C. M. B. A.

We would call the attention of our C. M. B. A. Branches and members to the fact that we make a very pretty silk C. M. B. A. Badge, nicely trimmed with gold fringe, according to price, $1.00, $1.25, $1 40, $1 50, $1 75, and $2 00, and can be used by branches when attending funerals of deceased members, or at a demonstration of any kind, and it imparts to a body of men a neat appearance.

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Letter from the Grand President.

Stratford, Ont., Jan. 10th, 1889.

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

BROTHERS,—As per proclamation of the Supreme President, all amendments to the constitution adopted at the late Supreme Council Convention held at Cleveland, Ohio, last September, will come into force this date.

The most important of the new laws are those relating to the beneficiary fund and the appointment of Branch Medical Examiners.

Under the old law branches had thirty days from date of Grand Secratary's notice of an assessment to remit said assessment. If they failed to do this, the Grand President was notified, giving them twenty days from the President's notice or fifty days in all within which to remit an assessment before they could be suspended for non-payment of beneficiary. Under the new law branches will have only twenty days from date of Grand Secretary's notice of a single assessment within which to forward such assessment. If not forwarded within this time, the Grand President is notified, giving them ten days from date of his notice, or making in all thirty days, before a branch can be suspended for non-payment of beneficiary.

If the Grand Secretary's notice call for two assessments the branch will have thirty days to remit. If not paid in that time they will be dealt with as in case of non-payment for a single assessment.

Our Council has now to remit the Supreme Council single assessments within thirty days, and double assessments within forty days of the date of notice from the Supreme Secretary of said assessments.

Death claims are now to be paid within sixty days (instead of ninety as formerly) after proof of death has been received. This can easily be done if branches will carry out the provisions of the constitution in this matter. I regret to say that a few of our branches have been very tardy in the past in forwarding assessments. I take this opportunity to request them to brighten up.

To enable our Council to fulfil the foregoing obligations with the Supreme Council, we earnestly request the officers of Branches to see that beneficiary money is forwarded to the Grand Secretary within the specified time.

The new law designates the President, together with the Board of Trustees, to select the local Medical Examiners. They will please attend to this as early as possible and see that the provisions of the constitution in relation to this important office are strictly adhered to.

It behoves officers of branches to make themselves thoroughly familiar as early as possible with the provisions of the new constitution, as they will be held accountable for the enforcement of said laws.

Yours fraternally,
D. J. O'CONNOR,
Grand President.

Assessment No. 16 was issued from the Supreme Recorder's office on 3rd inst., and from the Grand Recorder's office on the 8th inst. It calls for the payment of 12 beneficiaries: 8 in New York, 1 in Michigan, 1 in Ohio, and 2 in Canada.

A Branch will be organized at Ennismore, Peterborough County, in the course of a few days by Deputy O'Meara.

Deputy Kinsella, of Trenton, is working hard and expects to be able to organize a couple of Branches in his district shortly.

Branch 26, Montreal, is surpassing all other branches in increase of membership. It will be our banner branch shortly. Bro. Finn is a worker in the C. M. B. A. cause.

Branch 89, Perth, although one of the youngest, promises ere long to catch up to those of larger places. The true spirit has taken possession of the Perth members. Go on and prosper and add to your numbers, brothers. Ours is a great and a good society, and will prove a blessing wherever established.

We are pleased to note that our esteemed brother, Grand Treasurer McKee, has been honored by his fellow-townsmen of Windsor by being elected to the position of Water Commissioner. Bro. McKee is fit to fill any office with honor and distinction.

Death of Bro. Dagan, of Stratford Branch.

We reget very much to announce the death of Bro. George Dagan, a resident of St. Mary's, and a member of Stratford Branch, which took place on January 10th. He was in the 26th year of his age. Bro. Dagan was a strong, healthy young man, but having contracted a severe cold a few months since, despite the efforts of the medical profession and a mother's kind attendance, death claimed him on the date named. The burial took place from his home in St. Mary's on the 12th, attended by a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends. He was in every regard a worthy son and an admirable C. M. B. A. member. We deeply sympathize with his relatives in their sad loss, and we trust all his brother members of the society will offer up a fervent prayer for mercy on his soul.

At the regular meeting, on Jan. 2n of Branch No. 2, C. M. B. A., it was moved and seconded that the following resolution be inserted in the CATHOLIC RECORD:

Moved by Bro. J. H. Price and seconded by Bro. John Doyle that a hearty vote of thanks be tendered Rev. Father Flannery for the able manner in which he conducted the honorable position of President for the year 1888. Carried unanimously by a standing vote.

Moved by Bro. W. R. Reynolds, seconded by Bro. J. H. Price, that the chairman appoint a committee of three to select a subject for debate to be announced at the next regular meeting. The debate to take place the meeting following.

JAMES EGAN,
Rec. Sec.

Branch No. 95 was organized in the Town Hall, Lachine, P. Q, by District Deputy T. P. Tansey, assisted by President Howison, Recording Secretary Stronge, Financial Secretary J. Lemieux and Bro. Alderick Gauthier, of Branch No. 87, Montreal, on Wednesday evening, Jan. 9 h It consists of the best French-Canadian families in this locality, and has the active support of the clergy, and bids fair to have in a short time a large roll of membership. The following are the first officers.

President, Leon Forest.
First Vice-President, N Cousineau
Second Vice-President, Adelard Allard
Recording Secretary, J A Martin
Assistant Secretary, Pierre Gauthier
Financial Secretary, A Gauthier
Treasurer, P A Valois, M D
Marshal, Arthur Thesseraul
Guard, Edward Claude
Trustees, one year, F St Denis, N Cousineau, A Martin; two years, Louis Seckim, Geo Seckim

Letter from Bro. O'Meara.

Peterborough, Jan. 4th, 1889

DEAR SIR AND BRO.—When Bro. Deare stated in an editorial article in the *C. M. B. A. Monthly* that an amendment of our laws had been made at the last Supreme Convention which permitted any member of a Branch to be elected President thereof, whether he had been previously in office or not, I at once wrote him expressing my conviction that no such change had been made and giving my reasons for such belief. At the same time I also wrote to Supreme Recorder Hickey about it and that gentleman agreed with me that no such amendment had been passed. Bro. Deare was, as I understand, absent from home and did not receive my letter until his return—about six weeks after I had written him—when he replied in language similar to that used by him in your issue of the 5th inst. As I was satisfied that our worthy brother had made a mistake and that the official report would when printed establish the correctness of my contention, I was satisfied to await its publication, and I would not have alluded to the matter again if a number of persons had not written to me enquiring as to the correctness or incorrectness of the letter and editorial article in the November *Monthly*.

To finally answer such enquiries I sent you the communication which appeared in your issue of the 27th ult., and which appears to have annoyed Bro. Deare in some way, although certainly not so intended.

I now have the printed minutes of the convention before me, and by a reference to them, page 75, article 37, you will see that I am right and Bro. Deare wrong. But Bro. Deare says he knows more about it than any one else, and that the official minutes are wrong. Well, I think the official minutes are good enough for the generality of the C. M. B. A. members; at all events they are good enough for me, and I am content to abide by what is therein contained.

Bro. Deare says he was present at all the sessions of the Cleveland Council and took accurate reports of all the proceedings.

Well, I also was present at every session of the convention and the records thereof will show that I cast my vote on every question that arose there and I expect my memory is every bit as good as my worthy friend's as to what took place therein.

The assignment of such a reason by Bro. Deare as a sufficient warrant of the correctness of his statements would perhaps be entitled to greater weight if it did not happen that the decision of the council on several other questions that arose therein is also incorrectly reported in his paper. I can point out his errors in detail to him if he so desires it, but I think if he will look into the matter again he will admit that he either was absent from the session of Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 12th, or, if present, that he took down his report of that sessions proceedings in a very inaccurate manner.

There is, however, one point in Bro. Deare's letter which is of far more importance to the members of the C. M. B. A. generally than the matter in dispute, and in respect of which I think he lays down a very incorrect principle, and one which, if I understand his meaning aright, would involve perhaps dangerous consequences.

He says, "The constitution will soon be printed and that will decide the matter." Does Bro. Deare mean to say that if the official minutes show that our representatives in council assembled rejected certain proposed amendments that they can afterwards be inserted in the constitution in defiance of such rejection and thereby become binding on the members?

This is the only reasonable inference I draw from such assertion, because he admits in his letter that the official report is on my side, but goes on to assert his superiority over such official report.

If such insertions can be made, then we had better dispense with conventions altogether and leave it to the committee on laws to make such alterations in our constitution as they may think proper, or else let our printer do as he likes about it.

I hold that the insertion of an amendment in the constitution which had not been previously passed by the council, would be simply a nullity, and that where constitution and official minutes disagree the latter are to be accepted as the final and binding record of the preceedings of the convention.

As Bro. Deare makes no allusion to the other part of my letter, viz: that which asserted the ineligibility of Branch presidents elected for the first time this year for the position of grand council representative at the next convention, I presume I may consider that he agrees with me on that point.

Yours fraternally,
JOHN O'MEARA.

Election of Officers.

Branch No. 88, Brampton.

President—P J Woods
First Vice President—James Ross
Second Vice President—F J Beach
Treasurer—C McGuire
Financial Secretary—James Shortell
Recording Secretary—Thos. Ingoldsby
Assistant Secretary—A McEntyre
Marshal—John Burk
Guard—James A Grady
Trustees—Father Jeffcott, W J Hearn, P McCabe, John Grady, L A McEntyre

Branch No. 5, Brantford.

Spiritual Adviser—Rev P Lennon
Chancellor—W Schuler
President—Jas McGregor
First Vice-President—Owen Hargadon
Second Vice-President—P Haffey
Recording Secretary—W Schuler
Assistant Secretary—James Gaffney
Financial Secretary—J P Quinlan
Treasurer—John Harrington
Marshal—John Daly
Guard—Wm Fleming
Trustees, M Shanahan and M Quinlivan, two years; P Haffey, John McGarreli and W J Brown, one year

Branch No. 47, Arthur, Ont.

President—J D Callahan
First Vice President—Hugh Campbell
Second Vice President—C O'Neill
Recording Secretary—Rev. R T Burke
Financial Secretary—P M Kirby
Treasurer—J O'Donnell
Marshal—P Pringlemir
Guard—M Carroll
Trustees—Duncan McIntosh, C O'Neill, J O'Neill

Branch No 2, St. Thomas.

President—W P Reynolds
First Vice President—Thos H Cray
Second Vice-President—Daniel Barrett
Recording Secretary—James Egan
Assistant Secretary—John Butler
Treasurer—James H Price
Financial Secretary—Wm Jeffers
Marshal—James Smith
Guard—John Powers
Chancellor—Rev Father Flannery
Trustees—John Doyle, T H Cray, D Barrett

Branch No. 27, Petrolia.

Spiritual Adviser—Rev Philip J Gnam
Past Chancellor—William Anderson
President—William Gleeson
First Vice-President—Corneliss Sullivan
Second Vice-President—John H Kelly
Recording Secretary—William Thorp
Assistant Secretary—John J Harvey
Financial Secretary—Arthur Kavanagh
Treasurer—Matthew Whi e
Marshal—Thomas Nelligan
Guard—Timothy Galvin
Trustees—John H Kelly, Cornelius Sullivan

Branch No. 24, Thorold

Spiritual Adviser—Rev T J Sullivan
President—John Williams
First Vice-President—John Battle
Second Vice-President—Wm Foley
Recording Secretary—Archie McKeague
Assistant Secretary—A Rockett
Financial Secretary—E P Foley
Treasurer—Wm Geanir
Marshal—John McNulty
Guard—Thomas Fernie
Trustees—A Rockett, Jas. Crawford, Jas. Rogers, John Corbett

Branch No. 12 Berlin.

Spiritual Adviser—Rev. L Funcken
President—Jas Spereman
First Vice-President—John Ginter
Second Vice-President—George Miller
Recording Secretary—Val. Weber
Assistant Secretary—John F Stumpf
Financial Secretary—Richard O'Donohue
Assistant Secretary—Aloysious Bauer
Treasurer—Jos Winterhalt
Marshal—Aug Heyman
Guard—Carl A Wittig
Trustees—Thomas Tracy, Henry Lang and Jos Fuhrmann
Rep. Grand Council—Jno A Fuchs

Branch No. 73 Oustic, Ont

Spiritual Adviser—Rev. Father Plante, SJ
President—James Synnott
First Vice-President—Matthias McCann
Second Vice President—Jeremiah Coulson
Recording Secretary—Nicholas Lynett
Assistant Secretary—Patrick McCann
Financial Secretary—Matthew C Leatham
Treasurer—Matthew J McCann
Marshal—John McLaughlin
Guard—Charles McLaughlin
Trustees—Charles McLaughlin, Michael McLeister and William Smith

Branch No. 22, Wallaceburg.

Spiritual Adviser—Rev. John Ronan
Chancellor—Thomas Forham
President—James McCarron
First Vice-President—Joseph Delorme
Second Vice-President—George R Arnold
Treasurer—Myles McCarron
Financial Secretary—Rev. John Ronan
Recording Secretary—Clarence Groesbeck
Assistant Recording Secre'y—W E Boulton
Marshal—Moses C Martell
Guard—Bartly Hurley
Trustees—Rev. John Ronan, Thomas Forham, Myles McCarron, Ulric Milorde, Andrew McCarron

Branch No. 29. Ottawa.

President—Charles Desjardins
First Vice-President—J L Olivier
Second Vice-President—Victor Laporte
Treasurer—L A E St. Pierre
Financial Secretary—Joseph Cote
Recording Secretary—D L Dessulliners
Assistant Recording Secre'y—J A Genaud
Ord. Commissary—W J Lynch
Guard—P R Valiquette
Syndics, for one year, L H Nolin, J S Richard, J O Charlebois; for two years, Elz. J d'Autueil, A Bellveau

Branch No. 86, Deseronto.

Spiritual Adviser—Rev. J H McDonagh
President—Thomas Hart
First Vice-President—Michael Marrigan
Second Vice-President—James Sweeny
Recording Secretary—Henry Jeffers
Assistant Secretary—Patrick F Flood
Financial Secretary—Edward Breegh
Treasurer—Thomas Roach, Jr.
Marshal—William Wilson
Gaurd—Patrick F Butler
Chancellor—Evan Edward
Trustees, for one year, Alex Therien, John Meagher and James Nafin; for two years, M Marrigan and W Wilson

The Branch has now twenty-three members on the roll.

Branch No. 80, Tilbury Centre, Ont.

President C P Furay
First Vice-President—W Welsh
Second Vice President—H Benoitt
Financial Secretary—F Campbell
Treasurer—C Trudell
Recording Secretary—J O'Neill
Assistant Recording Secretary—F Trudell
Marshal—A Cassidy
Guard—H Bunnette
Trustees—S Mother, F Ouiette, C Trudell, W Campbell, L R Pary

Branch No. 81, Smith Falls.

Spiritual Adviser—Rev. M J Stanton
Chancellor—M Ryan
President—M Ryan
First Vice-President—Patrick Donegan
Second Vice-President—John Meagher
Recording Secretary—Patrick Delaney
Financial Secretary—Daniel Halpin
Treasurer—David F Wood
Marshal—Wm J Sutherland
Guard—Patrick McManus
Trustees—for two years, Thomas Doyle, Michael Ward, Michael Healy; for one year, Patrick Donegan, John Meagher

Branch No. 54, Montreal.

President, Henry Butler
First Vice-President, E C Dowd
Second Vice President Terence Butler
Recording Secretary, John J Moran
Assistant Recording Secret'y, Frank Dowd
Financial Secretary, F D Daly
Treasurer, Michael Cuddy
Marshal, Thomas McDonnell
Guard, P Kennedy
Trustees, P Wright, R Byrne, W Egan, L Purcell, Thomas McDonnell

The new officers were installed on January 2nd, by Deputy T. J. Finn, who congratulated the members of the Branch on their choice of officers and the good feeling and true C. M. B. A. principles which existed in the Branch. New members are being added to the roll at nearly every meeting.

Branch No. 84, Montreal.

Spiritual Adviser, Rev. M Auclair
President, J P Grace
First Vice-President, C. Dandelin
Second Vice-President, J H Howard
Chancellor, Jas O'Farrell
Recording Secretary, A H Spedding
Assistant Recording Secretary, M Downs
Financial Secretary, F H Murphy
Treasurer, Rev. M Auclair
Marshal, Thos Dooley
Guard, Alp Picard
Trustees, for one year, Jas Dooley Wm Young, Jas O'Farrell; for two years, J S Loyer, Alp Picard.

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ADDRESS AND PRESENTATION.

It is ever a pleasure to us to note the honors and distinction conferred upon Catholic young ladies of London who go abroad to engage in the work of teaching. They have invariably been most successful wherever their lot has been cast. A notable instance of this kind took place in the French settlement parish on the 18th December last when Miss Mary E O'Meara, daughter of Mr. Martin O Meara, of the Post Office department, was honored by being made the recipient of a very complimentary address by the pupils, accompanied with a number of valuable presents. Rev. Father Kealy and five teachers were present on the occasion. The very pleasant affair took place in the school house of S. S. No. 1, township of Hay, after the pupils were examined in the different branches by the teachers. The following is the address which was read by Miss Sarah Johnston:

To Miss Mary O'Meara, Teacher of School No. 1, Hay:

DEAR TEACHER—You have been with us for two years, during which time we have learned to love and respect you. But now comes a sad day for us when we must say "good-bye" and separate. It may be only for a time, it may be forever. We wish to tell you, dear teacher, that we are really sorry you are leaving us. You came to us a stranger. You were used to the advantages and enjoyments of a large city, here you had to put up with the inconveniences of a remote country place. You bore it well and understood your task of teaching, a duty which you performed with pleasure.

How well you have succeeded is known by all. Yes, you have taught us not only the branches of education but also the importance of learning. You have even given extra time to our advancement; you spared no pains, you left nothing undone, and all for us. Besides teaching us the things we have to learn in books, you taught us many other things by your good example. The girls of this school look upon your manner towards everyone as the conduct of a lady and our desire is to imitate your good manners when we become ladies.

Kind teacher, it has not always been sunshine and roses for you. You have had your trials among us. But we did not think then that we were causing you pain by our unruly conduct. Now we are sorry and ask you to forget and forgive our faults. At the same time we ask you not to forget us. Think of us sometimes, as we will think kindly of you. We are not going to content ourselves by simply asking you to remember us. We have taken the means to keep our memory before you every day. Dear teacher, please accept these articles as a slight token of our love and respect and let them help you to remember the pupils of your first school. They say that the prayers of little children are heard in heaven. We therefore ask God to bless your whole life, while we wish you, from the bottom of our hearts, a safe journey to your pleasant home, and a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

THE PUPILS OF SCHOOL NO. 1, HAY.

Mr. M. Ross replied, on behalf of Miss O'Meara, in a very neat speech.

Special to the CATHOLIC RECORD.

FROM SMITHVILLE.

We had Mass here at the early hour of 7.30 on Christmas morning so as to enable our parish priest, the Rev. Father McRae, to celebrate a second Mass at Grimsby, eight miles distant. Our choir, which has received an addition of a fine bass voice lately, did admirably well, rendering the *Kyrie, Gloria* and hymn for Communion in fine style. After Mass the Rev. Father McCrae came to the Communion rail and presented to Miss Katie McAlister, on behalf of the children of the Catechism class, a beautifully bound volume of the Pictorial Lives of the Saints, bearing an appropriate inscription. The worthy recipient expressed her sincere thanks and great appreciation of this spontaneous act of kindness and gratitude on the part of the children for what she considered only a pleasant duty, and at the same time assured the children of her zealous attention for the coming year.

After that the Rev. Father McRae announced the winners of the catechism prizes he had promised at the beginning of the year. These prizes are four in number, viz, one for the best out of the three parts into which the parish is divided, and one for the best in each part. The prize for the whole parish was won by Miss Annie Dougherty of Binbrook, the one for Smithville class by Miss Birdie Barry, at Grimsby Miss Mary Ann Webb headed the list whilst Master James McAlister takes the Brinbrook prize. The parish prize consists of a highly finished and artistic oliograph of the Holy Family of Pacelli. The others are copies of the "Angel Guardian" by the same painter, and equally beautiful. These oliographs are the product of the Pontifical Oliograph Company of Bologna, Italy. These prizes, together with the Sunday school paper, the *Angelus*, has created a healthy rivalry among the children so that we expect a lively competition this year.

A £5,000 BRIBE REFUSED.

The Dublin *Freeman's Journal* reveals the way by which the *Times* succeeds in (not) getting witnesses to incriminate the Irish leaders. The Journal says:

"The *Times* prolonged the amount of evidence regarding outrages in the hope of securing testimony to justify the statements made by Attorney-General Webster in his opening address. Feeling the ground slipping from under its feet, it resolved upon a desperate game to retrieve its fortunes. With this in view, it despatched an emissary to America, who discovered Sheridan at Pueblo, Colorado, and tried to induce him to go to London and testify before the Commission, promising him that if his evidence proved satisfactory he would be paid £10,000 within an hour after his examination was concluded. Sheridan 'played possum' with the agent for a time, and was finally offered £5 000 down if he would accompany the agent to England. Sheridan then positively declined to appear before the Commission, and assured the agent that he was nowise anxious to share the fate of James Carey."

PARNELL DEFENCE FUND.

The patriotic Irishmen of St. Augustine, Wingham and Blyth, have contributed towards the Parnell Defence Fund the sums set after their respective names:

ST. AUGUSTINE		Thos Holmes	$1 00
Rev E McGee	$5 00	George McKay	50
Rev P Costelloe	2 00	P Fisher	50
Henry Boyle	1 00	Dr McDonald, M P	2 00
W Gibbons	2 00	John Walsh	50
Wm Cummins	1 00	F Korman	1 00
Michael McCabe	1 00	B Sherar	50
Timo'y Donohue	1 00	James McGuire	1 00
Patrick Gibbons	1 00	J H Morton	1 00
Pat'k McGuire	75	James A Clinn	50
Edw McGuire	1 00	Mrs J McGlynn	50
Martin Cummins	1 00	L Tracey	50
Geo O'Callaghan	50	An Irishman's Son	50
Alex McCabe	2 00	BLYTH.	
Michael Leddy	1 00	Patrick Kelly	10 00
Mrs Hennessy	1 00	James Kelly	50
P Gibbons	50	Mrs P Greenan	50
Patrick Nugent	1 00	William Kelly	50
Pat'k Cummins	1 00	Jeremiah Lynch	2 00
Thomas White	1 00	Gilbert Graves	1 00
James Foran	50	William Bell	50
Thos Cummins	1 00	Michael Dwyer	1 00
Wm Brophy	1 00	John Greenan	50
Wm Phelan	1 00	Timothy Nolan	50
Mrs B McCabe	1 00	Patrick Phelan	1 00
WINGHAM.		Daniel Kelly	1 00
P B Flannagan	1 00	Michael Doherty	2 00
D J McCasey	1 00	Mrs M'Doherty	50
John McGlynn	50	Jas McConnell	2 00
F E Flanagan	50	John Kelly	2 00
Edw Brennan	3 00	John B Kelly	1 00
M Brennan	1 00	Mich Flannery	1 00
F Flannagan	50	Michael Rowler	50
Robert Currie	1 00	John Dondell	50
Thos Armstrong	50	John Healy	50
Frank Patterson	25	Wm Phelan	1 00
J Brennan	5 00	James Culleton	50
M Storan	1 00	Frank McConnell	50

CANADIAN.

The Legislature of Ontario will meet for despatch of business on the 24th inst.

The free library by law was carried in Hamilton on the 7th inst. by a large majority.

The oldest voter in Canada is said to be in Ottawa, a Mrs. Jones, who is over 100 years of age. She voted at the municipal elections.

Mr. Justice Cassault has been appointed administrator of the Province of Quebec, owing to the continued illness of Lieutenant Governor Angers.

Xavier Batoche has been in Ottawa endeavoring to secure from the Government a settlement of Metis claims in the North West. It is time that these claims were settled once for all.

The Postmaster General has ordered that money order and saving-bank business shall be transacted on all holidays until 11 a. m. This will be a great convenience to the public.

On Christmas day maple sugar was made near Acton from sap run the day before, and churches in British Columbia were decorated with natural flowers collected in the gardens.

LATEST MARKET REPORTS.

London, Jan. 17.—GRAIN.—Red winter, 1.68 to 1.72; white, 1.68 to 1.72; spring, 1.68 to 1.72; Corn, 90 to 1.00; rye, 1.00 to 1 05 barley, malt, 1.00 to 1.40; barley feed, 85 to 95; oats, 92 to 95; peas, 95 to 98.

VEGETABLES.—Potatoes per bag, 30 to 40; Onions per bag, 65 to 75.

PRODUCE.—Eggs, 18c to 23c; butter, best roll, 22c to 25c; large rolls, 20c to 22c; crocks, 19c to 20c; tub-dairy, 20; store packed firkin, 14c to 16c; dry wood, 4.50 to 5.00 green wood, 4.25 to 4.75; soft wood, 2.50 to 3.50; lard, No 1, 12c to 13c; No 2, 11 to 12½; straw, per load, 3.00 to 4.00.

MEATS.—Pork, 7.00 to 7.25; pork, by qr., 8 to 9; beef, by qr., 4 00 to 6.00; mutton, by qr., 7 to 8; by carcass, 6 to 6½; lamb, carcass, 8 to 9; by qr., 9 to 10; veal, by qr., 6 to 7; by carcass, 5 to 6.

POULTRY.—(dressed)—Chickens, pr., 40 to 60c; ducks, pr., 70 to 90c.; geese, each, 50 to 60c.

LIVE STOCK.—Milch cows, 28.00 to 50.00; live hogs, cwt., 5.00 to 5.50; pigs, pr., 4.00 to 6.00; fat beeves, 5.00 to 5.25.

Montreal, January 17.—FLOUR.—Receipts, 400 bbls.; sales reported, 800 sacks; market quiet at unchanged rates.

GRAIN.—Wheat, nominal; red winter, white and spring not quoted; corn, 55c. to 57c; peas, 72c to 73c; oats, 35½c to 36c; barley, 55 to 55c; rye, 50 to 60c; oatmeal, 4.25 to 5.50; cornmeal, 2.75 to 2.80.

MEATS.—Pork, 17½ to 18c; bacon, 12 to 13c; hams, 12 to 13c; dressed hogs, quiet. 7.00 to 7.10.

PRODUCE.—Lard. 10 to 11c; cheese, 9 to 12c; butter, creamery, 22 to 26c; townships, 19 to 22c; Morrisburg, 18 to 21c; western, 16 to 18c; eggs, limed, 18 to 20c; fresh, 21 to 21c.

Toronto, Jan. 17.—GRAIN.—Wheat, fall, No. 2, 1.05 to 1.08; spring, No 1, 1.12; No. 2, 1.07 to 1.10; red winter, No. 2, 1.07 to 1.10; No. 1 Manitoba hard, 1.20 to 1.25; barley, No 1, 66 to 75; No 2, 62 to 63; No. 3, extra, 58 to 59; No. 3, 54 to 55; peas, No. 2, 56 to 63; oats, No 2, 35 to 36½; flour, extra, 4.60 to 4.70 strong bakers, 4.80 to 5.60.

BUFFALO LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE.—A Buffalo butcher bought a few heads of fancy stock at 5 per cwt., but the best export cattle on sale, of 1,500 and upwards, sold dull at 4.50 to 4.60; prime export cattle were taken in small lots at 4.15 to 4 50; shipping stock, of 1,200 to 1,400 lbs., dull at 3.75 to 4 25, and coarse, heavy cattle, 3 35 to 3.75; Pennsylvania buyers took a few cars of 1,100 to 1,250 steers, at about 3.50 to 3 75, lighter steers sold better; most of the Michigan supply, of 900 to 1,100 lbs., being taken fairly at prices ranging from 3 to 3.40; most of the sales being of steers of about ten hundred, at 3.25, mixed butchers' stock was in good demand, and the best of it sold freely at 2½c to 3c, while common to fair sold at 2½c to 2¾c.

Veals in light supply; best offerings, 7.25; superior would sell at 7 50; choice, 7; good, 5 50 to 6 50; cows dull, but offerings of milch cows light, and all taken; extra, sold at 45; choice, 34 to 37.50; common, 25 to 30; light run of springers, active demand and values higher, at 25 to 45; later, for extra choice, 33 to 37

SHEEP AND LAMBS.—75 cars on sale; fair supply of sheep, and prices at opening firm to higher than Saturday's quotations; some extra Michigan sheep sold at 5 25; good to choice generally sold at 4 50 to 5, and fair to good sheep sold at 4 25 to 4 75; common stock sold at 3 50 to 4.15; Canada shippers report Western Ountario pretty thoroughly cleaned out of good lambs and the meagre supply now coming in is not of the superior quality noticeable early in the month. Michigan lambs of extra quality brought 7.25 in early trading, but later the range from choice to extra was about 6.75, to 7, and from good to choice, 6 40 to 6 60; fair and good lambs sold indiscriminately at 6 to 6 35, and early some good lambs sold to 6 50; only four cars of Canada lambs here, and these were not up to previous supply in the matter of quality, but on the rush of early trading sold at 6 75 to 7.

HOGS—Offerings, 150 cars; mediums in active demand and higher; Yorkers dull and lower; local houses brought mediums at 5 30 to 5 35; Yorkers, however, dropped slightly on adverse advices, selling mostly at 5.50 to 5.55, with a few fancy at 5 60; no heavy offered, and pigs were not sought.

In publishing last week the names of contributors to Mount Hope Orphan Asylum at Christmas the following were omitted: Mr. M. O'Mara, market, a large quantity of pork, fresh and salt; Mr. Lawson, grocer, a barrel of apples; Mrs. Muikern, a turkey.

We are pleased to announce that Miss Mary Leach, of this city, recently passed second class professional examination at the Ottawa Normal School. We congratulate Miss Leach on her success, and bespeak for her a most useful career as a teacher.

Mr. Gladstone denies the accuracy of the report of his letter to the Marquis de Riso. He says he did not recommend international arbitration of the Roman Question.

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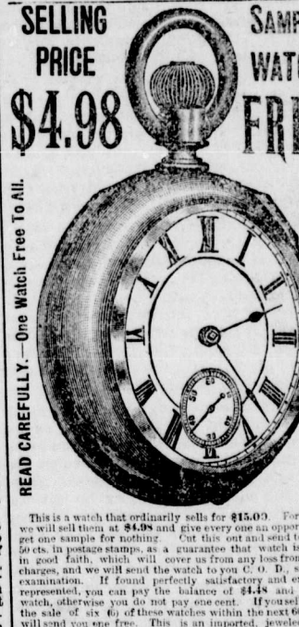

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