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Regina Notes.

A change in the weather has taken place. Today (Monday) it rained till about 9 a.m. and then a heavy wind with sleet continued throughout the day.

Mr. C. W. Peters, of the government offices staff, arrived last week from Montreal in the city with his bride. Mrs. Peters, mother of Mr. C. W. Peters, has also returned with her two daughters. Mrs. Peters formerly resided in Regina leaving here about ten years ago. Her husband, the late Mr. Peters, was architect for several of Regina's public buildings, built previous to that time.

Mr. C. J. McCusker spent several days of last week on a business trip to Winnipeg, where he visited his daughters, pupils of St. Mary's Academy.

There is such a tide of immigration already, that on many occasions last week it was impossible to find lodgings for the strangers; a great many of these people are going north. The land office is the busiest place in our city, and each morning crowds may be seen standing at the door waiting for 9 o'clock when the office opens.

The work on the new city hall has already commenced, and excavations have been made for other buildings in the city. This promises to be a very busy summer for our builders. Regina's future is certainly assured beyond a doubt even to the most cynical.

A mission was preached last week to the German congregation by Rev. Father Laufer, O.M.I. It was well attended and vast numbers approached the Sacraments. The Rev. Missionary preached at 8 o'clock Mass, and again in the evening at 7.30 p.m. each day. On Thursday evening a special service in honor of the Queen of Heaven was held; the Altar was one blaze of light and the pupils of Gratton school were all in attendance. The little girls neatly dressed in white, wearing wreaths and carrying a rose, while the little boys were dressed in black, and all formed in procession. On Sunday night the mission cross was blessed; at the door of the church were thirty young men wearing red sashes, one carried the cross, four bore blue and white banners, while the others walked in procession up the aisle followed by the little girls of Gratton school attired in white, and the little boys of that same institution. The Altar was beautifully decorated. From the Altar to the Communion railing nine rows of candles, fifteen in each row, were placed, while the statue of Our Lord, to be placed on the cross, rested directly in front of the railing. Hymns were sung and eloquent addresses, in German by the Missionary and in English by our zealous parish priest, Rev. Father Suffa, were given. After the blessing of the Cross during the singing of the "Stabat Mater" by a well trained choir, directed by Rev. Father Kim, O.M.I., those taking part in the ceremonies of the blessing of the cross, kissed the feet of the statue. The church was crowded to the sidewalk outside, many could not gain admittance; the sight was a never to be forgotten one. Both speakers told those present that this Mission Cross to be placed in the Sanctuary was to be a reminder to the faithful of the good resolutions made and many graces received during the missions. The ceremony was in German and to those understanding that language it was doubly impressive, to one and all it was a grand sight, to picture it in cold type is beyond our capacity. Like all the grand ceremonies of our dear Church it seems incongruous to try to describe them—we see them, we almost catch the glow, but here the pen must cease—they are memories we carry through life but not a recollection to describe. Father Laufer endeared himself to the many who heard him and proved himself a most pious, zealous, and painstaking missionary. We wish him Heaven's choicest graces and a long life in the work of the Divine Master. The vestments used in our church were the most magnificent your correspondent ever saw. Surely our new church is a grand tribute to the devoted parish priest who late and early toils for his flock.

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