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THE POPE MUST BE FREE.

The Duke of Norfolk, the leading Catholic layman of England, who gave great offense in that country some time ago when he publicly expressed a wish for the restoration of the temporal power of the Papacy, has again voiced that desire. Leading a delegation of British Catholics to the chair of Peter to congratulate the Pope on his pontifical jubilee, the Duke said a few days ago in a most devoted address to the Holy Father:

"We cannot forget the noble series of encyclicals in which you have regulated the affairs of the Church with the kingdoms of the world, while strenuously asserting that independence of the Holy See which Catholics throughout the world will never cease to claim."

The supreme Bishop of the Church of Christ must not be the subject of any king or other civil potentate—he must be free from political control, so as to exercise impartially and completely his religious duties as the Common Father of Christendom.

The Kings of Piedmont may call themselves Kings of Italy, but in Rome they are and ever will be sacrilegious usurpers. That city was given by Divine Providence to be the See of Peter and in it by right the Pope and he alone is King!—Catholic Columbian.

OBITUARY.

OTTO J. MCKEON, WINDSOR.

On Saturday last, March the 28th there took place in St. Alphonsus' church, Windsor, the funeral of Otto McKeon, one of Windsor's most promising young men. The deceased was the eldest son of Denis and Mary McKeon, and at the time of his death was a student in St. Michael's College, Toronto, where he was highly esteemed by his Professors and greatly beloved by all his school companions. His fellow class mates sent a beautiful floral design to his bereaved parents as a souvenir of their love and affection for their late companion. The funeral High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Tiernan, P. P., of Mount Carmel, assisted by Rev. Father Albert McKeon, P. P., of St. Columban church, Irishtown, as deacon, and Rev. Father Peter McKeon, P. P. of St. Mary's church, London as subdeacon. These three Rev. Fathers were very near relations of the deceased—Father Tiernan being his grand uncle, Father Albert McKeon, his uncle and Rev Peter McKeon his first cousin. Very Rev. Father Marijohn of Toronto Provincial of the Basilian order in this country, was seated in the sanctuary, together with the esteemed Pastor of St. Alphonsus' Church, Rev. Father Meunier. Rev. Father Downey, of Windsor acted as master of ceremonies. The pall-bearers were six former school-mates of the deceased, whose names are as follows: Allan Northwood, Bernard Mooney, Albert Miller, William Miller, Percy Dodd and John McLean. The singing of the choir during Mass was very grand and solemn and made a lasting impression upon the large congregation assembled. R. I. P.

MR. MICHAEL KILLORAN, DOWNIE.

The death occurred at the city hospital, Stratford, on March 7th, of Mr. Michael Killoran, of the Gore of Downie.

Deceased was a farmer well and favorably known in the township, and was taken from his home to Stratford hospital on Feb 2nd last, suffering from typhoid fever. At first his illness assumed a favorable aspect; the disease was thought to be of a mild form; but, while the trusting wife and four little ones were picturing the happiness of his return home, gradually the constitution of the once stalwart man was becoming undermined; ailments of the heart set in and death ensued early Saturday morning, March 7th.

Mr. Killoran was a man universally respected by all creeds and classes. The son of good Catholic parents he was himself a model Christian husband and father, and had by his energy and steady habits placed his family in comfortable circumstances. Among his friends and neighbors he will be much missed, his true friendliness and hearty jovial manner rendering him a desirable associate. Besides his widow and four little children he leaves to mourn his loss, his aged father, Mr. James Killoran, two brothers, James and Thomas, and three sisters Mrs. J. Patterson, Stratford; Mrs. O'Flaherty, Duluth, and Miss Lucy at home. To these relatives we extend our heartfelt sympathy, but especially to Mrs. Killoran our heart goes out, she having lost by death a dear sister on the same day that her husband was removed to the hospital.

The funeral of Mr. Killoran was conducted from his home in Downie to St. Mary's Church on Monday morning, March 9, where a Requiem High Mass was sung by Rev. Father Brennan. The music and singing under the leadership of the new organist, Miss Moore, was especially fine on this occasion. The procession, a very long one, then proceeded to the cemetery where interment took place.

May his soul rest in peace!

MR. JOHN MCGUIRE, HASTINGS

Died, in Percy township, Cobourg Road, John McGuire, aged thirty-eight years, seven months and nine days, eldest son of the late Patrick McGuire. He was born in Percy township, where he resided during his life. Although ailing for a long time he was only a few hours seriously ill prior to his death. He was of a quiet disposition and a model of manhood. He was a member of the Catholic Church. The funeral took place on Monday, Mass being celebrated by the Rev. Father McGuire, parish priest of St. Mary's church. Interment took place in the Catholic cemetery.

May his soul rest in peace!

MRS. MARY MCMULLEN, FLINT.

"There are kind words murmured by dear, dear lips,
Far richer than any other,
But the sweetest one we shall ever hear,
Is the loving name of mother."

Those are the sentiments that fill the hearts of the family of Mrs. Mary McMullen, who has been taken away from the children and home she loved with all the intensity of her warm, affectionate heart. No truer mother and none more truly beloved than she, ever lived. Home was her kingdom and she sought no other pleasure than those her happy household afforded. Her presence in the family circle was always a benediction, the sunshine that radiated from her beautiful soul warming and brightening all around her. She was ever ready to join in all innocent pleasures with the family and never failed to enter into the spirit of everything that was of interest to her loved ones. She was passionately fond of flowers and was a lover of music and everything that was beautiful.

Mrs. McMullen's last illness began in October and for nearly six months she suffered the most agonizing pain, and yet through all was cheerful and happy whenever short intervals of relief came to her. She never lost hope that she would be spared even for a few years in the twilight of her peaceful life, to enjoy the home and family she loved so dearly, but God did not will it so. Her soul passed peacefully away at her home, 625 Detroit street, on Wednesday morning, March 18, leaving a rich legacy to her children, a noble example of a mother's duty faithfully performed.

Mrs. McMullen was born in Wexford, Ireland, sixty-seven years ago, coming to this country with her parents when quite young and locating in Cayuga, Ontario, where she lived until eighteen years ago, when she removed to Flint with her son, James A. McMullen, at present ticket agent in the service of the Père Marquette in Ionia, and her daughters, Mrs Dr. W. C. Kelly and Miss Suzie, of this city.

Her husband having died when her youngest child was yet an infant, a time when a father's assistance is so much needed, the whole responsibility devolved upon the good mother, who proved herself a fitting one to fill the important place God had chosen for her. What patience, tenderness and depth of silent affection lay in the inmost soul of this noble woman were best known to the members of her own household. The chief object of her life was to promote the spiritual and temporal welfare of her children, who have great cause to remember with deepest gratitude, the dear mother who brightened their lives and prepared them for life's duties. The golden anchorage of a household, so strongly woven with faith, trust and love has been broken. She has said farewell to all, but her sweet memory will hover like an angel around her family and be a guiding influence. God left her till her work was done and now He has taken her to receive her reward for faithful service. Our faith tells us she is in heaven, but she is not with her family and God will not blame them for grieving for her, yet we think we can hear her whisper:

My dearest, I know that you would not break,
If you could, my slumber and have me wake,
For though life was filled with the joys that bless,
I have never till now known true happiness.

The beautiful faith she brought with her from her native land burned brightly through her whole life, making it a most edifying one. Even at the close, after consciousness had apparently gone, she still whispered the sweet names of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.

Her funeral was held from St. Michael's Friday morning at 10 o'clock, Rev. Father Murphy officiating.

May her soul rest in peace!

MR. JOHN BARRY, DORNOCH.

Many were the hearts filled with sadness when on Thursday morning, March 12, announcement was made of the death of Mr. John Barry. Although the deceased had been ill for about six weeks, having contracted a heavy cold, which finally settled on his lungs, still none thought the end so near. The best medical skill had been procured and all that loving kindness could prompt or suggest was being done to restore the sufferer to health and strength. But in the designs of Almighty Providence his earthly sojourn was fast drawing to a close, and at an early hour Thursday morning, surrounded by his family and many relatives and friends, he passed peacefully away. To mourn the loss of a most loving and beloved husband and father, are left a wife and eight children—six girls and two boys.

The deceased was but forty-six years of age and had spent every year of that time in Dornoch, where by his bright, cheerful, genial disposition and exemplary life he had endeared himself to the hearts of all who knew him. He was ever a most earnest and zealous worker in all affairs of school and Church, and particularly will his loss be felt in the choir, of which he was for years a most able and efficient member.

The constant stream of visitors who called to view the remains and the large number in attendance at the funeral, which took place in Dornoch, Saturday morning, was a silent testimony of the great respect felt for the deceased. Requiem High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Father Buckley, Owen Sound, in St. Paul's Church, Dornoch, after which the mortal remains of deceased were amidst sadness and sorrow committed to their last long resting place in mother earth. The pall-bearers were Messrs J. S. Ledingham, John Morrison, B. Wright, M. Coffield, T. Moran and P. Coffey.

May his soul rest in peace!

MISS MARGUERITE CLEARY, PETERBOROUGH.

The angel of death has again visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Cleary, Stuart street, Peterborough, this time calling to the Eternal Father's Home their youngest child, Marguerite, a sweet little girl of three years and five months.

MRS WILLIAM TEAHEN, DOWNIE.

The death of Etta Helena, beloved wife of William Teahen, on March 13th, of brain fever cast a gloom over the whole community and brought grief and sadness to her once happy home. Deceased was aged twenty-seven years, and was married but four years ago to her now sorrowing husband. During her short illness all that the best medical skill and tender nursing could do was accomplished, but without avail. She bore her sufferings with patience and resignation, and was fortified by the rites of the Holy Mother Church, being visited several times during her illness by her pastor, the Rev. Father Brennan. She was a loving wife and exemplary mother, loving God and doing with cheerfulness the duties of her state of life. Dark indeed is the home from which so much sunshine is taken and dimmed with tears will be the eyes that look in vain for her. Besides her husband and two dear little girls aged one and two years, she leaves her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs Con. McNamara, gore of Downie, two brothers, Frank and Joseph, and one sister Jessie, at home and Mrs. John Connolly, Kennicott, Logan. The funeral proceeded, on March 15th, from her late home to St. Mary's Catholic church where the Rev. Father Brennan performed very feelingly to the deceased. The funeral cortege thence proceeded to the St. Mary's cemetery, where all that was mortal of an affectionate wife and mother were laid to rest. The late Mrs. Teahen was a former pupil of Loretto Academy, Stratford, where she was well and favorably known. Of your charity, dear readers, pray for her soul.

MR. JOHN O'HARA, MOUNT CARMEL.

A death which occasioned widespread regret in Mount Carmel parish was that of Mr John O'Hara, who, after a long illness, peacefully passed away at his residence on Thursday, Feb. 19th. All that loving friends and medical skill could do was done but to no avail. Deceased was seventy-eight years of age, and was a native of Mayo, Ireland, came to Canada about fifty-five years ago, and took residence in Dundas where he remained about five years, then moving to McGillivary where he has since resided. About forty years ago he married Catharine Carey, who died about five years ago. He leaves to mourn his loss nine loving children, namely, John, Joseph, Margaret and Mary at home; Peter, Patrick, Matthew of Cleveland Richard of Milwaukee; Bridget of Mount Clements and Catharine of Toronto. All who had the privilege of the acquaintance of the late Mr John O'Hara admire him for his many good qualities of mind and heart. His life was one of continual self-sacrifice and unselfish devotion to his family. Indeed it can be truly said that his charity was everywhere felt. He will be greatly missed, but at home especially. The sorrowing family have the heartfelt sympathy of the whole community. The funeral took place on Saturday morning and was largely attended by his numerous friends. R. I. P.

MRS. MARY FLEMING, DUNDAS, ONT.

Mrs. Mary, widow of the late Patrick Fleming, died on Thursday, March 19th, after a lingering illness borne with patience, cheerfulness and resignation.

With her mother, three brothers and two sisters, she immigrated to Ancaster during the terrible famine year of 1847. She was born in the parish of Kilfain, Co. Mayo, adjacent to a district that had been hallowed by the footprints of St. Patrick. Croagh Patrick, a promontory where he spent an entire Lent in the most rigorous fasting and prayer, and where he besought God, in tears and agony, to preserve the Irish in the fulness of the faith, and to give into his custody their fate at the judgment day, was situated a short distance from her home. She seemed to have imbibed from the very atmosphere an undying attachment to the faith which Patrick preached. All the old devotions to the Rosary, St. Joseph, the Blessed Virgin and Souls in Purgatory, she practiced all her life. During the early days, subsequent to her arrival, her faith was assailed and bitterly maligned. By her modest, retiring and unostentatious demeanor she disarmed prejudice, elicited the admiration and won the affection of even her non-Catholic neighbors. Many of her most ardent friends were found amongst Protestants.

She was a faithful wife, a loving mother, a charitable neighbor, a wise counsellor, and a devout Catholic. She labored to impart a sound, healthy and virile Christianity to all her children. Their secular education was by no means neglected, for she educated one son for the priesthood, two for medical doctors, and the others were not overlooked. Many were the sacrifices which she, ably assisted by her late husband, endured in order that the social and spiritual condition of her children might be promoted. She was passionately attached to her home, which she adorned by the practise of all the Christian virtues. She threw around the home an aroma of love, the memory of which will be cherished from generation to generation.

Although many of her children were long separated from her they ever retained an ardent attachment to the old home which sheltered them in the days of their childhood. With the help of God she children will never cease to practice the lessons of Christian piety they learned from her lips, but more especially from her life.

She is survived by nine children, three of whom reside near Guelph, one in Galt, one in Ancaster, one in the homestead, one in Boston, and two in Lawrence, Mass.

We earnestly ask the prayers of your many readers for the happy repose of her soul. We also wish to extend to our numerous friends our sincere gratitude for the heartfelt sympathy extended to us in our sad bereavement.

VERONICA MCFARLANE BOBCAYGEON.

The death of Veronica McFarlane, of Bobcaygeon, has cast a gloom over the entire community. She was the second eldest daughter of Mr. McFarlane, at present lockmaster at Lovesick, but for years proprietor and still owner of the Clarendon House, one of the best known summer resorts on the famous Kawartha Lakes. Miss McFarlane was a great favorite among her numerous friends, not alone in Young's Point, where she was born and lived until recently, but every place she went she found hosts of admiring friends, attracted by her genuine goodness and nobleness of heart. To know her was to admire and esteem her. If purity, frankness, honor and piety, together with many natural and acquired accomplishments are passports to every honest heart, and win and retain friends on every side, we are not surprised at the unusual number who sought to win her favor or enjoy her company. But while ever kind and cheerful, never wounding by an uncharitable word, or displeasing by an angry look, she was first at the call of duty, in her home, where she was the idol of fond parents in her humble and unpretentious parish church, of which she was a faithful and respected member, and to maintain and beautify which she labored so hard and earnestly, at concerts and picnics, in fact everything which tended to improve the House of God, or advance the spiritual interests of those among whom she lived. Nor did any selfishness or love of praise actuate her ordinary motives. They were prompted by the purest and sincerest desires of doing good, irrespective of any gratitude or earthly reward she might receive. No sacrifice was too great, no labor too hard, no engagement's too sacred to stand between her and the faithful fulfilment of her religious duties, so that when the sad hour came when she was to bid a long farewell to those she loved so tenderly, and who left nothing undone to prolong a life so sweet so gentle and lovable she faced death with the calm resignation of one conscious of the great reward which God has in store for those who love Him and keep His Commandments. May that reward be hers, and may the knowledge of her virtuous and innocent life be a source of comfort and consolation to her grief-stricken parents and sorrowing family friends!

MR. AND MRS. THOMAS CLEAR, DEREHAM ONT.

Two aged and highly esteemed residents of Dereham—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Clear—passed away to their eternal reward, within a few days of each other, after a short illness with pneumonia. Mr. Clear died on the 22nd February, in the eighty fourth year of his age, and his funeral took place from the family homestead, Dereham, to the Sacred Heart church, Ingersoll, on the morning of the 24th. High Mass of Requiem was celebrated by the parish priest, Rev. John Connolly. In the course of his sermon he referred very feelingly to Mr. Clear's lifelong devotion to duty, and to his sterling Irish faith manifested in life's trials and difficulties. This same faith would assuredly be his reward in eternity.

In the afternoon of the 24th Mr. Clear's beloved life partner joined him in eternity. Her funeral also took place to the same church, and her remains were placed in the family plot in the cemetery beside her husband.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Clear had the happiness of being fortified with the last solemn rites of Holy Church from the hands of their parish priest, on the same occasion.

They came from the County Tipperary, Ireland, with their relatives, in the year 1844, and were married in Hamilton in 1846. After a residence of two years in the Ambitious City, they moved to Dereham, settling on the farm where they resided until their death. By strict honesty and perseverance they were successful in obtaining a comfortable home and had the happiness of seeing their children grow up to be useful members of society and good, practical Catholics.

Six children survive—four daughters and two sons: Mrs. Jeremiah Howe, Mrs. John Howe, London; Mrs. James Shannon, Miss Clear, Dereham; Patrick and Thomas Clear. There are also thirteen grandchildren and one greatgrandchild.

May their souls rest in peace!

SYDNEY'S GRAND OLD MAN.

GRATEFUL TRIBUTE TO REV. JAMES QUINAN FOR DEVOTION TO THE CAUSE OF EDUCATION.

Sydney Daily Post, March 18.

The Academy Record would be lacking in its duty if it failed to join the nearly congratulations which are being tendered Rev. James Quinan, on the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination, Ad Multos Annos. This auspicious event occurred on Thursday, the 12th inst., which by the way, is known in Church history as St. Gregory's Day. To the editors and readers of the Academy Record the name of Father Quinan has every reason to be cherished. He was Commissioner of Schools from 1860 to 1876. He encouraged literary taste by giving a handsome award every year since 1897 for the best essay on some set subject. By his tact and sound judgment he helped to "make smooth" the secular school law of the province, which at the time, was not all that was acceptable to himself or his co-religionists; but in no way, perhaps, has he proved to be a genuine friend and benefactor of the great cause of education than in his kindly words of appreciation and encouragement of the Sydney School teachers.

Father Quinan was born in Halifax, of Irish parentage, A. D. 1826, the year after the granting of Catholic Emancipation. He attended school in his native city, and from there went to St. Andrew's College, P. E. I. He finished his education in the Quebec Catholic Seminary where he was ordained March 12th, 1853. He took charge of the parish of Sydney in 1853, and continued until October 1900, when he resigned, finding his strength unequal to the work which the duties towards his now greatly increased congregation demanded. During his pastorship the Church of the Sacred Heart, the Convent of the Holy Angels, and other edifices are evidences of his apostolic energy and zeal.

It does not come within the scope of our observations at the present time to deal with the work of Father Quinan in his priestly office during the long period of forty-seven years. Suffice it to say, for the past half century of his ministerial labors Sydney has known many trials and vicissitudes, all of which he shared. He has seen it rise from an obscure village to its present state of prosperity, with abundant promise of being one of the great cities of the world. Indeed, the life of Rev. James Quinan would be the history of Sydney; and let us hope some gifted pen will become inspired to do justice to the worthy theme.

Ever faithful in the performance of the onerous duties of his sacred calling,—public spirited when occasion called,—a devoted lover of his country,—simple in his habits, gentle in his manner,—fond of books, charitable—if all this, said of him, by those who know him well, be true, is he not one of nature's noblemen whose influence and example for good must be far-reaching in this alas! too mercenary, selfish and sordid age of ours.

There is little danger that the name and benevolent acts of such a man will fade from our memories. The sea-encroaching piers, the tall chimneys, "the cloud capped towers, the gorgeous palaces; the solemn temples shall leave not a rack behind," but the virtues of the just shall live on through generations. So may it be with Sydney's Grand Old Man.—Ithuriel, in Sydney Academy Record.

C. O. F.

SACRED HEART COURT NO. 201.

The semi-monthly meeting of Sacred Heart Court No. 201, coming on the feast of Ireland's national saint, presented the opportunity to this court of having a patriotic evening in connection with the regular work, and as a consequence a social evening of high order was participated in.

Invitations to be present had been sent out to the different courts, and were very generally accepted.

The energetic Chief Ranger of the court, Bro. A. McC. Kerr, was chairman, and he was ably assisted by Prov. Trustee Malloy and Rec. Sec. Vogel.

Addresses were given by Prov. Trustee Malloy and D. H. C. R. Loftus.

In the course of his remarks Prov. Trustee Malloy gave a resume of Prov. Court meeting lately held in Ottawa, and proved conclusively that the officers of Prov. Court are allowing no opportunity to pass, whereby the membership in the Province, both morally, physically and numerically, may be increased.

In concluding his remark he expressed the hope that Catholic Forestry, which had shown such marked gain during the past year in the city of Toronto, would continue to improve.

D. H. C. R. Loftus delivered a very patriotic address, on the present aspect of self government for Ireland and as he pictured the benefits to be derived from the Land Purchase Bill by the Irish people, enthusiasm lost all restraint, and he was cheered to the echo.

Master Robbie Kerr, the twelve year old son of the Chief Ranger, gave several Irish selections on the piano. Though a child in years, Master Robbie gives great promise of some day being a master of the art.

Refreshments and soft drinks were passed to those present and St. Patrick's evening passed almost too quickly.

Amongst those present from sister courts were: Bro. J. F. Strickland, Chief Ranger, St. Helen's Court; Bro. M. F. Morgan, late Pro. Organizer, Bro. J. T. Loftus, and others.

THE D'YOUVILLE READING CIRCLE.

Ottawa, March, 16, 1903.

In order that the members might be free to attend the St. Patrick's concert on Tuesday evening the D'Youville Reading Circle held its regular meeting on Monday.

Educationists the world over are beginning to realize that purely secular education is not the best means to prepare a child for complete living. Quite recently a council of seventy assembled in Chicago to discuss this subject. The Catholic Church has always insisted on the need of moral training and religious instruction for the young. Many outside the Church claim that moral training is all that is required. It is a difficult matter to give this moral training without religious instruction.

On the eve of 17th of March we might well turn our attention to the Emerald Isle and consider the Irish Land Bill. There seem always to have been agrarian difficulties in Ireland. The Land Bill proposes to settle these forever by allowing the tenants to buy the land from the landowners and pay for it in yearly instalments. A meeting has been held, at which both landlords and tenants were present and both parties were satisfied with the conditions of the Land Bill. With the strong sympathy of King Edward and of Mr. Balfour the Land Bill is almost certain to become law. When the land question is once settled other reforms will surely follow. Irishmen may be joyful on March 17th, 1903, in the firm hope that a bright day for Erin is at hand.

Attention was called to several articles in the current numbers of the Messenger, the Catholic World and the Dolphin. Catholic Truth Society pamphlets were distributed. Some very precious little books have come from the English Truth Society. Each deals with the life and chief paintings of one of the great painters, as Michael Angelo, or Raphael. The books are small and inexpensive but are just what the busy reader wants in order that he may know something of the world's greatest painters. Dr. Barrie's Popes of the Middle Ages was the book of a studious nature reviewed. Dr. Barrie's style is clear and bold and he tells us the plain truth. His book deals with a period of history that presents many difficulties to the student. Circumstances forced these Popes to become political as well as religious leaders. This period is often discussed and it is well to know where to find the truth about it. The work supposes much careful study and research on the part of the author and we shall treasure it as a book of reference. Lovey Mary, by the author of Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch, was noted. While both these books are entertaining for the moment, it is doubtful whether they will ever find a place among the literary masterpieces of the world. We have to admire Mrs. Wiggs' sunny nature, by means of which she looked at life through "rose colored spectacles," but we fail to find anything spiritual about her views of poverty and suffering. If some member of the St. Vincent de Paul Society or some little Sister of the Poor, in our large cities, were to write his or her experiences we should know the poor as they really are. Much true heroism and pathos would be revealed. But such men and women do not write of their experiences. They work for other aims.

Our literary study followed. We find ourselves passing gradually from the first to the second R—from Renaissance to Reformation. Luther in Germany and Henry VIII. in England were the immediate causes of the Reformation in their respective countries, but for the remote cause we must go much farther back. Just at this time the Church summoned the Council of Trent, which made many reforms in discipline. Students had abused the privilege of freedom of speech in the great universities. Dr. Barrie's book will show us the part taken by the Popes of this time in religious and temporal matters.

All eyes have been turned Romeward during the past few weeks when our Holy Father has been celebrating his jubilee, and it seems but right that we should pay him our tribute. We owe many, many things to Pope Leo. Whenever any social or religious problem has agitated men's minds Leo has written one of his encyclicals—inspired solutions of the world's ills. He has encouraged many devotions dear to the Catholic heart. That sweet devotion to the Sacred Heart of Our Lord has spread until now every parish has its League. Then the whole Catholic world has been placed under the protection of the Holy Family in one grand consecration. In his spare moments the Holy Father has given us some poetic treasures. They were written in Latin, but Father Henry of Philadelphia has made a clever translation of them. Pope Leo's career has been characterized by a calmness of deliberation and a firmness of purpose that have placed him in a most exalted position in the eyes of all men, regardless of creed. And yet this great Pope is a prisoner in the Vatican.

The meeting closed with the reading of a paragraph from the pen of Father Sheehan, who contributes each month to The Dolphin. Father Sheehan is surely a true scientist. Every subtle beauty of nature appeals to his aesthetic soul, but he never stops with mere admiration of the beautiful. His mind always reverts to the origin of that beauty, and while under its spell he gives us some most beautiful meditations.

Mr. John Francis Waters, M. A. will deliver a lecture on Chas. Dickens, on March 25th.

BERNADETTE DOWDALL.

A GOOD INSTITUTION.

The St. John's Industrial School at Blantyre, East Toronto, is an institution about which the Catholics of Ontario ought to have more knowledge than they at present possess. The knowledge of the work of this institution is chiefly confined to a few people in the city of Toronto, and yet there are in the institution boys from all parts of the province. The school was organized under the authority of "The Industrial Schools Act" of Ontario, which gives power to a public or Separate School Board, to a philanthropic society or other citizens to build and equip an industrial school at their own expense, and if such buildings and equipment are found suitable, any person may bring before a magistrate a child under the age of fourteen years who answers to any of the following descriptions, and the magistrate may in his own discretion commit such a child to an industrial school:

(a) Who is found begging or receiving alms, or being in any street or public place for the purpose of begging or receiving alms;

(b) Who is found wandering, and not having any home or settled place of abode or proper guardianship, or not having any lawful occupation or business, or visible means of subsistence;

(c) Who is found destitute, either being an orphan or having a surviving parent who is undergoing penal servitude or imprisonment;

(d) Whose parent, step-parent or guardian represents to the Judge or Magistrate that he is unable to control the child and that he desires the child to be sent to an Industrial School under this Act;

(e) Who by reason of the neglect, drunkenness or other vices of the parents is suffered to be growing up without salutary parental control and education, or in circumstances exposing him to lead an idle and dissolute life;

(f) Who has been found guilty of petty crime, and who, in the opinion of the Judge or Magistrate before whom he has been convicted, should be sent to an industrial school instead of a gaol or reformatory;

(g) Who (being a child between eight and fourteen years of age) has been expelled from school for vicious and immoral conduct.

There are two industrial schools for boys in the Province—Victoria Industrial school at Mimico, to which the children of Protestant parents may be committed, and St. John's Industrial school at East Toronto, to which the children of Catholic parents may be committed. The latter institution, which has been in existence seven years, is carrying on a very good work. During that time one hundred and eight boys have been committed to the school, forty-seven of whom yet remain, and it is hoped permanent benefits have been derived by those who have passed through the school. Undoubtedly all the boys have been improved in education during the time of their stay at the school, and must have benefited morally by the influence, training and example of the Christian Brothers, under whose charge the institution is.

A child's maintenance at an industrial school is paid for at the rate of $2 per week by the municipality from which the child is committed. This is supplemented by 10 cents per day from the Government, making in all $2.70 per week. This seems to be a fair amount to pay for a boy's board, but it has to cover all the expense of his maintenance, board, clothes, school books, repairs to building, additions to equipment, etc. If it were not that the Toronto Separate School Board pay teachers' salaries, and that there is no rent to pay—the building and grounds having been purchased out of the archiepiscopal funds—the fees received for boys' maintenance would not be sufficient to meet all expenses. One obstacle that has stood in the way of the industrial schools being of as much benefit as they might be is that the municipality from which the child is committed has to pay so large a proportion of the cost of maintenance. In many districts local opinion, as represented by county and township councils, is strongly against placing upon municipalities the liability of $104.00 per year for each incorrigible boy in the neighborhood. Naturally this has an influence on magistrates, and sometimes children under thirteen years of age are either committed to a reformatory, which is contrary to law, or are allowed to remain in their evil surroundings until old enough and bad enough to be committed to a reformatory.

At St. John's Industrial School the younger boys attend class every day and receive lessons the same as in an ordinary school. The older boys attend class for one-half of each day and for the other half receive some technical instruction. They are taught elementary branches of shoe making, carpentering and tailoring, and also work in the large kitchen-garden in connection with the institution. The idea sought to be illustrated is, that a boy's habits and morals can be improved by giving him a share of education and by teaching him at least the rudiments of some useful occupation or trade, all this to be accompanied by religious instruction. What is required by young people who are falling into bad habits. They must have something to occupy their minds and hold their attention. If that something is not innocent or useful it will be evil, and the old adage about "satan finding mischief for idle hands to do" is just as true to-day as ever.

One very excellent feature of this institution is that the boys are not compelled to wear a distinctive uniform. A uniform, when worn by inmates of an institution such as this, has a degrading effect. It impresses upon visitors, and upon the boys themselves, the fact that their liberty is restricted; that they are prisoners.

The boys have all sorts of games—baseball and football in the summer and skating in the winter, also dominoes, checkers, etc.—and a small collection of books which serve for winter evenings. Brother Orbanus, who is Superintendent of the school, has had a long experience of teaching in the schools of Toronto and seems to thoroughly understand boy nature. There are no high walls nor barred windows, no uniforms worn by the boys, no gaolers, and as far as appearances go this might be an ordinary boarding school with no more restrictions on the liberty of the inmates. It is not possible that all these boys turn out well, but while in the school they are surrounded by good influences and have good example, and they are being educated in manliness and self-respect and are acquiring a degree of self-confidence that must tend to make them better boys and better men of the future.

Besides the industrial schools for boys there are two industrial schools for girls in Toronto, one Catholic and one Protestant. This work of the industrial schools is part of a general scheme for the assistance and improvement of the young people of our country, and what work of reform can be more encouraging? Men and women who have for some years lived an evil life and are confirmed in habits of vice and crime are very difficult to reclaim, but the young children, whose condition in most cases is not at all their own fault, respond to kind treatment and isolation from their former surroundings.

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SMITHS' FALLS.

A very fair gathering of the members of Branch 81, Smiths' Falls, and their friends took place at the branch hall on Friday, 20th inst., the occasion being the presentation of an address, accompanied by a handsome gold locket to Brother C. J. Higgins of the Bell Telephone Co., who has been promoted to a more responsible position in Calgary, N. W. T. Brother Higgins has resided in Smiths' Falls for about four years. He was Recording Secretary of Branch 81 for a year.

Brother Higgins will leave a void in Branch 81 that will be difficult to fill. He will be particularly missed at the many social gatherings of the branch, the success of which was due in a great measure to his efforts and ability.

After the address and presentation, Brother Higgins replied in a very feeling manner expressing his regret at parting from so many kind friends, and thanking them for their very encouraging words and the accompanying gift.

Short addresses were given by the President, W. J. Sutherland, D. Halpin, M. Ryan, W. J. Ferguson of the Smith's Falls World, Class Rev. Luke King, travelling agent of the CATHOLIC RECORD.

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EASTER HOLIDAY TRIP.—The Grand Trunk will issue round trip tickets between all stations in Canada, at Single First Class Fare, good going Thursday April 9th, to Monday April 13th, inclusive, and valid for return until Tuesday, April 14th, 1903. Splendid trains and perfect road-bed, insure a comfortable trip. Particulars and tickets from any Agent.

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MARKET REPORTS.

LONDON.

London, April 2.—Dairy Produce—Eggs per doz., 10½ to 12½c; butter, best roll, 21 to 22c; butter best crocks, 19 to 21c; butter, creamery, 22 to 24c; honey, strained, per lb. 10 to 12c.; honey, in comb, 12c. to 13c.; maple syrup, per gallon, $1.20 to $1.25; maple sugar, per lb, 8½ to 10c.

Grain, per cental—Wheat, new (good) $1.20; oats, per bental 90 to 92c; corn, $1.00 to $1.10; barley, 95 to $1.00; peas, $1.25 to $1.40 rye, 95 to 99; buckwheat $1.00 to $1.10.

Meat—Pork, per cwt., $8.50 to $8.80; pork, by the lb. 9 to 10.; beef, by the quarter, $6.00 to $7.00; veal, $7 to $8; mutton, by the carcass, $6.00 to $8.00; lamb by carcass 9½ to 10c, lamb, by quarter 10½ to 11½c.

Poultry—Spring chickens, per pair, 85 to $1.00; hens, per pair 65 to 70c; turkeys, per lb. 15 to 16c.; spring ducks, per pair, 75 to 90c.; geese, each 80 to 90c.; do per lb. 8c. to 9c.

Live Stock—Live hogs, per 100 lbs., $6.25; dressed hogs, $8.00 to $8.80; pigs, pair, $4 to $6.00, fat cattle $4.00 to $4.50; stags, per cwt. $2.00 to $2.12½; sows, per cwt. $4.25 to $4.50.

Farm Produce—Hay, $6.00 to $9.00; straw per load, $2.75 to $3; straw, per ton, $5 to $5.50.

Vegetables—Onions, per bag, 55 to 60c.; cabbages, per doz. 40 to 60c., potatoes, per bag, $1.20 to $1.30; turnips, per bag, 25 to 35c.; carrots, per bag, 30 to 40c.

TORONTO.

Toronto, April 2.—Wheat—The market is dull, with prices steady; No. 2 white and red quoted at 72c. Toronto, and 70c east, and at 69c to 70c middle freights; No. 1 spring nominal at 70c east, and No. 2 goose, at 66c to 67c east; Manitoba wheat steady; No. 1 hard, 87c North Bay, No. 1 northern 85c all rail, g. t.; No. 1 hard, 86½c North Bay; No. 1 northern, 85, North Bay; No. 2 northern, 84c North Bay. Oats—Trade is quiet, with No. 2 white quoted at 31c for middle; and 30c high, No. 1 white at 32 to 32½c east; and offered at 31½c high freights C. P. R; No. 2 mixed, 32c Toronto; No. 3 white, 29½c middle freights, Portland. Barley—Trade is quiet, with No. 3 extra quoted at 46c middle freights, and No. 3 east, at 41c to 41½c. middle freights. Peas—No. 2 white is quoted at 69c high freights, and at 69c east. Corn—Market dull, with Canadian yellow quoted at 45c west, and mixed at 44 to 45c west; No. 3 American at 50 to 51c on track, Toronto. Buckwheat—Market dull at 48c east, for No. 2. Flour—90 per cent. patents unchanged at $3.65, middle freights in buyers' sacks for export; straight rollers, of special brands for domestic trade, quoted at $3.20 to $3.35 in barrels; Manitoba flour steady; No. 1 patents, $4.10 to $4.40, and seconds, $3.20; strong bakers, $3.80 to $3.90, bags included, Toronto. Millfeed—Bran $17 here and shorts, $17.50; at outside points bran is quoted at $16.50 and shorts at $18 to $18.50. Manitoba bran, in sacks, $19, and shorts $21 to $22. Oatmeal steady at $3.80 for cars of bags and $3.95 for barrels, on the track, Toronto and 25c more for broken lots. Rye, 51½c, east; 50c middle; 48½c high.

MONTREAL.

Montreal, April 2.—Grain—No. 1 Manitoba hard wheat, 73½c.; No. 1 northern, 72c March delivery; No. 1 hard, 74½c; No. 1 northern, 73½c. ex store, May delivery; peas, 69½c high freights No. 2 oats, in store here, 36½ to 37c; rye, 51c. east; buckwheat, 48½ to 49c east, for May delivery; No. 1 oats, 36c; No. 2, 37c; rye, 60c; buckwheat, 56 to 57c; peas, 81c. Flour—Manitoba patents, $4.20; seconds, $3.90; Ontario straight rollers, $3.50 to $3.65; in bags, $1.70 to $1.75; patents, $3.70 to $4.10. Rolled oats—Millers' prices $2 bags, and $4.15 per bbl. Feed—Manitoba bran, $19 to $20; shorts, $21 to $22, bags included; Ontario bran in bulk, $18 to $18.50; shorts in bulk, $20 to $21. Provisions—Heavy short cut pork, $24 to $25; short cut backs, $23 50 to $24; light short cut, $23 to $24; compound refined lard, 8½ to 9c; pure Canadian lard, 10½ to 11c; finest lard, 11 to 11½c; hams, 12½ to 13½c; bacon, 14 to 15c; fresh killed abattoir hogs, $10 per 100 lbs. Honey—White clover, in sections, 12c. per section; in 10 lb. tins, 8c; in bulk, 7½c; dark, 5c lower. Cheese—Ontario, 13c to 13½c; Townships, 13c. Butter—Townships creamery, 20 to 20½c; seconds, 17c; Western rolls, 16c. Eggs—New laid, 12½c.

Live Stock Markets.

TORONTO.

Toronto, April 2.—Trade at the Western Cattle Market to day was light.

The bulk of the export cattle offered were sold at $4.25 to $4.40 per cwt. A large number, however, were disposed of at from $4.45 to $4.65 per cwt.

Export bulls were sold at from $3.85 to $4 per cwt.

Butchers' cattle