

THE OPPOSITION IT OVERCAME

The Autonomy Bill has passed its second reading by the stupendous majority of eighty one votes. Even had not a single Catholic vote been cast for the Bill, it would still have carried. This is Parliament's answer to the bigots of Canada. It is as decisive as it is unmistakable. The sort of canvass that was made against the measure in Parliament and out of it, may be judged by an extract from a circular that has been sent broadcast throughout the country, from ocean to ocean. We give it here, big letters and all from the printed form before us:

LET PARTYISM BE ANNIHILATED, and let both LIBERALS AND CONSERVATIVES stand shoulder to shoulder and STRENUOUSLY OPPOSE AND PROTEST AGAINST THE ATTEMPTED IMPOSITION OF A SYSTEM OF EDUCATION which is but a RELIC OF "THE DARK AGES" and SEEKS TO PERPETUATE BLIGHTING SUPERSTITIONS, CRUEL EXTORTIONS AND DEBASING DOGMAS WHICH DETHRONE CONSCIENCE, VIOLATE REASON, AND DARKEN THE INTELLECT, which stands in STRONG CONTRAST TO THOSE PRINCIPLES OF TRUTH AND FREEDOM WHICH ARE THE PILLARS OF OUR COUNTRY, AND WHICH ENOBLER AND ELEVATE THE NATION BY THE CULTIVATION OF AN ENLIGHTENED INTELLIGENCE.—The Casket, May. 11.

COURT OFFICIAL'S
UNIQUE CELEBRATION

King's Bench Interpreter Observes the Birth of His First Canadian Ancestor

James C. de Lorimier is celebrating to-day a unique event in his family's history, namely the birth of the first de Lorimier in Canada.

On May 22, 1705, just 200 years ago, there was born at Fort Roland, now known as Charboillez square, Montreal, C. N. G. de Lorimier, who was afterward made a knight of the Order of St. Louis, by Louis XV., as a reward for services rendered to France in the battle of Collard, and in the taking of Fort George, by General Iberville. His son, Major C. C. de Lorimier, was born in September, 1745, and was known at "Le Vieux Major." At the age of fourteen years he served as lieutenant with Montcalm against Wolfe in the battle of the Plains of Abraham in 1759. In 1775 he served as an officer under General Carleton in the defence of St. Johns, Que., at the time the general was governor of Canada. The eldest son of "Le Vieux Major" was killed at the battle of Williamsburg, Ont., which took place in 1813, during the war with the United States. The second son, G. B. C. de Lorimier, was wounded in the battle of Champlain while serving under General Provost. He was one of those who signed the treaty of Lord Selkirk with the Indians for the concessions made in 1818. He died in 1847 in Montreal. The third son was Edward N. C. de Lorimier, who was born on September 13, 1799, and was for thirty-two years an officer of the Indian department. During that time he was agent at Caughnawaga seigneurie, as deputy commissioner of Indian affairs of the province of Quebec. His son, J. C. de Lorimier is the popular court official who is to day celebrating the birth of his ancestor. He was born on September 3, 1836, and served as captain in the fifty-fourth battalion of Voltigeurs of Beauharnois, and received a medal for services at Trout river fight which took place May 26, 1870, during the Fenian raids. He came to Manitoba in November, 1874 and has served twenty-one years in the court of the queen's and king's bench. He has one son, Joseph C. de Lorimier, who served eight years with the Mounted Police in the Northwest Territories and the Yukon, and who now resides with his father in St. Boniface.—Telegram, May 22.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST

At the Immaculate Conception, during the month, devotions are being held nightly at 7.30. Thursday night proved to be of particular interest as at that service two new members were enrolled in the sodality of the Children of Mary Immaculate and the already enrolled members took the opportunity of the occasion to renewing their act of consecration to the Blessed Virgin, Mother of God. The Rev. Fr. Cherrier delivered a short address and the Rev. Fr. Sauve presided at the Altar.

Another interesting item is the preparation of some twenty-five children, male and female, who are under special instruction for First Communion which will take place on June 4th.

It is expected that on the same occasion our beloved Archbishop, His Grace A. L. P. Langevin, will administer Confirmation to the same.

His Grace having notified the Pastor that his official visitation will take place on the same day, 4th June, the parishioners are looking with eagerness and anticipating happiness from the episcopal visit which has ever been marked by special blessing from Heaven on the members of the congregation.

Last Wednesday, being the anniversary of the birthday of the late Queen Victoria, was observed as a holiday. It was religiously kept by the pupils of the Academy of the Immaculate Conception. On the eve of that day the Rev. Pastor said a few words on Patriotism, and took opportunity of the circumstance that the next day was also a feast of Our Lady of Good Help, to establish a comparison between the respect that, as loyal citizens, we should entertain towards the lawful authority that rules the land, and the true devotion that, as Catholics and the disciples of Jesus Christ, we should entertain towards our Heavenly Queen and Mother.

On Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, the 30th and 31st of May, St. Mary's choir will give a public rendering of Arthur Sullivan's and W. S. Gilbert's musical Cantata "Trial by Jury." There is a rapid sale of tickets and good audiences are expected each night.

The work of erecting a stage has been in the hands of Mr. John Nyland, and a most finished and artistic specimen of stage carpenter's skill he has produced. The choir is fortunate in numbering among its members one so thoroughly conversant with this style of work as Mr. Nyland. For a considerable number of years he has had a large and varied experience of Amateur Dramatic work, and consequently there is very little in this class of work with which he is unacquainted.

We take this opportunity of expressing our gratitude to the Rev. Father Cahill and the Clergy of St. Mary's for the assistance which they have extended to us, and for the zeal and interest which they have displayed in promoting the welfare of the "Northwest Review."

The encouragement which we have received, and the many expressions of good-will which are being showered upon us by the leading Catholics of the district are indeed most gratifying, and we hope by giving publicity weekly to bright, facy items of interest to the Catholic, and by earnest and zealous effort on our part, to promote the cause of Catholicity, to merit a continuance of their support and patronage.

Sunday next, 28th May, will be an auspicious day for the youthful members of St. Mary's congregation. On that day a large number of little ones will approach the altar to receive their first communion. Let us hope that all participants in Sunday's great event may be able, in after life, to look back to that memorable day with rapture and pride with which all true Catholics recall their First Communion.

On account of the First Communion the masses on Sunday at St. Mary's will undergo a slight rearrangement. There will be the usual seven o'clock mass, but the eight o'clock mass will give place to the mass for the first communicants, which will be celebrated at eight thirty. There will be no mass at nine o'clock, but no alteration will take place with regard to the other two masses which will be as usual at ten and eleven o'clock.

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RECITAL AT ST. MARY'S

The musical and elocutionary recital which had been postponed from Friday, the 12th inst., on account of the bad weather, took place on Tuesday the 16th, a very fine moonlit evening. St. Mary's Academy's pretty hall, beautifully decorated for the occasion, was crowded with friends of the pupils, who witnessed one of the most pleasing and perfect entertainments ever given under the direction of the good Sisters. One charming feature was the care taken that the numbers should not be too long. In spite of recalls the following extended programme was all finished in one hour and thirty-five minutes.

Piano Selection—"Murmuring Zephyr"
..... Jensen
Misses J. Duncan, B. Kibbee and C. Prince.

Recitation—"Cratchet's Christmas Dinner"
..... Dickens
Miss A. Caswell.

Two pianos, four hands—Romance, Op. 51"
..... Greig
1st piano, Miss M. Tait and E. Bertrand
2nd piano, Misses G. Mathews and M. Bernhart.

Vocal Solo—
(a) "Violets" Wright
(b) "Forgotten" E. Cowles
Miss Kibbee

Piano Selection—"To Spring"
..... Greig
Misses Bertrand and Duncan

Recitation—"Bell of Atri" Longfellow
Miss A. Barry.

Piano selection—"Kammenoi Ostron"
..... Rubenstein
Misses Tait, Mathews and Bernhart.

Vocal Solo—"Unto Thy Heart"
..... F. Allsten
Miss Mathews

Violin Solo—Selected
Miss Jeanne Dubuc

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Recitation—"How Tom Sawyer got the fence painted"
..... Mark Twain
Miss V. Julian

Piano selection—
(a) "Tarantella" Mills
(b) "Whims" Op. 12 Schumann
Misses M. Tait and G. Mathews.

Recitation—
(a) "The Lost Chord" Proctor
(b) "Blow, Bugle, Blow" Tennyson
Miss Bernhart

Piano selection—"Romance, Op. 5"
..... Tchaikowski
Misses Tait, Bernhardt, Mathews and Bertrand.

All the selections were rendered with spirit and precision. The songs and recitations were eagerly encored. The violin playing of Miss Jeanne Dubuc, who was recalled, showed great acquirements and still greater capabilities.

Very Rev. Father Allard, O.M.I., the chaplain of St. Mary's Academy, presided. At the end of the performance he asked Father Drummond, S.J., to congratulate the young ladies. The latter did so most heartily, and reminded them that music was unique in that it was the only art in which practice and steady work were absolutely essential to success. In other pursuits genius may dispense with work, but not so in the case of music. Moreover, music is the only earthly art that is spoken of as continuing in heaven. What a comfort it will then be to join in faultless concerts without any of the drudgery of preparation! He also congratulated the elocutionists on their perfect naturalness. He marvelled how girls could so hit off boy nature.

A PRACTICAL JOKE
(From an Exchange)
An editor desires his subscribers to pay up, as he wishes to play a similar joke upon his creditors.

TO AN EDITOR
We would like to whisper to the editor of "Men and Women," since he is, we suppose a Catholic, conducting, we again suppose, a Catholic magazine, that prelates and priests have taught, and experience has confirmed their teachings, that the Y.M.C.A. is positively and above board a Protestant organization and that no Catholic young man can frequent their places without grave danger to his faith.—Catholic Universe.

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OSCAR WILDE AND HIS MOTHER

(By Rev. L. C. P. Fox, O.M.I., in Donahoes' for May.)

When stationed at the Reformatory I sometimes called on Sir William Wilde, who was reputed to be one of the cleverest oculists of his time. He was bitterly opposed to reformatories, and made no secret of his animosity; not so, however, his talented and patriotic wife, Lady Wilde, who was better known by her "nom de plume" Speranza. She used to take lodgings every summer for herself and her children at a farm house, at the foot of the vale of Glencree, belonging to a worthy family of the name of Evans, intimate friends of mine. On my calling there one day she asked my permission to bring her children to our chapel to assist at Mass on Sundays. As we had a tribune in the chapel from which the boys and the altar could be seen without actual communication I readily acceded to her request, and after the Mass was over, I enjoyed many a pleasant hour with this excellent lady. I am not sure whether she ever became a Catholic herself, but it was not long before she asked me to instruct two of her children, one of them being that future erratic genius, Oscar Wilde. After a few weeks I baptized these two children, Lady Wilde herself being present on the occasion. At her request I called on their father, and told him what I had done, his sole remark being that he did not care what they were so long as they became as good as their mother. I presume I must have been removed from Glencree soon after that time, as I never met any of the family again.

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