

PPR in and Around Toronto

THE CHARITY OF CHRISTMAS.

The Christmas spirit finds its principle vent in charity, not alone that universal love which seeks expression in the "Merry Christmas" with which we greet one another, but that tangible charity which goes forth in gifts to God's little ones. Toronto like every city has its institutions which are always before us, but particularly is this the case at Christmas time. Of these institutions, these which harbor and care for the children, come naturally first. This is especially the season, sacred to childish joy and festivity. This being so the Sacred Heart Orphanage at Sunnyside comes in the premier rank with regard to remembrance from the outside world. The work of this institution is too well known to the Catholics of Toronto to require more than a passing word here. It will be sufficient to say that three hundred children made helped by the kindness of those outside fuel, clothes, provisions, toys, sleighs, skates, candies, books, and last but by no means least, gifts of money will be gratefully accepted by the Sisters in charge. The House of Providence, St. Nicholas' Home for Boys, St. Michael's Hospital, the different conferences of St. Vincent de Paul, the Convent of the Good Shepherds, give a nice choice to all anxious for objects upon which to bestow their Christmas kindness. To many of course no hint is necessary; every year the published lists of benefactors of the different institutions at Christmas show the self-same names. Many who could give never do so merely through thoughtlessness; this little reminder may have the effect of adding a few new names to the roll, and of giving their owners a right to a share in the chorus of prayer that will go out for the benefactors on Christmas morning, and a right, too, to a place in the story of all who have done good things, which will be told by grateful lips to the Divine Child at Bethlehem.

CHANGES IN THE ARCHDIOCESE.

The following changes and transfers have been lately made amongst the priests of the Archdiocese. Rev. Father Jeffcott, late parish priest of St. Aylmer, has been transferred to Adajala, succeeding the late Rev. Father Killen in charge of the churches of Colgan, Achil and Tottenham; Rev. Father Wilson is appointed his assistant. Rev. John McEachern is now parish priest of St. Aylmer; Rev. Father Pinigan, late of Adajala, is now assistant to Rev. Dean Egan of Barrie, and will have charge of Brentwood and other outside missions.

THE LATE MR. JOSEPH CONNOLLY.

The death of Mr. Joseph Connolly, which occurred on Thursday, is amongst the sudden visitations which have come to us so frequently of late. The day previous Mr. Connolly appeared in his usual health. The cause of death was bronchial asthma. The deceased was one of the best known architects in Toronto and perhaps in Ontario. The new churches of St. Paul's and St. Mary's of this city were built under his supervision; he was also architect for the church at Guelph, the Cathedral of London, St. Patrick's, Hamilton, and St. Michael's, the beautiful church just destroyed by fire at Belleville, besides others throughout the province. He was also architect for the new wing of the House of Providence. Mr. Connolly was not alone a specialist in art, he was also a man of fine literary instincts and of superior intelligence. His piety was remarkable and many a moment he found to pay a visit to the Divine Master, reposing on the altars of the churches which he himself built. The people of Toronto may say of him as is inscribed of the great architect Wren in Westminster Abbey, "if his monument you require, look around you." The churches for many a day will tell of his connection with them. Mr. Connolly was a native of Ireland, but came to Canada when a young man; he was in his sixty-fifth year at the time of his death. The funeral took place from his late residence, 67 Henry street, to St. Patrick's church, where Rev. Father Barrett, officiated. The interment took place at St. Michael's Cemetery. Mr. Connolly is survived by two daughters, Miss Connolly and Miss Fanny of Toronto, and one son, Mr. Joseph Connolly of Vancouver, B.C. May he rest in peace.

MR. CHAS. CUSTANCE.

Mr. Charles Custance, who had been an invalid for ten years, died at his late residence, 135 Lippincott street, on Wednesday of last week. Mr. Custance was a native of Huntingtonshire, England, but had been a resident of Toronto for about thirty years, and was well known and respected, especially in St. Patrick's and St. Peter's parishes. The funeral took place on Friday morning from St. Peter's church to St. Michael's Cemetery. Mr. Custance, who was seventy-two years of age, is survived by a grown-up family of six. May he rest in peace.

THE COMING MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

Alderman J. J. Ward is in the field for the office of Controller. Alderman Ward has been long before the public in the municipal life of the city and has worked for every interest that tends to the general good. The best recognition of his work will be the majority that will place him in the chair as city controller for the year. Another candidate for city honors is Mr. J. Mallaney, who intends to run for alderman in Ward 5. Though not a veteran in the political arena, Mr. Mallaney is well known in the city, and this, together with his platform of "public ownership, clean civic government and protection for all classes of labor" will doubtless procure for him a substantial vote at the coming election.

SYMPATHY WITH BELLEVILLE.

The Catholics of Toronto cannot but sympathize deeply with the City of Belleville in the loss of the beautiful church of St. Michael, destroyed on Friday night by fire. The church of massive stone is said to have been a very fine structure and to have contained one of the finest altars in Ontario besides costly and beautiful interior decorations. The

cost, eighty thousand, was only covered by an insurance of twenty thousand. For the people of St. Michael's and for Mons. Farrelly, who built the church, the blow must indeed have been great. There is, however, no doubt but that with their accustomed enterprise the people of Belleville will, in the near future, replace the church by one at least equally fine.

CHARITY OF MR. GOLDWIN SMITH.

Amongst the late charities of Mr. Goldwin Smith is that of his annual gift of one hundred dollars to the work of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

MR. JAMES P. WALSH.

Last week Mr. James P. Walsh died in Hamilton at the residence of his brother-in-law, Mr. E. Myers. Deceased was born in Toronto, but spent his early days in Seaford, leaving home when but a boy. He finally located in Detroit, where he married Miss Sara Lawson of that city, and was for twenty years in the employ of the firm of W. J. Gould as cashier and book-keeper. Two years ago he removed to Holguin, Cuba, with his family, and in August last was stricken with paralysis, which necessitated his return to his mother's home in Toronto. Recovering in some measure, he ventured on a visit to Hamilton, and a mission being in progress there in St. Mary's Cathedral, he attended it, but at its close he contracted a cold, which developed into pneumonia and baffled all that skill and loving hands could do.

Though suffering intensely for ten days, he bore it with a most sublime resignation and had the happiness of being faithfully attended by Rev. Fathers O'Hanley and Ferguson, and receiving from their hands the graces and consolations which our Holy Mother Church grants her children.

Mr. Walsh leaves a widow and two children, Frances and Earnest, to mourn the loss of an exceptionally good husband and father. Mr. Walsh was a member of one of the most respected families of St. Mary's Parish and is survived by his mother, two brothers, Ed. J. Walsh and Louis Walsh, and five sisters, Lizzie, Mary, Maggie, Kate, Ella and an adopted sister Anna.

The funeral took place from his mother's residence, 118 Farley Ave., Toronto, on Saturday morning, Dec. 17th, to St. Mary's church, Bathurst street, where requiem high mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Williams, who also accompanied it to St. Michael's Cemetery and read the prayers at the grave. The pall-bearers were, Messrs. Sylvester Halligan, P. Breen and E. McGrath, cousins, and T. Lynch, W. Kelly and W. Walsh. May he rest in peace.

CATHOLIC YOUNG LADIES' LITERARY ASSOCIATION.

The weekly meeting of this association held on Monday of this week, took the form of a reception by one of its members, Mrs. Herbert Moore, formerly Miss E. Kelly, at her new home, 195 Bloor street east, this being the first occasion on which it had fallen to her turn to entertain the members since her marriage. The association was well represented, amongst those being present being Lady Thompson, honorary member. The literary part of the evening consisted of an interesting paper on Ruskin by Miss Grierson, followed by a discussion in which Miss Ferguson, the leader of this section, Lady Thompson and others took part. The second act of the evening, the introduction by a synopsis of the play up to this point given by Miss O'Donoghue, was then taken up under Mrs. Fulton, B.A. The concluding part of the work was with Parkman, the story leading up to the attack on Fort Duquesne by General Braddock and his men, being told by Miss Hart. The most interesting feature of the evening followed, when in a quite humorous and congratulatory speech Miss O'Donoghue on behalf of the members presented Mrs. Moore with a handsome brass kettle and stand, and Mrs. McCann with a beautiful set of china plates, both of these members having given ever to the members during the summer holidays. The recipients expressed their thanks and pleasure at membership in the association and Mr. Moore the host of the evening, added a few graceful words to those of Mrs. Moore. Readings by Miss Margaret Dunn, piano solos by Miss O'Donoghue and a song by Miss Maud Landry, were all much enjoyed, after which dainty refreshments, amongst them the ever fascinating wedding-cake, just enough "to dream on," were served. The members then dispersed all wishing Mr. and Mrs. Moore many years of happiness in their new home.

CONGRATULATIONS TO PROFESSOR FOWLER.

Professor Fowler of Montreal has just concluded the most unusual feat of celebrating his golden jubilee as organist, and this, too, in the same church, that of St. Patrick's. Few will dispute with Professor Fowler the right to the premier place in the ranks of Dominion organists, and his fame as a composer stands high both at home and abroad. He is also an exceptional interpreter of Celtic Music, all of which places him in direct sympathy with the Catholics of Toronto, who take this opportunity of congratulating him, and wishing him "multos annos" in the work of his heart, and to benefit the many who come under its influence.

THE "MESSIAH" WAS GIVEN.

On Thursday last the "Messiah" given by Professor Torrington and the Festival Chorus, added one more to the many excellent productions of this society, and of the leader in whom Toronto owes much in the way of musical development and enterprise. The story of the "Child that was born, who should be called Wonderful Councillor, the Mighty God and the Prince of Peace," was sung by full throated altos and sweet piped trebles and tenors while the deep low basses accompanied the inspiring drama in its grand message as told by Handel, the prince of Oratorio composers. The orchestra, too, did exquisite work, and while the soloists, to those who had heard the world's greatest in the same numbers were not entrancing, they were still beautiful. Mr. Ruthven McDonald in "Why do the people rage?" scored a triumph which places him with the first of oratorio interpreters.

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MUSIC OF BROTHER SIXTUS JOSEPH.

A Tantum Ergo arranged as a duo or quartette, and an O Salutaris for an equal number of voices in duet or trio, from the pen of Brother Sixtus, has just come under review. Of the former one who has made a study of it, says: "It is a powerful motet, the melody of its cadences lulls the ear with perfect regularity, its line, if one may so speak, is so strong, so intelligent, and so vivid that it is a pleasure to have studied it. The O Salutaris, like most of the other themes of Brother Sixtus, is richly musical while at the same time devotional, and for Church music these would seem to be the most desirable qualities. The music may be had at either of our Catholic book stores."

DEATH OF MR. BERNARD McGROARTY.

Last week Mr. B. McGroarty met his death by being struck by a train on the C.P.R. track at Toronto Junction. A few hours previously he had visited the office of The Catholic Register and had paid two years' subscription, one for the current year and the other in advance. This little act in itself would furnish a key to the independent and honest turn of his mind, and it together with his chance conversation at the office, have left behind him a memory of a man anxious for educational advantages for his family and for an honorable record for himself. A son of the deceased is Mr. McGroarty, who on return from South Africa at the close of the war, was presented with a gold watch by the citizens of Woodbridge. Other members of the family are Michael, who earned a diploma at one of our city business colleges, and the daughters are Mrs. Reidreder and Miss Cassie McGroarty. To these The Catholic Register offers its sincere sympathy in the sudden and grievous loss they have sustained. May he rest in peace.

THE CHRISTMAS MASSES.

At the Cathedral on Christmas morning the first mass at 6 o'clock will be a high mass. The masses following will be at every half hour until 9 o'clock, when His Grace the Archbishop will say the mass and will afterwards pontificate at the solemn high benediction which will also be given. At St. Mary's the masses will be at 6.30, 8.00 and 11 o'clock. At St. Paul's the hours are 6, 7, 8, 9.30 and 11 o'clock; the boys, the Children of Mary, the girls of the school and the choir proper will sing at the different masses. The hours at St. Patrick's are 5.30, 7, 8, 9 and 10; the first and last will be each a high mass. At St. Basil's the first mass, at 5.30, will be followed by masses at intervals of half an hour until the high mass at 10.30. The masses at St. Peter's will be at 7, 8.30 and 10.30. The hours at St. Helen's are 7, 8, 9, with the high mass at 10.30. St. Francis will have a high mass at 6.30 and 10.30. At the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes the masses are at 7, 9 and 10.30.

PERSONAL.

Rev. Dr. Tealy was in Rome for the Jubilee of the Immaculate Conception.

DEATH OF BROTHER ARNOLD.

Many amongst the now men and women of Toronto will mourn a friend of their childhood on learning of the death of Brother Arnold, who died on Saturday at St. Louis, Mo., and whose funeral took place on Tuesday of this week. No name amongst those of the Brothers of the Christian Schools in Canada shines with greater brilliancy as a fervent and capable teacher and director of youth, than that of the now deceased Brother. His whole-souled and genial disposition, combined with his enthusiastic interest in the work of his profession, endeared him to young and old, and in Toronto his memory still lives, to quote a sketch of the times, as "the idol of the school," and the one who did most to place the community of which he was a member on a permanent footing in Toronto and elsewhere. Brother Arnold was a native of Tipperary, Ireland, and came to America at the age of sixteen, arriving in New York in the spring of 1850. After a few years spent in business with an uncle, young William Frewer, for as such he was then known, entered the novitiate of the Brothers in New York. He was shortly afterwards sent to Montreal for further training, and then entered upon his career as a teacher. In Kingston, Montreal and elsewhere he did extraordinary work in the organization and establishment of the schools, and in 1870 bought the house and established the De La Salle Institute of Toronto. He was director here from 1867 to 1878, and for four years previous had been Superior at Toronto. From Toronto he went to St. Anne's, Montreal, where he was Superior for fifteen years. His next and last move was to the College of the Brothers at St. Louis, where he remained until his death. Though troubled with rheumatism for some time, Bro. Arnold was not incapacitated from his work, and was contemplating a change of scene by a residence in the Old Land. In addition to his labors as an educator, Bro. Arnold found time for many outside interests of which perhaps his greatest and best was the establishment of the Father-Matthew Temperance Association, which through his instrumentality became incorporated in our city, and which thirty years ago was in a highly flourishing condition. Bro. Arnold was also a devoted lover of the land of his youth, his patriotism increasing with every year of his exile, and he had often doubtless visited the scenes of his childhood during the contemplated trip to Europe. He was 52 years of age and

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WARD 6

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WARD 6

ORDINATION AT ST. BASIL'S.

Yesterday, Wednesday, Dec. 21st, His Grace Archbishop O'Connor, performed the solemn ceremonies of Ordination at St. Basil's church. Rev. Father Cushing, C.S.B., assisted, and all the priests of the college were present in the sanctuary. Owing to the early hour the congregation was not a large one. Rev. Mr. McCabe of Kingston, and Rev. Mr. Brunel of Fenfangshene, were raised to the priesthood, and Mr. Fitzgerald, Ottawa, was made deacon; Messrs. McGrath of Scranton, Carr of Oshawa, and Sullivan of Scranton, subdeacons; Mr. Golden of Scranton, received Tonsure, and Mr. Byrne, Scranton, Minor Orders.

MRS. O'MEARA.

Amongst the recent deaths is that of Mrs. Ellen O'Meara, of 730 Queen street west, which took place on Monday last. Mrs. O'Meara was in her 73rd year. The funeral took place on Wednesday from St. Mary's Church to Mount Hope Cemetery. May she rest in peace.

CHARLES GALLAGHER.

Charles Gallagher, who died suddenly on Monday at his late residence, 14 Turner avenue, was a well known and long-time resident of Newmarket before coming to Toronto. The funeral took place on Wednesday morning from St. Mary's church to Mount Hope Cemetery. R.I.P.

DEATH OF MRS. ROBSON.

The death of Mrs. Margaret Robson, widow of the late Frederick G. Robson, took place on Monday of this week. The funeral took place from the residence of her son, 270 Bathurst street, on Tuesday, to St. Mary's church, thence to St. Michael's Cemetery. R.I.P.

THE CANADIAN NORTHWEST

HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS

Any even numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or in North-west Territories, excepting 2 and 28, which has not been homesteaded, or reserved to provide wood lots for settlers, or for other purposes, may be homesteaded under any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section of 160 acres, more or less.

ENTRY

Entry may be made personally at the local land office in the District in which the land to be taken is situated, or if the homesteader desires he may, on application to the Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, or the Local Agent for the district in which the land is situated, receive authority for some one to make entry for him. A fee of \$10 is charged for a homestead entry.

HOMESTEAD DUTIES

A settler who has been granted an entry for a homestead is required by the provisions of the Dominion Lands Act and the amendments thereto to perform the conditions connected therewith, under one of the following plans:

(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year during the term of three years.

(2) If the father (or mother, if the father is deceased) of any person who is eligible to make a homestead entry under the provisions of this Act, resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for by such person as a homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother.

(3) If a settler was entitled to and has obtained entry for a second homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by residence upon the first homestead, if the second homestead is in the vicinity of the first homestead.

(4) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead the requirements of this Act as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land.

The term "vicinity" used above is meant to indicate the same township or an adjoining or cornering township.

A settler who avails himself of the provisions of Clauses (2), (3) or (4) must cultivate 30 acres of his homestead, or substitute 30 head of stock, with buildings for their accommodation, and have besides 30 acres substantially fenced.

The privilege of a second entry is restricted by law to those settlers only who completed the duties upon their first homesteads to entitle them to patent on or before the 2nd June, 1889.

Every homesteader who fails to comply with the requirements of the homestead law is liable to have his entry cancelled, and the land may be again thrown open for entry.

APPLICATION FOR PATENT

Should be made at the end of the three years, before the Local Agent, Sub-Agent or the Homestead Inspector. Before making application for patent the settler must give six months' notice in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa of his intention to do so.

INFORMATION

Newly arrived immigrants will receive at the Immigration Office in Winnipeg, or at any Dominion Lands Office in Manitoba or the North-west Territories information as to the lands that are open for entry, and from the officers in charge, free of expense, advice and assistance in securing lands to suit them. Full information respecting the land, timber, coal and mineral laws, as well as respecting Dominion Lands in the Railway Belt in British Columbia, may be obtained upon application to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa; the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, Manitoba; or to any of the Dominion Lands Agents in Manitoba or the North-west Territories.

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