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McCOOK, RED WILLOW COUNTY, NEBRASKA, FRIDAY EVENING, MAY 29, 1896.

NUMBER 2.

THE BACCALAUREATE

Sermon Delivered by the Rev. Hart L. Preston, Sunday Evening,

BEFORE AN IMMENSE AUDIENCE

The interior of the church very prettily decorated for the occasion—Program of Commencement.

Standing room was at a premium, Sunday evening, in the Congregational church, upon the occasion of the delivery of the baccalaureate sermon to the class of '96, McCook high school, by Rev. Hart L. Preston, pastor of the Congregational church. The scene was an inspiring, brilliant one, and the occasion not lacking in impressiveness.

Promptly at eight o'clock the members of the graduating class and the high school teachers marched into the seats reserved for them, and the programme of the evening opened.

The theme of the sermon was, in brief, "Battle and Victory", and the reverend gentleman delivered a magnificent discourse along that line, adding a dash of advice here and a suggestion of encouragement there, all of which was inspiring and pleasing to all, class, teachers and audience.

The music by the church choir was classic in selection and was rendered in a highly satisfactory manner, the singing of the Gloria from Mozart's 12th mass being especially gratifying.

As to the decoration of the church, too much cannot be written. With a charming wealth of beautiful, fragrant potted and cut flowers artistically arranged over the room, commingled with evergreen effects, mottoes, flags etc., the church presented an appearance of taste and beauty rarely equalled in our city, and representing an immense amount of laborious effort which deserves unstinted praise.

In fine and in conclusion, the occasion was one of the enchanting sort in which McCook people delight and on which they dote.

The collection of the evening was lifted for the benefit of the J. K. Barnes post, G. A. R., to assist the post in meeting the expenses of Decoration day.

GRADUATING EXERCISES.

The following interesting programme from American poets was rendered by the 6th and 4th grades on Thursday afternoon at 2:45. The exercises were meritorious in performance and a source of pleasure to all present, visitors and pupils.

PROGRAMME.

Instrumental solo—Bessie Petersen

Welcome song—Eddie Badcock, Charles Magner

Instrumental solo—Mamie Sharkey

Sketch—Millie Elbert

Recitation—"22nd of December"—Lloyd Wood

LONGFELLOW.

Song—"Psalm of Life"—School

Sketch—Harold Thompson

Recitation—"The Children's Hour"—Lucile Lawson

Recitation—"The Day is Done"—George Campbell

Song—"Twilight"—School

Instrumental solo—Bessie Borneman

WHITTIER.

Duet—Rena Ivy, Mrs. Frank Brown

Recitation—"All's Well"—Nellie Ryan

Recitation—"A Dream of Summer"—Nettie Dutton

Corn Song—"A Dream of Summer"—School

LOWELL.

Sketch—Ethel Pope

Recitation—"Yussouf"—Ray Cule

Recitation—"The First Snowfall"—Edna Yarger

HOLMES.

Sketch—Floyd Propper

Recitation—"The Land of the Living"—John Archibald

Song—"God Bless Our Fatherland"—School

FIELD.

Sketch—Clifford Browne

Recitation—"The Duel"—Daisy Maddux

Recitation—"The Night"—Liff Brown

Instrumental solo—Winnie Phillippi

C. N. WHITTAKER.

Principal West Ward and Teacher 5th Grade.

MRS. FRANK D. BROWN.

Teacher 4th Grade.

The following programme was given in excellent form by the 6th, 7th and 8th grades, East ward, on Wednesday afternoon at 2:30:

PROGRAMME.

Piano solo—Mabel Perry

Duet—Anna Hannan, Tom O'Connell

Piano and Violin.

Piano solo—Lillie Burnett

Chorus—School

Piano solo—Lillian Troth

Piano solo—Frank Colfer

Song—"The Star Spangled Banner"—Choir

Piano solo—Bessie Henderson

Piano solo—Myrtle Fronger

Song—"Triolet"—Six Members

HONORED THE HEROES

Baptist, Congregational and Methodist Churches Unite in

UNION MEMORIAL SERVICES

Congregational Church is Prettily and Appropriately Decorated.

Union Memorial services were held in the Congregational church, Sunday morning, the Baptist, Methodist and Congregational people uniting in the services. The edifice was crowded. Members of J. K. Barnes post, G. A. R., and old soldiers attended in a body. The Memorial sermon was preached by Rev. J. A. Badcock of the Methodist church, and was an eloquent, earnest effort, in which he paid a glowing tribute to the courage, patriotism and fidelity of the living and departed veterans of the late rebellion; and made a strong plea for such a Christian citizenship in this day.

The excellent and elaborate music of the service was rendered by the Methodist choir, and the same was highly appreciated by all.

The decorations for the occasion were simply charming in their lavish beauty and very generally commented upon in most complimentary terms. They consisted of flags, evergreens, potted and cut flowers, mottoes, two stands of arms connected by "Old Glory", and other appropriate emblems, all of which lent a captivating air and appearance to the impressive occasion.

A very earnest prayer was offered by Rev. J. P. Fuson of the Baptist church, and the scripture lesson was read by Rev. H. L. Preston of the Congregational church. The rather small collection of the morning will be devoted to assisting the Armenians.

Great interest and gratifying pride were evinced in the entire services, which should ever be held in high esteem and privilege by all truly patriotic citizens of the republic.

The Primary grades of the east ward had appropriate exercises on Thursday afternoon rendering the following

PROGRAMME.

Spring song—School

Recitation—"Specially Jim"—Lillie Campbell

Recitation—"Seen Things"—Willie Cullen

Song—"A Merry Playfellow"—9 Little Girls

Recitation—"The Runaway"—Leslie Nicholson

Reading—"Popcorn"—Jake Hefferburn

Recitation—"Little Koschad"—Zelma Arnold

Song—"Meadow Carol"—Pearl Taylor

Recitation—"Rainbow"—Kath Campbell

Song—"Summer"—School

Recitation—"The Day is Done"—Lucile Lawson

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Song—"Lead Kindly Light"—School

Invocation—"Stendella"—Orchestra

Music—"Calvary"—Rodney—Orchestra

Bugle Song—"The Star Spangled Banner"—School

Salutatory—"Memories"—Roy Smith

Essay—"One of Nature's Beauties"—Edith Oyster

Music—"Fra Diavolo"—Orchestra

Essay—"Final Difficulties"—Louis Thorgrimson

Essay—"From School Life to Life's School"—Maude Doan

Essay—"Women of America"—Maude Doan

Music—"Fatinita"—Suppe—Orchestra

Essay—"Follies of Fashionists"—Jossie Mullen

Essay—"Our Sphere"—Della Battershall

Music—"Queen's Lace Handkerchief"—Strauss

Essay—"Our Sure Defense"—Erwin Hoyst

Essay—"Hitch Your Wagon to a Star"—Bert Bever

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A POPULAR NEW STAR.

Monday Evening's Meeting Was of Unusual Interest.

IT IS A FATAL MALADY

For the Lewis Family—Five Children Have Died With It.

Little Edward Lewis, Sunday Morning—Their Daughter Josie Also Sick With the Disease, but Improving.

In the death of little Edward Lewis, early last Sunday morning, an unspeakable grief and irreparable desolation came into the home of Engineer and Mrs. Barney Lewis, and the great heart of this community was touched as it has not been for a long time, with a profound sympathy for the bereaved and stricken parents. After suffering from an attack of whooping cough, which had in four other instances proven fatal in the children of the family, little Edward, their only son and youngest child, suddenly passed away on Sunday morning. The funeral of the dear one was held on Monday afternoon at three o'clock, brief services being conducted at Longview cemetery, where interment was made.

WHOOPING COUGH CARRIES OFF

Their only child and daughter, little Josie, has been and still is ill with the same disease, but is better at this writing and her recovery is now expected.

Every true heart in this city goes out to the sorrow laden parents in their great trial, and join in the hope that their only remaining child may be spared the sad fatality that has so relentlessly befallen the other members of the family.

LATER—The condition of the little girl is still very precarious, though she is regarded as better, today.

Some how or other the world has come to regard the midnight assassin and the anonymous letter writer as very closely related—twin brothers in their cowardly work. And this fact is recalled by a recent, local incident, illustrating the contemptible work of the latter. The McCook Mercantile Co. has been the victim of the anonymous letter writer, recently, and they have been put to considerable annoyance because of the fact; and P. A. Wells informs us that the fact that the company is and has been in shape to meet all its engagements and obligations alone saved them from more serious results than this underhanded outrage, which should be frowned down by all who respect fairness and honor.

Are Twin Scamps.

In the case referred to the wholesale houses returned the letters with the hope that the writer might be discovered and promptly punished.

Is it a "Sandy", Colonel?

That seems to be the inquiry that naturally arises in the mind of the reader of the Indianola Courier, when he peruses the reiterated demand for better support, with an intimation that the plant will be moved to McCook in the event of failure to come to town.

Graduating Exercises.

Doors open at 7; reserved seats kept for families of graduates until 7:55; exercises begin at 8 and close about 10:30. Persons bringing flowers are requested to leave them at the ticket office as no flowers will be collected from the audience during the exercises.

Death of Baby Worden.

A deep sorrow entered the home of Fireman and Mrs. F. L. Worden, last Saturday, when death came and claimed their baby but a few months old. The little one's brief earthly sojourn had been pretty largely one of pain and illness, and the tender drooping bud was but transplanted to the Father's garden where all is sweetness and light. The funeral occurred, Sunday afternoon from the home, interment following in Longview cemetery.

Pansies and Verbenas.

Pansy and Verbena Plants at Knipple's on Monday.

FOR A CENT.

Sweet Potato plants for sale by Knipple.

Pansy and Verbena Plants at Knipple's, Monday.

Get Knipple's prices on Sweet Potato plants at once.

Rev. Knox will sell his horses, carriage and harness very cheap.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Rittenhouse, last Saturday.

The bond election will be held on June 9th. Remember the date and vote for the bonds.

Tuesday of this week, Henry Penner moved into the building in the rear of the Citizens bank.

A. M. Drew is opening up his new stock, this week, in the old McCook Mercantile Co. store room.

Mrs. M. E. Barger has moved into the building vacated by Henry Penner, two doors south of her old stand.

The old T. G. Rees residence on lower Madison street was purchased, this week, by Conrad Eckhart. Consideration, \$200. Sylvester Cordeal made the sale.

We understand that the W. A. P. A. will hold its social in McCook hall, tomorrow evening, for the purpose of raising money with which to buy flags to fly on the school houses of the city.

The old Chenery store building is being overhauled and fitted up for a restaurant. C. H. McCarl will be the proprietor and manager. He is a popular and energetic young man. May success be his portion.

The 15th annual session of the Nebraska Chautauqua Assembly will be held on the Chautauqua grounds at Crete, July 3d to 15th, 1896. No pains have been spared to secure the best talent in all departments, and those who attend the Crete Chautauqua are assured that no finer array of lecturers, speakers, teachers, and musicians will appear on any western platform. The programme is now in the hands of the printer and will soon be ready for distribution.

THE FAIR

220 MAIN STREET.

CHEAPEST AND BEST PLACE IN McCOOK TO BUY GROCERIES:

15 lbs. Granulated Sugar.....\$1.00

1 lb. XXXX Coffee......20

20 lb. Pail of Best Fruit Jelly......50

1 gal. Chocolate Cream Syrup......40

1 sack of Thorough Bread Fancy Patent Flour......1.10

1 sack White Bread Flour......95

7 bars of White Russian or Silver Leaf Soap......25

10 lbs. Rolled Oats......25

5 cans Good Sugar Corn......25

1 lb. Wisconsin Full Cream Cheese......15

6 cans Oil Sardines......25

3 lb. can Standard Tomatoes......10

3 lbs. Choice Prunes......25

Shoes and Tinware cheap.

J. W. McKenna, Proprietor.

DECORATION DAY PROGRAMME

The Order and Arrangement for Tomorrow's Services.

MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAMME, MAY 30.

Assemble at Menard's hall at 1 p. m., sharp. Call to order at 1:30. Chairman H. H. Troth