

Grass Seeds—There is still some inquiry for well dressed ryegrass seed, but sellers' and buyers' ideas of value differ rather too much to allow of very much business being put through. There is no demand for undressed unless really prime. Best machine dr-seed, 2s 9d to 3s 3d; choice, guaranteed perennial, 3s 6d to 4s, ex store, net.—**Cocksfoot**—Only a very moderate amount of business passing in this seed. Stocks are low and firmly held, for best dressed, 5s 1d to 6d; medium 4s to 5s 1d per lb.

Chaff—Owing doubtless to the fine weather prevailing, the supply this week has been somewhat heavy, prices in consequence are slightly easier. Best, L2 to L2 10s; choice, L2 12s 6d; medium to good, L1 15s to L2 2s 6d; inferior, L1 5s to L1 12s 6d per ton, ex truck, sacks extra, net.

Dairy Produce—A slightly better demand exists for prime salt butter, dairy made, which is moving off in small parcels, at 6d to 7d; medium, 4d to 5d; factory made, 9d to 10d; factory cheese, medium size, 4 1/2d to 4 3/4d; loaf do, 4 1/2d to 6d; dairy made, 2d to 4d per lb.

Flax—The market is almost at a standstill; there is very little coming forward, but more than sufficient for requirements. Quotations nominal, medium to good, L13 10s to L14 10s; inferior to medium, L10 to L12 per ton, ex store.

DUNEDIN HORSE SALEYARDS.

MESSRS. WRIGHT, STEPHENSON AND Co. report as follows:—

The entry for Saturday's sale was made up principally of town and dealers' lots, which comprised all descriptions of both draught and light harness horses. There was only a very small attendance, and the demand right through the sale was very dull. A few buyers for draughts were present, but as the quality of the horses offered did not come up to their ideas very little business resulted. We quote: First-class draughts (extra heavy), L25 to L30; good ordinary draughts (young), L18 to L22; medium draughts, L12 to L16; aged draughts, L6 to L10; good hacks and harness horses, L12 to L16; medium hacks and harness horses, L7 to L9; light and inferior hacks and harness horses, L2 10s to L6.

MR F. MEENAN, King street, reports:—Wholesale price only.—**Oats**: New feed, 1s 3d to 1s 6d; seed, 1s 7d. **Wheat**: Milling, 2s 6d to 2s 9d; fowls' wheat, 2s 0d to 2s 3d. **Chaff**: Inferior, to medium, 30s to 45s; good to prime, £2 5s to £2 10s. **Hay**: oats, £3 0s; ryegrass, £2 5s. **Potatoes**: Kidneys, £3 10s; derwents, £2 5s to £2 10s. **Flour**: Stone, £6 10s to £7 0s; roller, £7 10s to £8. **Oatmeal**, 25lbs, £8 5s; bulk, £7 15s. **Butter**, fresh, 6d, 7d to 9d; salt, 6d, poor demand. **Eggs**, 1s 8d per dozen (market bare).

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(From our own Correspondent.)

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THE great festival of Pentecost on Whit Sunday was observed at all the Catholic churches in the city and suburbs. At St Patrick's Cathedral, at 11 a.m., there was solemn High Mass, *coram episcopo*, the Bishop being present. The Rev Father Walsh was celebrant, the Very Rev Father Hackett being deacon and the Rev Father Glasheen subdeacon. The excellent Cathedral choir, under Mr Hiscocks, rendered in a finished, musical, and most devotional manner, with full orchestral and organ accompaniment, Haydn's "No. 1 Mass." The soloists were Meadams Hiscocks and Lowry, and the Misses Lorrigan, Hargreaves, and Donovan, and Messrs D. A. Tole, Ryan, Clarke, Lorrigan, and Conway. The beautiful Gregorian hymn, "Veni Sancte Spiritus," was devotionally rendered by the choir. His Lordship Bishop Luck delivered a very eloquent homily on the Holy Ghost and His descent on the Apostles. During the Mass Millard's "Veni Creator," was sung by the choir as an offertory piece. In the evening there were Pontifical Vespers and Benediction. The Bishop was celebrant, the Rev Fathers Walsh and Glasheen being deacon and subdeacon respectively, and the Very Rev Father Hackett master of ceremonies. The choir sang Millard's "Veni Creator" and Wernor's "Regina Celi." Father Hackett delivered an eloquent discourse from Acts ii, 1, "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost," to a very large congregation. At Benediction the choir sang, in a finished manner, Pere Lambillotte's beautiful "Litany of the Blessed Virgin," and the Rev Pere D. Pietro's "Tantum ergo" and "O Salutaris."

At St Benedict's the festival of Whit Sunday was solemnised by the production of some of the choicest selections contained in the rich repertoire of Catholic music possessed by the efficient choir attached to this church. Haydn's sublime and difficult "Imperial" Mass was sung in its entirety with great spirit and correctness by a strong chorus and efficient soloists; whilst the organ accompaniment played by Miss A. McIlhune, derived further effect from the additional brilliancy imparted by the playing of Herren Zimmerman and Tutschka on their respective instruments. Miss Lorrigan, Mrs Hood, Messrs Casier and Thomson sang the solos with great taste and judgment. Uregard's "Sequence" and Blumenthal's "Veni Creator" were beautifully interpreted, and were repeated at the evening service, when Millard's "Grand Magnificat" and Gounod's "O Salutaris," with Giorzas' joyous "Tantum Ergo," at the close of the Benediction, formed a series of sacred selections of exceptional merit and beauty. The Very Rev Father Downey celebrated the High Mass, and delivered a forcible homily on the festival of the day. At Vespers the Rev Dr Egan preached on the same subject, and conducted the choir both at the morning and evening services.

It is with the greatest possible regret I learn that the Rev Father Lenihan has sent in his resignation as manager of St Mary's Orphan-

age, Porsonby. For the past seven years he has laboured most assiduously for the welfare of the little ones committed to his care and would have continued to do so, but for his increasing parochial duties at Parnell, to which he naturally wishes to devote all his time and care. His parish, as we know, is a large one, comprising Parnell and New Market, so that Father Lenihan finds nois unable longer to attend to both the Orphanage and to Parnell. During the seven years he has been in office, from May 1837-1894 as manager of the Orphanage he has been wonderfully successful and his work has called forth the warmest praise of those interested in the institution. He has improved the place vastly. Some little time back the whole of the orphanage was repainted, and the interior of the building entirely renovated, a cottage was also erected for the gardener, and various other improvements have been made. Lately a new industrial school has been opened at Lake Takapuna and affiliated with St Mary's. Here again we see that under Father Lenihan's supervision large additions have been made to the old college, and it is now a large and comfortable school. His Lordship the Bishop has accepted Father Lenihan's resignation most reluctantly, for he has reason to feel that Father Lenihan's management of the establishment was perfect. His Lordship was saved all anxiety about the working of affairs. Mr Habens I hear has written to Father Lenihan expressing regret at losing his services, saying also that it has been pleasant to correspond with him. The children of St Mary's are loud in their regrets about losing him, for he was beloved by all of them, as also by all the retainers about the place. I must not forget to say that Father Lenihan was for many years ably assisted by the late Mother Regis. In conclusion, I would say that if any one ever deserved some memento in recognition of the valuable services which the Rev Father has rendered to these poor and orphaned children, I unhesitatingly say that he does. However, I have no doubt his Lordship Bishop Luck and others are already interesting themselves in this matter. I feel certain it would meet with the hearty co-operation of the Catholic people generally. Undoubtedly Father Lenihan is one of the most popular priests in our midst, for his charity and true kindness of heart has endeared him to all denominations, while his great business capacity has been unmistakably displayed in his management of the Orphanage, which he has left in the most perfect order.

On Sunday last (Whit Sunday) I attended 9 o'clock Mass at St Benedict's, Newton, when I was really edified by the singing of the little children, who were present in goodly numbers. They sang under the supervision of Dr Egan, "The Children's Mass," and they appeared to put their whole heart into the music, for they sang not only tastefully, but spiritedly. Father Egan deserves much credit for the pains he takes with his young choir the whole time, and repeats in English from time to time different parts of the Mass, such as the "Pater Noster," "Domine non sum dignus," etc., and the children respond. Altogether this service on Sunday morning was instructive for the children, besides being of a most devotional character. The celebrant at the Mass was the Rev Father Downey.

The monthly meeting of the League of the Cross Temperance Society was held last Monday evening, 14th inst., in St Patrick's Hall, Wyndham street, when the prizes won at the sports were distributed. The balance-sheet was read by the secretary, and was adopted by the meeting. Mr J. J. Burke was elected secretary for the current year. The Rev Father Hackett, president of the Society, addressed the members, and songs were given by Mr Mills, Misses Jole, Pullman, and Edwards. The recitations given by Miss Mincham were much appreciated, while Miss Over—a little dot of seven years—charmed the audience by her perfect rendering of the piece, "The Husband Conquered." She was equally successful in the encore selection, and was loud applauded.

The depths of misrepresentation to which the supporters of our godless education system will descend in order to defend it was well exemplified lately by our local evening paper the *Star*. A man was charged with furious riding and running over a boy. The chief witness was a pupil of the Convent School, Runcie, a close to which the accident happened. He was quite a child and gave his evidence clearly. I go to the convent school. . . . The nuns came out and took "him (the boy hurt) into the school." The justices complimented the child on his evidently truthful testimony. The *Star* suppressed every reference to the convent school and the nuns, and then editorially commented on the high moral training children were getting in the public schools as shown by the approving remarks made by the justices on this little boy's evidence. I may add that the injured child's mother also swore that she "went to the convent school and found the nuns attending to her son." This also was of course, suppressed.

Kay's remedies are much recommended in cases of chest disorders, neuralgia and indigestion. The cough compound is also efficacious among horses and cattle. The coaguline is an admirable cement for broken articles.

Mr H. G. Gill's enlarged bromide portraits show a very fine development of the photographic art. The likeness of the Most Rev Dr Moran—referred to in our report of the Durbur—may be taken as a specimen, and must be very much admired by all who see it. Mr Gill receives pupils at his studio in Hyde street, Danedin, where everything connected with the business is conducted in the best manner possible and at the lowest rates.

M. J. REDDINGTON,

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