

est, and you have an array of talent any one light of which would suffice to attract thousands of hearers and students to the scene of the lectures.

The fact that Plattsburgh, on the shore of historic Lake Champlain, has been chosen as the permanent seat of the Catholic Summer School, is a matter of congratulation for Canadians. We are anxious to take part in every grand movement along the highway of Educational progress, and we desire to reap all the benefits possible from the gathering together of students who are ready to impart their knowledge. Almost upon the Canadian border, it would be an evidence of great lack of appreciation were we not to take advantage of the opportunity afforded as to enjoy an intellectual as well as recreative outing. We trust sincerely that the Opera House at Plattsburgh will receive many a Canadian during the course of this session of the school. There are many ways in which this grand and important institution may be encouraged, and amongst them is that of frequenting its lecture halls. We are glad to be able to say that already a great number of Canadians have expressed their intention of attending this year. We wish to see at least a thousand from our Dominion at the lectures. The benefits they will reap must eventually affect our country and our social and educational circles.

Don't forget the dates—from 14th July to 13th August. For circulars and prospectuses apply to the TRUE WITNESS; they are distributed gratis.

CARNOT MURDERED.

The assassination of the President of the French Republic, by an Anarchist, is the final link in an unbroken chain of evidence against the demons that constitute that abominable organization. What do the Anarchists want? Not only do they seek the destruction of authority in the persons of legitimate monarchs, but even the President of a Republic, in which liberty has degenerated into license, is not safe. Evidently they care not what form a government may assume; the tyrant and despot is no more in danger than the most liberal-minded and popular Republican. When will France learn the lesson? When will that once happy, but now miserable land, recognize that without God and without religion there can be no safety for men. The knife of the murderer was whet upon the stone of atheism and driven by the arm of infidelity.

Surely this act will serve to awaken the French people to a true sense of the terrible position they occupy. Surely these outbursts will teach them that they are walking upon a slumbering volcano. The demon of anarchy has possession of the land; and the Renans, the Zolas, the Gambettas, the Terrys, the irreligious writers and the godless statesmen, are responsible for the crimes committed in the sacred name of liberty. Is there any means whereby this plague can be arrested? None, except by a miracle of Divine goodness, that may strike the nation down, as was Saul of old stricken, that it may arise, like Paul, to recognize God and to accept the mission He has in store for it.

Of old, tyrants trembled at the threatened voice of the people; to-day the order is reversed, and the people, and the people's representatives, tremble at the voice of the most monstrous tyrant that was ever engendered—the grim phantom of Anarchy. In free America two Presidents have fallen beneath the blows of assassins; in Republican France one of the most popular of Presidents has met a similar fate. Where is all this going to end? God alone can tell.

THE SHAMROCKS.

The victory gained by the Shamrocks, in Ottawa, on last Saturday, proves beyond all question that the "boys in green" constitute a real champion team of Canada. There is little doubt as to the result of this season's matches; and we feel perfectly confident that the trophy will come back to the Shamrocks—a trophy lost last year more by the accident of circumstances than by dint of keen lacrosse play. It is to be regretted most deeply that the troubles took place which had the effect of mar- rying all the pleasure and interest of the match. It is evident that had the Capitals been the winners no serious disturbance would have occurred. In any case it is too bad that a better and more manly, as well as national, feeling could not be created.

It had been rumored in Ottawa that when next the Capitals would come to Montreal there would likely be a repetition of the Ottawa incident. We can inform all who may be concerned that there is not the slightest danger of any such misfortune. Moreover, we voice the feelings of the Shamrocks and their friends when we say that there is not the slightest ill-will in the breast of any one of them towards their rivals. We must give credit where credit is due, with a couple of exceptions. The Capitals played fairly and ably throughout the match; and when the fates of the lacrosse field turned against them, they accepted their defeat in a manly, honest, and praiseworthy spirit. It was only when the outside crowd, members of which very probably had lost money on the game, interfered with the players, that the unfortunate disturbance began. These men who stake their money on the game, and are not content to let it go, men who turn every legitimate sport into a pretext for gambling, are the curse of all honorable amusements. Even when the mob surrounded the Shamrocks, and the police could in no way protect them, the Capitals formed body-guards for their victorious rivals and did all in their power to bring them safely through the ordeal.

We can promise the Capitals that when they come to Montreal their praiseworthy actions will not be forgotten, and that the people here will receive them as cherished friends. The Shamrocks and their supporters can distinguish between generous rivals and an irresponsible gang of outsiders.

THE great and only Prof. Corkerey, ex-monk, anti-Romanist, sacrilegious fool, and carrier of several other equally enviable titles of distinction, has got one year in prison to reflect upon his act in Hamilton. It will serve him as a short noviciate, and perhaps when his term is over he will enter forever into the great order of oblivion. They say that he is not quite sane; but we are under the impression that any insanity he may have is due to the possession that some devil has taken of his soul. He is to be pitied; but should be kept under lock and key for the sake of others as well as for his own.

We recently had occasion to visit some of the leading Catholic institutions of Ottawa, and we felt pleased to note the rapid strides along the way of progress made by the Capital during the past few years. One establishment in particular deserves a special mention, it is the General Hospital, under the charge of the Grey Nuns and the immediate superintendence of Rev. Mother Phelan, the present superioress and former Mother-General. It is a splendidly equipped establishment, and its rooms and wards are equal to any and superior

to many of the best hospitals in Canada. We noticed one thing in particular; if you did not know you were in an hospital, you would never detect that fact without going through and seeing the patients in the wards. That peculiarly offensive odor natural to such institutions is entirely absent, and the cleanliness, neatness and brightness of the place give it rather the air of a sanitarium, or healthy summer resort: It is a most desirable place to board.

CLOSING OF THE SCHOOLS.

ACADEMY OF OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL.

The annual commencement exercises of the Academy of Our Lady of Good Counsel took place on Friday morning last. The Rev. Fathers O'Donnell and Shea were present. The proceedings were opened by instrumental selections, which were excellently rendered by the young ladies under the direction of Rev. Sister St. Felix. Not the least interesting on the programme was the chorus, "Vacation Song."

The voices of the little ones were well trained, and their cheerful song was much admired.

In response to the address, which was a masterpiece of composition, read with all the elegance and grace of a professional elocutionist, by Miss Catherine Clarke, Rev. Father O'Donnell congratulated the successful girls on the excellent results of the examination, and after addressing a few words of encouragement to the little ones the proceedings were brought to a happy close.

THE ARCHBISHOP'S ACADEMY.

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES AND AWARDS OF MERIT.

Rev. Canon Leblanc presided at the distribution of prizes to the pupils of the Archbishop's Academy last Saturday afternoon, there being also present Rev. Fathers Doh, and Perron, chaplain of the Academy, Rev. Bro. Arnold, and Bro. Marcellan former director. The gold medal for excellence was won by R. Carmel. This medal was donated by Mrs. P. McCrory. The gold medal presented by Mrs. W. Kearney was awarded to M. J. McCrory for shorthand. The Rev. chaplain of the academy was the donor of two beautiful volumes which were carried off by C. O'Flaherty and R. Carmel. The first prize for elocution was won by T. Kearney. Mrs. M. Walsh gave rewards to the following named pupils, who by their gentlemanly bearing and application to study had their names inscribed on the honor roll during the whole school term:—

COMMERCIAL COURSE.—P. Kennehan, R. Carmel, R. Carignan, J. Kennehan, R. Grenier, W. McKenna, P. McCrory, J. Godin, J. Robert, A. Desliere, R. Piche, A. Dufresne.

INTERMEDIATE COURSE.—P. Coghlin, E. Maguire, L. Morin, R. Labelle, J. McMahon, T. Tansey, C. Marchand, W. Maguire, A. Naud, J. Polan, F. Symons.

PREPARATORY COURSE.—H. Fitzgerald, J. Vinet, R. McShane, S. McCrory, J. Walsh, N. Gagnon, A. King, R. Robichaud, J. Macdonnell, A. Lalonde, J. Mulcair, F. McShane, N. McCarrey, R. Warren, G. Larkin, E. Demers, W. Warren, P. Williams, A. St. Cyr, H. Maguire, F. Fitzgerald, L. Deslauriers.

The following is the list of prize winners in the order of merit:—

COMMERCIAL COURSE.—R. Carmel, P. Kennehan, R. Carignan, J. Hicks, M. J. McCrory, A. Brunet, J. Kennehan, R. Grenier, J. Boucher, W. McKenna, R. Souliere, T. Wickham, E. Malboeuf, C. O'Flaherty, P. M. Crory, J. Warren, J. Godin, J. Robert, W. Fitzgerald, A. Desliere, F. Poirier, A. Dufresne, A. Dufresne, R. Poirer, J. O'Dowd, A. Robert, J. Millen, W. McEvilla, A. St. Marie, F. Bourassa, A. Vien, G. Lalmand, P. Renaud, R. Piche, H. Laramee, R. Huot.

INTERMEDIATE COURSE.—E. Maguire, T. Kearney, L. Morin, T. Coghlin, F. Hewitt, C. Vadboncoeur, F. Sullivan, J. McMahon, A. St. Marie, T. Doherty, E. Carrick, A. Lafontaine, F. McKenna, M. O'Flaherty, H. Hoobin, L. Russel, D. Donnelly, E. Tracey, W. Tracey, W. Cleary, T. Kavanagh, P. O'Donoghue, C. Conroy, C. Charlebois, L. Lagace, A. Demers, F. Neville, A. Deslauriers, W. Styles, T. Tansey, P. Lesperance, W. Maguire, J. Polan, W. Kearney, F.

Symons, P. Leduc, R. Quigley, A. Moffatt, C. Marchand, H. Bcurrassa, A. Naud, F. Bissonnet, H. Grenier, T. Morrell, T. McKeown, R. Thibault, J. Nolan, A. Varin, E. Barbeau, C. Dufresne, A. Michard, C. McOlanaghan, A. Robert, W. Hickey, E. Markum, G. Nelson, J. Lappin, H. Hebert, J. Longtin, M. Benoit, E. Robitaille, T. Duggan, C. Masse, J. Loye, A. Cabana, G. Davis.

PREPARATORY COURSE.—J. Vinet, H. Fitzgerald, R. McShane, S. McCrory, A. Quenville, J. Walsh, N. Gagnon, A. King, F. Demers, F. Nolan, O. Campbell, J. Lynch, C. Walker, A. Labelle, R. Robichaud, J. Macdonnell, L. Bertrand, J. Laramee, D. Lynch, J. Farrell, F. Nolan, T. Maguire, A. Lauthier, W. Hayes, E. Rocket, C. Lynett, J. J. Curran, W. Charbonneau, W. Coghlin, A. Ethier, J. Wurtele, A. Laramee, F. Jones, L. Viau, R. Dipon, L. Husereau, O. Bertrand, P. Donnelly, N. Fontaine, H. Wynne, J. Neville, C. Hickey, R. Furlong, A. Lalonde, J. Mulcair, F. McShane, M. Tansey, W. McCarrey, J. Farrell, R. Warren, G. Larkin, E. Demers, W. Warren, A. Circe, P. Williams, Farrell, A. St. Cyr, E. Foisy, J. McGarrahan, A. Dauphenais, L. Boire, F. Wurtele, H. Maguire, F. Fitzgerald, F. Markinn, R. Wickham, A. Labelle, L. Deslauriers, C. Lalonde, D. Larkin, W. Coghlin, A. Galarneau, E. Nelson, J. Barry, J. Tessier, E. Davis, R. Husereau, H. Labelle, P. Kelly, E. Burke, H. Birmingham, E. Benoit, F. Murphy, D. Walsh, F. McGoldrick, W. Tracy, P. Wurtele.

ST. AGNES' CONVENT.

St. Agnes' Convent, St. Antoine street, held the annual distribution of prizes on Saturday afternoon. The vacation also began on Saturday, and the school will not re-open until the first week in September. The much-coveted gold medal was won by Miss Nellie Kelly and the silver medal by Miss Mary A. Boylan.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CONVENT.

The closing entertainment at St. John's Convent, in St. Gabriel's parish, will take place to-day. A very pretty and attractive entertainment has been provided for the occasion. Among the items on the programme are an operetta, a wand drill, several musical features, and a drama, entitled, "Eniccliffe, or two days spent with a great aunt." The Rev. W. O'Meara will preside at the entertainment and distribution of prizes. A large number of the clergy and laity are also expected to be present.

COTE DE NEIGES COLLEGE OF NOTRE DAME.

To-morrow afternoon, at 2 o'clock, the closing exercises and distribution of prizes will take place at the college of Notre Dame de Cote de Neiges. After the distribution of prizes a little entertainment will be given. Friends of the pupils may leave the city by a special bus which leaves St. Lawrence Main, at the corner of Lagauchetiere, at a little before 10 o'clock, and will leave the college for its return journey at 4.30 in the afternoon.

ST. MARY'S BOYS' SCHOOL.

The annual commencement exercises of St. Mary's boys' school were held last Friday evening in St. Mary's hall. The attendance, which was unusually large, was a great source of encouragement to the little fellows, who seemingly strained every effort to acquit themselves well. The earnestness written on the faces of the little fellows as they stood before the footlights was a source of great pleasure to their parents and the excellent manner in which they performed the numbers on the programme was a treat to witness.

ST. ANN'S SCHOOL.

The commencement exercises took place in St. Ann's school yesterday morning. An excellent programme was prepared and the friends and relatives of the boys spent a very enjoyable and instructive morning. The boys of St. Ann's always present an excellent entertainment, and their programme of yesterday was quite up to the average. On the programme were a singing contest and a speaking contest, as well as instrumental music, including a violin and flute solo. In next week's issue we will publish full details of the exercises.