, near Limerick, the beautiful residence of General Lord Claupe. With the assistance of the house servants, and a number of labourers on the estate, who were promptly on the scene, the fire was confined to this portion. Water was procured from a pump in the yard and forced to a cistern on the roof, from which it was distributed in buckets, and in this way it was effectually controlled. The damage is about £4,000.

NO MORE RACK RENTING FOR THEM. The tenants on the Bentinck estate, in the parish of Bodeke, have agreed to purchase their holdings. The negotiation for the sale was carried on through Mr North, Grafton street, Dublin, and Father McNamara P.P., with the result that the tenants became proprietors of their holdings at fifteen years purchase.

AN ARMY SERGEANT ATTEMPTS SUICIDE. News comes from Limerick of a desperate attempt at suicide made by a sergeant of the Royal Irish Regiment named Donlan. He has been recently invalided from India and one day last week left the hospital where he was confined and got into a vacant room where he cut his throat. As none of the arteries are severed it is hoped that he will recover. The police attended on hearing of the occurrence, and Sergeant Murray, Edward street, took possession of the fragments of a letter which were found in the room in which the rash act was committed. The police decline to disclose the contents of the letter. The man appears to have been in his usual state of mind the day previous, and no cause can be assigned for the rash deed.

TAKING THE VEIL IN TRALEE CONVENT. There was a solemn ceremony in the chapel of the Mercy Convent, Tralee, on Monday, when two nuns were professed with the names in the world were Miss O'Kane, Annascaul, and Miss M'Sweeney, K. Jarney, taking in religion respectively the names of Sister Mary Patrick and Sister Mary Alphonsus. The white veil was taken by Miss Collins, Askerton, County Limerick, who will be known in religion as Sister Mary Peter Nascoe. At nine o'clock High Mass was celebrated by the Most Rev. Dr. Conley, Lord Bishop of the Diocese, assisted by Rev. F. McCarthy, P. P., Ballyheigue, and Rev. James Counihan, P. P., Castlemaine, as deacon and sub-deacon.

A FISH STORY FROM NAAS. The following story is vouched for by a large number of Naas citizens:—Some days ago two men named Christopher Gill and Patrick Rochford left the village of Longwood to fish for perch in the Royal Canal. Gill observed a monstrous pike lying on the bottom and threw in a minnow bait which the pike swallowed. The "Jack" made a desperate struggle, but the anglers were determined to secure him. Rochford held the rod, while Gill leaped into the water, and got the pike up against the bank. If Gill had not been a powerful man the fish would have drowned him. The pike when weighed was 42 lbs 2 ozs. Hundreds of people came running to see the fish, amongst them being the R.I.C. who "thought the fish was a salmon, Gill not being a licensed fisherman!"

THE NEW RIFLE AT THE CURRAGH. The excellent results obtained by the Lee-Metford at the Curragh last week prove that the rifle is accurate and trustworthy, and does not belie the opinion that was expressed with regard to its merits when it was adopted as the regulation weapon. The present bullet is not all that it should be, experience proving that it does not stop a rush; but the projectile devised in India at the Dum-Dum factory answers all requirements, and with this in use no fault whatever can be found with the weapon, and there need be no fear that the rifle will do well on the targets and badly in active service. With the new bullet it will be as satisfactory in the field as it has been at the butts at the Curragh. The high scores made with the Lee-Metford are all the more satisfactory, as this is the first year in which the shooting has been done at the Curragh with the service weapon. No such results were obtainable with the Martini Henri, and the value of the Lee-Metford as a weapon of precision may be taken as conclusively proved.

SOME KILDARE BATTLEFIELDS. In connection with the coming '98 celebration the following list of battles compiled by Mr. C. G. Doran, of Queenstown, showing the dates and places of battles fought during '98, will prove interesting:—May 24th, Naas, Providence, Kilkullen (first), Prosperous and Kilkullen (second); May 25th, Ballymore, Hacketstown (first), Monasterivan, and Carlow; May 26th, Tara Hill and Leixlip; May 27th, Oulart and Kilkennys; May 28th, Ennisicorthy and Rathangan; May 31st, Curragh and Kildare; June 21st, Vinegar Hill; June 23rd, Newbridge, Coolbawn and Castlecomer; June 25th, Hacketstown (second).

AN HONOR TO TUAM. From the latest official returns of the National Education Board, it appears that Mr. James Waters, Gortskelhi National School, Hollymount, Tuam district, has been awarded the "Carliac and Blake" Premium for the very superior answering of his pupils at the Government Examination. After a very keen competition, out of the 7,000 Irish schools, only 15 others succeeded in carrying off this much coveted prize.

THE WORK OF THE FATHER MATHEW HALL. The annual report of the Father Mathew Hall for 1896 shows what really good work it has accomplished. One gratifying feature of the report is the financial stability that it evidences. On the 1st January, 1892, the committee

of the hall owed £2,196 10s. 1d., on the 1st January, 1898, £1,728 12s.; 1st January, 1894, £1,298; 1st January, 1895, £747 9s. 3d.; 1st January, 1896, £329; 1st January, 1897, £163 5s. 10d.; and at the date of the annual meeting this year there was a balance to their credit of £155 4s. 3d. Moreover this stability does not depend on extraneous aid. Of the £1,031 that appears in the balance sheet, only £122 appears under the heading, "Subscriptions received from the public."

WHERE THEY WILL STAY IN THE SOUTH. While in the South of Ireland the Duke and Duchess of York will stay at the Duke of Devonshire's place, Lismore Castle, and Mr. Smith Barry's. Mr. Smith Barry is one of the wealthiest men in the House of Commons. His income is reputed to be quite £50,000 a year. The Lismore estate was one of the spoils of Elizabethan conquest which was given to Sir Walter Raleigh, from whom it passed to the Boyles, Earl of Cork, and from the Boyles to the Cavendishes. Mr. Smith Barry is a descendant of the Earls of Barrymore.

DISCOVERY OF MEDALS. In making excavations in Barrack street, Nenagh, some workmen discovered, at a depth of about six feet from the surface, a number of bronze medals, which, as their inscription attests, were struck in the reign of Charles III., to commemorate incidents in the Pretender's career. The medals are well preserved.

APPEARANCE OF THE POTATOE BLIGHT. The terrible scourge of Ireland, the potatoe blight has made its appearance among the potatoes of the West, but so far the trouble has been confined to the seacoast, the inland districts not yet being affected. It is reported that the flax crop is very bad this year in the northern counties.

ROUGH WEATHER IN BALLYHAUNIS. Recently the town and immediate neighborhood of Ballyhaunis were visited with such a display of lightning and thunder and heavy rain as no living inhabitant, however old he may be, has ever witnessed. The streets and water channels were deluged with floods, and in many instances the water flowed in through the doors of the houses. The terrible rain continued with very slight intervals for fully an hour and a half from about half-past five until seven o'clock—and the thunder peals were in such close proximity that they almost seemed to reverberate from the tops of the houses.

STUDIED IN MONTREAL.

An Old Student of St. Sulpice Dies in New York. The Irish World in announcing the death of Rev. R. J. Fitzgerald, a native of the County of Limerick, gives an interesting account of his career. The World says:—"After three months of patient suffering from cancer in the jaw, Rev. Father Richard J. Fitzgerald, pastor of St. Rose's Church, New Lexington, Ohio, died on July 15 at the home of his parents in Columbus. Deceased was born in County Limerick, Ireland, Nov. 30, 1819, and was brought to this country by his parents at the age of 3 years. After living in New York ten years the family removed to Columbus, where Richard attended the parochial school of St. Patrick. In 1837 he entered St. Mary's Seminary at Cincinnati, Ohio, to study for the priesthood. This was later completed at St. Sulpice, in Montreal in 1877 he returned to Columbus, and on March 7 he was ordained in St. Joseph's Cathedral by the late Bishop Rosecrans. He was then appointed assistant to the present Bishop Gallagher, now of Galveston, Texas. Later he was made pastor of St. Dominick's Church. His next appointment was that of rector of St. John's Church, in Bellaire, Ohio, which position he held until January, 1896, when he was removed to St. Rose's Church, at New Lexington, Ohio, where he remained until his last illness overtook him. Rev. Father Clarke, who was one of Father Fitzgerald's classmates, says of the six who formed the class all but himself and R. V. John Meara are dead. The others were Revs. Michael Meara, J. Campbell, Richard Fitzgerald, and William Fitzgerald. Father William Fitzgerald died about fifteen years ago after five years' service in the priesthood. Father William was ordained for the diocese of Cleveland."

An Extraordinary Rescue

The following statement is taken from the French periodical, La Voix de Saint Antoine, and is vouched for by the Brother Paul Joseph, of the Paris Minorite Brothers (Convent in Rue des Fournieux), who says it was related by Miss d'Hendecourt to the Fathers Arthur and Patrick of the convent, on the Thursday after the destruction of the Bazaar de la Charite on May the 4th last:—"When the fire broke out she and her sister (who was rescued, though seriously injured by the flames) were some distance from the exists, and at first were stupefied with fright. Miss d'Hendecourt saw her sister run, with blazing garments floating behind; she saw a group of ladies rush towards the Duchesse of Alencon crying out, 'save yourself!'; she saw the flames curling round the roof above her, and notwithstanding the danger, she stood a moment contemplating the singular spectacle, though very quickly the instinct of self-preservation awoke. How could she escape? At each doorway were masses of human beings struggling amid a whirlwind of flame. The thought of invoking St. Anthony occurred to her, and having asked his intercession, she made a certain vow not necessary to mention here, crossed herself, and ran towards the living barrier, still invoking the aid of the saint. After some useless efforts, she fell down among the dying and the dead. A few minutes later some daring rescuers reached the heap and felt hurriedly over it. Several persons had fallen upon Miss d'Hendecourt, and their bodies were already partly carbonized. The rescuing party, after stirring up the human mass

at this spot, were leaving it disheartened when one among them saw a hand move. They came back the hand was grasped, then the fellow hand, and Miss d'Hendecourt was dragged out without a burn or even a scratch. She wore the same dress when telling this marvelous history to the two Fathers, and there was no sign of burning upon it."

FIFTY-THREE YEARS A PRIEST.

Father Malone celebrates by Laying the McCadden Memorial Corner Stone.

(N. Y. Sun, Aug. 16) The corner stone of the new Henry McCadden Memorial, in Berry, near South Third street, Williamsburg, was laid yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Jeremiah Walsh, the founder, in erecting the new building, desires to perpetuate the name of her brother, Henry McCadden, and also to honor the Rev. Sylvester Malone, who has been the pastor of the Church of St. Peter and Paul, to which the memorial will be attached, for fifty-three years. There were present many clergy from this city, Brooklyn, and elsewhere. Among the laymen present was Mayor Gleason of Long Island City, Mayor Wurster of Brooklyn and Lieut.-Gov. Timothy L. Woodruff sent letters of regret. Mayor Wurster wrote: "I desire, however, to express my hearty appreciation, both officially and personally, of the work done by such institutions as the one you are about to inaugurate. The benefit will accrue not alone to those immediately in contact with this enterprise, but also to all residents of our city. This community cannot have too many institutions which seek to benefit men and women, especially by beginning when they are young to lay the foundations for good character and unblemished reputation."

Lieut. Gov. Woodruff said: "I wish all my co-religionists were as liberal in their views as you are. You will always live in the memory of our people with great honor." The exercises were opened by Father Malone, who referred to Mrs. Walsh's gift and said it was not alone for the intellectual improvement and social recreation of the parishioners of the church, but to all residents of Williamsburg. When Father Malone finished the cornerstone was laid by Vicar-General McNamara. An address was made by the Rev. Edward Sweeney, S. T. D., Professor of dogmatic theology of Mount St. Mary's, Maryland. The exercises were brought to a close by the singing of "Our Flag" by the children of the church and the different societies.

The building is L shaped, and has a frontage on Berry street of 62 feet, a depth of 147 feet, and a rear width of 87 feet. A court, seven feet wide, extends around the entire structure. There will be three floors in addition to the basement. In the basement will be a gymnasium, bowling alley, and a swimming pool, and on the first floor an office, library, reading room, young men's parlor, and class rooms. On the second and third floors will be a ball, capable of seating 1,000 persons, and meeting rooms for the Holy Name Society and for the Leo Reading Circle. It is expected that the building will be completed in the spring. It will cost, with the site, nearly \$100,000.

MODERN SANITATION.

Not Much in Advance of the Ancient Romans. In such populous places as Rome and Pompeii some attempt at scientific sanitation was made in the establishment of sewage disposal by covered systems, the remains of which are to be seen in the former city in working order to day. So long as 550 years before the birth of Christ, Tarquinius Lucius the elder, the fifth King of Rome, caused a huge drain to be constructed for the primary purpose of draining the marshy parts of that ancient city, but which was made, very soon after its construction, to also serve the functions of sewer, which it still performs for certain parts of modern Rome. This information is given by Livy, who gives also many other facts respecting the reign of that monarch. This drain received the name of Cloaca Maxima, which name it still bears. It was constructed of three concentric rows of huge stones joined together without mortar or cement, and its interior diameter measures about 15ft. It would appear as if it were more oval than circular in shape, and it may, therefore, be taken as the primitive type of the oval sewer and modern sanitation. One of the most interesting discoveries from the sanitary point of view, made in the Pompeian excavations, and one which throws much light on the habits of the better classes of that city, was the unearthing of the Pompeian water-closet, the arrangements of which showed that water was used for flushing, probably, however, by hand.—Building World.

A Patriot Priest of '98.

In the Dublin Telegraph recently reference was made to the execution of Rev. James O'Coigly at Pavenden Heath, Maidstone, on June 7, 1798, for his share in the conspiracy of the United Irishmen. He was arrested in company with another United Irishman, Arthur O'Connor, at Margate, on February 27, 1798, as they were about starting on a political mission to France. In his memoirs Lord Holland says "O'Coigly was condemned on false and contradictory evidence," and goes on to quote the statement made by Lord Chancellor Thurlow to Judge Buller, who presided at the trial, that "if ever a poor man was murdered it was O'Coigly, who met his death with great fortitude while confined in Maidstone jail, wrote his life and an address to the people of Ireland, bearing date "Maidstone Jail, May 29, 1798." Speaking to his co-religionists, he says: "It is in the name of our religion and of our God that I call upon you, exhort and conjure you never to break the solemn engagements of union, friendship and brotherly love which you have gloriously entered into with your brethren of every religious persuasion. No, my brethren, hearken not to the fiends of corruption, sycophants of oppression,

nor the locusts of Ireland. To you, my Irish brethren, who differ from me in religious sentiments, especially dissenters, I have little to say. Born and bred among you, you know my principles and exertions, how ardently I cherished the hope of seeing all party rage, intolerant bigotry, baneful prejudice and religious animosity forever buried under the altar of national union. As I shall not have the satisfaction of dying among you, my wish is that even my bones shall rest in Belfast, but that is also denied me. I need not recommend to your friendship a helpless old man, my father, now on the verge of four score. In his day he was braver than any of his children, and I trust he will glorify the Lord that he has a son not unworthy of him, being murdered for the cause of God and his country by a band of pensioned ruffians." Addressing the Orange Association, the members of which but two years before had attacked his father's house, he says: "For my part I from my heart forgive you. Ere long when your delusion will be past, you will lament my fate and acknowledge that I have died for you also." Father O'Coigly, who was a native of Armagh, perished at the age of 36.

CANADA COMMENDED.

What an Irish Paper Has to Say of Its Agricultural Development.

The lesson taught by Canadian development is one that should be taken to heart by the Irish farmer. If he is to work out his material salvation he must have at his back a State Department with adequate resources, and thoroughly in touch with the practical agriculturists of the country. Mr. Robertson has indicated the possibilities of the Irish butter trade, if improved methods of production and transportation were introduced. "The Danes" he said "at present had the top plane in the English butter market, but as a result of his investigations he could say that Irish creamery butter was better than Danish butter in quality, and was much better value, because it was still being sold for less money. If the Irish people pushed their butter they would get a better place for they were nearer to the market, and had a soil and pasture that gave their butter a better flavour than that of Denmark." Under the fostering influences of a proper agricultural Department the prospects of the butter trade would not only be brightened but a better place be secured in the markets for all classes of farm produce. It rests with the Irish farmers themselves as to whether they will hasten the legislation, indispensable to their prosperity—may, their very existence. The Government, it is true, have dropped the Agricultural Board Bill, but the Irish members, supported by a vigorous agitation amongst Irish farmers of all sections, would be in a position to make a demand for its restoration that could with difficulty be resisted. The Bill as it stands is imperfect, and the financial provisions in it are grossly inadequate; yet with some improvements it could be accepted as an instalment of the State aid which the country so sadly needs. Will Irish farmers, impressed with the results of State activity in Canada, bestir themselves and through their mouthpieces, the public boards and branches of the Independent League, call on the Government to redeem to some extent its pledges to develop and foster Irish Agricultural and Industrial resources.—Leinster Leader.

The Story of a Conversion.

Mother Ignatius Choppin, who died at the Ursuline Convent, St. Martin's Brown County, Ohio, on July 12, after an illness of five months, was an Englishwoman born August 10th, 1810, in the county of Essex. Reared in the Church of England, when grown to womanhood she did not find in it the rest her mind sought for, and in quest of the truth, she embraced the Methodist and other beliefs. But in vain she sought truth's fountain until, emigrating to America, she located first in Washington, D.C., and afterward in Cincinnati. Here, early in the forties, listening one day to a sermon by Archbishop J. B. Purcell, she, for the first time, heard the truths she was asking to know. Prompt to the call of grace, like Saul of old, she rose at once, and going into the sacristy, she met the Archbishop, to whom she confided the state of her soul. He soon cleared away all her doubts, and quickly instructing the neophyte, gave her Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation; and from the first call, having felt a still stronger one to the religious life, she was directed to the newly-founded convent in Brown County, which she entered in September, 1847, as its first choir postulant.

Miraculous Cures.

Here is a list of miraculous cures which are gratefully acknowledged by devout Catholics to have been effected through adoration of the relic of St. Anne de Beaupre during the novena at the Church of St. Jean Baptiste, in East Seventy-sixth street, New York, which concluded two weeks ago. Mrs. Thomas Holland of No. 641 William street, Long Island City, she had been afflicted with inflamed eyes, which had partly destroyed her sight. Greatly relieved, and can now see. Mrs. M. F. Dunne of No. 1683 Third avenue, had been afflicted since last October with cancer and had been under the care of two specialists, who had not benefited her. Had gone to a hospital since January intending to have an operation performed, but as her case was pronounced hopeless had left the hospital. Visited the shrine of St. Anne and kissed the relic every day. During the first week the swelling was reduced, and she is now, at the end of the novena, able not only to go home, but to work. Mrs. Anna Fay of No. 174 West Ninety-eighth street, had been entirely cured of chronic sick headache. Alice Wright of No. 1442 Greene avenue, Brooklyn, she had been troubled for a long time with her spine, over which the doctors had placed a thick

bandage of plaster of Paris. She walked to St. Jean de Baptiste's Church in great agony, but she has now no pain whatever. James Hay, a lad of 12 years, living in Seventy seventh street, near Third ave. He had a severe lame ankle, but left the bandage which he had been wearing for weeks on the altar, as he had no further use for it. Henry John Holland of No. 1442 Greene avenue. He had been greatly troubled with stomach troubles; declares himself now perfectly well. Michael J. Kearney of No. 604 Federal street, Philadelphia. He had for six years been confined to a cot in a hospital, his right side being paralyzed, when two years ago he concluded to come and pray at the relic of St. Anne. He came as usual this year, and last week went home entirely cured. He declares that he was without the use of either his right arm or leg until three days ago. Teresa Harkbus of Railroad avenue and 84th street, Bayonne, N.J. She had been much relieved of serious internal trouble. Mamie Hudson of 226 West Thirty-seventh street. She could not partly see. Now her eyesight is fully restored. May Boyle of 1532 Flatbush avenue, Brooklyn. When she entered the church it was impossible for her to stand. She had been a sufferer from St. Vitus' dance, for years, is now going to walk home. Susan Holland of 363 Nostrand avenue, Brooklyn. She had suffered from chronic rheumatism and now feels no pain. Mrs. M. Connor of 6 Bradbury street, Brooklyn, also cured of rheumatism and able to go to work. John Kiernan of 236 East Forty-first street. Was just able to crawl to the church because of inflammatory rheumatism. Was able to walk home. During the festival of St. Anne, just closed, the little Church has been visited by more than 20,000 devout Catholics, whom neither the scorching sun, the humid atmosphere nor the frequent rains could keep away.

PATENT REPORT.

Below will be found the only complete report of patents granted this week to Canadian inventors by the United States Government; this report is prepared especially for this paper by Messrs Marion & Marion, solicitors of patents and experts, head office: Temple Building, 185 St. James street, Montreal. 588373—Antoine Ernest, winding indicator for watches. 588374—John Askew, Leamington, Canada, hinge roller gate. 588380—Laurence V. Benet & al, gas operated gun. 588383—Torrance E. Bissell, Prescott, Canada, disk harrow. 588386—Jean Claret & al, electric railway system. 588498—Hernando de Soto, stick or umbrella holder. 588137—Isaie Frechette, Montreal, Canada, machine for making continuous length of wire nails. 588346—Arthur Hireault, Fort William, Canada, nut lock. 588164—Henry Morris, Walkerville, Canada, guard rail clamp. 588169—James A. Nisbel, Hamburg, Mich., jaw for steel traps. 588464—Jacques A. F. E. Normand & al, steam generator. 588248—William J. Smith, Victoria, Canada, speed recorder. 588305—John L. White water distributing system. 588472—John C. Raymond, bicycle.

JACK TAR'S REPLY.

A sailor was recently brought before a magistrate for beating his wife, when the magistrate attempted to reach his heart by asking him if he did not know that his wife was the "weaker vessel." "If she is, she ought not to carry so much sail," replied Jack.—London Tit-Bits. There is a maxim of unflinching truth that nobody ever pries into another man's concerns but with a design to do, or to be able to do him an injury.—South. We ought to place the supreme rule of conduct neither in ourselves nor round ourselves, but above ourselves.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription advertisement. The fondest anticipation in a woman's life is when she is looking forward to the coming of the sweet and tender little bundle of humanity that will some day call her mother. It is a pity that this joyful expectancy should ever be clouded with solicitude and dread of the physical which it involves. There is no need of this excessive anxiety if the prospective mother will avail herself of the health-sustaining power of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription taken early during the expectant period. The special organs and nerve-centers pertaining to maternity are directly fortified and reinforced by this wonderful "Prescription." It gives the mother genuine, permanent capacity and cheerfulness. It renders the ordeal of motherhood absolutely safe and comparatively easy; insures against subsequent relapse and prostration; promotes ample and healthful nourishment for the child and endows it with natural constitutional vigor. For nearly thirty years Dr. Pierce has been chief consulting physician to the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute of Buffalo, N. Y. Any woman may consult him either personally or by letter free of charge, and with absolute assurance of receiving sound, practical advice from the highest professional authority. By enclosing thirty-one one-cent stamps to pay the cost of circulars and mailing taken early during the expectant period, a paper-bound copy of Dr. Pierce's thousand-page illustrated book, "The People's Common Sense Medical Adviser," or a handsome, cloth-bound copy, for fifty stamps.

EDUCATION. MOUNT ST. LOUIS INSTITUTE, 444 SHENBROOKE STREET, MONTREAL. Boarders should enter on September 2nd; day-scholars, on September 3rd, at 8 30 a.m. 6-2

THE ARCHBISHOP'S ACADEMY, 37 ST. MARGARET STREET, Will Re-open on September 1st.

Board of Roman Catholic School Commissioners of Montreal. The re-opening of the Classes of the CATHOLIC COMMERCIAL ACADEMY, and all the other Schools under the control of the Board, will take place on Monday, August 30th. For all particulars, apply to the Principal or the Director of each school. 5-3

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The Shefford Fruit Show. The Shefford Fruit Growers' Association have earned a good reputation for holding fruit shows. Granby is a fruit centre and the exhibitions are held there. This year the show will be on Thursday and Friday, September 9th and 10th, and promises to distance all other of the association's efforts. The exhibits of fruits, flowers and vegetables will be shown under three mammoth tents on the new and beautiful grounds of Victoria park. The fancy work and cookery exhibits will be in the main building. The poultry department, which has become a feature of the exhibition, has plenty of space to itself. The general prize list amounts to nearly \$800, and all prizes are paid in full on the second day of the show. Twenty-five dollars in cash will be given to the best lady driver, twenty-five dollars for the best lady rider, and cash prizes for best single turnout, best double turnout, best teams draught horses, etc. Special attractions will be given on the grounds both days. In the evening of the second day an entertainment will be given in the Town Hall by Montreal talent. Mr. M. A. Vittie is president, Louis Pare vice-president, and J. A. Tomkins secretary-treasurer, Granby, Que.

The Lives of Animals. Man lives to all ages, but in the animal kingdom, on the contrary, the duration of life is almost exactly equal for all individuals of the same species. But we can know with exactness the real duration of life only for animals in servitude; we cannot determine whether it is the same in the savage state. Rabbits and guinea pigs live seven years; squirrels and hares, eight; cats, about nine or ten; dogs, from ten to twelve. Foxes live from fourteen to sixteen years; cattle, fifteen to eighteen; bears and wolves, twenty; the rhinoceros, twenty-five; the ass and the horse, twenty-five to thirty; the lion, thirty to forty; the camel, forty. The length of life of the elephant is uncertain. According to Aristotle, Buffon, and Cuvier, it lives two centuries; some authors assert even four or five. After his victory over Porus, Alexander consecrated to the sun an elephant that had fought for the Indian monarch, and gave it the name of Ajax; then, having attached an inscription to it, he set it at liberty. The animal was found alive 300 years later. The ancients attributed to the stag a fabulous length of life, but Aristotle observes that what is reported on this subject has no good foundation. Buffon says that the stag takes five or six years to attain full growth, and should live seven times this period, that is thirty or forty years. MANY A YOUNG MAN. When from over-work, possibly assisted by an inherited weakness, the health fails and rest or medical treatment must be resorted to, then no medicine can be employed with the same beneficial results as Scott's Emulsion.