

BROTHER ARNOLD'S SCHOOL.

Re-opening of Classes—A Magnificent New Building.

As a rule we have the same story to tell over and over each year about the commencement of the scholastic term in St. Ann's school; a story of past success and future prospects. But this year we have something new to add to the tale, always so interesting. The school will open on Monday, the 28th August, and it is expected that not less than six hundred pupils will be on hand to commence their year's work under the able direction of the ever popular director, Brother Arnold, and his assistant teachers. Since the close of the last term a splendid addition has been made to the establishment, a magnificent five storey building has gone up, between the former school house and the residence. It has a frontage of twenty-one feet and is fifty-five in depth; supplied with every modern appliance, sanitary and otherwise, the new structure will be an ornament as well as an acquisition to the locality and a great benefit to the pupils and public. The face of the edifice presents a very grand and striking appearance. In the nich on the fifth storey will stand a six-foot statue of the Blessed De La Salle, the illustrious founder of the order of Christian Brothers, and on either side will appear two of his first Irish pupils, McMahon and Dillon. On the summit will be a flag-staff twenty-five feet in height, from which we may expect to see the colors of our Dominion and the flag of Erin floating to the breeze. The two upper flats are used for the new stage of the enlarged academic hall. Over two hundred pupils can be placed upon that platform, and the remainder of the old hall, stage and auditorium, will form one of the most comfortable and largest in the city. The whole will be lit by electric lights and fixed up with every necessary comfort, both as regards the stage and the public. We need scarcely say that THE TRUE WITNESS wishes St. Ann's school all the prosperity and success that could possibly be desired. We hope to see the classes filled to their utmost capacity, as much for the sake of the public as for that of the good Brothers. Certainly every possible encouragement is now extended to the parents and the promise for the future of their children is great.

OBITUARY.

The Late John McGee.

It is our painful duty to record, this week, a sad event which has cast a gloom over the community of Lachine, and has been felt in Montreal as well. Mr. John McGee, one of the best known and most esteemed citizens of Lachine, and an universally popular member of the Young Irishmen's L. & B. Society of this city, passed away on the 17th instant, and was buried on Monday, the 21st. A magnificent service was held in the Church at Lachine, when the members of St. Ann's choir sang a solemn requiem Mass. Cut off, almost in the prime of manhood, and snatched from a bright future that opened out before him, he has gone to a reward beyond, and has left many a tearful friend to recall his numerous fine qualities, and to breathe sincere prayers for the repose of his soul. THE TRUE WITNESS desires to join in the sad chorus of regret and express a heartfelt sympathy at his loss. The numerous attended funeral, the sorrow manifest on all sides, the kindly words spoken, tell most plainly how high a place he held in the minds of his fellow-citizens and how deep a place he had in the hearts of his loving relatives. One more good man is gone, and we join the Church in that sublime and consoling prayer, "May he rest in peace."

DEATH OF HON. MR. THIBAudeau.

A Well-Known French Canadian Merchant Passes Away.

QUEBEC, August 19.—Hon. Isidore Thibaudeau died at his residence on the Cape at three o'clock yesterday afternoon at the age of 73 years, after an illness of some time from paralysis. The honorable gentleman was born at Cap Sante, Que., and had long been the head of one of the best knowing and most extensive importing houses in the city, the large wholesale dry goods establishment in lower town that bears his name. In his time Mr. Thibaudeau has played an important part in public affairs. As long

ago as 1862 he was elected to the Legislative Assembly and was subsequently appointed President of the Executive Council in the Brown-Dorion Government. In 1867 he was appointed to the Legislative Council of the Chauveau administration to represent the Liberal element in that house, and sat in it till 1874, when he resigned his seat to contest Quebec East for the House of Commons. He was elected by acclamation in this division, and sat for it till October, 1877, when the Hon. Mr. Laurier having been

DEFEATED AS A MINISTER

in MacKenzie's government in Drummond and Arthabaska, Mr. Thibaudeau generously resigned his mandate for Quebec East and asked the electors to return Mr. Laurier in his stead. There is no doubt that Mr. Thibaudeau might have been appointed to the Senate had he so wished it, as his brother, Rosaire, of Montreal, is understood to have been appointed thereto upon his recommendation. Mr. Thibaudeau's death will be mourned by his fellow-citizens of all nationalities, and without regard to politics, his whole care have been that of an exemplary citizen. The greater part of his immense fortune, estimated at over a million of dollars, will pass to his son Alfred, of Montreal.

The deceased gentleman entered business very young and became a partner in the firm of Thomas & Thibaudeau. Afterwards he became chief partner of the firm of Thibaudeau and Generoux, which was changed to that of Thibaudeau Bros. & Co., a branch of which exists in Montreal.

He was president for some time of the Banque National, and he has been a director since its inception. He was also a director some time ago of the Grand Trunk Railway, and a director and organizer of the Caisse d'Economie of Quebec.

THE CHATEAU DE RAMEZAY.

Deputation Waits Upon the Hon. Messrs. Taillon and Hall

A deputation waited on the Hon. Messrs. Taillon and Hall Monday morning at 11 o'clock, which was composed of the following gentlemen: The Hon. Senator Murphy, Mr. Girouard, M. P., Viscomte de la Barthe, Judge Baby, Messrs. Tiffin, Wm. McLachlan, Ald. J. O. Villeneuve, Ald. Cresse, L. Huot, W. D. Lighthall, J. Robillard, de Lery Macdonald, the Rev. Mr. Warner, J. Shearer.

The object of the meeting was to obtain from the Government a reduction in the price of the old Chateau de Ramezay, so that the City, aided by some gentlemen, might be induced to purchase it in order to form a museum and a library. Several contributions had been offered already and a place was required to keep them.

The Antiquarian Society urged on the hon. gentlemen the advisability of doing something in the matter, on account of the national memories that attached to the place and also on account of the great benefit that would accrue to the city, and thereby indirectly to the province, from the number of tourists who would be attracted there.

The Government promised to consider the matter favorably, and to no longer deserve blame for having neglected to foster national sentiments and to educate the people in historical subjects. Mr. Taillon said that an interview would be sought with the City Council on this subject, and he promised to bring the affair to the end desired by the Society, provided that the finances of the province would not suffer, and the agent of the Government, for the sale of the property, would see if a division of the land could not be made so as not to sell the Chateau.

The Hon. Judge Baby thanked the ministers on behalf of those present and the city, whom he said they represented, and the deputation withdrew.

Ecclesiastical Appointments.

His Grace Archbishop Fabre has made the following appointments: Rev. A. Corbeil, chaplain of the St. Jean de Dieu asylum; Rev. P. J. Brady, chaplain of the St. Mary's asylum; Rev. Elzear Lafortune, at St. Jerome, and Rev. C. Laurin, vicar of Vercheres.

A Sermon to Catholics.

Archbishop Duhamel, preached in the Basilica at Ottawa on Sunday the opening triduum preparatory to a pilgrimage to Ste. Ann's of the Roman Catholics of the Archdiocese of Ottawa. In his ser-

mon, which was on the duties of a Christian mother, the Archbishop dwelt on the question of education. He said that the careful religious teaching of the child in the schools was far more necessary than scientific secular teaching and extravagant attention to modern systems, viz., sciences and literature. Secular teaching should not be neglected, but the religious ought to be the first consideration and have the highest place. The Archbishop added that there was a movement in this country, even in the Province of Quebec, to do away with the teaching of religion in the schools. He said the aim of those who were at the bottom of the movement was to have in Canada the same state of things as in France, where he said text books containing blasphemies against the Holy Virgin Mary and the sacraments of the Church were put into the hands of children. He warned French Canadians against such retrogression.

C. M. B. A. PIC-NIC.

An Enjoyable Day's Pleasure at Royal Park on Saturday.

The picnic and games held at Royal park on Saturday, under the auspices of the Grand Council of the C.M.B.A. of Canada, proved a great success, there being over 2,000 people on the ground in the afternoon, and about 1,000 in the evening. The games were all well contested, and passed off to the entire satisfaction of all. The members of the association felt grateful to the management of the Royal park for the good order preserved throughout, and the many courtesies extended to the committee. The following are the names of the prize-winners:

- Boys' race, under 14 years, 75 yards—Alfred Baron 1, H. Raymond 2.
 - Girls' race, under 15 years, 50 yards—Katy Canniff 1, Nellie McCabe 2, Mary Espie 3.
 - 100 yards race, for presidents and chancellors—P. Doyle 1, M. P. McGoldrick 2, C. O'Brien 3.
 - Half mile race, open—E. Oughead 1, J. Strothers 2.
 - Bicycle race, one-half mile in heats—John Jones 1, Tom Brown 2.
 - Horse race in five heats of a mile—Mr. Guilbault.
 - 150 yards, members C. M. B. A. race—T. Foy 1, W. A. Corcoran 2, W. J. Egan, 3.
 - Putting 16 lbs shot—A. Mann, 36 feet 7 in., 1, H. Pelletier, 35 feet 2 in., 2.
 - 100 yards, picnic committee race—A. Suprenant 1, M. J. McGoldrick 2, J. E. H. Howison 3.
 - Half mile walking race—Chs. Beau-doin.
 - Members' sons' race, under 14 years, 75 yards—B. Palmer 1, James Kenny 2.
 - Long jump—P. Whitty, 17 feet 9 inches 1, Jos. Levesque, 14 feet 3 inches, 2.
 - Tug of war, 12 C.M.B.A. members vs. all comers—Won by C.M.B.A. members.
 - Baseball match between the Gazette newspaper compositors and the Montreal Witness—Won by the Gazette.
 - The judges were Messrs. B. Tansey, Joseph Beland and P. Doyle.
- The committee on behalf of the association beg to thank the following for donations of prizes:—Branches 190 and 140, M. Drouin, P. C. Shannon, Jas. Coleman, W. J. Smith, Hon. Solicitor-General Curran, A. D. McGillis, T. C. O'Brien, T. P. Tansey, Branch 50, Joseph St. Amour, E. Quain, Branch 87, A. I. Clement, J. N. Loranger, W. J. Rafferty, Jer. Coffee, E. Mailhot, Three Rivers, and E. O'Brien.

Personal

The Rev. Father Carrier, C. S. C., the eminent professor of natural sciences, at St. Laurent College, has just returned from the World's Fair, at Chicago, where he spent a month, acting in the capacity of judge in the electricity department. Father Carrier visited his old home and the scene of his many years of labor, at Notre Dame, Indiana, and he brings us good news of the hearty welcome he found amongst his former pupils and confreres. In particular he spoke of Rev. Father Hudson, the able and distinguished editor of the Ave Maria and the good and learned Father O'Connell, whose master hand is seen in the Notre Dame Scholastic. We are rejoiced to see Father Carrier looking so well and hearty.

VIGILANT CARE.

Vigilance is necessary against unexpected attacks of summer complaints. No remedy is so well known or so successful in this class of diseases as Dr. Fowler's Extra of Wild Strawberry. Keep it in the house as a safe-guard.

C. M. B. A.

[Reproduced at Request.]

London, July 28, 1893.

Thos. Coffey, Esq.:

DEAR SIR AND BRO.—The following resolutions were moved by Bro. C. J. O'Meara, seconded by Bro. P. F. Boyle and Rev. Father Tiernan, and unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The conventions as heretofore held by the Grand Council of the C. M. B. A. of Canada have entailed an extraordinary expense on said Grand Council, necessitating the borrowing of money to meet the same; and whereas future conventions of said Grand Council, if held as formerly, will necessarily be more expensive; and whereas by Dominion Act of parliament the said Grand Council has authority to establish Provincial and Territorial Councils; we, the members of Branch No. 4 of the C. M. B. A. of London, Ont., hereby,

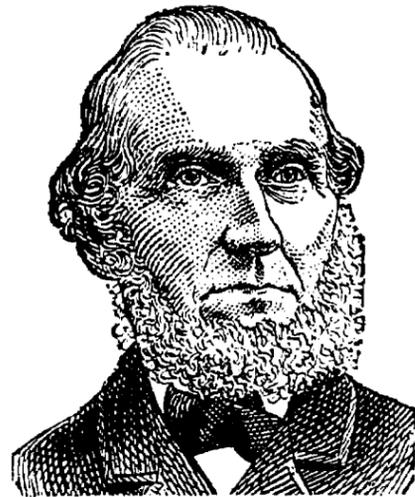
Resolved, That it would be greatly to the interests of the C.M.B.A. of Canada to have such provincial and territorial Councils established, believing that each Provincial and Territorial Council would have no difficulty in meeting its own expenses, and that the conventions then held by the Grand Council would be comparatively inexpensive on account of the small number of delegates required. Be it further

Resolved That the Grand President and board of Trustees of the Grand Council of Canada be hereby requested to take such steps at as early a date as possible as will lead to the formation of said Provincial and Territorial Councils.

Resolved That a copy of this resolution be sent the Grand President, and also published in our official organ, the Catholic Record.

Fraternally yours,

WM. CORCORAN, Rec. Sec.



Mr. David M. Jordan of Edmeston, N. Y.

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Liver and Kidneys

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LA BANQUE DU PEUPLE.

DIVIDEND NO. 114.

The Stockholders of La Banque du Peuple are hereby notified that a semi-annual dividend of THREE PER CENT, for the last six months has been declared on the capital stock, and will be payable at the office of the Bank on and after

MONDAY, the 4th September Next.

The Transfer Book will be closed from the 15th to the 31st August, both days inclusive. By order of the Board of Directors.

J. S. BOUSQUET, Cashier.

Montreal, 28th July, 1893.