

GETTING SHEEPSKINS.

FINAL SCENES AT THE CLOSING OF THE SESSION.

The Chancellor Installed.—He Makes an Address—Awarding the Prizes—Lauding the Candidates—Rev. D. J. Macdonnell Talks in a Vigorous Way.

The events in connection with the closing of Queen's university, for the session of 1888-89, culminated in convocation hall yesterday afternoon. The attendance was very large; the inadequacy of the building was clearly shown. The ladies crowded the seats and their display of summer goods and trims, that out rivalled the rainbow, was remarkable.

The students were amusing. They sang and shouted for an hour before the ceremonies began and then were quite ready to increase the hubbub when the registrar headed the long procession that swept to the platform from the senate room.

A student in the gallery got the start of the principal by a minute and created roars of laughter as he rattled off some of the unique sayings of the various professors to their classes.

"Now we will come to order" said Principal Grant when the student was winded and Rev. James Gray, of Stirling, chaplain, read the 11 chapter of Proverbs and offered prayer.

Among the distinguished gentlemen on the platform were: Chancellor Fleming, C.M.G.; Rev. J. Gray, Stirling; Rev. Dr. Wardrop, Guelph; Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, Toronto; Rev. R. J. Laflamme, Hamilton; Rev. J. Cumberland, St. John's; Rev. A. H. Scott, Perth; Rev. Dr. Campbell, Montreal; Rev. John Hay, Campbellford; Messrs. John Thorburn, Ottawa; A. T. Drummond, A. G. McBean, Montreal; J. J. Bell, Brockville; D. B. MacLennan, Cornwall; J. R. Lavell, Smith's Falls; P. C. McGregor, Almonte; Dr. Boulter, Stirling; Judge Price, R. V. Rogers, G. Y. Chown, G. M. Macdonnell, A. P. Knight, and the professors of the various affiliated colleges and of Queen's university.

Dr. Grant, who occupied the chair, said Queen's had been under a head for a day, but he intended putting one on again, and intimated that Sanford Fleming, C.M.G., was the person. The name was received with applause. The declaration of office was accepted and then John R. Lavell, B. A., Smith's Falls, and G. Y. Chown, B. A., Kingston, adjusted the robes of office, while a heartless youth intimated that the chancellor could put on "his own duds." Chancellor Fleming was asked for a speech and he delivered the one published yesterday.

At the conclusion of the address the chancellor turned to Dr. Grant and said: "And now it is my pleasant duty at this stage of the proceedings to call upon the chairman of the board of trustees, to unveil the portrait of the principal, which will hereafter remain a prized possession of the university."

Rev. Dr. Wardrop, Guelph, in the absence of the Hon. Mr. Morris, unveiled the picture. The familiar face, in oil, created applause. Dr. Grant glanced at the portrait, and a naughty malediction suggested: "That's the handsomest man you have seen." The students sang "For he's a jolly good fellow."

The successful winners of scholarships were read and the cards handed over. When Mr. T. L. Walker walked up to secure the Gowan prize in natural science, for the best collection of Canadian plants, Dr. Grant remarked on Senator Gowan's interest in Queen's. He mentioned the many instances in which he had given money to the college. "When he comes among us, and I hope soon to see him here, you will know what kind of a man he is," said Dr. Grant.

Envelopes were broken by the chancellor and he made the announcement that the following had won prizes, thus: Lewis. Value \$25. Given for the best lecture on Luke x. 38-42 inclusive.—John A. Reddon, Midland.

Maepherson. Value \$25. Given by Sir David Macpherson, Toronto, for the best essay on the "Influence of Britain on India."—P. A. McLeod, Dundas, P.E.I.

The honor list was read and the medals presented. Prof. Fletcher, in handing the medals to the winners, said: "The names of the graduates of Queen's university are enrolled among the list of graduates."

Rev. D. J. Macdonnell, B.D., Toronto, addressed the graduates. He spoke of the days when he attended college, and the lack of facilities enjoyed in comparison with those of the present time. Then there were no girls students in attendance, and no chance for displaying that marked academic etiquette: chaffing the sweet graduates as now enjoyed. Truly they had lived in a simple barbaric age. He congratulated the students upon having reached the present stage in their lives, and also upon having secured degrees from Queen's university. The institution, while conservative, was manifestly growing. It was independent and Catholic. This latter feature was made prominent by the Presbyterian trustees asking for legislation by which men of other denominations could be represented on the board, and by the election of R. V. Rogers as the first of five such men.

INCIDENTS OF THE DAY.

PARAGRAPHS PICKED UP BY OUR BUSY REPORTERS.

The Spice of Every Day Life.—What the Public are Talking About—Nothing Escapes the Attention of Those Who are Taking Notes.

Hosiery cheap at Minnes & Burns'. Ladies' silk vests at Minnes & Burns'. The Royal Arcanum meets to-morrow night. Gas stoves from \$2 upwards at the gas works. Ladies' merino vests 25c. at Minnes & Burns'.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

Paragraphs Picked Up About the Wharves.—Notes of General Interest.

On Monday the Rideau canal will be opened. The schr. A. Foster is loading lumber for Oswego.

The schr. A. Falconer is loading coal at Oswego for Swift.

The schrs. P. Bennett and Gearing cleared for Oswego to-day with timber.

Cleared: Schr. Watertown, ore, Cleveland; White Oak, light, Oswego.

The steamer Pierrepont took a load of withes to Garden Island this morning.

The steamer Rideau Belle will commence her regular trips down the Rideau on Tuesday.

The tug Glide is en route to Kingston with eighteen barges, and also the tug Traveller with eight barges.

The schr. Grantham, from Toledo, and schr. Prussia, from Toronto, are en route to Garden Island with timber.

The barge City of Kingston has been placed on the Cataract dry dock for general repairs. The steamer Peerless has just been thoroughly overhauled at the dock.

Arrived: Str. Khartoum, light, Cape Vincent; Str. R. Anglin, light, Cape Vincent; schr. H. Dudley, light, Oswego; schr. Annandale, light, Oswego; Prop. W. H. Stevens, Toledo, 40,000 bush. corn.

The old steamer St. Lawrence, sunk off Morton's distillery fifty-eight years ago, has been purchased by Col. Collier. She lies in fifteen feet of water. She was built in England and sent out here as a war vessel.

Mr. W. Powers, shipbuilder, is engaged in building a double-screw steamer to be used as a ferry boat between the provinces of Ontario and Quebec. This vessel is for Mr. Pierce Mansfield, of Ottawa, and is to be called "Thomas Mansfield." It is being put together in Ottawa. The vessel is 110 feet long over all, 36 feet beam and 10 feet deep, and will cost, when completed, \$19,000. The peculiarity of its construction is that it has neither bow nor stern. It will be propelled by one engine by a screw at each end, so that either end for the time being will be the bow. She is broad and somewhat flat in bottom. Her timbers are of the best of oak, elm and tamarac.

The Hotel Arrivals.

Arrivals at the British American Hotel.—B. S. O'Loughlin, Yarker; E. W. Benjamin, Yarker; A. E. Williams, Montreal; J. McKillop, Toronto; G. H. Boulter, Stirling; J. O'Donnell, Montreal; W. E. Halcombe, Hamilton; W. M. Kelly, Montreal; E. Burns, Toronto; H. McConochy, A. M. McGurran, Montreal; G. T. Tuckett, R. Freeman, Hamilton; W. C. Caldwell, T. B. Caldwell, Lanark; C. W. Dunning, Toronto; C. P. Anderson, Beachburg; W. A. Doyle, Montreal; W. Boulter, Pictou; J. Haman, Ogdensburg, N.Y.; W. C. Forster, J. H. Lyons, E. W. Edwards, Toronto; J. L. Gardner, C. D. Hanson, F. C. Skelton, Montreal; W. Thomas, Toronto; C. A. McWilliams, Railton.

Township Tidings.

Charles Vador, late of Deseronto, visiting here prior to his departure to British Columbia, left for that province Tuesday. A York purchased from the Ontario Land Co. by the late Mr. Vador, near Lake Umbagog, N.B., was sold to Mr. Vador.

Police Court—Thursday.

Action will be taken against Messrs. J. Cramer and J. McInnes for neglecting to answer a summons to attend the police court. Two young men, charged with disorderly conduct, will be tried on Friday. Clark, charged with complicity in the robbery of \$40 from J. Catlin, who keeps a restaurant at the lower depot, was tried this morning. The evidence submitted did not convict Clark of the robbery, and the case was dismissed.

Raising the Money.

The Oddfellows' Building association will not, from present indications, have much difficulty in raising sufficient money with which to purchase a site and erect a handsome temple. Already over \$9,000 has been promised. Members of Cataract and Kingston lodges have taken \$6,800 besides 230 shares at \$10 have been otherwise disposed of.

The Street Car Company.

At a meeting of the shareholders of the street car company held yesterday afternoon, the following were elected directors: B. W. Folger, M. H. Folger, W. C. Martin, R. J. Carson, F. A. Folger, and Ira B. Folger. Subsequently B. W. Folger was elected president and M. H. Folger vice-president.

He is in Ottawa.

Some days ago it was asserted that Driscoll and his accomplices who had assaulted and robbed a Sault Ste. Marie contractor, were to be returned from the penitentiary and tried for murder as their victim had died. This is not so for Kinsella is well and in good spirits in Ottawa.

Now balmy is the air.

The weather's passing fair. And buds begin to burst upon the trees. All round are signs of spring—The little birds sing. Cute Cupid's on the wing. Gay bridegrooms dance a ring. And trowsers now are springing at the knees.

It was rumored in the city to-day that John Smith, who carried on the hide business here for a number of years, had died in Chicago. His health has been poor for some time past. Three months ago when Mr. Burrows, gas inspector was in Chicago, he met Mr. Smith who then looked very ill.

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ISAAC RADFORD'S TROUBLE IN THE WINNIPEG COURTS.

The Documents in a Forestry Case Not Pertaining—Radford Thinks the Government should Come to His Aid as he is a Victim.

Isaac H. Radford, formerly of Kingston, is now in Winnipeg as private prosecutor in the Gillette forgery case. At the police court, when it came to the charge in which Mr. Radford held the evidence, and in which he was the principal witness, the crown attorney was obliged to ask for a remand. The drafts and papers in connection with the case, upon which the damaging evidence lies, were sent by Stone, Newman & Resor, Fargo, Dakota, to the manager of the Bank of British North America, with instructions not to deliver them until a bill of \$514.19, contracted by Radford, on behalf of the Manitoba government in connection with the case, was settled. Radford states that he offered to pay half the amount of the bill if the Manitoba government would pay the balance, but the crown positively refused to pay out any money to liquidate the claim, and consequently the papers remain in the bank manager's hands. Mr. Radford contends that the government was responsible for the contraction of the debt, stating that he was acting under power of attorney from them in engaging the lawyers at Fargo. Radford says in the land transaction with Gillette the latter defrauded him out of \$1,700; then Radford paid a reward of \$100 for Gillette's arrest and all expenses connected with holding him at Fargo, besides getting the extradition papers through at Washington and the expenses of these trips to Manitoba, in all about \$3,100, exclusive of the \$250 which Radford offered to pay if the government would go halves with him in the release of the necessary papers. He is prosecuting Gillette in the interests of justice, but he finds that the province of Manitoba does not show a disposition to assist, and he does not feel like putting his hand into his pocket any deeper.

In Fargo we proved under oath three different aliases against Gillette," said Mr. Radford. "He lodged a complaint with the chief of police under the name of McAulay for the recovery of some jewelry, swore his wife of Indian origin under the name of W. B. Allen, and was proved to be the man who went under the name of Gillette in Winnipeg, and got that money. I also discovered several other aliases of his while in Boston and other eastern points. I have traced a connection between him and Pearson of Albany, who gave the forged drafts to Cole, alias Polman, now in prison for attempting to utter for which he was arrested, and have discovered evidence to show that he is connected with a well organized band, from one member of which I could have received \$5,000 while in Dakota, to go home and attend to my own business."

COMMERCIAL MATTERS.

KINGSTON MARKETS.

KINGSTON, April 24.—Vegetable quotations have fallen since last week. Lettuce, radishes and onions bring 30c. to 75c. per doz. bunches; parsley and mint are sold at 5c. per bunch. No change in the price of butter. Fresh butter is worth from 23c. to 25c. per lb.; tub butter 17c. to 19c.; scrawberries are likely to be cheaper next week. At present they are worth 50c. per box. Eggs remain at from 11c. to 13c. per dozen.

There has been no advance in the meat market this week as was expected. Beef—Cattle per head, \$40 to \$60; beef, \$7.50 to \$8 per cwt.; veal, 7c. to 10c. per lb.; carcasses, 5c. to 6c. per lb.; mutton, 9c. to 10c. per lb.; carcasses of mutton, 8c. per lb.; spring lamb, \$1 to \$1.50 per quarter.

The busy season for fish has closed. During Lent it was quite lively. Pike is quoted at 5c. per lb.; whitefish, 10c. per lb.

The prices for fowls have not changed. Turkeys, \$1 per pair is asked; turkeys \$1 to \$2 per pair.

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