

weary aged person has found relief and consolation. It was for the maintenance of this first mission that Sister M. Leonard (Gargan) and Sister M. Teresa (Cleary) undertook a most laborious task of collecting through the western states, which journey covered nearly seven months and was crowned with most satisfactory results.

Memorable Events.

Hardly a year elapsed when to the universal sorrow of the young community, their revered Founder, Rt. Rev. E. J. Horan, showed indications of a weakened constitution, and too well they understood that they were not long to have their solicitous Founder as their Ecclesiastical Superior. On the 15th of February, 1875, a stroke of paralysis severed the slender cord that bound him to this earth, and the sorrowing Sisters wholly resigned paid their last respectful and loving tributes to their dear departed Father.

Rt. Rev. J. O'Brien, under whose jurisdiction our beloved community then passed, proved an able and worthy successor, always manifesting a deep interest in the progress and various workings of the House of Providence.

At this period Divine Providence came to the community's relief in the procuring of a much needed grant from the Government, through the influence of their ever-generous benefactor, Hon. Wm. Harty, an eminent Canadian statesman, as well as a trustworthy friend of the Institute. He interested the Catholic representative in the Provincial Cabinet, the Hon. C. F. Fraser, and a little later an official visit was made by the Inspector of Charities, which resulted in the obtaining of a \$1,000 grant to the house. In his regular visits the Inspector expressed with delight his utter satisfaction in the yearly improvements made for the comforts of the feeble and the orphans. In 1879 the little community was again called upon to sacrifice its venerated ecclesiastical superior, whose sudden death at Quebec, filled the