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### MISSION AT ST. PETER'S.

A very successful Mission, under the direction of the Redemptorist Fathers Heehan and Shonhart, is being conducted for the people of St. Peter's parish. This week the exercises are given over to the women, next week will be devoted to the men.

### LECTURES BY THE VERY REV. PRESIDENT OF ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE.

On Wednesday and Friday evenings during Advent, Very Rev. Father Roche, President of St. Michael's College, will deliver a series of sermons in St. Basil's church on the Blessed Sacrament.

### HOLLAND-DALTON.

St. Patrick's Church, McCaul St., was the scene of a very pretty wedding Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock when the marriage took place of Miss Elizabeth Talbot Dalton to Mr. John Holland. Rev. A. Stuhl, C.S.S.R., celebrated Nuptial High Mass. The bride, who was given away by her brother, looked very graceful in a handsome gown of ivory chiffon broadcloth. Her cousin, Miss Irene Ryan, attired in Copenhagen blue, attended as bridesmaid. Mr. Wm. Holland, a brother, supported the groom.

After a reception in her new home, 139 Margueretta St., Mr. and Mrs. Holland left for a trip to New York.

### ST. ELIZABETH ASSOCIATION OF NURSES.

On Thursday of last week the first annual Mass for the members of St. Elizabeth Association of Nurses, was celebrated in St. Michael's Cathedral. Rev. Father Morrow, chaplain of the Association, being the celebrant. A large number were present and a business meeting was afterwards held at St. Michael's Hospital. A meeting of Conventers will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 1st, at 10.30 a.m. at St. Michael's Hospital, and on Thursday, Dec. 3rd, a general meeting is called for 3 o'clock p.m. in St. John's chapel. It is expected that His Grace, Archbishop McEvay, will be present.

### FUNERAL OF MR. DENIS LEHANE.

The funeral of Mr. Denis Lehane, which took place on Saturday morning, was a striking testimony of the place he had held in the esteem of all who had known him, the funeral cortege being one of the largest seen in Toronto for years. The deceased, who was born in Downeyville, was in his sixty-fourth year and his death was the end of an illness of some months' standing, during which time he had borne much suffering with the same Christian resignation and perfect accord with the Divine will that had always marked his character. A happy disposition, a heart generous and open to every call, and a loving and lovable personality, had made him scores of friends, and the home of which he was the head and centre, will long mourn his affectionate care. With the travelling public Mr. Lehane was a well-known figure, having been cashier with the Canada News Company for forty-one years. He was also a member of Branch No. 2, C.M.B.A., Niagara Falls, N.Y. The funeral took place from the home, 320 Wellington street west, to St. Patrick's church, where a solemn High Mass of Requiem was sung by Rev. Father McGuire of Wooler, Ont., a cousin, assisted by Rev. Father Williams, Toronto Gore, as deacon, and Rev. Father O'Reilly, C.S.S.R., sub-deacon. Others present were Rev. Fathers Stuhl, C.S.S.R., Murray, C.S.B., Klennert, C.S.S.R., Ryan, C.S.B., Derling, C.S.S.R.

The pall-bearers were Messrs. M. Clancy, P. Donovan, Jas. McEvay, J. D. Warde, James Rae, and N. J. Clarke. Mr. Lehane is survived by his widow, two sons, William and Joseph, and three daughters, Mrs. P. Hayes, and the Misses Josephine and Nettie, two brothers, M. H. Lehane, Hamilton; W. H. Lehane, Lindsay, and one sister, who is a member of St. Joseph's Community, St. Antoinette of St. Michael's Hospital. His Grace, Archbishop McEvay, who is a relative, officiated at the grave, assisted by Rev. Fathers Kidd, Derling and Williams. The death of a daughter, Miss Nora Lehane, who was accidentally killed a few months ago, heightens the sympathy everywhere felt for the bereaved family. May he rest in peace.

### SUBJECT OF THE HOUR

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promulgators of the faith of Christ the conquerors of the world.

It is time, then, for the Church in America to be vigilant in preserving the unselfishness and generosity of spirit which animated the pioneer Catholic missionaries who planted on this continent the seed of faith. In no other way may the steadfastness of faith which is distinctive of our people in the United States be fully

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We may well draw a lesson from the foresight and prudence displayed by the great nations of the world. There comes a time in their history when they must reach out to find an outlet for the national life and activity. They well understand the folly of remaining quiescent and shutting the door of opportunity to the surplus talent of their people. Instinctively and inevitably led on by this feeling of self-preservation, they reach out into other lands and find new fields for the unworked energies of the nation.

They recognize that to keep doing is the law of life and that the accumulation of unused forces is the precursor to stagnation and death. The Church in the United States must avoid this peril at all costs. It must not rest on what has been already accomplished, but even in the face of sacrifice reach out in spreading the faith of Christ where it is now either unknown or dormant for the very necessary reason that in this Apostolic age alone may it conserve intact and undimmed the brightness of the faith which has already done so much for the progress of the Church. In the isolated regions where there are scattered populations of Catholics without the ministrations of the priest the zeal of the more favored must assist actively to bring the blessings of the faith to these neglected regions.

In the Philippines, in Porto Rico and in all our outlying possessions, the Church must go, heralded by the missionaries of the English-speaking race who are now called upon by providential design to perform the work which has long been so nobly done by others. It is the time set by divine Providence for this Apostolic undertaking. In the first ages of the Church, when imperial Rome ruled the world and Latin was the universal language, it was the missionaries of the Latin tongue who went forth from Rome and for centuries spread the faith in the countries of Europe. In a later day, when French was the diplomatic language of the nations, France became the missionary country and her sons and daughters have given an example of self-sacrifice and devotion in spreading the faith in foreign lands that is worthy of all emulation.

Time inevitably brings changes. Today the language of the whole Orient is English. The language of diplomatic usage has been succeeded by the language of trade, and from Port Said to the furthestmost point of Japan the language which the people know best next to their own and like best is English. Already Japan is clamoring for English-speaking missionaries and the field which once yielded such a faithful harvest to the apostolic labors of St. Francis Xavier lies ready for cultivation at the hands of English-speaking apostles.

The providential hour of opportunity has struck. We must be up and doing. All indications point to our vocation as a great missionary nation. To be recreant to such a high calling is to abdicate a blessed vantage ground and to undo gradually the good which has already been accomplished in this land by the apostolic zeal of the Church's followers. Our country has already reached out beyond her boundaries and is striving to do a work of extension of American civic ideals for other peoples. Shall it be said that the Church in this land has been outstripped in zeal and energy by the civil power under which we live?

But the call to which every Catholic should hearken has already been sounded. Rome has spoken and in the plenitude of her power has taken us from out the ranks of the mission countries and placed us among the normally organized and developed portions of the Catholic inheritance. She thus indicates to us our plain duty. We are sufficiently developed within to take up the task of evangelizing those who are without. We may depend absolutely upon her judgment in the matter. She has the wisdom of the ages behind her and a way is now lighted before us of spreading far and wide the blessings of the faith which we ourselves enjoy to the neglected populations of our own country and to the millions who are waiting for the sound of our voices to embrace the truth of Christ. She has set the seal of her approval upon this Church Extension Society and the spirit that it stands for. Its purpose and its work are no longer subject to question or cavil. It is an approved institution of the Holy See. It has upon it the blessing of the Holy Father to make it effective and fruitful. The word that comes from Rome must be accepted by all in its entirety and spirit.

The time has come, therefore, for us to take up our high calling, and as a son of the Church, profoundly believing in her sacred mission through the providential instrumentality of the English-speaking race, I am glad to say this word in favor of the Church Extension movement and to bear my message of encouragement to the work which is destined with God's blessing to extend the boundaries of the kingdom of Christ and to keep burning with undimmed lustre the faith and zeal of our people.

The other great address of the evening was made by the Hon. W. Burke Cochran of New York. A message of thanks was sent to the Holy Father and an address was presented to Archbishop Falconio for the encouragement given this first missionary congress.

Among the papers read on the last day was one on "The Layman's Opportunity." Other topics discussed were "Missions as a Unifier," "Our Five Million Immigrants," "The Philippines" and "Obstacles to be Overcome." A stirring address was delivered by Alexander Granger of Kankakee, Ill., who sounded the keynote of the new movement when he declared that the assimilation of various races into one nation was going on in America, and that it could be most effectively forwarded by the Catholic Church.

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