

Remarkable Apparition of a Suffering Soul.

The following incident, which we find in the "Echo du Purgatoire," will serve to prove the necessity and efficacy of prayers for the dead.

The Rev. Father Philippe Shoofs, who died at Louvain, Belgium, in 1879, related the following extraordinary incident, which occurred at Antwerp during the first years of his ministry in that city.

He had been giving a mission, and had just returned to the College of Notre Dame, which was then located in the Rue de l'Empereur, when he was called to the parlor. He there found two young men, accompanied by a pale, sickly-looking boy between nine and ten years of age.

"Reverend Father," they said, "here is a poor little boy whom we have, as it were, adopted, and who has shown himself, by his good conduct, fully deserving of the interest we take in him. We give him his board, send him to school, and, during the year that he has formed a part of our family, he has enjoyed good health and has been always cheerful and happy. But since a few weeks a complete change has come over him, his health is failing, and he has become pale and dull."

"What do you think can be the cause of this sudden change?" asked the Father.

"It is occasioned by fright," they replied: "the boy is awakened every night by an apparition. He says that an old man appears to him, and that he sees him as distinctly as he sees us in the daylight. This is the cause of his terror, his continual agitation. We come to you, Reverend Father, to learn a remedy for it."

"My friends," said Father Shoofs, "there is a remedy for every evil, if we seek it from God. Begin by making good confession and communion, asking God that you may be relieved from this trouble, and go in peace." Then, turning to the little boy, he said to him: "Now, my child, say your prayers devoutly to-night, and then go to sleep soundly that no ghost can awaken you." Then, giving them his blessing, he dismissed them, telling them to return if anything further happened.

At the expiration of two weeks the young men returned and said to the Father: "We have followed your instructions exactly, and the apparitions continue. The boy still sees the same man."

"Well, then," replied the Father, "to-night you will watch at the door of the boy's room; have paper, pen and ink ready, and when the boy tells you that he sees the man, you will enter the room, and ask him in the name of God who he is, where he died, where he lived, and the reason of his visits."

The next day they brought the paper on which they had written the answers. They had seen the old gentleman, but only as far as his bust. He told them his name, that he died in 1696, that he had been a banker, doing business in the same house, and he had also owned the two houses, one on each side of the one occupied by him. He added that he was in purgatory, that but few prayers had been offered up for the repose of his soul, and begged that the persons living in the house would have the charity to receive the Sacraments once for his relief; he also asked that a pilgrimage be made to the shrine of Our Lady of Favers at Louvain, Belgium, and another one to Our Lady of the Chapel at Brussels.

"You will do well to perform these good works," said Father Shoofs, "and, if the old man comes again, before asking him anything, tell him to recite the 'Our Father,' 'Hail Mary,' and 'Creed.'"

They fulfilled all the old man's requests with great recollection and piety, and then went once more to see Father Shoofs to report to him what had happened.

"Oh! Reverend Father, if you could have heard with what faith and devotion that old man prayed! We have never heard anyone pray as he did! What profound respect in saying the 'Our Father!' What love in his 'Hail Mary!' What firm belief expressed in his 'Creed!' Now we know what it is to pray! Then he thanked us for our prayers; he had been greatly relieved, he said, and would have been entirely freed from his pains, but for the fault of a girl employed in the store, who had made a bad confession. We mentioned this to her," added the young men. "She grew very pale, acknowledged her fault, and hastened at once to her confessor to repair it."

Since that time, adds Father Shoofs, nothing has happened to disturb the peace of that house. The family who dwell in it have prospered, and are now wealthy; the two young men continue to lead exemplary lives, their sister entered a convent, and is at present its Superioress.

Literary Notices.

It would be difficult to find amongst the monthly periodicals a magazine at all rivalling in interest to Canadians that successful national review, "The Canadian Magazine." It is, broadly cosmopolitan, in attention to every part of the Dominion. The provincialism that naturally becomes associated with a magazine published in any particular province is here conspicuously absent. Every province, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, is represented amongst the contributions, and a high literary merit marks the articles, many of which are highly entertaining. The January number is full of variety. "Howe and his Times," by Attorney-General Longley, gives many amusing incidents about Nova Scotia a generation ago. Chancellor Rand, of McMaster University, publishes for the first time one of the most extraordinary psychological experiences on record. Minnie Jean Nisbet has a charming, illustrated article on "Longfellow's Wayside Inn," E. Dowley's "Fleas of Ireland" charmingly describes Irish scenery and people, and gives beautiful illustrations of some of the Irish valleys. E. B. Biggar's "Two Lost Kingdoms," illustrated, tells of

Cetywayo and the Prince Imperial. A well written and illustrated article is J. J. Bell's "In Canada's National Park." And many other articles, poems, and sketches go towards making the Canadian Magazine one of the brightest publications in Canada.

One of the handsomest pamphlets that has been issued this year has just been issued by the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., setting forth the virtues of their Pink Pills for Pale People. The pamphlet is undoubtedly the most elaborate ever issued by a proprietary medicine house in Canada. The cover is printed in three colors and on the front page gives well executed portraits of the Duke and Duchess of York—England's future King and Queen—the portraits being surrounded by a handsome border, forming a union of hearts. The back cover page is also printed in colors and shows a fac simile of a package of the famous Pink Pills. The reading matter in the pamphlet will be interesting to those who may for any reason require blood builder or nerve tonic. A copy of this handsome pamphlet will be mailed free to any of our readers who will send their address on a postal card to The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

AN OWEN SOUND MIRACLE.

THE REMARKABLE EXPERIENCE OF MR. WILLIAM BELROSE.

Attacked by Malaria Fever, followed by Partial Paralysis—Physicians said they could do nothing for him—The Means of Cure Discovered Through Reading a Newspaper.

From the Owen Sound Times.

The Times has published very frequently the particulars of remarkable cures attributed to the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. These various articles were credited to newspapers of good standing, and there was no reason to doubt their entire truthfulness, but as we had not happened to come across a striking case ourselves we had given the articles but little thought, and perhaps this may also be the case with some of our readers. A few days ago the opportunity was given us to investigate a case, however, which satisfied us, and will satisfy those who read this, that there is a marvellous efficacy in this now celebrated medicine. It was told us by one of our leading druggists that a well-known resident had an experience which fully equalled the wonderful cures of which so much has been published. The citizen referred to was Mr. William Belrose, ship carpenter, who has been a resident of this town since 1866. The Times undertook to get the facts from Mr. Belrose in order to satisfy ourselves. He was working in the shipyard and when found was wielding the heaviest axe on the grounds, slaughtering the ribs for a big vessel on the stocks. None of the 300 men employed were working harder, nor appeared to be enjoying more vigorous health. In reply to a question, Mr. Belrose said: "Yes, sir, I would not be using this big axe if I had not taken Pink Pills." The story as briefly told as possible is this: In 1890, after returning from the Pacific Coast, Mr. Belrose went to Chicago, where he secured employment in the erection of one of the big Phil Armour grain elevators. After being in that city for a short time he was taken with a malarial fever. After a week of suffering the people with whom he was staying spoke of taking him to the hospital, but Mr. Belrose objected. A consultation was held, and it was decided that instead of going to the hospital, a place he dreaded, he would take the first train home. His ticket was bought and he was placed on the train. He was so sick that the only incident he could remember in the whole 600 miles' trip was the changing of cars at some junction. He reached home on August 7th, and a well known physician was called in. Recovery was slow, and it was not until November that he was able to get out of the house. Then in his weakened condition he took a relapse. Winter wore on; the best physicians were called in, but with no avail. There was no improvement. The complications baffled all treatment. From the hips down a sort of paralysis seized the sufferer, and it was impossible to keep the lower extremities warm. The bed covers were increased, but proved of no consequence so far as the warmth of the patient was concerned. As a last resort a pair of heavy German felt socks were procured and pulled over the cold feet. But the artificial warmth failed to do what nature for some reason could not accomplish. At last the doctors decided that nothing more could be done, and soothing draughts were administered to ease the pain. Friends brought the electric battery, and this treatment though relieving served only to make the pain more intense when discontinued. It happened during this treatment, however, that one of the visitors brought in, wrapped around a parcel, a paper giving an account of a cure effected by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. After reading the article the sick man determined to give them a trial. Before a box was gone the good effects were noticed, the second box brought further improvement, the third, fourth, fifth, and sixth were taken, the end of each only proving a milestone on the sure road to complete recovery. Twenty boxes were taken in all, but the end fully justified the expenditure, for, as Mr. Belrose put it, "I feel better and younger than I have felt for years. I eat heartily, I sleep soundly, and I can do a day's work alongside of anybody. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, under Providence, did it all. Pink Pills should be kept in every house. Since they cured me I have recommended them to my friends everywhere, and I shall continue to recommend them."

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The death of Bishop Bagnshaw of Nottingham makes a notable vacancy in the ranks of the English Catholic hierarchy. Dr. Bagnshaw was one of the most learned members of his rank in England, and during his administration, which would have covered a score of years next November, he conferred many benefits on his people. The lamented prelate was an ardent advocate of Mr. Gladstone's Irish policy, and was always outspoken in praise of that measure of rendering the Irish people partial justice.

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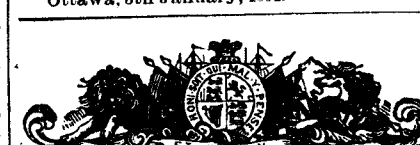


Tenders for a permit to cut Timber on Dominion Lands in the Province of Manitoba.

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the undersigned and marked on the envelope "Tender for Timber Berth 841, to be opened on the 29th of January, 1894" will be received at this Department until noon on Monday the 29th day of this month, for a permit to cut timber on Berth 841, comprising sections 25, 27, 34, 35 and 36, Township 5, Range 8, East of the 1st Meridian, in the said Province, and containing an area of five square miles, more or less.

The regulations under which a permit will be issued may be obtained at this Department or at the office of the Crown Timber Agent, at Winnipeg. Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted cheque on a chartered Bank in favour of the Deputy of the Minister of the Interior, for the amount of the bonus which the applicant is prepared to pay for a permit. It will be necessary for the person whose tender is accepted to obtain a permit within sixty days from the 29th of this month, and to pay twenty per cent of the dues on the timber to be cut, under each permit, otherwise the berth will be cancelled. No tender by telegraph will be entertained. JOHN R. HALL, Secretary.

Department of the Interior, Ottawa, 5th January, 1894.



MAIL CONTRACTS.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the Postmaster General, will be received, at Ottawa until noon, on Friday, 16th February 1894, on a proposed Contract for four years, six times per week each way, between the Stonewall Post Office and Railway Station, from the 1st April 1894. The conveyance to be made in a suitable vehicle drawn by one or more horses, in connection with the incoming and outgoing mail trains. Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed contract may be seen, and blank forms of Tender obtained at the Post Office of Stonewall and at this office. W. W. McLeod, Post Office Inspector. Post Office Inspector's Office, Winnipeg, 23rd Dec. 1893.

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