

Father Cooney. The other customary toasts were also duly honored. The happy couple left by motor car for the south on their honeymoon, the bride's travelling dress being a navy tailor-made costume, with furs, and black velvet hat with white wings.

COMMERCIAL

Messrs. Donald Reid and Co. report:—We held our weekly sale of grain and produce on Monday, when values ruled as under:—Oats.—Consignments are coming forward more freely, and, in view of the increased quantities offering at southern stations, buyers have little difficulty in filling their orders, and all feed and milling sorts have declined in value. There is fair inquiry for special seed lines at prices a shade above feed rates. Prime milling, 3s 9d to 3s 10d; good to best feed, 3s 8d to 3s 9d; inferior to medium, 3s 5d to 3s 7d per bushel (sacks extra). Wheat.—Samples are still coming forward freely from southern districts. Most of the later threshed lots are only in medium condition, and millers are not keen buyers of these. Choice lots, however, meet ready sale. Fowl wheat in small quantities is in fair demand. Prime milling velvet, 6s 10d to 6s 11d; velvet ear, Tuscan, etc., 6s 8d to 6s 9d; best whole fowl wheat, 6d 6d to 6s 8d; medium, 6s to 6s 4d per bushel (sacks extra). Potatoes.—The market is well supplied, and, in the absence of any regular demand for shipment, sales are not readily affected. The local demand is fairly good, and late quotations are still maintained. Best table potatoes, £4 15s to £5; others, £4 to £4 10s per ton (sacks included). Chaff.—There is a good demand for oaten sheaf, both for export and for local consumption; but prime lines only are in request. Straw chaff, both oaten and wheaten, has keen inquiry, and is saleable at satisfactory prices. Best oaten sheaf, £6 to £6 5s; choice black oat, £6 7s 6d to £6 10s; medium to good, £5 10s to £5 17s 6d; light and discolored, £5 to £5 7s 6d; oaten straw chaff, £2 15s; wheaten, £2 10s per ton (sacks extra).

Messrs. Stronach, Morris, and Co., Ltd., report for week ended Tuesday, May 4, 1915, as follows:—Rabbitskins.—Our next sale will be held on Monday, 10th inst. Sheepskins.—We held our fortnightly sale to-day, and offered a full catalogue to the usual attendance of buyers. Competition was keen and prices were much the same as last sale. Quotations: Best half-bred, to 11½d; medium, 9½d to 10½d; best coarse cross-bred, to 11½d; medium, 9½d to 10½d; best fine cross-bred, to 11½d; medium, 9½d to 10½d; best merino, 8d to 8½d; medium, 6½d to 7d; best pelts, to 9½d; lambskins, 9½d to 10½d per lb. Hides.—Our next sale will be held on Thursday, 6th inst. Oats.—Consignments have been coming to hand freely and the market is weaker, the merchants not being keen to operate. Prime milling, 3s 9d to 3s 10d; good to best feed, 3s 8d to 3s 9d; inferior to medium, 3s 5d to 3s 7d per bushel (sacks extra). Wheat.—Millers are not keen to operate at present as they are holding good stocks, consequently there is not a strong demand. Quotations: Prime milling velvet, 6s 10d to 6s 11d; red wheats, 6s 8d to 6s 9d; best whole fowl wheat, 6s 6d to 6s 8d per bushel (sacks extra). Chaff.—The market is barely supplied, and there is a good demand for prime oaten sheaf. Medium quality, however, is not so much sought after. Prime oaten sheaf, £6 5s to £6 7s 6d; choice black oaten, to £6 10s; medium to good, £5 10s to £6 per ton (sacks extra). Potatoes.—The market is fully supplied, and there is a fair demand, but prices are a shade easier. Best tables, £4 15s to £5; medium to good, £4 to £4 7s 6d per ton (sacks in).

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CATHOLIC FEDERATION

GREYMOUTH.

(From our own correspondent.)

New life has been put into the local branch of the Catholic Federation since the visit of Mr. Girling-Butcher, who also succeeded in forming ten new branches in the district. The following representative committee has been appointed for the ensuing year:—Children of Mary—Misses M. Kennedy and A. Heffernan; Ladies of Charity—Misses C. Fogarty and M. Heffernan; St. Cecelia Club—Misses Crowley; Sacred Heart Confraternity, Mrs. J. Kennedy; Hibernian Society—Messrs. J. Collogan and M. Keating; St. Columba Club—Messrs. H. F. Doogan and P. J. Smythe; parish—Messrs. M. McGilligan, M. Quinlan, J. Bellamy, P. Blanchfield, J. Higgins, and W. Sullivan. The following are the office-bearers:—President, Very Rev. Dean Carew; secretary, Mr. M. McGilligan; treasurer, Mr. P. Blanchfield. A canvass of the town for membership has resulted to date in an increase of 400, which is very creditable indeed. A special word of praise is due to the ladies, who entered into the work with great enthusiasm. The branch has the right man in the right place, in the person of the secretary (Mr. McGilligan), who is sparing neither time nor labor, in endeavoring to establish, what will eventually be, the strongest branch in proportion to population in New Zealand.

OBITUARY

LIEUTENANT J. G. COWAN, DUNEDIN.

We regret to record the death of Lieutenant J. G. Cowan, who was killed in the action at the Dardanelles. Prior to his volunteering for service with the 10th (North Otago) Company, Otago Infantry Battalion, he was a teacher in the employ of the Otago Education Board. He was born in Ardgowrie in 1889, was trained as a pupil teacher at Union and Albany Street Schools, and later attended the Training College. In April, 1911, he was appointed sole teacher at Waitahuna Gully, and in September, 1912, was promoted to the position of first assistant at the Oamaru Middle School, which he left in August of last year to join the forces. Lieutenant Cowan was a member of St. Joseph's Men's Club and St. Joseph's Harriers while in Dunedin. He was of a singularly attractive and amiable disposition, a man of staunch friendships, there being no personal inconvenience too great where the question of serving a friend was concerned. Behind his kindness of manner, however, was determination, energy, and ambition—strengthened by more than average ability,—that would have assuredly led to a successful career had his life not been terminated so early. His modesty of manner was unspoiled by the popularity he gained, and the specially affectionate regard extended to him by the children who came under his charge was of a kind won by few teachers. Lieutenant Cowan spent his early years in the Nenthorn district (Macraes), and is a son of Mrs. Cowan, North-East Valley, Dunedin, to whom the sincere sympathy of a large circle of friends is extended in her bereavement.—R.I.P.

Father Ledochowski, the new General of the Jesuits, states, in a private letter to a friend in France, that of eighty-six voters at his election, there were but six Germans, 'two of whom were Swiss.' 'How, then,' he says, 'can the election be said to have been influenced by the Germans? My sentiments regarding France are those of our families, and I consider them more imperative than ever since I was elected.'

Lost, stolen, strayed—gone none knows where,
'Twas with me yesterday, I do declare.
It racked my chest, my head was sore;
It's gone, I'll never see it more.
What? Not a cough? Yes, yes, for sure;
Lost when I used Woods' Peppermint Cure.