

In and Around Toronto

REV. FATHER T. MOYLAN, C.S.B., SANG FIRST MASS.

On Sunday last at St. Basil's, a large congregation assisted at the first High Mass of Rev. Father Moylan, ordained on the Sunday previous.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION.

Wednesday, the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin, was observed throughout the city as a day of devotion.

DEATH OF MRS. S. TRACY.

The death of Mrs. S. Tracy, widow of the late Mr. Michael Tracy of Prescott, Ont., which occurred at her home on Tuesday, the 7th inst., removed from earth to eternity one of the grand old type of Christian gentlewoman which now-a-days is far from common.

Mrs. Tracy came to this country when a child and resided in Prescott until she moved to Toronto about thirty years ago.

of our recording secretary, Miss S. Kelly, he it resolved that we, the officers and members of said Branch, do hereby tender our sincere sympathy to our bereaved sister member and family, in this the sad hour of affliction.

He it further resolved that this resolution be entered in the minutes of the meeting and a copy sent to the bereaved family and also to the Catholic Register.

F. DUNN, President. M. HAFEEY, Act. Rec.-Sec.

BASILIAN RECEIVERS' ASSIGNMENTS FOR ENSUING YEAR.

The following assignments have been made for this continent to cover the ensuing year, for the priests of the Community of St. Basil at St. Michael's College:

St. Michael's College, Toronto—Very Rev. Father Marjion, Provincial; Rev. N. Roche, Superior; Fathers DuMouchel, 1st Coun. and Treas.; Vaschalde, 2nd Coun.; Frachon, Walsh, Murray, E. Martin, A. Martin, Plomer, T. Finnegan, Howard, Staley, Murphy, Burke, Carr and Messrs. Fitzpatrick, King, McAuley, Flanagan.

St. Basil's College, Waco—Rev. Fathers Foster, Superior; Sullivan, 1st Coun.; J. Ryan, 2nd Coun. and Treas.; Sharpe, Plourde, Heydon, Cunningham. St. Thomas' College of Houston—Rev. Fathers Gignac, Superior; Pageau, Couns.; Drohan, Purcell, Huetter. St. Mary's Seminary, LaPorte—Rev. Fathers Hurley, Superior; Donnelly, Couns.; Pickett. Assumption College, Sandwich—Rev. Fathers McBrady, Superior; Ferguson, 1st Couns.; Hayes, 2nd Couns. and Treas.; O'Neil, Roach, Kennedy, Thos. Roach, W. Roach, Powell, C. Collins, Moylan, Messrs. C. Costello, McCormick, Brighton, Rooney, Brophy, Mahoney. Owen Sound—Rev. Fathers J. B. Collins, Superior; Granottier, Couns.; Shaughnessy, Rafferty.

St. Basil's Church, Toronto—Fathers Kelly, P.P.; Frachon, Mr. Perry, Sec. Amherstburg—Rev. Fathers Renaud, P.P.; Fuma, Couns.; McNulty, Port Lambton—Father O'Donohue. Corunna—Father Buckley. London—Father Cherrier. Drayton—Father Heydon. F. McEvoy, Jersey City, N.J. Assumption Church, Sandwich—Father Somande, P.P.; Chalendard, assistant.

St. Basil's Novitiate, Toronto—Rev. Fathers Aboulin, Payer, assistant and treasurer; P. Ryan, charge of parish. St. Basil's Scholasticate, Toronto—Very Rev. Fr. Teely, Superior; Messrs. Morley, Bezaire. St. Anne's, Detroit—Rev. Fathers Grand, Superior; Cote, Couns., Christian.

A RECORD-BREAKING FAIR.

The buildings on the exhibition grounds at Toronto are valued at between \$1,200,000 and \$1,500,000. No other annual exhibition in America possesses the same accommodation.

MR. ED. MEEHAN, DELEGATE.

Mr. Ed. Meehan of No. 81 Typographical Union, Toronto, is now out of town doing duty as delegate to the International Convention at Colorado Springs.

DEATH OF MRS. JAS. SCULTON.

Death came very suddenly to Mrs. Sculton, wife of Mr. James Sculton, of 152 Brock avenue, on Monday morning. The deceased had been attending to her household duties as usual a few minutes before the end. A sudden attack of heart disease was the cause of death. Mrs. Sculton had suffered from a similar attack about a year previously, from which she had never altogether recovered. The funeral took place on Wednesday morning from St. Helen's church to Mount Hope cemetery. Mrs. Sculton is survived by her husband and one son. R.I.P.

ST. JOSEPH'S ACADEMY.

Results of departmental and university examinations for 1906 are: Senior Leaving, Part II—Miss M. McKay (honors), Miss J. MacGregor, Miss S. Meader. Senior Leaving, Part I—Miss J. O'Malley. Junior Leaving—Miss K. Phelan (honors), Miss M. Ryan, Miss T. O'Driscoll, Miss C. Sullivan, Miss F. Tobin. Junior Matriculation—Miss M. Rush. Music. Senior Pianoforte—Miss J. Morin (second class honors), Miss K. Clarke. Junior Pianoforte—Miss E. Corrigan (first class honors), Miss Keogh (second class honors), Miss A. Quigley (second class honors), Miss K. Lyon, Miss E. Fraser. Primary Pianoforte—Miss T. Burns, Miss K. Moore, Miss I. Abbott, Miss L. Conlin, Miss A. MacLaren, Miss A. Rourke, Miss A. Fay and Miss M. Morrow. Junior Theory—Miss C. Scully (honors), Miss E. Clarke (honors). Senior Singing—Miss J. MacGregor, (first class honors), Miss C. Scully, Miss M. Bourke. Junior Singing—Miss D. Gillies.

ANNUAL PICNIC WILL BE HELD.

The annual picnic of St. Mary's Auxiliary, Knights of St. John, will be held at Bond Lake on Saturday, Aug. 18th. Every accommodation in the way of commodious and convenient means of transit has been provided. Special cars will leave at 2.15 p.m., returning, leaving Bond Lake at 9.30 p.m. The spot chosen is ideal, and the outing promises to be most pleasant. Adult tickets 40c; children's tickets 25c.

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE.

At the regular meeting of Branch 19, I.C.B.U., the following resolution was passed:

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God in His infinite wisdom to remove by death Mr. E. Kelly, the father

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"He has something that he treasures With the paths of his race; 'Tis a rosary given to him By the nuns who had this place,

"In the days when o'er the island Waved the sunny Fleur de Lis; Fore the holy priests and sisters From their convent had to flee.

"'Twas in those days, when toiling, As a slave upon this land, That the rays of grace fell on him, By the holy Sisters' fanned.

"Till at length that holy fire Sprang up brightly in his breast, And the waters of baptism To his weary heart brought rest.

"Through the years of war that followed, Up until this present day, Has his heart been ever faithful On his rosary to pray.

"Many sects have tried to lure him To forsake his holy faith; But the grace of God was stronger Though his path is hard and strait.

"Sits he, father, ever praying God to let him see the face Of a priest before they lay him In his long, last resting place.

"The marks of over five score years On him are left behind, For, father, I must tell you, The poor old man is blind.

"Will you enter now and see him? Though he cannot see your face, It will cheer the poor old fellow. Just to have you in his place."

"Yes, my friend," the priest said, gently, "Let us hasten to his side; To our Holy Church such members Are the comfort and the pride."

By this time, their horses reining Close beside the cabin door, Through whose tattered roof the sunlight Stole upon the broken floor.

Entered first the doctor softly, Started back in quick alarm, Turned and met the good priest coming, Seized him quickly by the arm.

Led him swiftly to the bedside, Where the old man dying lay, E'en in death his brave lips trying O'er and o'er his beads to say.

Lay he there, his soul departing In the agony of death; With his form, now growing rigid As he fainter drew each breath.

The doctor, turning quickly, To the dazed priest by his side; "Quick, father! Absolution! He is dying fast," he cried.

Raised the priest, his hand in blessing O'er the old man lying there, And the words of absolution Rang upon the silent air.

As those holy words of mercy Died upon the startled air, Shone a light upon the darkey Making every feature clear.

Lighting up the white-robed father As he stood with hand upraised, Then the old man's spirit fled To the God he'd ever prayed.

—Mary Grace O'Carroll. August, 1906.

TOPICS OF AN OLD-TIMER

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means as plentiful then as now. A story of German thrift that was abroad at that time was this: There was a portion of the city then known as Hamburg, whose inhabitants were nearly all of the Teutonic kind. An American business man was greatly in need of money and he failed to get his usual discounts at the banks. He was recommended to see an old German in Hamburg, who it was said had had money to lend. He called on this man and offered him a good rate of interest for the accommodation. While talking with him over the matter, he saw enter the house several children, loaded down with baskets full of kitchen stuff. He recognized them as beggars that were constant visitors at his own house. Yet here he was negotiating for money with their father to carry on his business or relieve him of a present pressure. The descendants of those German people of that day are now prosperous American citizens who repudiate the language and habits of their parents, and form part of the great American family, but are not Anglo-Saxons. There were few or no Poles then in Buffalo, now they are many and very self-reliant at that, and are clamoring for a Bishop of their own.

When I first saw Buffalo in 1848 it had just received its first Bishop—Bishop Timan. I do not know what nationality Bishop Timan belonged

to, but he was very American in his manners. He spoke English without any accent, but in preaching his voice was very thick. He was a tall, straight, and very thin man, who spoke with a great deal of fervor. His pro-cathedral was St. Patrick's church, a small, plain, brick structure on the corner of Ellicott and Carroll streets. He preached every Sunday at High Mass and was very instructive in his discourses. He had trouble at the very beginning of his administration as most bishops had in those days about church property. St. Louis church was a large, plain, brick structure, away up Main street, the ground for which had been given by a large land owner and one of the first, if not the very first, Catholic in Buffalo, by the name of M. Louis Le Conteux de Caumont. It is strange how in most of the Western cities some one with a French name has been a first settler, like in Illinois, Bourbonnais; in Iowa, Des Moines; in Minnesota, Duluth, etc. Many of those French settlers made their money at fur trading with the Indians. They were the voyageurs, the couriers du bois, and the fur traders of the great west from Montreal to Fort Garry and St. Louis to the Rocky Mountains.

In 1848 the number of daily papers was much the same then as now. There were then the "Commercial," the "Courier," "Express" and "Republican." There are now the "Commercial," "Courier," "Express," "News" and "Inquirer." One, the "Republic," has long ago dropped out, and strange to say that was the new advocate of a new party not then named, but now known as the great Republican party of Abraham Lincoln. The "Commercial," which was the leading Whig organ of Western New York, is still in existence, and in place of being Whig, is Republican. The "Courier" is now Democratic as of yore, and without any broken traditions. Its owner now, however, is an Irishman named Connors, who is also the leader of his party and, I am told, a wealthy man.

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The "Express" was in the old days Whig, and like the "Commercial," it also is Republican. The "News" is not a very new paper, but like the Telegram here, has a monopoly of the small advertisements. The "Inquirer" is the evening edition of the Courier. Three of those papers are published in the morning and three in the evening. From their appearance and advertising patronage, I do not think they are as prosperous as the Toronto papers. The Morning Express was founded by a well known Irishman, Hon. William E. Robinson, who removed afterwards to New York, and the paper became the property of Col. Clapp.

There was no Catholic journal in Buffalo when I first knew it. The "Catholic Union and Times," published there for many years, is one of the most prosperous Catholic papers in America. It is the organ of Right Rev. Charles Henry Colton, the present Bishop of Buffalo, as it was also the organ of Bishop Quigley, now the Archbishop of Chicago, when he was bishop of Buffalo. It belongs, however, to a corporation of Catholic citizens, and is managed by Mr. King, who has won great success in making it a great Catholic paper as well as a great newspaper enter-

prise. Connected with the paper is a job printing business, employing forty persons. One of the editorial staff is a Mr. Archie McLean, a Canadian and a convert, with whom I had a very pleasant interview. Mr. King has a very pleasant home at South Aurora, about forty miles distant from Buffalo, and I did not have as long an interview with him as I wished, as he was about taking a train for home. Father Cronin, the late editor of the paper, had the parish of Tonawanda. It is not long since his death.

I do not remember of any Catholic paper in Buffalo before D'Arcy McGee's "American Celt and Catholic Citizen," removed there from Boston in 1852. It was followed by the "Catholic Sentinel," edited by Bernard Doran Killian, who had been sub-editor of the "Celt," but how long it lasted I know not. If there were separate papers known as the "Union" and the "Times," as there may have been, I know not of them. At any rate those previous papers were the unsuccessful experiments that led to the present very successful "Union and Times," whose continued success is well worth praying for.

WILLIAM HALLEY. (To be Continued.)

Some of the Strong Features Brought Out at the Recent Investigation of THE MUTUAL LIFE OF CANADA This Company Has Been Examined by the Royal Commission and the investigation proved thoroughly honest management. The company is sound to the core, and its affairs are conducted along scientific and popular lines, solely and economically in the best interests of its policyholders. Gilt-edged Assets, Dec. 31, 1905—\$9,296,092 Not a dollar of stocks. Not a dollar of unauthorized securities. Not a dollar of speculative investments. Not a dollar with subsidiary companies. Not a dollar "written up" in its list of securities. Not a dollar for stockholders; every dollar for policyholders. The company is in the enviable position that it can convert on demand its entire assets into gold, and at the same time largely increase its surplus. The Real Estate held by the Company (outside of head office building) IS LESS THAN \$1,000 Expense Rate Unusually Low Being the LOWEST OF ALL Canadian Companies for the year 1905, notwithstanding that the LARGEST VOLUME OF NEW BUSINESS in the history of the company was written in that year. Remarkably Favorable Mortality Experience The losses by death in 1905 were only 49% of the losses that were normally expected to occur. The fine quality of this company's business is shown by the notable fact that during the past 15 years the death losses AVERAGED ONLY 53% OF THE EXPECTED. The Rapid Growth of the Company's Income The income for 1895 was \$735,079, while in 1905—ten years after—it reached the large sum of \$1,956,519. The interest income exceeded the death losses during the same period by \$568,945. The Mutual Life of Canada HEAD OFFICE, WATERLOO, ONTARIO Is an Ideal Company, Furnishing Absolutely Perfect Protection to Its Policyholders at the Lowest Possible Cost.